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THE SESSION

CLASS OF 2021

Charles Clemmer
Jean Ann Clemmer
Brandon Hatcher
Mark Miller
Alexis Reid

CLASS OF 2022

David Balsley
Rex Frye
Sherry Herr
Joy Hogshead
Julie Reid

Class of 2023

Jason Harris
Harry Hogshead
Langdon Reid
Chuck Richie
Butch Smiley

THE TRUSTEES

Sonny Masincup

John Charbeneau

Buck Robinson

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Steve Richie-Superintendent

David Balsley-Assistant Superintendent

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Co-ordinating Team

Lynn DeBord-Moderator
Carolyn Via-Secretary
Kodi Frye-Treasurer

Joy Hogshead-Historian

Members-at-Large

Christmas Program-Amy Thomas
Easter Program

Community Involvement Committee:

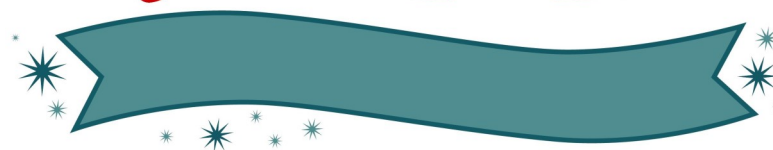
Amy Thomas, Christel Nicklas, Janna Milstead, Sherry Herr, Kahlan Smith
Search Committee-Kim Weller

Circle Representatives

Pat Hunter.....Circle 3
Mary Helen Thorne.....Circle 4
Sherry HerrCircle 6



*Merry
Christmas*



Olivet Presbyterian Church

**1019 Richmond Avenue
Staunton, Virginia 24401**

The Rev. Lee Thomas, Pastor

December 19, 2021

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND SHARING OF NEWS

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 7:14

IN UNISON: The Lord Himself will give you a sign. Look, the virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel.

INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

+ HYMN OF PRAISE: (Red) No. 163
"Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"

LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE

Mary and Treacy Jones, Richard, Savannah and Christopher

THE NICENE CREED (Red) No. 12; (Green) No. 138

GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Dickie Bell

QUIET MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Cradle Him with Love"

DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+ HYMN OF PREPARATION (Red) No. 162
"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 80:1-7

Luke 1:39-56

SERMON: "The Prayers of the People of God" Lee Thomas

+ HYMN OF RESPONSE: (Red) No. 165
"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: "Alleluia"

POSTLUDE

+ CONGREGATION IS INVITED TO STAND

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

SUNDAY:

10:00 A.M. Morning worship service

Attendance last week: 74

11:00 A.M. Sunday School

Our prayer family this week is Amy and Lee Thomas, Marina and Miley.

Please feel free to sign up on the calendar in the vestibule to provide flowers for the sanctuary.

Our annual Joy Gift offering will be received today. Half of this offering is to assist pastors and other church workers, both active and retired, who find themselves in financial need. The other half goes to Presbyterian related racial ethnic schools and colleges. Your support is appreciated and envelopes may be placed in the plate for the morning offering or brought to the dinner and program this evening.

The Olivet Christmas Program is scheduled this evening beginning at 6:00 p.m. A spaghetti dinner will be served. Several of our youth will provide festive music. Please put your name and how many attending on the sign-up sheet in the vestibule. We hope you'll plan to attend this celebration.

As a holiday mission Olivet will again help the clients at New Directions for the Christmas season. This organization shelters, counsels, and relocates abused women and children. We are asking the congregation to purchase \$25 gift cards from locations like Wal-Mart, Target, and TJ Maxx. You may place your cards in the vestibule by today. Thank you for your participation.

The choirs of Olivet and Staunton Church of the Brethren will be on WSAV 92.1 performing a Food Bank benefit on December 24, 2021 and January 2, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. each night.

SACRA is in dire need of donations and during the month of December we are collecting non-perishable breakfast items such as cereals, cereal bars, boxed juices, pop-tarts, etc. There is a bin for donations just inside the middle back door of the church and donations may be left there on Sunday mornings and Wednesday or Friday mornings. SACRA is very appreciative of your continued support.