

Blue River Church of Christ

February 9, 2020



Order of Worship

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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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 February 2, 2020 Attendance	96 + 146 = 242
Contribution	\$7,702.85
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	
Items Needed: canned or packaged tuna and chicken, instant pasta meals, ramen noodles, jello, green beans, tomato sauce, onion flakes, relish, instant cocoa, variety pack oatmeal, pork and beans, popcorn, instant rice or bagged, instant potato flakes, snack bars, snack cakes, peanut butter crackers, pancake mix, macaroni and cheese, gallon size zip-lock bags, sandwich bags, decaf coffee, Splenda, toothpaste, creamer. Please leave all <u>labeled</u> donations in the coat area by the church 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.

8:30		10:45	
#718 "We Shall Assemble" #288 "Fairest Lord Jesus"		#718 "We Shall Assemble" #288 "Fairest Lord Jesus"	
<i>Prayer</i>	Bill Brotherton	<i>Prayer</i>	Shane Hall
<i>Scripture</i>	Mike Newbury Romans 5:1-11	<i>Scripture</i>	Chris Guntert Romans 5:1-11
#364 "Come Share the Lord" #337 "Hallelujah! What a Savior"		#364 "Come Share the Lord" #337 "Hallelujah! What a Savior"	
<i>Lord's Supper</i>	Shane Hall	<i>Lord's Supper</i>	Shane Hall
<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>		<i>The Bread</i> <i>The Cup</i>	
<i>Giving</i>		<i>Giving</i>	
#508 "A Wonderful Savior" #578 "We Will Glorify" #20 "We Worship and Adore You"		#508 "A Wonderful Savior" #578 "We Will Glorify" #20 "We Worship and Adore You"	
<i>Sermon</i>	Darin Kennedy "Romans: One Love, One Life, One Man"	<i>Sermon</i>	Darin Kennedy "Romans: One Love, One Life, One Man"
#662 "All to Jesus I Surrender"		#662 "All to Jesus I Surrender"	
<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i>	John Owen	<i>Shepherd's Prayer</i>	David Keller
<i>Final Charge</i>	1 Corinthians 8:6	<i>Final Charge</i>	1 Corinthians 8:6
<i>Songs Led By</i>	Ron McCleary	<i>Songs Led By</i>	Ron McCleary

Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

Prayer List

Continued prayers for **Andy Hester**; Larry Ore – **Lawrence Ore's** father; Jim Stutts; **Sharon Michael** – recovering. **Ralph** and **Eloise Staley**, **Bonnie Hamby**, **Phyllis MacMillan**, **Joel Morehead**, **Bruce Keeton**, **Jurhee Bench**, **Nic Peerson**, **Will Kreisel**, **Donna Kerns**, and **Dave & Marie Nash**.

LTC Practice Schedule

TODAY!!!

Alternate Schedule:

NO Large Chorus Today
2:15-3:00 – Scrapbook/Puppet Group #1
3:00-3:45 – Puppet Group #2

Wednesday Evening:

5:00-6:00 – Scrapbook
6:00-7:00 – Live Drama
7:00-8:00 – Bible Bowl

Kids Celebration

TODAY (12-2 PM) – All 4th-6th graders are invited to stay after 2nd service for lunch and a time of fun and games. There is an alternate LTC schedule.

New Small Group

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

The Williams Family has Moved

Nick and **Tenaya Williams** have moved to Rolla, MO. Let's send the **Williams Family** lots of love and encouragement! There is a book in the foyer that we would like everyone to sign today.

Homecoming Brunch

March 1 (9:30-10:30 AM) – Please plan to join us as we enjoy one another's company in a fellowship brunch. This event is designed to invite former members to reconnect with us. So, invite all of those family members we miss so much! Some food items will be catered, but we'll also have a sign-up sheet that will be sent out.

Congregational Bible Bowl

March 29 (5PM) – Get ready for our 2nd annual Congregational Bible Bowl! The children are beginning a study on 2 Samuel. We are inviting the entire church to compete against our children in a Bible Bowl. Make sure you are prepared. You have two months to read through the book of 2 Samuel.

Watching how Paul thinks is just as important as what he says. I am blessed to have Paul's content, the message of his letters, to teach me, but imitating Paul as he imitates Christ allows me to be personally transformed, having an equipped heart and character. Don't get me wrong—the letter is vital because the heart can be a fickle judge; however, without that inner transformation, the letter can be either too harsh or too approving. The letter must be interpreted through a lived experience with God. The question becomes a “chicken or the egg” issue: does one start with the word, or does one start with the experience? I believe Paul demonstrates the interpretive power of a richly lived experience with God.

Paul communicates through his living relationship with Christ. Paul does not say, “I have been chosen as an apostle, visited by Christ, and God, through direct inspiration, has given me this message to speak to you.” That would certainly lend authority to what he says, being a direct word from God. Paul, instead, speaks of several things that were “passed down” from others (i.e., 1 Corinthians 15:3) or, even when he does speak about a “revelation,” he still seeks confirmation from the other apostles just to make sure of its truthfulness (Galatians 2:2). More prominently and authoritatively, Paul reasons from knowing Christ through faith, with the argument normally sounding like, “Since Jesus was crucified and raised, then...” He begins from that foundation to address every issue he faces, interpreting both the church's needs and the Scripture through the lens of Jesus.

Paul presupposes that the church also experiences Christ. They have been baptized into Christ. They proclaim Christ during the Lord's Supper. They have the Spirit of Christ living within and among them. Even before they receive Paul's letter, they already have what is necessary for moral instruction, healthy relationships, evangelism, weapons against racism and fear and complacency, worship, etc. They have Christ and the most personal representation of Christ, the church. Paul sends a letter not to change their thinking, but more to remind them of the truth they have always had, even though they may not have been living consistently with it.

We today must still begin our teaching and learning with a lived experience in Jesus. If we do not display that experience, then others, including both our children and strangers, have no reason to accept our word. If we do not experience Jesus, we do not engage the Spirit of the Word that really changes people's lives. We do not live in the word, but in, because of, and through the Word. I am profoundly moved watching Paul adore Jesus.

Today's Morning Nursery Attendants

1st Service
2nd Service

Dawn and Matthew Cook
Jessica and Madi Herrington