

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

Statistics for June 17, 2018 Attendance	Not Reported
Contribution	\$7,830.75
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, 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.

June 24, 2018

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Order of Worship

8:30

#539 "Higher Ground"
#704 "Bind Us Together"
#749 "The Battle Belongs to the Lord"

Prayer Brian Wahlen

Scripture Bruce Sewell
Isaiah 29:13-24

#779 "I Love You, Lord"
#382 "Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?"

Lord's Supper
Gene Clark

The Bread
The Cup

Giving
#781 "Thank You, Lord"

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Summer Reading: Sight"

#948 "I Am Resolved"

Shepherd's Prayer John Owen

Final Call Isaiah 42:6-7

Songs Led By Shane Hall

10:45

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Prayer List

Roger Wealand had back surgery this week. **Andy Hester** had a stint put in this week. **Buddy Self** has some nodules on his liver. He will have a CT scan this week to find out more info. **Rita Fitzsimmons** has uterine cancer and is scheduled for surgery on July 11. Continued prayers for the **Walker family, Earl Weddle, Faye Sullivan, Betty Trotter, Roman Martin, Liz Church, Evelyn Campbell, Tony Pollard, Doris Buys, Dave & Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Bruce Keeton, and Jane Weatherbee.**

Summer Reading in the Park

Mondays and Tuesdays (7:00 pm) – We'll read through the writings of John (John, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John, and Revelation). Mondays, we read at Waterfall Park in Independence behind Bass Pro Shops. Tuesdays, we read at Harris Park in Lee's Summit behind Summit Waves. Come join us!

Wedding Shower

TODAY, June 24 (12:00-2:30 pm) – **Dallas Herrmann** and Carrie Stewart's Wedding Shower. A light lunch will be served.

Narrow Way Youth Retreat

June 27-July 1 (ages 9-18) – Registration is open. Any questions, see **Jennifer Hall**.

Lunch & Discussion for the Mission Statement

Sunday, July 1 (12:00-1:00) – If you have not been able to go through the Focus Group Questions with a small group, we want to hear from you. So please join us for a light lunch and time of discussion.

4th of July Celebration

Wednesday evening, July 4 – Mark your calendars for a time of food, fun and fireworks at the home of **Russ and Shirley Simmons**.

Save the Dates!

July 7 – Youth/Family Royals Game – Faith & Family Night

July 15-19 – Vacation Bible School

August 4-5 – Friends and Family Open House Weekend

August 24-25 – BRCC Marriage Retreat

September 7-8 – BRCC Ladies Fall Retreat – **“Precious and Dearly Loved”**

Today's Morning Nursery Attendants

1st Service – Dawn Cook

2nd Service – Allie Keller & Stormy Cook

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

I wanted to update you on what is happening in the process to develop a Mission Statement for Blue River. First of all, what is a Mission Statement? A Mission Statement is something an individual or organization uses to focus in a particular direction. It may be that an organization needs to shore up something that is lacking, or they may need to unify their efforts rather than spreading themselves too thin. A Mission Statement provides clarity of communication as well, giving everyone the same language to describe where the organization is headed. These are all needs that we have at Blue River as we try to unify around the great mission of the gospel in our particular place, in our particular time, with how we have been uniquely gifted.

The committee developing a Mission Statement knew that we needed to hear what the particular needs and strengths of the congregation were, so we put together a survey for the membership. We had around 130 surveys completed, and the responses were very insightful. Not one survey was completed with a critical spirit, but all were done with a desire to help understand and improve Blue River. The committee saw a few patterns develop from the responses. In order to better clarify and confirm these patterns, a set of Focus Questions were designed for discussion groups.

These Focus Questions have been used in our small groups over the past month with, again, insightful and helpful comments being heard without any negative spirit. We realize that not everyone is presently in a small group, so we want to invite everyone who has not participated in a discussion of these Focus Questions to **join us for lunch after 2nd service on July 1**. We'll have a light lunch to keep up our energy, split up into smaller groups, and discuss the questions for about an hour. We want to hear from everyone. Whether or not you filled out an initial survey, please come to the lunch. If you did fill out a survey, this is a great time to follow through with what you have already started. Our teens also filled out the surveys, and we would love to include them as well.

Already some wonderful things have come out of the discussions. We have a better understanding of other people's viewpoints. We are able to be honest about some things that Blue River needs to work on. People are thinking creatively about how to make Blue River more in line with what God wants for His church and more able to meet a wide diversity of needs. Don't miss out. **Join us on July 1.**