

**WELCOME TO
THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

April 23, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Third Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

Green Prayer Cards may be filled out with your joys/prayers/concerns. Ushers will collect them during prayer time.

*Call to Worship on screen

“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we do not want to be challenged by the cross. We set our minds on human things—we long for the security from our possessions; we prefer our own comfort; Forgive us, we pray. May our sense of self preservation be disturbed by your Son’s example; that we might take up his cross in service to the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #381

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

First Scripture Reading pg. 699

Isaiah 26: 3-4

Liturgist—Michelle Williams

Children’s Time

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer

The 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.

*Affirmation of Faith in Song on screen

“Worthy is the Lamb”

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading pg. 1123

Romans 12:2

Message Debbie Moore

“What’s On Your Mind”

*Hymn #393

“Nearer, My God, To Thee”

*Benediction

*Postlude on Screen

“He Is Able”

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Please join us for refreshments after the service in the Fellowship Hall.

Everyone is welcome



How to become a Christian

1. **Admit to God that you have done things that oppose His desires for you.**

“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”

Romans 3:23

2. **Acknowledge Jesus Christ as God’s only solution to your condition.**

“Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

John 14:6

3. **Ask God to forgive your sins and invite Jesus into your life.**

“Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.”

John 1:12

What to Pray

“Lord Jesus, I need you. Thank you for coming to earth, living an unblemished life, and dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive you as Savior and Lord of everything I do. Make me the kind of person you want me to be.”

What to Do

Go to God in prayer daily.

Read God’s word daily.

Open your life to other Christian friends.

Worship God weekly at church.

If God is speaking to you this morning and you desire to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, or desire prayer for a particular matter, we invite you to the front of the sanctuary at the close of the service where Pastor Dave and/or others will be glad to pray and talk with you.

THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS STAFF

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Nursery is open for 1st grade and younger.

Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Apr 30 10:30 am Dutch Miller

May 7 10:30 am Michelle Williams

May 14 10:30 am Sylvia Truman

May 21 10:30 am

Sunday Worship Attendance

4/16/23 10:30 am 106

4/17/22 10:30 am 156

Flowers: If you wish to have flowers on the Altar for any occasion, please contact the church office at 436-8682.

Hearing Devices are available from the sound booth. Please turn the device off and return it to the sound booth after the service.

The Mission of The Church of the Straits
To worship God faithfully
To grow together spiritually
To serve Jesus Christ and
our neighbor joyfully
... in the power of God’s Spirit.

*Stand if able: **Bold = congregational response**

CHURCH CALENDAR
April 23, 2023 – April 30, 2023

SUN 4-23	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 4-24	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
TUE 4-25	7:00 pm	BOG
WED 4-26	12:30 pm	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
SAT 4-29	9:00 am	Men's Group
SUN 4-30	9:30 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	10:30 am	Youth Sunday School
	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help Needed for Memorial Day Parade

We will be working on a float for the memorial day parade to distribute books for kids and spread the word about our children's ministries. We need help with planning, construction, and working on the float the day of the parade. Please sign up by the entryway.



Church Newsletter

Are you receiving the Church Newsletter? If you would like to be added to our list please give your address to the Church Office. Also if you are returning from a winter address make sure you let the office know to prevent them from being mailed incorrectly.



We are always looking for pictures and interesting info to add to the newsletter or include in the bulletin. Please email info and suggestions to cotsoffice@yahoo.com

Upcoming Events:

- May 13: SARM—Mackinaw City Softball Game 10am
- May 14: SARM—Celebrate Mother's Day Coffee Hour
- May 21: Sunday School Graduation 9:30 am Trip to the Mackinaw City Bakery
- May 24: Baccalaureate Service 7pm
- May 27: Memorial Day Parade—All are welcome to help with the float!

April to June Change to Make a Change

Your donations will support Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan Purses with a Purpose program. Purses will be purchased and filled with comfort items to support those who are fleeing from abusive situations. Some examples of items included are toiletries, hand sanitizer, socks, slippers, flip flops, blankets and comfort items for children.

Food Pantry

Thank you for all of the support. Many families were blessed by all of your donations and helping hands.

