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## Jesus and The Samaritan Woman At The Well

*Third Sunday of Lent*

**March 08, 2026**  
**10:00 A.M. Worship Service**  
**Pastor Jeff Seger**

Welcome

\*Opening Hymn - #525 - Now Thank We All Our God

\**Passing of the Peace*

### Call To Worship: (from Psalm 95)

**Leader:** Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**People:** **Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.**

**Leader:** For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.

**People:** **Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for He is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.**

**ALL:** **Today if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah, as you did that day at Massah in the desert, where your fathers tested and tried me, though they had seen what I did. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.**

### **Opening Prayer:**

*Gracious God, we lay our burdens down before you this morning. Help us by your Holy Spirit to stand before you with open hearts and open minds. Guide us and guide your Church into all truth. Stand by us as we work together to follow your will and your way. Thank you for your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and the great gift he gave us by laying down his life for our sin. Make us grateful and show us the way. It is in his name that we pray all things. Amen.*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory forever.*

**AMEN**

Please continue to remember in prayer...			
- Our Church Family	- Cole Dunlap	- Barbara McVicker	- Kate DeWees
- George Cover	- Nancy Dunlap Sr.	- Jim Lefler	- Kayln Hall
- Bethel Ford	- Meg Smith	- Marsha Gastineau	- Luke Smith
- Larrinda Wolf	- Nancy Justice	- Jan Merritt	- Mia Berarducci
- Patti Coons	- Vianne Lewis	- Audrey Parmele	- Rick Williams
- Phil Lewis	- Tonya Todd-Barker	- Betty Malone-Lintner	- Sandra Schauer
- Shirley Maxwell	- Dan Wood	- Joey Funkhouser	- Paul & Abbie Parmele

**Scripture Text: John 4: 5 – 42 (NRSV)**

5 So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. 6 Jacob’s well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

7 A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” 8 (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) 9 The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?” (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) 10 Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.” 11 The woman said to him, “Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? 12 Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?” 13 Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14 but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.” 15 The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.”

16 Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come back.” 17 The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband,’ 18 for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!” 19 The woman said to him, “Sir, I see that you are a prophet. 20 Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.” 21 Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. 22 You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. 23 But the hour is coming and is now here when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. 24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” 25 The woman said to

him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.” **26** Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one who is speaking to you.”

**27** Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you want?” or, “Why are you speaking with her?” **28** Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, **29** “Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?” **30** They left the city and were on their way to him.

**31** Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, “Rabbi, eat something.” **32** But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you do not know about.” **33** So the disciples said to one another, “Surely no one has brought him something to eat?” **34** Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. **35** Do you not say, ‘Four months more, then comes the harvest’? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. **36** The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. **37** For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ **38** I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.”

**39** Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony, “He told me everything I have ever done.” **40** So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. **41** And many more believed because of his word. **42** They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world.”

Scripture Readings - John 4: 5 – 42 (NRSV)

Sermon - “*Jesus and The Samaritan Woman At The Well*” — Pastor Jeff Seger

Invitation to Generosity and Presentation of the Gift

\*Doxology - #382 - Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen***

\*Prayer for the Gifts

Intro to Communion - #588 - In The Garden

Words of Institution

Prayer for the Bread and the Cup - Distribution of both Bread and Cup

*OFFERTORY & COMMUNION*

*The bread and the cup are distributed together.  
Please hold until you are invited to partake together.*

\*Hymn of Invitation - #641 - Pass It On

\*Benediction

Leader: Our service is ended. Go into the world, you are the body of Christ.  
And may the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be with you now and even forevermore.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Todays Meeting:**

10:00 a.m. - Sunday Worship Service - Pastor Jeff Seger

**Weekly Meetings:**

Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>

11:45 a.m. - Lenten Lunch @ St. Luke

6:00 p.m. - Wacky Wednesday

Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service - Pastor Jeff Seger

Beginning Balance As Of 3-2-26	3803.23
Expenses/Payroll x2/TAXES	2501.09
Weekly Offering	3134.00
Difference	+632.91
Ending Balance	4436.14

**Announcements**

**Week of March 1<sup>st</sup>** - Attendance: 29; Live Stream Views: - YouTube Live: 8; Approx. Views: 12 - 41

**Youth Group – Wacky Wednesday**: will meet Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Meal provided by Dorrie Lefler. Thank you Dorrie!

**April is First Christian Church’s**: month to volunteer at The Good Samaritan Food Pantry. As you know, the pantry provides a vital service to our community. The pantry is open each Tuesday morning from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursday afternoons from 1 p.m. to 3p.m. Please sign up for one of these times on the sign up sheet at the back of he church. If you have questions please call Connie Blackketter at 317-697-2152. Thanks in advance for volunteering.

**Lenten Lunch Schedule**: RAMA invites the community to join in the fellowship of the 2026 Lenten Lunches. Each luncheon begins at 11:45 a.m. and concludes at 12:45 p.m. The recommended donation for each lunch is \$6.00. All proceeds go to Helping Hand Fund.

**Lenten Lunch Schedule**

March 11<sup>th</sup> - St. Luke Lutheran

March 18<sup>th</sup> - St. Augustine

March 25<sup>th</sup> - Brushwood

April 1<sup>st</sup> - Hope Community Seder Dinner

**March Birthdays**

- 3 - Viana Lewis
- 4 - Kris Bailey
- 5 - Pauline Amsler
- 6 - Matt Beehler, Stephen Nicole
- 7 - Charles Griffin, Kalyn Hall
- 8 - Haylie Newcomb
- 9 - Andy Morris, Ali Phillips
- 10 - Cathy Eldridge, Addie Dobson
- 11 - Josh Eldridge
- 14 - Sandy Todd
- 15 - Regina Sanders
- 18 - Cody Lintner, Heidi Phillips
- 19 - Laura Lefler-Kinnaird, Jim Lefler
- 21 - Craig Jackson
- 23 - Casey Boose
- 25 - Travis Mattocks
- 26 - Jeff Phillips

**April Birthdays**

- 1 - Helen Putman
- 5 - Phil Lewis
- 6 - Claude Grow
- 7 - Kathy Williams
- 10 - Patrick Williams, Jenny Craig
- 12 - Chase Eldridge
- 13 - Randy Grow, Ellis Gastineau
- 14 - Crystal Cover, Chad Maxwell
- 15 - Nathan Bailey
- 16 - Lisa Jackson
- 19 - Bethel Ford
- 21- Marcia Smith-Wood
- 24 - Verna McNeal
- 29 - Eileen Phegley, Kate DeWees

**March Anniversaries**

- 3 - Dennis & Pam Sayler - 1973
- 6 - Marcia & Ote Wood - 1982
- 26 - Gary & Regina Sanders - 1988

**April Anniversaries**

- 14 - Claude & Kim Grow - 1984
- 16 - Richard & Cathy Eldridge - 1983