

# Olivet Presbyterian Church

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Christopher McCartney, *Choir Director/Accompanist*  
Robert B. Mendenhall, *Sunday School Superintendent*

## The Session

Christopher W. Arnold	Roy G. Clinton, <i>Emeritus</i>	David R. Currence, <i>Emeritus</i>
Jeffery E. Fairfax, <i>Emeritus</i>	Daniel H. Harshaw	James M. Hawley, <i>Emeritus</i>
Robert B. Mendenhall	John M. McArthur, Jr. <i>Moderator</i>	Jason M. Petty
Richard B. Summerville, Jr.	William Lee Summerville, Jr., <i>Clerk</i>	

## The Diaconate

Brian J. Carlisle, <i>Widows &amp; Shut-ins</i>	Brent M. Christenberry, <i>Buildings &amp; Grounds</i>	James R. Clinton
Lee K. Guempel, <i>Safety Team</i>	Malcolm Harshaw, <i>Treasurer</i>	John F. Hawley, <i>Chairman</i>
Don L. Johnson	David W. Kelley	Michael A. Laws, <i>Secretary</i>
Larry M. Plyler, <i>Emeritus</i>		

## The Women in the Church

Sandra Currence, <i>President</i>	Kathy Fairfax, <i>Nursery/Children's Church</i>	Susan Petty, <i>Secretary</i>
Ina Ruth Johnson, <i>Historian</i>	Marsha Plyler, <i>Treasurer/Pastor's Aide</i>	Lorie Rohrer, <i>Missions</i>
Frankie Guempel, <i>Chair-Circle 2</i>		

## Our Missionaries

Peter and Diane Bakelaar ( <i>MTW-Japan</i> )	Brian Howard ( <i>RUF1-Clemson Univ.</i> )
Garry and Anita Chambers ( <i>MTW-Caribbean</i> )	Sara Driggers ( <i>Wycliffe</i> )
Roger and Laura Dye ( <i>Family Life Global-Latin America</i> )	Debbie Richards ( <i>MTW-Japan</i> )

## Ministry Committees, 2023

### Discipleship Ministries Committee

Chris Arnold (2024), <i>Chairman</i>	Brenda Nance (2023)
Jill Christenberry (2024)	Donna McArthur (2025)
Rick Summerville (2026)	Kathy Fairfax (2025)

### Missions Committee

Bobby Mendenhall (2024), <i>Chairman</i>	Susan Petty (2023)
Brian Carlisle (2024)	Thomas Hardison (2025)
Jason Petty (2026)	Lori Rohrer (2025)

### Witness Committee

Daniel Harshaw (2026), <i>Chairman</i>	Laura Frame (2023)
Katie Summerville (2024)	Marsha Plyler (2026)
Scharlie Carlisle (2026)	



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McConnells, South Carolina

A member congregation of  
*The Presbyterian Church in America*



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The Lord's Day, October 15, 2023

Prelude

Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Pastor Chip McArthur

**I** lift up my eyes to the hills.  
From where does my help come?  
My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.  
Behold, he who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.  
The LORD will keep your going out  
and your coming in  
from this time forth and forevermore.

(Psalm 121:1-4, 7-8, ESV)

\*Hymn 87      *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*      All

\*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn 498      *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*      All

Scripture Meditation      Mr. Austin Simpson

All things have been handed over to me by my  
Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father,  
and no one knows the Father except the Son and  
anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.  
Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I  
will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn  
from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you  
will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and  
my burden is light.

(Matthew 11:27-30, ESV)

Corporate Confession of Faith

All

*Leader:* What is thy only comfort in life and in death?

**All: That I with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong unto my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all of my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair shall fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely and willing and ready, henceforth to live unto him.**

(Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1)

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn 347      *The Church's One Foundation*      Congregation

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

Scripture Reading      Isaiah 42:1-4

Sermon      Isaiah 42:1-4      Mr. Simpson

\*Hymn 246      *Man of Sorrows! What a Name*      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*

8:45 am	Early Prayer (in Pastor's Study)
9:00 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Morning Worship
	Called Congregational Meeting (see note below)
5:00 pm	Choir Practice
6:00 pm	Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party. Everyone's invited to participate. Pizza will be provided.

### *This Morning-Called Congregational Meeting*

The Olivet Session has called a congregational meeting for this morning immediately following the worship service for presenting its intent to extend a call to Mr. Austin Simpson as an Assistant Pastor. Mr. Simpson is scheduled to graduate from *Reformed Theological Seminary* (Charlotte) in December.

### *This Week at Olivet*

Wednesday	Youth Group Meeting, 6 pm Prayer Meeting at 7 pm (Conference Room)
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### *Looking Ahead*

October 29	Fifth Sunday Joint Worship at Bullock Creek, 6 pm
November 7	Municipal Election Day (McConnells Precinct voting at Olivet)
November 10	<i>RUF-Winthrop</i> Barn Dance – Olivet Picnic Shelter
November 17-19	Youth Fall Retreat at Ridgehaven
November 19	Annual Joint Thanksgiving Service with McConnells First Baptist (Olivet hosting), 6 pm

### *Faith Promise for World Missions*

2023 Faith Promise pledged April 30, 2023:	\$ 19,340.00
2023 Faith Promise received to date:	\$ 11,327.50

### *Church Budget Matters*

Budget requirements to date	\$ 159,449.41
Receipts to date:	\$ 161,960.39

### *Collection Duty*

October	Brent Christenberry, Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton
November	Malcolm Harshaw, David Kelley, Brian Carlisle

### *Nursery Team*

Today (10/15)	Donna McArthur, Bryce Laws
Next Sunday (10/22)	Abbey Sikes, Laura Frame

### *Children's Church Team*

Today (10/15)	Lori Rohrer (T), Jill Summerville
Next Sunday (10/22)	Michael Laws (T), Marsha Plyler

### *Devotional Guides*

The latest editions of *Our Daily Bread* and *Tabletalk*, as well as the PCA's *ByFaith Magazine* are now available in the vestibule. Pick up your copy today.

### *Sermon Notes for Kids*

"Kids' Sermon Notes" are available in the kids' baskets to help our children to follow along with our worship service. Please encourage your kids to participate by filling out their copy, and then sharing their notes with any elder or deacon to receive a treat.