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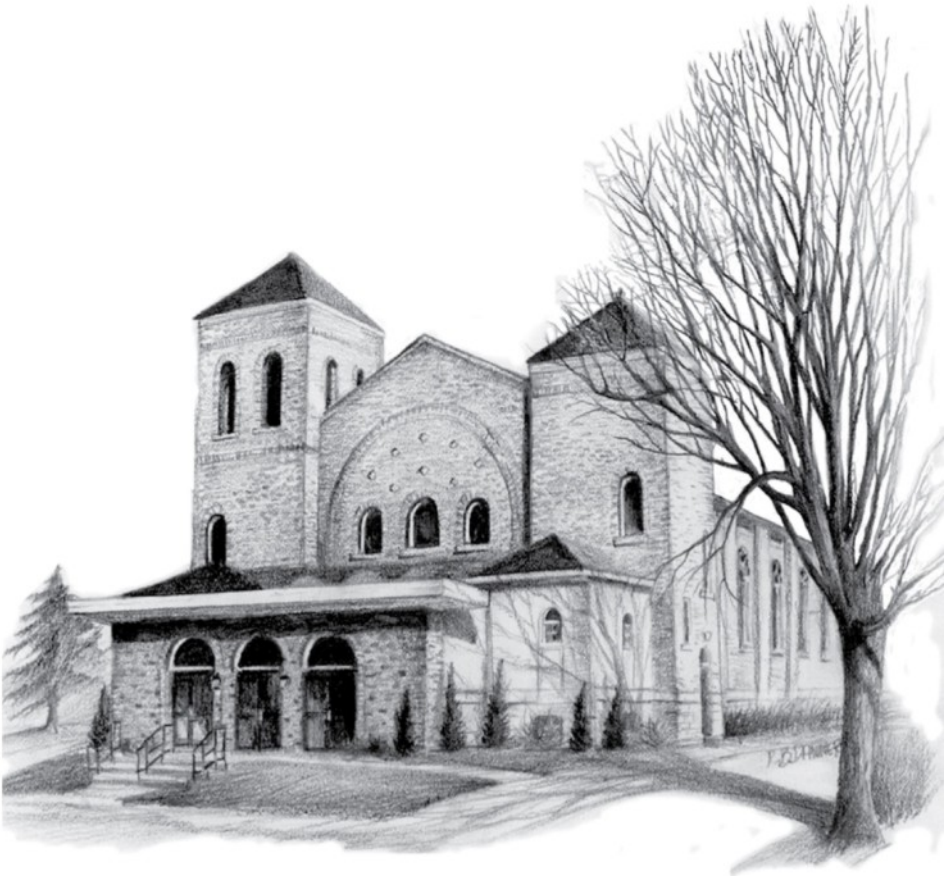
WESLEYAN CHURCH

Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly serving others



JON COLE, *Youth Pastor*

DAVID HUIZENGA, *Assistant Pastor*

KEVIN DIBBLE, *Music and Worship Director*

EMILY SPATEHOLTS, *Children's Ministry Director*

JUDY CONGDON, *Organist and Choir Director*

DARYL STEVENSON, *Interim Staff Coordinator*

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
10:00AM JULY 20, 2025

Prelude: *Variations on "How Great Thou Art"* *Michael Burkhardt*

*Call to Worship
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members
of one body, you were called to peace. And be thankful.
**Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach
and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns,
and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.**
And whatever you do, whether in word or deed,
do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus,
Giving thanks to God the Father through him.

*Hymn 194 ***Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun***

Life of the Church

Celebration of Ministry: Vacation Bible School

*Songs of Praise: ***Behold Our God; The Stand***
(Offering will be received during the first song)

Prayer of Confession
Lord Jesus Christ our God, receive me as I return to you, as I repent for my transgressions and ask for forgiveness. Show mercy to me as the merciful One, have compassion on me as the long-suffering One, have pity on me as the Lover of all people, and forgive me for all that I have sinned against You. Strengthen me in Your faith, in the hope that lasts, and in Thy love. My God, uphold me to do Your will and to fulfill Your commandments. I turn only to You, Master Christ, for in You I live and move and have my being. And grant me steadfast quiet and deep stillness, so that delighting in Your blessings, I may thank You, praise You, and glorify Your Most Holy Name, and that of Your Father Who is without beginning, and the Most Holy and good and life creating Spirit, both now and ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Time of Prayer

