

Gifts of Love

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



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!!



Lectionary Readings
Sunday, October 4th

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9. 12-20

Psalms 19

Acts 4:5-12

Matthew 21:33-46



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 am Service on WCLG-AM 1300 or Morgan 92.1FM

Like us on Facebook: facebook.com/sprucestreetumc/

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



18th Sunday after Pentecost September 27, 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 27, 2026

126 In Person / 104 Online / Radio Est. 300 / Offering \$3,726.57 Budget \$4,879.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Radio Broadcast: To The Glory of God

Altar Flowers: Happy Birthday, Silas and Jamie Ognibene

Refreshments: Judi McCracken

Liturgist: Greg McCracken (8:30) & Nina Han (10:45)

Prayers for the People of God

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| David Barnes | Bill Kennell |
| Tia Biro | Tim Moats |
| Mary Brand | Charlotte Murphy |
| Lori Britton | Mike Roberts |
| Wanda Brosky | Fred Smith |
| Jeff Carr | Nancy Smith |
| Rhonda Croston | Penny Turley |
| Doug Harman | Ed Wilkinson |
| Brian Hoskinson | Sally Collins |
| Carolyn Johnson | Lynn Yanak's family |
| Teresa Johnson | |
| Deborah Layton & family | |

THIS WEEK AT SPRUCE STREET UMC

Sunday, September 27

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

Monday, September 28

6:00 PM	Administrative Council
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Tuesday, September 29

6:00 PM	Pragmatic Mindfulness Course
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Wednesday, September 30

11:00 AM	Bible Study
6:00 PM	Prayer Meeting (Zoom)

Thursday, October 1

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.



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.

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	Based on Philippians 2:1-13	Liturgist
Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.		
Sing- “And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love”		
Jesus, humbled himself and became obedient, to the will of God.		
Sing- “And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love”		
Sisters and brothers, do nothing from selfish ambition, look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.		
Sing- “And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love”		
Remember God is at work in you, enabling you to the will God in the name of the living Christ in your home, community, church, and world.		
Sing- “And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love”		
† Hymn No. 127 (UMH)	"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"	
First Prayer		Liturgist
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.		
PROCLAMATION		
Prayer For the Readings From The Holy Bible		Liturgist
Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.		
First Reading	Exodus 17:1-7	Liturgist
See screen and insert		
Children's Moment		Pastor Bart
Choral Anthem	"My Song of Praise"	by Besig
Gospel Reading	Matthew 21:23-32	Pastor Bart
See screen and insert		

Sermon	"What You Do Matters"	Pastor Bart
† Hymn No. 641 (UMH)	"Fill My Cup, Lord"	
RESPONSE TO THE WORD		
Prayers of the People		Pastor Bart
Prayer of Confession	Hymnal No. 890	Pastor Bart
See screen and hymnal		
Affirmation of Faith	Hymnal No. 881	Eldon Callen, CLM
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.		he ascended into heaven,
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.		is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
On the third day he rose again;		I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

WORSHIPPING THROUGH GIVING		
Invitation to Give		Eldon Callen, CLM
Offertory		
†Doxology Hymnal No. 95 (Unison)	"Praise God, From Whom all Blessings Flow"	
Prayer of Thanksgiving (on screen)		Eldon Callen, CLM
The Lord's Prayer (on screen)	Hymnal No. 895	Eldon Callen, CLM
† Hymn No. 340 (UMH) Verses 1, 2, & 3	"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"	

SENDING FORTH		
Blessing		Pastor Bart
Go forth in peace; the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all. Amen.		
Postlude		



Trunk or Treat

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



We have raised \$4,880.00 for the door project! Our goal is \$10,000.00. A huge thank you to everyone who has contributed to our door project!