Olivet Presbyterian Church

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##### **The Session**

Christopher W. Arnold Roy G. Clinton, *Emeritus* David R. Currence, *Emeritus*

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##### **The Diaconate**

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

##### **The Women in the Church**

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

##### **Our Missionaries**

Peter and Diane Bakelaar (*MTW*-Japan) Brian Howard (*RUFI*-Clemson Univ.)

Garry and Anita Chambers (*MTW*-Caribbean) Sara Driggers (*Wycliffe*)

Roger and Laura Dye (*Family Life Global-Latin America*) Debbie Richards (*MTW*-Japan)

##### **Ministry Committees, 2023**

# *Discipleship Ministries Committee*

Chris Arnold (2024), *Chairman* Brenda Nance (2023)

Jill Christenberry (2024) Donna McArthur (2025)

Rick Summerville (2026) Kathy Fairfax (2025)

# *Missions Committee*

Bobby Mendenhall (2024), *Chairman* Susan Petty (2023)

Brian Carlisle (2024) Thomas Hardison (2025)

Jason Petty (2026) Lori Rohrer (2025)

# *Witness Committee*

Daniel Harshaw (2026), *Chairman* Laura Frame (2023)

Katie Summerville (2024) Marsha Plyler (2026)

Scharlie Carlisle (2026)

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#### A member congregation of

*The Presbyterian Church in America*

Olivet Presbyterian Church

The Lord’s Day, October 29, 2023

Prelude Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship Pastor Chip McArthur

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lessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,

From everlasting to everlasting!

And let all the people say, “Amen!”

Praise the Lord!

(Psalm 106:48, ESV)

\*Hymn 76 *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven* All

\*Invocation and the Lord’s Prayer

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

The Law of God Mr. Austin Simpson

*Leader*: What is the ninth commandment?

***People*: The ninth commandment is: *You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor*.**

*Leader*: What does the ninth commandment require?

***People*: The ninth commandment requires us to tell the truth and to maintain and promote it and out own and others’ reputations, especially when testifying.**

*Leader*: What does the ninthcommandment forbid?

***People:* The ninth commandment forbids anything that gets in the way of the truth or injures anyone’s reputation.**

From *The Westminster Shorter Catechism*[[1]](#footnote-1), Questions 76-78

Confession of Sin Unison Reading

**Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in You there is the abundance of mercy. Oh, how we need your mercy. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are weak in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us, that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors for Your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Assurance of Pardon

The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children’s children.

(Psalm 103:17, ESV)

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn 308 *Jesus Paid It All*  All

Children’s Message Mr. Simpson

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

Scripture Reading John 19:38-42

Sermon “Dead and Buried” Pastor McArthur

\*Hymn 499 *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* 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

5:00 pm Choir Practice

6:00 pm *Fifth Sunday Joint Worship* at Bullock Creek PCA. A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow. Bring finger foods.

*This Week at Olivet*

Wednesday Youth Group Meeting, 6 pm

Prayer Meeting at 7 pm (Conference Room)

*Looking Ahead*

November 5 Session Meeting, 4 pm

November 7 Municipal Election Day (McConnells Precinct voting at Olivet)

November 10 *RUF-Winthrop* Barn Dance – Olivet Picnic Shelter

November 17-19 Youth Fall Retreat at Ridgehaven

November 19 Deadline for *Operation Christmas Child* shoeboxes

*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: $ 11,927.50

*Church Budget Matters*

Budget requirements to date $ 167,227.43

Receipts to date: $ 170,834.87

*Collection Duty*

October Brent Christenberry, Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton

November Malcolm Harshaw, David Kelley, Brian Carlisle

*Nursery Team*

Today (10/29) Addisyn Sikes, Barbara Lawson

Next Sunday (11/5) Gracie Horton, Gwen Carlisle

*Children’s Church Team*

Today (10/29) Brenda Nance(T), Richard Sikes

Next Sunday (11/5) Scharlie Carlisle(T), Toni Clinton

*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.

1. Kelly, Douglas F., et al. *The Westminster Shorter Catechism in Modern English*. Presbyterian and Reformed Publishing Company, 1986. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)