

## Old Testament

Exodus 17:1-7

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>Therefore 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?" <sup>3</sup>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?" <sup>4</sup>So Moses cried to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." <sup>5</sup>And 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. <sup>6</sup>Behold, 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. <sup>7</sup>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

<sup>1</sup>Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>2</sup>Through 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. <sup>3</sup>More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and 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.

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

## Holy Gospel

John 4:5-26

<sup>5</sup>[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup>Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was

about the sixth hour.

<sup>7</sup>There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup>(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup>The 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.) <sup>10</sup>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." <sup>11</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" <sup>12</sup>Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." <sup>13</sup>Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup>but 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." <sup>15</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

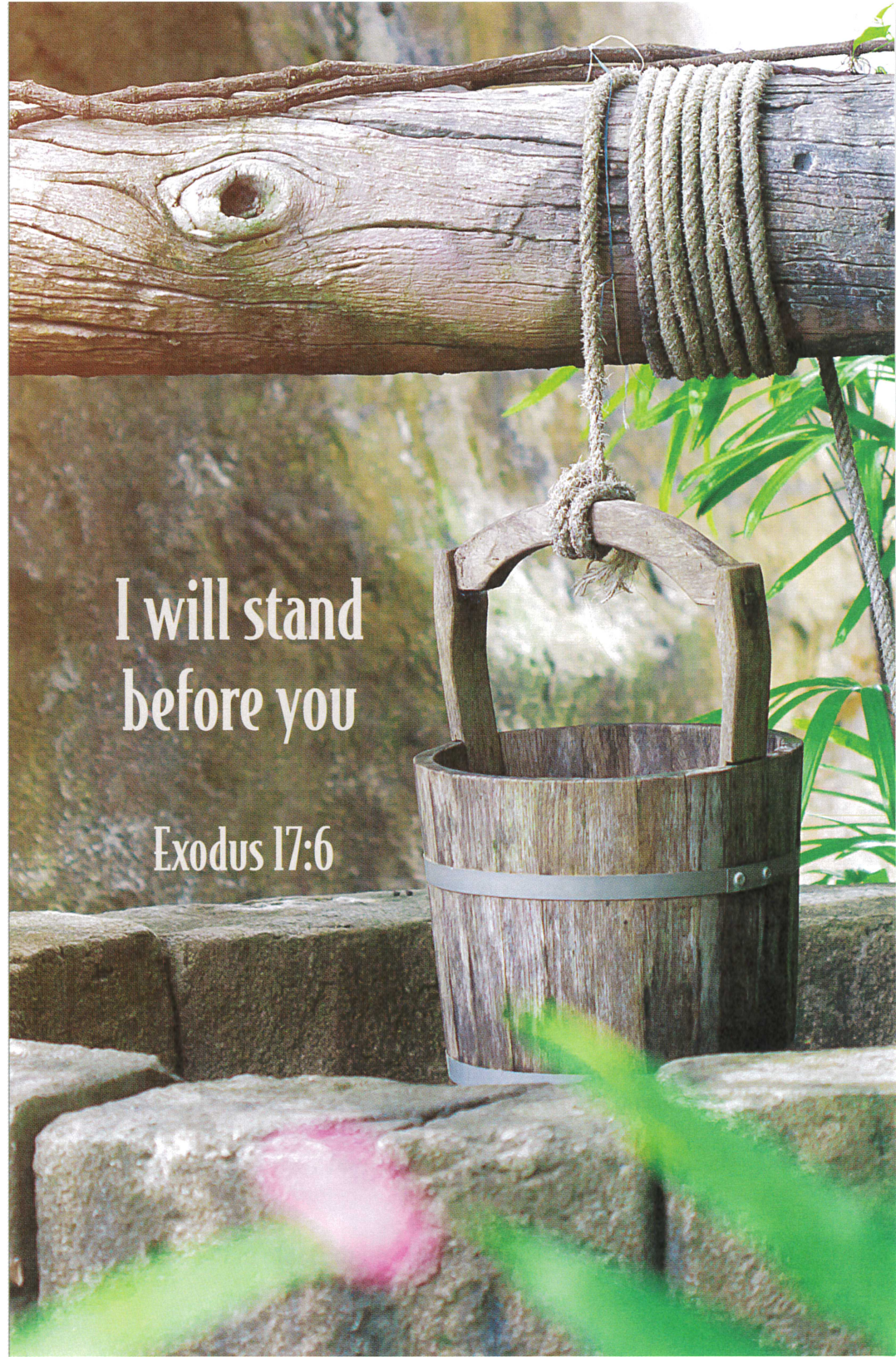
<sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." <sup>17</sup>The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup>for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." <sup>19</sup>The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup>Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup>You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup>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. <sup>24</sup>God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." <sup>25</sup>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." <sup>26</sup>Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

