

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 April 22, 2018 Attendance	107 + 147 = 254
Contribution	\$6,016.65
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$6,867
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$6,745

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.

April 29, 2018

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Order of Worship

8:30

#648 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"
#636 "To Love Someone More Dearly"

Prayer Sean Turner

Scripture Tony Pollard
1 Corinthians 12:12-27

#701 "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Lord's Supper Bill Brotherton

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#915 "Trust and Obey"
#876 "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow"

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Our Mission:
My Place"

#876 "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow"

Shepherd's Prayer Russ Simmons

Final Blessing Ephesians 2:10

Songs Led By Shane Hall

10:45

#622 "Ring Out the Message"
#636 "To Love Someone More Dearly"
#876 "Where He Leads Me I Will Follow"

Prayer Shane Hall

Scripture Roger Wealand
1 Corinthians 12:12-27

"What the Lord Has Done in Me"

Lord's Supper Roger Cook

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

"Days of Elijah"
"Firm Foundation"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Our Mission:
My Place"

#410 "He Leadeth Me"

Shepherd's Prayer John Owen

Final Blessing Ephesians 2:10

Songs Led By Shane Hall

Prayer List

Faye Sullivan and Betty Trotter are on Hospice. Earl Weddle has started treatments. Continued prayers for Roman Martin, Liz Church, Donna Walker, Evelyn Campbell, Tony Pollard, Doris Buys, Dave & Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Bruce Keeton, Jane Weatherbee, and Andy Hester.

Area-Wide Worship Service

Tonight, April 29 (5:00) – Swope Parkway Church of Christ. The 4:00 small group that meets here at the building is cancelled for everyone to attend the service.

CPR Class

Saturday, May 9 (9:30-12:30) – RSVP to Bill and Marlene Haley if you are interested. Upon completion, you will receive a Red Cross certification.

Youth Group Small Group

Sunday, May 6 (5:00-7:00) – Come and be a part of this new and exciting small group! It will meet in the teen room in the basement. The Palmers will try to be at the building as early as 4:45 if parents need to drop their kids off on their way to other small groups.

Survey

Surveys are available in the foyer. Please have them all turned in by next **Sunday, May 6**. We would love everyone's input!

Save the Dates!

May 13 – Emma Bassford's graduation party @ the Bassford home

May 19 (9:30-2:30) – Youth & Trek Combined Activity – We need a solid headcount, so the correct number of tickets will be purchased. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

May 19 (2:00 pm) – Hunter Hoagland's graduation reception @ the Grain Valley Community Center (come & go)

May 19 (2:00-5:00) – Sydney Kerley's graduation open house @ the Roberts' Residence: 4713 Southwest Soldier Dr, Lee's Summit

May 20 (1:00 pm) – High School Graduation Celebration Dinner @ the building. Watch for a signup sheet on the Facebook page and on the bulletin board, as the meal will be catered, and we need to know who is coming.

June 9 – Ruth Church & Logan Owen Wedding Shower

June 24 – Dallas Herrmann & Carrie Stewart Wedding Shower

June 27 – July 1 (ages 9-18) – Narrow Way Youth Retreat

August 4 & 5 – Friends and Family and Family Open House Weekend

August 24-25 – BRCC Marriage Retreat

*****Special Request – Downtown Church needs clothes donations!*****

The Preacher's Post – Darin Kennedy

One of the highlights of my week was getting to take a walk with two-year-old Ripley. The weather had turned into Missouri's gorgeous spring, and we were enjoying outside together. She ran through the grass and sang and laughed. It was delightful to watch. The best thing was seeing the world through her eyes. A centipede was crossing the sidewalk, and she stooped down to study it. A water-meter cover was a place to stomp on or jump over. A gravel driveway was fascinating. A tulip was mesmerizing. A robin was chased. We stared at a rabbit for several minutes.

And, of course, there were those "flowers." You know the ones I mean, the violet tips of the clover flowers, the bright yellow dandelions, or the even more fun soft head of the dandelion seed pod. She called them "flowers," and she is scientifically correct, but we have a different word for them—"weeds." That poor girl, like all other children I have ever known, got suckered by their bright colors and soft cotton and thought them beautiful. She picked a clover flower and wanted to carry it home. She picked a soft dandelion and shook it until a cloud of seeds was carried off by the breeze. My only thought was, "Sorry to everyone on whose yards those seeds fall." Her only thought was, "Wow!"

My adult, preacher mindset can find the lesson in all this: the temptation of the young. Those dandelions deceive, playing the card of beauty and fun, and get the children to do their dirty work of spreading death across the well-manicured lawns of the disciplined. Once one temptation bears fruit in sin, it spreads across everything like a...like a...weed. That'll preach.

Perhaps the more important lesson for the preacher to learn is to see flowers again and to hear the birds and to stoop and watch the centipedes. Wonder and fun draw us close to the heart of a child, which is close to the heart of God. To appreciate the created order as God once did when He called it "good" is more valuable than my being able to notice all the problems of the world and sit in judgmental criticism. More than flowers and bugs, I need to delight again in people. People can be challenging and frustrating, but God once looked at people and called it all "very good." Let's return to rejoicing in life together. That should preach.

You know what I did when I got home? I put weed-killer on the yard. There's a cloud of dandelion seeds on the breeze.

Today's Morning Nursery Attendants

1st Service – Dawn Cook

2nd Service – Stormy Cook