



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

**August 6, 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.

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

Matthew 7: 24-29

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**

Jesus' invitation is an invitation to an encounter with God and a different way of living life. This life will provide not only strength in the present to withstand the various storms that come our way but also the final great storm that sees us through to an eternity with the Lord, to and for whom we have lived a life of devotion.

*~ Richard Beaton, Fuller Theological Seminary*

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### **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**

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\*Rise if you are able.

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## **CALL TO WORSHIP\***

*(re: Worship)*

**Leader:** Come and worship, all you who love and serve the Lord—

**All:** Outsiders and insiders, old-timers and newcomers, the young, the old, and the in-between.

**Leader:** Come as you are, for this is God's house—a house of prayer for all people.

**All:** And God welcomes each one who is here. Let us worship together!

## **SONGS OF WORSHIP\***

*Let All Things Now Living*

*Simple Gifts*

**(Please be seated)**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*(Beth Merrill Neel)*

**O Lord Jesus,** sometimes we are so busy talking with each other that we fail to recognize you as our Gracious and Loving God. Open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives – that which is beautiful and good and that which is hurtful and not helpful. We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do. We love with condition. We judge and condemn. We cast the first stone and keep the logs in our own eyes. We do not turn to you as the source of our healing. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our sin and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen.

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

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*(Ministry Matters)*

Rejoice! God's love is poured over you this day for healing, restoration, and hope. Feel the power of God's mercy in your life. Go into God's world knowing you are forgiven and blessed, and be a blessing to others. AMEN.

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**(Please be seated)**

## **DEACON SUNDAY UPDATE**

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## OFFERING

*Oh, The Deep Deep Love Of Jesus* - Josh Messick

The first Sunday of the month is Deacon Sunday. Please consider giving a special donation using the provided envelope or by going to the "Give" tab on our website.

## SERMON TEXT

Matthew 7: 24-29

## MESSAGE

*House Built on Rock* - Rev. Dr. Jesse G. Mabanglo

## APOSTLES' CREED

*(In Unison)*

## COMMUNION

## SONG OF SENDING\*

*Amazing Grace*

## 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

- 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.
- **Mark your calendars!** Come **Sunday, Sep. 17**, to an outside *Fall Kick-off & BBQ* rebooting the church potlucks, adult education classes, and more.
- 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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