



### “Quiet, Be Still”

The Sea of Galilee was a favorite location for Jesus. The Sea is mentioned more than forty times in the Gospels. We find Jesus walking along the lakeshore. We find Jesus getting in and out of boats. We even find Jesus walking on top of the Sea. I remember fondly taking a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee. I pictured in my mind Jesus doing the same thing. We sailed out of the port of Tiberias and headed north and east. Amazingly, in the past two thousand years, there has been little development on the lakeshore. When you sail across and look at land, you see similar views that Jesus and his disciples would have had. Some of the great stories in Jesus’ ministry took place at the Sea of Galilee.

The lake is seven to eight miles across and thirteen miles long. It is called by four names in the Bible and even today depending on the location you live around the lake: Lake Kinneret (possibly from *kinnor*, the Hebrew word for harp since the lake is shaped like a harp), Lake Gennesaret, Lake Tiberias, or the Sea of Galilee. It is located seven hundred feet below sea level so it is the lowest freshwater lake in the world. Its average depth is eighty-four feet, but at one place it is one hundred and fifty feet deep.

One of my favorite stories on this lake is found in Mark 4 and repeated in Matthew 8 and Luke 8. In Matthew’s account, we learn that Jesus had been in Capernaum all day with his disciples healing the sick, casting out demons, and preaching. It was now evening and he was exhausted. He said to his disciples, “Let’s get into the boat and go to the other side of the lake.”

The boat they climbed in was a small fishing boat, estimated to be about twenty-seven feet long. It would hold twelve people. So they get into the boat for what would have been about a two-hour journey. Jesus heads to the back of the boat to lie down on a cushion where he quickly goes to sleep. After a bit, a furious storm comes up. The word used for this type of storm is *seismos*. It is translated as “tempest” or “earthquake.” The wind was blowing like crazy and rain was pouring down. Waves were breaking over the small boat until it was “nearly swamped” as Mark says.

So here they are in the middle of a storm in deep water several miles from shore. Mark records what happens next: “The disciples woke him and said to him, ‘Teacher, don’t you care if we drown?’” (4:38). Can’t you picture Jesus waking up and basically saying: “Don’t you guys get it yet? Were you not with me when I cast out demons and healed the sick? Remember when I turned the water to wine? Do you really think this boat is going to sink while I’m asleep?

Mark says, “He rebuked the wind and said to the waves, ‘Quiet, be still.’ And the wind died down and it was completely calm” (4:39).

Jesus shows that he has complete power over the forces of nature in that moment. Jesus can control the wind and the rain. This scene takes us back to Moses when he parted the Red Sea. The disciples realize once again that they were not dealing with an ordinary man. This

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was the Son of God. Whatever storms you are facing right now in your life, know that you don’t have to face them alone. Jesus will join you and bring peace in the midst of the storm. **Mark**

# Arlington Church of Christ



## Our Mission: Connecting People to Jesus and one Another

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## Welcome

We pray you will be encouraged and uplifted  
as we join together in worship.

### Guest Information

- There is a **staffed nursery** available for children under age 2. There is also a **parent/child training room** at the rear of the auditorium.
- An optional **children’s worship** is available for ages 3 to 8 during morning worship. Children will be dismissed before the sermon. Please pick up your child after worship
- If you are visiting, **please complete a visitor card** so we have a record of your attendance.

### Weekly Meeting Times

**Sundays:**  
Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

**Wednesdays:**  
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

### Weekly Statistics

	weekly budget	\$4,064
Jan. 28	<u>attendance</u>	<u>contribution</u>
	135	\$4,394

## Arlington Family Pages

Seeking to edify, educate and  
inform the Family of God  
Sunday, February 4, 2018

**Elders:** Mark Brackney Ph: 622-0376  
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Keith Tatum - *Education/Picture Board/Family Camp*  
Ronnie Weldon - *Attendance/Communion Prep/Bldg*

**Minister:** Mark Brackney Ph: 523-1764

**Secretaries:** Becky Johnson Jennifer Tatum

**Missionaries:** Tom & Angie Langley - WEI  
Tommy Drinnen - Hope Central

**Our Sympathy is extended to...** Kathy Campbell and family as they mourn the death of Kathy's brother, Buddy Dowdy, and the Jack Davis family as they mourn his death this past Wednesday. Please remember these families in your prayers.

