WELCOME TO		
CHURCH OF THE STRAITS		
Pastor David Wallis		

August 27, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 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 "Psalm 23"

## \*Prayer of Confession

God, we aren't good at waiting but you tell us to "wait for the Lord; be strong, and let our heart take courage; wait for the Lord." We need help with all of that! May your grace and mercy fill in the gap, in Jesus' name, Amen!

*Gloria Patri	#623
*Hymn "How Firm A Foundation"	#275
First Scripture Reading	pg. 546
Psalm 27: 9-14	
Liturgist—Ken Bende	r

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.

\*Stand if able: Bold = congregational response

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 "Battle Belongs"

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Doxology #625 \*Prayer of Dedication Scripture Reading pg. 1118 Romans 8: 18-25

Sermon

\*Hymn

"Waiting—We Don't Come By It Naturally!"

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on Screen

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

"He Is Able"

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

#### **CHURCH OF THE STRAITS STAFF** 307 N. Huron Street • P.O. Box 430 Mackinaw City, MI 49701 231-436-8682 Office 906-282-7409 Pastor Dave's cell www.churchofthestraits.com cotsoffice@yahoo.com Pastor David Wallis Minister Shannon Cooley Youth Director Head Ushers Todd Kohs Carl Strieby John Birchfield **Organist/Pianist** Loretta Martinek

Clerk Laura Jackson Treasurer Donna Falor Financial Secretary Laura Jackson Administrative Asst. Joshua Kuehn

Nursery is open for 1<sup>st</sup> grade and younger.

## Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Sept 3 9:00 am Randy Mikula Sept 10 10:30 am Tom Jones Sept 17 10:30 am Bill Marvin Sept 24 10:30 am

## Sunday Worship Attendance

8/20/23	10:00 am	113
8/21/22	10:00 am	

**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 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.

### CHURCH CALENDAR Aug 27, 2023 - Sept 3, 2023

SUN 8-27	3:00 pm 6:00 pm	AA Prayer Group		
MON 8-28	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study		
WED 8-30	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling		
SAT 9-2 SUN 9-3	9:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 3:00 pm 6:00 pm	Men's Group Traditional Service Service in the Park AA Prayer Group		
ANNOUNCEMENTS				

#### The Sanctuary Window Fund campaign has begun.

Prayerfully consider helping us raise the necessary funds to replace all windows in our beautiful sanctuary. The church has committed \$13k and we are being asked to come up with the additional



Window Replacment

\$60k. We hope to start the two week project in the fall.

Progress: \$18K out of \$73K

Youth Sunday School starts after Labor Day at 9:30am. All children that wish to attend will need to sign-up.

Childrens Church will also begin after Labor Day. Sundays without communion (2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th) will have activities downstairs after Childrens Time during the service.

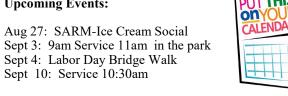
## SARM Labor Day Bridge Walk and Breakfast

Mon Sept 4th. All children welcome but 5th grade students or younger must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Shannon Cooley for details.





Sept 10: Service 10:30am



## Change to Make a Change - July thru Sept

SARM is accepting donations for the AA Crisis Pregnancy Center. They are in need of diapers, wipes, burp rags, and formula. Donations or cash offerings can be dropped off here at the Church. Contact Shannon Cooley for more info.

**SARM Ice Cream Social** Immediately following the service today Sunday Aug 27th. During coffee hour. This will be a fund raiser for SARM.



### Labor Day Services: 9am and 11am

We will have a 9am service here at the Church on Sunday Sept 3. We will also have an 11am outdoor service later that day at Conkling Park. Please plan to attend!

Service Time Change: Return to 10:30am on Sept 10th.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

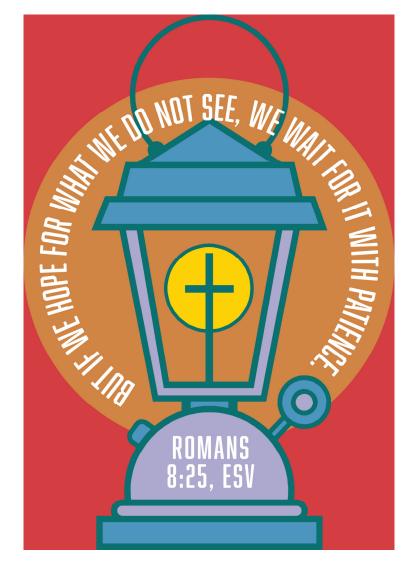
Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Miranda Zabik, Debbie Hodde, Dana Wenger, Family of Chad Miller, "The Sound", Courtney Miskuff, Laura Jackson, Roy Cole, Sandra Tillman, Harmon Family, Nancy, Danny, Karen Caswell, Barbie, Devon Dictus, Molly Tate, Hazel Sexton, Mary Brooks, Becky Jankowski, Jerry Archer, Cheryl Newman, Mike Hampton, Carol Harper, Jon Cool, JoAnn Rinehart, Amy, 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