Prayer Response: ***We Fall Down***

Scripture Reading: Psalm 110:1-7; Matthew 22:41-46
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

*Greeting One Another

Sermon: **But wait…there's more!!**
Dr. Jon Case

*Hymn (Insert) ***How Great Thou Art***

*Benediction

*Postlude: *Fugue in G major,* BWV 541b J. S. Bach

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*Please stand if able **Acolyte**: Grayson Cox **Scripture Reader**: Sara Massey

Musicians:
Jonathan Hutmire, Rachael McVeigh, vocals; Caleb Hilsher, guitar;
Kevin Dibble, piano & vocals; Dan Zambrano, cajón

The rose on the pulpit is in honor of Amos Jonathan Ogden born June 30th to parents Hannah and Luke and big siblings Brooks, Ezra and Dorothy.

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. The Psalmist encourages us to enter God's gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise (100:4). This morning we worship to rejoice in God's blessings and to ask for His help in our struggles. Wherever we are, God is with us! Let us open our lives to Him.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING Pastor David Huizenga will preach from Acts.

HWC KIDS

- Nursery (both services) and Children's Church (early service) will continue through the summer.
- This week in Children's Church and online, kids see how Elisha took care of others during a famine. BIG IDEA: God helps solve big problems. BIBLE: 2 Kings 4:38–44; Psalm 52:8–9
- July Memory Verse: "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works."— Ephesians 2:10a (NIV)
- VBS: August 4-7 from 6-8 pm for grades PreK-6th. Sign up today at https://hwc.breezechms.com/form/035e873815. Interested in helping out with crafts, games, food, science, or leading a group? We would love to have you on our team.

STEWARDSHIP Budget Needed: $112,626.54 Monies Received: $88,945.17

Welcoming Randy and Robbie Craker: Recall that we are preparing a massive welcome by collecting a wide variety of household goods, gift cards, and warm notes of welcome. We will collect these items at the church office by Sunday, July 27 and have everything in the home by their arrival. Bring your goods, your "arms-open" welcome notes, or maybe a specific dinner invitation to your home to help ease their way into the community. Bring your gifts to the office anytime it is open.

REFRESH AT HOUGHTON BEGINS TODAY ON THE HU CAMPUS: Refresh Retreat this week – Adult, youth, and child programming (including Harold Blew) available each day. Guest speakers: Pastors Brandon and Jenn Petersen, nightly. www.refreshathoughton.com.

MISSION MOMENT: Stacia shares that prayer walking has increased the desire to see the people know God and to understand His true character and the depth of His love for them. Pray for the English camps and the short-term teams who come to help as they try to get the families involved in the activities with the kids. Pray as they begin a study using the book "Whisper," by Mark Batterson. It looks at the different ways that God speaks to us. May it bless all those involved.

COFFEE TEAM: **We still need help**. Do you like the hot drinks for all on Sundays? Do you like serving others? This may be your way to help "shoulder the log" of HWC ministries! If you are willing to be part of a team that shares the Sunday morning coffee prep--not every week and not alone—email office@hwchurch.org or call the office (567-2264) for more information

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

July 27 – August 24
8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship
10:00 a.m. Indoor/Streaming Worship

August 10
10:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship / Pig Roast and Picnic

August 31 – October 28
8:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship
11:00 a.m. Indoor/Streaming Worship

September 7
9:45 a.m. Discipleship Hour restarts

PRAYER CONCERNS: for all who are grieving; for all with health concerns: Mike Mathiason (Doug Mayhle's colleague), Doug Melton (Sharon Johnson's uncle), David Mercer, David Pullen, Jane Allen, Terry Ayers, James Bates, Scarlett Gildemeister, Bruce Hess, Linda Leax, Jane Roeske, Gary Wickard, Beth Pocock, Paul and Linda Roth, Kim Pegula, Karen Gaerte, Cameron Green, Vangie Grant, Dan and Sarah Gurley, Chelsea Ellis, Mark Mayhle, Jeshu, Kurtis, and Eliyah Perry, Reuben Samuels, Emily Crikelair; for refugees throughout the world; for protection, wisdom and peace in Ukraine, the Middle East and other places of war; for our church and leadership during our preparation for the arrival on August 3 of Rev. Randy (and Robbie) Craker, our interim pastor; for our 19 Australia missions team members (returning July 22); for Revive Wesleyan, Hamburg, NY, and Pastor Paul Gartley.