



**Gallons of Grace
and Unexpected Extravagance
January 22, 2023**



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Montrose, CO

We are people called together by Christ to celebrate God in worship, grow together through discipleship and bring others to Christ.

January 22, 2023

9:30 a.m.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME STORIES OF GRACE-FILLED JESUS INTERACTIONS

Meditation

A wedding is no time for the wine to give out, but that's what happens. Jesus and his mother are wedding guests, so Mary has a word with her son. As a result, when the steward tastes what he thinks is water from a jar, he finds instead that it is good wine. Usually hosts serve the good wine first, and the poor wine last. With Jesus, guests continue to dine on the abundance of God's richest blessings.

–James G. Kirk, *When We Gather*

Prelude Music - *Adele Creasey*

Welcome and Invitation to Worship

The Sound of a Bell, a Moment of Silence

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship*

(Psalm 66: 1-7)

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

All: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

*Rise if you are able.

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Leader: So great is your power that your adversaries tremble.

All: All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name.

Leader: Come and see what God has done, how awesome his work for all of humankind.

All: We rejoice in him, who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations.

Songs of Worship*

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

Our God

(Please be seated)

Prayer of Confession

(In Unison)

O most great and holy God, mighty in power and magnificent in glory. You made us to join with all of creation to give you praise, yet we confess that we fall far short. We have used the gifts that you have given us not to worship you, but to exalt ourselves. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people. Teach us, by your Spirit, to live as you intended: overcome with praise to you. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

(Moment of silence for personal prayer and confession)

Assurance of Pardon

(1 John 1: 9, ESV)

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Hear this Good News! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Passing of the Peace

One ancient and significant gesture in worship is the passing of the peace. Passing the peace is a tradition rooted in Scripture that embodies our identity as peacemakers (Matt. 5:9; 2 Cor. 5:20) and trains our hearts, hands, and voices in the ways of peace. At these times we leave the comfort of our seat, turn to our neighbors, grasp their hands, and speak the words, "The peace of the Lord be with you," and receive the words in turn, "And also with you." The gesture is simple, but the meaning is profound. When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who extended his life to the point of death to make peace with humanity. (Col. 1:20-21).

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Offering

Offertory piece - *Leigh Mahoney*

Please consider tithing during this part of the service. You can also tithe electronically by going to the "Give" tab on our website.

Sermon Text

John 2: 1-12 - *Joshiah Graff*

Message

"Gallons of Grace and Unexpected Extravagance" - *Rev. Dr. Jesse G. Mabanglo*

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Song of Sending*

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Life in the Body (Announcements)

Blessing and Benediction*

Postlude

Life in the Body (Announcements)

- Welcome to First Presbyterian Church. We are glad to have you here with us today. If you would like more information about us, please feel free to fill out a welcome card found on the table at the main door to the sanctuary. You can place the completed card in the basket when you are done.
- On Sunday, Jan. 29 (Nope, it's not a third Sunday, but it will be), we will start holding our monthly potlucks again. Come prepared with a yummy dish to share with everyone after the service. We can't wait to see you!
- The new year is upon us and we are in need of both youth and adult volunteers for the Nursery. If this is something you are able to help with, please sign up to be paired with one of our youth for any Sunday of your choice. The sign up sheet is on the table in the foyer as you come in the front door.
- If you would like to see what other events or Bible Studies are taking place in our church body, you can find more information by going to: <https://fpcmontrose.churchcenter.com/calendar> or by picking up a copy in the foyer.

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