

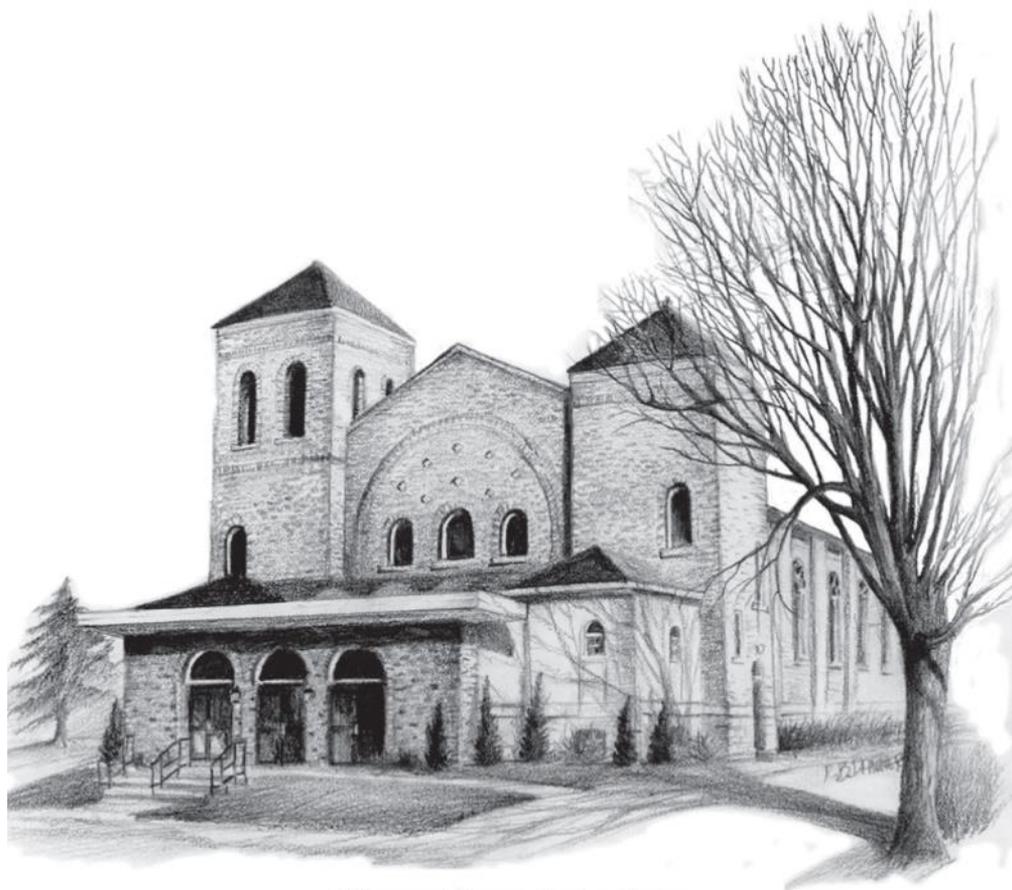


# Houghton

WESLEYAN CHURCH

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*Joyfully loving God,  
wholeheartedly serving others*



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**Third Sunday After Pentecost**  
**June 26, 2022**  
**11:00am**

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Prelude: “Here I Am, Lord” (D. Schutte, arr. John Carter)

Welcome

Hymn of Praise 404: ***How Firm a Foundation***

Words of Greeting and Peace

Celebration of Ministry: Genesee Rapids

Children’s Sermon: ***God’s There***

Songs of Adoration: ***Christ our Hope in Life and Death; Living Hope***

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, fill us with a desire to want you to change what we are, and to direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Time of Prayer

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

Scripture Reading: Mark 1: 14-20 and John 13: 12-17

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

Hymn 381: ***All the Way My Savior Leads Me***

Sermon: **Follow Me**

Dr. Terence Paige

Hymn 262:-***I Have Decided to Follow Jesus***

Benediction

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Organist: Judy Congdon      Acolyte: Miriam Derck      Scripture Reader: Pastor Paul Shea

Music Ministry Team:

Evie Cox, Kristen Sanasith, vocals; Alison Young Reusser, guitar & vocals;  
Jan Schilke, keyboard; Dianna Clem, flute; Dan Zambrano, cajón

**WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH.** Each day we face the struggles of living in a fallen world and are acutely aware of the need for God's presence and help. God promises His presence in each of our lives. We gather today to remember all that God has done and all that He has promised to do and to worship Him for who He is.

**GUEST PREACHER:** Today we welcome the Rev. Dr. Terry Paige as our guest preacher. Dr. Paige is Professor of New Testament and Program Coordinator, Biblical Studies at Houghton College.

**NEXT SUNDAY MORNING** the Rev. Dr. Jon Case, Professor of Theology at Houghton College will preach.

**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.

### **HWC Kids:**

- This week, kids get to see Ruth and Boaz's happily ever after! **THE BIG IDEA:** God always takes care of us. **THE BIBLE:** Ruth 4; Psalm 16
  - This Sunday, we're celebrating our HWC Kids volunteers! Please take a moment to thank them if you see them. We could not do what we do without them and are so thankful for their time, attention, and love!
  - Apply to VPS before the end of the month to receive a reduced application fee! Children ages 2-5 are welcomed to join us on Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays for a time of experiential, faith-based learning. For more information, contact [casdadanner@hwchurch.org](mailto:casdadanner@hwchurch.org) or visit our website at <https://hwchurch.org/valley-preschool/>
  - VBS needs snack ingredients! Visit the link to sign up to contribute. Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:
    - 1) Click this link to see our Signup on SignUp.com: <https://signup.com/go/amXkAte>
    - 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
    - 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.
- \*\*Note:** items donated from our congregation can be left (labeled, please) in the kitchen/fridge at Houghton Wesleyan to be transported up to Fillmore after the morning services on June 26th.

### **STEWARDSHIP**

**Budget Needed:** \$48,153.12/ **Budget Received:** \$37,355.19

**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 8am to 7 pm

**LOST AND FOUND:** Coats, sweaters, toys, books, glasses and other items have collected in the foyer outside the Community Room. Items are on hangers or in the cabinet at the bottom of the staircase to the second floor. Children's blue framed glasses are in the church office. All unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity on July 8.

**MISSION MOMENT** – Moving is not easy. Changing continents and cultures – extremely difficult. Our missionaries, Kris and Cory Thede are moving from long careers in Haiti to at least a year in Zambia because of multiple crises in Haiti. Pray for all the adjustments of relationships, language, home and work in medical and agricultural ministries.

**PERSECUTED CHURCH** – In Burkina Faso 5.1 million Christians (25% of population) are not guaranteed freedom of religion. Between January and May over 500 have lost lives in brutal attacks – 110 in just two weeks in May. Homes, farms, schooling... everything is disrupted for the nearly 2 million who are internally displaced because of extreme instability caused by rival jihadist groups. Pray for God to intervene in this land.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Kim Pegula, Gus Prinsell, 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 Elijah 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 Black Creek Baptist Church, (Pastor John Asquith).