

# Blue River Church of Christ

February 24, 2019



## 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 7:00 p.m.
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### 8:30

### 10:45

<b>Elders</b>	Earl Fultz John Owen Paul Walker	David Keller Russ Simmons
<b>Deacons</b>	David Blankenship Darren Herrmann Aaron Palmer	David Foster Jack Hudkins Sean Turner
<b>Pulpit Minister</b>	Darin Kennedy dkennedy@bluerivercofc.org	
<b>Family Life Minister</b>	Shane Hall shall@bluerivercofc.org	

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 #535 "The Glory-Land Way"  
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*Prayer* David Rechenthin

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*Scripture* Sean Turner  
 Ephesians 4:7-16

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#383 "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

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*Lord's Supper* Bruce Sewell

*Lord's Supper* Nick Williams

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

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*Giving*

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"Do Lord"

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Darin Kennedy  
 "Growing Stronger: Gift Development"

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#948 "I Am Resolved"

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*Shepherd's Prayer* John Owen

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*Final Blessing* Ephesians 2:10

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Statistics for February 17, 2019 Attendance	168
Contribution	\$7,203.00
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$7,180
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$7,267

**Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life**  
 They have need for: bar soap, disinfectant wipes, gallon and quart size zip-lock bags, tall kitchen bags for people to put clothing in, spaghetti sauce, tomato sauce, jelly, instant potatoes, rice, beans (any kind), variety pack oatmeal, canned fruit, fruit cups, canned chicken, mac and cheese, Jiffy cornbread mix, toilet paper. Please leave all labeled donations in the office.

**Prayer Warriors** are waiting to hear from you. This group of caring people will pray for you and your request. 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.

### **Prayer List**

Keep **Mike and Debbie Peerson's** son, Nic Peerson, and **Holly Hadley's** son, Hunter Hoagland, in your prayers. **Continued prayers** for **Jurhee Bench, Bob MacMillan, Pat and Will Kreisel, Ruth Elmer, Sue Brown, Freda Renick, Bonnie Hamby, Roman Martin, Earl Weddle, Betty Williams, Donna Kerns, Andy Hester, Buddy Self, Rita Fitzsimmons, Evelyn Campbell, Doris Buys, Dave & Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Bruce Keeton, and Jane Weatherbee.**

### **Leadership Training for Christ**

Practice for LTC will continue through April 7.

Lunch – 12:00-12:30

Live Christian Drama – 12:30-1:15

Video Bible Drama – 1:15-2:00

Puppets – 2:00-2:45

Chorus – 2:45-3:30

Service – 3:30-4:30

### **New Adult Classes**

For our Adult Bible Classes beginning in March, we will focus on our tri-fold congregational Focus Statement—Deepening our Relationships, Developing our Gifts, and Declaring the Gospel. In both the Auditorium and Classroom, we will spend 4 weeks on each area.

### **Elder Availability**

An elder is available after each service in Darin's office for prayer, encouragement, or counsel.

### **Youth Activity**

**TODAY (4:30)** – The youth group will meet at the building and then carpool to Parkway Senior Living Center to play Bingo with the residents. After Bingo, the youth will head to Sky Zone. The cost is \$10. If you have questions, contact **Ben Wubbenhorst** or **Aaron Palmer**.

### **Nursing Home Service**

**TODAY (3:00)** – Please join us at Wilshire at Lakewood Nursing Home.

#### ***Today's Morning Nursery Attendants***

1<sup>st</sup> Service

Arline Bradshaw

2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Kimberly Kennedy & Aubrey Hall

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

One of the most frustrating things happened this week. On the one hand, I am thankful; on the other hand, I am angry. Here is the situation—I was cleaning my driveway from snow. I like a nice, clean driveway, and it was shoveling up very neatly. I headed down the sidewalk in both directions, going all the way to my neighbors' driveways to be kind and helpful (pat myself on the back). I was completely finished when the snow plow came by. He must have been doing Mach 3, and from the side of his vehicle came a tidal wave of snow—no, not snow, but slush and ice. It made a huge pile in front of my clean driveway, it covered the sidewalk that I had just cleaned, and it piled up 3 feet high in front of my neighbor's driveway. I have been shoveling my neighbor's driveway because he is not in the best shape and his wife just passed away. His driveway looked pretty good, but now it was a disaster. I got the shovel out again and went back to work.

As I said earlier, I am torn. On the one hand, I am very grateful for snow plows. They clear miles and miles of roads that my family will need to go to work, to go to appointments, to go to the store (because I never have what it takes to make dinner), and in case of emergency. It is incredibly helpful. At the same time, that snow from the road has to go somewhere, and my driveway and sidewalk, while not the targets, may be collateral damage. I don't know whether to send the plow-er a Valentine's card or to show up at the next City Council meeting as an outraged citizen.

As we discuss Developing Our Gifts as a congregation, I am reminded how our gifts need to work together. Big plows and individual shovels all do their part, all being helpful in their own way, each one doing what the other cannot. However, one can leave collateral damage, and the other can be picky and frustrated. How the gifts of the body work together is fragile and tense. It will take the Holy Spirit to make them joyfully coexist and to accomplish each one's spectacular or personal work. It will also take the Holy Spirit to bear the fruit of patience, peace, and forgiveness.

It is absolutely important to see that God is glorified most not when a lot of work gets done, whether in a large, public fashion or in a small, quiet context. God is glorified most when all the workers and all their diverse tasks come together in one, unified whole. Accomplishment is never the ultimate goal, but love is at the center of displaying the heart of God. for our 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday service.