

BETHESDA MENNONITE CHURCH

HENDERSON, NEBRASKA

THE BOOK OF JOHN

Sunday, February 1, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

Prelude

Marilyn Kroeker, Pianist
"Jesus Friend of Sinners"
"River of Life"
"Revelation Song"

"All Who Are Thirsty"

Worship Band

Jay & Marilyn Kroeker, Bennett Friesen, Logan Bechtel,
Braden Janzen, Connie Bechtel, Lindy Siebert,
Ashton Brown, Kara Janzen, Amanda Goertzen, Mary Dente

Welcome & Call to Worship

Pastor Andrea Wall

* "God is here among us"

HWB 16

(Children are invited to come forward on stanza 3)

Children's Focus

Kara Janzen

* "I heard the voice of Jesus say"

HWB 493

Congregational Prayer

Norm Yoder

"Made For More"

Worship Band

Scripture Reading: John 4:1-30

Pastor J Epp

Leader: This is the Word of God, for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Message **"The woman, the well, the water"**

Pastor J Epp

* "Lord, I am fondly, earnestly"

HWB 514

Announcements

Pastor Andrea Wall

Offering to God

Offertory

Pastor Andrea Wall

Marilyn Kroeker, Pianist

* Benediction

Pastor J Epp

* "Grace Flows Down"

Worship Band

* *If you are able, you are invited to stand.*

All are invited to stop by the Coffee Spot in the Fellowship Hall.
Children and Jr. Youth will have Sunday School.

The 2026 Annual Congregational Meeting will be held today following the worship service. The youth will be serving lunch as a fundraiser. Be sure to join us as we look back on 2025!

John 4:1-18

Now Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that he was gaining and baptizing more disciples than John - although in fact it was not Jesus who baptized, but his disciples. So he left Judea and went back once more to Galilee.

Now he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon.

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

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.)

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."

"Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? 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?"

Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, 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."

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."

He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."

"I have no husband," she replied.

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. 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."



John 4:19-30

“Sir,” the woman said, “I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem.”

“Woman,” Jesus replied, “Believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. 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. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

The woman said, “I know that Messiah” (called Christ) “is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.”

Then Jesus declared, “I the one speaking to you - I am he.”

Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, “What do you want?” or “Why are you talking with her?”

Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, “Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?” They came out of the town and made their way toward him.

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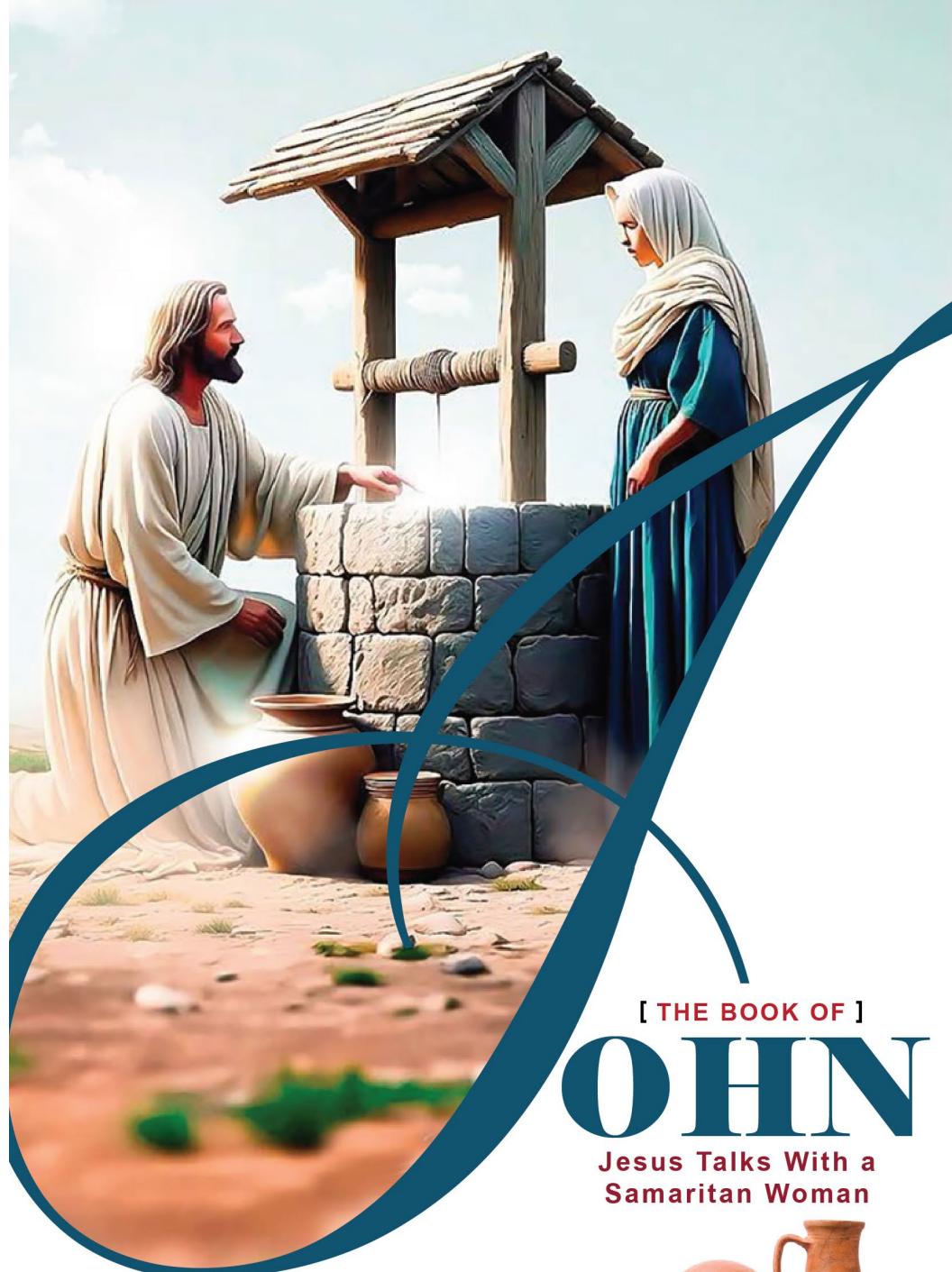
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