

**WELCOME TO
THE CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**
Pastor David Wallis

May 7, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday of Easter
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

“The Heart of Worship”

*Prayer of Confession

**God, help us to abide in you! No more
loose attachment, no more periodic check-
ins, and no more call outs just when we need
rescued. Help us to abide continuously in
Jesus’ name, Amen!**

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #372

“Living For Jesus”

First Scripture Reading pg. 854

Ezekiel 33: 31-32

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 tres-
passes 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. 1068

John 15: 1-10

Sermon

“I Don’t Want to Be Just Leaves!”

Communion

*Hymn #366

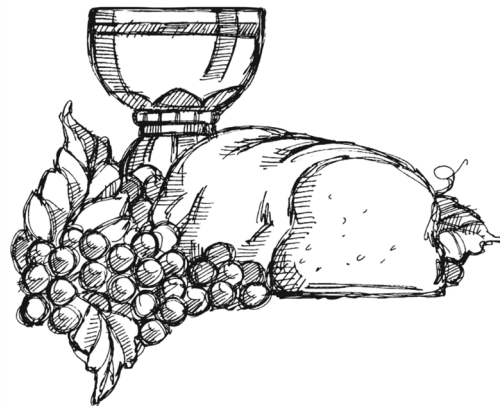
“I Surrender All”

*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

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 eve-
rything 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:

May 14 10:30 am Sylvia Truman

May 21 10:30 am Sue O’Dwyer

May 28 10:30 am Don Hawver

June 4 10:30 am

Sunday Worship Attendance

4/23/23 10:30 am 97

4/24/22 10:30 am 96

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
May 7, 2023 – May 14, 2023

SUN 5-7	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 5-8	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
WED 5-10	10:00 am	Book Stickers
	12:30 pm	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
SAT 5-13	9:00 am	Men's Group
	10:00 am	SARM—Softball Game
SUN 5-14	9:30 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	10:30 am	Youth Sunday School
	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. To make it easier for YOU to volunteer, we will schedule shifts to take turns walking and riding in the trucks. Please sign up by the entryway.



****Meeting Wednesday May 10th to attach 400 more stickers to books. Please help out!**

COS & St. Anthony's will host Baccalaureate for the 2023 Mackinaw City Graduates on Wednesday, May 24th at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend. If you would like to bring a plate of finger food or cookies, a reception will follow the service. For more information, contact Deb Moore.



Baccalaureate
 WORSHIP SERVICE

Upcoming Events:

- May 13: SARM—Mackinaw City Softball Game 10am
- May 14: SARM—Celebrate Mother's Day Coffee Hour
- May 21: Sunday School Graduation 9:30 am Trip to the Mackinaw City Bakery
- May 24: Baccalaureate Service 7pm
- May 27: Memorial Day Parade—All are welcome to help with the float! Meet at 11 am

April to June Change to Make a Change

Your donations will support Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan Purses with a Purpose program. Purses will be purchased and filled with comfort items to support those who are fleeing from abusive situations. Some examples of items included are toiletries, hand sanitizer, socks, slippers, flip flops, blankets and comfort items for children.

Memorial Day Remembrance

We will have a recognition video on the Sunday before memorial day to remember all those who have served. If you would like a loved one remembered please submit a picture with details to the Church Office.

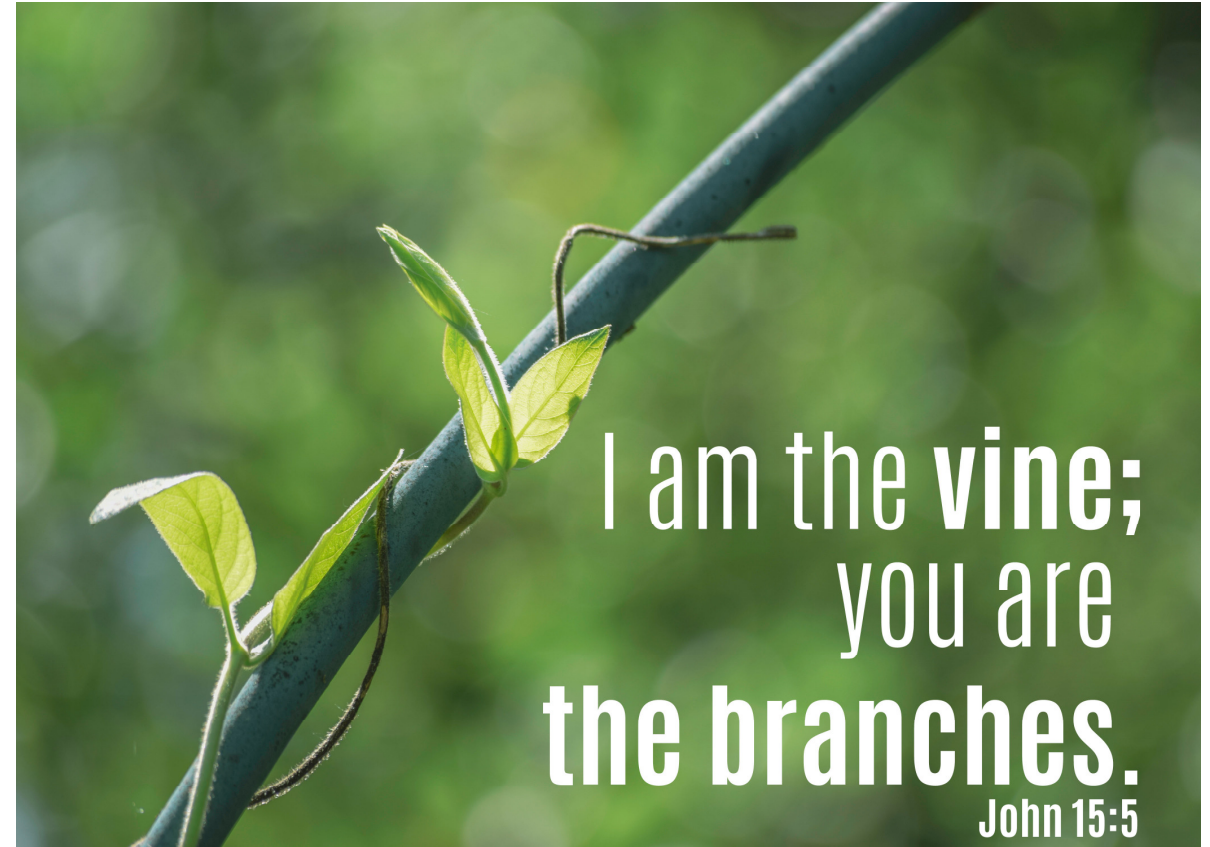


PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Mike Hampton, Buddy Teevens, Andrew Liptin, Dylan Teadt, Carol Harper, Jon Cool, Amy Rogala, 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.



The Church of the Straits
 Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians (ECO)
 and
 United Methodist
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I am the vine;
 you are
 the branches.
 John 15:5

Welcome to Our Service