

Outdoor Worship Service

October 4, 2020 at 11:15am

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Songs of Adoration:

Remember
No Longer Slaves
Who am I?

Time of Prayer

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 23 (selected verses)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: **I Never Noticed That Before**
~ Joy in the Journey Sermon Series ~
Pastor Wes Oden

Communion: **Who You Say I Am**

Benediction

Music Ministry Team:

Andrew Silbert, guitar & vocals; Amanda Cox, vocals; Gabriel Negus, cajón

*The rose on the platform is in honor of the birth of Selah Joy Fink
on March 2 to Melissa, Jesse, Evelyn, and Levi.*

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. The apostle Paul writes, "So now there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1). As we gather here or wherever we are, may we embrace the freedom that God has bestowed on us. Let us unite ourselves as one body, that we may exercise this freedom and use it to cultivate a community of faith. May our worship today leave us renewed by His power and convinced of His love.

YOUTH GROUP: Jr. High 3 to 4:30pm and Sr. High 5 to 6:30pm outside. Weather backup is the Community Room.

KOINONIA: Join us tonight for Koinonia at Houghton Wesleyan Church! Koinonia, our college student-led worship ministry, will be meeting in the sanctuary for the remainder of the semester. Come worship with us at 7pm on Sunday evenings. Reservations are required and you can sign up now at our website, hwchurch.org! [sign up here for 1 or 2 people](#) or [here for 3-to-5 people](#).

NO WORSHIP EVENT THIS THURSDAY EVENING.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING we invite you to join us for streaming worship at 10:00 and outdoor worship at 11:15. Pastor Wes will preach about *A Sign of Care* and our response, *Are They that Important?* from Mark 10:13-16. Reservations are needed for both outdoor and indoor worship (including overflow streaming on the large screen in the gym), which may be done on the church website or by calling the church office (585-567-2264).

OUTDOOR PRAYER GARDEN OCTOBER 18—OCTOBER 25: This year's prayer event will be an outdoor Prayer Garden with four places for meditation and prayer. Since it is outdoors, we are setting up prayer times for 30 minutes. The Prayer times are available [HERE](#) for you to begin making reservations.

HARVEST TREAT BAG DRIVE-THROUGH INVITATION: Saturday, October 31, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. You are invited to come to the church parking lot to receive a bag filled with treats. The Pastoral Staff will be dressed-up to give out the treat bags and to greet you as you drive through the parking lot. Children and youth are invited to dress-up as well or to decorate your vehicle.

HARVEST TREAT BAG DRIVE-THROUGH DONATIONS: Donations of candy, individual, pre-packaged pretzels, goldfish crackers, potato chips, and gummy fruit snacks are greatly appreciated for filling the treat bags for the Harvest Drive-Through. Please drop your donation off in the container inside the door at the church office or you may bring them on Sunday mornings.

STEWARDSHIP: Budget Need: \$268,004.66 Budget Received: \$246,538.74

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: 5 weeks to go and we are 197 Operation Christmas Child boxes away from our church goal of 200 online gifts. So far we have 0/50 boxes taken for home packing for a total of 2/250 completed. Your loving contribution really matters! Says a girl from Buffalo who grew up in a refugee camp, "We always looked forward to those shoeboxes 'cause that was the only present we would receive for Christmas because our families couldn't afford one." Start blessing lives now by going [HERE](#). Using this link will help our church reach the 200 box goal.

MISSION MOMENT – John and Sylvia Christensen, Wycliffe Bible Translators who work from Houghton, stay connected and even travel to Indonesia in ongoing translation projects... Sylvia on OT translation with Ezra and Nehemiah done and new books in the wings, John on the language dictionary project. They praise God for safe delivery of grandchild in August, Kyla Rae, to Paul and Jennie in Indonesia.

THURSDAY EVENING, 7 TO 8 PM: Celebrate Recovery meets in the Community Room for Small Groups.

