**Week of March 12 – March 18, 2023** 

Lent 3A

### A FOCUS VERSE

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This is an ancient story of Jesus' openness and hospitality, and yet we regularly repeat the actions of the crowds and community. Can we seek strength and understanding from Jesus to be welcoming to the widows, orphans and foreigners in our midst? We all desire to drink from the "well that gives the water of life."

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• What makes this verse so MEANINGFUL?
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Memorable:
Meaning:
WEDNESDAY: Jer. 2:4-13 (God appeals to Israel to repent)
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BEFORE SUNDAY READINGS: *Readings intended to help you prepare for the upcoming Sunday.
<b>THURS:</b> Palm 23 (The Divine Shepherd)
Memorable:
Meaning:
FRIDAY: Ephesians 5:1-9 (Be imitators of Christ)
Memorable:
Meaning:
SATURDAY: John 1:1-9 (Word Becomes Flesh)
Memorable:
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**Read Ahead:** March 19, 2023 – Fourth Sunday in Lent 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

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