

## Participants

Reverend Catherine Merrill  
Gary Simmerman

Minister  
Pianist

## Calendar

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

Last week's attendance (11/27/16): 25 Adults, 1 Child

<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)



2ND SUNDAY OF *Advent*

December 4, 2016

Communion Service

*Brookline Community Church*

2 Main Street, PO Box 507  
Brookline, NH 03033

Reverend Catherine Merrill

603-673-7511

**December 4, 2016**

**10:00 am**

WELCOME & RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP:

Extend a greeting to those nearby

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: WAITING

(see insert for Advent song)

**\* INTROIT: #45 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 72):

Leader: May the King judge your people with  
righteousness, and your poor with justice.

**All: May the mountains yield prosperity for the  
people, and the hills, in righteousness.**

Leader: May the King defend the cause of the poor of  
the people, give deliverance to the needy, and  
crush the oppressor.

**All: Blessed be his glorious name forever; may  
his glory fill the whole earth. Amen and  
Amen.**

**\*HYMN: #132 “Comfort, Comfort Now My People”**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

CLEAR OUT FOR KIDS’ CORNER

JOYS AND CONCERNS: Pastoral prayer, the response to  
“Hear us, O God” is “**Your mercy is great.**”

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.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: see insert

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION:

Leader: God be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to God.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to God most high.

**All: It is right to give thanks and praise.**

SCRIPTURE READING: **Isaiah 11:1-10, p. 558, read  
responsively**

**\* HYMN: #297 “Spirit of the Living God”**

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 3:1-12, p. 784

SERMON: “Stumped”

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: #146 “Joy to the World! The Lord is  
Come”**

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**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

> **SHARE** is collecting toothbrushes & toothpaste, deodorants,  
shampoo & conditioner, bar soap

> **Christmas Faire: TODAY!! 1:00 - 7:00 pm.** Join the fun!

> **SHARE Christmas gifts: due TODAY!** Thank you.