

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 16, 2023
8:30 OUTDOOR SERVICE
LISTEN AT 106.9 FM

Holy, Holy, Holy

Welcome & Announcements

Celebration of Ministry: RFKC (Nancy Murphy)

Greeting One Another

Come Ye Sinners

Living Hope

Time of Prayer

Response: *Draw Me Lord*

Scripture Reading: Acts 26:9-23

9 “I too was convinced that I ought to do all that was possible to oppose the name of Jesus of Nazareth. 10 And that is just what I did in Jerusalem. On the authority of the chief priests I put many of the Lord’s people in prison, and when they were put to death, I cast my vote against them. 11 Many a time I went from one synagogue to another to have them punished, and I tried to force them to blaspheme. I was so obsessed with persecuting them that I even hunted them down in foreign cities.

12 “On one of these journeys I was going to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests. 13 About noon, King Agrippa, as I was on the road, I saw a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, blazing around me and my companions. 14 We all fell to the ground, and I heard a voice saying to me in Aramaic, ‘Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.’ 15 “Then I asked, ‘Who are you, Lord?’

“I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,’ the Lord replied. 16 ‘Now get up and stand on your feet. I have appeared to you to appoint you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen and will see of me. 17 I will rescue you from your own people and from the Gentiles. I am sending you to them 18 to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’

19 “So then, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the vision from heaven. 20 First to those in Damascus, then to those in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and then to the Gentiles, I preached that they should repent and turn to God and demonstrate their repentance by their deeds. 21 That is why some Jews seized me in the temple courts and tried to kill me. 22 But God has helped me to this very day; so I stand here and testify to small and great alike. I am saying nothing beyond what the prophets and Moses said would happen—23 that the Messiah would suffer and, as the first to rise from the dead, would bring the message of light to his own people and to the Gentiles.”

Sermon: *When You See the Light*
(Rev. Dr. Paul Shea)

Build Your Kingdom Here

Benediction

Reader: Abby Pixley

Musicians: Dianna Clem (flute), Dan Zambrano (cello), Joanna Bates (vocals), Luke Ogden (vocals), Sophia Templeton (vocals), Caleb Hilsher (guitar), Gabe Huizenga (cajòn), David Huizenga (keyboard)

The rose on the pulpit is in honor of the birth of Hadley Rose Fink, born June 21, to parents Jesse and Melissa and siblings, Evie, Levi, and Sela

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. Whether you are a guest or a regular participant in the worship of this congregation, we join together to remember the many blessings of God upon our lives and to respond to him in thanksgiving and obedience. As we sing, pray, read scripture, and hear the word of God proclaimed, let us open our hearts to him and in so doing receive peace, strength, and love from his gracious hand.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING the Rev. Dr. Andy Walton, Professor of Old Testament, Houghton University, will preach.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

July 16 – September 3

8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship

10:00 a.m. Indoor/Streaming Worship

September 10 – October 29

8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship

9:45 a.m. Discipleship Hour

11:00 a.m. Indoor/Streaming Worship

HWC KIDS

- Kids Connect: This week, kids hear about the relationship between brothers, Jacob and Esau. BIG IDEA: We can trust God when it's hard to trust each other. BIBLE: Genesis 25:19-34
- Nursery will be available during the 8:30 service. No Children's Church this week; see you next week.
- Valley Preschool: Turn in your applications today for a fun and faith-filled opportunity for 2 - 5 year olds in the fall! Applications available at the Church Office or online at <https://hwchurch.org/valley-preschool/>.
- Bikes on the Quad: Wednesday, 6:30pm, HU quad
- Family Friday: Friday, July 21, 6:30-8pm, Babbitts' house (16 E. Main St., Fillmore)
- "Wacky Water" Kids Club: Saturday, June 22nd, 9:30-11 am at the Church with water games, water balloons, slip 'n' slide, popsicles, and more!

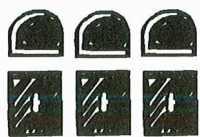
REFRESH RETREAT & FAMILY CAMP July 30-August 4 on the Houghton University Campus. Go to refreshhoughton.com for resources and registration.

STEWARDSHIP Budget Needed: \$100,303.86 / Budget Received: \$88,589.41

MISSION MOMENT - We pray for Pastor Yoshua Bashizi, of Mission of Christ Wesleyan Church in Buffalo, NY, as he makes an emergency trip to be with his wife, Godefride, who remains in a refugee camp in Uganda. The baby girl they were expecting later this month was stillborn. We are grateful for the ability with other area churches to assist him with the travel expense at this time of crisis. May God comfort and guide these servants of the Lord.

THE PERSECUTED CHURCH - Based on false reports that he was urging his ethnic group to take up arms, the Congolese government in DRC has arrested and is holding Lazare Rukundwa in secret. We join others earnestly praying for this humble Christian leader who has sacrificed much to advocate for peace in this troubled region of eastern DRC.

PRAYER CONCERNS: for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Darwin and Fauhn Schierer, Vesta Mullen, Terry Ayers, Scarlett Gildemeister, Kim Pegula, Mim Case, Grace Taylor, Karen Gaerte, Bill Getty, Andy Mikolajczyk (Mary Lingenfelter'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 Elijah Perry, Reuben Samuels, Emily Crikelair; for all dealing with tragedies and disasters particularly the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria, the recent acts of violence; for refugees throughout the world; for protection, wisdom and peace in Ukraine; for a Chinese pastor who has been detained for more than a year; for the Wesleyan Church of Hamburg, South Creek Campus, Eden (Pastor Trevor Kaufman).



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serving others*

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Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy
There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power,
in love and purity

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity!

Come Ye Sinners

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore,
Jesus ready stands to save you,
Full of pity, love, and pow'r.

REFRAIN:

I will arise and go to Jesus;
He will embrace me in His arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior,
Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

Come, ye thirsty; come and
welcome,
God's free bounty glorify,
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.

(Refrain)

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all.

(Refrain)

Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay
between us
How high the mountain I could not
climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke your name into the night
Then through the darkness
Your loving kindness
Tore through the shadows of my
soul
The work is finished, the end is
written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a
mercy?
What heart could fathom such
boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from
glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The king of kings calls me His own
Beautiful savior, I'm yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

CHORUS:

Hallelujah, praise the one who set
me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip
on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope
(repeat)

Then came the morning that sealed
the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the roaring lion
Declared the grave has no claim on
me

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Jesus, yours is the victory

Draw Me Lord

O draw me Lord (3x)
And I'll run after You

Build Your Kingdom Here

Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with
hope

Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit, come invade us now
We are Your Church
And we need Your power in us

We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captive hearts released
The hurt, the sick, the poor at
peace

We lay down our lives for
Heaven's cause
We are Your church
We pray revive this earth

CHORUS:

Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Bring our passion back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray

Unleash Your kingdom's power
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than
this

Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of
Christ
We are Your church
We are the hope on earth

CHORUS (2x)