

**WELCOME TO
CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

October 8 , 2023 10:30 a.m.

Nineteenth 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
“In Christ Alone”

*Prayer of Confession
**In Him, you also, after you heard the
word of truth, the gospel of your salvation;
having also believed, you were sealed in Him
with the Holy Spirit of promise who is the
guarantee of our inheritance. Eph 1:13-14
God’s Gracious work on our behalf brings
that guarantee to life!**

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #51
“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

First Scripture Reading pg. 562
Psalm 51: 1-4
Liturgist—Sylvia Truman

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 tres-
passes 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
“Cornerstone”

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory
Doxology #625
*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading pg. 1207
1 John 1: 6-10

Special Music Jim Stevens

Message George Ranville
“Mechanics of the Spiritual Life”

*Hymn #399
“Higher Ground”

*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 eve-
rything 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

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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 1st grade and younger.

Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Oct 15 10:30 am Deb Moore
Oct 22 10:30 am Elizabeth Zabik
Oct 29 10:30 am
Nov 5 10:30 am

Sunday Worship Attendance

10/1/23	10:30 am	79
10/2/22	10:30 am	117

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
Oct 8, 2023 – Oct 15, 2023

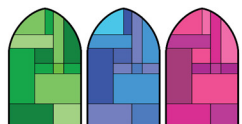
SUN 10-8	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 10-9	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
WED 10-11	12:30 am	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
SAT 10-14	9:00 am	Men's Group
SUN 10-15	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Sanctuary Window Fund Continues. Prayerfully consider helping us raise the necessary funds to replace all windows in our beautiful sanctuary.

Progress: \$53K out of \$73K



Window Replacment
Capital Campaign

Memorial Service for Jo Ann Rinehart

Oct 25th at 3pm
Church of the Straits

Stewardship Pledge Drive

Letters have gone out. Please prayerfully consider your response and submit a pledge if you are able. We will celebrate our offerings on Sunday Oct 22nd.



Remembrance Sunday Oct 29th

We will be remembering those that have passed in the last year. If you have a loved one you would like recognized please contact the Church Office.

Food Pantry Can Drive Nov 8th

There will be a community food drive on November 8th Noon to 4pm to support our food pantry. We will be accepting can goods and other non perishable items.



Food Pantry Opening Date Nov 1st 10-11am

Upcoming Events:

- Oct 8:** Baby Shower Coffee Hour
- Oct 22:** Trade Fair and Celebration Sunday
- Oct 29:** Remembrance Sunday
- Nov 8:** Food Pantry Can Drive
- Nov:** SARM Pizza Party TBA



Change to Make a Change Oct-Dec Coats for Kids
 You can drop off your donation of a new children's coat or money donation for SARM to shop for coats. Please help us help local children in need stay warm this winter.

Baby Shower Coffee Hour

Today after service we will have our fellowship hall decorated for a baby shower! Donations will be taken to support the AA Crisis Pregnancy Center. Please plan to attend!



Committee Trade Fare Oct 22nd

We will be having an informational "Trade Fare" to help share information on the various committees here at CotS. During Coffee Hour following service on Oct 22nd we will have booths setup for the various committees. Please plan to attend and learn how you can help out!



October is Pastor Appreciation Month

We will be collecting for a cash gift for Pastor to be presented Sunday Oct 29th. Please make your check out to the church and mark them "For Pastor" Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

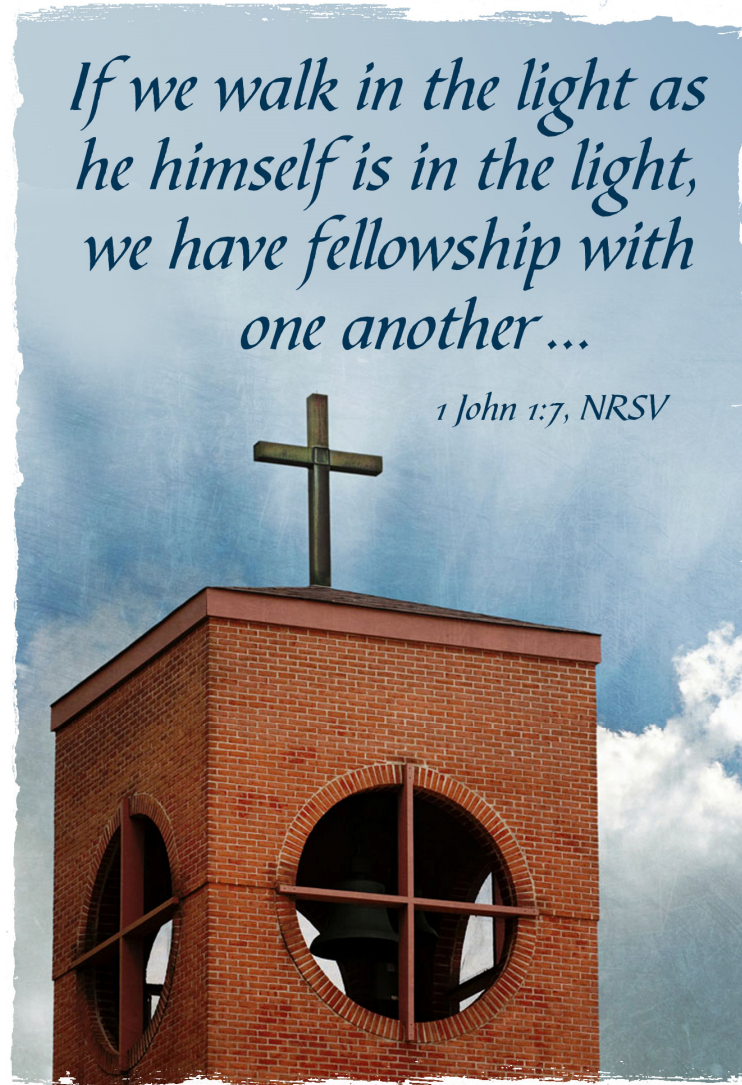
Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Allison Cram, Jennifer Bonnard, Miranda Zabik, Debbie Hodde, Courtney Miskuff, Laura Jackson, Roy Cole, Sandra Tillman, Harmon Family, Nancy, Danny, Karen Caswell, Barbie, Devon Dictus, Mary Brooks, Becky Jankowski, Jerry Archer, Cheryl Newman, Carol Harper, Jon Cool, 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.

Church of the Straits
 Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians (ECO)
 and
 Global Methodist
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*If we walk in the light as
 he himself is in the light,
 we have fellowship with
 one another ...*

1 John 1:7, NRSV



Welcome to Our Service

