

## **Peel Valley Congregation**

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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# John 2:1-11 (NLT) The Wedding at Cana

2 The next day there was a wedding celebration in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, <sup>2</sup> and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. <sup>3</sup> The wine supply ran out during the festivities, so Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine."

<sup>4</sup> "Dear woman, that's not our problem," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come."

<sup>5</sup> But his mother told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

<sup>6</sup> Standing nearby were six stone water jars, used for Jewish ceremonial washing. Each could hold twenty to thirty gallons<sup>7</sup> Jesus told the servants, "Fill the jars with water." When the jars had been filled, <sup>8</sup> he said, "Now dip some out, and take it to the master of ceremonies." So the servants followed his instructions.

<sup>9</sup> When the master of ceremonies tasted the water that was now wine, not knowing where it had come from (though, of course, the servants knew), he called the bridegroom over. <sup>10</sup> "A host always serves the best wine first," he said. "Then, when everyone has had a lot to drink, he brings out the less expensive wine. But you have kept the best until now!"

<sup>11</sup> This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

## **Other Lectionary Readings:**

Isaiah 62:1-5 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

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## Psalms 36:5-10 (NLT)

<sup>5</sup> Your unfailing love, O LORD, is as vast as the heavens;

your faithfulness reaches beyond the clouds.

<sup>6</sup> Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,

your justice like the ocean depths. You care for people and animals alike, O LORD.

<sup>7</sup> How precious is your unfailing love, O God!

All humanity finds shelter in the shadow of your wings.

You feed them from the abundance of your own house, letting them drink from your river of delights.

<sup>9</sup> For you are the fountain of life, the light by which we see.

Pour out your unfailing love on those who love you; give justice to those with honest hearts.

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26 January 11am West~ Rev Sam Sadrata

This world is better because you are in it. It needs your smile and your laughter.

Your honesty and your heartbreak.

Your hurdles and your triumphs.

It needs everything you are and everything you will be.

The world needs you.

### PEEL VALLEY CONGREGATION

Our goal: "To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus."

Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."

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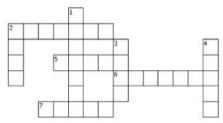
### IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray that all visitors to Tamworth have a safe and happy time here.
- We pray for Peter Scorgie, who has had another fall, and for Beth, who is caring for him.
- We give thanks for shade and cool breezes.
- ➤ We pray for all children beginning school, and those changing schools in the coming weeks.
- Our prayers continue for all people impacted by war.

## Jesus Turns Water Into Wine

"Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." John 2:10 (NIV)





#### **ACROSS**

- 2. A ceremony joining a man and woman as husband and wife
- 5. To eat or drink a small amount
- One who is employed to perform services for someone else
- Low in cost; of poor quality; inferior

#### DOWN

- An event that cannot be explained by the laws of nature
- A beverage made of the fermented juice of grapes
- Of the highest quality; One that surpasses all others
- A clear, colorless, odorless, and tasteless liquid, H2O

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### **Meg's Musings**

The Psalm lectionary reading for this week begins, "Your unfailing love, O Lord, is as vast as the heavens."

As astronomers discover more and more of the universe (heavens), that claim about God's love becomes bigger too.

Sometimes people think that science diminishes God - that experts can come up with explanations for everything; that there are fewer "unknowns", and fewer reasons to believe in God.

However, I feel that learning more about our universe enhances our picture of God; of a Being more complex and wonderful - and loving - than we can possibly conceive of.

How do you experience, picture, and feel God, and God's love?

Blessing from Meg

### Curiosities about music

Music uses the whole brain: Listening to music activates almost every part of the brain

Music changes your heart rate: Your heart rate adjusts to match the rhythm of the music you're listening to.

Music can improve memory: Listening to music can help you remember things.

Music can improve mood: Listening to music can improve your mood and reduce anxiety.

Music can improve sleep: Listening to music can help you sleep better.

Music is a universal language: Music can connect people across different cultures and backgrounds.

Music can help with motivation: Music can help improve motivation.

Music can help with pain: Music therapy can help with pain, reduce stress, and improve motivation.

~ AI search

wedding faith best last Cana Galilee filled tasted bridegroom glory wine disciples servants master water banquet miraculous saved signs

Hate comes from intimidation, love comes from appreciation. ~ Tyga