

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

January 4, 2026 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
“Glorify Thy Name”

*Prayer of Confession
**Obviously You are God! We can see Your
handiwork all around us. Your handiwork is
also evidenced within us. Thank You for
Your creative work in giving us life, hope,
salvation, and an eternal home. May this be
an epiphany to others as well, in Jesus' name,
Amen!**

*Gloria Patri #623

*Hymn #163
“As With Gladness, Men of Old”

First Scripture Reading pg. 33
Genesys 32: 24-31
Liturgist—Bill Marvin

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

“How Great is Our God”

Giving our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology #625
*Prayer of Dedication

Second Scripture Reading pg. 956
Matthew 2: 1-2

Sermon

“Everyone Needs an Epiphany—
That Aha Moment!”

Communion see insert

*Hymn #166
“We Three Kings”

*Benediction

*Postlude on screen
“He Is Able”

*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 every-
thing 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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Administrative Asst.	Laura Jackson
	Joshua Kuehn

Nursery is open for 1st grade and younger.

Liturgists in Coming Weeks:

Jan 11 10:30 am
Jan 18 10:30 am Sylvia Truman
Jan 25 10:30 am
Feb 1 10:30 am

Sunday Worship Attendance

12/28/25	10:30 am	102
12/29/24	10:30 am	112

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

Jan 4, 2026 – Jan 11, 2026

SUN 1-4	3:00 pm	AA
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group
MON 1-5	2:00 pm	Women's Bible Study
WED 1-7	12:30 pm	Bell Choir
	2:00 pm	Bible Journaling
SAT 1-10	9:00 am	Men's Group
	2:00 pm	Crafting Bee
SUN 1-11	9:30 am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
	3:00 pm	AA
	5:00 pm	Prayer Group

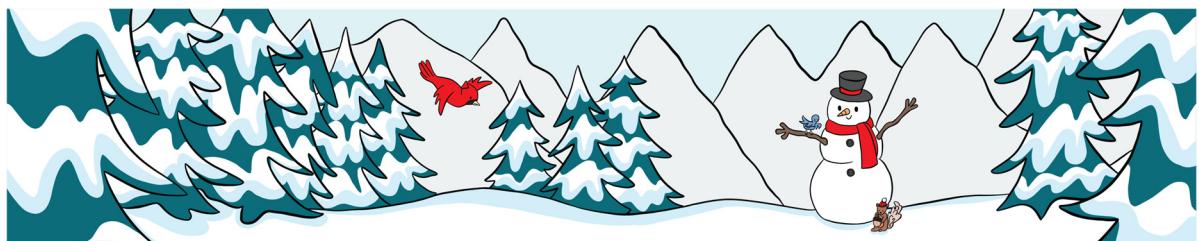
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

A Crafting Bee will be held the 2nd Saturday of each month starting January 10th. Crafting will start at 2pm and continue until 6pm (or when people are “crafted out” whichever comes first). Bring your paints, scrapbook paper, sewing, or whatever you like to do. Daycare will be provided, and I encourage you to bring a finger snack or non-alcoholic beverage to share. Contact Samantha Sprague @ 231-884-4458 with questions.


Next Food Pantry Jan 14th, 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.

2026 Offering Envelops are Available in the Fellowship Hall.



Annual Congregational Meeting

Our annual meeting will be held on Sunday January 25th following the service. Lunch will be provided following.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study Continues in Jan
Michael Canales is leading a bible study on the book of James Wednesdays at 6:30pm. Please see Michael if you have questions or would like to attend.

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!



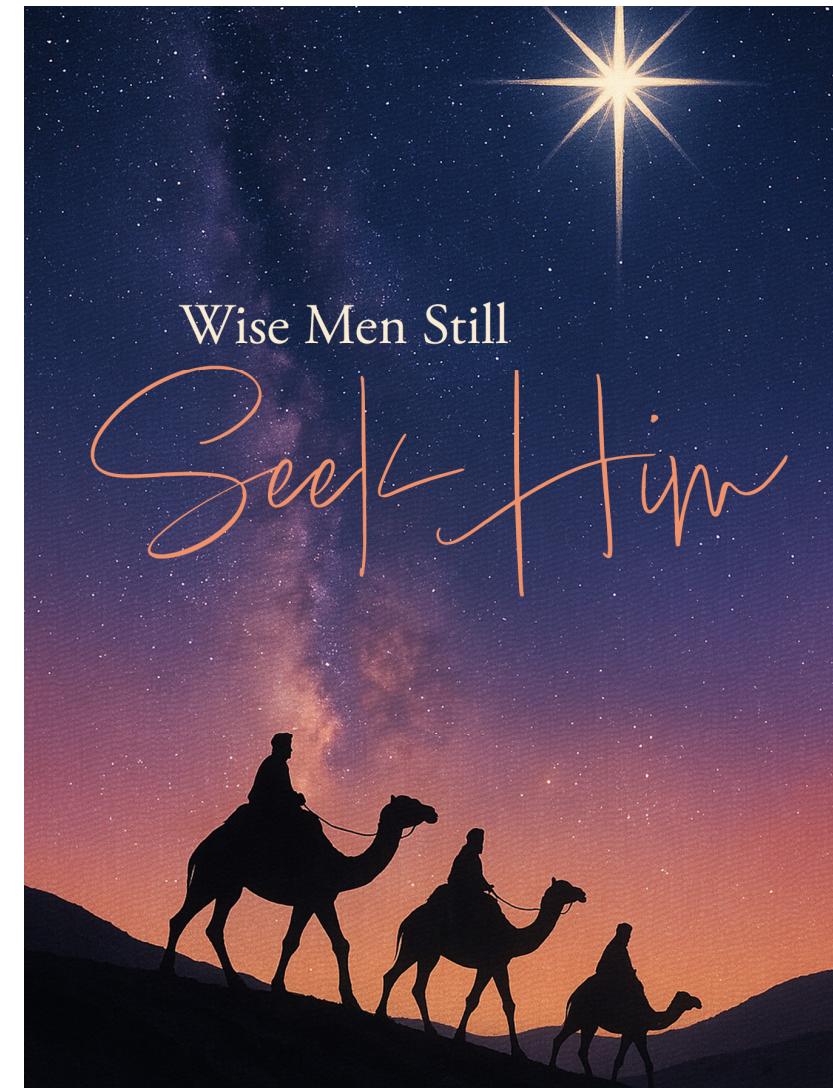
Sign up for Coffee Hour and for Readers
Please sign up by the entryway if you would like to help out with Coffee Hour/ Fellowship after service or if you would like to read during the service. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following persons from our prayer cards: Evelyn Reed, Julie Downing, Mackenzie Paul, 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 Ranville, 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