

# Olivet Presbyterian Church

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## The Session

Christopher W. Arnold	Roy G. Clinton, <i>Emeritus</i>	David R. Currence, <i>Emeritus</i>
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## 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>	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> )	Marty and Sara Driggers ( <i>Wycliffe</i> )
Roger and Laura Dye ( <i>Family Life Global-Latin America</i> )	Michael and Tricia Lee ( <i>MTW-Panama</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)
Jason Petty (2026)	Brian Carlisle (2024)

### Witness Committee

Michael Nance (2024), <i>Chairman</i>	Laura Frame (2023)
Daniel Harshaw (2026)	Katie Summerville (2024)



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McConnells, South Carolina

A member congregation of  
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The Lord's Day, January 15, 2023

Prelude Preparation for Worship

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Chip McArthur

## \*Call to Worship

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous!

Praise befits the upright.

Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre;

make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

Sing to him a new song;

play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

For the word of the LORD is upright,

and all his work is done in faithfulness.

He loves righteousness and justice;

the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

(Psalm 33:1-5, ESV)

## Invocation

\*Hymn 32 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Congregation

## Scripture Meditation

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no  
iniquity,

and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.

For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my iniquity;

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"  
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

(Psalm 32:1-5, ESV)

## Corporate Confession of Sin

## Unison Reading

**Have mercy on us, O God, according to your  
steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy  
blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly  
from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin!**

**For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever  
before us. Against you, you only, have we sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may  
be justified in your words and blameless in your  
judgment.**

**Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our  
iniquities. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and  
renew a right spirit within us.**

**Cast us not away from your presence, and take not  
your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of  
your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit.**

**The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken  
and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

(Adapted from Psalm 51, 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 12:12-19

Sermon "Blessed Is He Who Comes!" Pastor McArthur

\*Hymn 295 *Crown Him with Many Crowns* 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). Join us!
9:00 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Morning Worship Service
<b>2:00 pm</b>	<b>Deacon's Meeting (Conference Room)</b>
5:00 pm	Choir Practice
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>Sunday Night Special:</b> Children's Ministries (Kingdom Kids, Sonbeams, Nursery), and Adult Bible Study followed by Fellowship Supper

### *This Week at Olivet*

Wednesday	Youth Group Meets, 6 pm Prayer Meeting at 7 pm in the Conference Room
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### *Looking Ahead*

Next Sunday	Baby Shower for Abby Arnold McClure (it's a girl!). Abby is registered at <a href="https://www.babylist.com/abby-mcclure-baby-registry">Babylist.com (https://www.babylist.com/abby-mcclure-baby-registry)</a> , 2 to 4 pm.
January 28	Fellowship Presbytery Meets at Bethel PCA in Clover, SC, starting at 9 am.
<b>January 29</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday Joint Worship at Trinity PCA in Chester, starting at 6 pm. Fellowship and refreshments to follow.</b>

### *Collection Duty*

January	Brian Carlisle, John Hawley, Michael Laws
February	Brent Christenberry, Don Johnson, Jamie Clinton

### *Nursery Team*

Today (1/15)	Debbie Summerville, Laura Frame
Next Sunday (1/22)	Abbey Sikes, Bryce Laws

### *Children's Church Team*

Today (1/15)	Michael Laws (T), Toni Clinton
Next Sunday (1/22)	Brenda Nance (T), Roy Clinton

### *Church Budget Matters*

Budget requirements to date	\$ 7,776.94
Receipts to date	\$ 7,512.00

### *Faith Promise for World Missions*

2022 Faith Promise pledged, April 30, 2022:	\$ 21,778.00
2022 Faith Promise received to date:	\$ 18,121.00

### *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.