

# Blue River Church of Christ

August 23, 2015

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## Church of Christ

### Order of Worship

#### Contact Information

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#### Worship Times

##### Sunday

Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 8:30, 10:45 a.m.

##### Wednesday

Bible Study 7 p.m.

#### 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 August 16, 2015 Attendance	114 + 122 = 236
Contribution	\$4,737.77
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,250
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,248

#### 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

#679 "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

*Scripture* Michael May  
Psalm 116

*Prayer* Gene Clark

#560 "Living by Faith"  
#546 "Til the Storm Passes By"  
#337 "Hallelujah! What a Savior"

*Lord's Supper*  
Russ Simmons presiding

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

"Boundless Love"

*Power Kids* WWJD (Be like Jesus)

*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
"Courage"

#916 "What a Day That Will Be"

*Shepherd's Prayer* Russ Simmons

*Final Blessing* Deuteronomy 31:8

*Songs Led By* Paul Walker

#### 10:45

#679 "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

*Scripture* Jack Hudkins  
Psalm 116

*Prayer* Aaron Palmer

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

Gary Campbell is recovering at home. Keith Bench is recovering from shoulder replacement. Ralph Staley is recovering at home from a stroke. Joe Harber had knee surgery. Sherril Segos father is not doing well. Continue to pray for Donna Kerns, Brittany Johnston, Robert Hicks, and Grover Renick.

### ***Nursing Home Service***

August 23 (TODAY, 3:00) – Our fourth Sunday service at Wilshire at Lakewood Nursing Home is today.

### ***New Minister Confirmation***

August 23 (TODAY) – The confirmation vote will be held in both services concerning Shane Hall as the new Family Life Minister.

### ***Small Groups***

Several small groups are meeting on Sunday. Let us plug you into one where you can develop helpful relationships. One meets at the building this afternoon at 5:00.

### ***Men's Retreat – October 23-24***

A sign-up list is on the bulletin board in the foyer. See Larry Sullivan with questions.

### ***Art Class***

Starting September 11 (Fridays, 9-noon), Nancy Sullivan will offer a watercolor class at the building for beginners. There's no charge, but please contact Nancy to enroll and receive a list of supplies.

### ***Parking Lot Capital Campaign***

As was announced during service, the goal is to raise a majority, if not all, of the \$30,000 cost to cap the parking lot within the next year. Please mark the memo line on your check "parking lot"

### **Birthdays – August 23-29**

*Mike Peerson, Scott Simmons, & John Wubbenhorst – August 24*  
*Emma Bassford – August 26*      *Cheryl Sutton – August 28*  
*Sharon Lang & Shirley Simmons – August 29*

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

August 23	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Susan Foster & Sharon Self
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Angelia & Aubrey Hudkins
August 30	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	John & Cara Owen
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Candy Smith & Alana Peerson

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

The quality of being perceptive is critical to the Christian life. I enjoy reading an Agatha Christie mystery with the elderly Miss Marple. In the story, everyone is trying to solve the murder, and the professional detectives are following every lead. Miss Marple simply stands behind the scenes, watching and listening for every scrap of information. At the end, when everyone else is stymied, she is able to describe the entire scenario and to lay a trap for the criminals. She makes me think about the power of perception.

Most of us are too prideful to be very perceptive. We want to see our ideas proved rather than being open to new information. Pride can filter everything so that we see it like we want rather than how things really are. We can only see things according to a single viewpoint—ours. Pride prevents us from looking at something from another perspective. We are quick to judge. Pride causes us to find fault with others. We are busy and rushed. Pride in our own schedules and business keeps us from stopping and noticing the little things. Perception is first of all a stance of humility, taking in all the information before reacting or judging. How quick are you in drawing conclusions and making judgments? Can you see the value and needs of people?

To perceive others with the attitude of care produces the appropriate action and words. Not everyone is able to smile. Not everyone likes a big hug. Many do not know what they want. Many do not recognize what they need. Some wrestle with the past. Others worry over the future. No two people are alike.

I am amazed at how perceptive Jesus was. I know He had the all-knowing-God thing going for Him, but it was more than His power and ability and divinity. Jesus was genuinely concerned about the world and people around Him, so concerned that He could see their hearts. Even though crowds surrounded Him, Jesus felt the power go out from Him to heal the woman with a bleeding problem. Jesus could notice Zaccaeus in the tree. Jesus saw a lame man and gave him exactly what he needed—the forgiveness of sins. Jesus knew the hearts of the Jewish leaders who argued with Him and eventually plotted to kill Him. Jesus had an amazing perception of people, their actions and their motivations and their needs, because He loved them.

Each person is a deep mystery. Are you perceptive enough to look beyond the superficial, beyond dress and facial expressions and simple conversations and even bad decisions, to see the value and needs of a real, emotional, social, and multifaceted human being?

### **KIDS CLUB – TREK 812**

**For families with children 8-12 years of age, please pick up a yellow sheet from the table in the foyer with details about the new Trek 812 Club.**