

# Blue River Church of Christ

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<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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## Order of Worship

### 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	

#15 "Step by Step"  
#574 "Oh, How I Love Jesus"

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*Prayer* David Rechenthin

*Prayer* Gary Hasty

*Scripture* Roger Bradshaw  
John 15:1-17

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"Holy and Anointed One"

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*Lord's Supper*  
Bill Brotherton

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Randy Smith

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

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*Giving*  
#705 "A Common Love"  
#1014 "Jesus Loves Me"

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*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
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#470 "Victory in Jesus"

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*Shepherd's Prayer* John Owen

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*Final Charge* John 15:4

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Statistics for July 15, 2018 Attendance	88 + 132 = 220
Contribution	\$5,700.00
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.

### **Prayer List**

**Liz Church** is planning a new round of chemo. **Andy Hester** has some balance issues and fluid around his heart. Continued prayers for **Buddy Self, Rita Fitzsimmons, Roger Wealand, Earl Weddle, Faye Sullivan, Roman Martin, Evelyn Campbell, Tony Pollard, Doris Buys, Dave & Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Bruce Keeton, and Jane Weatherbee.**

### **Vacation Bible School**

What an incredible time was had by all, and (**WOW!**) check out those castles built by our kiddos! If you haven't yet checked out the YouTube videos created and posted by our own **Allie Mace**, you will definitely want to do that! They are super fantastic! The focus this year was **"WARRIORS: Young Hearts in God's Kingdom."** **Jennifer & Shane Hall** and **Tenaya & Nick Williams**, as well as all of you who volunteered, we sincerely thank you for all your hard work! It doesn't seem possible, but it just keeps getting better and better every year.

### **BRCC Marriage Retreat**

**August 24-25** – Come join us in a Marriage "Refocus" Event! We will be exploring ways to sharpen our marriage skills in at least six areas: our marriage as a process, intimacy, compatibility, communication, commitment, and our ministries. To make reservations for The Life Change Camp, see **Paul Walker**.

### **BRCC Ladies Fall Retreat**

**September 7-8** – The theme will be **"Precious and Dearly Loved."** Please join us as we learn and grow in our understanding of the Savior and His love for us. Reserve your spot as quickly as possible with **Samantha** at [sapdisciple@gmail.com](mailto:sapdisciple@gmail.com). Spots are filling up fast!

### **Summer Reading in the Park**

**Mondays and Tuesdays (7:00 pm)** – We are reading through the writings of John (John, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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!

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

1<sup>st</sup> Service  
2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Sherry & Cara Owen  
Jessica & Madi Herrington

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

*"Booster, Booster, be a Booster!  
Don't be angry like a rooster.  
Booster, Booster, be a Booster,  
And BOOST our Bible school.  
BOOST!"*

I want to congratulate you, Blue River, on another fantastic Vacation Bible School. Every summer when we have VBS, it brings back many memories of great times. I remember all the costumes I have worn over my lifetime for VBS. I have dressed as a clown, a cowboy, and Cletus. I have dressed as any number of biblical characters from Abel to Moses to Jonah to Aaron, and now Joshua this year. I have maneuvered numerous puppets until my arm ached. I have led hundreds of songs and danced around with my hands waving and my tongue sticking out. I have worked for hours and hours on decorations, building a whale's mouth for Jonah, a parting Red Sea for Moses, a bathroom for Cletus, and now the wall of Jericho. It all comes back to me in waves. I am exhausted when it ends and ready for a real vacation, but it has been worth it.

That, of course, is the key to VBS—it all comes back to me. To those who participate as both students and teachers, you cannot help but remember. Every moment of construction, silliness, dress-up, and acting has a Bible story connected with it. I will always remember, and your kids will too. Each child will store something away for the future. It may be a song that they cannot stop humming to themselves. It may be a Bible story visual that they will always consider whenever they hear the story again. It may be a memory of smiling, laughing, and dancing, the types of memories we need from childhood that give us confidence for the future and comfort during difficult days. They will not remember every line of every skit, but something will stick. We pray that that something will sprout and grow with an abundance of fruit sometime in some place.

Hopefully, they remember that people cared. We had over 50 teen and adult volunteers this week, an outstanding work force! We had dozens of delicious cookies. It was a tremendous work of love. Many thanks to Tenaya Williams for developing our theme and stories and decorations. Also, many thanks to Jennifer Hall for managing schedule, volunteers, and overall organization.