

# Olivet Presbyterian Church

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John M. "Chip" McArthur, Jr., *Pastor*  
Austin R. Simpson, *Ministerial Intern*  
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>	Michael A. Nance, <i>WIC Liaison</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>	S. Douglas Cobb, Jr., <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>	Donna McArthur, <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

Michael Nance (2024), <i>Chairman</i>	Laura Frame (2023)
Daniel Harshaw (2026)	Katie Summerville (2024)
Scharlie Carlisle (2026)	Marsha Plyler (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, May 14, 2023

Prelude Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Chip McArthur

\*Call to Worship

**B**lessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

(1 Chronicles 29:10–13, ESV)

\*Hymn 38 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* Congregation

\*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn 313 *Unto My Lord Jehovah Said (Psalm 110)* Congregation

Scripture Meditation Mr. Austin Simpson

Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save,  
or his ear dull, that it cannot hear;  
but your iniquities have made a separation  
between you and your God,  
and your sins have hidden his face from you  
so that he does not hear.

(Isaiah 59:1–2, ESV)

Corporate Confession of Sin Congregation

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to**

**You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ Your Son.**

Assurance of Pardon

The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
The LORD is good to all,  
and his mercy is over all that he has made.

(Psalm 145:8–9, ESV)

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn 36 *Lord, Thou Hast Searched Me* Congregation

Children's Message

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

Scripture Reading John 14:1-11

Sermon "The Way, the Truth, and the Life" Pastor McArthur

\*Hymn 159 *O Savior, Precious Savior* Congregation

\*Benediction

\*Offering of Praise 735 *The Gloria Patri* Congregation

\*Postlude

\*Those that are able, please stand.

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**Today at Olivet – HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

8:45 am Early Prayer (in Pastor Chip's study)

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Morning Worship Service

*Important: Our regular Sunday evening ministries will not be held this evening.*

### *This Week at Olivet*

Tuesday Active Shooter Training, 7 pm – See Deacon Lee Guempel for more information.  
Wednesday Youth Group Meets, 6 pm  
Prayer Meeting at 7 pm (Conference Room\_

### *Looking Ahead (Please mark your calendars!)*

Next Sunday Communion Service

June 4-8 Vacation Bible School at Olivet (5:30 to 8:00 pm)

Please *pray* for the VBS ministry, especially for the children and their families. One other practical way you can support the VBS ministry is by *contributing* homemade cookies or brownies, and fruits such as such as watermelon or grapes). See Frankie Guempel for more information.

June 12-16 50<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the PCA, Memphis, TN

June 24-July 1 Summer Youth Mission - Fairmont, West Virginia

### *Faith Promise for World Missions*

2022 Faith Promise pledged, April 30, 2022: \$ 21,778.00

2022 Faith Promise Received (FINAL) \$ 25,238.50

**2023 Faith Promise pledged April 30, 2023:** \$ 19,340.00

### *Collection Duty*

May Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton, Malcolm Harshaw

June David Kelley, Brian Carlisle, John Hawley

### *Nursery Team*

Today (5/14) Laura Frame, Addison Sikes

Next Sunday (5/21) Gwen Carlisle, Jane Harshaw

### *Children's Church Team*

Today (5/14) Brenda Nance (T), Richard Sikes

Next Sunday (5/21) Scharlie Carlisle (T), Toni Clinton

### *Church Budget Matters*

Budget requirements to date \$ 73,891.19

Receipts to date: \$ 79,033.70