

THIS WEEK AT SPRUCE STREET UMC	
Sunday, July 20th	
8:30AM	Worship Service (In Person)
9:45AM	Sunday School
10:45AM	Worship Service (In Person & Radio Broadcast)
4:00PM	Circle of Friends
Monday, July 21st	
7:00PM	Trustee Meeting
Tuesday, July 22nd	
6:00PM	United Women in Faith
Wednesday, July 23rd	
11:00AM	Bible Study
Thursday, July 24th	
10:00AM	Chair Yoga

### Gifts of Love

Thank you for supporting this ministry and donating your gently used kitchen and bathroom items. Please no knives. The basic list is in the May newsletter if you need more ideas. **We are also collecting sunscreen and insect repellant for our downtown neighbors.** Thanks to everyone.

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Event

August 2<sup>nd</sup>  
8:00 am-11:00 am

**MUB** Morgantown Utility Board  
278 Green Bag Road

Contact **MUB** for more information.

**List of Accepted Items:**

- Anti-freeze
- Arts/Crafts Supplies
- Batteries (All types)
- Bleaches
- Drain/Oven/Floor cleaners
- Fluorescent Bulbs - including CFLs
- Freon (Canisters Only)
- Hydrochloric Acid
- Lawn & Garden Chemicals
- Lighter Fluid
- Motor Oil (Used)
- Gasoline (including that mixed with oil)

- Photo Chemicals
- Rodent Killers
- Mercury Thermometers
- Oil Filters (used)
- Propane Cylinders
- Fire Extinguishers
- Rust Preventatives
- Septic (cesspool) Cleaners
- Swimming Pool Chemicals
- Transmission Fluid
- Wood Preservatives
- Oil-Based Paints (NO LATEX PAINT)\*

### Circle of Friends

Our weekend meals will be July 19 & 20 at 4pm. If you would like to help serve, please contact Carolyn Carr at [coccarr@yahoo.com](mailto:coccarr@yahoo.com)

### SCOTTS RUN DONATIONS

The July emphasis for Scott's Run is canned fruit, canned vegetables, and/or canned meat. They are also in need of can openers and personal hygiene items. Please be bringing in these items all month!

### FALL LAITY RETREAT

**AUGUST 22-23**

Enjoy great fellowship with a time of learning and spiritual growth with Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett as she teaches and leads the weekend. This event is a joint event of both the West Virginia and Holston Conferences. Registration is only \$10 per person! Online registration can be found at [wvumc-reg.brtaapp.com/FallLaityRetreat2025](http://wvumc-reg.brtaapp.com/FallLaityRetreat2025)

### Stamps with a Purpose: Barnabas Group

Barnabas Group is doing a Stamp Drive. We love writing cards and sending them, but the price of stamps is costly. We're asking church members to donate a sheet or two of stamps. Without your help, none of this would be possible!!

### District Superintendent Installation

Please join us in welcoming our new District Superintendent Stephanie Bennett! **Her installation service will be held today, Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, at 3 PM at Central United Methodist Church** (301 Fairmont Avenue, Fairmont). A reception will follow the installation service.

# Welcome to Spruce Street United Methodist Church

*"A Church at the Heart of Morgantown with a Heart for Morgantown"*

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**10:45 a.m. Service on WCLG-AM 1300 or Morgan 92.1FM**

**Like us on Facebook:** [facebook.com/sprucestreetumc/](https://facebook.com/sprucestreetumc/)

**Audio Live Streaming:** <http://mixir.com/sprucestumc/>

## Sixth Sunday after Pentecost    July 20, 2025    8:30 & 10:45 AM

### WELCOME TO SPRUCE STREET CHURCH

We are glad you are here. Whether you are here for the very first time or a lifelong member of Spruce Street United Methodist Church, you are welcome. May this day be filled with God's presence and blessing.

### 2025 SSUMC Attendance & Stewardship

**Sunday, July 13**

**77 In Person / 159 Online / Radio Est. 300**

**Offering \$3,925.56 / Budget \$4,903.00**

### Prayers of the People of God

Prayer updates can be shared with Carolyn Carr

Fran Barnes  
Steve Blinco  
Lori Britton  
Roger Britton  
Saundra Britton  
Brett Carpenter  
Keith Carr  
Cindy Cramer  
Don Davis  
Jay DeFabio  
Rubyann Downes  
Barbara Fox  
Judy Harman  
Brian Hoskinson