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers:** Ben Cavin in Willow Ridge in Maynardville; John Burka; Roger Mink; Terry Trent; Becky Johnson; Casey Owens; Tom & Anita Drinnen.

**Friends and Loved ones:** Kathryn Norman's son, Gordon Norman; Bobby Cole's nephew, Michael Maddox; Shane Mink; Kelly Hunter's dad, Buddy, in hospice; Laura Owens' uncle, Hoyt; Patricia Ramsey's father; Ronnie Weldon's brother-in-law; Edith Weldon's cousin; Missy Essary; Deb & Rob Colones; Greg Dyer; Heather Ream's mother; Janie Johnson's mom; Jason McDougal's mother & Tina's brother; Olivia Britt; Angie Langley's brother.

**Shut-ins:** Lynda Elliott; Fred Galbreath; Edna Hullender; Peggy Mehlhorn; Kathryn Norman; Jessie Rutherford; Dan Trent.

**Missionaries:** Tom & Angie Langley; Tommy Drinnen.

## Coming Soon

- Please take a moment to **pick up a card or two** to mail this week from the Card Ministry table.
- YPYF devotional and super bowl party** at the Brackney's tonight at 5 p.m. Please bring finger foods to share.
- Kingdom Kids** tomorrow, Feb. 5, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the ACOC building.
- Family basketball** this Wed., Feb. 7, 8 to 9:30 p.m.
- Senior's Valentine's Tea**, this Sat., Feb. 10, at Noon, in Fellowship Hall. Sign up on the hall bulletin board if you plan to attend. See Delinda Summers for additional information.
- UT Christian Student Center fundraiser** at Laurel Church of Christ, this Sat., Feb. 10, 6 p.m. For \$5 per person you get dinner and a talent show. See Mark for details.
- Winterfest meeting** for attendees and parents of attendees on Sunday, Feb. 11, after morning services.
- Home church**, Sun., Feb. 11, 6 pm
- Winterfest is February 16-18, 2018** Information is on the teen board.
- Connection Night**, Sun., Feb. 18, 5 p.m. Please bring finger foods to share after we get to know three more of our Arlington family members.
- Marriage Class** begins, Feb. 25, at 4 p.m. Register on the Arlington website. See Summers for details. Cost is \$100 but scholarships are available.



## Family News

**Sermon Topics Today**  
**Sunday Morning:**  
*Life of Jesus Series*  
"Peace Be Still" - Calming the Storm

**Sunday Night:**  
*No Evening Service tonight*

### SERVING THE ASSEMBLY TODAY:

**Serve @ Table:**  
Bill Langley, Colby Coleman  
Jacob Shannon, Larry Yarborough  
Zach Shannon, Bob Campbell

**Opening Prayer:** John Potter  
**Preside at Table:** Jay Estes  
**Greeters:** Mark & Sammie French  
**Nursery:** R Brackney & L Cooke  
**Security:** J McDougal & G Loftis



### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Feb 4 Tommy Drinnen  
Feb 4 Shaun Thomas  
Feb 9 Kathy Campbell



Happy  
Birthday!!



## Family Matters

**New to Our Family** Please welcome **Grace Ostdiek and Lauren Long** to our Arlington Family. Grace and Lauren and Leah Tatum are roommates. For your directory:

	Bday	Ph. number
Grace Ostdiek	May 5	(303)506-4410
Lauren Long	June 4	(615)879-1260

3945 Highland Crest Way, Apt #107  
Knoxville, TN 37920

**New to Our Family** We also welcome **Eli and Ellen Griffin** to our Arlington Family. Please add their info to your directory:

	Birthday	Ph no.
Eli	Aug 20	256-614-3915
Ellen	Jan 10	865-748-4484



Praise Him,  
All Ye Little Children

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