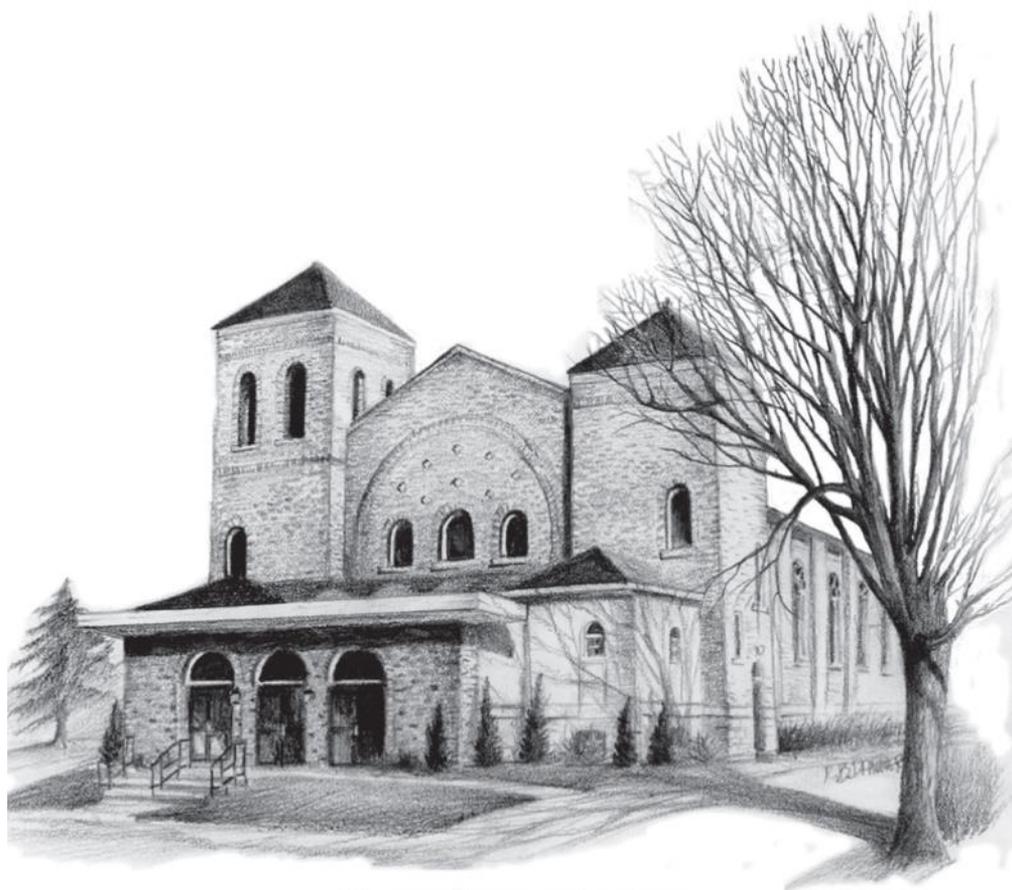




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WESLEYAN CHURCH

*Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly serving others*



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First Sunday After Pentecost
June 12, 2022
11:00am

Prelude: *NIMROD from ENIGMA Variations* (Elgar, arr. N. Rawsthorne)

Welcome

Hymn of Praise 1: ***O For a Thousand Tongues***

Words of Greeting and Peace

Celebration of Ministry: Children

Children's Sermon: Hope

Songs of Adoration: ***King of Kings; Kyrie Eleison***

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, giver of every good and perfect gift, we bow before you acknowledging our corporate sin and our need for corporate forgiveness. In this past week, as your people, we have doubted Your goodness, we have pursued the idols of wealth and possessions, we have lusted for power, we have spoken harsh words and ignored people who are hurting. Most grievously, we have been consciously and subconsciously negligent to give thanks for your blessings. As your people, forgive us and lead us in the way to everlasting life through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Time of Prayer

