

Olivet Presbyterian Church

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The Session

Christopher W. Arnold
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James M. Hawley, *Emeritus*
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The Diaconate

Brian J. Carlisle, *Widows & Shut-ins*
James R. Clinton
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Sandra Currence, *President*
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Kathy Fairfax, *Nursery/Children's Church*
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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 (*RUF1-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)



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The Lord's Day, September 8, 2024

Prelude Preparation for Worship
Welcome and Announcements Pastor Chip McArthur
*Call to Worship

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!

(Isaiah 6:1-3, ESV)

*Hymn 100 *Holy, Holy, Holy!* All

*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 57 *Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, Oh My Soul* (Psalm 146) All

Scripture Meditation Pastor Austin Simpson

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

(James 1:19-25, ESV)

Pastoral Prayer of Confession and Intercession

His Tithes & Our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

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

Scripture Reading Ephesians 6:1-4

Sermon "Children and Their Parents" Pastor McArthur

*Hymn 699 *Like a River Glorious* All

*Benediction

*Offering of Praise 735 *The Gloria Patri* All

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand.

Today at Olivet:

9:00 am Sunday School
Inquirers' Class (Fellowship Hall)
10:00 am Morning Worship Service
5:00 pm Choir Practice
6:00 pm Children's Groups, Adult Bible Study

This Week at Olivet:

Wednesday Youth Group Meeting, 6 pm
Prayer Meeting at 7 pm (Conference Room)
Thursday Communicants' Class, 6:30 pm

Looking Ahead (Please Mark Your Calendars!)

Next Sunday Missions Committee Meets (Following Morning Worship)
September 26 Fellowship Presbytery Meets at Salem PCA, Gaffney.

September 29 Joint Sunday Evening Worship at Zion PCA, Lowrys (6 pm)

October 6 Homecoming with Rev. Wallace Tinsley

October 20 Shoebox Packing Party, 6 pm

Operation Christmas Child

This fall Olivet will once again be participating in Samaritan Purse’s Operation Christmas Child. Contributions of items for the shoeboxes may be placed in the Ladies’ Sunday School room.

Faith Promise for World Missions

2024 Faith Promise Pledged, April 30, 2024 \$ 20,960.00

2024 Faith Promise Received to date \$ 7,582.00

Church Budget Matters

Receipts to Date \$ 153,669.59

Budget requirements to Date \$ 158,669.59

Difference -\$ 4,513.61

Collection Duty

September Brian Carlisle, John Hawley, Michael Laws

October Brent Christenberry, Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton

Nursery Team

Today (9/8) Maddie Sikes, Frankie Guempel

Next Sunday (9/15) Donna McArthur, Megan Covington

Children’s Church Team

Today (9/8) Michael Laws (T), Jill Christenberry

Next Sunday (9/15) Lori Rohrer (T), Rick Summerville

Devotional Guides

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

Missions Prayer Requests For September

Pray for us that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored

2 Thessalonians 3:1

Brian Howard RUF1 Clemson- The typical International student has no interest or knowledge of Christianity. Pray that they will be awakened as RUF team members share the gospel. Pray that many students will attend meetings to read and study the Bible and to learn about Jesus.

Pete and Diane Bakelaar Japan -The Bakelaar’s will be participating in 2 festivals. One will be held Sept 14-15 and the other Sept 28-29. Pray for God to work mightily through their efforts and give them wisdom and boldness. Pete will also be attending the 4th Lausanne Congress on World Evangelism on Sept 21-27. Pray that this congress will help to equip leaders in missions from around the world.

Garry and Anita Chambers-Pray for the MTW Belize team to be seen as having unity, working well with one another and with those to whom they minister. Pray for their wisdom in pointing others to Christ as well as wisdom in decision-making.

Continue to pray for our other missionaries, **Sara Driggers, Roger and Laura Dye, and Debbie Richards.**

The PCA’s *Mission to the World* has ongoing projects that need prayer support. One of these is The Lighthouse Home. The ministry began in 1999 by MTW Philippines church planting team and cares for children who are orphaned, abandoned, or abused. Children receive nurture, physical provision, education, and the gospel.

A local Presbyterian church provides spiritual oversight to the children.