

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

MISSIONS SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 11, 2018

8:20 MORNING WORSHIP

Welcome

Worship through Song

Ministry Spotlight:
Royal Family Kids Camp

Offering

Time of Prayer

Selected Scripture Readings

Song

**Why the Great Commission is
Still Great**

Dr. Don Little

Song

Scripture Reader: Ralph Kerr
Acolyte: Carson Sanasith

9:40 MORNING WORSHIP

Pre-Service Worship

Ministry Spotlight:
Royal Family Kids Camp

Worship through Song (Offertory)

Time of Prayer

Selected Scripture Readings

**Why the Great Commission is
Still Great**

Dr. Don Little

Song

Scripture Reader: Emily Allen
Acolyte: Avalon Taylor

*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.*

Music Ministry Team:

Emily Allen, Mike Cox, vocals; Dave Buteyn, guitar;
Amanda Cox, piano & vocals; Kingsley Kolek, keyboard & vocals;
Sarah Olandt, flute; Dan Wartinger, bass; Jessi Sacco, drums

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 and is available during services.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Children ages 2-5 are dismissed during the song before the sermon for Children's Church for both services: they meet in room 116 in the Christian Education Building.

JUNIOR CHURCH (Kinder-3rd Grade) is dismissed during the 8:20 service during the song before the sermon.

WELCOME TO THE HOUGHTON WESLEYAN CHURCH. To be a follower of Christ is to care about the world—the world far beyond us and the world near to us. On this Missions Convention weekend, may God give us a renewed sense of compassion and grace for the world.

WE WELCOME IN THE PULPIT TODAY DR. DON LITTLE who wears many hats-- formerly *Pioneers* missionary with wife Jeanie in North Africa and a mission administrator in Canada, adjunct professor of the Christian Study of Islam at Houghton College, co- founder and Director of the Lilius Trotter Center, author (*Effective Discipling in Muslim Communities*, IVP 2015), and editor. Though well known around the globe in mission circles, the Littles are members, Don an elected Elder at Houghton Wesleyan, and active friends and servants in our community.

WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 6:30 you are invited to an Ash Wednesday Service in the sanctuary. This service is a time of contemplation, prayer, hymns and the imposition of ashes to remind us of our sin and Christ's sacrifice.

NEXT SUNDAY MORNING is the First Sunday in Lent. Pastor Wes begins a Lenten series on *The Shadow of the Cross*. Next Sunday's sermon, *The Shadow of the Cross Reveals Our Hearts*, is from John 19. We gather for worship at 8:20, 9:40, and 11:00.

KIDS CLUB THIS WEEK: Our Annual Buddy Keith Memorial Grand Prix race will take place on March 21st. If you have children Kindergarten through 6th grade who would like to participate, please let Pastor Laurie know by Wednesday, Feb 14th so we can get you what you need for the race. (If your child attends Kid's Club, they will receive their kits on Wednesday night.)

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.

MISSION MOMENT – We are called to fulfill the *Great Commission* by God's Spirit until Christ returns. That is why we support a cadre of great people near and far who are our feet, hands and lips to show Christ's love. We pray today for all these people and ministries including those who are with us here today.

PERSECUTED CHURCH - We forget that God is doing His work in the very places where Christians are most opposed. Let us pray for answers to the prayers of his saints for faith, courage, and bold witness. And let us give God praise for reports of the growing church in many corners of the world.

SUNDAY SERMONS ON THE INTERNET: Access the Sunday sermon on the church website (www.hwchurch.org) or on iTunes (www.itunes.com). The services are available on iTunes by late Sunday afternoon and on our website by late Monday.

