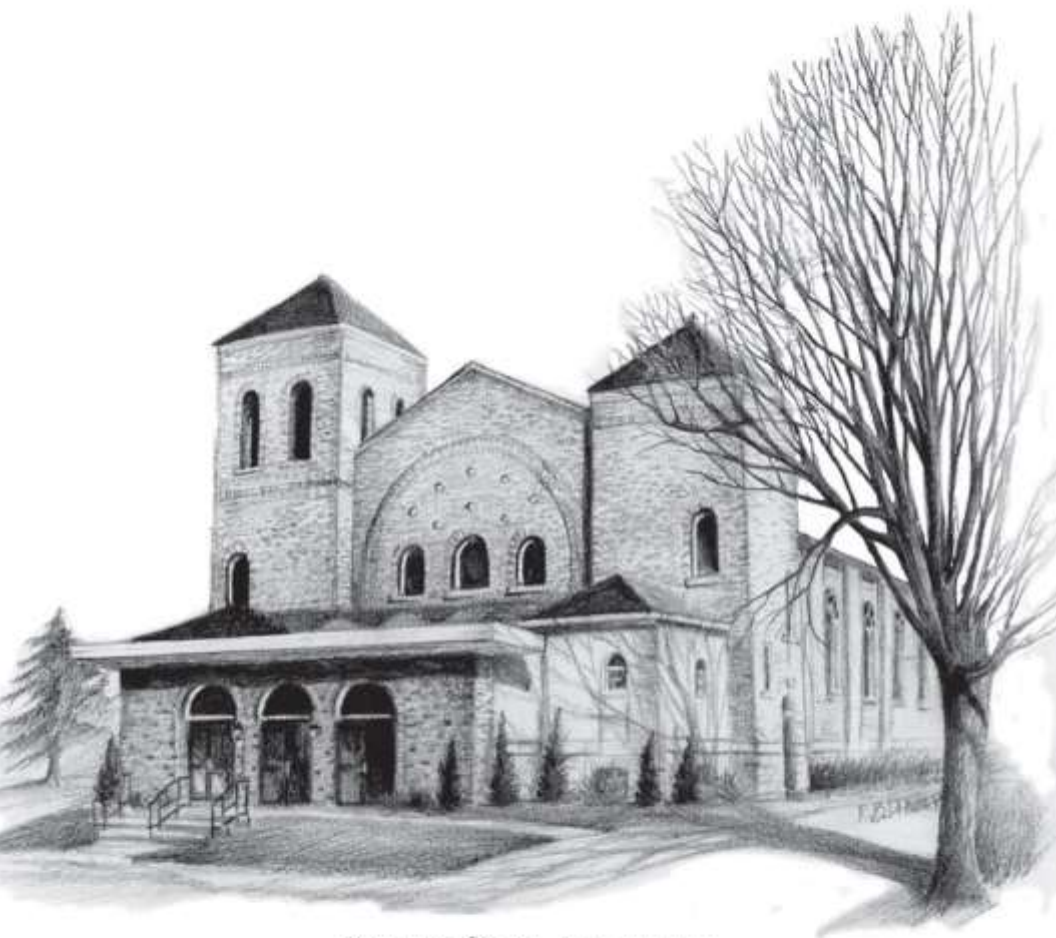




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WESLEYAN CHURCH

*Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly serving others*



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 25, 2021

10:00 STREAMING SERVICE

Prelude:

Processional in D (David Johnson)
Holy, Holy, Holy (arr. Michael Burkhardt)

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Hymn of Praise 171: ***The Day of Resurrection***

Words of Greeting and Peace

Celebration of Ministry: Youth

Children's Sermon: Emily Spateholts

Songs of Adoration:

Living Hope; Come Praise and Glorify; Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Prayer of Confession

Time of Prayer

Please feel free sit, stand, or kneel as we bow in humility before our loving heavenly Father.

