

“Sanctus” Charles Gounod

The *Sanctus* is directly inspired by Isaiah’s vision of God’s glory in **Isaiah 6:3**. Its use in Christian worship is ancient and might have entered directly into Christianity from the practice of the synagogue. *Sanctus* is an important acclamation of cheer and a joyful shout of thanks and praise to God!

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus. Sanctus, Sanctus, Deus Sabaoth, Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra! Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua! Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus. Sanctus, Sanctus, Deus Sabaoth. Hosanna! Hosanna in excelsis! Amen.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of hosts. Holy, Holy, God, the Lord of hosts! Heaven and earth show your glory. Heaven and earth show forth your glory, Lord God of hosts! We praise you forever! Holy, Holy, Holy, God, the Lord of hosts! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest! Amen.

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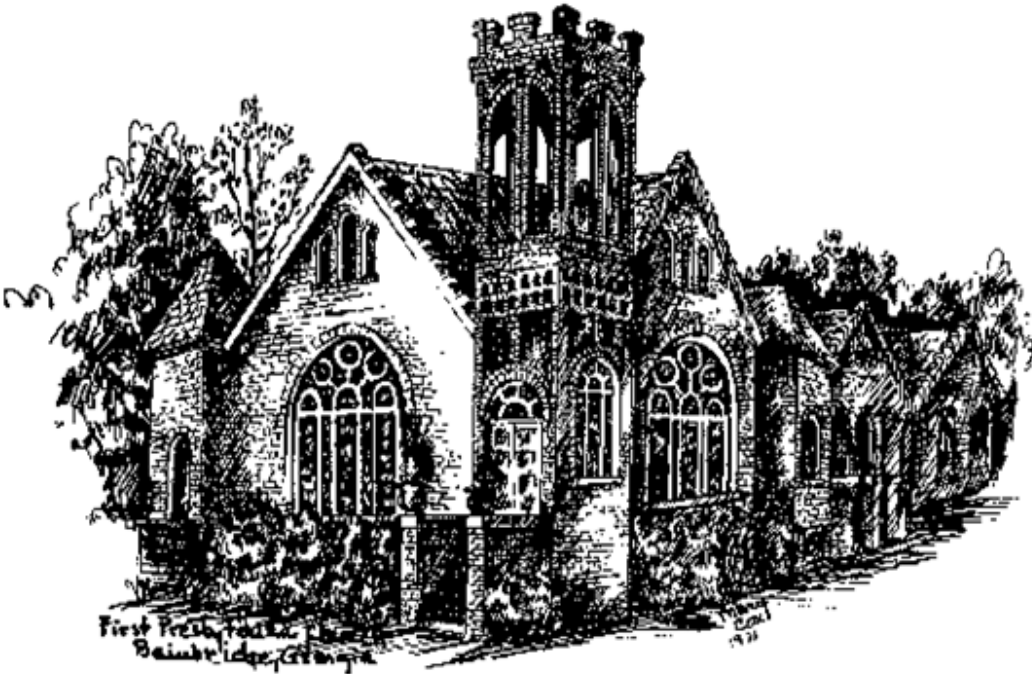
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First Presbyterian Church
Bainbridge, Georgia
Service 10:30 a.m.
October 22, 2023

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.

21st Sunday after Pentecost

October 22, 2023

Elder on Call ~ David Kendrick (229) 254-3511 ~ October 23-29, 2023

Liturgist ~ Dr. Don Mobley

Striking of the Hour

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude “New Every Morning” Cindy Berry

Choral Introit “Joyfully Sing to God Forever” F. J. Haydn / arr. Patrick Liebergen

Call to Worship Dr. Don Mobley

L: Come, Holy God, draw near.

P: We long to see you.

L: Come, God of justice, be present today.

P: We need your grace in our church and our lives.

L: Come in this hour.

P: Show us your love.

Prayer of Invocation Dr. Don Mobley

* Hymn of Praise # 122 “Glorious Is Thy Name” (Optional choral ending)

* Prayer of Confession (Unison) Dr. Don Mobley

God of grace, though you are always present, you often feel distant. Our minds seek to limit your reality to things we can understand. Expand our imaginations, that we may see your kindness and grace at work in this church. When our work becomes a burden and our struggles seem pointless, save us from despair. Remind us to ground ourselves in faith and to reach out with hope and love, as we seek to live in your kingdom. Amen.

* Silent Prayer of Confession

* Assurance of Pardon Rev. Stephen Webb

When we cry out to you, O God, you answer us. You receive us, forgive us, and show us your love. Amen.

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer Rev. Stephen Webb

* Hymn for Mission # 562 “Be Thou My Vision”
(Please come forward and place your mission offering in the Mission Box in front of the Communion Table during the Hymn for Mission.)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “I Worship You” Cindy Berry

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

Prayer of Dedication Dr. Don Mobley

Choral Anthem “Sanctus” Charles Gounod
Tara Davy ~ soprano

Scripture Reading John 9:1-41 (Pew Bible Pages 99 & 100 NT)

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “New Eyes” Rev. Stephen Webb

* 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 # 563 “Open My Eyes That I May See”

Pastoral Benediction

Postlude “How Majestic Is Your Name” Michael W. Smith

*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 Rev. Stephen Webb by phone @ 229-220-5591 or the church office.