I will stand  
before you

Exodus 17:6



**About the Cover:** St. Paul tells us that Christ was the spiritual Rock from which Israel drank in the desert (1 Corinthians 10:4). The woman at the well soon found out that this same Rock was standing before her, offering her the true thirst-quenching water. Once we have partaken of Christ, there is no need to thirst after the things of this world. He thirsted on the cross in our place to fill us with His forgiveness and life.





## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT

March 12, 2023

Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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***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

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| Attendance 3/1           | (Wed): 57 | Offering: \$738.06        |
| Attendance 3/5           | (Sun): 68 | Comm.: 56                 |
| Budget Needs: \$3,098.21 |           | Offering: \$2,996.08      |
|                          |           | Scrip Profit 3/5: \$40.75 |
| S.S. – 8                 | Staff – 4 | B.C. – 11                 |

### KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

SUN (3/12) 6:00 p.m. – Farm & Home 4H  
MON (3/13) April Newsletter Items Due  
WED (3/15) 1:45 p.m. – Confirmation  
5:45 p.m. – Lenten Supper  
6:00 p.m. – Choir  
**7:00 p.m. – Lenten Worship**  
7:45 p.m. – Elders  
THUR (3/16) 7:00 p.m. – Women's Devotional Hour  
SUN (3/19) 8:00 a.m. – S.S./B.C.  
**9:00 a.m. – Worship w/Comm.**

**IN OUR PRAYERS** we remember Alvin Bladow (brother of Roger Bladow), Vincent Sucivic (grandson of Duane & Karen Loose), Wilfred Boldt, Julie Boldt, Kay Koffarnus, Jules & Carol Clausing, Sandy Haberland, Joan Zutz, Elaine Zeamer, Lori Krueger, Nancy Davidson, and Terry Brandenburg.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONS** are available on the table in the narthex.

**EASTER CARDS** are available in the card room.

**LENTEN MEALS** – Wednesdays, 5:45 – 6:45 p.m. Sign-up on the bulletin board if you will be attending. Menu for March 15<sup>th</sup> – Casseroles, dinner rolls, salad and dessert.

**MILITARY BIBLE STICKS** – Lenten Mission Project – Place your donations in an envelope marked “Military BibleSticks” and put them in the offering plate or drop them off in the church office. Each one costs \$25. Checks should be made payable to church.

**SCRIP ORDER FORMS** – There have been a lot of updates. Come and check out the order sheets for all the details.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED** – We are in need of Sunday school teachers for this year. If interested, contact Amanda Zoellner.

**WANTED:** Items to place in a variety of gift baskets for the Silent Auction (sponsored by Stewardship/Evangelism) to be held at our Fish Fry April 7<sup>th</sup>. Some ideas could be: sports themed basket (tickets to events, sports memorabilia, gift certificates, golf balls, tees, Packer or Brewer items etc.), child's basket (games, toys, books, movies etc.), coffee basket (mug or two, flavored coffee, creamers etc.), gift baskets & homemade items (blankets, wooden toys, outside garden items etc.). If you have any questions or would like to donate any items for the silent auction, please contact Kayla Behnke, Alice Koerth, Amy Krahn or Rhonda Geiger. The money raised will go towards the furnace fund. Thank you for your support.

### **OUR STEWARDSHIP LIFE**

**Luke 11:21–22** – “When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are safe; but when one stronger than he attacks him and overcomes him, he takes away his armor in which he trusted and divides his spoil.” Jesus has disarmed Satan in a most unusual way: He has disarmed him by allowing Satan to cast all his weapons into Jesus. Satan has nothing left to attack us with — he spent it all on Jesus. And now Jesus is our stronger man. He guards and keeps us and ours. We have none to fear.