

# EIGHTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

10:00 MORNING WORSHIP

JULY 8, 2018

*As the prelude begins, let us observe silence as we prayerfully anticipate this hour of corporate worship of Almighty God.*

Prelude: *Hymn Prelude on "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"* (Craig Phillips)

Welcome and Call to Worship (from Psalm 48)

**Leader:** Within your temple, O God, we meditate on your unfailing love.

**People:** *Like your name, O God, your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with righteousness.*

**Leader:** Mount Zion rejoices, the villages of Judah are glad because of your judgments.

**People:** *Walk about Zion, go around her, count her towers, consider well her ramparts, view her citadels, that you may tell them to the next generation.*

**All:** *For this God is our God for ever and ever; he will be our guide even to the end.*

Opening Prayer

Hymn of Praise 2: *O Worship the King*

Words of Greeting and Peace

Spotlight on Missions: Cindy Austin

Celebration of Ministry: Royal Family Kids Camp Commissioning

Songs of Adoration: *This is Amazing Grace; What a Beautiful Name*

Old Testament Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-5

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

*Doxology*

Offertory: *Broken Things* (Matthew West)

Pastoral Prayer / **The Lord's Prayer**

*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.*

New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Song of Preparation: *Lord, I Need You*

Sermon: **Blessed are the Weak??**

Rev. Dr. Michael Walters

Hymn of Response 404: *How Firm a Foundation*

Benediction

Congregational Amen (Hymn 656, Threefold)

Postlude: *Fugue in E-flat major, BWV 552b* (J. S. Bach)

\*Please stand if able

Organist: Judy Congdon

Worship Leader: James Mullen

Acolyte: Zoe Beardsley

Music Ministry Team:

Robin Pawling, Andrew Silbert, vocals; Caleb Hilsher, guitar;  
Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Sarah Gurley, keyboard & vocals;  
Naomi Christensen, violin; Dan Wartinger, percussion

**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.

**Children's Church:** Children ages 2-5 are dismissed during the song before the sermon for Children's Church: 2 and 3 year olds meet in room 116; 4-5 year olds in room 115 in the Christian Education Building.

**WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH.** Each day we face the struggles of living in a fallen world and are acutely aware of the need for God's presence and help. God promises His presence in each of our lives. We gather today to remember all that God has done and all that He has promised to do and to worship Him for who He is.

**GUEST PREACHER.** We are pleased to welcome the Rev. Dr. J. Michael Walters today. Dr. Walters was the Senior Pastor of this church for 13 years and taught at Houghton College for 20 years.

**NEXT SUNDAY MORNING** we continue in Summer Sabbath—one worship service at 10:00 a.m. Next Sunday Pastor Jon Cole will preach.

**INTER-GENERATIONAL MISSION TRIP – Puerto Rico July 21-29** We are sending a team of 23 people to Puerto Rico to work at the Wesleyan Academy of PR. Please be in prayer for this group. If you would like to help the team with a monetary gift, make checks payable to *Houghton Wesleyan Church* and designate *PR Mission Trip* on the memo line.

**FLOWERS:** We welcome flowers that you would like to donate for Sunday morning services throughout the summer. Contact Linda Knapp at 567-8131.

**LIVE STREAMING:** All of our worship services are live streamed through the church website and through streaming devices (AppleTV, Roku, etc.). If you use Roku, you will need to find the services on our new Roku app. Search for Houghton Wesleyan Church. Our new app will enable easier access.

**SUMMER SMALL GROUP FELLOWSHIP:** Philip and Rebekah Harter Tumbaga are hosting a summer small group and we'd be glad for you to join us on **Monday nights at 6 pm with dinner provided!** Email or call us to rsvp so we can get a rough estimate of how many people to plan for and if you have any allergies or food restrictions. Email [ptumbaga@hawaii.edu](mailto:ptumbaga@hawaii.edu) or Phone: 808-489-1819. Address: 9619 Route 19, Apt 1 D, Houghton, NY 14744

**BIKES ON THE QUAD** meets every Wednesday until August 22nd. Everyone is invited. Join us around 6:30. Bring your bikes, scooters, sidewalk chalk, Frisbees, soccer balls, baseball gloves, bats, dogs...

**REFRESH RETREAT & FAMILY CAMP TAKES PLACE JULY 29—AUGUST 3:** This year's Guest Speaker is Mark Wilson. Whether you come for just a day or for the entire week, sign up at: [www.refreshathoughton.com](http://www.refreshathoughton.com).

