

# Blue River Church of Christ



## Order of Worship

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

**10:45**

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

Statistics for April 14, 2019 Attendance	83 +149 = 232
Contribution	\$8,300.00
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$7,180
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$7,267

**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, 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.

<p><b>#718 "We Shall Assemble"</b>  <b>#57 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"</b></p> <p><i>Prayer</i> Gene Clark</p> <p><b>#917 "I Bring My Sins to Thee"</b></p> <p><i>Lord's Supper</i>                  Ron McCleary</p> <p><i>The Bread</i>  <i>The Cup</i></p> <p><b>#902 "Nothing But the Blood"</b></p> <p><i>Giving</i></p> <p><i>Scripture</i> Bruce Sewell                  Colossians 1:15-20</p> <p><b>#227 "On Zion's Glorious Summit"</b>  <b>"In Christ Alone"</b></p> <p><i>Sermon</i> Darin Kennedy                  "The Mystery of Christ"</p> <p><b>#221 "Jesus, Name Above All Names"</b></p> <p><i>Shepherd's Prayer</i> David Keller</p> <p><i>Our Mission</i> Colossians 1:28-29</p> <p><i>Songs Led By</i> Shane Hall</p>	<p><b>#718 "We Shall Assemble"</b>  <b>#57 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"</b></p> <p><i>Prayer</i> Vint Hall</p> <p><b>#917 "I Bring My Sins to Thee"</b></p> <p><i>Lord's Supper</i>                  Darren Herrmann</p> <p><i>The Bread</i>  <i>The Cup</i></p> <p><b>#902 "Nothing But the Blood"</b></p> <p><i>Giving</i></p> <p><i>Scripture</i> Matt Hoggatt                  Colossians 1:15-20</p> <p><b>#227 "On Zion's Glorious Summit"</b>  <b>"In Christ Alone"</b></p> <p><i>Sermon</i> Darin Kennedy                  "The Mystery of Christ"</p> <p><b>#221 "Jesus, Name Above All Names"</b></p> <p><i>Shepherd's Prayer</i> Russ Simmons</p> <p><i>Our Mission</i> Colossians 1:28-29</p> <p><i>Songs Led By</i> Shane Hall</p>
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### **Prayer List**

Continued prayers for Earl Weddle, Joe Wolverton, Andy Hester, Mike & Debbie Peerson's son, Nic, Jurhee Bench, Bob MacMillan, Will & Pat Kreisel, Ruth Elmer, Sue Brown, Freda Renick, Roman Martin, Betty Williams, Donna Kerns, Buddy Self, Rita Fitzsimmons, Doris Buys, Dave & Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Bruce Keeton, and Jane Weatherbee.

### **Picture Board Update**

**TODAY** – Pictures are being taken in the fellowship hall after both first and second services. Today is for families whose last names begin with I-L. Next week, families with last names M-P, please plan to have your picture taken!

### **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

**TODAY** – Meet in the Fellowship Hall after 2<sup>nd</sup> service to participate in this year's Easter Egg Hunt!

### **Quarterly Diaper Drive**

We are beginning to collect diapers sizes 2-3 for Josh IV and Cordelia Kearney, six-month-old twins who lost their mother. Diapers will be collected during the first month of each quarter. Please place your donations in the boxes in the foyer labeled "Diaper Drive," and contact **Sean Turner** with any questions.

### **Family Movie Matinee**

**April 27 (4pm)** – Join us at the building to watch the movie, "Paul, Apostle of Christ." There will be pizza provided after the movie. Please bring your favorite snacks to share during the movie. Contact **Sean Turner** or **Aaron Palmer** with any questions.

### **VBS Meeting**

**April 28 (2pm)** – For those who are interested in helping with this year's Vacation Bible School, there will be an informational meeting at the building. If you have any questions, please contact **Jennifer Hall**.

### **Senior Banquet**

**May 11 (5pm)** – You are invited to a graduation banquet honoring 3 seniors, **Abby Eaton**, **Drew Blankenship**, and **Connor Brotherton**, at the church building. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the lobby to let us know how many to prepare for.

### **Today's Morning Nursery Attendants**

1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Brenda & Conner Brotherton
2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Stormy & Bekah Cook

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

"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"

—Mark 16:6-7

I can ask the wrong questions. They say that there are no bad questions, but that simply isn't true. There are terrible questions, and not-so-good questions, and good questions that could have been better. We are practical people, and our first questions are normally "What?" and "How?" For example, one might ask about the resurrection of Jesus, "What are the accurate details of the event?" or, "What is the proof that it happened?" or, "How is it possible that someone could be raised from the dead?" These are not bad questions; they are even necessary in the right context, but is there a better one? Asking "What?" and "How?" causes us to be amazed that the event happened, which is definitely appropriate, causing us to praise the God who can do such things. But perhaps a better question would cause us to move past amazement at the spectacular nature of the event to seek out the heart of the God who wants to do such things: "Why would Jesus come back?"

Jesus had shown nothing but love and grace in his ministry, and he was treated with absolute contempt by the witnesses. He was Creator of all the universe, descendant of David, and life itself, and they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him! We have no king but Caesar! Let his blood be on our heads and the heads of our children!" As for those who had shown devotion to him, those disciples had run off afraid, and the seemingly best of the bunch denied Jesus three times. Ignorant, cowardly, traitorous, worthless people. "But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you... You will see him...'"

Why would he come back? With that question, we approach God with a new amazement at how unbelievably gracious He can be. While the proper, logical response would have been to come back, yes, but with the armed hosts of heaven at his back to bring about fiery destruction, God acts illogically, dare we say foolishly, and sends Jesus back not with a flaming sword, but with the stigmata as the sign of His glory. Jesus comes back not to prove everyone wrong, but to eat with the disciples, teach them, commission them, and (can it be possible?) to breathe into them his Spirit, giving them the best of himself. When we ask, "Why?" we are filled with wonder and exuberant praise, filled with love for our generous God.