



**EXQUISITE PAIRINGS OF HEAVEN AND  
EARTH IN THE PSALMS**

**July 23, 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.*

July 23, 2023

9:30 a.m.

## **EXQUISITE PAIRINGS OF HEAVEN AND EARTH IN THE PSALMS**

### **Psalm 82**

Whoever you are and wherever your life's journey has taken you, you are welcomed here. We hope that you will find FPC to be a people of warmth, acceptance, and commitment to the calling of Jesus Christ. We are honored to have you worship with us.

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#### **MEDITATION**

The main point of Psalm 82 is that earthly judges are held to a high standard of morality because they will one day stand before the Judge. The psalmist is crying out for justice from human authorities who seem like gods among the other people. They must remember that the only reason they are in such a position is because God allowed it. — Hank Workman, The Warehouse

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#### **GATHERING MUSIC**

#### **WELCOME AND INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

#### **THE SOUND OF A BELL, A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

"Be still and know that I am God." - *Psalm 46:10*

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

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\*Rise if you are able.

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## **CALL TO WORSHIP\***

*(Beth Merrill Neel)*

Leader: Friends, we know what God desires of us:

All: **That we do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with God.**

Leader: We gather this morning to remind each other about that,

All: **To remember that now is always the right time to do these things. So, with thanks in our hearts, let us worship God.**

## **SONGS OF WORSHIP\***

*Step By Step*

*Inside Out*

*(Please be seated)*

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*(In Unison-MDPC-Houston TX)*

**Almighty God, you have raised your Son Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have failed to acknowledge his rule in our lives. Instead, we have followed the ways of the world, and failed to give him the glory he deserves. Hear our confession, forgive us, and cleanse our hearts to worship you. Establish us as your faithful people, who move and act in obedience and love, and in imitation of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*(Moment of silence for personal prayer and confession)*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Even in the midst of doubt and darkness, the light of God is shining in you, on you, and through you. Out of God's great love, you have been redeemed and made whole. Receive, then, this Good News—in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

## **OFFERING**

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**

Psalm 82

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## VIDEO

*Seek Justice*

## MESSAGE

*Full-Bodied Justice* - Rev. Dr. Jesse G. Mabanglo

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### LORD'S PRAYER

## SONG OF SENDING\*

*Hear The Call Of The Kingdom*

## LIFE IN THE BODY

## BLESSING AND BENEDICTION\*

## POSTLUDE

**Please stay and enjoy coffee and snacks with us in the fellowship hall.**

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### Life in the Body

- Pending another emergency, the repaving of the East Parking Lot will start this week. This means that **you will not be able to park in the East Lot between July 24 and July 29**. If you are using the facilities during that time, please use the Westside Parking and enter through the west doors. You may also park along the east side street and enter through the main doors.
- Come **to FPC on Saturday, August 5 at 7:00 p.m.**, and listen to a beautiful concert by Joshua Messick, the National Hammered Dulcimer Champion. General Admission tickets are available at the door for \$20. Kids 12 & under are free.
- To find out what is happening in the life of our church, an event calendar and weekly newsletter (Announcements) are available on the table in the foyer.
- If you want to learn more about our church, you can visit our website at: <https://fpcmontrose.com>.

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