

WELCOME TO
CHURCH OF THE STRAITS

Pastor David Wallis

November 30, 2025 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 ”

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*Prayer of Confession
“Now Faith is being sure of what we hope
for and certain of what we do not see!” Lord
God, thank You for the sure hope we have in
You as You introduced that hope on Christ-
mas day, In Jesus’ name, Amen!

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #120
“The Advent of our God”

First Scripture Reading pg. 681
Isaiah 7: 14
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.

*Stand if able: Bold = congregational response

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
“Messiah’s Song”

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory
*Doxology #625
*Prayer of Dedication

Second Scripture Reading pg. 1012
Luke 1: 26-38

Sermon
“Hope—Waiting on the Threshold!”

*Hymn #124
“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

*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.



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Financial Secretary	Laura Jackson
Administrative Asst.	Joshua Kuehn

Nursery is open for 1st grade and younger.

Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Dec 7 10:30 am Sylvia Truman
Dec 14 10:30 am Sharolynn Metternich
Dec 21 10:30 am Ginny Brew
Dec 28 10:30 am

Sunday Worship Attendance

11/23/25	10:30 am	126
11/24/24	10:30 am	99

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
Nov 30, 2025 – Dec 7, 2025

SUN 11-30	3:00 pm	AA
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 12-1	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
TUES 12-2	12:00 pm	Blood Drive @ St Anthy
WED 12-3	10:00 am	Food Pantry
	12:30 pm	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
THUR 12-4	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast
SAT 12-6	9:00 am	Men's Group
SUN 12-7	9:30 am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	3:00 pm	AA
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No Children's Church on Sundays with Communion
Usually the first Sunday of the month.

Christmas Poinsettias Orders Due by Dec 1st

We will be decorating our Altar again this Christmas. Six inch potted plants will be available to order for \$20 Please see Deb Downing if you have any questions.



Christmas “Wrap Session” Sat Dec 13th

11:30am-3:30pm

Get those gifts wrapped before they are discovered! Enjoy a yuletide atmosphere. Nibble on cookies, savor a little coffee. Enjoy shortening your holiday to-do list. Wrapping paper and tape are supplied or bring your own.

Next Food Pantry Dec 3rd, 10am to Noon



Helpers are needed to distribute as well donations to support the pantry. If you know of someone in need please let us know how we can help! The pantry will be open every other Wednesday.

Hanging of the Greens Today After Service
Lunch Provided for those who help!

Blood Drive Dec 2nd Noon to 4:30 pm

Mackinaw Woman's Club and St. Anthony Catholic Church are hosting a Community Blood Drive on December 2 noon to 4:30 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 online. Help save lives across Michigan by donating blood!



Coats for Kids

Our Youth Group is now accepting monetary donations along with new winter Coats, Boots, Snow Pants, and Socks. All donations stay local. The monetary \$ donation goes towards a youth shopping trip to purchase winter items for children in need. Donation end date: **12-14**

Children's Church Dinner and a Movie Dec 23rd

Will be meeting at the Keyhole for dinner and seeing the movie “David” afterwards. Please see Shannon.

Blue Christmas Dec 17th 7pm

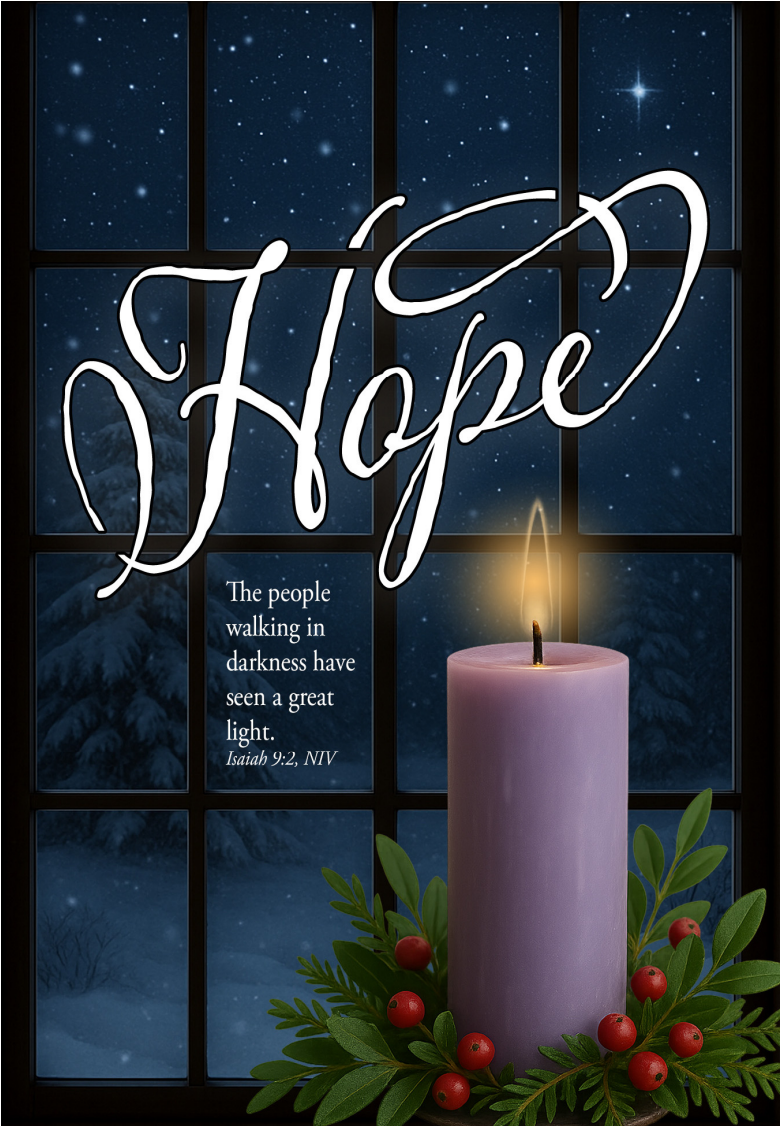
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 7pm Dec 24th

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Mike Hampton, David Kruege Sr, Bev Jones, Sarah Burgor, Kassie Burgor, Mark Kuehn, Karen Wells, Dawn McDonald, Cassandra Gillette, Stephane Adams, Bob Howell, Todd French, Joni Reed, Deb Lemmer, Al & Kathy Carlson, Lisa Wallis, Rob Renville, Sarah, Kristen Hines, Bill Marvin, Bob Steward, Becky Jankowski, Carol Harper, Jon Cool, Don Hawver, Mike Cool, Jim Churchill, Gussie Williams, Mike Churchill, Evelyn Canales, Alvina Williams, Persecuted Christians, our Military and All First Responders.

Updates or additions? Contact the Church Office.
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Welcome to Our Service