

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>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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The Lord's Day, September 3, 2023

Prelude Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship Pastor Chip McArthur

May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works,
who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke!
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the Lord.

(Psalm 104:31-34, ESV)

*Hymn 2 *O Worship the King (Based on Psalm 104)* 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 third commandment?

People:* The third commandment is: *You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who misuses his name.

Leader: What does the third commandment require?

***People:* The third commandment requires the holy and reverent use of God's names, titles, qualities, regulations, word, and works.**

Leader: What does the third commandment forbid?

***People:* The third commandment forbids our treating as unholy or abusing anything God uses to make Himself known.**

Leader: What is the reason for the third commandment?

***People:* The reason for the third commandment is that the Lord our God will not allow those who break this commandment to escape His righteous judgment, although they may escape punishment from men.**

From *The Westminster Shorter Catechism*¹, Questions 53-56

Corporate Confession of Sin

Holy God, we have taken Your name in vain every time we have added or taken away from Your character. We have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek You daily in our lives. Our sins and shortcomings present us with a list of accusations, but we thank You that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver us from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of Your grace in us, everything that prevents us from taking delight in You. Amen.

Bobby Griffith, Jr.²

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn 558 *That Man Is Blessed Who, Fearing God (Psalm 1)* All

Children's Message

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

Scripture Reading John 17:20-26

Sermon "Arrested" Pastor McArthur

*Hymn 255 *O Jesus, We Adore Thee* All

*Benediction

*Offering of Praise 735 *The Gloria Patri* All

*Postlude

*Those that are able, please stand.

Today at Olivet

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

¹ Kelly, Douglas F., et.al. *The Westminster Shorter Catechism in Modern English*. Presbyterian and Reformed Publishing Company, 1986.

² Griffith, Bobby G. Jr. *Confessions of Sin and Assurances of Pardon*, 2016.

9:00 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Morning Worship Service
4:00 pm	Session Meeting
5:00 pm	Choir Practice
6:00 pm	Children's ministries (Kingdom Kids, Sonbeams, Nursery), Family Bible Study

This Week at Olivet

Wednesday	Youth Group Meeting, 6 pm Prayer Meeting at 7 pm (Conference Room)
Saturday	Ladies Breakfast, 8 am at Sweet Caroline's

Looking Ahead

September 28	Fellowship Presbytery Meets, 9 am at Filbert PCA.
October 1	Homecoming at Olivet – Guest preacher, Rev. Jeff Bryant

Released Time Bible Education

Starting soon in York School District One. See insert for more information.

Faith Promise for World Missions

2023 Faith Promise pledged April 30, 2023:	\$ 19,340.00
2023 Faith Promise received to date:	\$ 7,902.50

Church Budget Matters

Budget requirements to date	\$ 140,933.17
Receipts to date:	\$ 136,115.35

Collection Duty

September	Brian Carlisle, John Hawley, Michael Laws
October	Brent Christenberry, Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton

Nursery Team

Today (9/3)	Donna McArthur, Bryce Laws
Next Sunday (9/10)	Abbey Sikes, Laura Frame

Children's Church Team

Today (9/3)	Lori Rohrer (T), Jill Christenberry
Next Sunday (9/10)	Michael Laws (T), Marsha Plyler