

**WELCOME TO
THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

January 1, 2023 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

“10,000 Reasons”

*Prayer of Confession

Dear Lord, it’s a new year with endless possibilities! We invite You to be at the center of it all, leading the way. May we learn from the old year and grow in the new year, in Jesus’ name, Amen!

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #163

“As With Gladness Men of Old”

First Scripture Reading pg. 816

Lamentations 3: 19-26

Liturgist – Sharolyn Metternich

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

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology #625

*Prayer of Dedication

Second Scripture Reading pg. 1177

1 Timothy 6: 17-19

Sermon

“Hope is What Keeps us Going!”

Communion see insert

*Hymn #138

“Go Tell It On The Mountain”

*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:

Jan. 8 10:30 am Julie Burnett

Jan. 15 10:30 am Sharolyn Metternich

Jan. 22 10:30 am Sylvia Truman

Jan. 29 10:30 am Bill Marvin

Sunday Worship Attendance

12/25/22 10:30 am ~

12/26/21 10:30 am 55

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.

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

CHURCH CALENDAR
January 1, 2023 – January 8, 2023

SUN 1-1	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group
WED 1-4	12:30 pm	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
THUR 1-5	8:00am	Men's Breakfast
SAT 1-7	9:00 am	Men's Group
SUN 1-8	9:30 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Traditional Worship
	10:30 am	Youth Sunday School
	3:00 pm	AA
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group
	6:00 pm	Pastor's Video Series



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Video Bible Series Starts Sunday January 8th

Meeting at 6pm. Pastor will lead a video series entitled "Death and Resurrection of the Messiah" by Ray Vander Laan. Info from the interwebs:

This ten-session small group Bible study from noted teacher and historian, Ray Vander Laan, is volume four of the That the World May Know series. In it, Vander Laan illustrates how Jesus' call to follow him turned the world upside down, and learn how confronting evil can be loudly proclaiming the name of Jesus or quietly caring for someone in need.

Filmed on location in Israel, That the World May Know is a unique video series that brings God's Word to life with astounding relevance. By weaving together the Bible's fascinating historical, cultural, religious, and geographical contexts, teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan reveals unique insights into the Scriptures' significance for modern believers.

These illuminating "faith lessons" afford a new understanding of the Bible that will ground your convictions and transform your life. The That the World May Know video series is ideal for use in small groups, personal and family Bible studies, and adult Sunday school. Individual believers and families will gain vital insights from long-ago times and cultures through this innovative approach to Bible study.

Food Pantry Continues Jan 11

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



Seeking Content

If you would like to have any information displayed in either the bulletin or the church newsletter please contact the Church office by phone or email. Advertise your community event or bring attention to interesting information you would like to share. Thank you!

2023 Offering Envelopes Available

Please pick up your envelopes in the Fellowship hall.

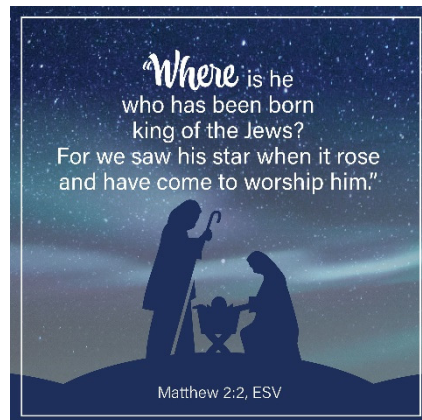
Sunday School Winter Break

No Youth or Adult Sunday School Today.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Megan, Margaret Inglis, Becki & Al, Patrick, Dahlon, 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, 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

