# SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
## 10:00 MORNING WORSHIP
## JULY 28, 2019

Prelude: *Partita on "Splendor and Honor"* (Michael Burkhardt)

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Hymn of Praise 393: ***My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*** (tune of Solid Rock)

Words of Greeting and Peace

Songs of Adoration: ***My Lighthouse; Greater Than***

Old Testament Reading: Judges 14:1-9
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
***All: Thanks be to God!***

***Doxology***

Offertory: *Rescue* (Lauren Daigle) (children dismissed)
(Reminder: If you give online, please place an **I Gave Online** card in the offering plate as it is passed.)

Time of 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: Ephesians 1:15-23
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
***All: Thanks be to God!***

Song of Preparation: ***The Same Power***

Sermon: **Not to Beat a Dead Lion, But…**
Rev. Jason Shambach

Hymn of Response 357: ***Be Thou My Vision***

Postlude: *Choral Improvisation on "Now Thank We All"* (Karg-Elert)

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Organist: Judy Congdon — Scripture Reader: Debbie Young
Acolyte: Claire Schilke

Music Ministry Team:
Evelyn Cox, Kristen Sanasith, vocals; Caleb Hilsher, guitar;
Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Kelcie Mastin, keyboard & vocals;
Naomi Christensen, violin; Dan Wartinger, 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:** Preschool Children ages 2-5 are dismissed during the offering 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.** Whether you are a guest or a regular participant in the worship of this congregation, we are here today to remember the many blessings of God upon our lives and to respond to him in thanksgiving and obedience. As we sing, pray, read scripture, and hear the word of God proclaimed, let us open our hearts to him and in so doing receive peace, strength and love from his gracious hand.

**GUEST PREACHER:** Today we welcome Rev Jason Shambach as our guest preacher. For the past nine years, Jason has served as pastor of Valley Wesleyan Church in Canaseraga, New York. Jason has recently accepted a call to serve as pastor of the Hadley-Luzerne Wesleyan Church in Lake Luzerne, New York.

**NEXT SUNDAY MORNING** we continue in Summer Sabbath (through August 11) gathering for one worship service at 10:00 a.m. Next Sunday the Rev. Dr. Michael Jordan will preach.

**REFRESH RETREAT & FAMILY CAMP** begins today on the Houghton College campus. Dr. Meredith Griffin Jr. is the speaker for the week. Registration and a schedule of activities may be found online at www.refreshathoughton.com or contact the church office.

**VBS AT FILLMORE WESLEYAN AUGUST 12-15 FROM 6-8:30 PM** ***Voyage into Space to Mars and Beyond*** is held in partnership with other area churches. See signs posted for registration. Volunteers welcome.

**MISSION MOMENT –** Praise God for the seeds sown in hearts at the just-concluded English Language Camp in the Czech Republic as reported by Kevin and Cindy Austin. We pray for fruitful follow-up and for folks who are enthused about studying the Bible in homes.

**PERSECUTED CHURCH** – Many of the 65 million refugees worldwide are Believers, displaced by persecution, conflict, disasters, and more. We pray for world political leaders setting policies and priorities for resettling refugees in the months and years ahead. And we pray for patience and courage for Christians as they shine for Jesus in hard places.

**LIVE STREAMING** All our worship services are live streamed through the church website, through streaming devices (Apple TV, Roku, etc.) and on Facebook. Services are also archived for later viewing on the website and Facebook.

**BIKES ON THE QUAD** - Join us on the Houghton College Quad on Wednesday Nights at 6:30 for a time for family fellowship while the kids ride the quad. (We are not limited to bikes! Bring baseballs and gloves, soccer balls, Frisbees, sidewalk chalk.) We will meet every Wednesday through August 28.

**NO PRAYER GROUP THIS WEEK** – Prayer Group has been lifted so everyone can attend the **REFRESH FAMILY CAMP** activities on campus. Prayer Group will resume on August 7, 6:30 to 7:30 in Room 9 beneath the sanctuary.

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY** meets Thursday Evenings, 7-9 PM in the Good Shepherd Room. CR is a safe place to share hurts, habits and hang-ups.