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

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 1: 1-9; 7:37-38

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

Hymn 33: ***For the Beauty of the Earth***

Sermon: **The Holy Life of Sacrifice**

Pastor Wes Oden

Communion: ***Before the Throne; Knowing You***

Benediction

Organist: Judy Congdon Acolyte: Grayson Cox Scripture Reader: Nico Seddio

Music Ministry Team:

Jadyn Mucher, Kristen Sanasith, vocals;

Alison Young Reusser, guitar & vocals; Jan Schilke, keyboard; AC Taylor, cajón

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. Worship is a privilege that allows us to acknowledge the glory of God, to hear God speak into our community, to commit ourselves to one another in love, and to affirm that God is our loving, merciful heavenly Father. In our worship today, may God help us turn our attention to Him with all of our heart, soul, mind and strength.

COMMUNION: As the ushers release your row, come to the front table, 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. We practice open communion in The Wesleyan Church: all who come in faith of Christ's redeeming power are welcome. If you desire the grace of God in your life, enabling you to love God with all of your being and to love others as yourself through the Spirit in you, you are invited to receive the bread and cup of God's grace in Christ for the sins of the whole world.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING Pastor Wes will preach about *The Holy Life of Rhythm* from Leviticus 23-25 We will gather for worship outdoors at 8:45 and indoors/streaming at 11:00 a.m.

STAYING CONNECTED: Pastor Wes continues sending out a weekly update on Tuesday and a video meditation on Thursday. (The video meditation will be sporadic through the summer). 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.

HWC Kids:

- Congratulations to our 2nd and 3rd graders on memorizing the books of the Bible! We are so proud of you!
- Sunday School: This week, kids are introduced to the character of Boaz in Ruth's story. THE BIG IDEA: God gives us hope. THE BIBLE: Ruth 2; Romans 5:1-5
- This Sunday is the last day of Sunday School. Children's Church for ages preschool-1st grade continues through the summer during the 8:45 service. Digital materials for all ages will continue to be sent out weekly.
- Join the Food Truck Party and get on a roll with God! Ages 3 - 6th grade are invited to join us at Fillmore Wesleyan Church for VBS, June 27th-29th from 6-8pm. Three nights of music, Bible lessons, activities, themed snacks, games, science, and more. Sign up here: <https://fillmore.breezechms.com/form/VBS2022>. Want to join our team? Email kidsmin@hwchurch.org for more info. We are in need of small group leaders, activity center leaders, a science leader, someone to help with registration and check-in, and more.

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed: \$16,051.04 / **Budget Received:** \$8,847.71

MISSION MOMENT – A real moment of opportunity -- to hear Carolyn Miller tomorrow, June 13 at 9:30 a.m. in the college RECITAL HALL, recount God's hand in and the fruit of translating the Bible into the Bru language, as well as tell the story of capture and release during the Viet Nam war almost 50 years ago. We pray and praise God for all our WBT missionaries and God's faithfulness in the service of John and Carolyn Miller. Everyone is welcome tomorrow at the CFA Recital Hall at 9:30.

PERSECUTED CHURCH – As we celebrated Pentecost a week ago, a Catholic church in Ondo State of southwest Nigeria was stormed and at least 50 worshippers killed. The concern is that violence is spreading beyond the oft-attacked northern sector of the country. We pray for all Christian brothers and sisters to be able to worship without fear and danger.

THIS WEEK:

- Wednesday Prayer Group, Room 105, 6:30-7:30 pm
- Celebrate Recovery, Good Shepherd Room, 7-8:30 pm
- Library and Prayer Rooms are available when the church is open, usually 7 am to 7 pm

PRAYER CONCERNS: for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Gus Prinsell, Donna Hess, Mim Case, Grace Taylor, 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 including the recent shootings in Buffalo, Laguna Woods, California, Uvalde, Texas and other places; for refugees throughout the world; for protection, wisdom and peace in Ukraine; for a Chinese pastor who has been detained by the police since December 26; for First Baptist Church, Belmont.