**WELCOME TO**

**THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

January 27, 2019 10:30 a.m.

*Welcome and Announcements*

* *Please sign our attendance pads; pass it down the pew, take time to note with whom you are sitting, so that you can greet them later.*
* *Green Prayer Cards may be filled out with your joys/prayer concerns. Ushers will collect them during prayer time.*

\*Call to Worship in Song screen
“Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

\*Prayer of Confession
**Father, sometimes life is easy and sometimes it is hard! Help us to persevere in the name of the Lord. Help us to stand up when we want to lay down. Help us to continue forward when we want to draw back. Help us to trust you, in Jesus’ name, Amen!**

\*Gloria Patri #623

\*Hymn “The Comforter Has Come” #257

First Scripture Reading pg. 578

Liturgist – Ginny Brew Psalm 77:13-20

Time with Children

\*Affirmation of Faith through Song screen

“I Can Only Imagine”

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.**

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology #625

\*Prayer of Dedication

Second Scripture Reading pg. 1196

James 1:2-12

Sermon “God Makes All Things Good!”

\*Hymn “It Is Well With My Soul” #493

\*Benediction

\*Postlude in unison

*God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, up-hold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.*

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 *Please join us for refreshments after the service in 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

1. **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

1. **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**

**G**o to God in prayer daily.

 **R**ead God’s word daily.

 **O**pen your life to other Christian friends.

 **W**orship 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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**In the Nursery – for 1st grade and younger**

 Jan. 27 – *need someone*
 Feb. 3 – Sue Kohs & Rox Strieby

 Feb. 10 – Kellie Downing

**Liturgists in Coming Weeks:**

 Feb. 3 – Don Hawver

 Feb. 10 – Michael Canales

**Sunday Worship Attendance**

 1/20/19 10:30 am 86

 1/21/18 10:30 am 113

**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.

 **CHURCH CALENDAR**

**January 27 – February 3, 2019**

**SUN 1-27** 11:30 am Annual Meeting

3:00 pmAA

5:00 pm Prayer Meeting

 6:00 pm Disciple III

**MON 1-28** 3:00 pm Women’s Bible Study

**TUE 1-29**  10:00 am Sr Chair Yoga
 6:00 pm Youth Meeting

**WED 1-30** 10:00 am Food Pantry

**SAT 2-2** 9:00 am Men’s Accountability

**SUN 2-3** 9:30 am Youth/Adult Sun. School

10:30 am Traditional Worship

3:00 pm AA

 5:00 pm Prayer Meeting

 6:00 pm Disciple III

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes –**

January is hats, gloves, scarves

**January is Baby Bottle Blessings Month –**baby bottles will be in aBassinet in Fellowship Hall. Pleaseprayerfully take a bottle home, fill itwith change and return it to the church by February 1st. Money collected will be sent to the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Cheboygan.

**Have a Heart for Our Youth?**

Attend an information meeting in January. Erin Iafrate, Young Life, Grand Traverse Area Director will be here. We will explain our direction and plan to reach our youth for Christ. Please attend meeting:
Tuesday, January 29th, 6pm-8pm. Food provided.
 Thanks! Vicki

**Willng Workers to Host Valentine’s Soup Luncheon** on Sunday, February 10th following worship. In appreciation for the wonderful support that the congregation has given us to help reach our goal for new countertops in the kitchen. Bring your Valentine Sweetheart!!

**The Annual Congregational Meeting** is today immediately after worship. Rev. Scott Harmon, the UMC Northern Skies District Superintendent will be here and hopefully a representative from the ECO Presbytery. Lunch will be served following the meeting.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Todd Kohs, Carol Fischer, Jodi Prieur, Naomi Gomez, Diane Stevens, Jim Yager, Diane Dann, Grace Pearlman, Angela Williams, Christina Beck, Taylor Fritz, Paige DeWitte, Katie Roberts, Al Artz, Leslie Sherman, John Delis, Gregg Kolaski, Karen Spencer, youth at Tip of the Mitt, Rick Pauley, Denny Qualey, Mary Marquis, Theresa Gonzales, Staci Belanger, Chuck Adkins, Bill Nowaske, Sharon Bonter, Art Schneider, Charlie Porter, Jennifer Cole, Bud Stone, Pryce Redmond, Karen Exton, Adam Greenly, Herb Plaunt, Bill Burnett, Florence Tracy, Hailey Williams, Alvina Williams, Mary Margaret Cosens, Laurel Birk, Jack Keck, Debbie Bakke, Adam Cripps, JoAnn Wallin, Mary Madigan, Tillie Frazier, Denice Hansen, Jolene Rogala, Nathan Raboin, Dave Bryers, Jimmy Wilkins, Marilyn Cole, , Julie Burnett, Julie Mallory, Janet Schaefer, Doris Rottschalk, Janice Wallis, Brad Atkins, Arvella Tenbrink, Lisa Emelander, Marty Mol, Mason Brey, Kate Walugembe, and our Military.

Nikki Haneczek

Welcome to Our Service

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