

Olivet Presbyterian Church

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The Diaconate

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Our Missionaries

Peter and Diane Bakelaar (*MTW-Japan*)

Brian Howard (*RUF1-Clemson Univ.*)

Garry and Anita Chambers (*MTW-Caribbean*)

Sara Driggers (*Wycliffe*)

Roger and Laura Dye (*Family Life Global-Latin America*)

Debbie Richards (*MTW-Japan*)

Ministry Committees, 2024

Discipleship Ministries Committee

Chris Arnold (2024), *Chairman*

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Kathy Fairfax (2025)

Missions Committee

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Jason Petty (2026)

Thomas Hardison (2025)

Lorie Rohrer (2025)

Dennis Krueger (2026)

Witness Committee

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Katie Summerville (2024)

Scharlie Carlisle (2025)

Barbara Lawson (2028)

Marsha Plyler (2025)

Austin Simpson (2028)



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McConnells, South Carolina

A member congregation of
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The Lord's Day, August 18, 2024

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.

(Psalm 145:10-13a, ESV)

*Hymn 2 *O Worship the King* All

*Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

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

Scripture Meditation Pastor Austin Simpson

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

(Colossians 3:1-10, ESV)

Corporate Confession of Sin Unison

Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen

The Book of Common Worship

Pastoral Prayer

His Tithes & Our Offerings

*Doxology

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn 521 *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less* All

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

Scripture Reading Ephesians 5:15-21

Sermon "Filled with the Spirit" Pastor McArthur

*Hymn 726 *Spirit of the Living God* All

*Benediction

*Offering of Praise 735 *The Gloria Patri* All

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

*Those who are able, please stand.

Today at Olivet:

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Morning Worship Service

5:00 pm Choir Practice

6:00 pm Sunday Night Special: Children's Ministries and Adult Bible Study followed by Fellowship Supper (Hamburgers and hotdogs). Please bring a side or dessert.

This Week at Olivet:

Tuesday Game Night, 7-8:30 pm

Wednesday Youth Group Meeting, 6 pm

Prayer Meeting at 7 pm (Conference Room)

Next Sunday (8/25) Gracie Horton, Gwen Carlisle

Looking Ahead (Please Mark Your Calendars!)

Next Sunday Impact West Virginia Team Report –6 pm at Zion PCA (see note below).
October 6 Homecoming

Impact West Virginia

Next Sunday evening, we'll be joining our sister churches at Zion PCA in Lowrys for a report of our team that participated in the Impact West Virginia Mission earlier this summer. The program starts at 6 pm and will be followed by a time of fellowship and refreshments. Please note: Our regular Sunday evening ministries at Olivet will not be held next Sunday.

Inquirers' Class

An *Inquirers' Class* for any who may be interested in becoming a member at Olivet is being organized and planned to be held during Sunday School for four weeks. It will be led by Pastor Chip and is tentatively set to begin September 8. Please let him know if you have questions. His mobile number is (803) 417-1865. A sign-up list is in the vestibule.

Communicants' Class

As announced earlier in the summer, a *Communicants Class* for Olivet's covenant children interested in becoming communing members is also beginning soon. Pastor Chip will be contacting parents next week to determine the best time to schedule the class. Parents, if you haven't already let Pastor Chip of your child's interest and readiness, please speak with him as soon as possible.

Faith Promise for World Missions

2024 Faith Promise Pledged, April 30, 2024 \$ 20,960.00
2024 Faith Promise Received to date \$ 5,370.00

Church Budget Matters

Receipts to Date \$ 141,586.02
Budget requirements to Date \$ 144,624.64
Difference -\$3,038.62

Collection Duty

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

Nursery Team

Today (8/18) Addisyn Sikes, Laura Frame

Children's Church Team

Today (8/18) Amanda Lenker (T), Richard Sikes
Next Sunday (8/25) Scharlie Carlisle (T), Toni Clinton

Devotional Guides

The latest editions of *Our Daily Bread* and *Tabletalk* are available today in the vestibule.

Missions Prayer Requests For August

(We ought always to pray and not lose heart.

Luke 18:1

Brian Howard RUF1 Clemson – Pray for Brian and his team as they begin the fall semester at Clemson. This is truly a multi-cultural ministry. Last semester they were able to bring the Gospel to students from Ghana, Nigeria, Madagascar, Cameroon, and India! Pray for continued opportunities to share Christ and for hearts that are open to hear.

Pete and Diane Bakelaar Japan – Praise the Lord that they have been able to begin a new branch of ministry called “Art and Soul”. This is a series of talks that relate the beauty of art to the truths of the Bible and reflect God’s handiwork as well as His attributes. Pray for good attendance as these talks continue. Pray that the Holy Spirit will prepare hearts open and receptive as well as for meaningful connections to be established.

Continue to pray for our other missionaries: **Sara Driggers, Roger and Laura Dye, Debbie Richards, and Garry and Anita Chambers.**

MTW has ongoing projects that need prayer support. One of these is Hilltop School in South Asia. The school provides food, shelter, education, and the Gospel to more than 60 children, and is a platform for the Gospel to reach surrounding villages. Help to further the spread of the Gospel by praying for this unique school.