

CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS* AND WORSHIP FOR - Nov. 25, 2018

General Fund	\$ 9656.00	Thanksgiving Eve 7pm	63
Building Fund	\$ 165.00	Nursery	2
Endowment Fund	\$ 532.44	Sunday 8:30 am	79
Memorial Fund	\$ 57.11	Sunday 10:45 am	46
All Other Funds	\$ 0.15	WEEK TOTAL	190

*Contributions include online giving. See our website for online giving information.

THIS WEEK'S SERVANTS Dec 2 2018

	8:30 am	10:45 am	Thur 12/6
Greeters - Parking	Marlys Hyslop	Alexis Gartland	
Reader	Esther Bunch	Christian Weidner	
Communion	Dale & Catherine Zook	Lacey Wellens	Noon / 7:00pm
Worship Assistant	Jerry LaMott	Steve Opdahl	Jerry G. / John H.
Acolytes	Wyatt Beaty	Tyler Donnelly	
Ushers - Captain	Kevin O'Donnell	TBD	
- Assistant	Chuck Brummer		
Projectionist / AV	Jeff Banks	Joshua Thompson	
Weekend Custodian	Cheryl Thiele		

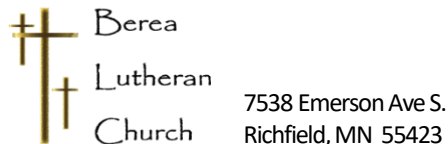
NEXT WEEK'S SERVANTS Dec 9, 2018

	8:30 am	10:45 am	Thur 12/13
Greeters - Parking	John & Penny B.	Jerry & Laurel Gatz	
Reader	Beth Oebser	-	
Communion	-	-	Noon / 7:00pm
Worship Assistant	Dale Zook	Andy Schuster	Bruce D./ Les L.
Acolytes	WA	WA	
Ushers - Captain	Kevin O'Donnell	TBD	
- Assistant	Chuck Brummer		
Projectionist / AV	Paul Hickey	Kevin Zook	
Weekend Custodian	John Hafner		

VISITORS:

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

Copies of the **December
Eager Berean** newsletter
are also available at the
information rack in the narthex.



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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, December 2 – Advent 2

- Lord's Supper
8:30 am Worship
9:40 am Education Hour
- Adult Bible Class
- Confirmation Class
- Sunday School
10:45 am Worship
12:30-2:30 pm Light Restoration
3:30 pm Girl Scouts

Monday, December 3

9:00 am Staff Meeting
10:00 am LWML Cards

Tuesday, December 4

1:00 pm Women's Christmas Tea
6:00 pm A.A.

Wednesday, December 5

8:00 am Prayer Breakfast- *Bkr. Sq.*
6:00 pm A.C.A.
7:00 pm Senior Choir

Thursday, December 6

10:00 am Bible Class
11:00 am Advent Lunch
12:00 pm Advent Worship
6:00 pm St. Nicholas Event
7:00 pm Advent Worship

Friday, December 7

6-7:00 pm Light Rest Bible Study
- *Fireside Rm*

Saturday, December 8

10 am-12 pm Sunday School
Program Practice

Sunday, December 9 – Advent 3

8:30 am Worship
9:40 am Education Hour
- Adult Bible Class
- Sunday School
- Confirmation Class
10:45 am Worship / Sunday Sch Pr
12:30-2:30 pm Light Restoration

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

YOUR BEREALUTHERAN STAFF

Rev. Dr. Kevin Tiaden, *Pastor*

OFFICE

Allen Petersen, *Parish Administrator*
HaeKyung Thompson, *Community Outreach
Coordinator*

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY DIRECTOR

Paige Fladland, DCE

MUSIC

Paul Cordes, *Music Director*
Kerry Murphy, *Choir Director*
Penny Voxland, *Music Assistant*

BUILDING

Shawn Donnelly, *Custodian*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME!

Today during the second service, we welcome 4 new members, and their families, by rite of adult confirmation.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Honor those who have passed on, or special loved ones still in your life, with a poinsettia. These lovely Christmas plants will adorn our sanctuary this holiday season. Pick up the order form and special envelope on the east bulletin board. Cost is \$12.00 per plant and is due by Dec. 9th. You may bring your plant home after the Christmas Day service.

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 some warm winter gear. Donations may be added to the tree through Dec. 31st.

ADVENT LUNCHES

With the start of our mid-week Advent schedule, we are still looking for a few extra sets of hands to help out with the lunches. Preparation for lunch starts around 9:00 and cleanup should be done by 12:30 or so. If you are interested in helping, contact Vicki H. or Bobbie Z.

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS TEA



Women's Christmas Tea is this Tuesday, Dec. 4th at 1:00 p.m. Please join us for an afternoon of tea and Christmas treats; a game; the reading of the book, "Peef the Christmas Bear" by Esther Bunch; a visit from Santa; and of course, fellowship! Please bring a 1/2 dozen treats to share, and a tea cup if you wish. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. If you have questions, contact Anita Feller 612-861-1040.

CELEBRATE ST. NICHOLAS DAY AT BERA

This Thursday, Dec. 6th, from 6:00-8:00pm, we are planning a fun evening for families with crafts, treats, story-telling, and even the chance to have your picture taken with St. Nick. We will need a few volunteers to help that evening, so if you might be able to help, contact one of our Deacons; Barb, Josh or Alexis. We had approx. 25 children last year, so it is a good event!

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

The 2018 Advent devotional, **The Coming King**, is now available on the table outside the church office.

Next Sunday @10:45am – Our Sunday School presents **Incredible Christmas!**

Thank You!

Thanks to everyone who helped put up the Christmas decorations around the church last Sunday! It's wonderful to see the holiday and everyone had fun working on it.
Lois & Chuck B.

Thanks to all those who donated items for the Silent Auction, every item was greatly appreciated! We raised over \$2,500 for Berea's Food Distribution program.

Lynn Schuster

Thank you to Berea's Loaves and Fishes Too volunteers for serving a free meal to 112 guests at Creekside Community Center in Bloomington on November 26. Volunteers were Jan and Warren, Anita, Karen and Larry, Lois and Chuck, Judy, Beth O, Cyndie, Dan, Esther and Arvie, LaDean, Carol, Robyn and Joe, Pastor Hinck, Bev. We serve a meal on the fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. If you are interested in joining our serving team contact Dan Fors for more information at 952-941-1553.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

LWML Card Corner

Now available:

Christmas

Remembering Shut-ins
& Our Prayer Listees:
Along with our prayers, Thinking of You cards are always welcome. Our card rack has lots to choose from!

Thanks to all donors, crafters, and purchasers for your support!

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

This Week's Birthdays

Tyler Donnelly	12/4
Dale Zook	12/4
Joshua Thompson	12/5
Vicki Garner	12/6
Carol Mittelsteadt	12/7
Cheryl Thiele	12/7
Gavin Garner	12/8
Hannah Springer	12/8

May the Lord bless your special day!

(If your birthday is missing, please let the office know so we can update our records)

Count Your Blessings...a Stewardship Minute

"As it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, 'The voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" *Luke 3:4*

God makes long-range plans: Isaiah lived more than 700 years before St. John the Baptist preached by the Jordan River. Obviously, God sees farther into the future than we do. That's yet another reason to trust Him when it comes to how He tells us to live our lives. He knows what's coming, and we don't.