



Blessed to Bless

Welcome !

November 23, 2025

SONGS & PRAYER

GOD'S WORD

Genesis 32:22-32

"Victory in Defeat"

PARTING

Song

God's Blessing

Prayer Pointer

*Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his
name.*

Psalms 100:4

Outline

Genesis 32:22-32

"Victory in Defeat"

1. Wrestler

2. A New Name

3. Limping with God

Announcements

The Men's Group will not be meeting on November 25 due to the Thanksgiving holiday."

Coffee Break will not meet on Wednesday, November 26.

Thanksgiving Service will be the Wednesday night November 26 at 6:30 p.m. No Wednesday night activities. Join us in the Social Hall following the service for pie and a time of fellowship. The offering will be for Long Beach Rescue Mission.

Pageant Help needed:

"Many hands makes the work light."

- We will have a Christmas workday on Saturday, November 29 at 8:00 am. We will remove items for the pageant out of the trailer. The items are not all heavy, so women and kids can help. Text Dawn VS at (562)577-9061 so she gets an idea of how many people they can count on to help. And a huge THANK YOU to all who help!"
- "Pageant sign-ups happening this Sunday! The pageant is December 5 and 6. Kids and adults needed to share the Christmas story in our pageant. Please come prepared to sign up! Kids must be at least 10 years old.

Mark your calendars for special services, dates and times:

- Regular Wednesday night Activities, November 19, December 3 & 10.
- November 23 & 30, no Sunday School Classes.
- *Prince of Peace Pageant*, December 6 & 7 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. LBCRC Choir on Saturday night inside our church and Valley Christian Handbells on Sunday night.
- *Christmas Eve Service* will be at **5:00** p.m. on December 24.
- No Wednesday night Activities December 17, 24 and 31.

- Sunday School will meet December 7 & 14. No Sunday School, December 21 & 28. Sunday School will resume January 4, 2026. Wednesday night activities resume January 7, 2026.

Sunday, November 30, the deacons will be collecting household items for NLB. See the attached for some of those needs.

Requested Announcements

From The Artesia Christian Home

We're so excited to invite you to the Family Market on Saturday,

December 6, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 1st Artesia CRC. We have an amazing lineup of local vendors and lots of raffle prizes.

Vendors, volunteers and talent are still wanted! If you're interested, please email info@achome.org

Paul's Missionary Journeys in Greece (April 3 - 13, 2026): Travel by motor coach (6 days) and cruise ship (3 days) to sites connected with Paul's second and third missionary journeys, as well as visit other major sites of biblical, archaeological, and cultural interest. Jeff Weima, professor at Calvin Theological Seminary and leading Pauline scholar, hosts this inspirational tour. For more information, contact Dr. Weima at [616-328-3110](tel:616-328-3110) or weimje@calvinseminary.edu.

A Time of Thanksgiving and Fellowship

Our denomination's oldest agency, Calvin Theological Seminary, is celebrating their 150th anniversary in 2026. The churches of southern California will gather on **Sunday, April 19, at 6:00 p.m., at the First CRC of Bellflower** for a regional time of worship, thanksgiving and fellowship. As we consider all the pastors who have been trained in some way by Calvin Seminary through years, and as we count up

all the pastors who have served our churches and ministries, we have much for which to give thanks! Please mark the date, and plan to attend.

Serving This Sunday

(November 23, 2025)

Greeters – John & Claudia Bakker

Ushers – Hector Corona,
Ron Oldham, Bruce Hecox

Prayer Leader – John Bakker

Children's Message –

Nursery – Eden Sprik, Lisa Hughes
Helper – Cole Rinker

Children's Church – Chelsey Anema
Greeter – Leslie Grasmeyer

Campus Safety –
Tim Vander Schaaf

Serving Next Sunday

(November 30, 2025)

Greeters – Bill & Jeri Lynne Cullison

Ushers – Rob Thompson,
Bill Cullison, Bruce Hecox

Prayer Leader – Rick Milner

Children's Message –

Nursery – Donna Sato, Kate Rinker
Helper – Kayla Perris

Children's Church – Nicole Cecil
Greeter – Deanne Grasmeyer

Campus Safety –
Tyler Mc Clurg

Calendar

This Week

Sunday

Service 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday

Thanksgiving Service
6:30 p.m.

Saturday

Pageant Setup

Sunday

Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.

Upcoming

December 6 & 7 - Christmas Pageant
December 24 – Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service