

# Blue River Church of Christ

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<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	

Statistics for December 16, 2018 Attendance	92 + 124 = 216
Contribution	\$5,582
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$6,867
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$6,745

**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.

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### Order of Worship

<b>8:30</b>	<b>10:45</b>
#560 "Living by Faith"	#578 "We Will Glorify"
<i>Scripture</i> Bruce Sewell Deuteronomy 6:1-15	<i>Prayer</i> John Wubbenhorst
<i>Prayer</i> David Rechenhain	#503 "In Sorrow I Wandered"
#58 "A Charge to Keep I Have" #429 "Oh, to Be Like Thee" #314 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"	<i>Scripture</i> David Keller Deuteronomy 6:1-15
<i>Lord's Supper</i> Roger Bradshaw	#528 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"
<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>	<i>Lord's Supper</i> Nick Williams
<i>Giving</i>	<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>
#71 "As the Deer"	<i>Giving</i>
<i>Lesson</i> Shane Hall "He Loved Me First"	#542 "Tell It to Jesus Alone"
#15 "Step by Step"	<i>Lesson</i> Shane Hall "He Loved Me First"
<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i> Earl Fultz	#712 "Jesus Is Coming Soon"
<i>Final Scripture</i> 1 John 4:19	<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i> Russ Simmons
<i>Songs Led By</i> Ron McCleary	<i>Final Scripture</i> 1 John 4:19
	<i>Songs Led By</i> Paul Walker

### ***Prayer List***

Kimberly Kennedy's cousin, Tony Watts, is back in ICU. Roger Wealand had a heart catheterization. Larry Sullivan had shoulder surgery. Continued prayers for Ruth Elmer, Sue Brown, Freda Renick, Bonnie Hamby, Roman Martin, Sharon Michael's mom, Betty, Earl Weddle, Betty Williams, Donna Kerns, Andy Hester, Buddy Self, Rita Fitzsimmons, Evelyn Campbell, Doris Buys, Dave & Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Bruce Keeton, and Jane Weatherbee.

### ***Snack Pack Needs***

**December** – No snacks are needed until after the Christmas break, but feel free to purchase the urgent needed items from the list the schools provided (ex., any color pants sizes 5T-teen for both boys and girls and earbuds). If you need a copy of the list, please email the office at office@bluerivercofc.org.

### ***Elder Availability***

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

### ***New Year's Eve Party***

**Monday, December 31 (7:00-???)** – It is that time again when all the adults of Blue River and their friends are invited to the home of **Russ & Shirley Simmons** to close out the old year and bring in the New Year together. So, grab a nap, bring your favorite snack, and join in the fun. Please contact the Simmons with questions or to let them know if you plan to attend.

### ***Wednesday Classes***

**January 2** – We will have both Trek and adult classes.

### ***Secret Sister Luncheon***

**Sunday, January 6 (12:00)** – All ladies are invited to attend this luncheon right after 2<sup>nd</sup> service. Look for a sign-up sheet on the main bulletin board.

### ***Small Group Break***

The small group that meets at the building at 4:00 (Darin's group) will enjoy a holiday break for a few weeks. We will meet next on January 13.

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

1<sup>st</sup> Service  
2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Kelly & Alex Newbury  
Jessica & Madi Herrington

## **Readings from Theophilus B. Larimore**

**T.B. Larimore was an American evangelist in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Some estimate that he baptized over 20,000 people with his simple preaching of the gospel of Christ. His dedication to Jesus can be seen in the following. Perhaps these quotations might inspire you as you think about your service to the Lord in 2019.**

“Instead of writing you a new-year letter, as I have so often done, I write you, as follows, a few of my life rules, as they occur to me in the light of the last day of 1895—rules which I hope to strictly observe, both in letter and spirit, till God shall call me home:

“(1) Be kind; (2) be meek; (3) be true; (4) be humble; (5) be gentle; (6) be polite; (7) be patient; (8) be earnest; (9) be careful; (10) be hopeful; (11) be faithful; (12) be cheerful; (13) be grateful; (14) be generous; (15) be prayerful; (16) be courteous; (17) be unselfish; (18) be thoughtful; (19) be industrious; (20) be consecrated; (21) be conscientious; (22) always ‘do the right;’ (23) do as much good as possible; (24) do as little evil as possible; (25) eat to live, not live to eat; (26) if possible, be perfectly pure; (27) if not, be pure as possible; (28) always make the best of the situation; (29) be clean—body, soul, and spirit—clean in thought, in word, in deed—always clean; (30) conscientiously consecrate all to Christ—head, hand, heart—body, soul, spirit—time, tongue, talent—mind, muscle, money—consecrate all to Him who gave his very life to ransom a recreant, lost, and ruined race.”

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“I am exceedingly anxious to do more for Christ this year than I have ever done in one year; but I have scarcely begun yet. My vow for this year is: Be better—do more, pray and labor for better results—than in any previous year of my life. So far as work and results are concerned, I have only eleven months in which to break my record for any previous year. Well, beginning, ‘the Lord willing,’ January 31, I am determined to try.”

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“‘Some sweet day’ I’ll breathe my last. When you tell the world I am gone, please tell them I was ready, willing, and anxious to go; that I dreaded not death; that I fought and fell believing I was on my journey to the best and brightest place. I never doubt that.”