

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S BETHANY

We're so glad you're worshipping with us today. At St. Mark's, our mission is to build a family of believers who glorify God and help one another become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. As we go into the week ahead, may we live out our faith with glad and generous hearts, encouraging one another and sharing God's love wherever we go.

August 30, 2026 | 9:30 A.M.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

PRAYER

HYMN #49

Be Thou My Vision

STATEMENT OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.

On the third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER

OFFERING REMINDER

ANTHEM

Deep, Deep Love

Choir

MESSAGE

REV. RANDY WADE

"JERUSALEM TO ROME: 'PROPHECY FULFILLED'"

FROM THE SERMON SERIES
TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 23:11, 25:1-11

23:11 That night the Lord stood near him and said, "Keep up your courage! For just as you have testified for me in Jerusalem, so you must bear witness also in Rome."

25 Three days after Festus had arrived in the province, he went up from Caesarea to Jerusalem, 2 where the chief priests and the leaders of the Jews gave him a report against Paul. They appealed to him 3 and requested, as a favor to them against Paul, to have him transferred to Jerusalem. They were, in fact, planning an ambush to kill him along the way. 4 Festus replied that Paul was being kept at Caesarea and that he himself intended to go there shortly. 5 "So," he said, "let those of you who have the authority come down with me, and if there is anything wrong about the man, let them accuse him." 6 After he had stayed among them not more than eight or ten days, he went down to Caesarea; the next day he took his seat on the tribunal and ordered Paul to be brought. 7 When he arrived, the Jews who had gone down from Jerusalem surrounded him, bringing many serious charges against him, which they could not prove. 8 Paul said in his defense, "I have in no way committed an offense against the law of the Jews or against the temple or against the emperor." 9 But Festus, wishing to do the Jews a favor, asked Paul, "Do you wish to go up to Jerusalem and be tried there before me on these charges?" 10 Paul said, "I am standing before the emperor's tribunal; this is where I should be tried. I have done no wrong to the Jews, as you very well know. 11 Now if I am in the wrong and have committed something for which I deserve to die, I am not trying to escape death, but if there is nothing to their charges against me, no one can turn me over to them. I appeal to the emperor."

COMMUNION

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

HYMN #221

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HYMN #241

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

PRAYER

HYMN

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

POSTLUDE

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