

# Blue River Church of Christ

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## Worship Times

### Sunday

Bible Study 9:45 am  
 Morning Worship 8:30, 10:45 am

### Wednesday

Bible Study 7 pm

## Elders

Earl Fultz  
 Russ Simmons  
 Jan Sullivan

## Deacons

Jim Bassford	Jack Hudkins
David Blankenship	John Owen
David Foster	Mike Peerson
Darren Herrmann	

## Pulpit Minister

Darin Kennedy

Statistics for January 11, 2015 Attendance	93 + 160 = 253
Contribution	\$6,863.53
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,394
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,241

## Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: Ramen noodles, peanut butter, jelly, kool-aid, canned or packaged tuna, canned chicken, jello, cornbread mix, instant oatmeal, snack bars, fruit cups, green beans, mixed vegetables, muffin mix, cookie mix, children's juice boxes or containers. Please leave all donations in the office.

**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.

January 18, 2015

# BLUE RIVER

## Church of Christ

## Order of Worship

### 8:30

*Private Reading* Mark 1:21-45

#23 "Our God, He is Alive"  
 #3 "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah"

*Prayer* Jerry Brown

#454 "Rock of Ages"

*Scripture* Tony Pollard  
 Isaiah 32:1-8

#366 "By Christ Redeemed"

*Lord's Supper*  
 Gary Campbell, presiding

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

#276 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

*Power Kids* Jesus – Grateful

*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
 "Can You Keep a Secret"

#290 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

*Shepherd's Prayer* Earl Fultz

*Final Prayer* Psalm 139.23-24

#417 "Where He Leads I'll Follow"

*Songs led by* Roger Cook

### 10:45

*Private Reading* Mark 1:21-45

#23 "Our God, He is Alive"  
 #3 "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah"

*Prayer* Randy Smith

#454 "Rock of Ages"

*Scripture* Darren Herrmann  
 Isaiah 32:1-8

#366 "By Christ Redeemed"

*Lord's Supper*  
 Wade Kerley, presiding

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

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## The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

### ***In Need of Prayers***

Larry Sullivan is recovering from a heart procedure. Vickie Sullivan's mother, Mattie Weiss, is recovering from a heart attack. Gary Campbell and Caleb Walker continue their recovery from earlier surgeries. Robert Hicks needs prayers for multiple health issues that he's currently dealing with. Continue to pray for Donna Kerns, Betty Williams, Michael May, and Grover Renick.

### ***Quarterly Fellowship Brunch***

January 25 – Our first quarter fellowship brunch will be held between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> services. Downstairs classes will be held as usual. There is an online signup sheet, or you can check with Arline Bradshaw about food donations.

### ***Educational Workshop***

We will be having an Educational Workshop for all current teachers and anyone interested in becoming a part of the educational ministry on Saturday, January 31, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

### ***Parents Night Out***

January 30 (Friday, 6:00-9:00) Kids 6<sup>th</sup> grade and below will be watched at the church building while parents fellowship together. RSVP to Jessica Herrington (816-589-9793).

### ***Nursery Attendants Needed***

One of our wonderful ministries here at Blue River is taking care of children. In addition, taking care of kids in the nursery allows parents to worship and recharge for their important parenting work during the week. If you can help with this ministry, please contact Kelly Sullivan and sign up on her Facebook list.

#### ***Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants***

January 18	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Susan Foster & Sharon Self
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Heidi Hoggatt & Alana Peerson
January 25	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Angelia & Aubrey Hudkins
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Brenda Herrmann & Lexi House

“Speak to the Israelites and say to them: ‘Throughout the generations to come you are to make tassels on the corners of your garments, with a blue cord on each tassel. You will have these tassels to look at and so you will remember all the commands of the Lord, that you may obey them and not prostitute yourselves by chasing after the lusts of your own hearts and eyes. Then you will remember to obey all my commands and will be consecrated to your God. I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt to be your God. I am the Lord your God.’”

—Numbers 15:38-41

One of our most important purposes for gathering every week is so that we will remember. Many distractions, whether positive in the form of promotions or leisure or rewards, or negative in the form of suffering or loss or loneliness, cause us to forget the things of God. The members of the church must help each other to recall to mind our central purpose, our salvation, and the holy life to which we are called. When this happens on a regular basis with intention and joy, we stand a fighting chance against forgetfulness. The Blue River Education Ministry is meant to not only teach something new, but also to remind one another of the things of God, to sew “tassels on the corners of your garments.”

In two weeks on Saturday, January 31, we will have a meeting of all those who have been and want to be involved in this ministry. More and more families with kids are coming to Blue River, along with several who still need to learn about the basics of faith. We need to mobilize a force that meets the increasing need for teachers and helpers. What are the next steps for our Education Ministry?

1) We need a new vision for Sunday morning class time. Knowing that so many, including kids and the faith-inexperienced, come on Sunday mornings, most members need to see that hour as work time.

2) We need members to work more than one quarter a year. To help out with a particular age group is to be available for substituting or helping on a big project, to help decorate classes, to get to know all the kids, to pray for them, to meet as a committee, and to address special needs. It is a year-long ministry.

3) We need teamwork. Each age group will have a committee to carry the load together and to work with joy and friendship.

4) If Sunday morning will be work, then we need more opportunities for self-equipping and renewal. Wednesday evening, small groups, private study, etc., all become important times for someone who is heavily involved.

I hope you will consider how many times a week you yourself are being educated. Some of that time can be devoted to someone who needs your experience and guidance and help.

#### **Birthdays – January 18-24**

*Vada Wilbanks – January 18*

*Marvella Hedges – January 19*