

CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS* AND WORSHIP FOR DEC. 17, 2017

General Fund	\$ 6243.00	Thur. 12noon / 7:00 pm	17/15
Building Fund	\$ 230.00	Nursery	2
Endowment Fund	\$ 2500.00	Sunday 8:30 am	68
Memorial Fund	\$ 0.00	Sunday 10:45 am	79
All Other Funds	\$ 312.00	WEEK TOTAL	181

*Contributions include online giving

**THIS WEEK'S SERVANTS
December 24, 2017**

	9:30 am	5:00pm	10:00pm	Mon 12/25	Thur 12/28
Greeters - Sanctuary	Bob & Muriel T.	Paul & Tricia H.	Bobbie Z./Marlene I.	Sharon Kimmel	
- Parking	-	-	-	-	
Reader	Vicki Gordon	-	-	-	
Communion	-	-	-	D & C Zook	
Worship Assistant	Chuck Brummer	Andy Schuster	Steve Opdahl	Jerry LaMott	John Hafner
Acolytes	Alex Tiaden	TBD	-	TBD	
Ushers - Captain	Kevin O'Donnell	TBD	TBD	TBD	
- Assistant	Chuck Brummer				
Projectionist / AV	Paul Hickey	Jeff Banks	Kevin Zook	Kevin Zook	
Weekend Custodian	Chuck Niesen				

**NEXT WEEK'S SERVANTS
December 31, 2017**

	9:30 am	7:00 pm	Thur 1/4
Greeters - Sanctuary	Lil Weber	Bobbie Z./Marlene I.	
- Parking	-	-	
Reader	Cyndie Claussen	-	
Communion	-	-	
Worship Assistant	Dale Zook	Bruce Davis	Les Lehrke
Acolytes	Syler Smith	-	
Ushers - Captain	Kevin O'Donnell	TBD	
- Assistant	Chuck Brummer		
Projectionist / AV	Murphy	-	
Weekend Custodian	Chuck Niesen		

VISITORS: Check out our website, www.berealutheran.org for more information about Berea.

Copies of the January **Eager Berean** newsletter are also available in the tract rack in the narthex.

MEMBERS: Pick up your **January Eager Berean** from your mail box.

This Week's Birthdays

Ruth Joyce	12/24
Jacob Meyers	12/26
Jacob Murphy	12/28
Christopher Harrison	12/29
Carol Koch	12/29

May the Lord bless your special day!



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, December 24 – Christmas Eve

9:30 am Worship
 1-3:00 pm Light Restoration
 5:00 pm Worship *
 10:00 pm Worship *
 * Pre-service music
 15 minutes prior

Thursday, December 28

7:00 pm Worship – *Lord's Supper*
 Meals on Wheels

Friday, December 29

6-7:00 pm Light Rest Bible Study
Fireside Room
 Meals on Wheels

Monday, December 25 – Christmas Day

9:30 am Worship – *Lord's Supper*

Sunday, December 31 – New Year's Eve

9:30 am Worship
 1-3:00 pm Light Restoration
 7:00 pm Worship

Tuesday, December 26

9:30 am Friendly Visitors
 6:00 pm A.A.
 Meals on Wheels

Wednesday, December 27

8:00 am Prayer Breakfast
 - *Baker's Sq., 98th & Lyn.*
 6:00 pm A.C.A.
 Meals on Wheels

✚ - *On the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 10:45am, we offer a contemporary worship service (Except in December)*

If you would like to place an announcement in the Beacon, please give it to the office in writing (note or to office email below), by noon Tuesday for the upcoming Sunday.



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YOUR STAFF

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Community Outreach Coordinator
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD BECAME FLESH – AN ADVENT SERMON SERIES

John 1:1-18 introduces one of the Bible's greatest and grandest books—the Gospel according to St. John. These eighteen verses contain some of the most important words written—ever. They explode with light and brilliance, truth and grace. And John 1:1-18 is chock full of dearly loved Advent and Christmas themes, with the most famous one being, “The Word became flesh.” (John 1:14).

Christmas Eve (Dec. 24-pm) – **“We Have Seen His Glory!”** (John 1:14b)

MITTEN TREE

Each year the Berea Mitten Tree welcomes new mittens, hats, gloves, and scarves! These will be donated to the Marie Sandvik Center in south Minneapolis for their Phillips neighborhood folks that are in need of warm winter gear. Donations may be added to the tree through Jan. 1.

COUNCIL NOTES

The November Council notes are available in the rack by the Emerson Ave doors.

ALTAR GUILD UPDATE

Guild will meet on Jan. 15th, not the 8th.

2018 ENVELOPES

Your 2018 offering envelopes boxes should be appearing in your mailboxes very soon!

CRÈCHE EXHIBIT

The community is invited to view more than 200 unique and artfully crafted crèches from around the world. Father Jerry Dvorak, pastor at St. Peter's Catholic Church, continues his Christmas tradition of sharing his personal collection. You can see this display, through Jan. 21st, on the lower level of St. Peter's Church, 6730 Nicollet Ave. Exhibit hours: M-F, 8:30am to 7:30pm, Sat., 9:00am to 6:00pm, Sun., 9:00am to Noon. Limited hours on holidays. For more info, call 612-866-5089 or go to www.stpetersrichfield.org

Thank You

Thanks to the Sunday School kids and the Before & After School kids for decorating the Fellowship Hall!



Holiday Schedule

Christmas Eve

9:30am, 5:00pm*, 10:00pm*

*pre-service music 15 minutes prior

Christmas Day

9:30am – Lord's Supper

New Years Eve

9:30am, 7:00pm

Items of Note

Portals of Prayer – The devotion booklet for January-March is now available at the track rack by the Emerson Ave. doors.

Mpls. Home & Landscape Expo – If you might be planning some home updates in the near future or just want to do some dreaming, there are complimentary tickets to the Mpls. Home & Landscape Expo (Dec. 29-31) on the west bulletin board. This event will be held at the Mpls. Convention Center.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

LWML Card Corner

Feel free to browse our fine selection when you get your coat!

Now available:

Christmas

Also small gift boxes (50¢ - \$1) & bookmarks/gift tags (15¢ea or 2/25¢)

Babies!

For New Infants/Parents/
Grandparents/Great Grandparents

Winter Birthdays

We have a new section of wintery-looking cards for those who celebrate in the winter months; check it out!

Also, Remembering Shut-ins:

Along with our prayers, “Thinking of You” cards are always welcome.

Thanks!

...to all donors, crafters,
& purchasers for your support!

All card income goes to support
LWML mission projects
in U.S. & abroad.

Count Your Blessings...a Stewardship Minute

“But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan ...”

2 Samuel 7:4

Nathan thought David's idea was great, so he blessed it with the Lord's name. But later that night, the Word of the Lord set him straight. The Word of the Lord must be the basis for what we think, say, and do in God's Kingdom: not our own desires or whims.