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:35-57

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

Hymn 356: ***Jesus, My Lord, My Life, My All***

Sermon: **If I Should Die Before I Wake**

Pastor Wes Oden

Song: ***Amen (Because He Lives)***

Benediction

Organist: Judy Congdon

Scripture Reader: Jill Jordan

Music Ministry Team:

Bekah Scharf, vocals; Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Ethan Bast, guitar & vocals;
Jan Schilke, keyboard; Dan Zambrano, cajón

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. The Psalmist proclaims, “The LORD is king! He is robed in majesty. Indeed, the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The world is firmly established; it cannot be shaken” (93:1, NLT). We come together today to worship the Lord who is king and sovereign over all the earth through the resurrection of Christ.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING Pastor Wes leads us to think more about the resurrection as Paul describes it in 1 Corinthians 15 and 16. Next week’s sermon, *If I Should Wake Before I Die* is focused on 15:57-16:9. Join us for in person and online worship at 10:00 a.m. and outdoors at 11:15 a.m.

STAYING CONNECTED: Pastor Wes continues sending out a weekly update on Tuesday and a video meditation on Thursday. Both can be accessed through email, text or the church website and Facebook pages. If you are not receiving these communications and would like to, please contact the church office (office@hwchurch.org) or 585-567-2264.

THE FAMILY ROOM IS OPEN FOR USE! Your children are ALWAYS welcome in the sanctuary but this cozy space across from the prayer room is available for parents or guardians to take a child who needs food, a clean diaper, or space to wiggle and play. A TV for streaming the service is also available. Thank you to Rachel Blew, Daryl Stevenson, and Michael Spateholts for making this space beautiful!

SMZ - Next Sunday Morning Zoom, May 2, 9:00 - 9:50 a.m. Dr. Ken Schenck looks at the *Work of the Holy Spirit in John 16*. All are welcome to join in by using the Zoom Link (<https://zoom.us/j/93689062279>) and email paulshea@hwchurch.org or text the church office (585-610-6883) for the passcode.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY MAY 1 - Help beautify our church facility by participating in our annual Church Work Day on Saturday, May 1, 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Doughnuts and coffee will be available. Our attention will focus on the exterior of the building and landscaping of the church grounds so bring gardening tools, such as shovels, rakes, and wheelbarrows. Children are welcome.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS Please contact Pastor Jon if you need zoom links for any event or if you have other questions.

Midweek check in - Wed at 1:15pm

Sunday morning zoom Sunday School - 9am - 2 Peter!

We are continuing our 30 Hour Famine series.

JR High YG - 3-4pm

Sr. High YG - 5-6pm

The 30-hour famine will take place on May 7-8.

Join Our Team or Support Us at:

30hourfamine.org/team/HFWChurchYouth

COMPASSCARE WALK FOR LIFE NEXT WEEKEND: Watch the Rally on Friday, April 30 from 7:00- 8:00 PM at CompassCareWalk.com OR Listen on Saturday, May 1 from 9:00 to 10:00 AM on WDCX Buffalo - 99.5 FM | 970 AM/ Rochester - 107.1 FM | 990 AM. Sign up for the in-person Walk For Life on Saturday from 9:00 AM to noon in Buffalo at Delaware Park or in Rochester at Highland Park Bowl.

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed: \$725,189.08 / **Budget Received:** \$726,981.75

MISSION MOMENT - Remember to keep using your *Global Mission Partner Directory* distributed in February. Who have you been praying for recently? Let's remember Leah Doty working with the "Oby" people in S.East Asia in her request for more colleagues to support one another in her region.

PERSECUTED CHURCH - Next Door in Canada laws have been recently passed to grant full access to assisted suicide even in non-terminal situations in spite of Christians joining others to oppose this disregard to the sanctity of all life. We pray for all efforts to affirm God's gift of life.

PRAYER CONCERNS: for all who are grieving; for people with concerns: Peter Luckey, 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 Yorks Corners Mennonite Church, Wellsville (Pastor Eugene Miller).