

Blue River Church of Christ

February 17, 2008

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Contact Information 221 NE Woods Chapel Rd Lee's Summit, MO 64064 Ph: 816-373-7448 Email: Office@bluerivercofc.org Website: bluerivercofc.org	Times of Worship Sunday Bible Class 9 am Morning Worship 10 am Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7 pm
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Elders Earl Fultz
 Russ Simmons
 Jan Sullivan

Deacons Gary Bledsoe, Worship
 Ben Church, Missions
 David Foster, Grounds
 Jim Green, Building
 Darren Herrmann, Stewardship
 John Jones, Education
 Mike Peerson, Evangelism

Pulpit Minister Darin Kennedy

Statistics for February 10, 2008	
Attendance	184
Contribution	\$4,609.36

BRCC Lodge This room across from the nursery is dedicated as a quiet spot for individuals or small groups. Please, no food or drinks.

Prayer Warriors are waiting to hear from you. This group of caring people will pray for you and your request. Place a note in the "Prayer Warrior" box, or go to the BRCC website and leave a message. You may remain anonymous. Don't carry that burden alone. Let the power of prayer work in your life.

Sunday Evening

Psalm 133

A common question asked by those who are visiting a church for the first time is, "What should I wear?" Although cultural images of church life are changing all the time, many still have the impression that church requires coat and tie or nice dress. This becomes a problem when we realize that most people do not even own a blazer or suit anymore, being unnecessary in many work environments. If they do not feel like they can dress up to certain standards, they will not want to attend. I am thankful that Blue River has balance in this area, and I often tell people, "Just wear what you would wear to work or school, and it will be fine."

We should dress in the church according to biblical standards. An obvious one is sexual in nature, not wearing clothes that are designed purely for sensual attraction. It is a mark of high self-esteem in our culture when you feel "confident and sexy" and dress accordingly. Instead, God wants us to take confidence in spiritual things.

Second, modesty means equality. In 1 Timothy 2:9-10, instructions for modesty were given to a culture where dress said something about one's place in society. The church is no place for showing divisions between rich and poor. We are all one. One should dress in a way that does not make others uncomfortable about their status.

Finally, clothes should not mask who

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Order of Worship

Welcome
 Darin Kennedy

Opening Prayer
 Buddy Self

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"
 #238 "You Are the Song That I Sing"
 #477 "There Is a Place of Quiet Rest"
 #478 "Nearer, Still Nearer"
 #770 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

Scripture
 Psalm 103
 Mike Peerson

"Beautiful Lamb of God"
 #313 "The Old Rugged Cross"

The Lord's Supper
The Bread
The Cup
 Jim Green, Presiding
 #574 "Oh, How I Love Jesus"

Giving
Power Kids
Lesson
 "Is It Too Late to Change?:
 Overcoming Addictions"
 Darin Kennedy

Invitation
 #911 "Bring Christ Your Broken
 Life?"

Shepherd's Prayer
 Jan Sullivan

Final Praise
 Colossians 1:13-14

Songs led by Gary Bledsoe & Bob Scifers

In Need of Prayers

Remember **Liz Church** as her mother, Mary Cornine, passed away on Saturday, February 9. Her funeral was Thursday in Marshall, MO.

Beverly Campbell is experiencing health difficulties at this time. Please keep her in your prayers.

Russ and Shirley Simmons are still in Ukraine as a part of the adoption process.

Today's Event

Skating Party – 6th Grade and Under

Skating at the Landmark Skate in Lee's Summit will be from 2:30 to 4:30 pm. The group rate is \$4.25, including skates (inline skates – additional \$3). Bring \$ for snacks, no outside snacks allowed.

Upcoming Event

Teen Youth Group – Gym night

February 29 (Friday night) Come and expend your unused winter energy at a "Gym Night" from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. at Lee's Summit Community Christian School. There will be volleyball, basketball and other games/activities. Parents are welcomed to stay and everyone is encouraged to bring a favorite snack to share. Please contact **John Owen** at 816-223-0206 for more information or for directions to the school.

LTC News & Notes

Practices – A practice schedule for the 3-6 grade puppet team has been posted on the LTC bulletin board. All other coaches should plan practice/work times and communicate them to the parents if that has not been done.

Payments – BRCC has paid the 2008 hotel and registration fee, please give your reimbursement payments to **Lisa Bassford** or **Denise Fultz**.

Birthdays: Feb 17. – Feb. 23

Carrie Brotherton Today!!!

Patricia Capell 2/18 Amelia Harrington 2/19

Linda Brizendine 2/20

Dave Nash 2/22 Kelly Sullivan 2/22

Laura Blankenship 2/23 Shirley Petersen 2/23

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we really are. Peter challenges his readers to look at inner beauty, displayed by good works (1 Peter 3:3-4). Do not let your clothes distract others from seeing true, inner beauty and strong, spiritual purpose. At the same time, do not let clothes mask over what is hurting inside.

Obviously some guests will feel out of place sometime with how they dress, not fitting in like they wanted. That is a tragic effect of our world's priorities. It is absolutely imperative everyone feel completely at ease and welcome at Blue River. A strong, personal bond can erase many barriers that would try to keep someone from pursuing God's will.

—Darin Kennedy

FEBRUARY SERMON SERIES – THE POWER TO CHANGE

February 10 – Real Change Is Way Down Deep—Changing the Heart

Start with the heart—Go straight to the source.

Open up the heart—God is the Lord of the heart.

Work on the heart—Make some foundational decisions about your life

February 17 – Is It Too Late to Change?—Overcoming Addictions

All sin can progress toward addiction.

Addiction is beaten through—

A healing environment

Prayer

Forgiveness

Rejoicing

A commitment to change

Get the right help

Accountability relationships

Aim for a goal

Does God Exist? - Lecture Series

Beginning today, the **Red Bridge Church of Christ** will be hosting a lecture series by John N. Clayton with the theme "Does God Exist?". If you are interested in this series, details are posted on one of the hallway bulletin boards.

Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants

February 17,

February 24,

Carrie Jones and Leah Owen

Kelly Sullivan and James Bledsoe

Wednesday Night Toddler Class

February 20,

Cheryl Mace and Carrie Jones