

Olivet Presbyterian Church

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The Session

Christopher W. Arnold
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David R. Currence, *Emeritus*
James M. Hawley, *Emeritus*
Jason M. Petty

The Diaconate

Brian J. Carlisle, *Widows & Shut-ins*
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Don L. Johnson
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The Women in the Church

Sandra Currence, *President*
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Frankie Guempel, *Circle Chair*
Kathy Fairfax, *Nursery/Children's Church*
Marsha Plyler, *Treasurer/Pastor's Aide*
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Lorie Rohrer, *Missions*

Our Missionaries

Peter and Diane Bakelaar (*MTW-Japan*)
Garry and Anita Chambers (*MTW-Caribbean*)
Roger and Laura Dye (*Family Life Global-Latin America*)
Brian Howard (*RUFJ-Clemson Univ.*)
Sara Driggers (*Wycliffe*)
Debbie Richards (*MTW-Japan*)

Ministry Committees, 2025

Discipleship Ministries Committee

Rick Summerville, *Chairman* (2026)
Kathy Fairfax (2025)
Lee Summerville (2029)
Donna McArthur (2025)
Susan Petty (2026)
Megan Covington (2028)

Missions Committee

Jason Petty, *Chairman* (2026)
Lorie Rohrer (2025)
Chris Arnold (2029)
Thomas Hardison (2025)
Dennis Krueger (2026)
Bryce Laws (2028)

Witness Committee

Austin Simpson, *Chairman* (2028)
Barbara Lawson (2026)
Bobby Mendenhall (2029)
Marsha Plyler (2025)
Scharlie Carlisle (2025)
Gwen Carlisle (2028)



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McConnells, South Carolina

A member congregation of
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The Lord's Day, February 2, 2025

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Preparation for Worship

Pastor Austin Simpson

Oh sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things!
His right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody!
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord!

(Psalm 98:1, 4–6, ESV)

*Hymn 16 *Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord* All

*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 44 *How Great Thou Art* All

Scripture Meditation Pastor Chip McArthur

The LORD is in his holy temple;
the LORD's throne is in heaven;
his eyes see, his eyelids test the children of man.
The LORD tests the righteous,
but his soul hates the wicked
and the one who loves violence.
For the LORD is righteous;
he loves righteous deeds;
the upright shall behold his face.

(Psalm 11:4-5, 7, ESV)

Corporate Confession of Sin

**Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your
steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.
Remember not the sins of our youth or our
transgressions;**

**according to your steadfast love remember us,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!
For your name's sake, O Lord,
pardon our guilt, for it is great.**

**Turn to us and be gracious to us,
for we are lonely and afflicted.
The troubles of our heart are enlarged;
bring us out of our distresses.
Consider our affliction and our trouble,
and forgive all our sins.**

(adapted from Psalm 25:6,7,11, 16–18, ESV)

Assurance of Pardon

There is therefore now no condemnation for those
who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of
life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of
sin and death. For God has done what the law,
weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his
own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he
condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the
righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled
in us, who walk not according to the flesh but
according to the Spirit.

(Romans 8:1–4, ESV)

Hymn 535 *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* All

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children's Message Pastor Simpson
(Children aged 3 to 5 years dismissed to Children's Church Program)

Scripture Reading Isaiah 1:21-2:5

Sermon *The Holy One of Israel – Part 2* Pastor McArthur

*Hymn 521 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* All

*Benediction

*Offering of Praise 735 *The Gloria Patri* All

*Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand.

Today (2/2)	Addison Sikes, Laura Frame
Next Sunday (2/9)	Gracie Horton, Gwen Carlisle

Today at Olivet

8:50 am	Early Prayer (Pastor's Study)
9:00 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Morning Worship Service
4:00 pm	Session Meeting
5:00 pm	Choir Practice
6:00 pm	Children's Groups, Adult Bible Study

This Week at Olivet:

Wednesday	Youth Group Meets, 6 pm
	Prayer Meeting, 7 pm (Conference Room)

Attention Ladies

The Olivet *Women in the Church* will meet on Saturday February 22 at 11:00 AM in the sanctuary. Jane Edwards will speak. Then there will be lunch in the Fellowship hall. All ladies invited. McConnells Baptist women will be joining us.

Looking Ahead (Please Mark Your Calendars!)

February 11	Ladies' Circle Meets, 7 pm, in the Conference Room
February 23	Communion Service
March 1-2	Missions Conference with Guest Preacher Roger Dye
June 23-27	52 nd General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in America – Chattanooga, TN

Missions Committee

The Missions Committee will meet next Sunday following the morning worship.

Faith Promise for World Missions

2024 Faith Promise Pledged, April 30, 2024	\$ 20,960.00
2024 Faith Promise Received to date	\$ 15,517.74

Church Budget Matters

Receipts to Date	\$ 18,233.02
Budget requirements to Date	\$ 18,039.45
Difference	+\$ 193.57

Collection Duty

February	Brent Christenberry, Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton
March	Malcolm Harshaw, David Kelley, Brian Carlisle

Nursery Team

Children's Church Team

Today (2/2)	Amanda Lenker (T), Richard Sikes
Next Sunday (2/9)	Scharlie Carlisle (T), Toni Clinton

Devotional Guides

The latest editions of *Our Daily Bread* and *Tabletalk* are available today in the vestibule.

Missionary Prayer Requests for February

“Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.”

(Mark 16:15, ESV)

Roger and Laura Dye-Pray for Roger as he will be preaching for our Missions Conference March 2. They are also taking on a new role with Family Life: working to form a new network of Hispanic churches to become involved with family ministry and request prayer for this new endeavor.

Debbie Richards- Pray for Debbie who will retire from MTW at the end of February. She asks that we pray for all the things that need to be accomplished as she transitions in order to be a full-time caregiver for both of her parents. Pray also that God will raise up new missionaries to take the place of Debbie.

Sara Driggers-Sara has taken a leadership position at Wycliffe as well as continuing her current responsibilities. She and Marty are empty nesters now that Jade has moved out! They have also had some unexpected expenses to deal with and ask for prayers in these areas of concern.

Missions Conference: Pray for the committee as we continue to plan for this annual event and need wisdom to coordinate schedules and to address technology issues. Pray for safe travel for Sara and the Dyes who will be joining us that day.

