

WELCOME TO
CHURCH OF THE STRAITS

Pastor David Wallis
July 20, 2025 10:00 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
“Give Thanks”

*Prayer of Confession
Thanks is a word we should use more often with regards to You, O Lord. You love us, sustain us, provide for us, forgive us and redeem us. We thank You abundantly, in Jesus’ name, Amen!

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #213
“Because He Lives”

First Scripture Reading pg. 595
Psalm 103: 1-4
Liturgist—Sylvia Truman

New Members (see insert)

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
“10,000 Reasons”

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory
*Doxology #625
*Prayer of Dedication

Second Scripture Reading pg. 1171
1 Thessalonians 5: 16-19

Sermon
“A Series on Prayer - Thanksgiving!”
*Hymn #563
“Count Your Blessings”

*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 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:

July 27 10:00 am Tom Jones
Aug 3 10:00 am Sue O’Dwyer
Aug 10 10:00 am Tom Jones
Aug 17 10:00 am Bill Marvin

Sunday Worship Attendance

7/13/25	10:30 am	137
7/14/24	10:30 am	118

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 July 20, 2025 – July 27, 2025

SUN 7-20	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 7-21	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
TUES 7-22	7:00 pm	BOG
WED 7-23	6:30 pm	Bible Study
SAT 7-26	9:00 am	Men's Group
SUN 7-27	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Traditional Service
	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.

No Bible Journaling for July or August

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Michael Canales is leading a bible study on the book of James Wednesdays at 6:30pm. Please see Michael if you have questions or would like to attend.

VBS is coming!!

VBS is August 4th – 8th from 9am – noon with the Friday Parent Program from 12-12:30 pm.

Our theme this year will be **Scuba! Diving into friendship with God.** At Scuba kids discover how they can shine Jesus' love and hope in everyday life! Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and devour yummy treats, experience one-of-a-kind Bible Adventures.



VBS Sunday July 27th

Instead of asking for specific craft items or specific food items, we've found we can get exactly what is needed and avoid duplicates or missed items if we take donations. Thank You for your support!

Upcoming Events:

July 20th: Church Picnic
July 27th: VBS Sunday
Aug 4-8th: Scuba! VBS
Aug 10th: SARM Sunday Sundae



Church Picnic Today! After the Service
Hot dogs, chips, and drinks will be provided.
There will be a sign up for deserts

Christmas In July

Please help Church of the Straits and Samaritan's Purse teach needy children around the world the true meaning of Christmas and give them a Christmas they will remember for a lifetime:

Take a box, pick an age for a boy or girl.
Fill the box with toys/items you think he or she would like. Please, no batteries, liquid or perishable items.

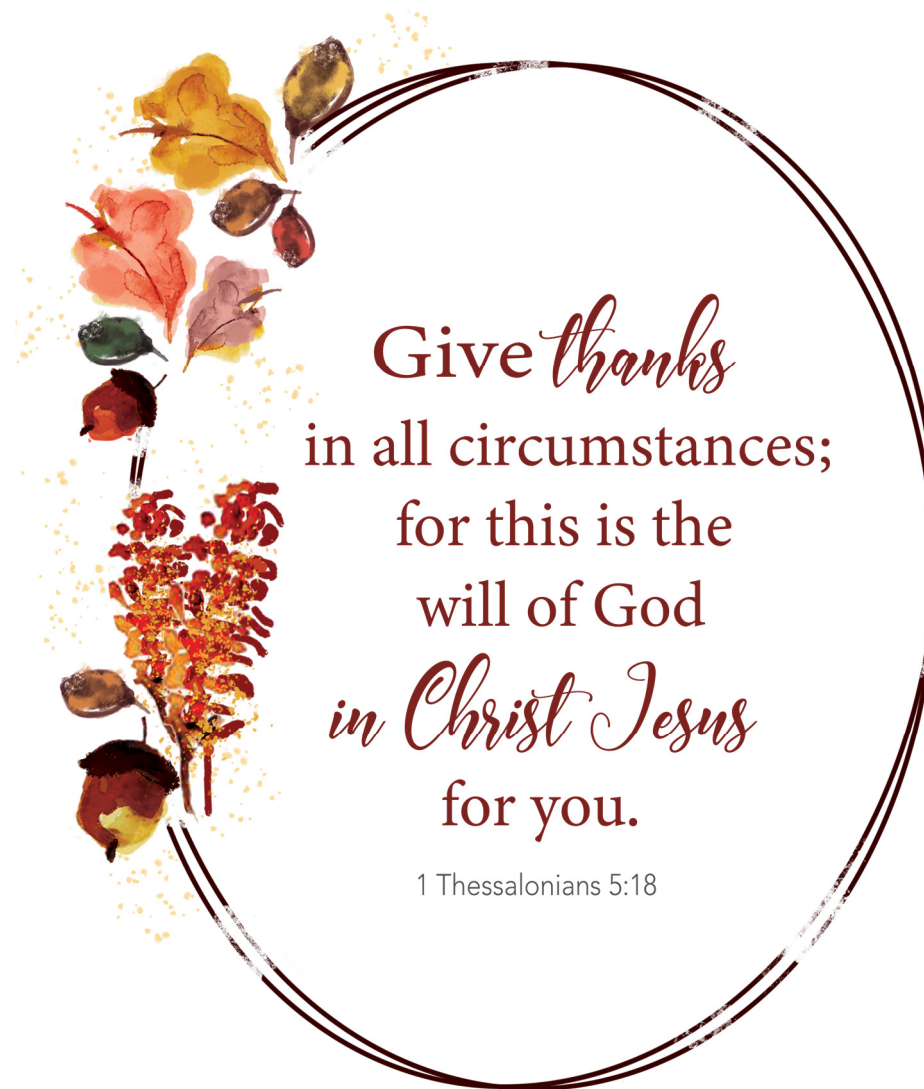
Bring the box to Church of the Straits
Monetary donations are also needed to support shipping costs. We will still have our regular collection in November.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Steve Collar, Debbie Moore, Judy Zarling, Leslie Weiss, Al & Kathy Carlson, Lou-Ann Sellers, Craig Rennaker, Stella Smith, Lisa Wallis, Alana Miller, Rob Ranville, Joe Killion, Sue Reid, Hazel Sexton, Roger Moore, Barb Holland, Nancy Hinsman, Mike DaVanzo, Ziggy Siegler, Gretchen Groll, Sarah, Denny Beach, Kristen Hines, Betty Kocher, Mary Downing, Kelly Clark, Bill Marvin, Brenda Zabik, Courtney Valentine, Tammy and Paul Braum, Joyce Kinsey-Weiss, Lori Cote, Kevin Simm, Janet Moret, Rog Meyers, Bryan Green, Donna Vigneau, Thomas Sheldon, Larry Dodson, Ed Weiss, 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.
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Welcome to Our Service

