

Olivet Presbyterian Church

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The Session

Christopher W. Arnold

Jeffery E. Fairfax, *Emeritus*

James M. Hawley, *Emeritus*

Michael A. Nance, *WIC Liaison*

William Lee Summerville, Jr., *Clerk*

Roy G. Clinton, *Emeritus*

E. John Franklin, *Assoc. Pastor*

Robert B. Mendenhall

Jason M. Petty

David R. Currence, *Emeritus*

Daniel H. Harshaw

John M. McArthur, Jr. *Moderator*

Richard B. Summerville, Jr.

The Diaconate

James R. Clinton

John F. Hawley

Larry M. Plyler, *Chairman*

S. Douglas Cobb, Jr., *Emeritus*

Don L. Johnson

Malcolm Harshaw, *Treasurer*

David W. Kelley

The Women in the Church

Laura Frame, *President*

Jane Harshaw, *Historian*

Frankie Guempel, *Chair-Circle 2*

Rebecca Howell, *Treasurer*

Marsha Plyler, *Pastor's Aide*

Kathy Fairfax, *Nursery/Children's Church*

Susan Petty, *Secretary*

Donna McArthur, *Missions*

Our Missionaries

Peter and Diane Bakelaar (*MTW-Japan*)

Garry and Anita Chambers (*MTW-Caribbean*)

Roger and Laura Dye (*Family Life Global*)

Debbie Richards (*MTW-Japan*)

Brian Howard (*RUFJ-Clemson Univ.*)

Marty and Sara Driggers (*Wycliffe*)

Michael and Tricia Lee (*MTW-Panama*)

Ministry Committees, 2021

Discipleship Ministries Committee

Class of 2021

Class of 2022

Class of 2023

Advisory Member

Daniel Harshaw, *Chairman* (2022)

Bryce Laws

Chris Arnold (2024)

John Franklin

Brian Carlisle

Megan Covington

Brenda Nance

Missions Committee

Class of 2021

Class of 2022

Class of 2023

*Rick Summerville, *Chairman* (2022)

Dennis Krueger

Bobby Mendenhall (2024)

Ellen Walyus

Donna McArthur

Susan Petty

Witness Committee

Class of 2021

Class of 2022

Class of 2023

*Jason Petty, *Chairman* (2022)

David Currence

Michael Nance (2024)

Ann Hawley

Brent Christenberry

Laura Frame



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Next Sunday – Homecoming!

Don't miss our annual Homecoming celebration next Sunday, October 3. The Worship Service, which will include the Lord's Supper, will begin at 10:30 am. Our guest preacher will be the Rev. Erik Smith from Hartwell, Georgia. The full schedule is as follows.

Sunday School, 9 am

Cemetery Association, 10 am

Worship Service with the Lord's Supper, 10:30 am

Dinner on the Grounds (Covered Dish), 12 pm

Looking Ahead (Please mark your calendars)

October 3	Session Meeting, 5 pm
October 10	Deacons' Meeting, 2 pm
October 16	2021 WIC Fall Gathering at Westminster PCA. The guest speaker is Karen Hodge who serves as the Coordinator for the PCA's CDM Women's Ministry
October 23	<i>Courageous Shepherding</i> Mini Conference with Dr. Tim Witmer at Filbert PCA, 9 am to 12:30 pm. See Pastors Chip or John for details.
November 19-21	Fall Youth Retreat at Ridgehaven

Greeters

September	Malcolm and Susan Harshaw
October	Jimmy and Ann Hawley

Church Budget Matters

Budget requirements to date	\$ 162,300.28
Receipts to date	\$ 167,295.13

Faith Promise for World Missions 2021

2021 Faith Promise pledged to date:	\$ 20,652.00
2021 Faith Promise received to date:	\$ 8,996.00

Nursery Team

Today (9/26)	Debbie Summerville, Laura Frame
Next Sunday (10/3)	Ann Hawley, Kathy Fairfax

Children's Church Team

Today (9/26)	Lee Summerville, Amanda Lenker, Rick Summerville
Next Sunday (10/3)	Susan Petty, Jimmy Hawley, Jill Christenberry

Operation Christmas Child

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. See Kathy Fairfax for details.

FYI

Pastor Franklin is on vacation through Thursday.

A Word of Thanks

Dear Olivet Family,

Thank you so much for all the kind words, the cards and thoughtfulness over the past few weeks. We are so grateful for the wonderful service and delicious meal that you provided after as it enabled us to spend time with our friends and family.

With grateful hearts,

Dennis, John and Marcy, John Edward, David and Ellie.

Devotional Helps

Copies of the latest editions of *Tabletalk Magazine* and *Our Daily Bread* are available for your taking in the vestibule. There you'll also find copies of the latest edition of the PCA's *ByFaith* magazine. Please help yourself to these free resources to help you grow in grace.

Deacon Nominations – Ends Thursday

Nominations from the congregation for the biblical office of deacon must be received by this Thursday, September 30. Nomination forms are available in the vestibule.

The PCA's *Book of Church Order* defines the biblical office of deacon as follows:

9-1. The office of deacon is set forth in the Scriptures as ordinary and perpetual in the Church. The office is one of sympathy and service, after the example of the Lord Jesus; it expresses also the communion of saints, especially in their helping one another in time of need.

9-2. It is the duty of the deacons to minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress. It is their duty also to develop the grace of liberality in the members of the church, to devise effective methods of collecting the gifts of the people, and to distribute these gifts among the objects to which they are contributed. They shall have the care of the property of the congregation, both real and personal, and shall keep in proper repair the church edifice and other buildings belonging to the congregation. In matters of special importance affecting the property of the church, they cannot take final action without the approval of the Session and consent of the congregation. In the discharge of their duties the deacons are under the supervision and authority of the Session. In a church in which it is impossible for any reason to secure deacons, the duties of the office shall devolve upon the ruling elders.

9-3. To the office of deacon, which is spiritual in nature, shall be chosen men of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives, brotherly spirit, warm sympathies, and sound judgment.

The congregation is urged prayerfully to consider the qualifications for the office of deacon as defined here and especially in 1 Timothy 3:8-13 before submitting nominations.