

“O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair” John Mason Neale

O wondrous sight! O vision fair of glory that the church shall share, which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun He glows! From age to age the tale declares how with the three disciples there where Moses and Elijah meet, the Lord holds converse high and sweet. The law and prophets there have place, two chosen witnesses of grace; the Father’s voice from out the cloud proclaims His only Son aloud! With shining face and bright array, Christ deigns to manifest that day what glory shall be theirs above who joy in God with perfect love! And faithful hearts are raised on high by this great vision’s mystery; for which in joyful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise!

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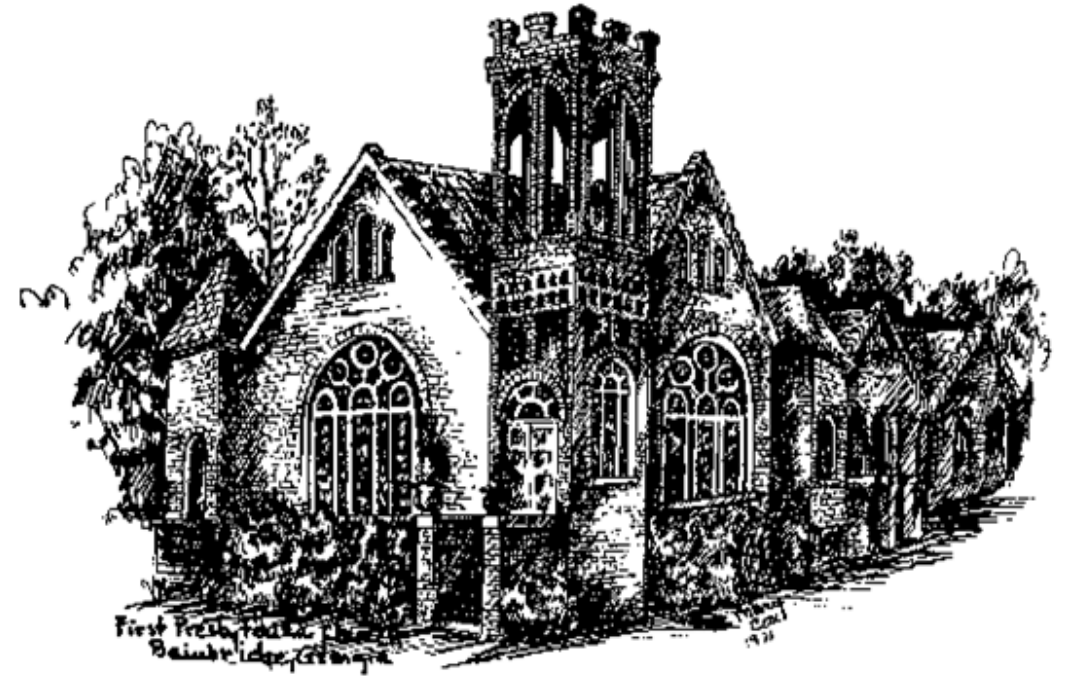
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**First Presbyterian Church
Bainbridge, Georgia
Service 10:30 A.M.
February 19, 2023**

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.

Transfiguration of the Lord

February 19, 2023

Elder on Call ~ Mills Brock (229) 416-6136 ~ February 20-26, 2023

Liturgist ~ Sylena Wiggins

Striking of the Hour

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude “You Are My All in All” with “Jesus You Are My Life” Dennis Jernigan and Steve Fry

Choral Introit “Majesty” arr. Eugene Thomas

Call to Worship Sylena Wiggins

L: Gather, O people, at the mountain of the LORD. May the glory of the LORD be upon you!

P: Let clouds assemble around the throne of God. Let us attend to the Living Word!

L: God himself has testified of Jesus: This is my Son, the Beloved One, with whom I am well pleased! Listen to Him!

P: Let us take refuge in the LORD our God. Let us serve Him with fear and reverent love.

L: The prophecies are confirmed in Jesus Christ. The law is fulfilled in Christ our Lord.

P: Transfigure and reform us, LORD, that we might reflect your image.

Prayer of Invocation Sylena Wiggins

* **Hymn of Praise # 377** “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

* **Prayer of Confession** (Unison) Sylena Wiggins

God of mercy, you are a forgiving God, and we are a people in need of forgiveness. You gave us the law to guide us, yet we have strayed from your paths. You commissioned the prophets to call us back, yet we have continued in our errant ways. Finally, you sent your Beloved Son, and commanded us to listen. Forgive us for every sin and every failure to hear and obey; renew us and reform us, that we may show forth true faith and love in Christ. **Amen.**

* **Silent Prayer of Confession**

* **Assurance of Pardon** Pastor John Erthein

It is through Christ Jesus, the Living Word of God, that we have assurance of peace with God and guidance for our journey to the kingdom of heaven. Be assured and give thanks for this good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

* **Gloria Patri # 813** “Glory Be to the Father”

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Pastor John Erthein

Mission Moment

Thomas Brock

* **Hymn of Preparation # 431** “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “I Worship You, Almighty God” Sondra Corbett

Doxology # 815 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayer of Dedication Sylena Wiggins

Choral Anthem “O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair” John Mason Neale

Prayer of Illumination Pastor John Erthein

Scripture Reading **Exodus 24:12-18** (Pew Bible Pages 69 & 70 OT)
Matthew 17:1-9 (Pew Bible Page 23 NT)

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Majesty!” Pastor John Erthein

* **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 Commitment # 562** “Be Thou My Vision”

Pastoral Benediction

Postlude “Bless the Lord” Jonas Mirin and Matt Redman

**Those who are able please stand.*

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