

# TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 5, 2017

## 8:20 MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome

**Worship through Song**

**Offering**

Time of Prayer

Scripture Reading: Zephaniah  
(selected verses)

**Song**

**The God Who Has  
Glorious Plans for Us**  
Pastor Wes Oden

**Communion**

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Scripture Reader: Angela Babbitt  
Acolyte: Clayton Templeton

## 9:40 MORNING WORSHIP

**Pre-Service Worship**

**Worship through Song**  
(Offering)

Time of Prayer

Scripture Reading: Zephaniah  
(selected verses)

**The God Who Has  
Glorious Plans for Us**  
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Scripture Reader: Josh Ellis  
Acolyte: Emma Beardsley

*Please feel free to use the altar as your place of prayer  
as we bow in humility before our loving heavenly Father.*

*If kneeling is difficult for you, please use the red chairs or stand by the altar rail.*

Music Ministry Team:

Michaella Aliperti, Jeff Babbitt, vocals; Jeff Boon, guitar & vocals;  
Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Betsy Webb, keyboard;  
Naomi Christensen, violin; Dan Wartinger, bass; Jessi Sacco, drums

*Children's Worship bulletins are available in the church foyer for ages 3-12.*

**NURSERY:** We provide a fully staffed nursery for infants up to two years of age. The Nursery is located on the first floor of the Christian Education Building and is available during services.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Children ages 2-5 are dismissed during the song before the sermon for Children's Church for both services: they meet in room 116 in the Christian Education Building.

**JUNIOR CHURCH** does not meet today (Communion Sunday).

**WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH.** God tells the prophet Jeremiah, "Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know" (33:3). We gather in worship today calling out to God, asking for Him to reveal the unsearchable richest of His grace. May God give us ears to hear.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** We practice open communion in the Wesleyan Church: all who come in faith of Christ's redeeming power are welcome. As the ushers release your row, come to the front, tear off a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, eat it, then return to your seat by the outside aisle. Feel free to remain at the altar rail in prayer. If you prefer to be served in your seat, inform the usher; we have trays of bread and cups to serve you. Pastor Wes has cups of juice and gluten-free wafers at the communion table. If you desire the grace of God in your life, enabling you to love God with all of your being and to love others through the Spirit in you, you are invited to receive the bread and cup of God's grace in Christ for the sins of the whole world.

**COLLEGE STUDENTS AND OTHERS** are welcome to join in discipleship and fellowship at 11:00 each Sunday in Room 105, across from the library.

**OCC SHOEBOX PACKING PARTY AND KID'S CLUB** meet with the entire church family this Wednesday evening from 6:00 to 7:15. Bring some toys for the shoeboxes and a healthy snack to share with everyone.

**NEXT SUNDAY MORNING** we invite you to worship at 8:20, 9:40 and 11:00. Pastor Wes will preach about *The God Who Desires to Be Present with Us* (Haggai).

**NEXT SUNDAY EVENING** small groups continue meeting.

**MISSIONARY MAILBAG** – Want to keep up with news from missionaries and missions supported by or connected to HWC? We have a monthly compilation of news and prayer requests called the Missionary Mailbag. You can find a copy in the sanctuary foyer, or to get these monthly updates by email, contact Elizabeth Ciobanu at [valiandelizabeth@gmail.com](mailto:valiandelizabeth@gmail.com).

**PRAYER VIGIL EVENT:** We are now one week into our three-week, 24-hour a day prayer vigil. Times are available for you to reserve in the prayer room, which may be done online anytime ([www.hwchurch.org](http://www.hwchurch.org)) or in either the sanctuary or CE building foyers this morning. Call the church office if you need assistance (567-2264). Security personnel are available at the church (Midnight – 4:00am). During the night hours please enter the front doors that face Route 19.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** We have brochures on the OCC table in the Christian Education foyer that will help you to pack your boxes. Foldable cardboard boxes are available to you or use your own shoebox. Donate items for **Packing Party on November 8**. Items may be placed in the red boxes in either foyer. **Final collection day is November 12.**

**MISSION MOMENT –** The Prayer Vigil allows some extra concentrated time for us to pray for the church beyond our doors and around the world. Perhaps choose a nation or region, a missionary or national worker family and focus part of your prayer times on these. “My Name will be great among the nations.” (Malachi 1:11)

**PERSECUTED CHURCH -** Today is International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church. “Prayer is the number one request of persecuted Christians, and they are asking us to join them in prayer for strength and perseverance so that, despite difficult trials, Christians will continue to shine for Jesus and share the gospel in the most dangerous places.” (Open Doors, USA).

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** for the family and friends of Nancy Sacks, especially Freda Hark who has been her caregiver in recent years, and for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Louise Mawhorter, Jayne Swanson, Leonard Watson, Louise Prinsell, Laura Habecker, Hudson Hess, Nancy Cole, Brian Orbaker (Charlie and Connie Smith’s son-in-law), Peter Lingenfelter, Ellis Brotzman, Chuck Barrett (Wendy Ott’s brother), Sheryl O’Brien, Ben King, Doris Essepian, Eila Shea, Sheldon Emerson (Darby Luckey’s brother), Bill Getty, Warren and Ella Woolsey, Mike Raybuck, Bev Rhett, Micah Christensen, Linda Roth, Dick Gould, Emily Crikelair; for the people of Puerto Rico and all who are grieving and recovering from recent disasters and violence; for refugees; for peace amid threats of war; for healing and unity in our nation; and for the Wesleyan Church of Orchard Park (Pastor Dan Jones).



*Joyfully loving God,  
wholeheartedly serving others*



*WESLEY ODEN, Senior Pastor*

*JON COLE, Youth Pastor*

*CINDY ODEN, Assistant Pastor*

*PAUL SHEA, Assistant Pastor*

*AMANDA COX, Music and Worship Director*

*LAURIE SMALLEY, Children’s Ministry Director*