

# THIRD SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

11:00 MORNING WORSHIP

JUNE 3, 2018

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

Prelude: *from* Sonata Op. 65, No. 1 .....Felix Mendelssohn  
Allegro moderato e serio  
Adagio

## \*Call to Worship (from Colossians 3)

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

***Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.***

And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

***Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.***

Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

***And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.***

## \*Invocation

\*Hymn ***The Church's One Foundation***

## \*Words of Greeting and Peace

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 133

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: ***Thanks be to God!***

## \*Doxology

Worship through the Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: Hymn Prelude on "To God be the Glory" .....Christopher Tambling

## Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess to you now that we have sinned. We confess the sins that no one knows and the sins that everyone knows. We confess the sins that are a burden to us and the sins that do not bother us because we have grown used to them. We confess our sins as a church—hesitating to love one another, to forgive one another, to give ourselves to one another like Christ. Father, forgive us. Send the Holy Spirit upon us as you did your disciples, that he may give us power to live as you have called us to live. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Song of Preparation: ***Let Us Consider***

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: ***Thanks be to God!***

\*Hymn 479 ***Blest Be the Tie that Binds***

Sermon: **What's Our Perspective of Unity?**

Pastor Wes Oden

The Lord's Supper

\*Hymn 472 ***Christ From Whom all Blessings Flow***

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Amen (Hymn 656, Threefold)

\*Postlude: Fugue in C major, BWV 547 .....J. S. Bach

\*Please stand if able

Organist: Judy Congdon

Worship Leader: Jessica Romance

Acolyte: Joseph Derck

***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.** As we gather today, our hearts are full of gratitude to God for his innumerable blessings. We see his hand in the sun and moon, in the greening of trees and in the budding of flower. We experience his abundant grace in family and friends, in creating and sustaining, in life and love. May God open our eyes this morning to see him and our hearts to trust him.

**TONIGHT AT 5:00** you are invited to a fellowship time of ice cream and connections. This come-and-go hour is an opportunity to connect with friends and to make new acquaintances. You don't need to bring anything: the church is providing drinks and ice cream. To kick off the upcoming 50th year of Valley PreSchool, there will be photo and video displays of Valley PreSchool through the years during the Ice Cream Social this evening. There will also be a place for you to write/tell a VPS memory which we are collecting over this coming year.

**MEETINGS THIS WEEK:** Elders, Tuesday, 7:00pm

**NEXT SUNDAY MORNING** the Rev. Dr. Sarah Derck preaches in our worship services at 8:30 and 11:00.

**SUNDAY SERMONS ON THE INTERNET:** You may access the Sunday sermon on the church website ([www.hwchurch.org](http://www.hwchurch.org)) or on iTunes ([www.itunes.com](http://www.itunes.com)).

**SUNDAY SCHOOL POTLUCK:** Sunday June 10th is our annual Sunday School Pot Luck meal after church. The whole congregation is invited to come and celebrate with us! Please bring a main dish and a salad or dessert to share. Thank you for supporting our Sunday School program!

**SUMMER WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** begins June 25 and lasts about 8 weeks. We'll be using *God of Creation* by Jen Wilkin and looking in-depth at Genesis 1-11. A private Facebook group allows us to view a weekly video, respond to discussion questions, and interact with each other throughout the study. Summer Bible Study is flexible and fully online. Participants will need a workbook, approximately \$13. Contact Jess Wartinger for more information.

**MISSIONARY MOMENT** – David and Heidi Huizenga fly this week to Yaounde, Cameroon, West Africa for a somewhat unexpected return to participate and speak at the 2018 graduation exercises at Rain Forest International School, where they had served for three years prior to this year at Houghton Academy. We pray for safety, health and fruitful ministry to students and staff.

**PERSECUTED CHURCH** – After years of civil war and strife in Colombia, South America, the possibility of real peace and stability looms with signing of the recent peace accord. Christians in the rural areas were frequent targets of violence and have the opportunity to be brokers of reconciliation and hope. Pray for courage and wisdom for all church leaders in this land of delicate promise.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** for all who are grieving; for people with health concerns: Dan Gurley, Gus Prinsell, Louise Prinsell, Florence Teuber, Roselyn Danner, Izabela Daugherty (Dave and Karen's daughter-in-law), Tim Nichols, Nancy Cole, Peter Lingenfelter, Sheryl O'Brien, Doris Essepien, 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 Belmont United Methodist Church (Pastor Timothy Gleason).

#### **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE**

June 3 – June 24	Worship – 8:30 & 11:00 / Sunday School – 9:45
July 1 – 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*

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