

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AUGUST 22, 2021 LISTEN AT 106.9 FM

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH Every Sunday is a time for remembering all that God has done and to celebrate the victory of Christ's resurrection. May God open our eyes, our ears, our minds and our hearts to him.

BAPTISM SERVICE AND ICE CREAM GATHERING Please join us for a baptism service today at 3:00p.m. in the church sanctuary. Following the baptism service, you are invited to an Ice Cream Social from 3:30 to 4:30 on the north side of the church. Please use the south driveway to enter and park for the baptism service and ice cream social. You may park on the south side or the back parking lot. We invite you to come to one or both of these important events in the life of our church. We do invite you to bring lawn chairs or blankets, if you like, for the ice cream social. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you this afternoon.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING Pastor Wes preaches from Psalm 72 in which we give thanks for the privilege of influencing the world. We are called to Rethink Worship. We will gather for the outdoor worship at 8:45a.m. and for indoor and streaming worship at 11:00a.m.

HWC KIDS Mark your calendars: Sunday School begins September 5th at 9:45a.m.! We can't wait to see you! Parents, please take a few minutes to fill out the [survey](#) about Kids Min in the fall so we can get a better idea of how to allocate our resources. Sunday School team members, there will be a training for the fall at 9:45a.m. on August 29th.

CONNECTING We are in the process of updating email addresses and phone numbers for texting so that everyone who desires receives information from the church. If you are not currently receiving either a text or email for Pastor Wes' weekly letter and weekly video chat, please contact the church office and we will update your information.

FALL SERVICE TIMES: Starting next Sunday, our worship schedule changes. Sunday School begins September 5.

8:45 a.m. Outdoor Worship

9:45 a.m. Sunday School (begins September 5)

11:00 a.m. Indoor/Streaming Worship

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP Room 105 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY Hope to see new and old faces again on Thursday evenings, 7:00 p.m. in the Good Shepherd Room!

STEWARDSHIP Budget Needed: \$176,561.44 / Budget Received: \$162,996.65

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 Our hearts and prayers turn to Haiti where one Wesleyan church was completely destroyed and another severely damaged. There is no word yet on families impacted. We pray for the response with doctors and nurses and especially clean water supplies as local Christian leaders organize and respond alongside Global Partners and World Hope. May God grant strength and grace as many recover and minister to others. Lord have mercy.

PERSECUTED CHURCH We recently prayed for Christians in the minority in Afghanistan. Now we witness the trauma for that whole nation, and again we pray for believers who have cried out for courage in the midst of tangible, written threats, "We know who you are and we will find you!" May God be very real when human answers fail. Lord have mercy.

PRAYER CONCERNS for all who are grieving; for people with concerns; Jessica Bogdan, Denise Zambrano, 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 Elijah Perry, Rueben 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 Lingenfelder; 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 Forestville Wesleyan Church (Pastor Bruce Ellis).

Outdoor Worship Service
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 22, 2021 at 11:15am

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Songs of Adoration:

Champion; What a Beautiful Name; Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us

Blessing for School Children

Time of Prayer

Scripture Reading: Esther 7-10 (selected verses)

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

Sermon: **What Does God Do About Evil?**

Pastor Wes Oden

Song: *Amen (Because He Lives)*

Benediction

Scripture Reader: Sunshine Sullivan

Music Ministry Team:

Joanna Bates, Mike Cox, vocals; Ethan Bast, guitar & vocals;
Amanda Cox, keyboard & vocals; Dan Zambrano, cajón

Champion

O Victory You have won
Victorious You have come
What was stolen
You brought back to us
(Repeat)

**Our Champion you fight for us
You made a way
Where there was none
Our Champion
You're strong in us
The debt we owed
You paid in blood**

The One in whom we belong
We'll lift our voice join Your song
We were orphaned
Now forever Yours

Chorus

We will shout it out
From the mountaintops
That our God is good
He has overcome
Let all the earth
Ev'ry tribe and tongue
We will sing it out
He has overcome
(Repeat)

Chorus

What a Beautiful Name

Verse 1

You were the Word
At the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus 1

**What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ
My King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

Verse 2

You didn't want to leave us broken
So Jesus You became a man
Our sin was great;
Your love was greater
Now we're held withing Your hand

Chorus 2

**What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ
My King
What a wonderful Name it is**

**Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

Bridge 1

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast
Of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For you are raised to life again

Bridge 2

You have no rival;
You have no equal
Now and forever, God You reign
Yours is the kingdom;
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3

**What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ
My King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

Bridge 2

You have no rival;
You have no equal
Now and forever, God You reign
Yours is the kingdom;
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

We are Thine, do Thou befriend us,
Be the guardian of our way;
Keep They flock, from sin defend
us,
Seek us when we go astray:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Hear, O hear us when we pray;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou has promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
Thou has mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Early let us turn to Thee;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Early let us turn to Thee.

Early let us seek Thy favor,
Early let us do They will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
With Thy love our bosoms fill:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou has loved us, love us still;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou has loved us, love us still.

Because He Lives (Amen)

I believe in the Son
I believe in the Risen One
I believe I overcome
By the power of His blood

Amen, amen

**I'm alive I'm alive because He
lives**

Amen, amen

**Let me song join the one that
Never ends
Because He lives**

I was dead in the grave
I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name
He rolled the stone away

Chorus

Because He lives
I can face tomorrow
Because He lives
Ev'ry fear is gone
I know He holds my life,
My future in His hand

Chorus

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