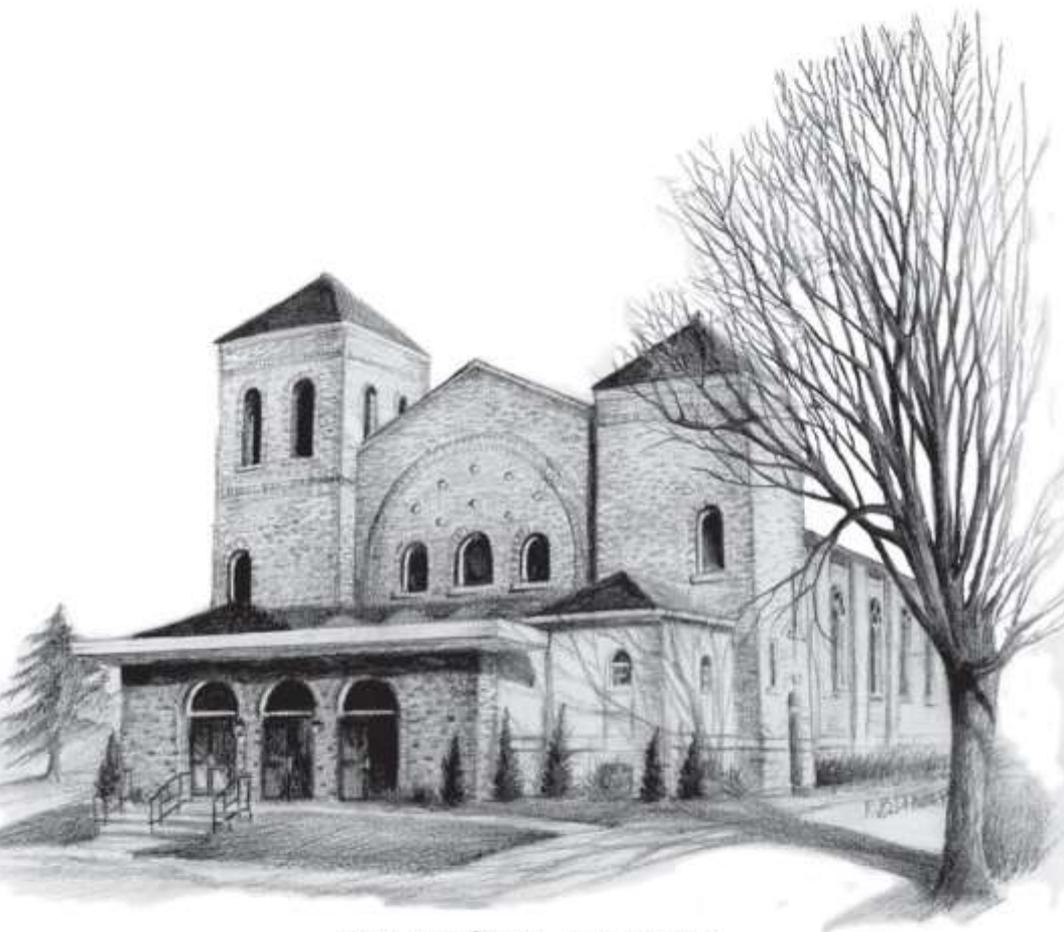




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WESLEYAN CHURCH

*Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly serving others*



WESLEY ODEN, *Senior Pastor*

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 20, 2021

10:00 STREAMING SERVICE

Prelude: *Prelude for Organ* (Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel)

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Hymn of Praise 294: *Take My Life and Let it Be* (Tune of Hymn 87)

Words of Greeting and Peace

Celebration of Ministry: 6th Grade Catechism

Children's Sermon: The Burgett Family

Songs of Adoration: *Thrive; Before the Throne*

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess to you now that we have sinned. We confess the sins that no one knows and the sins that everyone knows. We confess the sins that are a burden to us and the sins that do not bother us because we have grown used to them. We confess our sins as a church—hesitating to love one another, to forgive one another, to give ourselves to one another like Christ. Father, forgive us. Send the Holy Spirit upon us as you did your disciples, that he may give us power to live as you have called us to live.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Time of Prayer

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

Scripture Reading: Romans 11:33-12:2

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

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

Sermon: **Extreme Transformation**

Pastor Cindy Oden

Song: ***Surrender All***

Benediction

Organist: Judy Congdon

Scripture Reader: Jessica Chapman

Music Ministry Team:

Joanna Bates, vocals; Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Matt Cox, guitar & vocals;

Betsy Webb, keyboard & vocals; AC Taylor, cajón

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. The Psalmist writes, “Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom” (145:3). We gather for worship today to proclaim once again that God is great and to offer him our highest praise. As we worship this morning, let us open our hearts and minds to him in praise, adoration and celebration for who he is and for all that he has done.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH THIS WEEK! Children can join us in the Community Room during the sermon.

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.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING the Rev. Dr. Jon Case will be preaching.

ODENS ON VACATION: Pastors Wes and Cindy will be on vacation this coming week. While they are gone, we will publish a weekly letter, but Pastor Wes will not be sending out a weekly video.

TONIGHT AT 7:00 P.M. all are invited to the **FILLMORE CENTRAL SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE** in the FCS Auditorium.

STAYING CONNECTED: During this unusual time, we want to stay as connected to you as possible. Pastor Wes is sending out a weekly letter on Tuesdays and video on Thursdays. Both are distributed through email and text and may be accessed on the church website (hwchurch.org) and Facebook pages. If you are not receiving these communications and would like to do so, please send your contact information to office@hwchurch.org.

STEWARDSHIP Budget Needed: \$32,243.30 / **Budget Received:** \$26,646.49

HWC CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES is excited to team with Fillmore Wesleyan Church as they host **Vacation Bible School June 28 - July 2nd.** Email emilyspateholts@hwchurch.org or annmceill@hwchurch.org to sign your children up and/or to volunteer to help. We need group leaders to assist small groups of children as they participate in the Bible story, science, and crafts stations, and possibly a Games Leader. The evenings run from 6:00-7:30.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY will not be meeting for the next six weeks. Hope to see both new and old faces again in August!

VALLEY PRESCHOOL APPLICATIONS are available at the VPS Bulletin Board, in the church office, and online at <https://hwchurch.org/2021-22-vps-application-fillable/>

MISSION MOMENT - In our Wesleyan-world tour, we turn to the earliest General Conference of Wesleyans independent of N. American supervision—The Wesleyan Church of Philippines—with hundreds of churches and workers and several fine Bible colleges. Workers from the Arabian Peninsula, Hong Kong, Italy, Singapore and partners in ministry there. Our own global partners, Drs. Romy and Linda hail from that country. This majority “Christian” nation still has many unreached with the Gospel, and many physical and social needs as we pray for the church to flourish.

PERSECUTED CHURCH - Earlier this month in Saudi Arabia a believer in Jesus, “Adam,” was tried and fined \$80,000 on false charges brought by extended family because he shared his faith in Jesus. If he can’t pay up, long imprisonment awaits. This is not uncommon. (Open Doors) Pray for those who are bold in their witness for Christ and subsequently incur the wrath of family and community.

PRAYER CONCERNS: for Ben Hegeman and family at the death of his mother and for all who are grieving; for people with concerns: Denise Zambrano, Carlos Gildemeister, 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 Latoria, Mark Mayhle (Doug’s brother), Jeshu, Kurtis and Elijah 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 affected 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 Anchor Church, Buffalo (Pastor Steve Johnson).