

Sharing of the Sacrament

† Hymn #437 (UMH)

“This Is My Song”

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

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

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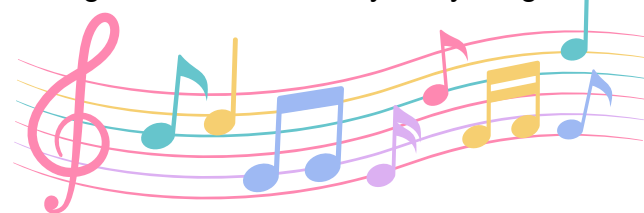
UNITED METHODIST MEN MEETING NOTICE

The Spruce Street United Methodist Men will meet this coming Wednesday, May 13th, 6:00, at Eat n Park. We are blessed to have our very own Greg McCracken share with us his experiences and highlights as Senior Director of the Annual Giving and Leadership Giving of the WVU Foundation's University Fund. Greg's love for WVU and WVU athletics has inspired many. Please come out and support Greg and our UMM during an evening of good fellowship. Blessings.



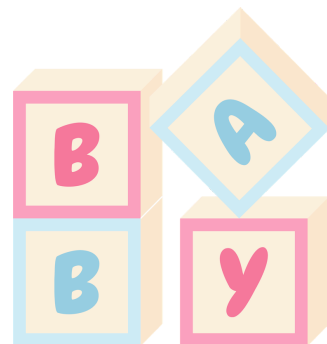
Music Month

May is Music Month here at Spruce Street UMC! We will be raising funds for our music ministries the whole month of May. These funds go towards new music, guest artists, our intern program, and more! If you would like to support our music program please designate “music ministry” on your gift.



Support Scott's Run

UWIF will be collecting for the month of May diapers, baby wipes, and other baby supplies to support Scotts Run. Please place your donations in the crib in the overflow area. Thank you for your donations!



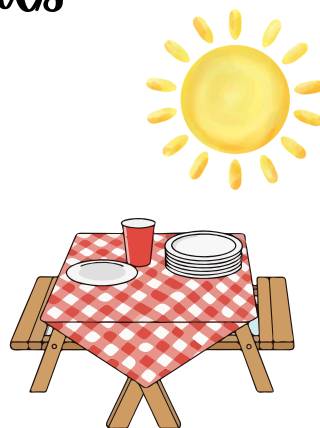
Donate to Messy Church!

Messy Church will be collecting toothbrushes and toothpaste. These items will then be made available to those in need within our community. You may drop off items at the table behind the choir area, or you can bring them to Messy Church on May 17th at 5:30. Thank you for your generous support!



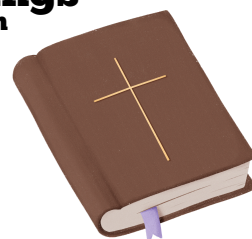
Community Summer Picnics

We're planning our summer holiday picnics with Suncrest UMC. The first one is Memorial Day from 11-2. We will be helping to set up and providing desserts and drinks and perhaps some salads. We have sign-up sheets available in Seekers Hall. Come and enjoy!



Lectionary Readings Sunday, May 17th

Isaiah 45:1-7
Psalm 21:1-7
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11
John 17:1-11



6th Sunday of Easter

May 10, 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 - May 3, 2026

95 In Person / 166 Online / Radio Est. 300 / Offering \$5,920.86 / Budget \$4,879.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Radio Broadcast: *To The Glory of God*

Altar Flowers: Please sponsor.

Refreshments: Thank you to Dianne DeAngelis for providing refreshments for the 8:30 service.

Liturgists: Pastor Bart (8:30) & Robyn Lindamood (10:45)

Prayers of the People of God

Lilly Arrison

Lori Britton

Debbie Cline

Sally Collins

Rhonda Croston

Doug Harman

Mike Hubbard

Ray & Carolyn Hubbard

Carolyn Keech

Alicia Kern

Lucy Labin

Brad Minton

Joyce Moore

John Simpkins

Fred Smith

David Turley

Carlton Withrow

Mary Lynn Withrow

Prayer updates can be shared with Carolyn Carr.

