

**WELCOME TO
CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

July 30, 2023 10:00 a.m.

Ninth 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
"Your Grace is Enough"

*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 #529
"O, How I Love Jesus"

First Scripture Reading pg. 917
Jonah 2: 6-8
Liturgist—Dutch Miller

Children's Time - VBS Songs

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
"At The Cross"

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory
Doxology #625
*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading pg. 1056
John 6: 35-44

Special Music Volunteer Choir
"This Little Light of Mine"

Sermon
"Grace Got There Before We Did!"

*Hymn #524
"It Took A Miracle"

*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
Organist/Pianist	Loretta Martinek
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 6 10:00 am Michelle Williams
Aug 13 10:00 am Julie Burnett
Aug 20 10:00 am Don Hawver
Aug 27 10:00 am Ken Bender

Sunday Worship Attendance

7/23/23	10:00 am	109
7/24/22	10:00 am	94

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
July 30, 2023 – Aug 6, 2023

SUN 7-30	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 7-31	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
WED 8-2	1:00 pm	Evangelism
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
SAT 8-5	9:00 am	Men's Group
SUN 8-6	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Traditional Service
	11:30 am	Congregation Meeting
	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers: In honor of Dutch and Deb Miller's 50th Wedding Anniversary.

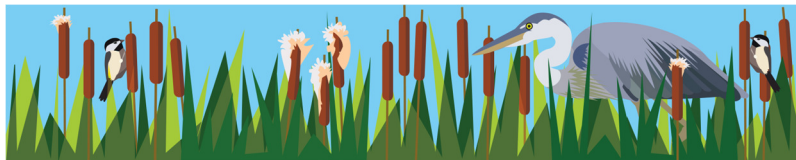
SAVE THE DATE! "The Sound" is coming to Mackinaw City on **Saturday, Aug. 26 at Conkling Park at 8pm** COTS is the sponsor. Please plan to attend! Any questions, please call Sue O'Dwyer at 404-384-9940



VBS Aug 7-11th 9am to Noon

The week is fast approaching! We will need lots of donations and volunteers. VBS Sunday will be July 30th. Please see Kim Jutson if you have any questions.

Request for Decorations: If you have any artificial plants that we could borrow for VBS we will be decorating the Church with a jungle setting. The plants will be returned after VBS week. Contact Shannon Cooley if you have any questions. Thank You!



Upcoming Events:

Aug 7-11: Vacation Bible Camp
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. Contact Shannon Cooley for more info.

New Church Website Address:
www.churchofthestraits.com



Congregation Meeting Aug 6th After Worship

We will be meeting to discuss replacing the windows in the sanctuary. Several are in dire need of repair. The meeting will be exploring options for purchasing and funding. Please plan to attend immediately following worship.

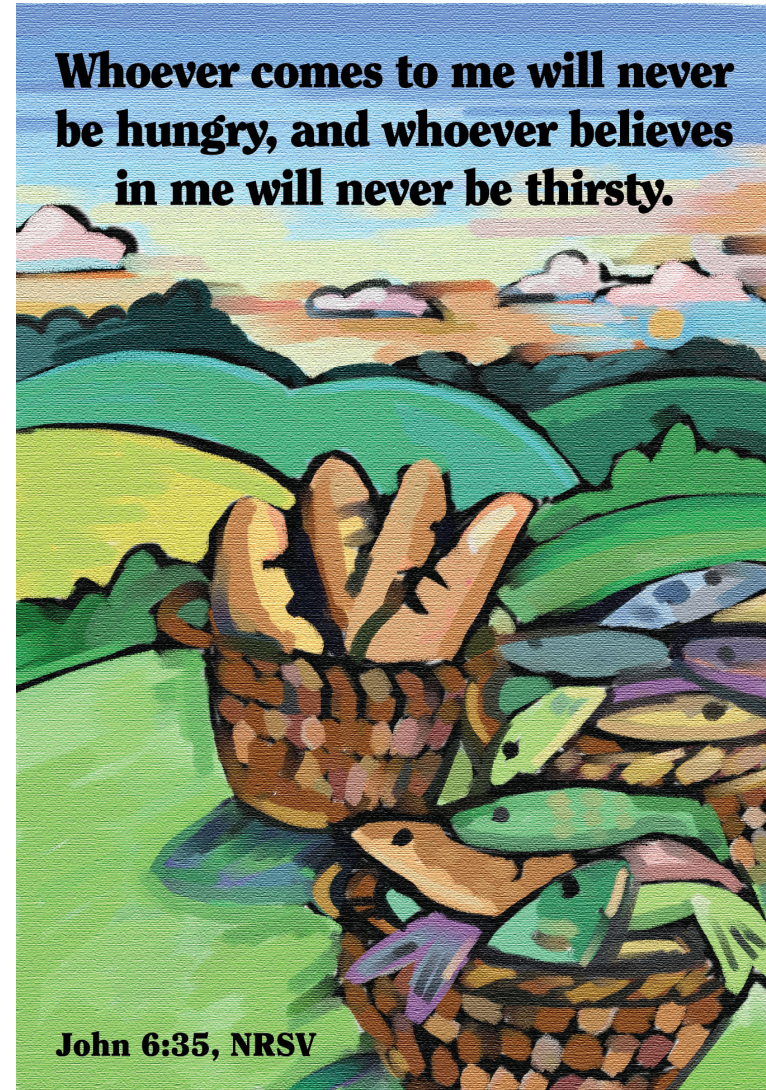
VBS Sunday!

The envelopes are provided to help support VBS. Your donations are appreciated!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Courtney Miskuff, Laura Jackson, Roy Cole, Sandra Tillman, Harmon Family, Diane Stevens, Nancy, Danny, Karen Caswell, Barbie, Devon Dicus, Molly Tate, Hazel Sexton, Mary Brooks, John Smith, Phyllis Smith, Becky Jankowski, Jerry Archer, Diane Hulburt, Miranda Zabik, Cheryl Newman, Mike Hampton, Dylan Teadt, Carol Harper, Jon Cool, Amy Rogala, Miranda Zabik, JoAnn Rinehart, McKenzie, Amy, Don Hawver, Mike Cool, Jim Churchill, Gussie Williams, Mike Churchill, Evelyn Canales, Alvina Williams, our Military and All First Responders.

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Welcome to Our Service