

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
11:00 MORNING WORSHIP
AUGUST 23, 2009

As the prelude begins, let us observe silence as we prayerfully anticipate this hour of corporate worship of Almighty God.

Prelude: *Lord Jesus Christ with Us Abide*Bach

*Call to Worship

I will sing of the Lord's great love forever;

With my mouth I will make Your faithfulness known through all generations.

I will declare that Your love stands firm forever,

That You established Your faithfulness in heaven itself.

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne;
love and faithfulness go before You.

Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim You, who walk in the light of Your presence, O Lord!

*Invocation

*Hymn 335 ***Love Divine, All Loves Excelling***

Life of the Church

Prayer for Educators

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 61:1-11 (page 739)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn 567 ***Gloria Patri***

*"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen."*

Worship through the Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *At the Name of Jesus Every Knee Shall Bow* (Hymn #98)Lasky

Pastoral Prayer / **The Lord's Prayer** (debts/debtors)

New Testament Reading: Colossians 2:20 – 3:17 (page 1166)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn 393 ***My Hope is Built on Nothing Less***

Sermon: **A Change of Clothes**
Pastor Todd Leach

*Hymn 270 ***Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness***

*Benediction

*Congregational Amen (Hymn 656, Threefold)

*Postlude: *Thine is the Glory*Gordon Young

*Please stand if able

Organist: Eileen DeBoer

Worship Leader: Pastor Wesley Oden

Acolyte: Jordan Mullen

Children's Worship bulletins are available in the church foyer for ages 3-12.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Children ages 2-5 go directly to Children's Church prior to the service. Children's Church meets in room 116 on the first floor of the Christian Education building.

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. God has blessed us this summer. In the highs and lows of life, God is our constant help and strength. This morning, we come to this place to offer our gratitude for His numerous blessings and to ask for His power and love in the days ahead.

FELLOWSHIP REGISTERS are located at the outside end of each pew. Thank you for adding your name, for passing it to the persons in your row and then passing the register back to those who have already signed.

TONIGHT AT 5:00 THE WELCOME POTLUCK will be held in the church Community Room. The church family will be hosting students already on campus and newcomers to our community. Please bring a large salad or hot dish and a dessert to pass. Pioneer Foods will be providing ham, dinner rolls, and beverages. The church will provide all table settings and silverware (you don't need to bring your own from home!) Come and enjoy the fellowship and food.

WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 6:30PM please join the prayer group meeting in the Youth Room (directly below the sanctuary) for prayer.

WEDNESDAY, 6:30—7:00 P.M., the Children's Choir practices in the Primary Assembly Room.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING we invite you to join us for worship at 8:20 and 11:00. Pastor Wes's sermon, from Luke 13, asks *What Is Growing in Your Faith?* Sunday School begins September 6.

NEXT SUNDAY EVENING AT 6:00, Jim Harden will present an update on the CompassCare ministry.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS AGAIN ON SEPTEMBER 6TH and teachers/assistant teachers are still needed for preschool classes, 4th grade, and leader/s for Primary Song time. Please contact Robin Pawling or Cindy Oden if you are interested in learning more about one of these ministry opportunities.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK: Monday, Trustees, 6:30 pm (Mayhle Home)

NEWS FOR INVESTORS	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>
Offerings Received	\$ 15,144	\$ 133,433
<u>Budget Needed</u>	<u>\$ 13,612</u>	<u>\$ 149,732</u>
Difference +/-	+ \$ 1,532	-\$ 16,299

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SOUND? We are currently looking for people who might be interested in training to join the **Sound Team** here at the church. Please contact Amanda Cox (567-4870, acox@hwchurch.org) with questions.

OUR FAMILY IN MINISTRY: Jonathan Ortlip, AIS “I find that too often my focus is on how I am different from other believers rather than the oneness we share in our common trust in Jesus.” Jonathan recently visited the new AIS team in Thailand-- two Thai nationals who were originally orphans, two Americans, and one Japanese--all united as they reach out to the lost culture around them. Please pray for those in language training and for wisdom in ministry decisions.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- September 6: Sunday School for all ages begins
- September 16, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.: Registration for AWANA Clubs
- September 16: Wednesday Morning Women’s Bible Study begins
- September 18: Friday Women’s Bible Study begin a study of *Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman* by Beth Moore. Make plans now to join us for Bible study, prayer, and fellowship this fall. We meet from 9 am to 10:45 am. Childcare is provided for children 5 and under. Workbooks are available at the campus bookstore August 1. Ask for them at the register. If you have questions, contact Kelley Hijleh at 567-4707/ Kelley.Hijleh@houghton.edu.
- September 23: AWANA Clubs begin meeting
- September 23: Women’s Wednesday Evening Bible Study begins
- September 26: Women’s Fall Gathering

The HWC community is invited to the **New Student Dedication Service** this Friday, August 28 at 3:30 p.m. in Wesley Chapel. This year President Mullen will be speaking on the topic “On Daring to be an Original.”

PRAYER CONCERNS: for the family and friends of Lillian Gordon and others who are grieving; for people with health concerns: CJ Pollock, Dorothea Alderman, Fred Libick, Meredith Kellogg, Al Smith, John Johnson (Sharon Johnson’s father), Isobel Alexander, Pierce Samuels, Emily Crikelair, Richard Schmidt (Karl’s father), and Louis Case (Jon Case’s father); for people who are in transition, either moving away from or to the area; for Houghton College, Houghton Academy, and area institutions; for our local, county, state and national leaders; and for the leaders of the nations of the world.