

# 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.

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

Statistics for August 20, 2017 Attendance	105 + 127 = 232
Contribution	\$6,844.00
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 27, 2017

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## Church of Christ

### Order of Worship

**8:30**

#957 "This World Is Not My Home"

*Prayer* Andy Hester

#595 "I Come to the Garden Alone"

*Scripture* Bill Endicott  
Jonah 2

#83 "God Is So Good"  
#176 "Lamb of God"

*Lord's Supper* Ron McCleary

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

#595 "The Glory-Land Way"

*Power Kids Dismissed*

*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
"Summer Reading:  
Neither Snow Nor Rain Nor Heat  
Nor Gloom of Night"

#915 "Trust and Obey"

*Shepherd's Prayer* Earl Fultz

*Final Call* 2 Corinthians 5:20

*Songs Led By* Gary Hasty

**10:45**

#202 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

*Scripture* Drew Battistelli  
Jonah 2

*Prayer* Roger Cook

#71 "As the Deer"

*Lord's Supper* Larry Sullivan

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

"Amazing Grace"

*Power Kids Dismissed*

*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
"Summer Reading:  
Neither Snow Nor Rain Nor Heat  
Nor Gloom of Night"

"Amazing Grace"  
"Lift High the Cross"

*Shepherd's Prayer* John Owen

*Final Call* 2 Corinthians 5:20

*Songs Led By* Ryan Smith

## **Prayer List**

**Susan Foster's brother**, Val, has just received the diagnosis of Stage-4 liver and pelvic cancer. He is currently in hospice care. **Jan Sullivan** is still having medical difficulties and is in St. Luke's East. Continued prayers for **Bob Schmitt, Howard Petersen, Rita Fitzsimmons, Bob McMillan, Cheryl Sutton, Liz Church, Freda Renick, Donna Kerns, Stacey Wubbenhorst, Holly Hadley, Buddy Self, Drew Battistelli, 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.**

## **Youth Rally Planning Meeting**

**TODAY – August 27** – Youth rally planning meeting will be held between 1<sup>st</sup> service and class for all volunteers. We need volunteers for this huge undertaking.

## **Nursing Home Service**

Our 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday service at Wilshire at Lakewood Nursing Home is **today** at 3:00.

## **Fall Fellowship Brunch**

**September 3** – will be held between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> services - see **Arline Bradshaw.**

## **Fall Classes – Start September 10**

**Auditorium** – **Russ Simmons** will be teaching, “If you were given the opportunity as how to live your life would you choose to live it ‘wisely’ or ‘foolishly’? Jesus says the choice is yours. In **The Sermon on the Mount** Jesus provides us with a practical guide to the wise person’s life.”

**Adult Classroom** – **Larry Sullivan & David Blankenship** will be teaching, “**The Character of God and His Rewards and Punishments.**” We will use specific texts from the Old and New Testaments and discuss in class the fairness and severity of punishments as well as His gifts and rewards.

## **Youth Rally Event**

**September 15-16** – Hosted by Blue River – *Elevate: Empowering Youth to Live Above the World!* If you are interested, please see **Shane Hall** or **Aaron Palmer.**

## **Need for LS School District**

The choir at Lee's Summit West High School needs help altering the dresses the girls wear. Please send me your name and number at michaelmay060@yahoo.com if you can help. The choir director will contact you.

### **Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants**

August 27	1 <sup>st</sup> Service	Denise Fultz & Allie Mace
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Service	Angelia & Aubrey Hudkins

## **The Pastor's Post – John Owen**

Serving others—to some it's an easy thing to do, and to some it's a lot harder to do; either way, we should be trying to serve in whatever capacity we can. I often wonder if I'm doing enough, if I'm giving enough of my time helping others in need, if I'm opening my eyes to those who need help, and if I'm closing my eyes to my own needs and wants.

As I look at Jesus' life of serving, the first thing that comes to mind is, “The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many” (Mathew 20:28). We can see over and over his service to others. One of my favorite stories is when Jesus washed the disciples' feet. In John 13:1-7, we see Jesus setting a great example of love, humility, and service.

To serve doesn't take any special skill or training; instead, serving requires a humble attitude, a loving heart, a big smile, and a need to follow Jesus. It is as simple as that. We can start off by sending cards to those who need encouraging. It's amazing to see how big of an impact a card makes on a person who is not feeling well. We can then move on to other things. The main point is that we should be serving our brothers and sisters, our neighbor, and also people that we do not know. They will know we are Christians by our love.

Jesus recognized that in the world the lesser serves the greater. At one time He said, “For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves” (Luke 22:27). Although this may be true in the world, in the Body of Christ it is to be different. Again Jesus said, “I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you” (John 13:15).

As a family of believers at Blue River Church of Christ, let's get involved in serving. We have many opportunities within the church to be involved, and you can serve in your own communities.

For the week of August 27-September 2—Acts 25-28

Community reading aloud—

Mondays, 7:00 pm – Waterfall Park in Independence

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