"Amazing Grace" arr. Bob King

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found. Was blind, but now I see. Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed! Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come. Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home. When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we first begun!

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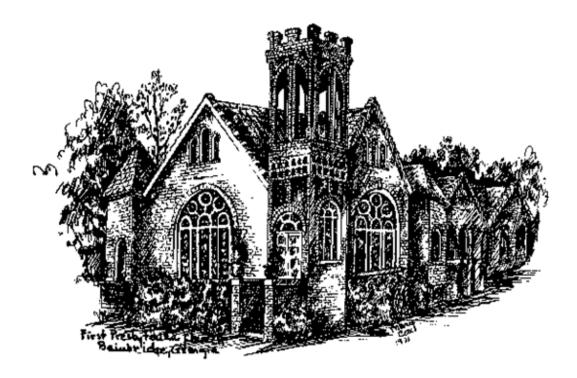
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First Presbyterian Church Bainbridge, Georgia Service 10:30 a.m. July 30, 2023

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.

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30, 2023 Elder on Call ~ Mike Holt (404) 218-0297 ~ July 31-August 6, 2023 Liturgist ~ Susan Shiver

Striking of the Hour

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude

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"The God of Abraham Praise"

Call to Worship

- L: Our hearts are ready, O Lord, our hearts are ready!
- P: We will sing and make melody; we will awaken the dawn!
- L: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; we will sing praises to you among the nations!
- P: For your steadfast love is great above the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

Prayer of Invocation

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Traditional Hebrew melody

Hymn of Praise #63 "All Creatures of Our God and King" (Optional last stanza setting)

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Gracious Father, the God of life, teach us evermore to respect and love all the lives you create. Forgive our lack of concern and love for those who are yet unborn, who are born with impairments, who are rejected by their parents. Teach us to open our hearts and homes to all your children. Forgive us when we are negligent and uncaring for those who are elderly, for those who are forgotten in nursing homes, who merely exist in their old age, who cannot afford medical care, who suffer from a careless society. Teach us to open our hearts, to open our homes and churches, to visit the lonely, to bring love into their lives on this earth through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us. The God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us. Be assured that God is with us even now, accepting, guiding, and forgiving. Thanks be to God! Amen!

	Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer		Dr. Jerry Little	
*	Hymn of Preparation (Inser	rt) "Lord, Make Us A	"Lord, Make Us More Holy"	
	Presentation of Tithes and Offerings			
	Offertory	"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"	Frederick C. Maker	
*	Doxology # 815	"Praise God, from Whom All Ble	ssings Flow"	
	Prayer of Dedication		Susan Shiver	
	Choral Anthem"Amazing Grace"arr. Bob Ki(Congregation sings the REPEAT of last stanza when directed. Use text in BOLD on back of bulletin.)Prayer of IlluminationDr. Jerry Lite			
	Scripture Reading	Numbers 13:25-33	(Pew Bible Pages 129 & 130 OT)	
Minister: This is the word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.				
	Sermon	Standing on the Bank of Tomorrow"	Dr. Jerry Little	
*	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 # 7	"77 "On Jordan's Stor	my Banks"	
	Pastoral Benediction			
	Postlude	"At the Name of Jesus"	Cindy Berry	

*Those who are able please stand. NURSERY IS AVAILABLE – IF ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED, PLEASE ASK ONE OF OUR USHERS.

If there is a pastoral need, you may contact Dr. Jerry Little by phone @ 229-400-7958 or the church office.

Dr. Jerry Little