**MISSION MOMENT** – We welcome Cindy Austin today and rejoice and pray for the family as Josiah has completed high school in Czech and Bri weds this month. Then Cindy and Kevin return to Poděbrady, Czech Republic, to continue small groups, one on one, and other evangelism and discipleship ministries

**PERSECUTED CHURCH** – Attacks by Boko Haram in northeast Nigeria have displaced more than 1.8 million people in ten years. With farming disrupted, a major hunger crisis looms. Pray for Christ's light to shine amidst the kidnappings, killings, and trials for many in this region. May God bring an end to horror soon.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** for Faith Roeske's family at the death of her mother Barbara Zinnershine and all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Phil Main, Dan Gurley, Florence Teuber, Roselyn Danner, Izabela Daugherty (Dave and Karen's daughter-in-law), Tim Nichols, Gus and Louise Prinsell, Nancy Cole, Peter Lingenfelter, Doris Essepian, Eila Shea, Sheldon Emerson (Darby Luckey's brother), Bill Getty, Mike Raybuck, Bev Rhett, Emily Crikelair; for the injured and grieving from tragedies and disasters; for refugees; for peace amid threats of war; for the Allegany County Gideons Camp.

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE**

July 8 – August 12      Worship – 10:00 / No Sunday School  
August 19 – August 26      Worship – 8:20, 9:40 & 11:00 / No Sunday School  
September 2              Worship – 8:20, 9:40 & 11:00 / Sunday School - 9:40



*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*



**Headed for Royal Family Kids' Camp, Headed for a Lot of Fun!**

Wayne and Diane Tesch started the first RFKC in 1985 in Costa Mesa, CA. In 1990 they founded RFK, Inc., which now has more than 230 camps worldwide. Learn more at <https://royalfamilykids.org/>

Houghton RFKC 2018 will provide 52 special children a week of super-fun memories at Camp Asbury. HW Church blesses us with volunteers, prayer partners, donors & facilities. Thank you, Church Family!

**We are grateful for God's care as we enter our 24th year!**

**Residential Staff:** Lauren Blade; Carolynn Brooks; Penny Burdick; Betty Casey; Mary Colter; Amanda Cox; Doug Gaerte; Mary Gibson; Tracie Gurney; Miranda Hunter; Deb Kissinger; Autumn Knowlton; Cindy/Mike Lastoria; Melissa MacLean; Ann McNeill; Joe Miner; Kathy Moore; Mary Murdoch; Nancy Murphy; Ray Ott; Stephanie Pierce; JoAnn Purdy; Lily Sardina; Olivia Tetta; Gudy/Daryl Stevenson; Jen Wolfer  
**Residential Counselors:** Katie/Nick Badeau; Jonathan Brooks; Jennie Bruno; Dan Bussey; Elaine Conklin; Wendy Connell; Leah Costello; Bec Cronk; MaryJo Cronk; Josh Derck; Kayleigh Gurney; Rueben Hand; Tanya Hatton; Briana Hollenback; Kristen/Wynn Horton; Eliza Kelly; Cassiey Kemp; Nicole Kemp; Greta/Stephen Kimel; Graig Knowlton; Doug Mayhle; Alana Meyers; Andrea Miner; Jordan Mullen; Jordan Olsen; Daniel Ott; Jackie Pedulla; Rebecca Rowley; Justin Thomas; Kevin Thompson; Amber Torrey; Luke Wolfer  
**Dayworkers/Support Staff:** Terry Adams; Beth Beardsley; Sandy Blake; Laurie Dashnau; Phyllis Gaerte; Cheryl Gibson; Chris Haag; Sally/Ed Johnson; Eric Jones; Cindy Lastoria; Bitsy Mayhle; Judi Mayhle; Jillian McNeill; Brenda Montanye; Kristen Sanasith; John/Barb VanWicklin; Barb Woolsey. Over 100 individuals gave financial gifts in 2018!  
**Agency Support:** Houghton Absolut; Alleg Co DSS; Alleg Co United Way; Belfast Free Methodist; 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian (Portville); 1st United Methodist(Fredonia); HC Dept. of Facilities Management; HC Dept of Education; JR Morris Foundation; North Country Bible Fellowship; RFK, Inc.; Wyoming Co DSS.

**Special Tribute:** To those who gave to the Daniel P. Woolsey RFKC Memorial Fund, Dan was the first Bible Storyteller at Houghton RFKC, and all who knew him can easily imagine his gentle yet spellbinding way of engaging campers with the Word.