Pinecrest Fellowship

We are looking for volunteers to help out with the ministry at Pinecrest. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 2pm. This is a great opportunity for outreach.

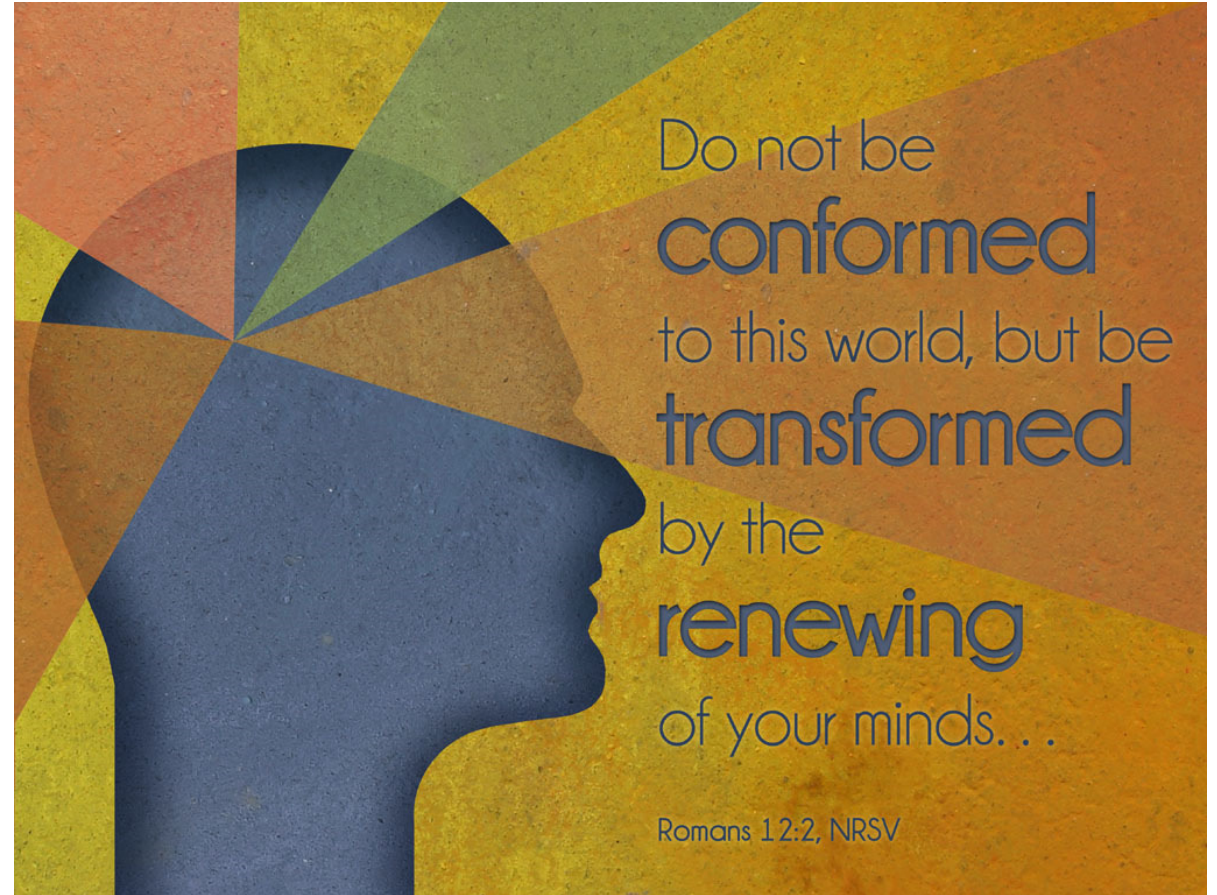


PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Carol Harper, Jon Cool, Amy Rogola, Shaney Sangster, Miranda Zabik, JoAnn Rinehart, McKenzie, Amy Todd Williams, John McCollum, Gailen Hathcock, Allison, Margaret Inglis, Alanna Sangster, Cindy Bell, Don Hawver, Mike Cool, Jim Churchill, Gussie Williams, Mike Churchill, Evelyn Canales, Alvina Williams, our Military and All First Responders.

Updates or additions? Contact the Church Office.

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Welcome to Our Service

