

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
11:00 MORNING WORSHIP
MAY 16, 2010

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

Prelude: *Sonata No. 1*.....Mendelssohn

Choral Introit: *Siyahamba*South African Hymn
Children's Choir, directed by Susannah Smith

*Call to Worship

The God of creation makes us one in body!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!

The God of Christ makes us one in the Spirit!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord!

The God of salvation makes us one in His love!

Let us join hearts and voices in praise of the Lord! Alleluia!

*Invocation

*Hymn 46 ***Rejoice the Lord is King***

Life of the Church

Old Testament Reading:: Psalm 40 (page 555)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

****Doxology*** *Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Worship through the Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *I Can Only Imagine*.....Millard
Blake Beckmeyer, soloist

Pastoral Prayer

*New Testament Reading: Matthew 7:24-29 (page 961)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn ***Amazing Grace*** (on screen)

Sermon: **The Sermon on the Mount**
Claire Stewart

*Song of Response ***I Will Lift My Eyes*** (on screen)

*Benediction

*Congregational Amen (Hymn 656, Threefold)

*Postlude: *Fugue in G Major*.....Bach

*Please stand if able

Organist: Nicholas Liddick

Worship Leader: Brianna Austin

Acolyte: Linnea LaCelle-Peterson

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.

If you can help with **CHILDREN'S CHURCH OVER THE SUMMER MONTHS, VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP** forms are available on the table in the church foyer. Please fill one out and place it in the box near the forms.

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. The goodness of God is eternal. His love for us is never limited by anything within us or outside of us. During this hour of worship let's open our hearts to His unending love so that we might become people who love others as He loves us.

If you are a guest here today, we welcome you. We are glad that you are here. Please fill out a guest card located in the pew rack in front of you and drop it in the offering plate when it is passed.

TONIGHT AT 6:00 the Smalleys share ministry with the Eleuthera team; Jim Luckey will give a Tanari Report.

WEDNESDAY AT 6:30 P.M. the prayer group will meet in the Youth Room (directly below the sanctuary) for prayer.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING you are invited to worship at 8:30 or 11:00. Pastor Todd will be preaching from Acts 2.

NEXT SUNDAY EVENING (6:00): The HWC Haiti Team will share

MEETINGS THIS WEEK: Library Committee, Monday, 4:00 PM
Elders, Monday, 6:30 p.m., Room 105

YOUTH NEWS

Tonight 6:00 PM meet at the church: HC Ropes Course
Tuesday 7:00 AM Prayer Breakfast – Community Room
Wednesday 6:30-8:00 PM – “Faith Journey”
Seniors: May 30 is our Senior Recognition Service.

WORK DAY ANNOUNCEMENT: Thanks to everyone who helped work on our church yesterday.

ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION: The Annual Meeting of the Houghton Wesleyan Church is **Wednesday, May 26, 6:30 p.m.** We will approve a budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year, elect leaders for the year ahead and hear reports from the Elders, Trustees, and pastoral staff. In order to help us better pray and prepare, sample ballots are posted in both the sanctuary and Christian Education building foyers. Copies of a simplified budget (cost-saving measure) are available on the table in each foyer as well; please feel free to take a copy with you. Copies of the full budget are available on the church website (www.hwchurch.org) or through the church office. Your questions and comments are welcomed. Please contact David Lewis or Pastor Wes concerning the budget; contact Pastor Wes concerning the ballot or other items related to the Annual Meeting.

NEWS FOR INVESTORS	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>
Offerings Received	\$ 13,982	\$ 640,768
<u>Budget Needed</u>	<u>\$ 13,612</u>	<u>\$ 666,988</u>
Difference +/-	+ \$ 370	— \$ 26,220

PRAYER CONCERNS: for people with health concerns: Gudy Stevenson, Bonnie MacBeth, Mildred VanderVeen, Esther Smith, Ella Woolsey, Margaret Johnson, Sherry Falke, Jenna Koppen, Crystal Blake, Pierce Samuels, Emily Crikelair, Clarence Wagonblott (Audra Beardsley’s father), John Johnson (Sharon Johnson’s father), and Louis Case (Jon Case’s father); for people from our congregation who are involved in missions trips, for Caleb Austin and others who are serving in the military in Afghanistan, and for the leaders of our nation in this time of crisis.