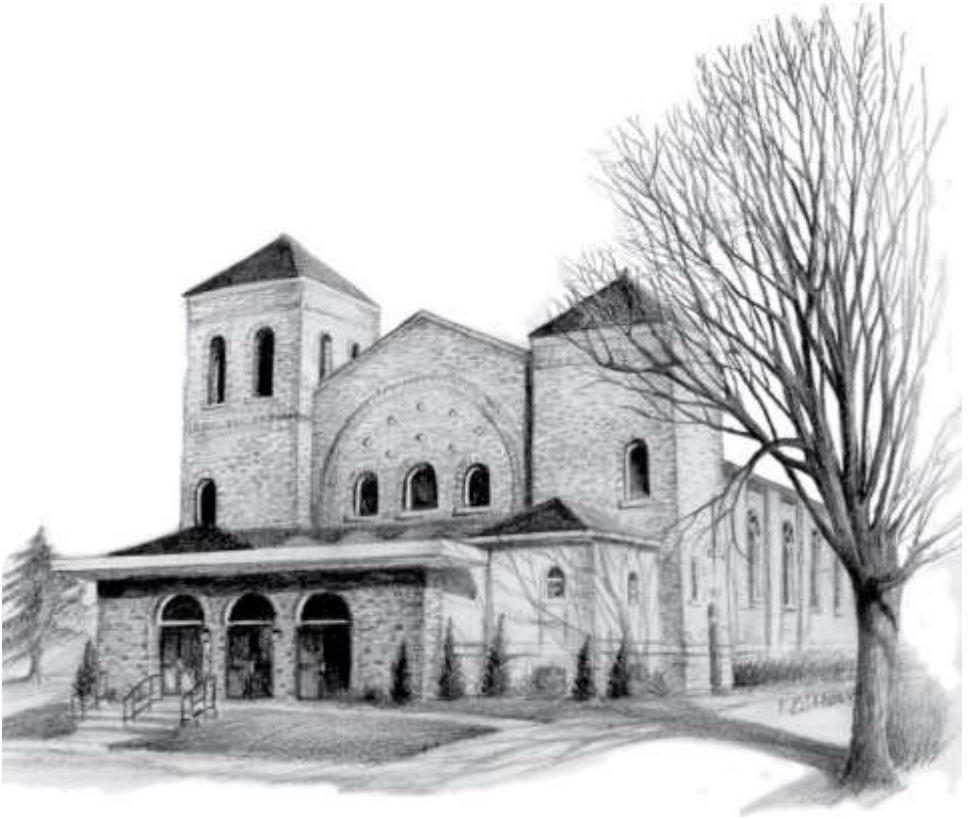




Houghton

WESLEYAN CHURCH

*Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly serving others*



WESLEY ODEN, *Senior Pastor*

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AMANDA COX, *Music and Worship Director*

EMILY SPATEHOLTS, *Children's Ministry Director*

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 29, 2023

11:00 A.M.

Prelude:

“Be Thou My Vision” (arr. M. Burkhardt)
“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less” (arr. W. Held)

Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn of Praise 467: ***Christ is Made the Sure Foundation***

Words of Greeting and Peace

Celebration of Ministry: Royal Family Kids Camp

Children’s Sermon: ***Waiting for Marshmallows***

Songs of Adoration: ***Lord, You are Good; A Thousand Hallelujahs***

Time of Prayer

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

Offertory: *Pensaba en ti* (Marcela Gándara)
(Offering will be received)

Scripture Reading: I Corinthians 12: 12-31

This morning’s scripture will be read in German.

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

Hymn 472: ***Christ from Whom All Blessings Flow***
(alternate verses on screen)

Sermon: **The Church Looks Like...**
Pastor Wes Oden

Song: ***Oh How Good it Is***

Benediction

Organist: Judy Congdon

Acolyte: Miriam Derck

Scripture Reader: Gudy Stevenson

Music Ministry Team:

Nayellis Perez, vocals; Matt Cox, guitar & vocals; Cody Johnson, keyboard & vocals;
Dan Zambrano, cello; Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Nico Seddio, 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 gather for worship at 8:30 and 11:00. The 11:00 service will be streamed. Pastor Wes continues this series of sermons on metaphors of the church. Next Sunday's sermon is from John 21: *The Church Is Like a*

HWC Kids: This week in Kids' Connect, kids hear about Jesus being tempted in the wilderness and how he overcame. **BIG IDEA:** God's words help us make wise choices. **BIBLE:** Luke 4:1-13

MISSION MOMENT – Back in business! That's the way it feels as your Global Missions Committee has already begun receiving applications for short-term and summer missions activity. Eight Houghton U. students will be heading to the Austins in Czech during February break; the Petrillos and Szmanskis are prepping for a March trip to Tanzania; several H.U. athletic teams are planning trips to Brazil and Nicaragua; Jayden Mucher heads to Zambia in May with I.W.U. We pray for preparation and support-raising for these and more.

PERSECUTED CHURCH – Sometimes the church, our brothers and sisters, are simply in difficult and war-torn areas where they struggle for basic medicines and essential food. We pray for God's people in places like DRC, Myanmar, Ukraine and more where they are trusting God for basic survival and Christian and other groups are faithfully attempting to minister in the name of Jesus out of most of our sight.

SHORT TERM MISSIONS SUPPORT APPLICATIONS are available on HWC webpage under "Global Outreach." Applications should be sent to the church office as soon as possible and no later than March 15.

CHURCH PICTURES - Our staff and volunteers would love to know every HWC attender by name and on sight! So if you're willing to give us a head shot (picture) of yourself *only for our internal use* please send it to emilyspateholts@hwchurch.org. The pictures will not be published or visible anywhere beyond our own data base. Alternatively, we'll have someone available to snap a photo before or after each worship service today and February 5. Thanks!

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed: \$545,735.36 / **Budget Received:** \$519,533.26

PRAYER CONCERNS: for Janet Stegen and her family at the death of her brother, Gary Heil and for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Jeff LaLonde (Andrea Tanner's father), David Ortlip, Vesta Mullen, Terry Ayers, Scarlett Gildemeister, Kim Pegula, Mim Case, Grace Taylor, 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, Dan and Sarah Gurley, Chelsea Ellis, Keith Rugg (Kathy Moore's father), Mark Mayhle (Doug's brother), Jeshu, Kurtis and Eliyah Perry, Reuben Samuels, Emily Crikelair; for all dealing with tragedies and disasters including the recent storms; for refugees throughout the world; for protection, wisdom and peace in Ukraine; for a Chinese pastor who has been detained since last December; for Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Wellsville.