

# Olivet Presbyterian Church

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Christopher McCartney, *Choir Director/Accompanist*  
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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 &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>		

## 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

Daniel Harshaw (2026), <i>Chairman</i>	Laura Frame (2023)
Katie Summerville (2024)	Marsha Plyler (2026)
Scharlie Carlisle (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, August 6, 2023

Prelude

Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Pastor Chip McArthur

**M**ake a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!  
Serve the LORD with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.”

(Psalm 100, ESV)

\*Hymn 1

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell (Psalm 100)*

Congregation

\*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn 295

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Congregation

Scripture Meditation

Mr. Austin Simpson

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

(John 1:1–5, 10-14, ESV)

Corporate Confession of Sin

Unison Prayer

**God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ You came among us as light shining in the darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted the goodness to be good. We have closed our eyes to the glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.**

Book of Common Worship

Assurance of Pardon

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

(Colossians 1:13–14, ESV)

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn 521

*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

Congregation

Children's Message

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

Scripture Reading

John 17:1-5

Sermon

“The High Priestly Prayer” – Part 1

Pastor McArthur

\*Hymn 535

*O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus*

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'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), 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 <i>Sweet Caroline's Restaurant</i> . All women at Olivet are invited.

### *Looking Ahead*

August 20	Deacons' Meeting, 2 pm
October 1	Homecoming at Olivet – Guest preacher, Rev. Jeff Bryant

### *A Word of Thanks*

*The family of Ann Hawley thanks our dear friends at Olivet for their support and help during the difficult time of Ann's illness. Thank you for the many prayers offered for us, the many cards we received, the gift cards and food, and many kind words that encouraged us. The meal after the service was wonderful and quite delicious. We are grateful for our church family.*

*Jimmy, Rex, Jane, and Caroline*

### *Faith Promise for World Missions*

2023 Faith Promise pledged April 30, 2023:	\$ 19,340.00
2023 Faith Promise received to date:	\$ 6,877.50

### *Church Budget Matters*

Budget requirements to date	\$ 120,559.31
Receipts to date:	\$ 126,525.73

### *Collection Duty*

August	Jamie Clinton, Malcolm Harshaw, David Kelley
September	Brian Carlisle, John Hawley, Michael Laws

### *Nursery Team*

Today (8/6)	Addisyn Sikes, Barbara Lawson
Next Sunday (8/13)	Gracie Horton, Gwen Carlisle

### *Children's Church Team*

Today (8/6)	Brenda Nance (T), Richard Sikes
Next Sunday (8/13)	Scharlie Carlisle (T), Toni Clinton

### *Please Make a Note*

The church office number has been changed. It's now **(803) 693-4040**.

