

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 Russ Simmons
John Owen Jan Sullivan

Deacons

Jim Bassford Jack Hudkins
David Blankenship Aaron Palmer
David Foster Sean Turner
Darren Herrmann Paul Walker

Pulpit Minister

Darin Kennedy
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Family Life Minister

Shane Hall
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Statistics for November 20, 2016 Attendance	128 + 131 = 259
Contribution	\$5,091.33
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,554
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,904

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.

November 27, 2016

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Order of Worship

8:30

#324 "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed?"
#57 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Prayer Bruce Sewell

Scripture Brian Wahlen
Psalm 118

#68 "Give Thanks"

Lord's Supper Steve Etter

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#77 "Glorify Thy Name"
#129 "Amazing Grace"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Anticipation:
A Hymn"

#578 "We Will Glorify"

Shepherd's Prayer John Owen

Final Praise 1 Peter 2:6

Songs Led By Shane Hall

10:45

#560 "Living By Faith"
#71 "As the Deer"

Prayer Alan Olas

Scripture Ben Church
Psalm 118

#718 "We Shall Assemble"

Lord's Supper Larry Sullivan

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

"Firm Foundation"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Anticipation:
A Hymn"

#915 "Trust and Obey"

Shepherd's Prayer Earl Fultz

Final Praise 1 Peter 2:6

Songs Led By Gary Hasty

Prayer List

Phil Roberts is at John Knox for rehab, **Evelyn Campbell** is at Villages of Jackson Creek, **Holly Hadley** is recovering from foot surgery, **Marie Nash** is recovering from surgery, **Lena Bramlett's** brother is critically ill, **Kimberly Kennedy's** uncle has blood cancer and is back in the hospital, and **Doris Buys** is at the Rehabilitation Center of Independence. Continued prayers for **Grover Renick, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Donna Kerns, Liz Church,** and **Karen Green.**

Sweet Adeline 2016 Holiday Harmony Spectacular

Saturday, December 3 (3:00pm) – Held at Unity Village. Everyone is invited to come hear the beautiful voices of our own **Rosemary Olas** and **Liddy Miller.**

Ladies

Tuesday mornings (10:00am) – **Donna Wealand** is facilitating a time of devotional and prayer. On **December 6,** we will have our monthly luncheon. Please bring a finger food and an ornament for exchange.

SOFT Group Christmas Party

Sunday, December 11 (3-5:00pm) – Here at the building. Please bring a finger food, appetizer or cookies to share. For those participating in the gift exchange, the gift should not exceed \$10.00.

Ladies Event

Monday, December 12 – **Hannah Guntert's** annual ornament exchange and holiday party will be held at the Guntert's home. Please bring an ornament and dish to share.

Parents Night Out

Friday, December 16 – **Paul & Tammy Walker** – want parents to save the date. More information to come soon!

Bulletin Boards

We want you to be informed so be sure to check out all the bulletin boards weekly. If you need something announced or listed, please forward to **Samantha Pollard.**

Budget Requests

Please get all 2017 requests to **Darren Herrmann** ASAP. You can do so in person, by phone 816-229-1709, or e-mail at darren.herrmann@umb.com.

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

I know! I know! Because of the cross of Jesus Christ, we are not under the old Law. I know that we do not have sacrifices or priests or food regulations or special holy days. I have learned all that since my youth, but I just cannot help peeking back into the book of Leviticus every once in a while. Some might wonder if I did not have anything better to do than to read all those boring instructions about seemingly insignificant details. But I am fascinated by the book and about the God it describes. See if you don't share my fascination!

In Leviticus 25, the Lord prescribes a "Sabbath for the land," where every seven years the Israelites were to let the land rest by not planting new crops for a whole year. We have Price Choppers and HyVees today that bring us an abundance of food, but this seventh year without crops is a drastic step for an agricultural community. If they do not plant, they do not eat. So God challenges them in an incredible act of faith, seemingly putting the nation's survival at risk.

However, God does what He always does—He generously provides a way for the people to follow His commandments. God never commands without equipping the people to obey. In Leviticus 25:20-21, God hears the people's natural objection and encourages them: "Should you ask, 'What shall we eat in the seventh year, if we may not sow or gather in our crop?'" (and I am always asking, "What are we going to eat?"), "I will order my blessing for you in the sixth year, so that it will yield a crop for three years." Did you hear that? The 7th year, or Sabbath year, was not a year of *fasting* because there were no new crops. It was still a year for *feasting* and joy as much as previous years because the Lord would provide the bounty needed. No rationing! No cutting back! No change needed! The Lord would provide enough for the commandments of Sabbath rest to be joyfully followed by the entire community.

I know things have changed from the time of Leviticus, but God has not. He still provides everything needed to work His will. Most of His commands are much harder than, "Don't work for a whole year." Some seem downright impossible, like those dealing with emotions of hate and anger and lust, or those dealing with the tongue, or those dealing with love for the unlovable, or those telling us to go to strange places and testify. Yet, even these most difficult commands are possible to the point of joyful obedience because the Lord provides all the strength needed for the work.

Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants

November 27	1 st Service	Sherry and Cara Owen
	2 nd Service	Jessica and Maddy Herrington