**WELCOME TO**

**THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

March 17, 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.*
* *Clink for Kate’s Kids. Today we ‘clink’ to raise funds for “Kate Walugembe’s Kids” and her mission efforts in Uganda. All donations provide for the children’s basic and personal needs. Please reflect on the comfortable life we enjoy and try to extend that comfort to these needy children by giving generously.*

\*Call to Worship in Song screen  
 “Give Thanks”

\*Prayer of Confession   
**Lord, why do we give up when we follow the One who can do all things. We do not persist, yet you are faithful. Teach us to patiently wait on your answers to our prayers in Jesus’ name, Amen!**

\*Gloria Patri #623

\*Hymn “I Must Tell Jesus” #430

First Scripture Reading pg. 611

Liturgist – Eliz. Zabik Psalm 119:137-144

Clink for Kate’s Kids

Children’s Time

\*Affirmation of Faith through Song screen

“We All Bow Down”

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

Special Music Phil Kilpatrick

Second Scripture Reading pg. 1038

Luke 18:1-8

Sermon “The Waiting Game”

\*Hymn “Sweet Hour of Prayer” #433

\*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**

Mar. 17 – Ariel Durant  
 Mar. 24 – Ariel Durant

**Liturgists in Coming Weeks:**

Mar. 24 – Don Hawver

Mar. 31 – *need someone*

**Sunday Worship Attendance**

3/10/19 10:30 am 67

3/11/18 10:30 am 84

**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**

**March 17 – March 24, 2019**

**SUN 3-17** 3:00 pmAA

5:00 pm Prayer Group

6:00 pm Disciple Class

**MON 3-18** 3:00 pm Women’s Bible Study

**TUE 3-19**  10:00 am Senior Chair Yoga

2:00 pm Pinecrest Fellowship

7:00 pm BOG Meeting

**WED 3-20** 10:00 am Food Pantry

**THR 3-21** 8:00 am Men’s Breakfast

10:00 am Willing Workers

6:30 pm Game Night

**SAT 3-23** 9:00 am Men’s Accountability

**SUN 3-24** 9:30 am Youth/Adult Sun. School

10:30 am Traditional Worship

3:00 pm AA

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes –**

*March is quality crafts month – knitted,   
 crocheted, sewing or no-sew items*

**Easter Flower Order Forms** are in Fellowship Hall on the Sign-up table. Orders need to be to the church office no later than April 8th.

**Adults**, please join us for an evening of games, fellowship and fun, Thursday, February 21st from 6:30-8:30ish. Snacks will be provided. Feel free to invite all your friends to join in!

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Jeanine Clemens, Don Bedell, Katie Darrow, Jim Rose, Amy Rogala, Casey Holsinger, Joel Thies, Riley & Pat Martin, Jack Keck, Nancy Branch, Sam Clark, Karen Geary, Barb Lennon, Meredith Cole, Tara Jo, Dorothy Churchill, 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, youth at Tip of the Mitt, Rick Pauley, Mary Marquis, Theresa Gonzales, Staci Belanger, Chuck Adkins, Bill Nowaske, Sharon Bonter, Art Schneider, Jennifer Cole, Bud Stone, Pryce Redmond, Adam Greenly, Herb Plaunt, Florence Tracy, Hailey Williams, Alvina Williams, Mary Margaret Cosens, Laurel Birk, 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, Arvella Tenbrink, Lisa Emelander, Marty Mol, Mason Brey, Kate Walugembe, and our Military.

Nikki Haneczek

Welcome to Our Service

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