

# Blue River Church of Christ

October 4, 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

#### Family Life Minister

Shane Hall

Statistics for September 27, 2015 Attendance	109 + 134 = 244
Contribution	\$5,277.97
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

#886 "On Jordan's Stormy Banks"

*Prayer* Jim Bassford

#539 "Higher Ground"

*Scripture* Mike Newbury  
Philippians 3:7-14

#490 "It Is Well with My Soul"  
#227 "On Zion's Glorious Summit"

*Lord's Supper*  
Ron McCleary, presiding

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

#273 "More Precious than Silver"

*Power Kids* Friendship

*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
"Growing Up"

#662 "All to Jesus I Surrender"

*Shepherd's Prayer* Jan Sullivan

*Final Charge* James 1:4

*Songs Led By* Shane Hall

#### 10:45

#886 "On Jordan's Stormy Banks"

*Prayer* Jerry John

#539 "Higher Ground"

*Scripture* Gary Hasty  
Philippians 3:7-14

#490 "It Is Well with My Soul"  
#227 "On Zion's Glorious Summit"

*Lord's Supper*  
Darren Herrmann, presiding

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

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*Closing Prayer* Ben Church

*Final Charge* James 1:4

*Songs Led By* Shane Hall

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

Liz Church had a PET scan on Monday to determine treatment for recurrent breast cancer. Donna Kerns is recovering at home following surgery at the Mayo Clinic. Gary Campbell, Keith Bench, Ralph Staley, and Joe Harber are all home now as they recover from various surgeries and illnesses. Continue to pray for Brittany Johnston, Robert Hicks, and Grover Renick.

### ***Adult Classes***

Adult classes – Auditorium: Russ Simmons is offering a class on “Joy.” Upstairs Classroom: Darin Kennedy’s topic is the Minor Prophets.

### ***Outside Work Day***

October 17 (Saturday, 9:00 a.m.) – See David Foster if you have questions.

### ***Fall Gathering of Family & Friends***

October 17 (Saturday, 4:00) – Russ and Shirley Simmons will be hosting their annual Fall Gathering, 4155 SE Paddock Circle, Lee’s Summit. This is a family event with fun & games for all ages, along with a chili, soup, and dessert buffet. See sign-up sheet on bulletin board for more details.

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

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

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

Parents Nights Out will begin in November. The dates through February are: 11/20, 12/18, 1/29, and 2/26. To make this a success, we need volunteers to watch the children at the building. Please give this consideration as you plan your schedules.

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

As was announced, 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 –October 4 - 10**

*Abby Eaton – October 4*

*Caleb Walker – October 8*

*Aubrey Hudkins, Josi Olas, & Bruce Sewell – October 9*

*Beverly Campbell – October 10*

## **The Elder’s Editorial – Russ Simmons**

Russ and Shirley are still on vacation in the Far East. They look forward to being back on October 11, and Russ looks forward to continuing teaching his class on “Joy.” He sent this as prelude to his upcoming class.

Joy! What is it? If you Google it you will get all kinds of answers. Most often it is defined as a synonym of happiness. But joy is more than an emotion. We all have moments of excitement and happiness. But emotions come and go, rising and falling as the mood strikes us.

Joy is much more than an emotion brought about by the latest exciting event in our life, such as receiving a special, unexpected gift that was something we had wanted for a long time. Or we have joy when the doorbell rings and we open the door to someone we love very much who has come home. We get this special kind of feeling when we get that big promotion, land that big contract, or win the big game.

But what about when someone else gets that special gift, but you don’t? Or when someone else’s loved one comes home, but yours does not? What about when you lose the big contract, the other team wins the big game, or someone else gets the promotion you worked so hard for?

Paul lists joy as one of the fruit of the Spirit. I understand that to mean that joy is something that the Spirit of God provides to us as Christians. If that be true, then neither our mood, our emotions, nor the events that take place in our life have an impact on the gift of joy the Spirit brings. Let us stop trying to attain joy in the way the world does.

We will resume our class on joy next Sunday.

**Don’t forget to sign up your family on the bulletin board for the Fall Party at Russ and Shirley’s on Saturday, October 17, at 4:00.**

<b><i>Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants</i></b>		
October 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Brenda & Connor Brotherton
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Julie & Bella Graham
October 11	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	John & Cara Owen
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Heidi Hoggatt & Liddy Miller