

Olivet Presbyterian Church

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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 & 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>	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>
Jane Harshaw, <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)



Olivet Presbyterian Church

McConnells, South Carolina

A member congregation of
The Presbyterian Church in America



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The Lord's Day, April 2, 2023

Prelude Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Chip McArthur

*Call to Worship

All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,
and all your saints shall bless you!
They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your power,
to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.
The LORD is faithful in all his words
and kind in all his works.

(Psalm 145:10-13, ESV)

*Hymn 115 *All Creatures of Our God and King* Congregation

*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

Scripture Meditation Mr. Austin Simpson

And one of the scribes came up and ... asked him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?" Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

(Mark 12:28-31, ESV)

Corporate Confession of Sin Unison Reading

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as

ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent; for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen

Book of Common Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Choral Offering *All Glory Laud and Honor* Choir

Children's Message Mr. Simpson
(Children aged 3 to 5 years dismissed to Children's Church Program)

Scripture Reading John 13:21-30

Sermon "The Betrayer" (Part 2) Pastor McArthur

*Hymn 429 *Let Thy Blood and Mercy Poured* Congregation

*Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Supper

*Hymn 647 *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* Congregation

*Benediction

*Offering of Praise 735 *The Gloria Patri* Congregation

*Postlude

*Those that are able, please stand.

Today at Olivet

8:45 am	Early Prayer (in Pastor Chip’s study)
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) and Family Bible study.

This Week at Olivet

Wednesday	Youth Group Meets, 6 pm Prayer Meeting at 7 pm in the Conference Room
Saturday	Easter Egg Hunt, 10 am to noon. Egg Hunt, Cookies, and the REAL Easter Story

Next Sunday - Easter

Next Sunday (Easter) **Sunrise Service**, 7 am. Breakfast provided by Olivet’s *Men of the Covenant* will follow.

Morning Worship, 10 am

(Please notice: No Sunday School or evening ministries on Easter Sunday)

Looking Ahead

April 15	<i>Spring Banquet</i> honoring our senior citizens, 12 pm.
April 16	Deacons’ Meeting, 2 pm
April 30	Olivet hosts <i>Fifth Sunday Joint Worship Service</i> , 6 pm
June 4-8	<i>Vacation Bible School</i> at Olivet
June 12-16	<i>50th General Assembly</i> of the PCA, Memphis, TN

Vacation Bible School 2023

Plans are in the works for this year’s **Vacation Bible School** now scheduled for **June 4-8 at Olivet**. Once again, we’ll be joining forces with McConnells First Baptist Church for this annual summer ministry to the community. An **organizational meeting for all VBS volunteers** is planned for Sunday afternoon, **April 16, at 4 pm**. Please mark your calendars. See Frankie Guempel for details.

Children's Ministry Need

Additional volunteers are needed for Olivet’s Nursery and Children’s Church ministries. A Children’s Ministry volunteer must be at least 16 years old, a communing member of the church, and approved for the ministry by the Session.

Children’s Ministry Volunteer Forms are available in the vestibule. See Kathy Fairfax for details.

A Reminder and a Request

Olivet members are reminded that the sanctuary building is regularly used for a variety of events besides our weekly Sunday Morning Worship. Please do not leave any personal items (offering envelope boxes, books, bags, electronics, etc.) in “your pew”. Someone else may need the space when you are not present.

Faith Promise for World Missions

All of Olivet’s financial support for international missionaries comes through the annual Faith Promise Commitment. Since 1999, the Lord has been pleased to provide hundreds of thousands of dollars in missionary support through the Olivet Church family and Faith Promise giving.

What is a Faith Promise? A Faith Promise is a commitment to the Lord in which a believer promises, by faith, to give an amount of money over and above his or her regular tithes and offerings, as the Lord provides, to the world missions ministry of the church.

Please prayerfully consider making a **new Faith Promise Commitment for 2023** using the enclosed card. Cards may be submitted through the offering plate and will be received through the month of April.

2022 Faith Promise pledged, April 30, 2022:	\$ 21,778.00
2022 Faith Promise received to date:	\$ 23,360.00
New 2023 Faith Promise pledged to date:	\$17,850.00
<i>Important:</i>	<i>All Faith Promise gifts received through April 30, 2023, will go toward the 2022 Faith Promise.</i>

Collection Duty

April	John Hawley, Michael Laws, Brent Christenberry
May	Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton, Malcolm Harshaw

Nursery Team

Today (4/2)	Addisyn Sikes, Laura Frame
Next Sunday (4/9)	Abbey Sikes, Bryce Laws

Children’s Church Team

Today (4/2)	Brenda Nance (T), Richard Sikes
Next Sunday (4/9)	Amanda Lenker (T), Toni Clinton

Church Budget Matters

Budget requirements to date	\$ 50,557.13
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Receipts to date

\$ 54,205.81