

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 Jan Sullivan

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 19, 2017 Attendance	99 + 140 = 239
Contribution	\$5,018.00
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,989
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,555

Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: Ramen noodles, pasta and rice meals, peanut butter, jelly, Kool-Aid, canned or packaged tuna, canned chicken, Vienna sausages, Jell-O, cornbread mix, snack bars, diet drink packets, pork & beans, oatmeal, taco seasoning, gravy mix, spaghetti mix, tomato sauce, canned fruit, small packs of instant potatoes. Please leave all 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 26, 2017

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Order of Worship

8:30

#296 "We Have Come into His House"

Prayer Bill Brotherton

#739 "God's Wonderful People"

Scripture Brian Wahlen
Matthew 5:1-12

#288 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Lord's Supper Shane Hall

The Bread
The Cup

#587 "Sing and Be Happy"

Giving

#415 "Each Step I Take"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Great Change: Let It Go"

#662 "All to Jesus I Surrender"

Shepherd's Prayer Jan Sullivan

Final Charge Psalm 34:14

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10:45

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Prayer List

Mark and Jenny Swartz lost their home in the recent tornado in Oak Grove. Remember to pray for our **college students** who are attending college locally and away. Continued prayers for **Sherril Segoe, Sherry Owen, Bernie Standiford, Michael May, Jerry John, Eloise Staley, Lena Bramlett, Dave Nash, Liz Church, Holly Hadley, Doris Buys, Marie Nash, Grover Renick, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Donna Kerns and Evelyn Campbell. Betty Trotter** has moved to be closer to her son, and her new address is 12700 Antioch Rd, Apt. 6, Overland Park, KS 66213, 913-825-1506.

Housekeeping Items

BUILDING WIDE: Please help prevent spills by using our new coffee cup lids found in the café area next to the coffee cups.

MOWING: We are looking for volunteers to help mow the grounds. We have two riding mowers and one person can mow the yard in 2.5 hours. Typically, each person mows three times during the season. If you can help, please contact **Mike Newbury**, 816-853-6900, mcnewbs@outlook.com. If you are no longer able to help, please let Mike know that too.

Wednesday Evenings

Come dig deeper with us on Wednesday evenings at **7:00pm**. All ages are encouraged to join us!

Bridal Shower

TODAY! (Noon) – All ladies are invited to stay for lunch and the bridal shower honoring **Natalie Bassford** right after 2nd service. Natalie and her fiancé, Chase, are registered at Bed, Bath and Beyond, Target, and on Amazon.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 16 (12:00) – Please join us for an Easter Egg Hunt following the 10:45 am service. If you would like to donate (plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy), please bring the labeled items to the church office.

Family Float Trip

Registration forms have been placed on the bulletin board located in the foyer. If you would like to attend the family float trip, please fill out a form and submit it to John Wubbenhorst by **April 15**. The float dates are **July 30-August 1**.

Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants

March 26	1 st Service	Brenda & Connor Brotherton
	2 nd Service	Heidi & Hayden Hoggatt

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

You are a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ. One of things I love about the churches of Christ is our emphasis on the priesthood of all believers. In the same way we pass the Lord's Supper to one another in our worship assemblies, we are all called to pass on the gospel of Jesus to others. Most certainly, we accomplish that mission in different ways according to the gifts with which God has graced us. For example, I serve in a particular way that is public, but my service is only different from yours in place, not purpose. According to Ephesians 4:11-12, my place is to equip everyone function in his or her particular place of ministry, not to do ministry for everyone. The question everyone needs to ask is, "What is my place, and how can I serve in it most effectively?"

If you want to know your place for ministry, simply look around. You may be a father or wife. You may be an employee or the boss. You may sit quietly behind a desk. You may be selling to as many customers as possible. You may be alone for many hours. You may be the center of attention. Whatever your place, look at it as the opportunity God has given you to serve Him. There may be times when the place you are in prevents active service to the Lord, but I believe the super-majority of people are in the exact spot to serve God. Engage your world with the work of ministry.

What does it mean to do ministry? First, be an example of righteousness. No one will believe you if you speak one way and act another. No one will be drawn to you if your behavior and your speech are no different than what the world offers. Your life is on display, and you should not shrink from that responsibility. Of course, you will mess up, but that will be another opportunity to show others how God's forgiveness renews our purpose and passion.

Second, treat people in the same way God has treated you. People are at the heart of ministry because they are at the heart of God. Forgiveness, kindness, and compassion demonstrate the power of the gospel in amazing ways. Some seem more isolated than others, but take some time to realize how many people you have in your life—customers, employees, store workers, family members, friends, strangers, and many for whom to pray. I believe you will be amazed at the number of opportunities provided to even the most secluded person every day to build ministry relationships.

Third, speak the Word of God. Some of our language will be encouragement or comfort. Some will be in prayer. Hopefully, much will be about the good news of Jesus. If you are not well-equipped to speak about your faith, then grow in your studies and in your courage. Take advantage of every opportunity to strengthen your ministry skills because you have work to do.