

Olivet Presbyterian Church

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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 & Shut-ins</i>	Brent M. Christenberry, <i>Buildings & 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>RUFJ-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

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The Lord's Day, January 14, 2024

Prelude

Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Pastor Chip McArthur

Make a joyful noise to the LORD,
all the earth!
Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!
Know that the LORD, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!
For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

(Psalm 100, ESV)

*Hymn 1 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* All

*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn 164 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* All

Scripture Meditation 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

His Tithes & Our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Children's Message Mr. Simpson

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

Scripture Reading Ephesians 1:1-2

Sermon "To the Faithful Saints" Pastor McArthur

*Hymn 585 *Take My Life, and Let It Be* 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
	Witness Committee (after worship)
5:00 pm	Choir Practice
6:00 pm	Children's Ministries (Kingdom Kids, Sonbeams, Nursery), and Adult Bible Study

Next Sunday (1/21) Amanda Lenker (T), Richard Sikes

Congratulations

Congratulations to Austin and Carson Simpson in the birth of their daughter, Selah Lorraine, on January 4.

This Week at Olivet

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

Next Sunday	<i>Sunday Night Special – Fellowship supper after Children's Groups and Bible Study</i>
January 28	Fellowship Presbytery Meets, Hopewell PCA, Rock Hill
March 17	Annual Missions Conference with Rev. Chuck McArthur, guest preacher.

Faith Promise for World Missions

2023 Faith Promise pledged April 30, 2023:	\$ 19,340.00
2023 Faith Promise received to date:	\$ 16,522.50

Missions Prayer Requests For January

Pray that God may open a door to us for the Word.

-Colossians 4:3

Church Budget Matters – End of Year Numbers

Budget requirements to Date	\$ 4,518.60
Receipts to Date	\$ 3,520.00

Debbie Richards-Continue to pray for Debbie to be able to help her parents and make decisions about their health care. Pray that she will be able to make contact with her supporters while in the states.

Collection Duty

January	Brian Carlisle, John Hawley, Michael Laws
February	Brent Christenberry, Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton

Sara Driggers-Pray for wisdom to advise a client who needs to reach goals in order to serve in Asia. Pray for Marty as he begins field training at the sheriff's office.

Nursery Team

Today (1/14)	Donna McArthur, Megan Covington
Next Sunday (1/21)	Addisyn Sikes, Bryce Laws

Peter & Diane Bakelaar-Pray for Peter and Diane to raise the support they need and as they travel this month.

Children's Church Team

Today (1/14)	Brenda Nance (T), Marsha Plyler
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Brian & Missy Howard-Pray for their weekly large group meetings on Tuesdays, for Coffee with Anna discipling on Fridays, for volunteers as they help internationals learn life skills live in the States.

Garry and Anita Chambers-Pray that God would raise up students with a desire to reach children, youth and young adults. Be praying for and for an additional \$800/month in support.

Roger and Laura Dye-Pray that souls would be saved and families would be strengthened through their ministry.

The wonderful thing about prayer is that you leave a world of not being able to do something and enter God's realm where everything is possible. He specializes in the impossible.

-Corrie Ten Boom