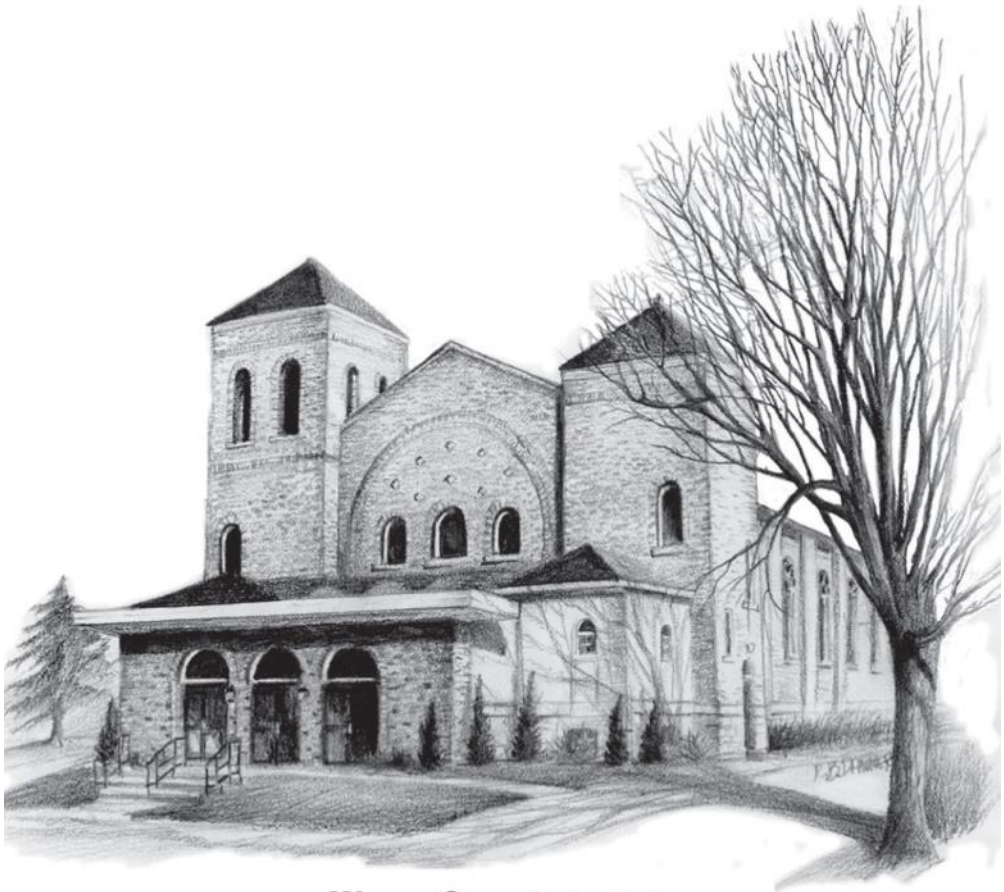




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WESLEYAN CHURCH

*Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly serving others*



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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 30, 2022

11:00 STREAMING SERVICE

Chorale Prelude: “Mein Jesu, der du mich” (Johannes Brahms)
(My Jesus, who calls me to eternal joys)

Welcome

Hymn of Praise 41: ***Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above***

Words of Greeting and Peace

Anthem: *Cry No More* (Dan Forrest)

Children’s Sermon: Stand Out

Songs of Adoration: ***Thrive; Champion; Is He Worthy?***

Time of Prayer

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

Scripture Reading: Matthew 20:1-16

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

Hymn 367: ***O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee***

Sermon: **The Joy of Generosity Toward Others**

Priceless Parables: The Joy of Living Generously, IV

Pastor Wes Oden

Song: ***Let us Consider***

Benediction

Organist: Judy Congdon Acolyte: Lily Sisson Scripture Reader: Margarita Cooley

Music Ministry Team:

Rachael McVeigh, Ethan Carr; vocals; Alison Young Reusser, guitar & vocals;
Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Jan Schilke, keyboard; Dan Zambrano, cajón

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. The 23rd Psalm describes God as the shepherd of his people. Jesus declares that he is the Good Shepherd who cares for his sheep. As we worship today, we remember that God promises to care for all that he has made and in response, we worship him.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING we will gather for worship outdoors at 8:45 a.m. (we will communicate if the weather causes us to move indoors) and indoors/streaming at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Wes will preach about *The Joy of Representing Our Generous God* from Luke 16.

KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL continues today. If you didn't join us in person at 9:45 you may access the digital materials any time. This week kids experience the story of when Jesus leave his hometown (Luke 4: 22-30) to learn that following God makes us stand out.. Join us in-person at 9:45a or virtually at any time (materials are emailed on Friday mornings).

KIDS CLUB meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Parents can enroll their children by emailing AnnMcNeill@hwchurch.org so preparation can begin for the children who will attend. We will continue to explore the pivotal events in the Bible through the Jesus Storybook Bible, rejoicing in the great rescue that Our Savior accomplished for us!

STEWARDS OF CHILDREN, training for Youth and Children's Ministry volunteers, takes place on Saturday, February 5 from 9-11 am. Contact Pastor Jon, or Emily Spateholts to sign up.

GLOBAL MISSION SUNDAY IS FEBRUARY 13: Our theme this year is Messengers of Good News. Jonathan Ortlip, founder and CEO if Ambassadors Football is our guest speaker at both services and a joint 9:45 session, "Toward the Goal," in the Community Room. Ambassadors Football builds relationship and shares the Gospel using football in the USA with clubs, camps and community service; in 20 different countries by partnering with indigenous ministries and local leaders. We will be distributing the 2022 Global Missions Partner Directory, Messengers of Good News.

MISSIONARY MOMENT: Leah Doty in S.E. Asia is deeply engaged with the Oby language people and working with a host NGO on improving conditions for disabled people. We pray her work of developing the official Oby writing system and literacy programs. We rejoice in anticipation of two new team members in 2022.

THE PERSECUTED CHURCH: Last week a military coup ousted the government of Burkina Faso, a nation where Christians have been under heavy attack by al Qaeda linked militants. The situation is too fresh to know whether this will improve protection for churches and believers, but we pray for God's help and solutions for God's people and the nation as a whole.

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed: \$545,735.36/ **Budget Received:** \$523,547.40

PRAYER CONCERNS: for the family and friends of Harold Grant and for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Patty Plaza (Alejandra Koch's sister), Karen Gaerte, Bill Getty, Don Yeddo (Paul Rowley's step-father), Howard Berry (Donnie Stockin's brother), Andy Mikolajczyk (Mary Lingenfelter's brother), Sith Sanasith (Souly's brother), Denise Zambrano, Cameron Green, Vangie Grant, Lenore Paige, Gary Heil (Janet Stegen's brother), Sarah Gurley, Grace Taylor, Chelsea Ellis, Keith Rugg (Kathy Moore's father), Mark Mayhle (Doug's brother), Jeshu, Kurtis and Elijah Perry, Reuben Samuels, Emily Hood (A.C. Taylor's cousin), Dan Gurley, Phil Main, Emily Crikelair; for all dealing with tragedies and disasters; for all affected by the coronavirus, for refugees, for peace amid threats of war; for the First Baptist Church, Hume (Pastor Joel Stroud).