

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

10:00 MORNING WORSHIP

AUGUST 5, 2018

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

Prelude: *Prelude on Hymn Tune from The Sacred Harp* (arr. H. DeCou)

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Hymn of Praise 5: *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Words of Greeting and Peace

Mission Moment: Kris and Cory Thede

Songs of Adoration: *Thrive; Remember*

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 44:1-5

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Doxology

Offertory: *Add to the Beauty* (Sara Groves)

Pastoral Prayer / **The Lord's Prayer**

Please feel free to use the altar as your place of prayer as we bow in humility before our loving heavenly Father.

If kneeling is difficult for you, please use the red chairs or stand by the altar rail.

New Testament Reading: Matthew 13:44-53

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Hymn of Preparation 100: *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

Sermon: **It's Not Just a Story**

Dr. Jon Case

Song of Response: *Build Your Kingdom Here*

Benediction

Congregational Amen (Hymn 656, Threefold)

Postlude: *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken* (Haydn, arr. H. DeCou)

*Please stand if able

Organist: Carolyn Kindley

Worship Leader: Ann McNeil

Acolyte: Claire Schilke

Music Ministry Team:

Lydia Schilke, Joe Miner, Jordan Mullen, vocals;

Caleb Hilsher, guitar; Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Jan Schilke, keyboard;

Meghan Taylor, cello; Barb Raymond, bass; AC Taylor, percussion

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

Nursery: We provide a fully staffed nursery for infants up to two years of age. The Nursery is located on the first floor of the Christian Education Building.

Children's Church: Children ages 2-5 are dismissed during the song before the sermon for Children's Church: 2 and 3 year olds meet in room 116; 4-5 year olds in room 115 in the Christian Education Building.

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 come to worship God together. We rejoice in His blessings and ask for His help in our difficulties. God is here! Together, let us open our lives to Him. This morning we welcome Dr. Jon Case, Professor of Theology, Houghton College as our guest preacher.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING is the last Sunday of Summer Sabbath. We gather for one worship service at 10:00 a.m. Next Sunday Pastor Wes preaches from Psalm 126, *Finding Joy in Our Shame*.

WELCOME POTLUCK AUGUST 19: The Welcome-Students-To-Our-Community Potluck/Picnic will be held in the church Community Room and on the church side lawn (weather permitting) on Sunday evening, August 19th at 5:00 p.m. Because the church family will be welcoming 200 athletes and students already on campus to our community, we, the church family, will provide all of the food. The church will provide table service, hot dogs, hot dog buns and beverage. Please bring a large salad and /or hot dish and a dessert so we have enough food to serve everyone. The Lay Shepherd groups hosting this event are Belfast/Caneadea/Friendship/Rushford, Centerville Road and Fancher Heights/Luckey/Meadow Lane. Come and enjoy this time of fellowship and food as we welcome Houghton College students to our church and community.

WKFM – Wesleyan Kids for Missions invites leadership team volunteers. Planning begins soon for five Sundays (only) during the school year. Contact Pastor Paul if you'd like to be one of the dozen or so adult leaders/helpers. Newcomers welcomed.

KID'S CLUB: Our Wednesday evening Children's Ministry program (starts October 10) needs a few hands on deck. If you are interested in being part of the team, please contact Pastor Laurie.

LIVE STREAMING: All of our worship services are live streamed through the church website and through streaming devices (AppleTV, Roku, etc.). If you use Roku, you will need to find the services on our new Roku app. Search for Houghton Wesleyan Church. Our new app will enable easier access.

BIKES ON THE QUAD: Everyone is welcome to the Houghton College Quad on Wednesday nights at 6:30 for a time of family fellowship while the kids ride the quad. We meet every Wednesday through August 22.

FLOWERS: We welcome flowers that you would like to donate for Sunday morning services throughout the summer. Contact Linda Knapp at 567-8131.

MISSION MOMENT – We welcome Global Partner missionaries Kris and Cory Thede who combine their passions and professions for wholistic ministry in Northern Haiti, focusing on agriculture, food production, primary health care, and spiritual needs. We support them in prayer and finances as they return with son, Fritzlin, to Haiti in the Fall and Elijah and Anna stay in the States in college.

PERSECUTED CHURCH – There are 20 sister Wesleyan congregations in Nicaragua as well, of course, as many other followers of Jesus. The country is facing intense political turmoil these days, so we pray for all Believers to grow in their trust and faith in God and demonstrate His love in the midst of tensions and trials.

SUMMER SMALL GROUP FELLOWSHIP: Philip and Rebekah Harter Tumbaga are hosting a summer small group and we'd be glad for you to join us on **Monday nights at 6 pm with dinner provided!** Email or call us to RSVP so we can get a rough estimate of how many people to plan for and if you have any allergies or food restrictions. Email ptumbaga@hawaii.edu or Phone: 808-489-1819. Address: 9619 Route 19, Apt 1 D, Houghton, NY 14744

PRAYER CONCERNS: for the Sweet family at the death of Mark's father and for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Erin Koehler (Ed and Tracy Taylor's daughter), Mildred Berry (Donnie Stockin's Mother), Karen Gaerte, Phil Main, Dan Gurley, Florence Teuber, Roselyn Danner, Izabela Daugherty (Dave and Karen's daughter-in-law), Gus and Louise Prinsell, Nancy Cole, Peter Lingenfelter, Doris Essepian, Eila Shea, Sheldon Emerson (Darby Luckey's brother), Bill Getty, Mike Raybuck, Bev Rhett, Emily Crikelair; for the injured and grieving from tragedies and disasters; for refugees; for peace amid threats of war; for the Dalton Assembly of God (Pastor Patrick Thompson).

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

August 5 – August 12	Worship – 10:00 / No Sunday School
August 19 – August 26	Worship – 8:20, 9:40 & 11:00 / No Sunday School
September 2	Worship – 8:20, 9:40 & 11:00 / Sunday School - 9:40



*Joyfully loving God,
wholeheartedly serving others*



WESLEY ODEN, *Senior Pastor*

JON COLE, *Youth Pastor*

CINDY ODEN, *Assistant Pastor*

PAUL SHEA, *Assistant Pastor*

AMANDA COX, *Music and Worship Director*

LAURIE SMALLEY, *Children's Ministry Director*