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The Rev. Lee Thomas (540-910-0861) .....	Pastor
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Pat Balsley.....	Clerk of Session
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Philip Balsley.....	Financial Secretary
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Gus Mello.....	Pianist

**THE SESSION**

**CLASS OF 2017**

John Charbeneau  
Christel Nicklas  
Don Reid  
D. Reid  
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
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**THE SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Steve Richie-Superintendent	David Balsley-Assistant Superintendent
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**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

**Co-ordinating Team**

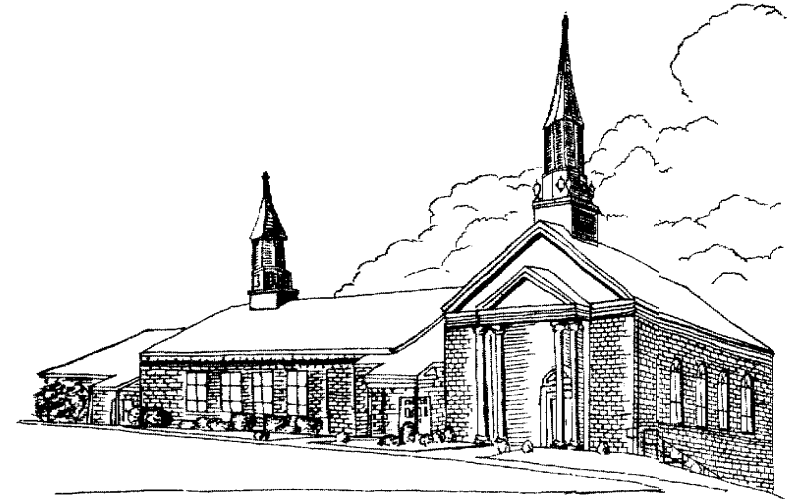
Stephanie Armstrong-Moderator	Vice Moderator-Sherry Herr
Carolyn Via-Secretary	Jean Ann Clemmer-Historian
Kodi Frye-Treasurer	

**Members-at-Large**

Alexis Reid-Christmas Program  
 Angela Leach-Missions  
 Kim Smith and Kodi Frye-Easter Program  
 Community Involvement Committee:  
 Amy Thomas, Christel Nicklas, Janna Milstead, Sherry Herr, Kahlan Smith  
 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**

DECEMBER 17, 2017

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND SHARING OF NEWS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

From Isaiah 61

Leader: I delight greatly in the Lord, my soul rejoices in my God.

**People: For He has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all the nations.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

+ HYMN OF PRAISE:

(Red) No. 155

*"There's a Song in the Air!"*

LIGHTING OF THE THIRD ADVENT CANDLE

Lynn Sisson and Butch DeBord

+ 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.**

GLOIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Punkie Wood

QUIET MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *"Lo, How a Rose"*

DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+ HYMN OF PREPARATION:

(Red) No. 159

*"What Child Is This"*

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Luke 1:46-55

SERMON: *"Mary's Great Proclamation"*

Lee Thomas

HYMN OF RESPONSE:

(Red) No. 167

*"Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"*

+ BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *"Alleluia"*

POSTLUDE

+CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND

## THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

### SUNDAY:

10:00A.M. Morning Worship Service

11:00 A.M. Sunday School for all ages

Attendance last week: 126

Offering last week: \$2,147.00

Sunday School attendance last week: 54

Sunday School offering last week: \$42.00

12 Noon Session meeting

5:30 P.M. Christmas Program and dinner

Our greeter today is Carolyn Via.

Our prayer family this week is Scott McMurrain, Tyler and Syd.

Olivet cookbooks are for sale for \$15.00 in the social hall after the morning service. (Great Christmas gifts).

The combined choirs of Olivet and Staunton Church of the Brethren will present a repeat performance of their musical program at the Brethren Church as a benefit for our local Food Bank on Sunday, January 7, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

For SACRA during the month of December we will be collecting flour, sugar, jelly, syrup, cake mixes, baby items, toiletries and especially peanut butter. 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.

For Missions we are collecting food items for food baskets for the Salvation Army to distribute to the needy in our area. Please leave donations in the social hall by today. Let Angela Leach know if there are food items in the refrigerator.

The Olivet Christmas Program and Dinner will be held this evening at 5:30 p.m. Dessert donations would be appreciated.

There will be an informal Candlelight Service on Christmas Eve at 7:30 p.m.

Circle 4 will begin selling Olivet Hoagies on Sunday, January 21, 2018 to be picked up on Sunday, February 4, 2018. Choose from Italian, Veggie or Turkey. Hoagies will be \$4.50 each.