3rd Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2020 8:00a

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Sermon Theme: "Living Water"

Text: John 4:5-30, 39-42

The Hymnody

Opening Hymn	LSB 763
Sermon Hymn	LSB 579
Post Offering Hymnstanzas 1-2	LSB 781
Communion Hymns	LSB 618, 761
Closing Hymn	LSB 533

Introit for The 3rd Sunday in Lent

- P Blessèd are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
- **C** How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
- **P** My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.
- **C** Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- P Blessèd are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
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Eggert MacDonald Hanna Bach

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Psalm 95:1-9

- P Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- **P** For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
- In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
- **P** The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
- Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
- P For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
- C Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
- when your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

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