

Sending

Benediction

Sending Hymn “Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song” #808

Dismissal Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

Thanks be to God.

Please hold in prayer this week	
Linda Johnson	Katie Yanez
Boyd Lundquist	Miles
Daniel Berg	Angie Pantlin
Wendy	Bob Steege
Carol Bastianello	Charles Massey
Mabel Hughes	Roger Sames

Worship Leaders for September 7		Worship Leaders for September 14	
Preacher	Bryant Bakkum	Preacher	Bryant Bakkum
Organist	Barb Steers	Organist	Barb Steers
Acolyte		Acolyte	
Lector	Kathy Coleman	Lector	Katie Primmer
Run A/V	Josh Bugbee	Run A/V	Jason Wieland
Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom	Ushers	Larry Goetze & Doug Hillstrom
Altar Guild	Jeri Bowers & Carrie Hron	Altar Guild	Jeri Bowers & Carrie Hron
Altar Flowers		Altar Flowers	Mel Simonson
Fellowship	Sandy, Stephanie, Larry & Toby	Fellowship	Rally Sunday Potluck

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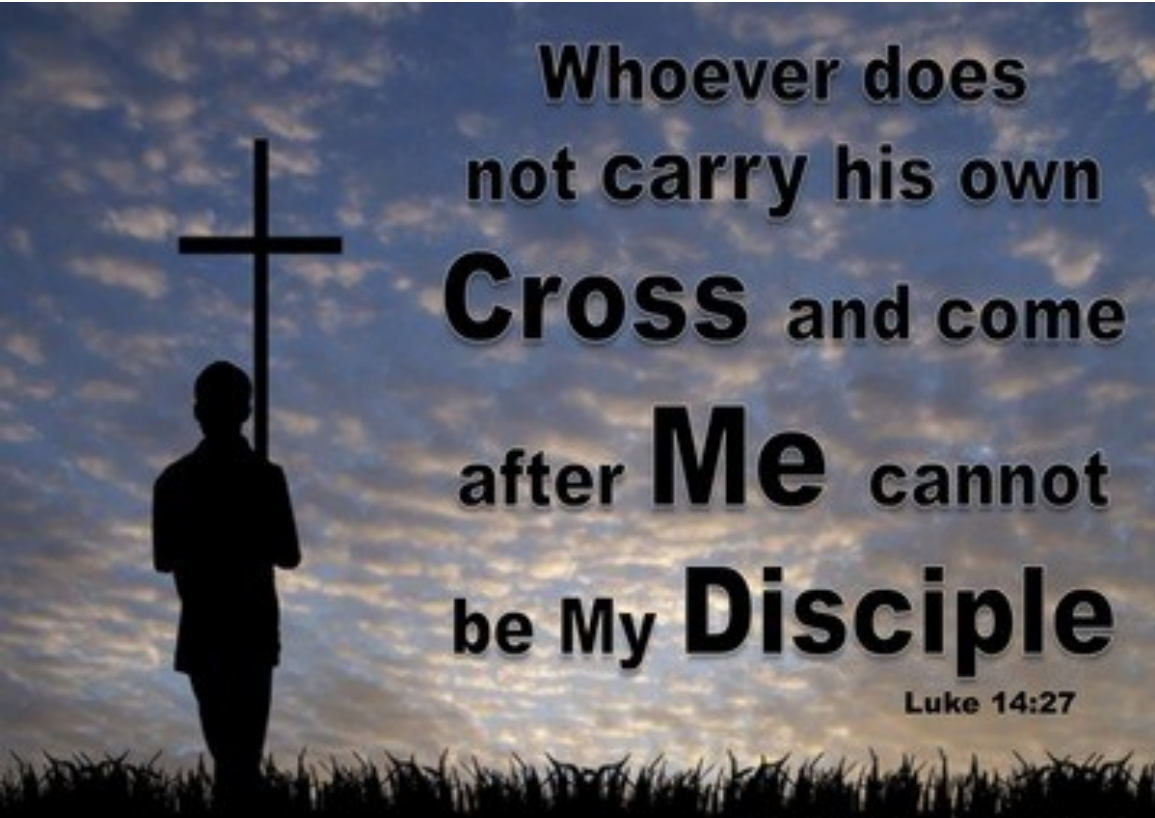
God Invites Our Generosity

8/31/25 Offering: \$1,847

Attendance: 76

Pentecost

September 7, 2025 • 9:00 a.m. Worship



East Union Lutheran Church

Carver, Minnesota

Gathering

Prelude
Welcome, Confession & Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, our maker, our helper, and our keeper. Amen. Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful and loving God, we are your stiff-necked people. We trample on the needy. We grumble about your grace to others. We turn away from the poor. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins. Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found. Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful. Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. You who were lost have been found. In the name of + Jesus, your sins are forgiven! Amen.

Gathering Hymn “O God Beyond All Praising” #880
Greeting & This Is the Feast page 140

Prayer of the Day

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Word

Kid’s Sermon
First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses speaks to the Israelites, who are about to enter the land promised to their ancestors. In this passage, he lays out the stark choice before them: choose life by loving and obeying the Lord; or choose death by following other gods.

Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful! Their delight is in the law of the Lord, and they meditate on God’s teaching day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper. It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.

Second Reading: Philemon 1-21

Onesimus, a new Christian and a man enslaved by Philemon, has helped Paul, who is in prison. Paul writes this letter to his friend Philemon to encourage him to receive Onesimus, upon his return, as a sibling in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation “Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?” page 142

The Holy Gospel Luke 14:25-33

Jesus speaks frankly about the costs of discipleship. Those who follow him should know from the outset that completing the course of discipleship will finally mean renouncing all other allegiances.

Sermon Pastor Bryant Bakkum

Hymn of the Day “Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said” #667

Prayers of the People Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offertory Song “We Are an Offering” #692

Offering Prayer—Let us pray together:

Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Meal

The Great Thanksgiving & Holy, Holy, Holy page 144

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven... page 145

Communion Hymns “Lamb of God” page 146

“O Jesus, I Have Promised” #810

Prayer after Communion—Let us pray together:

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.