

Participants

Reverend Catherine Merrill
Gary Simmerman
Charlotte Ledoux

Minister
Pianist
Cellist

Calendar

Saturday, Dec. 17	8:30 am	Take-home meal cooking day
Sunday, Dec. 18	8:30 am	Deacons Meeting
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
Saturday, Dec. 24	4:00 & 7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Service
Sunday, Dec. 25	10:00 am	Christmas Day Service
Sunday, Jan. 1	10:00 am	New Year's Day Service
Sunday, Jan. 8	8:30 am	Cabinet Meeting
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour
Sunday, Jan. 15	8:30 am	Deacons Meeting
	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour

Last week's attendance (12/4/16): 34 Adults, 4 Children

<i>BCC Financial Summary</i>	Actual Income	Planned Income	Actual Expenses	Income vs Plan	Income vs Spending
Monthly	\$6,855.92	\$7,829.30	\$7,181.99	✘ -\$973.38	✘ -\$326.07
Year to Date	\$79,226.80	\$87,463.40	\$71,024.26	✘ -\$8,236.60	✔ \$8,202.54

Please remember to sign up for altar flowers (the sign up book is in the foyer of the side entrance to the church)



December 11, 2016

Worship Service

Brookline Community Church

2 Main Street, PO Box 507
Brookline, NH 03033

Reverend Catherine Merrill
603-673-7511

WELCOME & RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP:

Extend a greeting to those nearby

INTROIT TO GAUDETE SUNDAY

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: PEACE

(see insert for Advent song)

* INTROIT: #163 "Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming"

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on James 5:7-10):

Leader: Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of

the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop

from the earth, being patient with it until it

receives the early and the late rains.

All: Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the

Lord is near.

Leader: Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so

that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is

standing at the doors!

All: As an example of suffering and patience,

beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the

name of the Lord.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

CLEAR OUT FOR KIDS' CORNER

*HYMN: #356 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

JOYS AND CONCERNS: Pastoral prayer

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.

SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 35, read responsibly in

stanzas

Leader: Isaiah 35:1-2

All: Isaiah 35:3-4

Leader: Isaiah 35:5-7

All: Isaiah 35:8-10

* HYMN: #34 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 11:2-11, p. 792

SERMON: "Highway of Doubts"

MINISTRY OF SHARING: (offering of tithes and gifts)

* 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CLOSING HYMN: #20 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: # 839 "God Be With

You Till We Meet Again; by his counsels guide,

uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God

be with you till we meet again."

Here ends our worship, now let our service begin.

* Please stand if you are able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

> Take-home meals currently available: Chicken Florentine,

Italian Sausage Minestrone. Chicken pot pie cooking day is next

Saturday, 12/17. Please sign up to donate ingredients.

> SHARE is collecting toothbrushes & toothpaste, deodorants,

shampoo & conditioner, bar soap