



**THE SUMMER OF ROCK-AMAZING BIBLE
STORIES INVOLVING ROCKS**

July 30, 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.*

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9:30 a.m.

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Matthew 4: 18-22

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.

MEDITATION

A follower in our day and age is someone who tunes in on social media and pays attention to what the influencer is saying. But a follower for Jesus was an invitation to be his disciple. It means, "set your agenda aside and pick up mine." You see, most "disciples" chose their Rabbi. But not Jesus. By contrast, Jesus selects his own disciples and requires absolute allegiance to himself. ~ Rev. Dr. Roger Patterson

PRELUDE 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

*Rise if you are able.

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CALL TO WORSHIP*

(Joanna Harder, Spacious Faith)

Leader: Jesus comes alongside us and calls us by name:

All: “[your name], follow me.”

Leader: A simple call. A hard call.

All: **Because following requires leaving.**

Leader: And we look around to see who else Jesus could be talking to.

All: **And we look around to see the trappings of the life we know.**

Leader: It’s hard to leave our nets and walk away from the lake.

All: **But we have come this far, to this place where we can listen and be transformed.**

SONGS OF WORSHIP*

Firm Foundation

Praise You In The Storm

(Please be seated)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(In Unison-Australian Prayer Book)

Most merciful God, we humbly admit that we need your help. We confess that we have wandered from your way: we have done wrong, and we have failed to do what is right. You alone can save us. Have mercy on us. Wipe away our sins and teach us to forgive others. Bring forth in us the fruit of the Spirit that we may live as disciples of Christ. This we ask in the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.

(Moment of silence for personal prayer and confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(Matthew 11: 28-29)

Jesus says, “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.” May your souls rest in the assurance that, through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please be seated)

*Rise if you are able.

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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

Matthew 4: 18-22

MESSAGE

Following Jesus Will Rock Your World - Rev. Dr. Jesse G. Mabanglo

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF SENDING*

Endless Praise

LIFE IN THE BODY

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

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

LIFE IN THE BODY

- We are taking the East Parking Lot project day by day. So if the lot is still roped off during the week, please park and enter on the other side of the building. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility in this matter.
- 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 (cash only). 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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