

Blue River Church of Christ

Contact Information

221 NE Woods Chapel Rd
Lee's Summit, MO 64064
816-373-7448
office@bluerivercofc.org
www.bluerivercofc.org

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

Statistics for July 30, 2017 Attendance	99 + 152 = 251
Contribution	\$6,243.30
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,989
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$6,072

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 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.

August 6, 2017

BLUE RIVER

Church of Christ

Order of Worship

8:30

#648 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"
#452 "Standing on the Promises"

Prayer Roger Bradshaw

#147 "I Stand Amazed"

Scripture Mike Newbury
Luke 24:36-53

#538 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

Lord's Supper
David Blankenship

The Bread

The Cup

Giving

#886 "On Jordan's Stormy Banks"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Shane Hall
"Expansion"

#945 "Kneel at the Cross"

Shepherd's Prayer John Owen

Final Praise Psalm 90:17

Songs Led By Paul Walker

10:45

#648 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"
#452 "Standing on the Promises"

Prayer Roger Cook

#147 "I Stand Amazed"

Scripture Ben Church
Luke 24:36-53

#538 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

Lord's Supper
David Keller

The Bread

The Cup

Giving

#886 "On Jordan's Stormy Banks"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Shane Hall
"Expansion"

#945 "Kneel at the Cross"

Shepherd's Prayer Russ Simmons

Final Praise Psalm 90:17

Songs Led By Paul Walker

Prayer List

Bob Schmitt was in the ER on Wednesday, but is home recovering now. **Beverly Campbell** had a knee replacement on July 31 and should be starting rehab soon. **Rita Fitzsimmons** had a brain tumor removed at MD Anderson and is recovering well in Houston. **Bob McMillan** continues to struggle with blood clots. **Jeff Wahlen**, Stan and Debbie's son and Brian's brother, is recovering well at home after significant head injuries. **Darin** and **Michael Kennedy** and **Jack Hudkins** are serving this week in Guatemala. Please pray for their ministries and their safety. Continued prayers for **Cheryl Sutton, Liz Church, Freda Renick, Donna Kerns, Stacey Wubbenhorst, Holly Hadley, Buddy Self, Drew Battistelli, Hannah Guntert, Jan Sullivan, Kelly Seuferling, Sherry Owen, Lena Bramlett, Liz Church, Doris Buys, Dave and Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Evelyn Campbell, Bruce Keeton, Jane Weatherbee** and **Ralph & Eloise Staley**.

Luke-Acts Reading on Facebook Live!

Anytime! – If you haven't had a chance to watch and/or hear the Word of God read by some of our own church family on Facebook Live ([facebook.com/bluerivercofc](https://www.facebook.com/bluerivercofc)), you really should. They did an awesome job! They read through the entire book of Luke. The reading will be archived online for you to be able to listen at a time that's convenient for you. The reading of the book of Acts coming soon! If you would like to participate, see **Drew Battistelli**.

Youth Group Activity

August 19 (6:00-9:00) – Game night at the building.

Jump Start 2017

August 25-27 – Hosted by Rocketdyne Rd. Church of Christ in Neosho, MO. See www.jumpstarttrally.com for more information.

Youth Rally

September 15-16 – Hosted by Blue River Church of Christ – *Elevate: Empowering Youth to Live Above the World!*

Silver Dollar City

October 14-15 – **Aaron Palmer** has taken the lead for the 15th annual Church of Christ Weekend at Silver Dollar City. If you have any questions please direct to him.

Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants

August 6	1 st Service	Maya Turner
	2 nd Service	Liddy Miller & Amy Eve

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

This morning, almost straight south of you about 1,700 miles, Jack Hudkins, Michael Kennedy, and I are worshipping with our brothers and sisters in Christ in Guatemala. This afternoon, hard work will begin as Jack will begin surgery, Michael will be working at sterilizing surgical tools, and I will...well...I'll be doing preacher stuff (so, not hard work) like greeting patients and praying with them and their families. This work will continue through Thursday. But for right now, we are gathered in worship: singing, praying, sharing the Lord's Supper, hearing the Word (spoken in Spanish), and fellowshiping with strangers...and yet, not strangers. What a privilege to connect more with the world-wide church!

When I think about what we are doing here in Guatemala, I am reminded of Paul's great moment of unity in the world-wide church. Paul was involved in taking up a collection from the primarily Gentile churches in commercial centers like Corinth to take back to those suffering in poverty in the primarily Jewish congregations of Judea and Jerusalem. Yes, Paul was interested in sharing with the poor, as was consistent with both the ministry of Jesus and life in the earliest church, but Paul had larger goals. He wanted the Jewish and Gentile churches to be completely unified, and this collection was to be a symbol of and motivation for that unity.

I am interested in Paul's use of a monetary collection to bring about unity. Money often creates problems for unity. One side gives, and that carries the burden of arrogance; nothing can become as arrogant as pity. The other side receives, and that carries the burden of dependence; nothing can humiliate like receiving charity. But Paul masterfully brings the two parties together in full equality by denigrating both the gift of money in light of willingness and the need for money in light of the ability to pray and the fact that God listens to the poor. In the end, both rich and poor get to be like Jesus, "that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9). So both are blessed the same: "The goal is equality" (8:14). Sharing means we are in this together no matter the differences between us.

Keep us and the year-round work of Health Talents International and Clinica Ezell in Montellano, Guatemala, and the church there in your prayers. We are in this together.

For the week of August 6-12—Acts 13-16

Community reading aloud—

Mondays, 7:00 pm – Waterfall Park in Independence

Thursdays, 7:00 pm – Lea McKeighan Park in Lee's Summit