

***“At the Cross” Mary McDonald***

*Alas, and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die? Would He devote that sacred head for such a sinner as I? Was it for crimes that I have done He groaned upon the tree? Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree! Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut his glories in when Christ, the mighty Maker, died, died for human creatures' sin. At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light! It was there by faith I received my sight at the cross, at the cross. But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe; here, Lord, I give myself away. 'Tis all that I can do. Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut his glories in when Christ, the mighty Maker, died for human creatures' sin. At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light! It was there by faith I received my sight at the cross, at the cross, the cross.*

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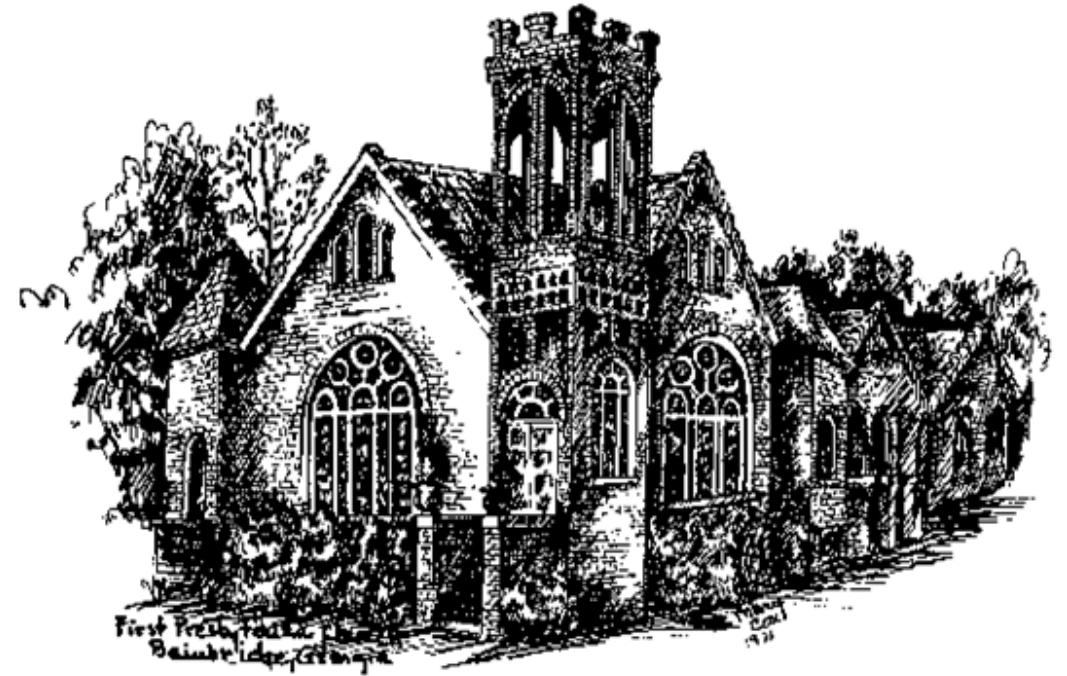
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**First Presbyterian Church  
Bainbridge, Georgia  
Service 10:30 a.m.  
February 18, 2024**

*This church welcomes you no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. 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.*

# First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

Elder on Call ~ Virginia Smith (229) 248-1741 ~ February 19-25, 2024

Liturgist ~ Mickey Shiver

## Striking of the Hour

## Greetings and Announcements

**Prelude** "Lift High the Cross" Sydney Nicholson

**Choral Introit** "Christ, We Do All Adore Thee" Theodore Dubois

**Call to Worship** Mickey Shiver

L: People of God, set aside busyness of mind and body.

**P: Create in me a clean heart, O God.**

L: Let us gather in worship with heads bowed.

**P: God, put a new and right spirit within me.**

L: Children of God, receive grace from above.

**P: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and my mouth will declare your praise!**

**Prayer of Invocation** Mickey Shiver

\* **Hymn of Praise # 12** "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

## Your Own Prayer Time

## Words of Assurance

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

**Mission Moment** Youth

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer** Rev. Stephen Webb

\* **Hymn of Hope and Assurance # 348** "My Savior's Love"

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory** "Sonata of Love" arr. Don Wyrzten

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

**Prayer of Dedication** Mickey Shiver

**Choral Anthem** "At the Cross" Mary McDonald

**Scripture Reading** Luke 14:25-33 (Pew Bible Page 76 NT)

Minister: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "Discipleship Ain't Cheap" 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 # 235** "Take the Name of Jesus with You"

## Pastoral Benediction

**Postlude** "Fairest Lord Jesus" Silesian folk melody

\*Those who are able please stand.

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If there is a pastoral need, you may contact Rev. Stephen Webb by phone @ 229-220-5591 or the church office.