

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

Deacons

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

Pulpit Minister

Darin Kennedy
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Family Life Minister

Shane Hall
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Statistics for March 11, 2018 Attendance	87 + 127 = 214
Contribution	\$7,069.51
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$6,867
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$6,883

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, ramen noodles, 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.

March 18, 2018

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Order of Worship

8:30

#226 "Come, Thou Fount of Every
Blessing"
#718 "We Shall Assemble"

Prayer Brian Wahlen

Scripture David Blankenship
Ephesians 2:11-22

#705 "A Common Love"

Lord's Supper
Jim Bassford

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#869 "We're Marching to Zion"
#704 "Bind Us Together"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"We Are Family"

#915 "Trust and Obey"

Shepherd's Prayer Russ Simmons

Final Blessing Psalm 133:1

Songs Led By Corbin/Shane Hall

10:45

#869 "We're Marching to Zion"
#704 "Bind Us Together"
#744 "God's Family"

Prayer Larry Sullivan

Scripture Roger Wealand
Ephesians 2:11-22

#705 "A Common Love"

Lord's Supper
Alan Olas

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#718 "We Shall Assemble"
"The Greatest Commands"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"We Are Family"

#859 "When All of God's Singers Get Home"

Shepherd's Prayer John Owen

Final Blessing Psalm 133:1

Songs Led By Shane Hall

Prayer List

Evelyn Campbell is now in rehab at Villages of Jackson Creek. The **Petersen** family as **Howard** has passed away. **Paul Walker's** mom, Donna, has cancer that is growing and causing related health and breathing issues. **Roman Martin** continues to struggle with pain and eating. **Liz Church** asks for continued prayers for the chemo to be effective with no adverse side effects. Continued prayers for **Carrie Brotherton, Ron McCleary & family, Betty Williams, Sue Brown, Eloise Staley, Tracy & Amelia Simmons, Denise Fultz, Hannah Guntert, Sherril Segó, Vickie Sullivan, Faye Sullivan, Tony Pollard, Donna Kerns, Buddy Self, Lena Bramlett, Doris Buys, Dave & Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Bruce Keeton, and Jane Weatherbee.**

Church Homecoming TODAY!

We are happy to see you! Brunch will be held between 1st & 2nd service so please stay so we can visit and catch up.

LTC Performance

March 25 (5:00pm) – Everyone is invited to come see what our kids have been working on for LTC. There will be Video Bible Drama, Live Christian Drama, Puppet and Chorus performances, along with displays of artwork, scrapbook, bulletin board, photography and Christian Fiction. Please come support our kids!

LTC Donations Needed

The following items are needed: snacks, granola bars, small oranges, mini donuts, and mini muffins. Please forward the items to **Angelia Hudkins** by **Wednesday, March 28.**

Ladies Tuesday Morning Class

Tuesdays (10:00-11:00) – **Donna Wealand's** ladies class has started a new series "Hope for the Imperfect Christian." All ladies are invited to attend. The class meets weekly in the library.

Women Walking with God – Wichita, KS

April 13-14 – Ladies, if you are interested in attending, please register online.

Youth Activity and Service Project

Saturday, April 21 (9:30) – Meeting at the building for donuts and then heading over to work at Harvesters. **Aaron** is working on another activity that afternoon.

Mowing the Grounds

Mike Newbury is looking for volunteers, and if you are no longer able to help let him know that as well. Cell: 816-853-9600 or mcnewbs@outlook.com.

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

A regular question for a minister to hear is, "How do I become a member?" In order to become a member of most organizations, one normally goes through a process of filling out an application, paying an initiation fee, and, for the more exclusive ones, going through an interview and voting process. In contrast, membership in the church is characterized in the Bible by three main themes that describe a change in one's state of being and belonging.

First, one transition is becoming "saved." God has done the work through Christ to bring salvation to people. By sacrificing His own son, God did what we could never do on our own, forgiving our sins and giving us eternal life. Several verses in the Bible tell us how we should respond to be saved. The man in Philippi was told to believe in Jesus (Acts 16:31). Paul tells how that belief then expresses itself through testifying aloud that Jesus is Lord (Romans 10:9-10). Repentance leads to the changing of one's life in salvation (Acts 2:38; 2 Corinthians 7:10). Several verses describe the washing of baptism in connection with salvation (1 Peter 3:21; Titus 3:5). All these actions of heart, mind, and body are wrapped up in the work of Christ's salvation in our lives.

Second, another theme describing that transition in one's life is how a person is "in Christ" (Ephesians 1:13). Paul makes another connection with baptism and the state of being "in Christ" (Romans 6:3; Galatians 3:26-28; Colossians 2:9-12). Being "in Christ" means a new way of life (Ephesians 2:10), connected to all the blessings (Ephesians 2:4-7) and the glory of Christ (Ephesians 3:20-21).

Finally, membership is described biblically not of an organization but of a body, the body of Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23). Individually, we are members of Christ's body (Ephesians 3:6). As members of the body, it affects how we treat one another (Ephesians 4:25; 5:30; Colossians 3:15), and it affects how we work together (Romans 12:3-8; Ephesians 4:15-16). In this body, we get to experience the fullness of God (Ephesians 3:14-19; 4:4-6). Everyone in the body has a purpose to be fulfilled and the gifts necessary to fulfill it.

Life, purpose, and fellowship are all changed when one becomes a member of the church. This dramatic change can only be done by the work of Christ in our lives. Thankfully, God is welcome to anyone becoming a member of His church. He has freely offered His son Jesus so that "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Joel 2:32).

Today's Morning Nursery Attendants

1st Service – Sherry & Cara Owen 2nd Service – Jessica & Madi Herrington