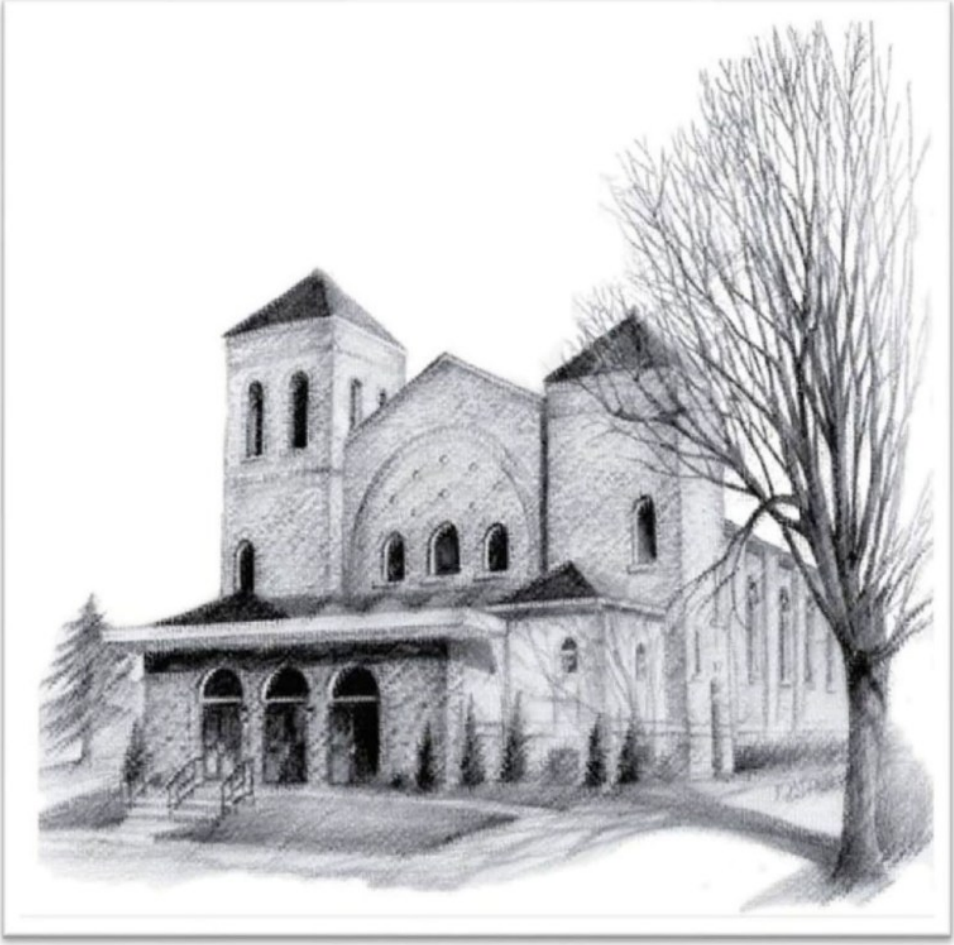
Houghton
Wesleyan Church

Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly
serving others



Welcome to Houghton Wesleyan Church!

Today is All Saints Day, when Christians remember and celebrate those who have gone before us in the faith. As we begin worship, take some time to give God thanks for someone who has shown you what it looks like to follow Jesus.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

11:00AM NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Prelude: *Hymn Prelude on LAND OF REST* .....Robert Lind

*Call to Worship (from Psalm 113)

Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord, you his servants;
praise the name of the Lord.

Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore.

From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,
the name of the Lord is to be praised.

The Lord is exalted over all the nations, his glory above the heavens.

Who is like the Lord our God, the One who sits enthroned on high,
who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth?

From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,
let the name of the Lord be praised!

*Hymn 63 ***Praise to the Lord, the Almighty***

Life of the Church

Ministry Moment: Sharlini Rodrigo

Greeting One Another

Doxology

*Songs of Adoration: ***Thrive; Christus Victor***

Offering will be received during the first song.

Prayer of Confession & Time of Prayer

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Revelation 21:1-4, 22-27 NIV

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: **Calling All Saints!**
Pastor Bill Allen

Communion *Goodness of God*
Sons and Daughters
For All the Saints (Hymn 462)

*Benediction

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

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*Please stand if you are able

Music Ministry Team:
Indigo Knapp, Grayson Cox, vocals;
Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Kevin Dibble, guitar & vocals;
David Clem, viola; Steve Olsen, bass; Dan Zambrano, cajón
Worship Leader: Pastor Kristen Allen
Scripture Reader: Azmat Ayub

KIDS MIN

- **"Breaking News!"** New November lessons on the Prophets. This week, kids hear breaking news from the prophet Micah. THE BIG IDEA: When things go wrong, I can choose what's right.
  THE BIBLE: Micah 3:5-12; (I Thessalonians 2:9-13)
- **November Memory Verse**: I Corinthians 16:13 - Be on your Guard; Stand Firm in the Faith; Be courageous; Be strong.

NEED A PLACE FOR YOUR LITTLES TO WIGGLE? Visit our Family Room below the sanctuary and find rocking chairs, books, toys, changing table, and more. Don't want to miss the service? We stream it to the Family Room!

WOMEN'S FALL GATHERING November 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the Community Room for a morning of music, food, fun, fellowship and inspiration featuring Pastor Kristen. See you there!

MISSION MOMENTS: Steve and Margie Doty – Wycliffe Bible Translators
Pray for wisdom and guidance as they both teach at Houghton University. Margie is teaching Phonetics and Phonology. Steve is teaching linguistics and Bible Translation. Steve and Margie thank the church for your faithful support of their Bible translations.

STEWARDSHIP
Budget Needed: $365,331.96 / Budget Received: $326,700.05

HWC'S PRAYER VIGIL IS BACK! Our goal is to fill the prayer room 24/7 for that whole week. Sign up at hwchurch.org/prayer

- In addition, we will have **a parallel sign-up for people who want to pray in their own homes.**
- Something new this year will be a service of **All-Night Worship & Prayer, 6 PM on Sunday 11/15 through 8 AM on Monday 11/16 in our sanctuary.** There will be music, scripture, and prayer throughout the night; come for a few minutes or a few hours. If you are interested in providing some music, please contact us (kristenallen@hwchurch.org or billallen@hwchurch.org, or call the church office)

PRAYER today is for Our Lady of Angels Roman Catholic Church, Cuba.

You can submit prayer requests by scanning the QR code, or by placing a prayer card in the offering plate.

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