

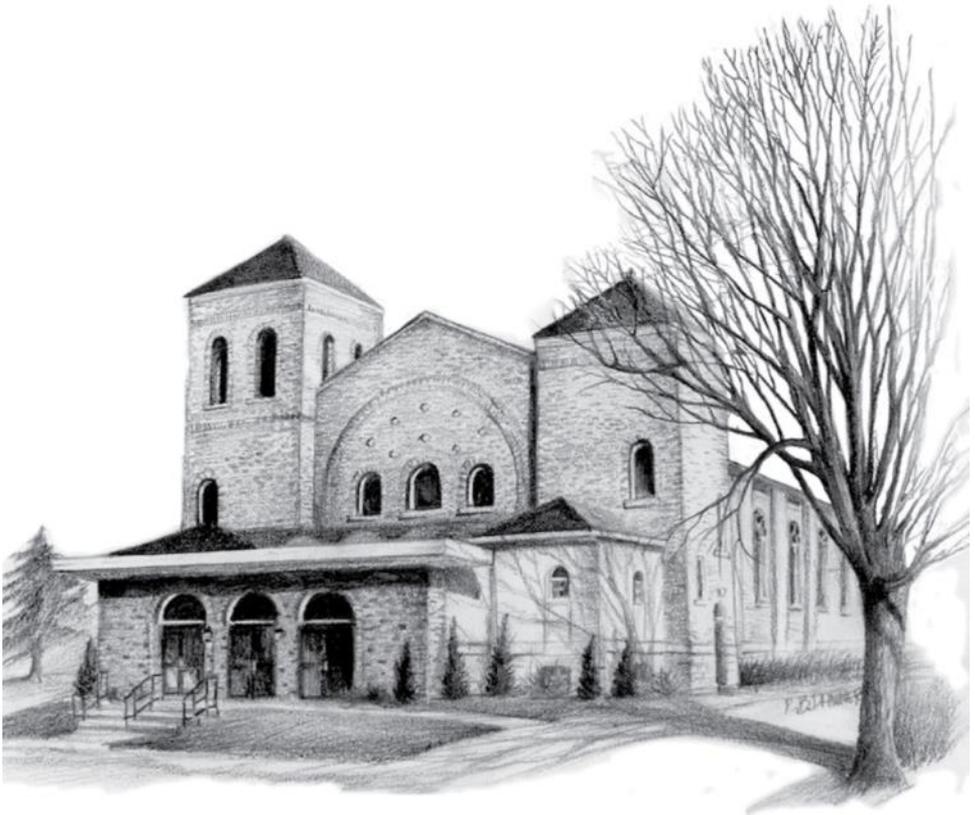


# Houghton

WESLEYAN CHURCH

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*Joyfully loving God,  
wholeheartedly serving others*



WESLEY ODEN, *Senior Pastor*

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EMILY SPATEHOLTS, *Children's Ministry Director*

# FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

FEBRUARY 26, 2023

8:30 A.M.

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Welcome

Songs of Adoration:

***May the People Praise You; King of Kings; Kyrie Eleison***  
(Offering will be received during the third song)

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: ***Prayer***

Scripture Reading: Luke 22:39-46

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

Song: ***Show Us Christ***

*Children PreK thru 1st Grade will be dismissed for Children's Church during the greeting time before the sermon.*

Sermon: **Why are You Sleeping?**

Pastor Wes Oden

Song: ***O Jesus, I Have Promised***

Benediction

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**Acolyte:** Cora Sanasith

**Scripture Reader:** Samuel Malafy

**Music Ministry Team:**

Kristen Sanasith, vocals; Dan Wartinger, guitar & vocals;

Betsy Webb, keyboard & vocals;

Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Dianna Clem, flute

**WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH.** The season of Lent is designed by the ancient church fathers as a means of reminding Christ's disciples that the passion, suffering and death of Christ are central to our faith. Though this is a solemn season in which we contemplate our sin, it is also a season to give thanks that Jesus goes to the cross to redeem all of creation.

**NEXT SUNDAY MORNING** is the Second Sunday in Lent. Pastor Wes continues a Lenten series of sermons focusing on some of the questions Jesus asks during the last hours of his life. Next week's sermon, *Don't You Know I Could Call Angels?* is from Matthew 26:47-56. We will gather for worship at 8:30 and 11:00. The 11:00 service will be streamed.

### **HWC Kids:**

**Kids Connect:** This week, kids learn from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount about the Lord's prayer. **BIG IDEA:** Jesus taught us how to pray. **BIBLE:** Matthew 6:5-15

**February Memory Verse:** "I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." — John 13:15 (NIV)

**MISSION MOMENT** – Pray for World Hope International in its response to the devastation in Turkey and Syria including \$120,000 worth of medical supplies already shipped. Working with MAP International and reliable partners on the ground contributions are multiplied many times over. WHI has a long term commitment to help construct as many as 20 shelters a week into the future to house the homeless. (See WHI Emergency Response.)

**SHORT TERM MISSIONS:** Support applications can be downloaded from the church website and sent to [paulshea@hwchurch.org](mailto:paulshea@hwchurch.org) or mailed to the church office. See Global Outreach page on the website and click on "Short term mission trips application."

**PERSECUTED CHURCH** – How should we pray for desperate geo-political crises? Two years of brutal horrific military rule in Myanmar has killed 3000 people and burned 100 villages and brought the nation daily financial, physical, spiritual, mental and political struggles. Four Christian nationals plea for unity among Christian minorities, an end to the dictatorship, strength to survive, and opportunities to witness for Christ. (CT Daily Briefing)

**REMINDER:** The Women's Bible Study meets 9:30 to 10:45 on Wednesday mornings in the Good Shepherd Room.

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS** the Prayer Group meets in the Conference Room from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY** meets Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in Room 105 across from the church library. Celebrate Recovery is a safe place to find community and freedom from the issues that are controlling our lives.

### **STEWARDSHIP**

**Budget Needed: \$609,939.52 / Budget Received: \$606,764.55**

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Jerry Brown, 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 particularly the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria; for refugees throughout the world; for protection, wisdom and peace in Ukraine; for a Chinese pas-tor who has been detained for more than a year; for First United Methodist Church, Wellsville (Pastor Craig Buelow).