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THE SESSION

CLASS OF 2017

John Charbeneau
Christel Nicklas
Don Reid
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David Walton

CLASS OF 2018

David Balsley
Charles Clemmer
Jean Ann Clemmer
Rex Frye
Phil Phillips

Class of 2019

Ray Leach
Phil Miller
Langdon Reid
Chuck Richie
Buck Robinson

THE TRUSTEES

Ruth Bailey

Joe Hemp

Harold Reid

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Steve Richie-Superintendent

David Balsley-Assistant Superintendent

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Co-ordinating Team

Karen Stevens-Moderator
Carolyn Via-Secretary
Kodi Frye-Treasurer

Vice Moderator-Stephanie Stevens
Jean Ann Clemmer-Historian

Members-at-Large

Stephanie Stevens, Mary Helen Thorne, Kim Smith and Alexis Reid

Christmas Program

Angela Leach-Missions

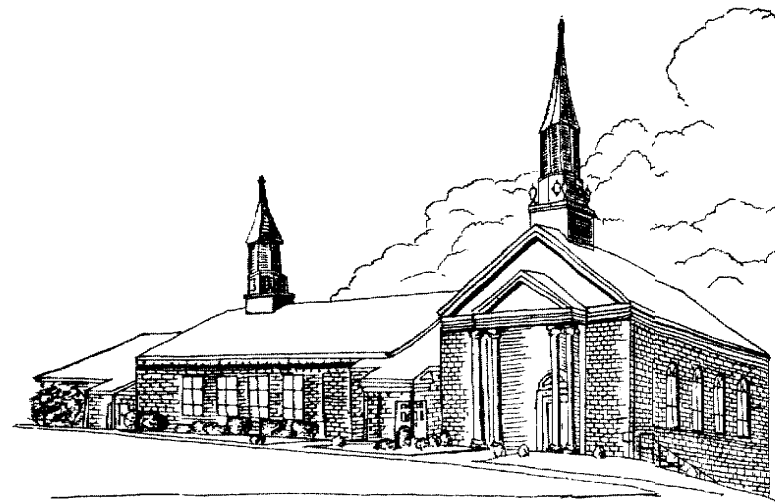
Kim Smith and Kodi Frye-Easter Program

Christel Nicklas and Kim Smith-Birthday Objective Program

Pat Balsley-Search Committee

Circle Representatives

Pat Hunter..... Circle 3
Mary Helen Thorne..... Circle 4
Esther Ann Walton..... Circle 6



"The little church with a big heart"

Olivet Presbyterian Church

1019 Richmond Avenue

Staunton, Virginia 24401

The Rev. Lee Thomas, Pastor

SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND SHARING OF NEWS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

From Psalm 149

Leader: Let the faithful exult in glory.

People: We will sing for joy and let the high praises of God be in our mouths.

Leader: Let us worship God!

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

+ HYMN OF PRAISE:

(Red) No. 2

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

+ 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.

+ GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Linda Phillips

QUIET MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *"He Leadeth Me"*

DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+ HYMN OF PREPARATION:

(Red) No. 275

"Amazing Grace—How Sweet the Sound"

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 14:1-12

SERMON:

"What Really Matters!"

Lee Thomas

+ HYMN OF RESPONSE:

(Red) No. 241

"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"

+ BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *"Alleluia"*

POSTLUDE

+CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

SUNDAY:

10:00A.M.

Morning Worship Service

Attendance last week: 86

Offering last week: \$3,215.01

11:00 A.M.

Sunday School for all ages

Sunday School attendance last week: 50

Sunday School offering last week: \$42.90

Session meeting

12 Noon

TUESDAY:

7:00 P.M.

Bible Study

THURSDAY:

6:00 P.M.

Choir rehearsal

Our greeters today are Kasey and Mike Wood.

Our prayer person this week is John Hunter.

The Mission Committee has donated \$1,000 to the Samaritan's Purse Hurricane Harvey Relief. The committee is challenging the congregation to match this contribution. We will receive a special offering on Sunday, September 24, 2017 for this purpose.

A Bible Study (*"The Secret Battle of Ideas about God"*) will begin Tuesday, September 19, 2017, and will be held each Tuesday of the month with the exception of the second Tuesday.

Please see Lynette Miller to sign up for the church bus trip to see "The Christmas Show of the South" at Myrtle Beach, SC. November 24-26, 2017. Reservation forms are in the vestibule. There are required deposits that need to be made, so it would be helpful if you could reserve your spot and pay the deposit by today.

For SACRA during the month of September we will be collecting pasta, pinto beans, navy beans, canned meats, cereals and soups. SACRA is in great need of these items. Please leave donations in the social hall and they will be delivered the end of the month. Thank you for your continued support.

Rally Day will be held on Sunday, September 24, 2017. Sunday School teachers will be installed and students promoted. We will have our Sunday School picnic at 11:00 a.m. (No Sunday School, but students are asked to briefly check into their class for count). Bring a covered dish. Meat and drink will be furnished. Dress casual.

Items for shoeboxes are still needed for Operation Christmas Child. There will be a Shoebox Packing Party at 12:00 Noon on Sunday, October 29, 2017. Lunch will be served before the packing begins. Monetary donations are also being accepted as it costs \$9.00 per box to ship. Our goal is to pack 55 shoeboxes this year for boys and girls around the world.

The Women are sponsoring a covered-dish dinner at 12 Noon on Sunday, October 8, 2017. They are asking that if possible you prepare a recipe you placed in the upcoming Olivet Cookbook which would give us a sampling of the recipes you are sharing with each other.