

### Participants

Reverend Catherine A. Merrill      Minister  
 Allison & Clyde Ferrell          Advent Family

*New Beginnings Musicians:*

Peter Bretschneider	Vocals, Saxophone
Carol Cherian	Vocals
Sanjay Cherian	Vocals, Guitar, Percussion
Chris Jones	Vocals
Jocelyn Jones	Vocals, Keyboard
Yifan Kang	Vocals, Keyboard
Jon King	Bass, Trombone & Percussion
Dave Larkin	Vocals, Trumpet
Charlene LeDoux	Cello
Melanie Levesque	Vocals
Cindy Perkins	Vocals
Emily Schult	Vocals
Gary Simmerman	Vocals, Keyboard
Derek Smith	Electric Guitar
Steve Tamulonis	Percussion, Vocals



### Calendar

<b>Sunday, December 23</b>	10:00am	Worship Service
<b>Monday, December 24</b>	4:00pm & 7:00pm	Christmas Eve Services
<b>Sunday, December 30</b>	10:00am	Worship Service
<b>Sunday, January 6</b>	10:00am	Worship Service
	12:00pm	Confirmation Class

Last week's attendance (12/9/18): 32 Adults, 5 Children

BCC Financial Summary	Est. Budgeted Income	Actual Income	Est. Budgeted Expenses	Actual Expenses	Income vs Expenses +/-
November		\$25,182		\$7,084	\$18,098
YTD	\$63,640	\$86,881	\$82,771	\$74,169	\$12,712

Service of Lessons & Carols  
 Gaudete Sunday

*Brookline Community Church*

2 Main Street, PO Box 507  
 Brookline, NH 03033

Reverend Catherine Merrill  
 603-673-7511

**December 16, 2018**

**10:00 am**

The Festival of **Nine Lessons and Carols** tells the story of the fall of humanity, the promise of the Messiah, and the birth of Jesus in nine short Bible readings from Genesis, the prophetic books and the Gospels, interspersed with the singing of Christmas carols, hymns and choir music.

Traditionally, the first reading is offered by a chorister, a member of the children's choir. This year we are blessed to have Cora and Kier Shaklee offer the reading from Genesis.

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GATHERING MUSIC by New Beginnings

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: Hope (see insert)

Anthem by New Beginnings "*Christmas Hallelujah*"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER: **Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON: Genesis 3:8-15

**\*Response: #135 "O Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus"**

THE SECOND LESSON: Genesis 22:15-18

**\*Response: #152 "Angels We Have Heard on High"**

THE THIRD LESSON: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

**\*Response: #170 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE FOURTH LESSON: Isaiah 11:1-9

**\*Response: #151 "Go Tell It on the Mountain"**

THE FIFTH LESSON: Luke 1:26-38

**\*Response: #171 "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"**

THE SIXTH LESSON: Matthew 1:18-23

**\*Response: #133 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"**

MINISTRY OF SHARING: (offering of tithes and gifts)

Offeratory by New Beginnings "*One of Us*"

**\*DOXOLOGY: # 809 "Praise God from whom all**

***blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*"**

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING**

THE SEVENTH LESSON: Luke 2:8-16

**\*Response: #147 "Away in a Manger"**

THE EIGHTH LESSON: Matthew 2:1-11

**\*Response: #185 "We Three Kings"**

THE NINTH LESSON: John 1:1-14

**\*Response: #146 "Joy to the World"**

Closing Anthem by New Beginnings "*Hope Was Born This Night*"

*Here ends our worship, now let our service begin.*

**\* Please stand in body or Spirit**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

> **SHARE** is collecting canned fruit, flour, sugar, boxed mixes & baking supplies, coffee & tea

> **Offering Envelopes:** If you would like offering envelopes, please see Rena or contact her at [renaduncklee@charter.net](mailto:renaduncklee@charter.net)