

**Berea Christian Church**  
**December 8, 2019 – 11:00 AM**  
**Robert L. Stovall, Pastor**

*The worship of the Triune God is the believer's most important duty. We are told in John 4:23-24 that God the Father is seeking those who will worship Him in spirit and truth. As you prepare for this worship service, purpose to be a participant, not a spectator. Join in the praise of the congregational singing (even if the song is unfamiliar); join in the joyful giving of tithes and offerings; pray along with the pastor, adding your "Amen" (signifying your agreement with the petition, confession of sin, or adoration); and carefully listen to God speaking through the preaching of His Word. May our Sovereign Lord receive glory as you actively worship Him.*

**Lord's Day Morning Worship**

- \*Prelude** **Organist**
- \*Choral Introit** "Open My Eyes That I May See" (pg. 563) **Choir**
- \*Greeting** *Welcome & Exhortation* **Pastor Stovall**
- \*2<sup>nd</sup> Advent Reading** *Isaiah 11:1-10 (pg.1076)* **Pastor Stovall**
- \*Call To Worship** *Psalm 63:1-5 (pg. 899)* **Pastor Stovall**
- \*Hymn # 255** **The Church of Christ**  
*"Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming"*
- \*Confession of Sin:** **The Church of Christ**  
 Pastor: Most Holy and Merciful God, who has searched and known us, and are acquainted with all our ways.  
 ☆ **People: We confess before You our sinfulness and seek Your forgiveness.**  
 Pastor: We have failed in our duty; we have forgotten our high calling.  
 ☆ **People: We have succumbed to many temptations.**  
 Pastor: We have dishonored Your name; we have injured our neighbors; we have hurt our own souls.  
 ☆ **People: Give us, we pray, the spirit of true repentance, that we may turn from our sins and forsake them with our whole heart.**  
 Pastor: In Your great love, have mercy on us and absolve us from our guilt;

☆ **People: For the sake of your dear Son, our savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon:** **Pastor Stovall**  
*Colossians 2:13-14 (pg. 1833)*

**\*Response of Praise:** **The Church of Christ**  
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
 and to the Holy Ghost;  
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
 World without end. Amen, amen.

**\*Old Testament Reading:** **Pastor Stovall**  
*Isaiah 2:1-4 (pg. 1062)*

**\*Response to the Word:**  
 Pastor: The grass withers, the flower fades,  
**People: But the word of our God stands forever.**

**\*Offertory Hymn # 270** **The Church of Christ**  
*"Joy to the World!"*

**\*Tithes and Offerings** **Organist**

**\*Anthem** *"Listening for the Shout"* **Choir**

**\*Prayers of Adoration & Intercession** **Pastor Stovall**  
*Leading in Prayer*

**\*New Testament Reading:** **Pastor Stovall**  
*John 1:1-18 (pg. 1645)*

**\*Response to the Word:**  
 Pastor: This is the word of the Lord,  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Preaching the Word** **Pastor Stovall**  
*Matthew 2:1-12 (pg. 1497)* **"All Nations Shall Flow to Him"**

**\*Hymn # 275 "Sing We Now of Christmas"** **The Church of Christ**

**\*Benediction** *Pronouncing the Benediction* **Pastor Stovall**

**\*Benedictory Response** **The Church of Christ**  
*"By His Grace" (pg.339)*

**\*Postlude** **Organist**

*The flowers on the altar and front door wreaths are given to the Glory of God by Altar and Sanctuary.*



**BEREA'S WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

<u>Sunday</u>		<u>Wednesday</u>	
10:00 am	Sunday School	5:45 pm	Choir Rehearsal
11:00 am	Worship Service	7:00 pm	Bible Study

**BEREA'S MONTHLY CALENDAR**

- Dec. 8 Deacons meeting 12:30 pm  
 Missions Committee meeting 12:30 pm
- Dec. 9 Church Council meeting 7:00 pm UNLESS CANCELED
- Dec. 12 Women's Fellowship meeting 11:00 am
- Dec. 15 Covered Dish Luncheon  
**DEADLINE** for Veteran Christmas Cards
- Dec. 16 Exchange Club meeting 6:30 pm
- Dec. 17 North Suffolk Circle of CHKD meeting 6:00 pm



**MISSIONS COMMITTEE PROJECTS**  
**DECEMBER - RICE (brown/white)**

**CHECK OUT THE BACK**  
**AND FLYER INSERT**

Please send a card, call, visit/pray for those in need of your time.

