

Blue River Church of Christ

January 19, 2020



Contact Information 221 NE Woods Chapel Rd Lee's Summit, MO 64064 816-373-7448 office@bluerivercofc.org www.bluerivercofc.org	Worship Times Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
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Order of Worship

8:30

#23 "Our God, He Is Alive"
Prayer Bruce Sewell

#162 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
#163 "His Name is Wonderful"
Scripture Steve Etter
 Isaiah 29:13-24

#332 "Lead Me to Calvary"
Lord's Supper Gene Clark

The Bread
The Cup

#626 "Christ for the World We Sing"
Giving

Sermon Darin Kennedy
 "Romans: How We See the World"

#948 "I Am Resolved"
Shepherd's Prayer David Keller

Final Charge Psalm 51:12-13
Songs Led By Paul Walker

10:45

#15 "Step by Step"
#7 "Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise"
Scripture Matt Hoggatt
 Isaiah 29:13-24

Prayer Robert Bettis

#314 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"
Lord's Supper Nick Williams

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#540 "O for a Faith that Will Not Shrink"
#797 "Lord, We Come Before Thee Now"
#745 "Humble Yourself"

Sermon Darin Kennedy
 "Romans: How We See the World"

#53 "Father, I Adore You"
Shepherd's Prayer Earl Fultz

Final Charge Psalm 51:12-13
Songs Led By Ron McCleary

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

Statistics for January 12, 2020 Attendance	68 + 102 = 170
Contribution	\$7,345.85
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

George Devenport – friend of **Karen Banks**. Continued prayers for **Ralph** and **Eloise Staley**, **Bonnie Hamby**, **Donna Lewis**, **Phyllis MacMillan**, **Joel Morehead**, **Bruce Keeton**, **Jurhee Bench**, **Nic Peerson**, **Will Kreisel**, **Donna Kerns**, and **Dave & Marie Nash**.

New Small Group

February 2 (6:00-7:30 PM) A new small group will begin at the home of **John** and **Sherry Owen**, 18605 E. 20th St. Ct., in Independence. For details, contact **John** at 816-223-0206 or **Sherry** at 816-809-0082.

Thursday Evening Ladies' Group

February 6 (6:30 PM) The ladies' group that meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month will begin a new study at the home of **Sherry Owen**. If you are interested, please contact **Sherry** at 816-809-0082 or at sherrylynnowen16@gmail.com for more information.

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.

Ministry Opportunity

There are so many ministry opportunities at BRCC. Periodically, we will help you become aware of different ministries that need your support.

Today, we would like to encourage you to consider being a part of our “Meals Ministry.” This ministry is led by **Sue Roberts**. When our members are sick, in the hospital, or just need some “extra love,” **Sue** will call the people on her “meal team” and ask them to sign up to make and deliver a meal. If you would be interested in being a part of **Sue Roberts's** meal team, please let **Sue** or the **Church Office** know. **If you have been a part of her team in the past, please touch base with her to make sure you are still on her calling list.**

Today's Morning Nursery Attendants

1st Service

Kelly and Alex Newbury

2nd Service

Stormy Cook

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

Those chapter and verse markings in the Bible have been very helpful to us students of the Word. It helps to share with each other and know that we are in the same place in our reading. But, in our Western love of order, outlines, and to-do lists, those chapter markers make it appear as if the biblical writer is starting a whole new thought. Sometimes it makes little difference, but that enlarged “2” at the beginning of Romans 2 has done significant damage.

In the last half of Romans 1, Paul describes how bad the world has become. The world has disregarded the obvious evidence of a creator, begun to worship created things, and so lowered themselves in that worship that their passions have led even to homosexuality. The church cries out with a loud “AMEN!” Our cultural context today is no different with the primary discussions around Romans 1 in the church being 1) the world has disregarded the evidence of our Creator in favor of naturalistic explanations and 2) the homosexual agenda is ruining our country and is entering the church.

Oh, church! You have been deceived! You have been set up by that big “2” in the middle of Paul's sermon. You have been drawn into finger-pointing, condemning the world for its behavior. At the end of chapter 1, the song leader has wrongly begun the invitation song, and you expected the world to go down front.

Chapter 2 begins...rather, continues, “You, therefore, have no excuse, you who pass judgment on someone else, for at whatever point you judge another, you are condemning yourself, because you who pass judgment do the same things” (2:1).

You have “AMEN”ed yourself into judgment. You can say you are not idolatrous, but you have loved the created things more than the Creator. You have lived as if you were self-made and not God-made. Your passions may not have led you to homosexuality, but you have watched and lusted. You have been hostile and angry and vengeful. You have ignored the right that needed to be done, the justice that needed to be enacted. “As it is written: ‘God's name is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you’” (2:24). Whether you like it or not, church, you are going to have to rely on the same grace as everyone else—and give the same grace to everyone else.