

**WELCOME TO
THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

April 9, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Easter Sunday

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 Psalm 118: 15-21 pg. 606
Liturgist—Don Hawver

*Hymns "Alleluia! Alleluia!" #215
"Christ Arose" #216
"Christ the Lord is Risen Today" #217
"Because He Lives" #213
(During the singing of the hymns, we will flower the cross.)

*Prayer of Confession

Dear Lamb of God, thank you for a gift unmatched, a sacrifice unfathomable, and a resurrection undeniable. We believe, in Jesus' name we pray, Amen!

*Gloria Patri #623

First Scripture Reading pg. 1074
John 20: 1-18

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.

*Stand if able: **Bold = congregational response**

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
"The Lion and the Lamb"

Giving our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory
Doxology #625
*Prayer of Dedication

Second Scripture Reading pg. 1075
John 20: 24-29

Sermon
"Skeptics, Scams or the Real Deal"

*Hymn #220
"He Lives"

*Benediction

*Postlude on Screen
"He Is Able"

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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

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.

THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS STAFF

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Nursery is open for 1st grade and younger.

Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Apr 16 10:30 am Elizabeth Zabik
Apr 23 10:30 am Michelle Williams
Apr 30 10:30 am Dutch Miller
May 7 10:30 am Michelle Williams

Sunday Worship Attendance

4/2/23	10:30 am	89
4/3/22	10:30 am	70

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
April 9, 2023 – April 16, 2023

SUN 4-9	3:00 pm	AA
WED 4-12	12:30 pm	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
THUR 4-13	10:00 am	VBS/Parade Meeting
SAT 4-15	9:00 am	Men's Group
SUN 4-16	9:30 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Traditional Worship
	10:30 am	Youth Sunday School
	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers: See Insert

Easter Donation Envelopes

These will be used for the nursery updates. Thanks for your generous support.

Help Needed for Memorial Day Parade

We will be working on a float for the memorial day parade to distribute books for kids and spread the word about our children's ministries. We need help with planning, construction, and working on the float the day of the parade. Please sign up by the entryway. There is a meeting **April 13th** at 10am.



Food Pantry Help Needed

The last food pantry date for the season will be April 19th. Help is always appreciated.

Women's Bible Study

Resumes on April 24th

Church Newsletter

Are you receiving the Church Newsletter? If you would like to be added to our list please give your address to the Church Office. Also if you are returning from a winter address make sure you let the office know to prevent them from being mailed incorrectly.



We are always looking for pictures and interesting info to add to the newsletter. Please email info and suggestions to cotsoffice@yahoo.com



2023 Board of Governors:

- Julie Burnett
- Dan Durant
- Don Hawver
- Kathy Heilman
- Cless Hurlburt
- Laura Jackson
- Erin Masters
- Dutch Miller
- Karin Thompson
- Elizabeth Zabik
- Pastor Dave Wallis

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Jon Cool, Amy Rogola, Shaney Sangster, Miranda Zabik, Joann Rinehart, McKenzie, Amy Todd Williams, John McCollum, Gailen Hathcock, Allison, Margaret Inglis, Alanna Sangster, Cindy Bell, 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.



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Welcome to Our Service