

**WELCOME TO
THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

December 11, 2022 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

“Offering”

Advent Wreath Lighting
-Meaghan & Joshua Kuehn

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #143

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

First Scripture Reading pg. 690

Isaiah 16: 5, 25: 6-9

Liturgist – Michelle Williams

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.

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

*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. 955

Matthew 1: 18-21

Sermon

“He Would Come Loving!”

*Hymn #125

“Joy To The World”

*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.*

*Please join us for refreshments after the
service in Fellowship Hall.*

Everyone is welcome



THIRD SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

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:

Dec. 18 10:30 am Deb Miller

Dec. 25 10:30 am Sharolyn Metternich

Jan. 1 10:30 am Sharolyn Metternich

Jan. 8 10:30 am Julie Burnett

Sunday Worship Attendance

12/4/22 10:30 am 93

12/5/21 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

December 11, 2022 – December 18, 2022

- SUN 12-11** 2:00 pm Children’s CommChristmas
3:00 pm AA
6:00 pm Prayer Group
- MON 12-12** 2:00 pm Women’s Bible Study
- TUE 12-13** 11:30 am Blood Drive
- WED 12-14** 10:00 am Food Pantry
12:30 pm Bell Choir Practice
2:00 pm Bible Journaling
- THUR 12-15** 8:00am Men’s Breakfast
- SAT 12-17** 9:00 am Men’s Group
10:00 am Coat Shopping SARM
- SUN 12-18** 9:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:30 am Traditional Worship
10:30 am Youth Sunday School
12:00 pm Christmas Potluck
3:00 pm AA
6:00 pm Prayer Group



ANNOUNCEMENTS

S.A.R.M. Coats for Kid’s Fundraiser

The fundraiser has begun! You can drop off your donation of a new children’s coat or money donation for SARM to shop for coats. Please help us help local children in need stay warm this winter. Coat shopping on Dec 17th Meet at Dunhams in Cheboygan with a pizza party following.



Christmas Potluck Sunday Dec 18th

Starts after service. Bring a dish to pass and table service. Please sign up at the table in the entryway.



Hope to see you there! Call Deb Moore if you have any questions 231-240-6043

Do you believe in Santa?

If the answer is yes, please join Christian Author June Bailey for a story telling event. Today ! Sunday Dec 11 from 2-4pm here at the Church. She will share her new book “Santa Secret Training Center” with us. There will also be treats and crafts provided for all.

Blood Drive Dec 13

Mackinaw Woman’s Club and St. Anthony Catholic Church are hosting a Community Blood Drive on Dec 13, 2022, 11:30 am to 5:00 pm, at the St Anthony’s Parish Hall, 600 W Central Ave, Mackinaw City. Appointments are preferred but walk-ins are welcome. Call Donna Falor at 231-445-0151 or visit versiti.org/miblood and search ‘Mackinaw’ to schedule your appointment on-line. Save lives across Michigan by donating blood.



Food Pantry Continues Dec 14

We will be providing assistance to those in need. Helping hands are always appreciated. 10-11am.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Dave Dodison, Michelle Truman, Herrick Family, Sally Case, Dave Bailey, Cyndy Norton, Cassandra Gillette, Dianna, Don Hawver, Greg Yoder, Brooke Turner, Nolan, Darlene Winslow, Roland Weber, Mike Beck, Gerry Lou and Andy Kania, Cheri Swanson, Sara Heckman, Betsy Garber, Becky Baker, Jackson Wallin, Tammy Braum, Mike Cool, Jim Churchill, Gussie Williams, Ed Palenkas, Vicki Bryers, June Daniels, Gary Brooks, Leslie McCracken, 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

