



**Early Worship Service
– Third Sunday of Easter –
May 1, 2022 at 8:45am**



Welcome

Songs of Adoration: *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death; Resurrecting*

Time of Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Children's Sermon: *God's Messengers*

Scripture Reading: John 21:1-14

¹Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: ²Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. ³"I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. ⁴Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. ⁵He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered. ⁶He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. ⁷Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. ⁸The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. ⁹When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

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

Children ages Preschool to 1st Grade can go to Children's Church

Sermon: **Do You Want to be Forgiven?**

Pastor Wes Oden

Prayer of Confession

Communion: *Kyrie Eleison; Champion*

Benediction

Acolyte: Amelia Esh

Scripture Reader: Warren Torraca

Music Ministry Team:

Grace Deitrick, Emily Quick, vocals; Caleb Hilsher, guitar;

Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Cody Johnson, keyboard & vocals; Dan Zambrano, cajón

Children's Sermon *God's Messengers*: <https://youtu.be/5dmF1C2Palk>
(Available May 1st after 8:00 a.m.)

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.

COMMUNION: At Pastor Wes’s invitation, when you are ready, come to one of the front tables, take a piece of bread and eat it, and a cup and drink it. Gluten-free bread is available on the communion table. Please place your empty cup in the basket as you return to your seat. If you would prefer or are unable to come to the front, we are happy to serve you in your seat or to provide a prepackaged cup of bread and juice.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING Pastor Wes continues through John 21, focusing on verses 15-17 asking the question, *Do You See Yourself the Way Jesus Does?* Join us for indoor worship at 8:45 and indoor/streaming worship at 11:00. Sunday School is at 9:45.

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.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP MEETS 6:30 P.M. IN ROOM 105.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY meets in the Good Shepherd Room on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

THIS THURSDAY IS THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER. Our Prayer Rooms, located on the lower level of the sanctuary, are always available for prayer for our nation, the world or any other concerns, with access by the side-door near the offices. Information about Allegany County gatherings may be accessed at this site: www.facebook.com/AlleganyHopeWNY.

MISSION MOMENT – Kris and Cory Thede face hurdles including circuitous travel to avoid Port au Prince and shorter visa status when hopefully returning to Haiti in July. Wisdom is needed as Area GP missionaries meet Stateside in June. (The latest news from our missionaries is posted monthly in the *Missionary Mailbag*. Grab a copy in the foyer!)

STEWARDSHIP Budget Needed: \$754,398.88/ Budget Received: \$716,567.07

PERSECUTED CHURCH – Fazlia*, an Afghan school teacher and Christian, naturally had two targets on or back as Taliban took control. When her girls’ school was closed she escaped with some relatives and a few of her school girls. She now faithfully teaches them outside her country. We pray for her and so many.

HWC Kids:

●HWC Kids in May: How many ways can you send a message? There are so many unique ways! Special deliveries are the best but even better are the messages found in each package. This month, we are going to look at the most important message that was ever sent out and how we are meant to be the ones delivering it. Kids are God’s messengers that can share the stories of God’s miracles and help. Get kids involved in helping God’s message go everywhere because God delivers everyone!

●May memory verse: Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said "Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

●This week in Sunday School, kids hear about when Saul met Jesus and was changed forever. THE BIG IDEA: We are God’s messengers. THE BIBLE: Acts 9:1–20; I Corinthians 15:1–9

PRAYER CONCERNS: for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Cindy Oden, Mim Case, Grace Taylor, Ann Irving (Ann McNeill’s mother), Jennifer Brown, Walter Schilke (Stephan’s father), Karen Gaerte, Bill Getty, Don Yeddo (Paul Rowley’s step-father), 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, Chelsea Ellis, Keith Rugg (Kathy Moore’s father), Mark Mayhle (Doug’s brother), Jeshu, Kurtis and Eliyah Perry, Reuben Samuels, Dan Gurley, Phil Main, Emily Crikelair; for all dealing with tragedies and disasters; for all effected by the coronavirus, for refugees throughout the world, for protection, wisdom and peace for the people and leaders of Ukraine; for a Chinese pastor who has been detained by the police since December 26; for First Baptist Church, Angelica (Pastor David Ford).



OUR YOUTH GROUP IS DOING WORLD VISION'S 30 HOUR FAMINE.

WHAT: For 30 hours, we'll skip meals to raise funds that will help feed and care for hungry children around the world.

WHY: Every five seconds, a child under 5 dies—and nearly half those deaths are from hunger-related causes. That's why we're taking action now!

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

1. **Give.** Every \$40 we raise helps feed and care for a child for one month. Make checks out to World Vision and give them to the contact person below or visit our fundraising page at:

<https://30hourfamine.worldvision.org/team/HFWChurchYouth22>



or text GIVE30HF to 44888.

2. **Volunteer.** We need your help to make our Famine weekend a success! There are lots of ways to help out. See Pastor Jon for details.
3. **Pray.** Ask for God's grace over our event and our fundraising, and that we grow deeper in our love for Him while helping change hungry kids' lives.

WHEN: May 6-7, 2022 - **We'll be fundraising until May 22nd**

Schedule - Friday night May 6 - 5:30 - Food Pantry Drive - Students will walk around the greater Houghton Area collecting food for the HWC Food Pantry

Saturday May 7 - 8:30 am - noon - local service projects

1-4pm - Carwash at the church. Bring in your car!

5pm - Break our fast with communion and then spaghetti!

OUR GOAL: We're raising \$3000.00 to help feed and care for hungry youth!

CONTACT: Pastor Jon - JonCole@HWChurch.org

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Verse 1

What is our hope in life and death
Christ alone Christ alone
What is our only confidence
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand
What comes apart from His command
And what will keep us to the end
The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus

O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

Verse 2

What truth can calm the troubled soul
God is good God is good
Where is His grace and goodness
known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

Verse 3

Unto the grave what will we sing
Christ He lives Christ He lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

Resurrecting

Verse 1

The head that once was crowned with
thorns
Is crowned with glory now
The Savior knelt to wash our feet
Now at his feet we bow

Verse 2

The one who wore our sin and shame
Now robed in majesty
The radiance of perfect love
Now shines for all to see

Chorus

Your name
Your name
Is victory
All praise
Will rise
To Christ our king

Verse 3

The fear that held us now gives way
To him who is our peace
His final breath upon the cross
Is now alive in me

Bridge

By your spirit I will rise
From the ashes of defeat
The resurrected king
Is resurrecting me
In your name I come alive
To declare your victory
The resurrected king
Is resurrecting me

Verse 4

The tomb where soldiers watched in
vain
Was borrowed for three days
His body there would not remain
Our God has robbed the grave
Our God has robbed the grave

Kyrie Eleison

Verse 1

For the things we've done
and left undone
For the ways we've wandered from
Your heart
Forgive us we pray,
Forgive us we pray

Verse 2

For the idols we put
on Your throne
For the loves we choose
above Your own
Forgive us we pray,
Forgive us we pray

Chorus

Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us, on us
Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us, on us

Verse 2

For the lies that we
clutch to our chests
For the fear that
wants to steal our breath
Forgive us we pray,
and give us Your grace

Chorus

Bridge

Forgiving God,
Forgiving us (Sing 4x)

Chorus

Champion

Verse 1

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

Chorus

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

Verse 2

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

Bridge

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