

Blue River Church of Christ

March 8, 2015

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Order of Worship

Contact Information 221 NE Woods Chapel Rd Lee's Summit, MO 64064 816-373-7448 office@bluerivercofc.org www.bluerivercofc.org	Worship Times Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 8:30, 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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Elders	Earl Fultz Russ Simmons Jan Sullivan
Deacons	Jim Bassford David Blankenship David Foster Darren Herrmann Jack Hudkins John Owen Mike Peerson
Pulpit Minister	Darin Kennedy

Statistics for March 1, 2015 Attendance	N/A
Contribution	\$6,096.05
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,250
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,336

Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: Ramen noodles, pasta meals, peanut butter, kool-aid, canned or packaged tuna, canned chicken, jello, cornbread mix, snack bars, applesauce or fruit cups, green beans, corn, mixed vegetables, bar soap, women's body wash, and tooth paste. 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.

8:30

<i>Private Reading</i>	Mark 4:35-5:20
<i>Scripture</i>	Tony Pollard Hebrews 12:18-29
	#266 "Majesty" #189 "Master, the Tempest Is Raging" #257 "Jesus! What a Friend to Sinners"
<i>Prayer</i>	Jerry Brown #231 "Thou Art Worthy"
<i>Lord's Supper</i>	Andy Hester, presiding
<i>The Bread</i>	
<i>The Cup</i>	
<i>Giving</i>	"We Fall Down"
<i>Power Kids</i>	Be a Helper
<i>Lesson</i>	Darin Kennedy "Unnatural Faith"
	#625 "Zion's Call"
<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i>	Russ Simmons
<i>Final Praise</i>	Psalms 146:6
<i>Songs led by</i>	Gary Hasty

10:45

<i>Private Reading</i>	Mark 4:35-5:20
<i>Scripture</i>	John Wubbenhorst Hebrews 12:18-29
	#266 "Majesty" #189 "Master, the Tempest Is Raging" #257 "Jesus! What a Friend to Sinners"
<i>Prayer</i>	Aaron Palmer #231 "Thou Art Worthy"
<i>Lord's Supper</i>	Larry Sullivan, presiding
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In Need of Prayers

Darin Kennedy's father, Brooks, received encouraging results from tests related to his prostate cancer diagnosis. **Dale & Joy Johnston's** daughter, Brittany, is experiencing serious health issues and needs our prayers. **Vickie Sullivan's** mother, Mattie Weiss, is back in the hospital. **Gary Campbell** and **Caleb Walker** continue their recovery from earlier surgeries. **Robert Hicks** needs prayers for multiple health issues. Continue to pray for **Donna Kerns, Betty Williams, Michael May, and Grover Renick.**

Adult Classes for This Quarter

Auditorium – Brian Wahlen will be presenting “The Resurrection.”

New Classrooms – Darin Kennedy's topic is “Baptism: History and Meaning.”

Proposal for New Staff Member

The Elders have proposed hiring a new staff person to increase our work done especially among teens and their families, young marrieds, college students, and small groups. Pick up a fuller description on the table in the foyer, and share your comments/questions concerning this proposal with **Russ** or **Earl.**

Ministry Surveys

If you have not filled out a Ministry Survey to tell us in what ministry areas you would like to serve, please pick up one from the table in the foyer, and, after filling it out, return it to one of our Deacons.

2015 Teacher Sign-Up Sheets

Please check the signup sheets posted on the board across from the office to see what openings are available on Sundays and Wednesdays that are still in need of teachers. See **Dawn Cook** for questions or details.

Dallas Herrmann Mission Trip

Dallas is planning a mission trip to Saint Lucia this summer. Prayers and financial support would be greatly appreciated. Check can be made out to BRCC with **Dallas Herrmann** noted on memo line.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

April 5 (Sunday) – Please join us for an Easter Egg Hunt following the second service. All children age 13 (or so) and under are invited to participate. Please have your child bring a basket to “hunt.” If you would like to donate supplies (plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy), please bring items to the building by Sunday, March 22. Any questions, please call **Sara Reis**, 816-718-3734.

Birthdays – March 8-14

Anne Johnston – March 14

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

This week, I was in Fort Worth with my father who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer. We went to a doctor's appointment to receive the results of tests that determined whether the cancer had spread or not. If it had spread beyond the prostate, then the prognosis would be very different, and much more difficult, than if it had not. We just needed to hear one statement and waited anxiously for it. The doctor just blurted it out as if it were nothing: “You know that the scans were negative (as in, the cancer has not spread—why is ‘negative’ actually positive in the medical world), don't you?” “No, we didn't know that. We were waiting to hear it from you.” And, at that point, who cares when we should have known it? It had not spread, radiation would be needed, but the outlook was very good. We felt like celebrating and had some BBQ after the appointment to do just that.

Many are waiting to hear just one thing, whether a diagnosis or a judicial decision or someone to acknowledge their existence. I think about the Israelites of Nehemiah 8 who asked for God's law to be brought out and read. They stood for hours to hear it after spending an exile without it, hungry for it again. I think about Mary Magdalene at the tomb of Jesus who inquired of the one she thought was the gardener about the location of the missing dead body of her Lord. Instead, she heard her name spoken, “Mary,” and everything about her, and everyone else's, world dramatically changed. I think about the need for David to hear the prophetic word of Nathan, revealing his sin and then hearing the promise that the Lord is not done with him yet. Can you imagine Moses's anticipation on Mount Sinai when the Lord promised to pass in front of him? The Lord passes, reveals His glorious back, and speaks, “Yahweh, Yahweh, compassionate and gracious...” How many throughout biblical history and beyond needed to hear the words of the Lord: “Do not be afraid. I will be with you”!

This morning, we gather in anticipation that something will be said. God's Word will be heard, both convicting and comforting us. Perhaps one's name will be heard in a prayer asking for deliverance. A beloved brother or sister in Christ will say, “I will be there for you.” Another might need to say, “I forgive you.” Someone will speak your name, and you will no longer feel invisible or alone. What do you long to hear? What does someone need to hear from you?

<i>Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants</i>		
March 8	1 st Service	Brenda Brotherton & Emma Bassford
	2 nd Service	Julie Graham & Karen Banks
March 15	1 st Service	Tammy & Caleb Walker
	2 nd Service	Sara Gurski & Liddy Miller