PERSECUTED CHURCH –The government Eritrea has released on bail more than 20 Pentecostals/ evangelicals who had been imprisoned without charges for up to 16 years because of their faith. That's good news but 100s remain in jail in one of the world's most repressive countries. A half million refugees have fled Eritrea in the last year. Pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in that land

PRAYER CONCERNS: for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Calvin Schierer, Sarah Gurley, Grace Taylor, Wendy Ott, Chelsea Ellis, Paulette Schierer, Keith Rugg (Kathy Moore's father), Karen Szymanski, Cindy Lastoria, Leonard Watson, Mark Mayhle (Doug's brother), Ruby Schierer Williams, Jeshu, Kurtis and Elijah Perry, Reuben Samuels, The Marsh Family, Jon Retz, Emily Hood (A.C. Taylor's cousin), Bob Brown, Bill Getty, Nancy Cole, Eileen Spear, Evelyn Heil, Dan Gurley, Bethie Liddick, Phil Main, Emily Crikelair, Mike Raybuck, Eila Shea, Izabela Daugherty (Dave and Karen's daughter-in-law), Peter Lingenfelter; for all effected by the coronavirus—grieving, ill, healthcare professionals, the workforce at risk and leaders; for the injured and grieving from tragedies and disasters, including Beirut, Lebanon; for refugees; for peace amid threats of war; for the leaders of our government; for the logistics and safety of faculty, staff and students at all of our area public schools as well as Houghton College and Houghton Academy; for the Rawson Baptist Church, Cuba (Pastor Nelson McCall).

For more information about church activities, visit our website: www.hwchurch.org.

Remember

Verse 1

My heart hangs on every word that You speak
I need You Lord come find me
Holy Spirit breathe
I've been walking through deserts
I need more of Your presence
I'm weak Savior be my strength

Chorus

Down in the valley when waters rise
I'm still believing hope is alive
All through the struggle and darkest day
I'll remember the empty grave

Verse 2

Your touch bringing me closer
Your hand healing what's broken
My prayer Father meet me here
My life for all of Your glory
Your grace let it surround me
Let faith change the atmosphere

Chorus

Bridge

Hallelujah death is done
All of hell is overcome
Jesus You are alive
Hallelujah death is done
All of hell is overcome
Oh my Jesus You are alive (Repeat)

Chorus

No Longer Slaves

Verse 1

You unravel me with a melody
You surround me with a song
Of deliverance from my enemies
Till all my fears are gone

Chorus

I'm no longer a slave to fear; I am a child of God
I'm no longer a slave to fear; I am a child of God

Verse 2

From my Mother's womb You have chosen me
Love has called my name
I've been born again into Your family
Your blood flows through my veins

Chorus

Bridge

You split the sea so I could walk right through it
My fears were drowned in perfect love
You rescued me so I could stand and sing
I am a child of God

Chorus

Who Am I

Verse 1

Who am I that the Lord of all the earth
Would care to know my name
Would care to feel my hurt
Who am I that the Bright and Morning Star
Would choose to light the way
For my ever wand'ring heart

Pre-Chorus

Not because of who I am
But because of what You've done
Not because of what I've done
But because of who You are

Chorus

I am a flower quickly fading
Here today and gone tomorrow
A wave tossed in the ocean, A vapor in the wind
Still You hear me when I'm calling

Lord You catch me when I'm falling
And You've told me who I am: I am Yours

Verse 2

Who am I that the eyes that see my sin
Would look on me with love
And watch me rise again
Who am I that the voice that calmed the sea
Would call out through the rain
And calm the storm in me

Pre Chorus, Chorus

Who You Say I Am

Verse 1

Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me, Oh His love for me

Chorus 1

Who the Son sets free Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am

Verse 2

Free at last He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

Chorus 2

Who the Son sets free Oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
In my Father's house There's a place for me
I'm a child of God, Yes I am

Bridge

I am chosen not forsaken; I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am

Chorus 2, Bridge, Chorus 2