

## 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 worship today, may we open our hearts to the blessings from Him, growing in grace, and becoming people who reflect His love and compassion in all we do.

February 22, 2026, 9:30 A.M.  
The FIRST SUNDAY of LENT

PRELUDE

WELCOME

HYMN #113

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

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

*Come Thou Fount*

Wagner

HYMN #434

*Standing On The Promises*

MESSAGE

REV. ALLEN SMITH

BLESSED

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 4:25-5:2

25 And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

The Beatitudes

5 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

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

*As The Deer*

HYMN #344

*When Peace Like a River*

PRAYER

HYMN #380

*His Eye Is on the Sparrow*

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

*Go in peace, strengthened by God, bearing His fruit,  
and sharing His blessings wherever you go.*

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