**STEWARDSHIP**
Received (June 1—Present): $ 106,181.30
Budgeted (June 1—Present): $ 123,740.24

**NEWSLETTER:** We are in the process of updating our mailing list and church directory. If you do not currently receive our monthly newsletter (Houghton Highlights), either by postal mail or email, please contact the church office (567-2264 / office@hwchurch.org).

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** for the family of Gordon Finney and for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Silas Miller, Tom Brandenburg (Julie Haingray's father), Elly Plaza (Alejandra Koch's sister), Ruth Boon, Paulette Schierer, Jeshu, Kurtis and Eliyah Perry, Joe Coleson (Sarah Derck's father), Reuben Samuels, Ruby Schierer Williams, Debbie Alderman Wilson, The Marsh Family, Jon Retz, Emily Hood (A.C. Taylor's cousin), Bob Brown, Bill Getty, Nancy Cole, Eileen Spear, Evelyn Heil, Dan Gurley, Sheryl O'Brien, Bethie Liddick, Bev Rhett, Phil Main, Emily Crikelair, Mike Raybuck, Sheldon Emerson (Darby Luckey's brother), Eila Shea, Izabela Daugherty (Dave and Karen's daughter-in-law), Peter Lingenfelter; for the injured and grieving from tragedies and disasters; for refugees; for peace amid threats of war; for the leaders of our government; for ZionQuest Christian Fellowship, Cheektowaga (Pastor Kim Gladden).

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE**
July 28 – August 11…… Worship – 10:00 / No Sunday School
August 18 – September 1..Worship – 8:20, 9:40 and 11:00 /No Sunday School
September 8……. Worship – 8:20, 9:40 and 11:00 /Sunday School – 9:40

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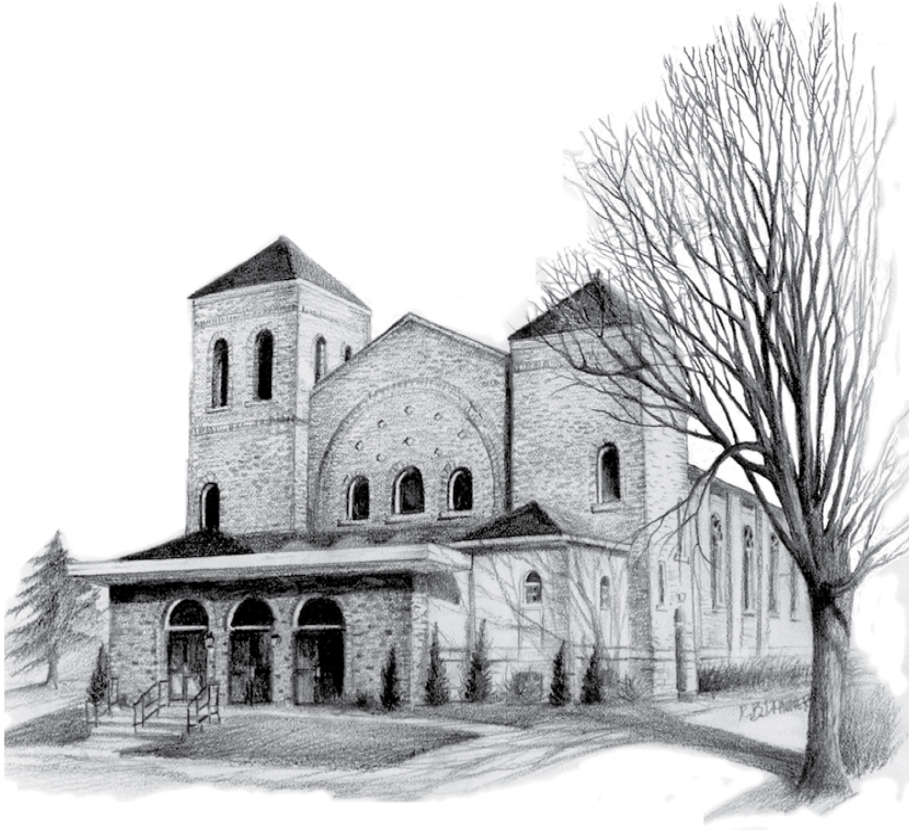
*wholeheartedly serving others*

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