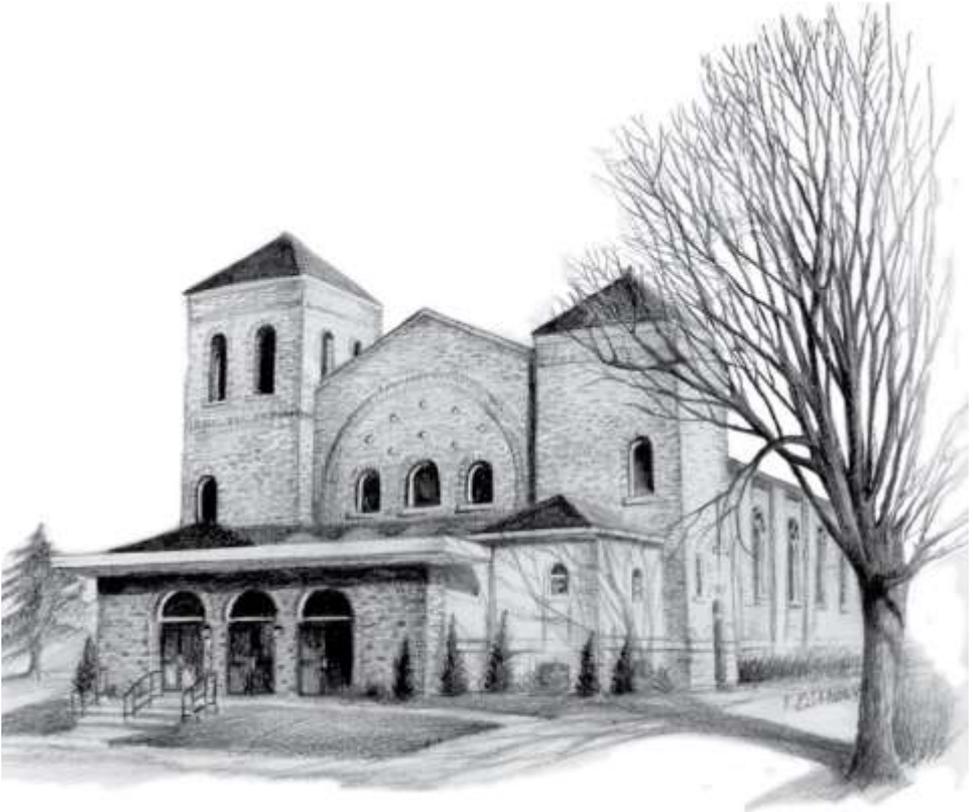




Houghton

WESLEYAN CHURCH

*Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly serving others*



WESLEY ODEN, *Senior Pastor*

JON COLE, *Youth Pastor*

DAVID HUIZENGA, *Discipleship and College Pastor*

CINDY ODEN, *Assistant Pastor*

PAUL SHEA, *Volunteer Assistant Pastor*

AMANDA COX, *Music and Worship Director*

EMILY SPATEHOLTS, *Children's Ministry Director*

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 5, 2023

8:30 A.M.

Welcome

Songs of Adoration:

A Mighty Fortress; Light of the World; What a Beautiful Name
(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: *Salt and Light*

Scripture Reading: John 21:1-14

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

*Children in Pre-K through 1st Grade will be dismissed for
Children's Church during the greeting time before the sermon.*

Sermon: **The Church Looks Like...**

Pastor Wes Oden

Communion: *My Jesus, I Love Thee; Before the Throne*

Benediction

Acolyte: Grayson Cox

Scripture Reader: Pastor Paul Shea

Music Ministry Team:

Levi Webb, vocals; Alison Young Reusser, guitar & vocals;

Betsy Webb, keyboard & vocals;

Dianna Clem, flute; Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Nico Seddio, cajón

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. We worship each week to focus our attention on God, to give thanks for the gift of Jesus Christ and open our lives to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. May God do more today than we might dream or imagine.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING we gather for worship at 8:30 and 11:00. The 11:00 service will be streamed. Pastor Wes concludes this series of sermons on metaphors of the church. Next Sunday's sermon is from Matthew 5.

HWC Kids: February in Kids Connect: "How To" - The internet helps us learn how to do so many things! From new skate tricks and viral recipes to helpful hacks, there's a "how-to" for almost everything. But is there a tutorial video for how to follow God? This four-week series is kind of like that — thanks to some tutorials from Jesus! Each week, we'll focus on one of Jesus' teachings from the Sermon on the Mount as we learn "how to" make a difference, love our enemies, share with others, and pray.

- February Memory Verse: "I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." — John 13:15 (NIV)
- This week in Kids Connect, kids learn from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount about how to be the salt and the light. **BIG IDEA:** Jesus taught us how to make a difference. **BIBLE:** Matthew 5:13-16
- Kids Club Save the Date - Saturday, February 18th from 9:30-11:00am. More details to come!.

NEW FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY: Each Sunday any Discipleship Hour participants are welcome to remain afterwards for some stay-and-chat fellowship time at 10:45am in the Community Room.

CHURCH PICTURES - As you leave worship today, we'd be grateful if you'd stop by the big white easel and let Pastor David or another staff member snap a headshot picture of you—so that HWC leaders can match names and faces and know every single HWC attender on sight. Pictures are *only* for the internal office data base and will not be published or used anywhere else.

MISSION MOMENT – Wesleyan churches or affiliates in Poland, Czech and Austria have been helping Ukrainian refugees for months in resettling, hospitality and relief like generators, heaters, clothing for the winter. The work not only brings physical relief in Jesus' Name, but is an investment in lives through relationships, prayer and care. Please continue to pray as Christians live out the love of Christ. (Global Partners Europe)

FOOD PANTRY: Thank you to everyone who faithfully give to HWC's Food Pantry where those in need may request resources twice a year, and those in crisis may request assistance immediately. We currently have an abundance of spaghetti and sauce, mac and cheese, and pumpkin puree. Items that would be helpful compliments to them include: parmesan cheese, butter, shelf-stable mini-cartons of milk, and canned milk. Items may be left inside the side door near the Food Pantry or deposited in the blue tub by the coffee station in the foyer.

SHORT TERM MISSIONS SUPPORT APPLICATIONS: 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.

PERSECUTED CHURCH – North Korea's laws actually forbid reading and possessing the Bible, an illegal book, with very severe punishments from ten years of correctional labor and even death in some cases. Imagine a system so fearful of the liberating Good News of Jesus! Let us pray for God to break down the walls of opposition to the Gospel in that land. (Open Doors)

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed: \$561,786.40 / **Budget Received:** \$539,494.77

PRAYER CONCERNS: For the family of David Ortlip (Karen Daugherty's brother) and for the family of Jennifer Kilbury (Bill and Joan Veley's daughter) both who died this week; for Andrea Tanner and her family at the death of her father, Jeff LaLonde, the family and friends of Lanny Thomas and for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Jerry Brown (Pastor Cindy's father), 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 Shongo Country Chapel, Wellsville (Pastor Ann Jenkins).