

Berea Christian Church

May 3, 2026– 11:00 am

Robert L. Stovall, Pastor

WORSHIP THE TRIUNE GOD

The worship of the Triune God under the New Covenant is characterized by simplicity. In marked contrast to the complex and multi-layered worship of the Old Covenant – with its richly-robed legacy priesthood, its elaborately beautiful tabernacle and then temple, the sights and smells of its sacrificial system, and its yearly feasts, fasts, festivals, and sabbaths – New Covenant worship is centered around the primary means of grace which Christ set within His Church: prayer and praise, along with the reading and preaching of the Word. Its simplicity, however, does not make this worship easy; our obligations as kings and priests to our God (Exodus 19:6) require us to arrive prepared each Lord’s Day if we are to properly present ourselves “as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your spiritual worship” (Romans 12:1, HCSB). In the quiet of the moments preceding the start of this morning’s service, seek that final preparation that will allow you to profit more fully from that worship of our God which is offered “in spirit and truth” (John 4:24).

Lord’s Day Morning Worship

Prelude		Organist
Greetings	Welcome & Exhortation	Pastor Rob Stovall
Call To Worship	Hebrews 11: 6 (pg. 1875)	Pastor Stovall
HYMN # 21		The Church of Christ
	“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”	
Confession of Sin		The Church of Christ
Pastor: Our Merciful God, we humble ourselves before Your Holy Majesty.		
People: We acknowledge that we have frequently and flagrantly sinned.		
Pastor: Our rebellion has resulted in Your just judgment against us.		
People: We all, like sheep, have gone astray.		
Pastor: Be pleased, we pray, to have compassion on us, O gracious God.		

People: Forgive us, according to the merits of Christ’s perfect cross-work.

Pastor: Cover us with His righteousness and make us well-pleasing in Your sight;

People: To the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

The Word of Pardon: *Ephesians 1: 7-8* (pg. 1818) **Pastor Stovall**

Response of Praise: *The Gloria Patri (MEINEKE)* **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.

Scripture Reading: *1 Peter 2: 1-10* (pg. 1888) **Pastor Stovall**

Response to the Word:

Pastor: The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord.

People: *As the waters cover the sea!*

HYMN # 38 “Ye Servants of God” **The Church of Christ**

Prayers of Adoration & Intercession **Pastor Stovall**

Leading in Prayer

Scripture Reading: *Psalms 23* (pg. 862) **Pastor Stovall**

Response to the Word:

Pastor: This is the word of the Lord,

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Preaching of the Word “The Lord is MY Shepherd” **Pastor Stovall**

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Table **The Church of Christ**

We offer clear grape juice in the center of the tray, all other is wine.

HYMN # 413 “Break Thou the Bread of Life” **The Church of Christ**

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

Benedictory Response # 426 **The Church of Christ**

“Blessed Be the Tie That Binds” (Chorus Only)

Postlude **Organist**

SERVICE NOTES:

* Offerings/Tithes box is at the **BACK** of the sanctuary.

*Scripture page numbers are in the NIV Pew Bibles.

BEREA’S WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Any changes are shown below in Monthly Calendar

Sunday

10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship Service

Wednesday

7:00 pm Wednesday Night Bible Study

BEREA’S MONTHLY CALENDAR

May 3 COMMUNION

May 10 **MOTHER’S DAY SUNDAY**

May 12 North Suffolk Circle CHKD meeting 6:30 pm

May 18 Suffolk Exchange Club meeting 6:30 pm

May 19 RILEY HUGHES 7TH BIRTHDAY

May 24 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND SUNDAY



EXCITING NEWS from the Suffolk Exchange Club !!!

Berea gifted the use of our church grounds to the Suffolk Exchange Club for the 2025 Driver Car Show.

The Suffolk Exchange Club, with help from their membership, friends, community, and Berea raised funds that allowed them to hand out three (3) local high school scholarships. A ceremony will be held in June to handout the three (3) scholarships.

Berea supports our community with God’s blessings.

PRAYER LIST

Lord hear our prayers for those who are sick, healing, or grieving, our Pastor, caretakers, military, educators, leaders, first responders, unspoken requests, and Lord especially those who are still unsaved.

PRAYER REQUESTS

BETTY BARNES more testing

ELIZABETH DIANA

EULA & JERRY RUSS

GODFREY JACK back problems

DEBBIE MCINTOSH breast cancer

WILLIE & GINGER COLLINS

MARY JEAN (John Burton's sister)

PETE BADOIAN now in PT for back

JESSE HARDY SAUNDERS

WAYNE JENKINS

PASTOR STOVALL tooth pain

URAINIE DESOUZA (Wilma Jack's sister-in-law)

RUSSELL COLLINS

JO ANNE DEMATTO

WILMA JACK body pain testing

CATHY (Helen Wylie's sister)

TYLER FLOTA

JAMIE ROLISON

JOHN BURTON

ANNE COSTELLO

LARRY WILEY

HEATHER C. HORRELL

DARBY BADOIAN

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT AT THEIR HOME

HAZEL BRUSSO Room #233 at Maimonides Health Center on
6401 Auburn Drive, Virginia Beach 23464 757-538-1293

LINDA KNIGHT at Bickford of Suffolk – 6860 Harbour Blvd.,
Suffolk, VA 23435

HILDA MANSFIELD – Apt. #242
Lake Prince Woods - 100 Anna Goode Way, Suffolk, VA 23434

PRAYERS OF STRENGTH AND PEACE
FOR OUR MILITARY AND THE WORLD



What a special time of year !!!
Graduation from schools of all kinds.
Berea would like to acknowledge the hard
work of our Graduates by listing their names
in the church bulletin.

Please send us the information on your graduate:

- Graduate's name
- School they graduated from
- Future education goals
- How they are related to you

You can send it to the Berea Christian Church Office at
berea@bereachristianchurch.net or
call (757) 538-8872 to leave a message.

We look forward to hearing about your Graduate !!
Deadline for information is Monday – May 14, 2026.

*On Tuesday, May 19th
Riley Hughes will be 7 years old.*

*Let's all send her a birthday card,
she'll will be super excited to get mail!
Let them know we miss them and they
will always have a home at Berea.*

HAPPY 7th BIRTHDAY RILEY !!

**Riley Hughes –
504 N High St., Franklin, VA 23851**

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