Today's Children's Church Lesson: Walking with Christ: Week 3
Jesus' Sermon on the Mount challenges us to live differently from the world around us. The Beatitudes describe the beautiful character that God forms in His people, while the Golden Rule gives us a practical way to show Christ's love every day.This week, our Sunday School classes will discover that following Jesus is more than believing the right things—it is allowing Him to shape our hearts so that our words and actions reflect His grace. As a congregation, may we seek to be peacemakers, show mercy, and love our neighbors as Christ has loved us.

Building relationships and connecting with others is important to us! We want to stay connected with those who virtually stay connected with us and also those who we see on a regular basis! If you could please scan the QR code above and complete the quick form, it would greatly help us as we update our contact information. Even if you believe we may have your information, please complete as we are cross checking what we have in Power Church. We thank you for all of your time, commitment, and support to First West!

We are so excited to share that we are now streaming our 10:45AM service in multiple locations of the church. For those of you with little ones, you can always catch the service LIVE on the television in the nursery located on the first floor. Also, the service is LIVE in the fellowship hall downstairs on the big screen. Also, our youth leaders have access to the service on a television in our Christian Education wing upstairs.

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10:45AM Rev. Jason Elliott October 18, 2026

PRELUDE Denise Truax

GATHERING SONG "Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone" (see insert)
Isaiah Ramsey and Glory Dami

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP I Corinthians 16:13

HYMN "Here I Am, Lord" see insert/#525

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Loving God, we humbly ask for your forgiveness. Open our eyes and soften our hearts that we may faithfully serve you as we should. Fill us with the gift of love that we may love others.

MOMENT FOR SILENT MEDITATION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Friends, believe the Good News
RESPONSE: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

BAPTISM of Johnathan Gregory Kendrick

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Traditional) I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)
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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 22:15-22
15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. 16 So they
sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know
that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show
deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. 17 Tell us, then,
what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" 18 But Jesus, aware of
their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? 19 Show
me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. 20 Then he said to
them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" 21 They answered, "Caesar's." Then
he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God
the things that are God's." 22 When they heard this, they were amazed, and they
left him and went away.

SERMON "Stand Firm" Rev. Jason Elliott

SPECIAL MUSIC "True Colors" Kayla Renner

***BENEDICTION/ DISMISSAL**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISM Rev. Elliott will baptize Johnathan Gregory Kendrick today. Johnathan was born on July 11, 2026 to Molly Ann Kendrick and Joshua Daniels Kendrick. Johnathan's maternal grandparents are Gregory Alan Furda and Marlene Dawn Furda and his paternal grandmother is Sheila Kendrick. Johnathan's Godparents are Amy Marie Romesberg and Justin Michael Kendrick.

CHANCEL FLOWERS Flowers this morning are given in loving memory of my dear wife Alice by Jack Billham.

MISSION CANS- This week's mission donations will go to Church Youth Groups.

FIRST WEST'S YOUTH GROUP will meet in the Café today 12:30 –1:15 pm. We're so excited and hope you are too! We hope you'll stay and join us!

WEDNESDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY begins at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall downstairs (GAR).

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY FOR MEN & WOMEN is held weekly from 7:00 – 8:00 pm in the Café.

MEAL TRAIN Join our chain of members to share the love with a hot meal to our First West family in a time of need, loss, illness or surgery. We'll use mealtrain.com to organize and inform. Call the church to sign up 740-282-4591.

NEW MEMBER'S CLASSES will be held in the GAR (fellowship hall) Sundays Oct. 25 & Nov. 1 at 9:30am. A light breakfast will be served. New members will be received on Sunday, Nov. 15.

MITTEN TREE will be up in the sanctuary Sun., Nov. 1st-Nov. 29th and be ready for us to decorate with our mittens, gloves, hats, scarves and socks to benefit our area school children. Thank you for helping to keep all "our littles" warm!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD We're again participating in Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. Shoe boxes are available to fill with gifts like toys, education, health items and will be shipped to children in lesser developed countries. Each child and family then will have the opportunity to Hear the Good News of The Gospel from a Samaritan's Purse staff member. Over 244 million boxes have been sent to 175 countries since 1993. Last day for collection of boxes is Sun. Nov.15. More info is in each box or online at Samaritan's Purse/ Operation Christmas Child.org or call the Church. Thank you & have fun!

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES-*Anniversaries:* Sean & Kayla Campbell (10/24)
Birthdays: Danielle Kalinowski (10/18), Cherie Ramsey (10/18), Kayleana Starliper (10/18), Jason Milton (10/19), Kateria Anderson (10/20), Doug Koehnlein (10/21), Cody Kuntupis (10/22), Cory Kuntupis (10/22), Peggy Pugh (10/22), Tom Drizmala (10/23) and Ashley Firm (10/23).

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