

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. The season of Lent is a time for reflection and action as we ponder the death of Jesus. These 40 days lead us through the deserts and valleys of life and through the peaks and joys of life. On this Fifth Sunday in Lent, we remember the depths of God's love for us in Christ. May our worship help us to focus on our need and on his grace.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING: we continue our Lenten journey exploring interactions with Jesus. Next Sunday's sermon focuses on the rest of Jesus's conversation with Pilate as he declares: *I Testify to the Truth* (John 18:37). Join us for worship in person and online at 10:00 and in the church parking lot at 11:15. Reserve a 10 a.m. seat at <https://hwchurch.org/sign-up-events/>

STAYING CONNECTED: A year ago, when we started down this journey with Covid-19, Pastor Wes started sending out a weekly update with information related to the life of our church. At the same time, he also started recording a weekly video chat with a devotional thought. As both continue to be sent through text and email and accessed on the church website and Facebook pages, please contact the church office (office@hwchurch.org or 585-567-2264) if you are not receiving them and would like to do so.

SMZ (SUNDAY MORNING ZOOM), 9:00-9:50 A.M. NEXT SUNDAY Dr. Ken Schenk leads **study on church unity from I Corinthians 1**. All invited to join in this timely discussion by contacting paulshea@hwchurch.org or the church office.

HWC KIDS, join us the week of March 22nd-27th for an Easter Egg Hunt! Bring your family to the Church and walk around the outside of the building. You'll find 12 big Easter eggs hidden in the windows and doors of the Church building, each with a word or phrase on it. Collect the words and unscramble them to find an Easter promise. [Let Miss Emily know](#) you've completed the hunt and an Easter treat will be headed your way!

YOUTH GROUP NEWS Please Email Pastor Jon (joncole@hwchurch.org) if you need zoom links for any event. Youth group meets Sunday in the church gym with social distancing protocols in place. Jr high 3-4pm and Sr High 5-6pm. **Wednesday evening Zoom Check-in, 7pm - No program, just hangout!**

STEWARDSHIP Budget Needed: \$646,364.18 / Budget Received: \$621,377.02

MISSION MOMENT – Our missionaries always welcome our prayers. Wycliffe missionaries, John and Sylvia Christensen report they both and three children all had Covid 19 in December. Thank God for steady recovery and John's has had subsequent delicate eye surgery. Praise and prayers for Kisar dictionary break through and potential Indonesia trip in 2021.

PERSECUTED CHURCH – in Niger likely jihadist attacks last week near the Mali border killed 58 and destroyed property. Though Christians were not specifically targeted, unrest in this country is on the rise. Pray for Christians and Gospel workers to be bold in witness of Christ's peace.

PRAYER CONCERNS: for Doug Columbo and his family at the death of his mother last week and for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Cameron Green, Vangie Grant, Karen Gaerte, Lenore Paige, Gary Heil (Janet Stegen's brother), Amy Ortiz (Luke Ogden's sister), Sarah Gurley, Grace Taylor, Wendy Ott, Chelsea Ellis, Keith Rugg (Kathy Moore's father), Cindy Lastoria, Mark Mayhle (Doug's brother), Jeshu, Kurtis and Eliyah Perry, Reuben Samuels, Emily Hood (A.C. Taylor's cousin), Bill Getty, Nancy Cole, Eileen Spear, Evelyn Heil, Dan Gurley, 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; for refugees; for peace amid threats of war; for the Wellsville Bible Church (Pastor Dan Kenyon).

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 28 (Palm Sunday)

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Zoom / Youth Sunday School
10:00 a.m.	Indoor/Streaming Service (palms branches)
11:15 a.m.	Outdoor Service (palm branches and a live donkey)

Thursday, April 1 (Maundy Thursday)

6:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service (Church parking lot)
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Friday, April 2 (Good Friday)

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Journey to the Cross (church gym, come and go)
2:00 p.m.	Organ Program (streaming and sanctuary seating)

Sunday, April 4 (Easter)

8:30 a.m.	Indoor Service
10:00 a.m.	Indoor Service/Streaming
11:15 a.m.	Outdoor Service

Outdoor Worship Service – Fifth Sunday in Lent – March 21, 2021 at 11:15am

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Songs of Adoration: *Remember; O Praise the Name; Overcome*

Time of Prayer

Scripture Reading: John 18:28-40

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

Sermon: **The Source of the Kingdom**

Pastor Wes Oden

Communion: *The Same Power*

Benediction

Scripture: Karl Schmidt

Music Ministry Team:

Amanda Cox, vocals; Ethan Bast, guitar & vocals; Simon Sardina, cajón

Remember

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

**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**

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

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

O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb

The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

**O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God**

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

Chorus

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

Chorus

Overcome

Seated above enthroned in the Father's love
Destined to die poured out for all mankind
God's only Son perfect and spotless One
He never sinned but suffered as if He did

All authority
Every victory is Yours (repeat)

**Savior worthy of honor and glory
Worthy of all our praise
For You overcame
Jesus awesome in power forever
Awesome and great is Your Name
For You overcame**

Power in hand speaking the Father's plan
You're sending us out light in this broken land

All authority
Every victory is Yours (repeat)

Chorus

We will overcome
By the blood of the Lamb
And the word of our testimony
Everyone overcome

Chorus

The Same Power

There is pow'r in His name
For the stone was rolled away
Mountains bow down before
Jesus Christ our risen Lord
Jesus Christ our risen Lord

**Mighty Savior lifted high
King forever Jesus Christ
Crowned in glory raised to life
The same power lives in us**

We will rise stand and sing
Of our great and matchless King
Seated high on the throne
You shall reign forevermore
You shall reign forevermore

Chorus

The grave could not contain
The power of His name
Death You overcame
Once and for all (Sing 3x)

Chorus