Lacey Lewis  
Carol Perilli Johnson  
Sharon Richman  
Pat Ryan  
Sydney Slaughter  
Jenny Smith  
Nancy Smith  
Doug Stanger  
Dickie Tampoya  
John Thornburg & Family  
Penny Turley  
Crystal Walsh  
Mary Lynne Withrow

### Lectionary Readings

**Sunday, July 27**

Hosea 1:2-10, Psalm 85,  
Colossians 2:6-19, Luke 11:1-13

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Refreshments:** *Thank you to Susan & Brandon Eddy (8:30) for providing refreshments.*

**Altar Flowers:** *Please sponsor.*

**Radio Broadcast:** *"In honor of Mary and Dewey Hastings. Rest in peace." By Dan Hastings.*

### Confirmation Class

It's not too late to join us! Sundays at 10AM for kids entering 6th grade and older.

### Encountering God in Nature Retreat

**August 15-16**

This retreat will guide participants in experiencing God's presence through the beauty of nature, with outdoor sessions to nurture a sense of awe and gratitude. A \$125 donation is suggested for registration. Online registration can be found at [bit.ly/GodNatureRetreat](http://bit.ly/GodNatureRetreat)

# The Church in Worship

Congregational Responses and Prayers are in ***bold italic print***

† Congregation Standing (*as you are able*)

Prelude

Announcements and Welcome

Our Loving, Learning, Leading Prayer (on screen)

†Call to Worship Liturgist

We gather this day from a week filled with needs and demands

***We come to find rest and renewal of our spirits.***

Open your hearts in love to hear the voice of God.

***We want to quietly rest in God’s presence, free from the clamor of the world.***

This is the day that the Lord has made.

***Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Amen.***

† Hymn #545 (UMH) “The Church’s One Foundation”

First Prayer Liturgist

***From the demands and pressures of this past week, we come, O Lord, seeking rest and renewal. Hear the cries of our hearts, our prayers, our needs. Heal and restore us. For we ask this in Jesus’ Name. AMEN.***

## PROCLAMATION

First Reading Amos 8:1-12 Liturgist

1 This is what the Lord GOD showed me: a basket of summer fruit. <sup>2</sup> He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the LORD said to me, "The end has come upon my people Israel; I will spare them no longer. <sup>3</sup> The songs of the temple shall become wailings on that day," says the Lord GOD; "the dead bodies shall be many, cast out in every place. Be silent!" <sup>4</sup> Hear this, you who trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, <sup>5</sup> saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain, and the Sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah smaller and the shekel heavier and practice deceit with false balances, <sup>6</sup> buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and selling the sweepings of the wheat." <sup>7</sup> The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. <sup>8</sup> Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who lives in it, and all of it rise like the Nile, and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt? <sup>9</sup> On that day, says the Lord GOD, I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight. <sup>10</sup> I will turn your feasts into mourning and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on all loins and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son and the end of it like a bitter day. <sup>11</sup> The time is surely coming, says the Lord GOD, when I will send a famine on the land, not a famine of bread or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD. <sup>12</sup> They shall wander from sea to sea and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, but they shall not find it.

Special Music How Beautiful Are the Feet by Handel Emily Hastings Keene

Children’s Moment Pastor Bart

Gospel Reading Luke 10:38-42 Pastor Bart

<sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and

asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, <sup>42</sup> but few things are needed--indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Sermon “Service With A Smile” Pastor Bart

† Hymn #468 (UMH) “Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See”

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People Pastor Bart

Affirmation of Faith (on screen) UCC Hymnal #884 Pastor Bart

Prayer of Confession (on screen) Eldon Callen, CLM

Words of Assurance Eldon Callen, CLM

***On the seventh day of creation, God rested, creating a Sabbath, a time set apart for rest, to learn, to listen, to be quiet and at peace. Let Sabbath take root in your heart and in your life. Be at peace in God’s love for you. Amen.***

## WORSHIPPING THROUGH GIVING

Invitation To Give Eldon Callen, CLM

Offertory

† Doxology #95

***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.***

Prayer of Thanksgiving (on screen) Eldon Callen, CLM

The Lord’s Prayer (on screen) Eldon Callen, CLM

† Hymn #600 (UMH) “Wonderful Words of Life”

## SENDING FORTH

Call to Discipleship Pastor Bart

Take a moment, take a deep breath. Breath is restorative. It brings freshness and relaxation to your life. Rest in God.

Blessing Pastor Bart

***May each of you go in peace to love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously with the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. Amen.***

Postlude

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Liturgist Greg McCracken (8:30) & Dan Erenrich (10:45)