

# Blue River Church of Christ

January 5, 2020



<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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## Order of Worship

### 8:30

“Come, Behold the Wonderous  
Mystery!”  
“We Three Kings”

*Prayer* David Blankenship

#427 “Come Holy Spirit, Dove Divine”  
“Amazing Grace”

*Scripture* Jim Bassford  
2 Corinthians 12:7-9

“Night with Ebon Pinion”

*Lord's Supper* Bruce Sewell

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

#695 “None of Self and All of Thee”

*Sermon* Stephen Lord  
“When God Says No”

#552 “Have Thine Own Way”

*Shepherd's Prayer* Russ Simmons

*Final Charge* Psalms 25:1

*Songs Led By* Roger Cook

### 10:45

#3 “Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah”  
#83 “God is So Good”

*Prayer* Shane Hall

#15 “Step by Step”  
#166 “He's My King”  
#74 “Praise the Lord”

*Scripture* Roger Wealand  
2 Corinthians 12:7-9

#314 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

*Lord's Supper* Darren Herrmann

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

#300 “Praise Him”

*Sermon* Stephen Lord  
“When God Says No”

#552 “Have Thine Own Way”

*Shepherd's Prayer* John Owen

*Final Charge* Psalms 25:1

*Songs Led By* Paul Walker

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

Statistics for December 29, 2019 Attendance	108 + 119 = 227
Contribution	\$10,060.00
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$7,054
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$7,158

### Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: Ramen noodles All flavors, canned tuna or chicken, canned fruit, tomato sauce, peanut butter and jelly, cornbread mix, mixed vegetables, boxed jello, pasta meals or rice meals, toothpaste, toothbrushes, canned milk. 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**

Bonnie Hamby, Gideon Guntert surgery January 10, Continued prayers for Donna Lewis, Phyllis MacMillan, John Satzler, Sharon Michael, Holly Hadley, Samantha Pollard, Joel Morehead, Bruce Keeton, Jurhee Bench, Nic Peerson, Will Kreisel, Donna Kerns, and Dave & Marie Nash.

### **New Adult Classes**

**BEGINNING TODAY!!** – Ron McCleary will be teaching “Invitation to a Divine Conspiracy,” a DVD series with a discussion, in the Fellowship Hall.

Shane Hall will be teaching “David: A Man After God’s Own Heart” in the Auditorium.

### **Monthly Men’s Breakfast**

**January 11 (7:00 AM)** – A signup sheet is on the foyer bulletin board. If you are not able to bring a food item or cook, that is okay! Put your name on the list to let us know you plan to attend, then come and enjoy the food and fellowship!

### **Kids Celebration**

**February 9 (12-2 PM)** – All 4th-6th graders are invited to stay after 2nd service for lunch and a time of fun and games. We will also be recognizing the kids that have participated in filling out the worship forms provided during the adult worship each Sunday. Please RSVP to **Debbie Peerson** or **Allie Keller** if you plan to come.

### **Power Kids Teachers**

All Power Kids teachers please sign up on the church website under the members tab for dates to teach for 2020. Please sign up as soon as possible! If you have questions, please see **Allie Keller** or **Jennifer Hall**.

### **New Small Group**

A new small group will begin Sunday, February 2, from 6:00 to 7:30pm at the home of **John** and **Sherry Owen**, 18605 E. 20<sup>th</sup> St. Ct., in Independence. For details, contact **John** at 816-223-0206 or **Sherry** at 816-809-0082

### **Rachel House Donations**

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our holiday collection for Rachel House. We collected \$1,525! May God bless our gifts.

### **Today’s Morning Nursery Attendants**

1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Dawn and Matthew Cook
2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Liddy Miller and Lindsey Hall

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

We had a great day yesterday with our first Winter Vacation Bible School. Thanks to all the volunteers and especially to Hannah Guntert for her leadership. We told the kids about Jesus’ miracles, an important subject for young people as they build confidence in who Jesus is. It reminds me of a preacher from the early 1800s named Walter Scott. Scott would travel extensively in order to preach the gospel. When he first went into a town, he would gather the kids playing in the streets, hold up his five fingers, and teach them things necessary for salvation: faith, repentance, baptism, forgiveness of sins, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. He told them to take those five things back to their parents and invite them to the gospel meeting he was about to start.

Walter Scott had one of the most beautiful statements about miracles—

“By commencing with the four evangelists and abiding by them until they are relished and understood, we learn, chief of all things, that Jesus is the Christ; and while the number, magnitude, variety, sublimity and benignity of his miracles delight, astonish and instruct us, they, at the same time, carry irresistible conviction to the heart, purge it, elevate it, and fix our faith in the mighty power of God. By and by, as we become familiarized to the miraculous evidence, we become reconciled, and even strongly attached to it; losing all suspicion of its reality...In the writings of the evangelists we behold that power which created man and all things, exerting itself with all possible unaffected pomp and majesty, tempering, uniting, and clothing itself with all goodness and philanthropy; and so entirely at the will of the Holy One, that it accompanies those who accompany him. It sparkles, it flashes, it shines, it heals, it renovates, it creates, it controls, it rests, it leaps, it flies, it kindly raises up the bowed down, or hushes into silence the swelling and reluctant storm; it flies forth with the breath of his mouth, it operates at the tuft of his mantle, at the tip of his finger, or at the distance of a hundred leagues; now it is in the air with a voice like thunder; it shakes open the nodding tombs, or it rends the crashing mountains around Jerusalem; always marvelous, it is always harmless, and mostly benevolent. True, there is nothing conciliating or winning in power abstractly considered; apart from goodness, we always choose to inspect it at a distance; but if joined with malevolence, we fly from it with horror and affright. Power is formidable and even terrifying in the tiger, because in him it is a mere instrument of cruelty; but the same power becomes amiable in the horse, because all the thunder of his neck, all the glory of his nostrils, the strength of his limbs, and the fierceness of his attitude, are continually held in check by that beautiful docility which so eminently characterizes this noble animal, and by which his very will is identified with that of his rider. In the evangelists we behold the everlasting, the unexpended power itself, revealed in the form of a servant, and with more than a servant’s humility, the strength of the Lion of the tribe of Judah, and harmlessness of the Lamb, dwelling together in the same one.”

—“On Teaching Christianity,” *The Christian Baptist* (1823)