

# Blue River Church of Christ

March 15, 2015

# BLUE RIVER

## Church of Christ

### Order of Worship

<b>Contact Information</b> 221 NE Woods Chapel Rd Lee's Summit, MO 64064 816-373-7448 office@bluerivercofc.org www.bluerivercofc.org	<b>Worship Times</b> <b>Sunday</b> Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 8:30, 10:45 a.m.  <b>Wednesday</b> Bible Study 7 p.m.
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**8:30**

**10:45**

**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

*Private Reading* Mark 5:21-43  
**#469 "Faith Is the Victory"**  
*Prayer* Gary Campbell  
*Scripture* Mike Newbury  
 James 1:2-12  
**#542 "Tell It to Jesus Alone"**  
**#470 "Victory in Jesus"**  
**#490 "It Is Well with My Soul"**

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*Lord's Supper* Ron McCleary, presiding  
*The Bread*  
*The Cup*  
*Giving*

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*The Bread*  
*The Cup*  
*Giving*

**"We Fall Down"**

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*Power Kids* Be a Helper

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*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
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**#503 "In Sorrow I Wandered"**

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*Shepherd's Prayer* Earl Fultz

*Shepherd's Prayer* Russ Simmons

*Final Blessing* 2 Thessalonians 3:5

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*Songs led by* Paul Walker

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Statistics for March 8, 2015 Attendance	81 + 123 = 204
Contribution	\$6,905.39
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.

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

**Merrill Gordon's** father, Francis Gordon passed away last week. **Darin Kennedy's** father, Brooks, received encouraging results from tests related to his prostate cancer diagnosis. **Dale & Joy Johnston's** daughter, Brittany, has a tentative diagnosis of MS. **Donna Kerns'** brother passed away last week. **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.**

## ***Renee Wubbenhorst Mission Trip***

Renee will be involved in mission efforts in Taiwan for 6 weeks this summer and is requesting support both financially and through prayer. For more information you can contact her at: [rwubbenhorst@york.edu](mailto:rwubbenhorst@york.edu) or 816-830-0259.

## ***Ministry Surveys***

Ministry Survey forms to tell us in what ministry areas you would like to serve, are still available on table in foyer for anyone who has not previously submitted one.

## ***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.

## ***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.

## ***Save the Dates***

**April 11** (Saturday, 11:00) – Ladies self-defense program. Ladies of all ages are invited to attend and participate. Contact **Angelia Hudkins** with any questions. 816-729-4674.

**April 25** (Saturday) – Family Fun Day - details to follow.

**June 6** (Saturday) – Senior Banquet for graduates – details to follow.

## **Birthdays – March 15-21**

*Michelle Hasty – March 15*

*Bill Brotherton – March 17 Rich Pearce – March 19*

*Betty Trotter, Heath Church, Ron Ramage, Mark Reis, & Jeff Seufferling – March 20*

*Candy Smith – March 21*

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

You are a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ. In the same way we pass the Lord's Supper to one another in our worship assemblies, we are all called to pass on the gospel of Jesus to others. We accomplish that mission in different ways according to the gifts with which God has graced us. For example, I serve in a particular way that is public, but my service is only different from yours in place, not in purpose. The question everyone needs to ask is, “What is my place, and how can I serve in it most effectively?”

If you want to know your place for ministry, simply look around. You may be a father. You may be a wife. You may be an employee. You may be the boss. You may sit quietly behind a desk. You may be selling to as many customers as possible. You may be alone for many hours. You may be the center of attention. Whatever your place, look at it as the opportunity God has given you to serve Him. Few are the times when the place you are in prevents active service to the Lord; the super-majority of people are in the exact spot to serve God. Engage your world with the work of ministry.

What does it mean to do ministry? First, you must be an example of righteousness. Your personal character will define the effectiveness of your ministry. No one will believe you if you speak one way and act another. No one will be drawn to you if your behavior and your speech are no different than what the world offers. Your life is on display, and you should not shrink from that responsibility. Of course, you will mess up, but that will be another opportunity to show others how God's forgiveness renews our purpose and passion.

Second, you must treat people in the same way God has treated you. People are at the heart of ministry because they are at the heart of God. Forgiveness, kindness, and compassion demonstrate the power of the gospel. Take some time to realize how many people you have in your life—customers, employees, store workers, family members, friends, strangers, and many others. You will be amazed at the number of opportunities provided to even the most secluded person everyday to build ministry relationships.

Third, speak the Word of God. Some of our language will be encouragement or comfort. Some will be in prayer. Hopefully, much will be about the good news of Jesus. If you are not well-equipped to speak about your faith, then grow in your studies and in your courage. Take advantage of every opportunity to strengthen your ministry skills because you have work to do.

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

March 15

1<sup>st</sup> Service

Tammy & Caleb Walker

2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Sara Gurski & Liddy Miller

March 22

1<sup>st</sup> Service

John & Cara Owen

2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Cheryl & Allie Mace