

**WELCOME TO
CHURCH OF THE STRAITS**

Pastor David Wallis

October 1 , 2023 10:30 a.m.

Eighteenth 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
"How Great is Our God"

*Prayer of Confession
We ask the question, O God, is it worth it? You said we were worth it when Jesus died for our sins. May we say it's worth it, as we become living sacrifices for you, in Jesus' name, Amen!

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #372
"Living for Jesus"

First Scripture Reading pg. 19
Genesis 22: 1-2, 7-12
Liturgist—Sue O'Dwyer

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.

*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. 1159
Ephesians 5: 1-2

Sermon
"Anything of Value is Worth Sacrificing For!"

World Communion Sunday See Insert

*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

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

Nursery is open for 1st grade and younger.

Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Oct 8 10:30 am Sylvia Truman
Oct 15 10:30 am Deb Moore
Oct 22 10:30 am Elizabeth Zabik
Oct 29 10:30 am

Sunday Worship Attendance

9/24/23	10:30 am	95
9/25/22	10:30 am	104

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
Oct 1, 2023 – Oct 8, 2023

SUN 10-1	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 10-2	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
TUES 10-3	2:00 pm	Pinecrest Fellowship
	6:30 pm	PPRC
WED 10-4	12:30 am	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
THUR 10-5	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast
SAT 10-7	9:00 am	Men's Group
		SARM Volleyball Game
SUN 10-8	9:30 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	3:00 pm	AA
	6:00 pm	Prayer Group



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 soon.



Progress: \$50K out of \$73K

Memorial Services for Jo Ann Rinehart

Oct 3rd at 11:00am	Oct 25th at 3pm
Okemos Presbyterian Church	Church of the Straits
2258 Bennett Rd	307 N Huron
Okemos, MI 48864	Mackinaw City, MI

Stewardship Pledge Drive

Letters have gone out. Please prayerfully consider your response and submit a pledge if you are able. We will celebrate our offerings on Sunday Oct 22nd.

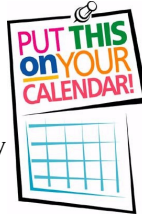
Remembrance Sunday Oct 29th

We will be remembering those that have passed in the last year. If you have a loved one you would like recognized please contact the Church Office.



Upcoming Events:

Oct 7: SARM at MC Volleyball Game
Oct 8: Baby Shower Coffee Hour
Oct 22: Trade Fair and Celebration Sunday
Oct 29: Remembrance Sunday
Nov: SARM Pizza Party TBA



Change to Make a Change Oct-Dec Coats for Kids
 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.

Baby Shower Coffee Hour

On Sunday Oct 8th we will have our fellowship hall decorated for a baby shower! Donations will be taken to support the AA Crisis Pregnancy Center. Please plan to attend!



Committee Trade Fare Oct 22nd

We will be having an informational "Trade Fare" to help share information on the various committees here at CotS. During Coffee Hour following service on Oct 22nd we will have booths setup for the various committees. Please plan to attend and learn how you can help out!



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Allison Cram, Jennifer Bonnard, Miranda Zabik, Debbie Hodde, Courtney Miskuff, Laura Jackson, Roy Cole, Sandra Tillman, Harmon Family, Nancy, Danny, Karen Caswell, Barbie, Devon Dictus, Mary Brooks, Becky Jankowski, Jerry Archer, Cheryl Newman, Carol Harper, Jon Cool, 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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Was it worth it?



Welcome to Our Service