

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 7:00 p.m.

Elders	Earl Fultz John Owen	Russ Simmons Jan Sullivan
Deacons	Jim Bassford David Blankenship David Foster Darren Herrmann	Jack Hudkins Aaron Palmer Sean Turner Paul Walker
Pulpit Minister	Darin Kennedy dkennedy@bluerivercofc.org	
Family Life Minister	Shane Hall shall@bluerivercofc.org	

Statistics for September 11, 2016 Attendance	84 + 135 = 219
Contribution	\$10,306.50
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,554
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,901

Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: Ramen noodles, pasta and rice meals, peanut butter, jelly, Kool-Aid, canned or packaged tuna, canned chicken, Vienna sausages, Jell-O, cornbread mix, snack bars, diet drink packets, pork & beans, oatmeal, taco seasoning, gravy mix, spaghetti mix, tomato sauce, canned fruit, small packs of instant potatoes. 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. 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 9, 2016

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Order of Worship

8:30

#453 "Love Lifted Me"
#133 "The Love of God"

Prayer Jim Bassford

Scripture Andy Hester
Isaiah 42:1-9

#666 "I Am Thine, O Lord"

Lord's Supper Michael May

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#323 "The Way That He Loves"

Power Kids

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Anticipation:
Seed"

#779 "I Love You, Lord"

Shepherd's Prayer Jan Sullivan

Final Charge Acts 13:47

Songs Led By Gary Hasty

10:45

Hymn by Horatio Spafford
#480 "Blessed Assurance"

Prayer Shane Hall

Scripture Jerry John
Isaiah 42:1-9

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Lord's Supper Darren Herrmann

The Bread
The Cup

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#448 "The Greatest Commands"
#452 "Standing on the Promises"

Power Kids

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Anticipation:
Seed"

#417 "Where He Leads I'll Follow"

Shepherd's Prayer John Owen

Final Charge Acts 13:47

Songs Led By Shane Hall

Prayer List

Carol Hendrix's brother passed away last week. **Sherril Seago's** sister-in-law had a farming accident last week. **Frank Stewart** is home recovering. **Dawson Johnson** had surgery on October 6, and **Ripley Miller** has surgery scheduled for October 17. Continued prayers for **Virginia Fuhr, Marie Nash, Phil Roberts, Betty Williams, Grover Renick, Gary Campbell, Keith and Jurhee Bench, Donna Kerns, Holly Hadley, and Liz Church.** If you would like something added or removed, please let the office know by leaving a note on the desk, a phone call or you can send an email to office@bluerivercofc.org.

Fall Classes

Auditorium – **Darin Kennedy** is teaching on “**Faith and Culture.**”

Adult Classroom – **Russ Simmons** is teaching on “**The Humanity of Jesus.**”

Wednesday evenings – **Earl Fultz** is teaching the men's class, and **Denise Fultz** is teaching the women's class. For the kids (K-6th grade) we have **Trek 812**, and for those younger a class is provided.

Ladies

October 11 (10:00) – **Donna Wealand** will facilitate a time of devotional and prayer. It will be held weekly in the Fellowship Hall. Childcare will be provided.

S.O.F.T. Group

October 15 (12:30) – The S.O.F.T. group will meet for a chili dinner, pumpkin pie, and games in the Fellowship Hall. The points of contact are **Carolyn Endicott** or **Donna Wealand.** They are looking for a headcount as well as volunteers to help.

Beginner Watercolor Class

Fridays through December 2 (10:00am) – The class is free, but you will need to purchase supplies. This would be a great time to invite a friend who might be searching for a relationship with God and with others. If you are interested, please contact **Nancy Sullivan** at (816) 679-9092 or nancysullivanart@gmail.com.

Men's Retreat

October 21-22 – Heartland Center, 16965 NW Highway, KC, MO 64152. All men are invited to “Get in the Game”!

Youth Group Lock-In

October 28-29 (6:00pm-11:00am) – Youth 7-12 grades will enjoy a time of “costume” kick ball, games, movie and Bible studies. Please see the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the lobby for both the youth to attend and adult volunteers. Please see **Aaron or Aylee Palmer** for additional details.

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

I love the Scriptures. Over and over again, they prove to me that they are the powerful words of God. I say “prove” not in the sense that I doubt them and they must pass my test for them, but in the sense of their being useful and effective. They beg to be used in my life: “All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful...” (2 Timothy 3:16). When I place them in the context of my decisions, they always prove to be the right thing to do. What are the qualities of Scripture that make them so useful?

1) The Scriptures are consistent. I love to watch Christians' faces when they hear a lesson from a passage that they had not studied much before. It may be that they spent lots of time in the New Testament, and when they hear a passage from the Old Testament, they sort of light up. I think the reason is that they are amazed at how the different passages, written in different times, circumstances, genres, and voices, all tie together so naturally. They have an increased confidence that God has not changed and will never change. The plan of God will work the same today as it did for Abraham, Joseph, Moses, David, Elijah, Jesus, Peter, James, and John. Each passage is just one more piece of the puzzle, and my life is just one of many in God's family.

2) The Scriptures are descriptive. In the same way Jesus came to earth to live with us, so all Scripture has an incarnational quality. The Scripture portrays an incredibly accurate picture of the human condition. Our sorrows, joys, weaknesses, strengths, sins, personalities, and tendencies are all a part of God's story. It would have been simpler to simply list the commandments, but Scripture places the story of people alongside those commandments. We follow the commandments not only because God is bigger, smarter, and stronger than us, but also because God understands us better than we understand ourselves. It draws us to Him because He draws so close to us. He sees us, hears us, and rescues us. I daresay that when you read the Scriptures, you will see yourself in them, and then you will see what God wants you to be.

3) The Scriptures are practical. Some of the commandments of God, such as sacrifices and worship practices, are made for sacred places and times, but most are made for everyday living, affecting what we say, what we think, the relationships we build, the homes we manage, and the work we do. As stated earlier, God understands the human condition, and He gives commandments that fit our human weaknesses. He wants us to be successful and joyful, and so He tells us the way of righteousness. Thankfully, because God knows us so well, He mercifully provides for our disobedience too.

Transportation Ministry

If you need transportation to church, doctor appointments, grocery shopping, etc., please contact **Roger and Donna Wealand** (816-289-6694 or 816-289-7553). Immediate needs are welcome.