

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*
James R. Clinton
John F. Hawley, *Chairman*
Larry M. Plyler, *Emeritus*

Lee K. Guempel, *Safety*
Brent M. Christenberry, *Buildings & Grounds*
David W. Kelley

Malcolm Harshaw, *Treasurer*
Don L. Johnson
Michael A. Laws, *Secretary*

The Women in the Church

Sandra Currence, *President*
Ina Ruth Johnson, *Historian*
Frankie Guempel, *Circle Chair*

Kathy Fairfax, *Nursery/Children's Church*
Marsha Plyler, *Treasurer/Pastor's Aide*

Susan Petty, *Secretary*
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, 2024

Discipleship Ministries Committee

Chris Arnold (2024), *Chairman*
Jill Christenberry (2024)
Rick Summerville (2026)

Donna McArthur (2025)
Kathy Fairfax (2025)

Missions Committee

Bobby Mendenhall (2024), *Chairman*
Brian Carlisle (2024)
Jason Petty (2026)

Thomas Hardison (2025)
Lorie Rohrer (2025)
Dennis Krueger (2026)

Witness Committee

Daniel Harshaw (2026), *Chairman*
Katie Summerville (2024)
Scharlie Carlisle (2025)

Barbara Lawson (2028)
Marsha Plyler (2025)
Austin Simpson (2028)



Olivet Presbyterian Church

McConnells, South Carolina

A member congregation of
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The Lord's Day, November 3, 2024

Prelude

Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Austin Simpson

*Call to Worship

Great and amazing are your deeds,
O Lord God the Almighty!
Just and true are your ways,
O King of the nations!
Who will not fear, O Lord,
and glorify your name?
For you alone are holy.
All nations will come and worship you,
for your righteous acts have been revealed.

(Revelation 15:3b-4, ESV)

*Hymn 302 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing!* All

*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 310 *Rejoice, the Lord Is King* All

Scripture Meditation Pastor Chip McArthur

Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

(Revelation 1:12-18, ESV)

Corporate Confession of Sin Unison Reading

Almighty God, You have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned Him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged His rule in our lives as we ought. We have gone along with the ways of

the world, and failed to give Him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and his head of the Church, His body. In his name we pray, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn 558 *That Man Is Blest Who, Fearing God (from Psalm 1)* All

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

Scripture Reading Ephesians 6:10-20

Sermon "Armor for the Fight" Pastor McArthur

*Hymn 647 *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds* All

*Benediction

*Offering of Praise 735 *The Gloria Patri* All

*Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand.

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

Missions Committee

The Missions Committee will meet briefly following this morning's Worship Service in the Conference Room.

This Week at Olivet:

Tuesday Election Day – McConnells Precinct Voting at Olivet
Communicants Class, 4:30 pm (in Conference Room)
Wednesday Youth Group Meets
Prayer Meeting at 7 pm (Conference Room)

Looking Ahead (Please Mark Your Calendars!)

November 24 Joint Thanksgiving Service at McConnells First Baptist, 6 pm.

Faith Promise for World Missions

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| 2024 Faith Promise Pledged, April 30, 2024 | \$ 20,960.00 |
| 2024 Faith Promise Received to date | \$ 11,343.74 |

Church Budget Matters

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| Receipts to Date | \$ 190,015.70 |
| Budget requirements to Date | \$ 194,339.36 |
| Difference | -\$ 4,323.66 |

Collection Duty

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| November | Malcolm Harshaw, David Kelley, Brian Carlisle |
| December | John Hawley, Michael Laws, Brent Christenberry |

Nursery Team

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| Today (11/3) | Abbey Sikes, Bryce Laws |
| Next Sunday (11/10) | Addisyn Sikes, Laura Frame |

Children's Church Team

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| Today (11/3) | Brenda Nance (T), Marsha Plyler |
| Next Sunday (11/10) | Amanda Lenker (T), Richard Sikes |

Devotional Guides

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

Missions Prayer Requests for November

You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.

2 Corinthians 9:11-12 (ESV)

November is the month of Thanksgiving. This month let us thank God for calling our missionaries as His ambassadors to the world. Now more than ever the world needs the gospel of Christ. It also desperately needs to see the love of God in action as missionaries help to meet many physical needs.

MTW suggests these nine ways to pray for our missionaries. Pray for their:

1. Reliance on God
2. Spiritual safety
3. Emotional, physical, and mental well-being
4. Christian community
5. Strong family relationships
6. Contentment/companionship for single missionaries
7. Cultural adjustment and sensitivity
- 8 Healthy team dynamics
9. A fruitful harvest

Let us rejoice that we can partner with our missionaries through prayer and giving. Consider contacting one or more of our missionaries this month to thank/encourage them. Also, consider a financial contribution to missions to thank the Lord for all His blessings.

Our missionaries:

- The Bakelaar's (MTW-Japan)
- The Dye's (Family Life Global-Latin America)
- Brian Howard (RUF1-Clemson)
- The Chambers (MTW-Caribbean)
- Sara Driggers (Wycliffe)
- Debbie Richards (MTW-Japan)