

# Olivet Presbyterian Church

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## The Session

Christopher W. Arnold

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James M. Hawley, *Emeritus*

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William Lee Summerville, Jr., *Clerk*

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Robert B. Mendenhall

Jason M. Petty

David R. Currence, *Emeritus*

Daniel H. Harshaw

John M. McArthur, Jr. *Moderator*

Richard B. Summerville, Jr.

## The Diaconate

James R. Clinton

John F. Hawley

Larry M. Plyler, *Chairman*

S. Douglas Cobb, Jr., *Emeritus*

Don L. Johnson

Malcolm Harshaw, *Treasurer*

David W. Kelley

## The Women in the Church

Laura Frame, *President*

Jane Harshaw, *Historian*

Frankie Guempel, *Chair-Circle 2*

Rebecca Howell, *Treasurer*

Marsha Plyler, *Pastor's Aide*

Kathy Fairfax, *Nursery/Children's Church*

Susan Petty, *Secretary*

Donna McArthur, *Missions*

## Our Missionaries

Peter and Diane Bakelaar (*MTW-Japan*)

Garry and Anita Chambers (*MTW-Caribbean*)

Roger and Laura Dye (*Family Life Global*)

Debbie Richards (*MTW-Japan*)

Brian Howard (*RUFJ-Clemson Univ.*)

Marty and Sara Driggers (*Wycliffe*)

Michael and Tricia Lee (*MTW-Panama*)

## Ministry Committees, 2021

### Discipleship Ministries Committee

Class of 2021

Class of 2022

Class of 2023

Advisory Member

Daniel Harshaw, *Chairman* (2022)

Bryce Laws

Chris Arnold (2024)

John Franklin

Brian Carlisle

Megan Covington

Brenda Nance

### Missions Committee

Class of 2021

Class of 2022

Class of 2023

\*Rick Summerville, *Chairman* (2022)

Dennis Krueger

Bobby Mendenhall (2024)

Ellen Walyus

Donna McArthur

Susan Petty

### Witness Committee

Class of 2021

Class of 2022

Class of 2023

\*Jason Petty, *Chairman* (2022)

David Currence

Michael Nance (2024)

Ann Hawley

Brent Christenberry

Laura Frame



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McConnells, South Carolina

A member congregation of  
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The Lord's Day, October 31, 2021

Prelude

Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Chip McArthur

Preparation for Worship

\*Call to Worship

God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.  
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,  
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,  
though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.  
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.  
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;  
God will help her when morning dawns.  
The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;  
he utters his voice, the earth melts.  
The Lord of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

(Psalm 46:1-7, ESV)

\*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn 92

*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

Congregation

Scripture Meditation

Pastor John Franklin

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!  
O Lord, hear my voice!  
Let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!  
If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,  
O Lord, who could stand?  
But with you there is forgiveness,  
that you may be feared.  
I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,  
and in his word I hope;  
my soul waits for the Lord  
more than watchmen for the morning,  
more than watchmen for the morning.

(Psalm 130:1-6, ESV)

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

O Israel, hope in the LORD!  
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,  
and with him is plentiful redemption.  
And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

(Psalm 130:7-8, ESV)

His Tithes & Our Offerings

\*Doxology

\*Hymn 347

*The Church's One Foundation*

Congregation

Children's Message

*Children, ages 3 to 5, dismissed to Children's Church*

Scripture Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

Sermon

"Raised with Christ"

Pastor McArthur

\*Hymn 644

*May the Mind of Christ My Savior*

Congregation

\*Benediction

\*Offering of Praise

*The Gloria Patri*

Congregation

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

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*Welcome*

We extend a warm welcome to all our friends and visitors who join us for this morning's service of worship. Thank you for coming. May God richly bless you as you worship Him with us.

*Today at Olivet*

8:45 am

Early Prayer (in Pastor Chip's study). Join us!

9:00 am

Sunday School

10:00 am

Morning Worship Service

**6:00 pm**

**Family Bible Study (for ages 12-Adult)**

**Kingdom Kids (for ages 6-11)**

**Sonbeams (for ages 3-5)**

**Nursery Provided for the little ones.**

## *Reformation Sunday*

Today we join with other reformed churches around the world in remembering the gracious working of God's Spirit in his church in what is now known in history as the Protestant Reformation. On October 31, 1517 Martin Luther, a little-known Augustinian monk and Bible professor, nailed a list of 95 propositions to the door of the castle church at Wittenberg, Germany. Those propositions confronted serious corruptions in the teachings and practices of the church of the day. Luther intended by this action to stir up academic discussion and debate on these matters, but instead it ignited a movement that quickly spread among the masses of Christian people and brought reformation and renewal to the church.

The Reformation was a true Spiritual revival that resulted in the recovery of such fundamental doctrines as the truth that justification is by grace alone (*sola gratia*), through faith alone (*sola fide*) in Christ alone (*solus Christus*), the conviction that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments alone are the authoritative word of God (*sola scriptura*), and the understanding that in all things, God alone is to be glorified (*solus Deo gloria*). May our dear Lord and Savior continue to revive, renew, and reform His Church in our day, and all for His glory – *solus Deo Gloria!*

## *This Week at Olivet*

Monday	Small Group Bible Study- Hosted by Brian and Scharlie Carlisle, 6:30-8:00 pm.
Tuesday	Election Day - Town of McConnells General Election (at Olivet)
Wednesday	Youth Group, 6 pm Revival Prayer Meeting in the Sanctuary, 7 pm

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

Next Sunday	Session Meeting, 5 pm
November 14	The WIC will host a bridal shower for Gracie Arnold on Sunday, November 14 from 2 pm to 4 pm. Gracie is registered at Target and Wal-Mart.
November 19-21	Fall Youth Retreat at Ridgehaven – Sign up deadline is <b>October 31<sup>st</sup></b>
November 21	Joint Thanksgiving Service with McConnells First Baptist (Olivet is hosting), 6 pm.

## *Greeters*

November	Malcolm and Susan Harshaw
December	David and Sandra Currence

## *Church Budget Matters*

Budget requirements to date	\$ 183,655.58
Receipts to date	\$ 188,853.58

## *Faith Promise for World Missions 2021*

2021 Faith Promise pledged to date:	\$ 20,652.00
2021 Faith Promise received to date:	\$ 10,821.00

## *Nursery Team*

Today (10/31)	Debbie Summerville, Laura Frame
Next Sunday (11/7)	Ann Hawley, Kathy Fairfax

## *Children's Church Team*

Today (10/31)	Lee Summerville, Amanda Lenker, Rick Summerville
Next Sunday (11/7)	Susan Petty, Jimmy Hawley, Jill Christenberry

## *Devotional Helps*

Copies of the latest editions of *Tabletalk Magazine* and *Our Daily Bread* are available for your taking in the vestibule. There you'll also find copies of the latest edition of the PCA's *ByFaith* magazine. Please help yourself to these free resources to help you grow in grace.

## *A Word of Thanks*

*We would like to thank everyone for the many, many prayers lifted up for us during our illness. God has been gracious and loving in answering those prayers. We also are thankful for the calls, texts, emails, cards, and food. We feel abundantly blessed. Your love, kindness, and support has helped in our time of healing.*

*Much love,  
Marsha and Larry*