

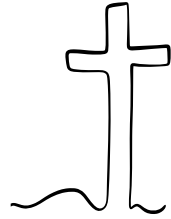
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Prayers of the People of God

Prayer updates can be shared with Carolyn Carr.

Lori Britton
Dolly Cale
Sharon Hillerary
Carolyn Hubbard
Connie Johns
Carolyn Keech



Marlene McCarty
Charlotte Murphy
Susan Presley
Angie Thompson
Linda Wise

MY ENJOY COUPON BOOKS

The United Methodist Men will be selling My Enjoy Coupon Books through the end of December. These books contain discounts of up to 50% at Morgantown, Fairmont, and Uniontown area restaurants, florists, golf courses, and other businesses. Books may be obtained after the 10:45 service in Seeker's Hall, through the church office, or from any United Methodist Men member. Price remains \$40.00. For questions or free home-delivery, call Roger Britton at 304-292-8832.

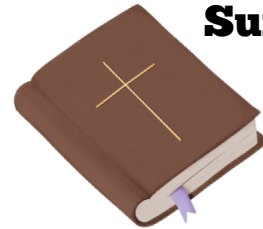


SCOTTS RUN MEAL DRIVE

December's meal is breakfast! We are looking for items such as oatmeal, granola bars, cereal, and/or canned fruit. You might also add boxed milk, peanut butter, jam, or honey!



Lectionary Readings Sunday, December 28



Isaiah 35:1-10
Luke 1:46b-55
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11



Welcome to Spruce Street United Methodist Church



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

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Christmas Eve

December 24, 2025

7:00PM

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.



Poinsettias 2025

In Memory Of:

Steve Marvin

Sue Olcott

Glenn & Marie Peterjohn

Jean C. Weaver

Donated By:

Nina Han

William Peterjohn

William Peterjohn

David Weaver

In Honor Of:

Tina Hammack

Cathy Peterjohn

Donated By:

David Weaver

William Peterjohn



<i>The Church in Worship</i>		
Congregational Responses and Prayers are in <i>bold italic print</i>		
† Congregation Standing (<i>as you are able</i>)		
Prelude		
Announcements and Welcome		
Special Music	<i>How Great Our Joy!</i>	SSUMC Handbell Choir
† Call to Worship		Pastor Bart
Christ is born; give him glory! <i>Christ has come down from heaven; receive him!</i> Christ is now on earth; exalt him! <i>O you earth, sing to the Lord! O you nations, praise him in joy, for he has been glorified!</i>		
† Carol #234 (UMH)	“O Come, All Ye Faithful” verses 1, 3, 4, & 6	
Opening Prayer		Pastor Bart
<i>Send, O God, into the darkness of this troubled world, the light of Your Son. Let the star of your hope touch the minds of all people with the bright beams of mercy and truth; and so direct our steps that we may ever walk in the way revealed to us, as the shepherds of Bethlehem walked with joy to the manger where he dwelled, who now and ever reigns in our hearts, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</i>		
The Lighting of the Christ Candle		Bonnie and Dawna Johnson
Tonight we gather to remember with the prophet Isaiah: For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders, and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Great will be his authority, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this. <i>(Isaiah 9:6-7)</i>		
<i>We gather to once again bask in the glory that visited a stable and a manger, shepherds watching their flocks, and a young couple cradling the newborn Messiah.</i>		
We light the Christ candle as a sign of the glory that came among us in unexpected places and to unexpected people, that we may be people who seek and follow the glory of the Christ child here and now.		
† Carol #219 (UMH)	“What Child Is This”	
	<u>PROCLAMATION</u>	
Bidding Prayer		Pastor Bart
The Lord’s Prayer (on screen)	UMH #895	Pastor Bart
Blessing		Pastor Bart
First Lesson (on screen)	Micah 5:2-5a	Dan Erenrich
† Carol #230 (UMH)	“O Little Town of Bethlehem”	
Second Lesson (on screen)	Luke 1:26-45	David Weaver
Special Music	<i>Comfort Ye, My People</i> by Handel	Jenny Smith

Third Lesson (on screen)	Luke 1:46-55	Gale Truman
Special Music	<i>Breath of Heaven (Mary’s Song)</i> by Amy Grant	Andrea Elkins
Fourth Lesson (on screen)	Luke 2:1-20	Bill Peterjohn
† Carol #240 (UMH)	“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”	
Fifth Lesson (on screen)	John 1:1-14	Eldon Callen, CLM
Choral Anthem	<i>Love Has Come</i>	SSUMC Chancel Choir

	<u>SERVICE OF TABLE</u>	
Invitation		Eldon Callen, CLM
The Offering		Eldon Callen, CLM
Prayer of Confession		Eldon Callen, CLM
<i>Great God, our Redeemer, we sing your praises. Your glorious love shines in the face of Jesus, born a babe in this dark world. We marvel that he generously humbled himself to bring salvation. How precious is your gift of love! Let the light in our sanctuary and our songs of praise spill through the windows to neighbors dwelling in darkness. May our gifts and offerings reflect the light of Christ and, as beacons in the night, draw people far and near closer to you. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen. (Luke 2:1-20)</i>		
Sacrament of Holy Communion		Pastor Bart
Sharing of the Sacrament		

	<u>THE GOING FORTH - CANDLE LIGHTING</u>	
† Carol #239 (UMH)	“Silent Night, Holy Night”	
Dismissal		Pastor Bart
May the Christ who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with the sweetness of inward peace and goodwill; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.		
Blessing		Pastor Bart
Go forth in peace and joy. <i>Thanks be to God. Alleluia</i>		
Postlude		

