

Pastor's Bible Class

March 8, 2026

The Third Sunday in Lent

Hymn #855 "For All the Faithful Women"



1 For all the faith-ful wom - en Who served in days of old,
2 Re - call the out - cast wom - an With whom the Lord con-versed;
3 O God, for saints and ser - vants, Those named and those un - known
△ 4 All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



To You shall thanks be giv - en; To all, their sto - ry told.
Christ gave her liv - ing wa - ter To quench her deep - est thirst.
In whom through all the a - ges Your light of glo - ry shone,
All praise the Ho - ly Spir - it, Who binds the Church in one!



They served with strength and glad - ness In tasks Your wis - dom gave.
Like hers, our hearts are yearn - ing; Christ of - fers us His Word.
We of - fer glad thanks - giv - ing And fer - vent prayer we raise
With saints who went be - fore us, With saints who wit - ness still,



To You their lives bore wit - ness, Pro - claimed Your pow'r to save.
Then may our lips be burn - ing To wit - ness to our Lord.
That, faith - ful in Your ser - vice, Our lives may sing Your praise.
We sing glad Al - le - lu - ias And strive to do Your will.

Read Exodus 17:1-7

1. At what point in the wilderness wandering does this story take place? See the headings of chapters 14 and 20.
2. What is the complaint of the people, and what does it tell us about them?
3. Read I Corinthians 10:1-4. What light does this passage shed on our text?

Read Romans 5:1-8

4. What is justification?

5. How are we justified, and what does this justification give us? Read Romans 8:28-39.

6. How do these assurances change our view of suffering?

7. How do Paul's words in verse 3 compare to the example set by God's people in Exodus 17:1-7?

Read John 4:5-30, 39-42

8. Read II Kings 17:24-29. What does this Old Testament reference tell you about the background of the people who lived in Samaria in Jesus' day?

9. What do we learn in John 4:4?

10. What does Jesus ask in verse 7, and why is this a shocking request? Pay attention to the woman's response in verse 9.

11. What does Jesus mean by His words in verse 10?

12. How does this story exhibit Law?

13. How does this story exhibit Gospel?

14. What is the result of this meeting at the well?

Devotional Thought from "The Lutheran Study Bible"

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus graciously reaches out to a Samaritan woman, leads her to recognize Him as the Messiah, and through her brings other Samaritans to receive His life-giving blessings. Christians sometimes allow social and cultural barriers to hinder their witness to Christ and His love for all people. Just as Christ forgave the woman her past and present sins, He now freely offers His forgiving love to us and calls us to spread this Good News (TLSB, 1788).

Closing Prayer

O Lord, let me experience the joy of freely sharing Your Word with others, whoever they may be. Amen.