

**WELCOME TO
CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

August 13, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
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
"In Christ Alone"

*Prayer of Confession
Your grace, O God, is more than sufficient. It goes before us and behind us. It is there when we need it and when we don't ask for it. Thank you for grace in all it's glory, in Jesus' name, Amen!

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #357
"Jesus Loves Even Me"

First Scripture Reading pg. 13
Genesis 15: 4-6
Liturgist—Julie Burnett

Children's Time - VBS

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.

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

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
"Cornerstone"

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory
Doxology #625
*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading pg. 1116
Romans 5: 1-2

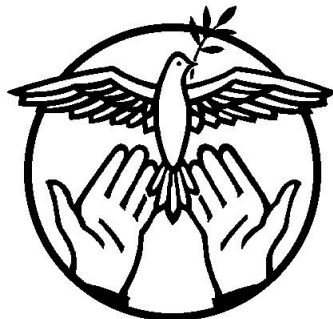
Special Music Volunteer Choir
"I'll Fly Away"

Sermon
"Just As If I Didn't!"

*Hymn #201
"Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

*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

- 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
- 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
- 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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	John Birchfield
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Clerk	Laura Jackson
Treasurer	Donna Falor
Financial Secretary	Laura Jackson
Administrative Asst.	Joshua Kuehn

Nursery is open for 1st grade and younger.

Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Aug 20 10:00 am Don Hawver
Aug 27 10:00 am Ken Bender
Sept 3 9:00 am Randy Mikula
Sept 10 10:30 am Tom Jones

Sunday Worship Attendance

8/6/23	10:00 am	111
8/7/22	10:00 am	121

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.

CHURCH CALENDAR
Aug 13, 2023 – Aug 20, 2023

SUN 8-13	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 8-14	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
WED 8-15	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
THUR 8-16	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast
SAT 8-19	9:00 am	Men's Group
SUN 8-20	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Traditional Service
	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group

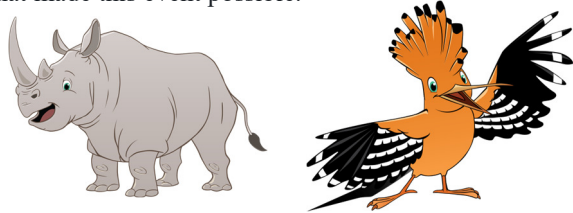


ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE! "The Sound" is coming to Mackinaw City on **Saturday, Aug. 26 at Conkling Park at 8pm** COTS is the sponsor. Please plan to attend! Any questions, please call Sue O'Dwyer at 404-384-9940



Thank You! To all VBS volunteers and participants. We all had a ROARing good time and learned that Life is Wild and God is Good! Big thanks to all the donations that made this event possible.



The Sanctuary Window Fund campaign has begun. Prayerfully consider helping us raise the necessary funds to replace all windows in our beautiful sanctuary. The church has committed \$13k and we are being asked to come up with the additional \$60k. We hope to start the two week project in about 8 weeks.



Upcoming Events:

Aug 26: The Sound—Concert
 Sept 3: 9am Service 11am in the park
 Sept 4: Labor Day Bridge Walk
 Sept 10: Service 10:30am



Change to Make a Change - July thru Sept

SARM is accepting donations for the AA Crisis Pregnancy Center. They are in need of diapers, wipes, burp rags, and formula. Donations or cash offerings can be dropped off here at the Church. Contact Shannon Cooley for more info.

New Church Website Address:
www.churchofthestraits.com



Labor Day Services: 9am and 11am

We will have a 9am service here at the Church on Sunday Sept 3. We will also have an 11am outdoor service later that day at Conkling Park. Please plan to attend!

Bulletin and Newsletter Info:

If you would like to have items in the bulletin or newsletter please let the Church office know. Pictures, articles or news items are all accepted. Thanks!

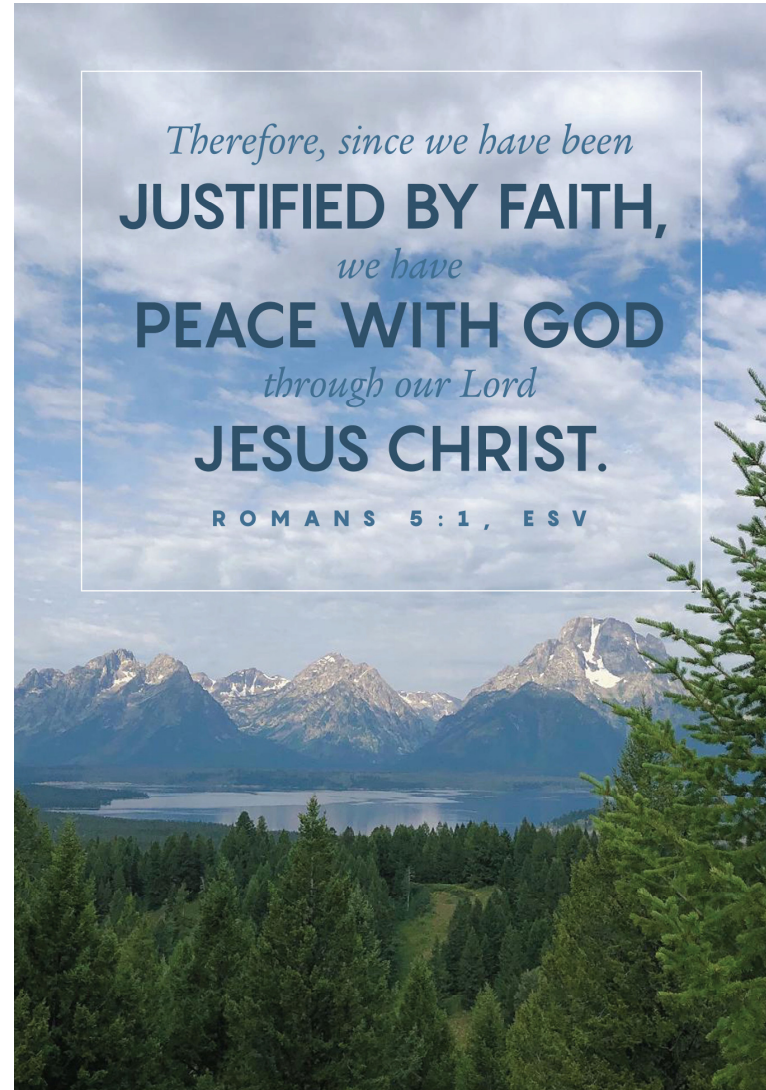
PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Miranda Zabik, Debbie Hodde, Dana Wenger, Family of Chad Miller, "The Sound", Tom Jones, Courtney Miskuff, Laura Jackson, Roy Cole, Sandra Tillman, Harmon Family, Nancy, Danny, Karen Caswell, Barbie, Devon Dictus, Molly Tate, Hazel Sexton, Mary Brooks, Becky Jankowski, Jerry Archer, Cheryl Newman, Mike Hampton, Carol Harper, Jon Cool, Amy Rogala, JoAnn Rinehart, Amy, 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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 and
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Welcome to Our Service