Remember to check the newsletter for our long term prayer list.

THIS WEEK AT SPRUCE STREET UMC

Sunday, May 10th

Mother's Day

8:30AM Worship Service (In Person)

9:45AM Sunday School

10:45AM Worship Service (In Person & Radio Broadcast)

Monday, May 11th

6PM SPPRC

Wednesday, May 13th

11:00AM Bible Study

6:00PM UMM @ Eat N Park

Thursday, May 14th

10:00AM Chair Yoga

7:00PM Chancel Choir

The Church in Worship

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

† Congregation Standing (*as you are able*)

Today we celebrate Mother's Day and the Festival of the Christian home. Mother's Day began in 1907 at Andrews Methodist Episcopal Church in Grafton, WV by Anna Jarvis. We honor all mothers and women, who in a Christian sense are all our sisters and mothers.

Prelude

Announcements and Welcome

Our Loving, Learning, Leading Prayer (on screen)

† Call to Worship Liturgist

Easter people, no matter the bends and curves in our path, Jesus does not leave us alone on this journey of faith.

God gives us the Spirit, our Advocate and Helper.

The Spirit lives in and among us, pointing us all toward the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus.

God gives us the Spirit, our Guide and Guardian.

The Spirit draws us into God's story, showing us how to cooperate in writing God's dream into reality.

God gives us the Spirit, our Dream-Giver and Story-Keeper.

Easter people, God's story abides in you, calling you to live as co-creators of love and abundant life.

We come to worship God and listen for the Spirit who inspires, guides, and helps us join in God's story, until God's kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

† Hymn #157 (UMH) "Jesus Shall Reign"

First Prayer Liturgist

In you, O God, every family on earth receives its name. Illuminate the homes of this earth with the light of your love, granting courage to those who are hurt or lonely, endurance to those who care for sick family members, and wisdom to those in fearful times of change. We thank you for gifts of love we have received from mother, father, spouse, child, or companion. As we have been loved by you and by others, so may we love. Grant us your peace, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

PROCLAMATION

First Reading John 14:15-21 Liturgist

Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the church.

14 ¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ¹⁸ "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me, and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Children's Moment Pastor Bart

Choral Anthem "Peace Like a River" by Moore SSUMC Chancel Choir

Sermon "Not Orphaned" Pastor Bart

† Hymn #544 (UMH) "Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People Mother's Day Litany Pastor Bart

For our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and love, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear our prayer.

For mothers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear our prayer.

For women, though without children of their own, who like mothers have nurtured and cared for us, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear our prayer.

For mothers, who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to their children and have not sustained their families, we pray to the Lord...

Lord, hear our prayer.

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church.

Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith A short statement of faith by the Uniting Church of Australia Pastor Bart

We believe in God who created us, who loves us and makes us whole. We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son, whose death and resurrection is our salvation and our example. We believe in the Holy Spirit of God who calls us to abundant life. Amen.

SERVICE OF TABLE

Invitation Eldon Callen, CLM

Prayer of Confession (on screen) UMH #12 Eldon Callen, CLM

WORSHIPPING THROUGH GIVING

Invitation To Give Eldon Callen, CLM

Offertory

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving Eldon Callen, CLM

Abiding Spirit of Love, you have not left us orphaned. Even in our uncertainty, you draw near, whispering truth, stirring memory, giving us a spiritual home, and teaching us to live as those who know we are loved. As Jesus offered himself in love and obedience, so we offer these gifts today—not out of obligation, but as signs of our love and trust. Take them, bless them, use them—to remind the world that Christ's story abides in us. May your Spirit strengthen us to live what we give and give what we believe. In the name of the one who promised never to leave us. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving Prayer (on screen) UMH #17A Pastor Bart

The Lord's Prayer (on screen) UMH #895 Pastor Bart