Old Testament

Exodus 17:1-7

All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water. and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" 4So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." 5And the LORD said to Moses, "Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink." And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Epistle Romans 5: 1–8

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Holy Gospel John 4:5–26

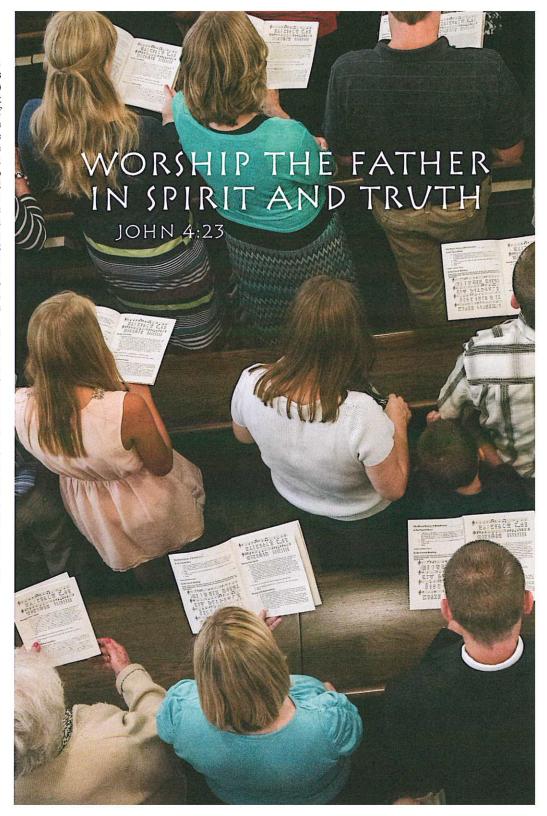
⁵So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." 8(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings 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." 11The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." 13 Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, 14but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." 15The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." 17The 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 now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." 19 The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." 21 Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. 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 is seeking such people to worship him. 24God 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 (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." 26 Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."



About the Cover: As God's people gather for worship, we have purpose of mind. We gather to confess our sins and receive absolution. Also, we give thanks for all the blessings God has given and continues to give us. We do all this with spiritual knowledge of the wonderful God who loves us. We have learned from His Word all He has done and still does for His people. For those blessings, we worship the Father in spirit and truth.



THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 19, 2017 Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

St. Bartholomew Lutheran Church 105 Horn St., Brillion, WI Rev. Mark L. Krueger, Pastor Olivia Riemer, Organist Pastor Email: sblcpastor@gmail.com

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting One p. 151

Hymns: 902, 422, 437 vs. 1-2, 453, 438, 425, 527 Sermon: "Upon the Cross Extended" Hebrews 9:27-28

Holy Communion: Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with

Pastor before worship.

THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 3/08 (Wed.): 68

Offering: \$ 738.00

Attendance 3/12 (Sun): 102

Offering: \$4,606.00

S.S. – 17

Staff - 7

B.C - 6

Budget Needs: \$3,330.00

Scrip Profit 3/12: \$ 64.38

KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

MON (3/20)

April Newsletter items Due

TUES (3/21)

9:45 a.m. Circuit Pastor's Conf., Brandt

WEDS (3/22)

3:30-4:30 p.m. Confirmation (8th grade only)

5:45-6:45 p.m. Lenten Meal 7:00 p.m. Lenten Worship

8:00 p.m. Church Council

SUN (3/26)

8:00 a.m. S.S/B.C.

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Choir Practice

ALTAR FLOWERS are given in God's glory by Scott and Mary Eickert in honor of their anniversary.

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING 2019 – An interest meeting will be held TODAY right after church for any youth and their parents who may have an interest in attending the National Youth Gathering in 2019. This would include youth currently in 6th grade-10th grade.

YOUTH GROUP FUN DAY – The Youth group will be going bowling TODAY at the Official's Den in Hilbert at 1:00 p.m.

JIM HENDRICKS CONCERT sponsored by the Bd. of Stewardship/Evangelism will be held on Sunday, April 9 at 1 p.m. at the EPAC. The concert is free. There will be a free-will offering. This is open to the public. Invite your friends. Mark your calendar.

EASTER AND CONFIRMATION CARDS are available in the card room.

EASTER FLOWER order forms are available in your mailbox. New this year, you may purchase an Easter flower elsewhere and bring it to church after the Good Friday service to be used in the chancel display. Please remember to mark it with your name. Deadline to order is Sunday, March 27.

JOIN US "AT THE CROSSROADS" on Wednesday – This week we hear from Malchus about compassion.

BASKETS OF PROMISE - Donate items for LWR's Baskets of Promise campaign. Next week we'll be collecting *combs*. Please bring your donations to worship next Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

LENTEN MEALS: Meals are Wednesday evenings from 5:45-6:45 p.m. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board. *Menu – Mar. 22: Baked Potato Bar, dessert, & beverage.*

OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE

Exodus 17:3 But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, "why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" Even the Israelites who saw miracles with their own eyes fall into unbelief and fear. From this distance we can see how foolish their worry is. How foolish will our worries appear from the distance of eternity? The Lord cared for them, and He will care for us.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON: "The Widow's Offering" served as the focus of the Sunday school lesson for today. Just was the widow gave all she had to God, trusting HI to provide and care for her, so Jesus gave His all for us, who fail to trust in God for all things. Consider discussing, "How was the widow's offering different from the others? How has God given us His greatest treasure?"