



Trunk or Treat

Save the Date! Our annual trunk or treat will be held on October 4 after worship.

Pragmatic Mindfulness Course

Taught by Dr. Mark Clingan
Learn ways to deal with challenging situations in life.
Free to congregation members
\$20 for non-SSUMC congregation
Tuesday evenings at 6PM
Starts September 29th and then each Tuesday in October
In person or via Zoom
Contact
secretary@sprucestreetumc.org



Stamps with a Purpose: Barnabas Group

The Barnabas Group is hosting a stamp drive to ensure we have enough stamps to meet our needs. We send out more than 60 cards per month, making stamps our largest expense. Decorative stamps add even a little more extra sunshine. We love to send encouraging notes!!



WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Annual Meeting Registration - October 23-24, 2026
Wayside United Methodist Church - Vienna, WV
Registration forms in Seekers Hall
Due by September 23
Lodging and meal options available on registration forms.

Lectionary Readings Sunday, September 27th

Exodus 17:1-7
Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16
Acts 3:1-19
Matthew 21:23-32



After the church service ...
Be sure to purchase your 25% off discount pass from the United Women in Faith for \$5 usable on Wednesday, October 21.

You can use the coupon in person or online! For \$5, your discount adds up fast, especially if you buy lots of items for Undie Sunday or Gifts of Love. See a UWF member to get your October 21 Friends Helping Friends shopping pass! (We take checks.)

All notices for the bulletin are due on Mondays each week and for the newsletter they are due by the 24 of each month.



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 am Service on WCLG-AM 1300 or Morgan 92.1FM

Like us on Facebook: facebook.com/sprucestreetumc/

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



17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 20, 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 - September 13, 2026
78 In Person / 107 Online / Radio Est. 300 / Offering \$4,299.05 / Budget \$4,879.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Radio Broadcast: To The Glory of God

Altar Flowers: Happy, Happy Birthday, Dear Abby Erenrich. Love you much! Dad & Mom

Refreshments: Susan Brandon & Millie

Liturgist: Bonnie Johnson (8:30) & Dan Erenrich (10:45)

Prayers of the People of God

David Barnes

Tia Biro

Mary Brand

Lori Britton

Wonda Brosky

Jeff Carr

Rhonda Croston

Doug Harman

Brian Hoskinson

Carolyn Johnson

Teresa Johnson

Bill Kennell

Charlene Moats

Tim Moats

Charlotte Murphy

Mike Roberts

Fred Smith

Nancy Smith

Penny Turley

Ed Wilkinson

Sally Collins

Lynn Yanak's

family

THIS WEEK AT SPRUCE STREET UMC

Sunday, September 20

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

Monday, September 21

5:00 PM	Bishops Day @ Life UMC in Fairmont
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Wednesday, September 23

11:00 AM	Bible Study
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Thursday, September 24

10:00 AM	Chair Yoga
6:00 PM	Bell Choir
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir

Prayer updates can be shared with Carolyn Carr. Remember to check the newsletter for our long term prayer list.

The Church in Worship

Congregational Responses and Prayers are in bold italic print
† Congregation Standing (as you are able)

Prelude		
Announcements and Welcome		
Vision Prayer (on screen)		
† Call to Worship		Liturgist
Whether you arrived here first this morning or came in as the service was beginning, God bids you joyful welcome. <i>We thank you and thank God for this generous welcome.</i> You are precious in God’s sight, a delight in God’s presence. <i>Lord, we have come seeking your healing mercy.</i> Know that God’s compassionate love is poured over you this day. <i>Hallelujah! AMEN.</i>		
† Hymn No. 731 (UMH)	“Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken”	
First Prayer		Liturgist
<i>Lord, whether we have come to you from long ago, or have just come to you now, you reach out with love and blessing for each one of us. Help us remember your mercy and your love and offer greetings and blessings to each other in your name. AMEN.</i>		
<u>PROCLAMATION</u>		
<i>Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the church</i>		
First Reading	Exodus 16:2-15	Liturgist
See screen and insert		
Children’s Moment		Pastor Bart
Choral Anthem	“In The Cross”	by Dosso
Gospel Reading	Matthew 20:1-16	Pastor Bart
See screen and insert		
Sermon	“Pay Day”	Pastor Bart
† Hymn No. 121 (UMH)	“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”	
<u>RESPONSE TO THE WORD</u>		
Prayers of the People		Pastor Bart
Prayer of Confession (on screen)		Pastor Bart

Words of Assurance		
<i>Blessings are showered on all who seek God. Come and rejoice! God has given you the gifts of love and mercy. AMEN.</i>		
Affirmation of Faith	UMH #883	Eldon Callen, CLM
We are not alone, we live in God’s world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God.		We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God’s presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

WORSHIPPING THROUGH GIVING

Invitation to Give		Eldon Callen, CLM
Offertory		
† Doxology #95 (UMH)	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	
Prayer of Thanksgiving (on screen)		Eldon Callen, CLM
The Lord’s Prayer (on screen)	UMH #895	Eldon Callen, CLM
† Hymn No. 671 (UMH)	“Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing”	

SENDING FORTH

Blessing		Pastor Bart
<i>Go forth into God’s world as God’s own people. Let the love of Christ be reflected in your life and your deeds. Go with joy to love and serve the Lord to both God and your neighbor. AMEN.</i>		

Postlude



We have raised \$4,880.00
for the door project!
A huge thank you to
everyone who has
contributed to our door
project!

Gifts of Love

Thanks for supporting this
ministry. In addition to our
basic needs, we need
some lightweight
blankets and more linens.
Thank you.

