

Olivet Presbyterian Church

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The Lord's Day, April 11, 2021

Prelude

Preparation for Worship

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

(Romans 8:28-30, ESV)

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Jeff Bryant

*Call to Worship

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times.

Congregation: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Leader: My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

Congregation: Let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: O magnify the LORD with me,

Congregation: And let us exalt his name together.

Leader: O taste and see that the LORD is good!

ALL: Blessed are all who take refuge in him!

(Ps. 34, ESV)

*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 302

Come Christian Join to Sing

Congregation

Corporate Confession of Sin

Pastor Bryant

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have broken Your holy laws. We have left undone the things that we should have done, and we have done things that we should not have done. O Lord, have mercy on us, for we are ashamed and sorry, for all we have done to sin against you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Ps 32:1-5, ESV)

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn 605

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Congregation

Children's Message

Scripture Reading

Romans 8:31-39

Sermon

"Death, Taxes, and the Love of God"

Pastor Bryant

*Hymn 246

Man of Sorrows

Congregation

*Benediction

*Offering of Praise 735

The Gloria Patri

Congregation

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

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all our friends and visitors who join us for this morning's service of worship. Thank you for coming. May God richly bless you as you worship Him with us.

Guest Preacher

We welcome to our pulpit this morning Rev. Jeff Bryant. Jeff is the newest pastor at our sister church, Westminster PCA, in Rock Hill. He is the assistant pastor of families and children at Westminster. Prior to taking the call at Westminster, Jeff served as the pastor at First Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Demopolis, AL for two years, and before that he served in various ministry roles in ARP and PCA churches. He is a graduate of Erskine Theological Seminary and Anderson University. Jeff has been married to his wife, Amanda (a York county native), for 10 years, and they have 3 beautiful children, Ellie (6), Nathan (3), and Everett (8 months). He and his family love the small local church and Jeff is very excited to lead the Olivet congregation in worship today. We extend a warm McConnells welcome to the Bryant family as they worship the living God with us this morning.

Today at Olivet

9:00 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Morning Worship Service
5:00 pm	Choir Practice
6:00 pm	Sunday Evening Family Bible Study (Thomas Hardison will be teaching this evening)

This Week at Olivet

Tuesday	Circle # 2 – Meet in the Conference room, 7pm
Wednesday	Youth Group – Fellowship Hall, 6 pm Prayer Meeting – Sanctuary, or online via Zoom at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88063863723 , 7 pm

Looking Ahead

April 18	Sunday Night Special (Bible Study followed by Fellowship Supper), 6 pm
April 24	Fellowship Presbytery Meets at Trinity PCA, Chester, 9:00 am
May 1-2	World Missions Conference, with guest preacher Craig Marshall
June 28-July 2	PCA General Assembly, St. Louis, Missouri.

Greeters

April	Roy Clinton, Matt Clinton
May	Malcolm and Susan Harshaw

Olivet Choir

The Olivet Choir is starting up again. Come make a joyful noise to the LORD with us. We are practicing at 5 pm on Sundays for special music for Easter and the Missions Conference.

Church Budget Matters

Budget requirements to date	\$ 59,794.84
Receipts to date	\$ 64,244.32

Faith Promise for World Missions

2020 Faith Promise pledged (April 30, 2020)	\$ 24,130.00
2020 Faith Promise receipts to date	\$ 28,830.59