

Blue River Church of Christ

May 8, 2016

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Order of Worship

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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
Jan Sullivan

Deacons Jim Bassford Jack Hudkins
David Blankenship John Owen
David Foster
Darren Herrmann

Pulpit Minister Darin Kennedy
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Family Life Minister Shane Hall
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Statistics for May 1, 2016 Attendance	112 + 134 = 246
Contribution 4/24 & 5/1, 2016	\$5248.29 + \$8263.66 = \$13,611.95
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,554
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,931

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 donations in the office.

Prayer Warriors are waiting to hear from you. This group of caring people will pray for you and your request. Place a note in the "Prayer Warrior" box, or 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.

8:30

#429 "O To Be Like Thee"
#843 "God Give Us Christian Homes"

Prayer Roger Bradshaw

Scripture Andy Hester
Proverbs 31

#718 "We Shall Assemble"

Lord's Supper
Michael May, presiding

The Bread

The Cup

Giving

#601 "My God and I"
#943 "Do You Know My Jesus?"

Power Kids Fruit of the Spirit

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Look, Mom!"

#924 "Just As I Am"

Shepherd's Prayer Earl Fultz

Final charge Hebrews 13:7-8

Songs Led By Shane Hall

10:45

#852 "When the Roll Is Called Up
Yonder"
#749 "The Battle Belongs to the Lord"

Scripture Ben Church
Proverbs 31

Prayer Shane Hall

#902 "Nothing but the Blood"

Lord's Supper
Darren Herrmann, presiding

The Bread

The Cup

Giving

#484 "You Are My All in All"

Power Kids Fruit of the Spirit

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"Look, Mom!"

#176 "Lamb of God"

Shepherd's Prayer Russ Simmons

Final charge Hebrews 13:7-8

Songs Led By Gary Hasty

Prayer List

Liz Church received encouraging results from her PET scan. All previous lesions have been resolved (**gone**)! Services for **Russ Simmons's** mother, Marilyn Simmons, and **Rebecca Waldron's** dad, Paul Cain, were held last week. **Howard Petersen** is awaiting a date to replace his pacemaker. **Virginia Fuhr** will have a PET scan to determine if her cancer has spread. **Dawson Johnson** remains in the hospital with respiratory problems. **Susan Foster** is home following hip surgery. **Joe Harber's** mother is scheduled for heart surgery at KU on May 11. **Betty Williams** completed rehab and is home now. Continue to pray for **Phil Roberts, Jacque Landers, Grover Renick, Holly Hadley, Bruce Keeton, Donna Kerns, Gary Campbell, Keith Bench, Ralph Staley, Linda Brizendine.**

Graduation Open House

May 22 (Sunday 1:00-3:00) The Bassfords will be hosting a graduation open house for Jackson in the Fellowship Hall.

VBS

Put VBS on your calendar for **July 17-20**. If you are ready and willing to help, please see **Shane or Jennifer Hall**.

Members Directories

There are copies of Address & Phone and Email directories in the reception area. Please review and check off if correct or make any edits that are necessary. If your name has been highlighted, your information has been confirmed or updated. **If not highlighted, you still need to review.**

Upcoming Youth Activities

June 23-26 (Thursday-Sunday) – Narrow Way Youth Retreat at Camp Imprint. See **Shane and Jennifer Hall** for details.

Birthdays – May 8-14

Andrew Jones – May 8 *Andie Mace – May 9*
Austin Hoagland – May 10
Roger Cook & Roger Wealand – May 13

Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants

May 8	1 st Service	Denise & Shannon Fultz
	2 nd Service	Jessica & Madi Herrington
May 15	1 st Service	Dawn Cook
	2 nd Service	Sara Gurski & Aubrey Hall

The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy*

The quality of being perceptive is critical to the Christian life. I used to read Agatha Christie mysteries with the elderly Miss Marple. In the story, everyone is trying to solve the murder, and the professional detectives are following every lead. Miss Marple simply stands behind the scenes, watching and listening for every scrap of information. At the end, when everyone else is stymied, she is able to describe the entire scenario and to lay a trap for the criminals. She made me think about the power of perception.

Most of us are too opinionated to be very perceptive. We have an idea, and we want to see it proved rather than being open to new information. Pride can filter everything so that we see it like we want to see it, rather than how things really are. Pride prevents us from looking at something from another perspective. We are quick to judge. Pride causes us to find fault with others. We are busy and rushed. Pride in our own schedules and business keeps us from stopping and noticing the little things. Perception is first of all a stance of humility, taking in all the information before reacting or judging conclusions. How quick are you in drawing conclusions and making judgments? Can you see the real needs of people?

To perceive others with care and interest produces the appropriate action and words. Not everyone is able to smile. Not everyone likes a big hug. Many do not know what they want. Many do not recognize what they need. Some wrestle with the past. Others worry over the future. No two people are alike.

I am amazed at how perceptive Jesus was. I know he had the all-knowing-God thing going for him, but it was more than that. Jesus was genuinely concerned about the world and people around Him, and he could see their hearts. Even though crowds surrounded him, Jesus felt the power go out from him to heal the woman with a bleeding problem. He noticed Zacchaeus in the tree. Jesus gave a lame man exactly what he needed—the forgiveness of sins. Jesus knew the hearts of the Jewish leaders who argued with him and eventually plotted to kill him. Jesus had an amazing perception of people, their actions and their motivations and their needs.

Each person is a deep mystery. Are you perceptive enough to look beyond the superficial, beyond dress and facial expressions and simple conversations, to see the value and needs of a real, emotional, social, and multi-faceted human being?