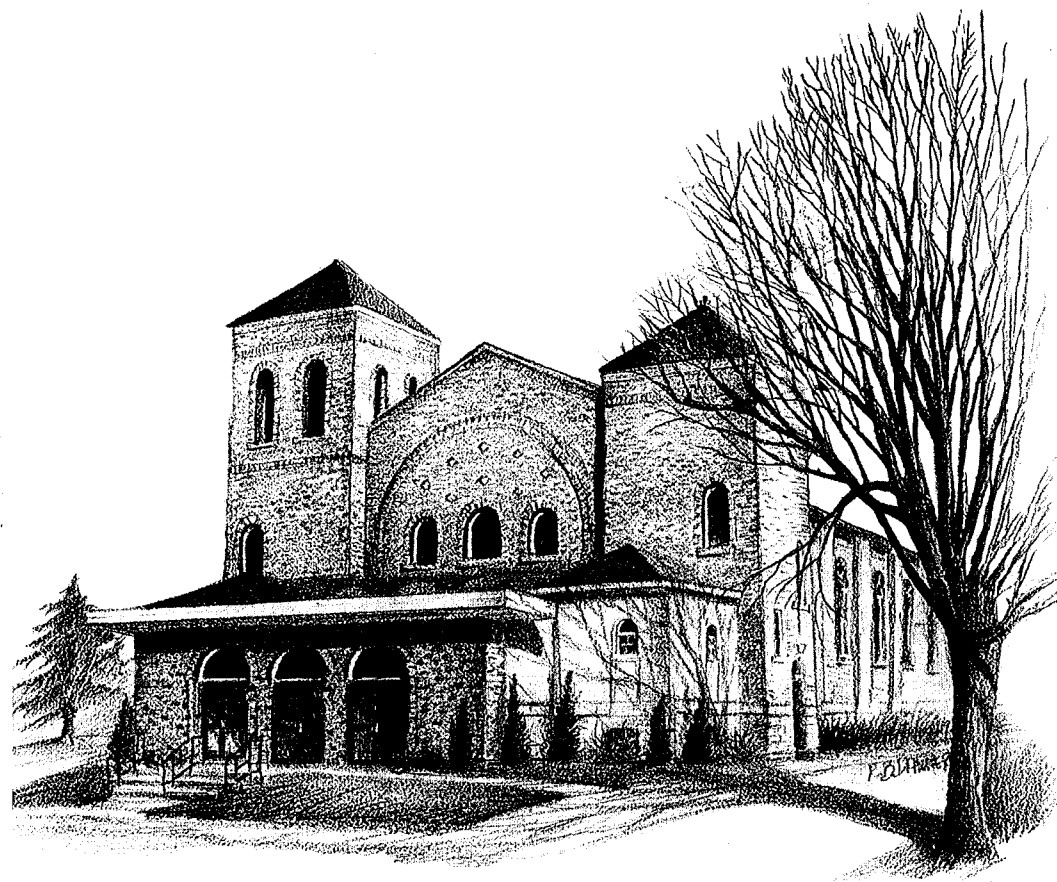
HISTORICAL BOOKS: At the celebration of Houghton Wesleyan's sesquicentennial in 2002, we published a history book of our church. Since much has changed and transpired over the past 15 years, we have updated and published a revised edition of the 2002 edition. This 24-page book provides a brief overview of our denomination and a longer history of the Houghton congregation. If you have been around for a while, you will connect with many of the articles and pictures. If you are relatively new to the church, this book will familiarize you with the colorful history of this town and this church. The books are available in the church office or in the sanctuary foyer. The books are free, but donations would help to defray the printing costs.

PRAYER CONCERNS: for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Tim Nichols, Bob Brown, Louise Prinsell, Hudson Hess, Nancy Cole, Brian Orbaker (Charlie and Connie Smith's son-in-law), Peter Lingenfelter, Ellis Brotzman, Chuck Barrett (Wendy Ott's brother), Sheryl O'Brien, Ben King, Doris Essepien, Eila Shea, Sheldon Emerson (Darby Luckey's brother), Bill Getty, Ella Woolsey, Mike Raybuck, Bev Rhett, Micah Christensen, Linda Roth, Emily Crikelair; for the injured and grieving from tragedies and disasters; for refugees; for peace amid threats of war; for the leaders of our nation; and for Rushford Baptist Church (Pastor Jonathon Finley).

For more information about church activities, and to read Pastor Wes's weekly blog, visit our website: www.hwchurch.org.



*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*