WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE STRAITS

Pastor David Wallis

December 7, 2025

10:30 a.m.

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 "Adore Him"

Lighting of the Advent Wreath
-Sue O'Dwyer, Jon Cool

*Prayer of Confession

God, You said through Paul that "in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, we are to present our request to God, and the peace of god which transcends all understanding will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Peace is what we seek and the Prince of Peace is who You delivered. Amen!

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #131

"Angels From the Realm of Glory"

First Scripture Reading pg. 683

Isaiah 9: 6-7

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 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

"We Adore You"

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

Second Scripture Reading pg. 1014 Luke 2: 8-14

Sermon

"If We Ever Needed a Prince of Peace, it's Now!"

Communion see insert

*Hymn #119 "O Thou Joyful, O Thou Wonderful"

*Benediction

*Postlude on screen

"He Is Able"

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.



CHURCH OF THE STRAITS STAFF

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Nursery is open for 1st grade and younger.

Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Dec 14 10:30 am Sharolynn Metternich

Dec 21 10:30 am Ginny Brew

Dec 28 10:30 am

Jan 4 10:30 am Bill Marvin

Sunday Worship Attendance

11/30/25 10:30 am 54 12/1/24 10:30 am 91

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.

^{*}Stand if able: Bold = congregational response

CHURCH CALENDAR Dec 7, 2025 – Dec 14, 2025

SUN 12-7	3:00 pm	AA
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 12-8	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
TUES 12-9	12:00 pm	Pinecrest
WED 12-10	12:30 pm	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
SAT 12-13	9:00 am	Men's Group
	11:30 am	"Wrap" Session
SUN 12-14	9:30 am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	12:00 pm	Christmas Potluck
	3:00 pm	AA
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Children's Church on Sundays with Communion Usually the first Sunday of the month.



Christmas "Wrap Session" Sat Dec 13th 11:30am-3:30pm

Get those gifts wrapped before they are discovered! Enjoy a yuletide atmosphere. Nibble on cookies, savor a little coffee. Enjoy shortening your holiday to-do list. Wrapping

paper and tape are supplied or bring your own.



Next Food Pantry Dec 17th, 10am to Noon

Helpers are needed to distribute as well donations to support the pantry. If you know of someone in need please let us know how

we can help! The pantry will be open every other Wednesday.

Santa Secret Training Center Books Available

By the entryway. Paperback \$14.95 Hardcover \$21.95 Ornaments: \$10, 100% of profits go to Children's Ministry.



Our Youth Group is now accepting monetary donations along with new winter Coats, Boots, Snow Pants, and Socks. All donations stay local. The monetary \$ donation goes towards a youth shopping trip to purchase winter items for children in need. Donation end date: 12-14

Children's Church Dinner and a Movie Dec 23rd

Will be meeting at the Keyhole for dinner and seeing the movie "David" afterwards. Please see Shannon.

Christmas Potluck Dec 14th after service

Next week we will gather after the service for Christmas Fellowship. Please bring a dish to pass and your own table service.





Blue Christmas Celebration

On Dec 17th at 7pm. This worship service includes opportunities for expression of grief, pain, and heartbreak as well as an opportunity to focus on the promise of hope found in in Jesus Christ. Join us as we worship together!

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7pm Dec 24th



PRAYER REQUESTS

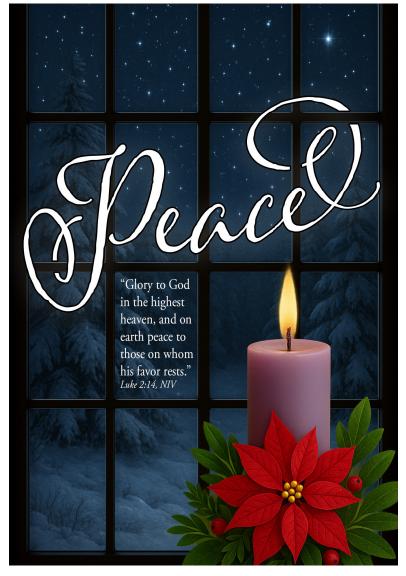
Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Mackenzie Paul, Mike Hampton, David Kruege Sr, Bev Jones, Sarah Burgor, Kassie Burgor, Mark Kuehn, Karen Wells, Dawn McDonald, Cassandra Gillette, Stephane Adams, Bob Howell, Todd French, Joni Reed, Deb Lemmer, Al & Kathy Carlson, Lisa Wallis, Rob Ranville, Sarah, Kristen Hines, Bill Marvin, Bob Steward, Becky Jankowski, Carol Harper, Jon Cool, Don Hawver, Mike Cool, Jim Churchill, Gussie Williams, Mike Churchill, Evelyn Canales, Alvina Williams, Persecuted Christians, our Military and All First Responders.

Updates or additions? Contact the Church Office. Phone: 231-436-8682 Email: cotsoffice@yahoo.com



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Welcome to Our Service