

Blue River Church of Christ

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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
 dkennedy@bluerivercofc.org

Family Life Minister

Shane Hall
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Statistics for October 18, 2015 Attendance	98 + 128 = 226
Contribution	\$4,262.77
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.

October 25, 2015

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Order of Worship

8:30

#4 "To God be the Glory"
 "Rejoice in the Lord Always"

Prayer Michael May

#827 "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Scripture Steve Etter
 Philippians 4:4-13

#479 "Peace, Perfect Peace"

Lord's Supper
 Joe Harber, presiding

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#273 "More Precious than Silver"

Power Kids Friendship

Lesson Darin Kennedy
 "The Big 7: Gluttony"

#800 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Shepherd's Prayer Russ Simmons

Final Blessing 1 John 2:17

Songs Led By Roger Cook

10:45

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In Need of Prayers

Following a PET scan and MRI **Liz Church** is working with doctors to determine next steps in treatment for the recurrent cancer. She is currently on oral meds with possible radiation to be added. **Donna Kerns** is now home from Mayo Clinic after a follow-up appointment. **Gary Campbell, Keith Bench, Ralph Staley, and Joe Harber** are all recovering from various surgeries and illnesses. Continue to pray for **Pat Sego, Brittany Johnston, Robert Hicks, and Grover Renick.**

Christian Family Services Annual Fundraiser

November 5 (Thursday, 6:00 pm) – CFS is hosting their annual fundraiser at the Double Tree Hotel, 10100 College Blvd, OP, KS. RSVP to shelley@cfskc.org or 913-383-3337. All proceeds will benefit CFS as they provide adoption services and crisis counseling for children and families.

Youth Event

November 13 (Friday) – Pizza and Game Night at the building from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. This will serve as our **TREK 812** event for November, but all ages are invited.

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 25-31

Brian Wahlen – October 25 *Dayton Saling Wahlen – October 26*
Jessie McCrea – October 27 *Kayleigh Sterne – October 29*
Nancy Sullivan & Sergey Simmons – October 30

Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants

October 25	1 st Service	Lisa & Emma Bassford
	2 nd Service	Kimberly Kennedy & Alana Peerson
November 1	1 st Service	Dawn Cook & Kelly Newbury
	2 nd Service	Laurie & Sydney Kerley

The Preacher’s Post – *Darin Kennedy*

“If I were visiting Blue River for the first time, what would I think about the congregation here?” I am not sure if you talk to yourself. If talking to oneself were a sign of genius, more people might admit that they do it. I must admit that I am guilty of such discussions. Mostly, I talk to the “me” that needs to change. On the golf course, after another bad shot, I talk to the “me” that should have hit the ball well, “Keep your head down, and hit through the ball. Try getting it right at least once.” After an argument with someone, the “me” and I talk, “Why didn’t you say that? Have some backbone next time.” Even after a sermon, I may discuss things with “me” for quite a while, “Why did you say it that way? Next time, make your point and sit down.”

I talk at length with the “me” who needs to reach out better to others. Several moments arise in different conversations and situations where I should have said something in the name of Jesus, but failed. I want to be more competent in sharing the gospel, and I have many lessons to teach my “me.” On a congregational basis, I am teaching my “me” to be more aware of what visitors hear and see when we assemble together.

One has to put on a whole new set of eyes to see like a guest. To do so is to invite a lengthy inner to my “me”—

“Be friendly and polite because they are probably a bit frightened in a new place.”

“Sing out in a way that will give them confidence too.”

“Show them opportunities for the children.”

“Pick up that piece of trash on the floor to show pride in your home.”

“See if they have any questions. Don’t make them feel stupid for asking.”

“Introduce them to others, especially to those who might connect to them.”

“Pay attention to the details around so there are no stumbling blocks for them.”

“I am teaching today, so I should give it my very best.”

“They might show up early because they want to check things out before class. I should be there to show them around.”

“They are just like me, wanting to know God better and needing a few friends.”

“I am so glad they are here, and I will put aside my own interests and comforts, even my own seat, if it means that they will be blessed.”

The conversation can involve every ministry and every moment of the congregation’s life, whether here at the building or in small groups or at an event for kids or wherever. Christ did whatever it took to welcome us, and we should treat others with the same respect and desire.