

March 15, 2020

Third Sunday of Lent

# Children Celebrate!

Liturgy of the Word with Children

## Today's Readings

Exodus 17:3–7  
Psalm 95:1–2, 7e–9c  
John 4:5–15, 19b–26,  
39a, 40–42



## We Pray

Jesus, help us to know that you are the Messiah and to believe in you. Amen.

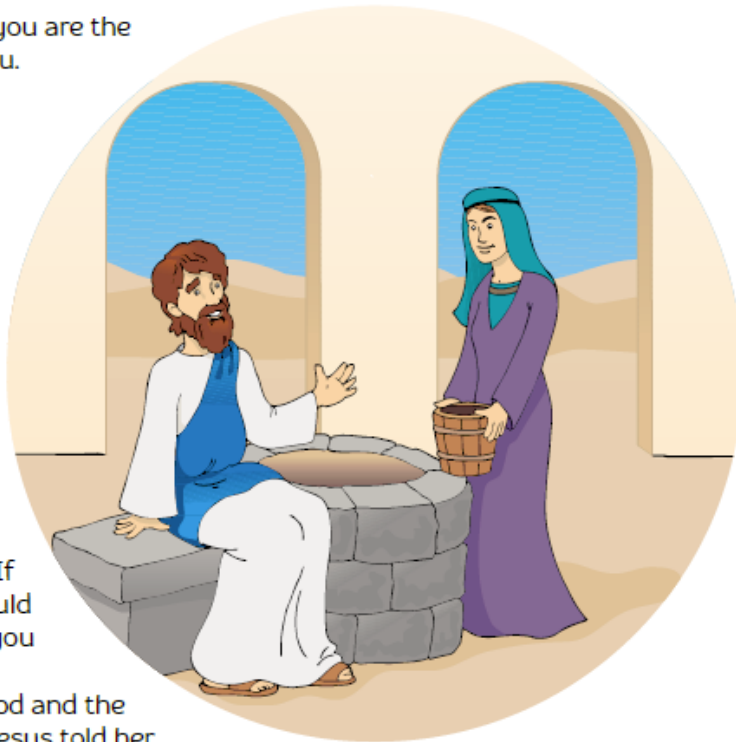


## The Word of God This Week

### Jesus Is the Messiah

Jesus was resting by a well when a Samaritan woman came to get water. He asked her for a drink. Since Samaritans and Jewish people didn't get along, she asked him why he wanted water from her. Jesus said, "If you knew who I am, you would ask me for living water and you would never thirst again."

Then they talked about God and the Messiah who was to come. Jesus told her, "I am that Messiah."



## Activity

Who are the people in today's Gospel? Where did the events take place? To find out, cross out every other letter in each word. Then write the remaining letters on the line.



The people in today's Gospel are

~~J~~~~F~~~~E~~~~C~~~~S~~~~D~~~~U~~~~R~~~~S~~   ~~S~~~~T~~~~A~~~~N~~~~M~~~~B~~~~A~~~~X~~~~R~~~~L~~~~I~~~~Q~~~~T~~~~D~~~~A~~~~K~~~~N~~

~~W~~~~Y~~~~O~~~~E~~~~M~~~~B~~~~A~~~~R~~~~N~~

The events took place at the

~~W~~~~N~~~~E~~~~O~~~~L~~~~F~~~~L~~

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## Family Corner

### Faith Focus

When Jesus met the woman at the well and engaged her in conversation, he ultimately revealed to her that he was the Messiah. This was a magnificent announcement, yet it was made at a simple village well to a woman who did not even expect Jesus to speak to her, a Samaritan. The woman had a deep conversion experience and spread the good news to her fellow townspeople. All of this began with a simple drink of water.

### Family Activity

At a family meal this week, try serving cool, refreshing water as the only beverage. Let the family be reminded that there are many thirsts that we experience and that our spiritual thirst can be quenched only by God. At the end of your meal, pray a simple prayer of thanksgiving. "Lord Jesus, we thank you for the gift of water that refreshes our bodies. May the gift of your love refresh our souls. Amen."