

Christ the King Sunday

November 23, 2025

There Are Different Standards of Greatness

Introduction:

- I. The world has its own definition of greatness.
1 Samuel 17: 1-11 (NIV)

- II. The greatest Christian attribute is love.
1 Corinthians 13: 8-13 (NIV)

- III. Jesus explained what true greatness means.
Mark 9: 30-37 (NIV)

ALTAR FLOWERS

There is a sign-up sheet in the library for sponsorship of altar flowers. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please sign your name under the month and date and whom you are honoring. Any questions, please call the office between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

NURSERY

A nursery is available during the 10:30 worship service. It is located upon entering the library from the sanctuary in the left corner. The nursery is staffed and available for babies through pre-kindergarten.

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

Rosann Becker, 610-488-1253

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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Attendance: November 16, 2025 – 93



Welcome to...

**ST. THOMAS
Church**

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November 23, 2025

Rev. Scott L. Shay, Supply Pastor

Sunday School for all ages-9:00 a.m.
Fellowship in Beatrice Hall-10:00 a.m.
Worship Service-10:30 a.m.



*Making Christ's love the center of our
praise, teaching, fellowship
and service.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

Prepare to Worship

Organ Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

We Worship Together

† Opening Worship

Forever

Goodness of God

† Prayer

Kids' Choir ~ My Hands Are the Hands

Children's Message

Offertory & Doxology

† Hymn #170 ~ Give Thanks

Scripture: various-see insert

Message: There are Different Standards of Greatness

We Prepare to Serve

† Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

† Benediction

† Closing Hymn #786 ~ Count Your Blessings

Organ Postlude

† If you are able, please stand.

The Worship is ended...the service begins.

WELCOME GUESTS!

Thank you for joining us in worship today. Please take along a visitor's bag located at one of our entrances. We look forward to having you worship with us again soon!



The altar flowers are presented in honor of their grandson, Maverick Kramer's 7th birthday by Mamaw and PopPop.

The bulletins are sponsored in memory of Corrinne Wagner and Betty Henne by the Ministries of God's Servants.



Happy Birthday

75 Plus!

11/24 – Dawn Weidman

This Week at St. Thomas

Monday: Decorate the Church - 5:00 p.m.
Cub Scouts - 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday: Boy Scouts - 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: TOPS - 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Friday: Office is Closed

Next Sunday: First Sunday in Advent
Sunday School (all ages) - 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship - 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service - 10:30 a.m.



New Members Class

The third of four *New Member Classes* will be held in the Conference Room on *Sunday, December 7th*. The topic of the class will be "*What We Believe*" and will address *The Sacraments*, our *Order of Worship*, the *Liturgical Year*, and more. Please consider attending even if you are already a member of St. Thomas Church.

Prayer Requests

Current: This list includes current requests for our church family and for our friends with existing needs.

Praying for our church family: Clair & Karen Hess, Gary & Louise Rubright, Stefani Walter, Chaun Walter, Deb Rumbel, Gloria Gassert, Tom Bair, Spencer Watts, Dan Wenrich

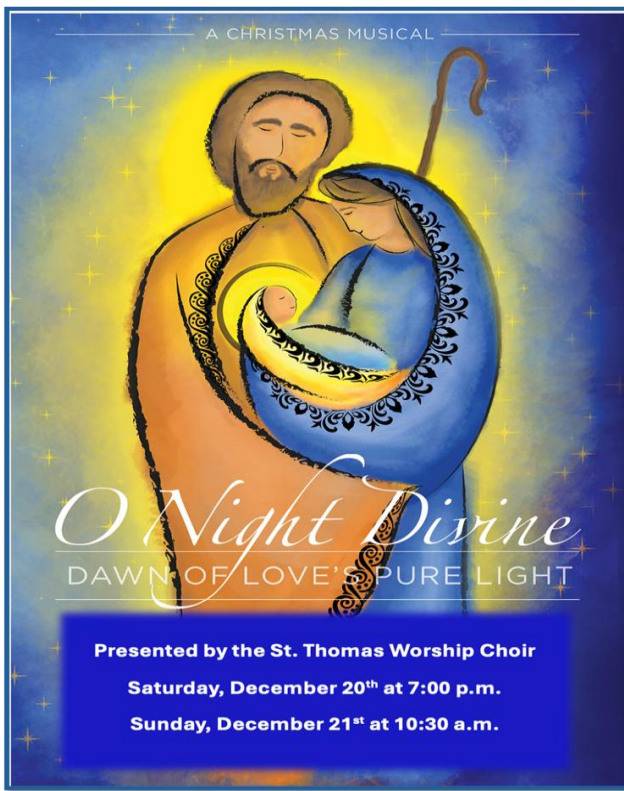
Lifting our friends in prayer: Haden Long, Rachel Croyle, Riley Rejniak, Denise Troutman, Barbara Kuhns

Nursing Home / Homebound: Sandra Fox, Kim Kissling, Anna Mae Smith, Phyllis Krause, Donald Triviets, Scarlett & Charles Seifrit, Myrle Schlappich

Special Prayer Requests: Care Givers, Pastoral Search Committee, Missionaries, Persecuted Christians, United States (especially elected persons in authority), Community Requests

Military: Brandon Adams, Nicholas Englehart, Cassandra Englehart, Zachary Rollins, All Veterans





Join Us for Church Decorating

Join us on **Monday, November 24, at 5:00 p.m.** for a decorating night filled with joy and community spirit. Help is needed to bring items up from the basement, assemble Christmas trees, and place garland and wreaths around the balcony and throughout the church.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join us as we transform our church into a warm and festive space for the holiday season!



December 14, 2025

Following the worship service.

The purpose of the meeting is for the election of Consistory and Endowment Committee members, budget approval and by-law changes. (The proposed budget and by-law changes will be available prior to the meeting. Check bulletins for updates.)



Senior/Shut-in Gift Bags

Below is a list of suggested items for the Senior/Shut-in Gift Bags. We plan to prepare 19 bags with the items listed. However, your greeting cards are an important part of the contents, and many recipients have said they enjoy the cards as much as anything else. If you would like to donate items and 19 cards, or cards only, there is a bin in the library underneath the large desk near the nursery door. You can sign your name in the cards or write something like "A friend at St. Thomas." Items and cards need to be donated by December 7. The Care Team is very grateful for your generosity as you bless others.

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| Small note pads | Pens, pencils, crayons |
| Standard deck of cards | Chapstick |
| Fruit cups | Applesauce cups |
| Pudding cups | Jello cups |
| Breakfast bars | Tea bags |
| Combs, brushes, hair picks | Juice boxes (100% juice) |
| Wet-wipes | Coloring books |
| Hot Chocolate (individual packs) | |
| Oatmeal or cereal (individual packs) | |
| Large print activity books-word search, crosswords, etc. | |

