



# Arlington Church of Christ

*"The churches of Christ greet you."  
Romans 16:16*

## Enemies

### ELDERS

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\*Preacher

### DEACONS

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Sunday Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.\*

Sunday Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Class.....7:00 p.m.

**\*Sermon audio is  
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### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How large was the ark of the covenant?

Ex 23:4-5 "If you come across your enemy's ox or donkey wandering off, be sure to take it back to him. If you see the donkey of someone who hates you fallen down under its load, do not leave it there; be sure you help him with it.

Luke 6:27-36 "But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. If someone strikes you on one cheek, turn to him the other also. If someone takes your cloak, do not stop him from taking your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' love those who love them. And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' do that. And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' lend to 'sinners,' expecting to be repaid in full. But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

The command to "love enemies" is not just a New Testament command. In Exodus, Moses gave practical instructions about how to treat our enemies. If one saw the donkey of an enemy had fallen under its load, one was to help. And if an enemy's ox or donkey wanders off, one was to return it to them. If something happened to an enemy's property, one was not to turn a blind eye, but to help where they could. And one was not to gloat or rejoice at another's problems, but to help even those who hate us.

Jesus said in Matt 5:43-48 "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your brothers, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." We are to respond to an enemy with love, to curses with blessings, to hatred with love and prayer. Retaliation only makes a bad situation worse. We are to respond in a way that is unexpected and that will "heap burning coals on his head" (Romans 12:20) or in other words will cause his conscience to burn within him. That was the reaction that our savior Jesus had to those who abused and persecuted him. May we live so that others will see Jesus in us. In doing so, we will please our Father and gain the eternal reward he has promised to the faithful.

**PRAYER LIST**

**BIRTHDAYS**

\*See the caring cards list in the lobby



*“The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.” James 5:16*

- 5/14 Bev Hood
- 5/30 Bijan Ariapad
- 6/6 Weston Manske
- 6/7 Jill Claire
- 6/11 Gayla Jacobs
- 6/12 Felicia Rice
- 6/12 Greg Vicars

*“For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst.” Matt 18:20*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 5/7 Sack Sunday (bring donations for pantry)
- 5/12 Ladies’ Class on 2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays (see Cathy for location)
- 5/13 Mid-western 5k Run/Walk– Race starts at 9am w/ \$30 fee
- 5/21 Fellowship Dinner after morning worship

- 5/14 Isaac & Felicia Rice
- 5/20 Manuel & Herminia Montesclaros
- 5/22 Steve & Christy Williams
- 5/25 Del & Anita Pickett

**MEN TO SERVE**

5/7

5/14

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Sermon AM/PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Announcements	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Song Leader AM	Jeff McCollum	Jeff McCollum
Song Leader PM	John Bauer	John Bauer
Opening Prayer AM	Jeff McCollum	Joe McCollum
Opening Prayer PM	John Bauer	Ron Hartman
Lord's Table	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Assistant #1	Matt Williams	Brad Price
Closing Prayer AM	Ron Hartman	Ron Hartman
Closing Prayer PM	Joe McCollum	Joe McCollum
Greeters	Joe & Doris McCollum	John & Terri Bauer
(Wed.) Devotional	(5/10) John Bauer	(5/17) Mike Menard
(Wed.) Song Leader	(5/10) Jeff McCollum	(5/17) John Bauer

AM

PM

May 7	1Kings 14, 15	John 1:1-28
May 8	1Kings 16-18	John 1:29-51
May 9	1Kings 19, 20	John 2
May 10	1Kings 21, 22	John 3:1-21
May 11	2Kings 1-3	John 3:22-36
May 12	2Kings 4, 5	John 4:1-30
May 13	2Kings 6-8	John 4:31-54

*“Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”*

Luke 11:28

**PANTRY NEEDS**

**TRIVIA ANSWER**

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| Over the counter medicines/aspirin | Canned meats– fish, chicken & SPAM         |
| Laundry detergent                  | Canned Veggies– greens, potatoes, etc.     |
| Face soap & Shampoo                | (not corn, green beans, or peas)           |
| Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels       | Fruit Juice– apple, grape, pineapple, etc. |
| Boxed Potatoes                     | Peanut butter and Jelly                    |
| Small- Flour and Sugar             | Breakfast Cereal                           |

A: 2.5 X 1.5 X 1.5 cubits  
(45 X 27 X 27 in)