**Donors of one or more "camper-ships" for our 2018 RFKC:** David/Kathleen Albrecht; Heather Armstrong, Gary/Wendy Baxter, Phil/Sue Brooks, Dave/Jane Buteyn, Larry/Bonnie Christensen, Toby/Erin Cushing, Bob/Roselyn Danner, Mark/Laurie Dashnau, Dave/Karen Daugherty, Mike/Connie Doyle, Dick/Joy Eliezer, Randy/Brenda Ellis, Tim/Carol Fuller, Lynn Fulmer, Ken/Karen Gaerte, Robert/Cheryl Gibson, Mary Gibson, Sylvia Greenway, Karen Hazzard, Dave/Arma Howard, Rose Jones, Ralph/Marilyn Kerr, Ben/Vicki King, Harold Kingdon, Mike/Cindy Lastoria, Jack/Linda Leax, Erick/Marianne Laine, Dave/Eileen Lewis, Ben/Susan Lipscomb, Michael/Kim Maxwell, Rob/Ann McNeill, Tom/Jane Miner, Steve/Cathy Morley, Larry/Vesta Mullen, Ted/Nancy Murphy, Anna Nurge, Ron/Elizabeth Oakerson, John/Helena Oden, Gordon/Joann Purdy, Don/Amy Purdy, Kathy Reitnour, Dave/Jean Ries, Jane Roeske, Andrew/Susanna Roorbach, Charlie/Connie Smith, Chris/Jeanne Stewart, Phil/Donnie Stockin, Steve/Kim Tucker, John/Barbara Van Wicklin, Wm/Joan Velej, Mike/Nancy Walters, Tim/Penny Weigle, Herb/Karen Williams, Matt/Barbara Woolsey, Paul/Debbie Young, Jim/Donna Zoller

**Prayer Partners:** David/Kathleen Albrecht, John/Barb Arensen, Terry Ayers, Nick/Katie Badeau, Gary/Wendy Baxter, Dar/Suzanne Beardsley, Willis/Beth Beardsley, Sandy Blake, Mary Boomhower, Ruth Boon, Kathie Brenneman, Ellis/Ruth Brotzman, Jerry Brown, Doug Burke, Jane Buteyn, Bill/Antje Calkins, Denise Campbell, Mim Case, Margarita Cooley, Maya Cooley, Mike/Amanda Cox, Becca Croker, Bec Cronk, Paul/Mary Jo Cronk, Toby/Erin Cushing, Vic/Pat Danna, Nathan/Casda Danner, Mark/Laurie Dashnau, David/Karen Daugherty, Diane Emmons, Norleen Enders, Jesse/Melissa Fink, Cathy Freytag, Tim/Carol Fuller, Dick/Lillian Fuller, Ken/Karen Gaerte, Doug/Phyllis Gaerte, Sylvia Greenway, Curtis/Amy Grenoble, Patrick/Sarah Hager, Ginny Halberg, Meriam Harms, Dick/Lyn Harter, Louette Heichel, Hudson/Lucy Hess, Marilyn Hiler, Brandon/Emily Hoffman, Becky Hutton, Sally Johnson, Sharon Johnson, Rose Jones, David/Linda Kanski, Ralph/Marilyn Kerr, Deb Kissinger, Jack/Linda Leax, David/Eileen Lewis, Dean/Carmen Liddick, Ben/Susan Lipscomb, Darby Luckey, Peter/Nancy Luckey, Michael/Kim Maxwell, McNeill Family, Gwen Mercer, Jessica Miller, Tom/Jane Miner, Steve/Cathy Morley, James/Darice Mullen, Lary/Vesta Mullen, Craig/Kris Muthler, John/Helena Oden, Wes/Cindy Oden, Dennis/Jody Odrosky, Kim Pool, Gud/Louise Prinsell, Matt/Krista Reitnour, Doug/Karen Rhone, Zach/Maria Rhone, Kate Roberts, Jean-Louis/Sandy Roederer, Jane Roeske, Jess Romance, Cassie Rummel, Betsy Sanford, Schilke Family, Debbie Shea, Eila Shea, Bob/Laurie Smalley, Charlie/Connie Smith, Emily Spateholts, Dennis Stack, Daryl/Gudy Stevenson, David/Beth Stevick, Jeanne Stewart, Phil/Donnie Stockin, Bill/Jane Swanson, Mark/Terry Sweet, Andrea Tanner, CindyLou Taylor, Ed/Tracy Taylor, Grace Taylor, Seth/Kayann Taylor, Ellen Tucker, Kim/Steve Tucker, Bill/Joan Velej, Dottie Wolfe, John/Marie Woodard, Matt/Barb Woolsey, Jim/Donna Zoller

**2018 Theme/Stone: Construction (Following New Blueprints) & Unbroken**

**Key Verse:** "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11