

As Jesus spoke to the woman at the well, he was insightfully aware of this. His easy engagement with her, pushing through her attempts to “change the subject” he focused on water, a new water.... Living water.

Her question, quoted in the picture I’ve included today, is a haunting one. Lots of people in our world have heard about this living water, without any idea of how to get to it.

Their efforts to discover that thing that will quench the need deep within them, have only resulted in a broken pump. They know it is there, for we can’t desire something so intensely if it didn’t exist, but they can’t reach it.

Wanting acceptance and love, a place to belong, someone to trust all that you are with... it has eluded our friend speaking to Jesus. She has tried multiple times, partners who are nameless but numbered, and now has agreed to live with one not her husband just so she has a place to be. When her ears are teased with the notion of living water... she is intensely aware that she has no way to get to it.

Our “new song” that we’ve spent this year talking about... here it is described in a conversation about “living water”. Jesus sings the song of Good News about the acceptance of God for broken people who desire him. It isn’t about running to a mountain, or an altar, it is about a heart that worships God in spirit and truth. Broken spirits, contrite hearts, genuine movement to God through Jesus, these are the things to which God calls us.

Grace and peace,

Carl

Where belonging to God means belonging to each other

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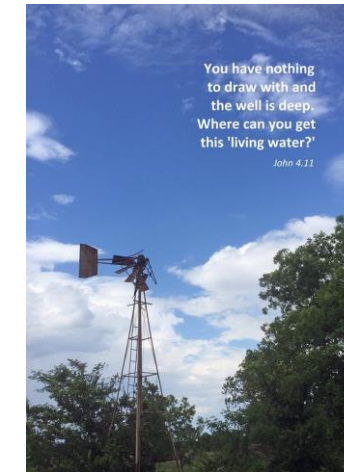


## Flying to the Rock

St John Church of Christ

June 18, 2017

She was trying to avoid eyes that judged her, in crowds there were whispers, in the marketplace she was more accustomed to the back of heads than seeing friendly faces. When you’ve been hurt by so many failed



You have nothing  
to draw with and  
the well is deep.  
Where can you get  
this 'living water?'  
John 4:11

relationships,  
sometimes you gain a reputation, making it  
easier to avoid others than to face their  
harshness.

**SUNDAY:** Leisure Homestead Service—9:30 am  
Bible Study for all ages—10:00 am  
Worship Service—10:45 am  
**WEDNESDAY:** Adult Bible Study—7:30 pm  
Youth Group—7:30 pm (@ Carl's)  
**ELDERS:** Richard Brensing, Teddy Gingrich, Terry Sallee,  
George Shelton, Tom Turner  
**DEACONS:** Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril  
**TREASURER:** Richard Brensing

### WORSHIP ORDER FOR JUNE 18, 2017

SONG LEADER: Jerry Kinnamon  
GATHERING SONG: No. 66—Doxology  
WELCOME: Tom Turner  
SCRIPTURE READING:  
1 Chronicles 29:10-13 (Zach Marks)  
SONGS: No. 144—O Worship the King  
No. 266—Majesty  
No. 230—Worthy Art Thou  
No. 837—I Need Thee Every Hour  
PRAYER: Tom Turner  
SONG: No. 359—I Love the Lord  
COMMUNION: Richard Brensing  
Ned Marks  
Joe Cornwell  
Chris Mansel  
MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril  
SONG: No. 539—Higher Ground  
LESSON: Carl Feril (*Children's Bible Hour*)  
SONG: No. 909—There's a Fountain Free (vs 1)  
PRAYER: Orrin Feril

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### WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship and hope that you will come again!

### BABY GIRL!



Congratulations to Ty and Vanessa Cornwell on the birth of their daughter, Tianna Izel, born on June 5th. She weighed 8 lbs 3 oz, and was 21" long. She is welcomed home by big brother, Victor! Proud grandparents are Joe & Lisa Cornwell.

### SUMMER BASH

The children's event planned for Wednesday, June 21st has been cancelled.

### SILVER MAPLE CAMP

Registration is now open online for SMC summer youth sessions:

- First Session—July 9-15; Ages 9-13
- Second Session—July 16-22; Ages 13-18
- Third Session—July 23-29; Ages 9-18
- Day Camp—July 11 & 12; Ages 6-8

See more information at: [www.silvermaplecamp.com](http://www.silvermaplecamp.com)



### BLACK HILLS BIBLE CAMP

This year the dates for BHBC are Aug 6—12. This is their 50th Anniversary and you are invited to help them celebrate. Several from our area have attended in years past and have really enjoyed the experience. If you are interested, get more information on the website: [www.blackhillsbiblecamp.org](http://www.blackhillsbiblecamp.org)

Carl and Janet plan to attend again this year and welcome you to come along!

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Chase Mansel—June 20

Natalie Lippoldt—June 23

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Stan Aldrich**—respiratory issues  
**Dena Mansel**—has been in the hospital at Stafford  
**Brenda Reno** (Garland & Dena's daughter) - undergoing medical tests  
**Brent Monroe** (Joy Monroe's grandson; Marilyn's great-grandson) - continued prayers are appreciated for his healing from a recent procedure  
**Joy Monroe** (Marilyn's daughter) - gastric ulcer  
**Jim Sorensen** (Tara's brother-in-law) brain cancer  
**Glennys Sallabedra** (Tom's mother)  
**Pete Fuller** (Tom's brother-in-law at Stafford) - recent surgery  
**Larry Carter** (Gary's friend in Missouri) - recent surgery  
**Deb Thornburg** (Marilyn's daughter-in-law, married to Tim, in Billings, MT) - unexplained weight loss  
**Arthur, unborn son of Baylee Sizemore's cousin, John**—diagnosed with a hole in his heart; due to be born in July  
**Jonathan Batten**— cancer  
**Micaela Garcia** (neighbor of Stan & Orvalee) cancer  
**Rod & Cris Seidel in Pratt** (friends of Richard/Shelly) - cancer  
**Alex Garcia** (neighbor of Stan & Orvalee) - improving health  
**Annie Kent** (Lupe Hudson's niece) - cancer  
**David Ivy** (Marilyn's brother) and his wife, Kathy  
**Marilyn Sprawka** (Don Rugan's sister) - cancer  
**Jenny Walker** (Carol's sister)  
**Roger Dick**—ongoing cancer treatments  
**Theo Birkett** (Tara's mother)  
**Jim Soukup** (Gingrich's son-in-law [Shari's husband])  
**Bonnie Guthrie** (Kay's mother) – Stafford Leisure Home  
**June Cornwell**—Kenwood Plaza  
**Vic Staub**—Kenwood Plaza

**HAPPY  
FATHER'S  
Day!**