

“Beautiful Savior” arr. Tom Fettke

Beautiful Saviour, King of Creation, Son of God, and Son of Man! Truly I'd love Thee; Truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown! Fair are the meadows. Fair are the woodlands, robed in flowers of blooming spring. Jesus is fairer; Jesus is purer. He makes our sorrowing spirits sing! Beautiful Saviour, Lord of the nations, Son of God, and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forever, forevermore be Thine! Now and forevermore be Thine!

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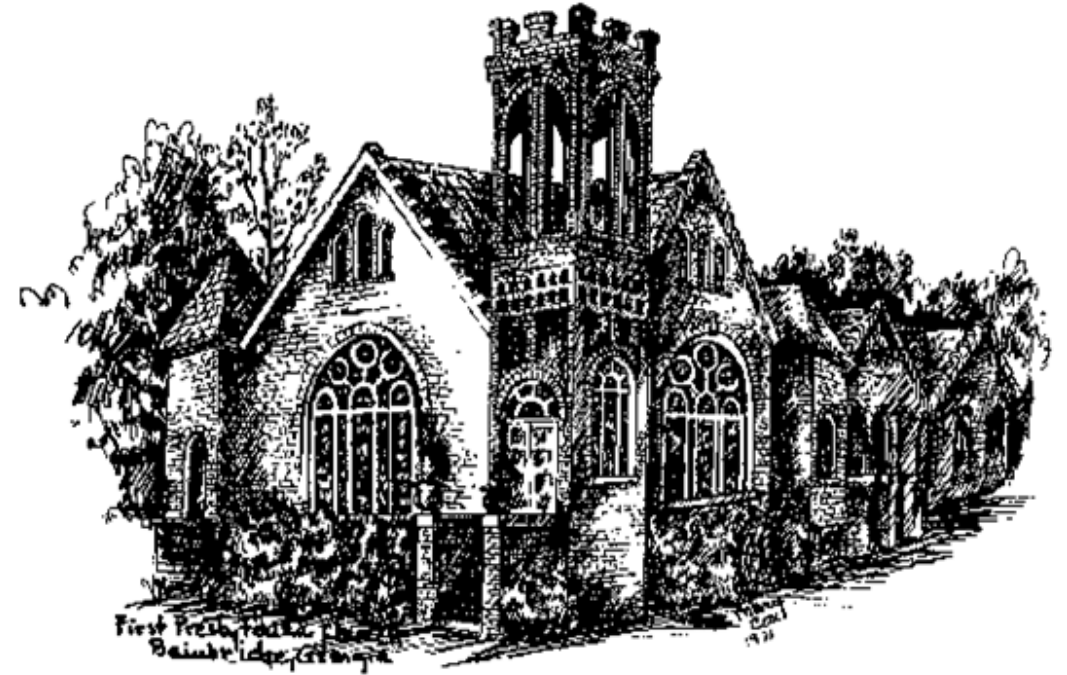
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**First Presbyterian Church
Bainbridge, Georgia
Service 10:30 A.M.
January 15, 2023**

This church welcomes you no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide. If you are passing through, Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 15, 2023

Elder on Call ~ Bill Allen (229) 416-5262 ~ January 16-22, 2023

Liturgist ~ Dr. Joan Beers

Striking of the Hour

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" *arr. Cindy Berry*

Choral Introit "Rise Up, O Church of God" *arr. Joseph Barlowe*

Call to Worship **Dr. Joan Beers**

L: Do not conceal or keep to yourselves what you know of the mercies of the LORD.

P: Tell the glad news of deliverance. Tell of God's faithfulness to the great congregation!

L: Happy are the humble who make the LORD their trust. Happy are those who wait patiently for the LORD.

P: Surely our cause is with you, O LORD. Nothing and no one can compare with you.

L: If I were to tell of God's wondrous deeds, they could never be counted!

P: Let us sing a new song to the LORD, a song of praise to our incomparable God.

Prayer of Invocation **Dr. Joan Beers**

* **Hymn of Praise # 104** "O Worship the King" *(Optional last stanza setting and ending)*

* **Prayer of Confession** *(Unison)* **Dr. Joan Beers**

O Lord our God, we confess that we live amidst many false gods; moreover, in moments of doubt, pride, rebellion, and disobedience, we have thoughtlessly turned to them and away from you. Our iniquities often overtake us, O God, until we cannot see, and our hearts fail us. Do not withhold your mercy, O LORD, but draw us up from the pit of desolation. Let your steadfast love and faithfulness keep us safe forever. **Amen.**

* **Silent Prayer of Confession**

* **Assurance of Pardon** **Rev. Dan Mitchell**

The LORD has heard your cries, O people. God has set your foot upon the rock of Christ Jesus and will surely guide your steps securely along the tried, true, the ancient Way. Now treasure this word of Christ Jesus, your saving help, within your heart. For he is the Lamb who takes away the sin of the world. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

* **Gloria Patri # 813** "Glory Be to the Father"

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Dan Mitchell

Mission Moment

Steve Poitevint

* **Hymn of Preparation # 401** "The Church's One Foundation" *(Optional last stanza setting and ending)*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "My Lord, What a Morning!" *arr. Cindy Berry*

Doxology # 815 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of Dedication

Dr. Joan Beers

Choral Anthem "Beautiful Saviour" *arr. Tom Fettke*

Prayer of Illumination

Rev. Dan Mitchell

Scripture Reading **Psalm 40:1-11** *(Pew Bible Page 497 OT)*

John 1:29-42 *(Pew Bible Pages 89 & 90 NT)*

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "And So It Begins" **Rev. Dan Mitchell**

* **The Apostles Creed ~ Traditional** *(Unison)*

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 arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at 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.

* **Hymn of Dismissal # 384** "Spirit Song"

Pastoral Benediction

Postlude "There Is a Fountain" *arr. Cindy Berry*

**Those who are able, please stand*

NURSERY IS AVAILABLE – IF ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED, PLEASE ASK ONE OF OUR USHERS
We welcome Yang Xu as pianist, a Doctoral Piano Performance major at Florida State University.