**NOTE: Names will be on the prayer list for one month unless there is a request for them to remain. \* New Name**

**Berea Members:**

**Paige Harrell** (overall health concerns)

4924 Vico Drive, Chesapeake, VA 23321

**Wilma Jack** (vision concerns)

110 Rabey Farm Road, Suffolk, VA 23435

**Linda Knight** (health concerns)

3380 Bob White Lane, Suffolk, VA 23435

**Kitty Outlaw** (health concerns)

2957 Kings Highway, Suffolk, VA 23435

**Susan Outlaw** (health concerns)

179 Outlaw Lane, Suffolk, VA 23435

**Chuck & Phyllis Umberger** (Chuck has COPD, Phyllis health)

3156 Sterling Way, Portsmouth, VA 23703

**Jerry Van Faussien** (heart, back pain & respiratory concerns)

5901 Knotts Neck Road, Suffolk, VA 23435

**Aubrey Whedbee** (cancer) 3024 Kings Highway, Suffolk, VA 23435

**Jimmy Willis** (health concerns)

5200 Bennett's Pasture Rd., Suffolk, VA 23435

**\*Barbara Winslow** (fell on shoulder)

5000 Bob White Lane, Suffolk, VA 23435

**Others by Request:**

**Connie Bauswell** (Mike Bauswell's mother, cancer)

**Coralie Draper** (back surgery) 8444 Portal Rd., Norfolk, VA 23503

**\*Carolyn Harrell** (Nellie's friend, lung cancer)

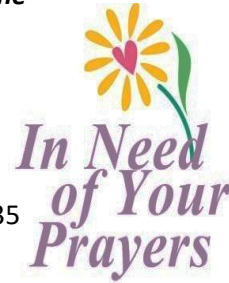
**Donnie Kramer** (Christie Bradshaw's brother-heart surgery)

**\*Margaret Moore** (knee surgery – Exchange Club member)

**Denise Riddick** (Betty Barnes 1st Cousin, has stage 4 lung cancer)

**Eric Tribble** (cancer) 2616 Robin Hood Trail, Suffolk, VA 23435

**\*Unspoken Prayer Request** (dearest friend with cancer)



## Christmas Cards To Our Veterans

You can use any type of Christmas card.

**DEADLINE:**  
Sunday – Dec. 15th

**There is a red box in the church vestibule that you can drop your cards in. Please do as many as you can.**

**What to put on envelope:**  
To a U. S. Veteran  
VA Hospital in  
Hampton, VA.

**Examples of greetings:**  
"Because of your service I am able to worship my God, Thank You",  
"You are not forgotten. Your service is appreciated, and you are in our prayers.",  
"I am grateful for your service and wish you a blessed New Year.",  
or just your personal statement.

**Examples of how to sign:**  
"The Outlaw Family",  
"The Family of Berea Christian Church",  
and or just your first name only. (They ask that you do not put your full name.)

**Tell a friend Merry Christmas, then send the card to a Veteran.**

**These cards will be going to over 400 veterans at the VA Hospital in Hampton, Virginia.**

# Berea Christian Church

Est. 1858  
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## Wise Men Still Seek Him

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Church Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

*Berea  
Christmas  
Card  
Post Office*



*Jesus is the  
REASON  
for the  
Season*

**The CHRISTMAS CARD  
POST OFFICE**

**opens this week.**

It is located in the hall, at the church bulletin board, behind the Sanctuary. To ensure that the intended recipient receives your card, please only leave cards for families that regularly attend.



**Covered Dish  
Luncheon**

**Sunday,  
December 15**

covered-dish  
luncheon after the  
worship service

Mark your calendars and plan to be a part of this day of Christian fellowship and joyful celebration of the greatest gift of all—Jesus Christ.

**Women's Fellowship  
MITTEN TREE**

**collection has started  
and will end on  
Sunday–Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Put your items on the tree in the sanctuary vestibule. We are collecting mittens, gloves, scarves and/or hats for those in need this winter season.

All sizes will be graciously accepted.

