



# BE THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 11

- Help us beautify the Sanctuary with **Easter lilies!** Order yours with the insert in today's bulletin.
- Palm Sunday is only two weeks away! You're invited to bring donations of wrapped candy for our **Easter egg hunt** to the Narthex or the Church Office. We also need people to volunteer for the **Palm Sunday celebration** on March 25. Contact Tracy Spray if you're interested.
- Our **church-wide spring cleaning** begins Monday, March 12-16. Everyone is invited to choose a project from the job board in the Fellowship Hall and join the good, clean fun! Volunteers are needed for cleaning, painting, and repairs. Please contact the church office and tell us how you can help: Call (903) 729-6205 or send an email to office@fumcpalestine.org.
- You are invited to our **"Laugh It Up Comedy Show,"** with Adrian Lucio and Danny Ingle, at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 17. Tickets are available in the Church Office for \$5 each. Proceeds will benefit the Benevolence fund.
- You are invited to **feed the Youth** on Wednesday or Sunday evenings, either by serving dinner or donating \$50. Contact Adrian Lucio or sign up in the Narthex.
- Other events this week include:
  - ⇒ The **United Methodist Women** circles meet this Tuesday. The Lydia circle meets at 9:30 a.m.; the W/E circle meets at noon.
  - ⇒ **Choir** practice is Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
  - ⇒ The **Men's Bible Study** meets at 7 a.m. Wednesday.
  - ⇒ **50+ Games** also meets this Wednesday in the Carroll Building.
  - ⇒ Our **Wednesday Happenings** meal begins at 5:45 and classes begin at 6:20 p.m.
  - ⇒ **Glory Bells** rehearse Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
  - ⇒ Next Sunday is our **Third Sunday Luncheon**, hosted by the Pathfinders Sunday School Class.

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# Sermon Notes

## John 4:5-26 NIV

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<sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

<sup>7</sup> When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" <sup>8</sup> (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.)

<sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.<sup>[a]</sup>)

<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

<sup>11</sup> "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water?" <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?"

<sup>13</sup> Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them 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 won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water."

<sup>16</sup> He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."

<sup>17</sup> "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. <sup>18</sup> The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true."

<sup>19</sup> "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup> Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."

<sup>21</sup> "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. <sup>22</sup> You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup> Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

<sup>25</sup> The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."

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