

# 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.

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

Statistics for April 9, 2017 Attendance	106 + 133 = 239
Contribution	\$4,432.06
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,989
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,577

## 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.

April 16, 2017

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## Church of Christ

### Order of Worship

**8:30**

**10:45**

#470 "Victory in Jesus"  
#344 "Low in the Grave He Lay"

#345 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"  
#193 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

*Prayer* Andy Hester

*Prayer* Aaron Palmer

*Scripture* Bill Endicott  
John 15:9-17

*Scripture* Roger Cook  
John 15:9-17

"In Christ Alone"

#226 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*Lord's Supper*  
Gary Hasty

*Lord's Supper*  
Nick Williams

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

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*Giving*

*Giving*

"How Deep the Father's Love"  
#353 "One Day!"

#470 "Victory in Jesus"

*Power Kids Dismissed*

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*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
"The Way of Love"

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"One Day!"

#202 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

*Shepherd's Prayer* John Owen

*Shepherd's Prayer* Earl Fultz

*Final Praise* Ephesians 2:4-5

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*Songs Led By* Shane Hall

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### **Prayer List**

Congratulations to recently baptized young Christians, **Corbin Hall** and **Abby Eaton**. Continue to pray for our **college students** who are attending college locally and away. Continued prayers for **Mark & Jenny Swartz, Kelly Seuferling, 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.**

### **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

**Today, Sunday, April 16 (12:00)** – All children 14 and under please join us for the Easter Egg Hunt following the 10:45am service.

### **Parents' Night Out**

**Friday, April 28 (6:00-9:00pm)** – The **Walkers** are hosting a Hawaiian Luau! The sign-up sheets are on the main bulletin board for both kids and volunteers.

### **Youth and Trek 812 Combined Activity**

**Saturday, April 29** – The groups will tackle landscaping at the building from **10-12:30**, lunch from **12:30-1:30** and then carpool to enjoy Broomball from **2:00-3:00**. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Make plans to attend!

### **Oklahoma Christian Chorale Concert**

**Saturday, April 29 (7:00pm)** – The OCU Chorale Group will perform for us here at the building.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Area Wide Fellowship**

**April 30 (5:00pm)** – Liberty Church of Christ – 1401 Glenn Hendren Dr., Liberty, MO 64068 (816) 781-5134.

### **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 30**. The float dates are **July 30-August 1**.

#### ***Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants***

April 16	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Carrie & Abby Eaton
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Laurie Kerley

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

What a weekend! Easter *and* tax time! We are reminded of Jesus' statement in Luke 20:25—"Give to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." We pay our taxes, and we gather with the saints for worship. The contrast of activities should startle us a bit. One is based on earthly business; the other on heavenly. One affects the bank account; the other affects the treasure of the heart. One offers allegiance to an earthly government; the other worships the King above all kings. Like I said, the contrast should startle us as we confront the God who has commanded us both to worship and to follow the laws of the land—He is Lord of heaven and earth, the spiritual and the physical are together in His dominion.

We are challenged once again to bring all of our lives under the rule of God. We easily bring our "spiritual" lives under God's control. We go to worship on Sunday mornings. We pray with our family. We spend time in learning God's Word. We have good feelings in our heart towards God. The next step is to bring the "physical" under His control as well. Financial matters, activities at work, relationships with co-workers, neighbors, friends, and family, fleshly desires, participation in government, common chores, words, and deeds are all claimed by God. Separating the spiritual and the physical creates idolatry. Our idea of a purely spiritual god competes against the one, true God in the same way our physical interests can tempt us away from God if they are not controlled by Him.

The resurrection of Jesus affirms God's desire to rule the physical world. When Jesus was born, humanity learned the incredible truth of "God with us" and "the Word became flesh." When Jesus died on the cross, God proved His love for the created world by accepting the death that all created beings know. And when Jesus rose from the dead, God sealed the deal by willing to come back to this fleshly and sinful world. After the resurrection, Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me" (Matthew 28:18), and He continued by sending His disciples out into the world to teach and baptize. God created the physical world, God came to the physical world, and God wants to save physical people in the created world.

As Christians, we must end the compartmentalizing of our lives, putting work in one box, religion in another, family in another, etc. Everything belongs in one box, and that box belongs to God. Writing a check to the IRS even becomes an act of obedient worship.