

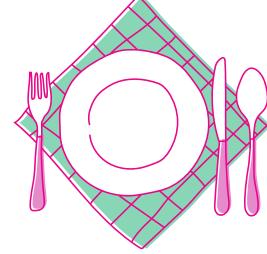
Gifts of Love

Thank you to everyone who donates to this ministry. It is a very active and ongoing service to our community. Besides the items on our basic list (available in our February newsletter) we have a special need for blanket, bed linens, & towels. Thank you.



CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Thank you for your help and support in this ministry. Our February dates are February 21 & 22. If you are interested in helping, please contact Carolyn Carr at cdccarr@yahoo.com



Random Acts of Kindness

BE KIND TO ALL KIND

Have you been showing kindness? Have you recorded the acts of kindness? Good! When you come into church services please remember to put a heart in the basket in Seekers Hall and share a special act of kindness that you observed.

Messy Church Tonight!



Join us for a meal, a message, and activities for the whole family on Feb 15 from 5:30-6:30pm.

Messy Church is for everyone. Come as you are.

Ash Wednesday 2026

Our Ash Wednesday service will be on February 18th at 6:30PM. Drive by ashes will also be available at Wesley UMC and on WVU's campus. Time for drive by ashes TBD. We hope to see you there!



Empty Bowls Monongalia Soup & Bread Luncheon

Empty Bowls Monongalia is having their annual Soup Luncheon on Saturday, February 28th from 11:00-2:30 at the Hazel and J.W. Ruby Community Center at Mylan Park. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. **All proceeds support local hunger programs in Monongalia County!** For tickets, see Gale Truman.



Empty Bowls
MONONGALIA

Coins for Lent

During Lent, we are reminded to examine our lifestyles and ask, "What can we do for others?" Part of faith formation at any age is compassion and offering a serving heart to our neighbors. Lent is a good time to commit to giving money to a project that helps those in need. One way to involve the family is to collect coins during Lent and donate the money after Easter. You can follow our Coins for Lent Giving Calendar in the February newsletter if you need some inspiration! Pick up a Lent bag and join us!



Lectionary Readings Sunday, February 22



Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm 32
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

Welcome to Spruce Street United Methodist Church

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

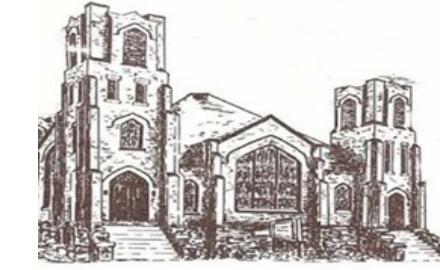
386 Spruce Street, Morgantown, WV 26505 304.292.3359

Website: sprucestumc.org **Email:** secretary@sprucestreetumc.org

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

Like us on Facebook: facebook.com/sprucestreetumc/

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



Transfiguration Sunday

February 15, 2026

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.

2026 SSUMC Attendance & Stewardship - Sunday, February 8th

70 In Person / 137 Online / Radio Est. 300 / Offering \$4,307.02 / Budget \$4,879.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Radio Broadcast: *In loving memory of Dewey and Mary Hastings. Love, Dan and family.*

Altar Flowers: *For Andrew, from Nina*

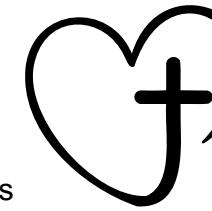
Refreshments: Thank you to Carolyn & Amy Carr for providing refreshments for the 8:30 service, and to Linda Shanes for providing refreshments for the 10:45 service.

Today's Liturgists:
Bonnie Johnson (8:30) & Dan Erenrich (10:45)

Prayers of the People of God

Prayer updates can be shared with Carolyn Carr.

David Barnes
Fran Barnes
David Barnett
Lori Britton
SaRita Britton
Dolly Cale
Amy Carr
Matt Drabidh
Judy Harman
Joanna Hastings
Sharon Hillary
Carolyn Hubbard



Mike Hubbard
Carolyn Keech
Marlene McCarty
Charlotte Murphy
Susan Presley
Dr. Wilbur Sine
Syndy Slaughter
Jeanette Stanger
Angie Thompson
Viv Wilson
Linda Wise
Mick Yanak

THIS WEEK AT SPRUCE STREET UMC

Sunday, February 15th

8:30AM	Worship Service (In Person)
9:45AM	Sunday School
10:45AM	Worship Service (In Person & Radio Broadcast)

Wednesday, February 18th

11:00AM	Bible Study
6:30PM	Ash Wednesday Service

Thursday, February 19th

10:00AM	Chair Yoga
6:15PM	Handbell Choir
7:00PM	Chancel Choir

Saturday, February 21st

4:00PM	Circle of Friends
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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

As God called to Moses from the mountain, we are called to be God's people. As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him to the peak of another mountain, we are called to follow wherever he leads. As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice, we are called to worship in wonder and praise.

† Hymn #256 (UMH)

"We Would See Jesus"

Liturgist

First Prayer

Holy One, Light of light, God of all creation, long ago you showed yourself to the disciples in Jesus' transfiguration—his face glowing like a field of daffodils on a bright, spring morning. Shine in us, around us, and through us, that the world may see your glory in the faces of your people—faces transfigured in the light of your love. Amen.

Liturgist

First Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

Liturgist

24 ¹² The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God. ¹⁴ To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." ¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶ The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites. ¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 17:1-9

Pastor Bart

17 ¹ Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light. ³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴ Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵ While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸ And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Children's Moment

Lena Glowacky

Choral Anthem

Still I Rise by Powell

SSUMC Chancel Choir

Sermon

"Change"

Pastor Bart

† Hymn #2272 (TFWS)

"Holy Ground"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith (on screen)

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Prayers of the People

UMH #883

Pastor Bart

African American Ministry Emphasis (on screen)

Pastor Bart

Prayer of Confession

Eldon Callen, CLM

Though we want to walk with Moses and see God's holy radiance, we hide in the mist of our own desires, unable to perceive the presence of God's grace. While we want a world of justice and peace, we walk in clouds of selfishness, unable to share God's loving-kindness. Though we want to follow Jesus up the mountain, we cower in fear, unable to bear the light of God.

Words of Assurance

Eldon Callen, CLM

In the blazing light of God's grace, Jesus touches us to say, "Get up and do not be afraid." In the name of Christ choose life because, all is forgiven.

Amen.

Christ is our light and our hope!

Christ is our light and our hope! Walk in light and truth. See the light of Christ in every face. Be the light of Christ to all you meet. Amen.

WORSHIPPING THROUGH GIVING

Invitation To Give

Eldon Callen, CLM

Offertory

† Doxology #95 (UMH) "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

The Lord's Prayer (on screen)

UMH #895

Eldon Callen, CLM

† Hymn #258 (UMH)

"O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair"

SENDING FORTH

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