

Welcome to Spruce Street United Methodist Church

*“A Church at the Heart of Morgantown
with a Heart for Morgantown”*



Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

June 30, 2024

Worship 8:30AM and 10:45AM
Sunday School 9:40AM



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*(**indicates to stand if able)*

PRELUDE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WELCOME

Our Loving, Learning, Leading Prayer

God, as You lead us on this journey, may we faithfully follow the pathway of love and kindness built on Jesus Christ, the solid rock. Open our hearts to love everyone always. Open our minds to slow down and focus on Your will. Open our doors to welcome and share Christ's great commission, while making disciples of each of us. May we be led by You, putting You first in our lives and in all our endeavors. Amen.

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

LITURGIST

Beloved, when hope is high, abundance surrounds us, and we bask in the goodness of God's provision, God calls to us...

Open your heart and your hands.

When disaster strikes, need overwhelms the senses, and we carry the weight and worry of a perilous present and unknown future, God calls to us...

Open your heart and your hands.

When we are moved with compassion, our hearts urging us to reach out to support our siblings in Christ, God calls to us...

Open your heart and your hands.

Children of God, as we gather for worship today, listen! God call us to open our hearts and our hands to one another in need and in abundance.

May our worship open our hearts and our hands to one another as we learn to share with one another in all seasons, for we are all one in the Body of Christ. Amen.

(Discipleship Ministries)

****HYMN**

Lord of the Dance

UMH #261

1 I danced in the morn-ing When the world was be-gun
And I danced in the moon And the stars and the sun
And I came down from heav-en And I danced on the earth
At Beth-le-hem I had My birth

REFRAIN

Dance then wher-ev-er you may be
I am the Lord of the Dance said He
And I'll lead you all Wher-ev-er you may be
And I'll lead you all In the Dance said He

2 I danced for the scribe And the Phar-i-see
But they would not dance And they wouldn't fol-low Me
I danced for the fish-er-men For James and John
They came with Me And the dance went on. (Repeat Refrain)

- 3 I danced on the Sab-bath And I cured the lame
 The ho-ly peo-ple said it was a shame
 They whipped and they stripped And they hung Me on high
 And they left Me there On a Cross to die (Repeat Refrain)
- 4 I danced on a Fri-day When the sky turned black
 It's hard to dance With the dev-il on your back
 They bur-ied My bod-y And they thought I'd gone
 But I am the dance And I still go on__ (Repeat Refrain)
- 5 They cut Me down And I leapt up high
 I am the Life That'-ll nev-er nev-er die
 I'll live in you If you'll live in Me
 I am the Lord Of the Dance said He. (Repeat Refrain)

FIRST PRAYER

LITURGIST

Living and faithful Spirit, the God in whom we live and move and have our being, the God who is made known in Christ Jesus, bless us one and all as we wait on You this day. Please remove from our minds and hearts whatever impediments hinder worship or dampen our joy.

Increase within us that holy longing for closeness which can open our lives to fuller delight and to a deeper commitment. May our hymns and prayers, our searching thoughts, and our hearing of the Scriptures, be an exercise in the holiest love making. By You, with You and for You, may our lives publish your praise. In the name of Christ Jesus. Amen! *(Discipleship Ministries)*

PROCLAMATION

FIRST READING

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

LITURGIST

- 6 Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. ⁸ I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. ⁹ For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, so that by His poverty you might become rich. ¹⁰ And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something— ¹¹ now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. ¹² For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. ¹³ I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between ¹⁴ your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may

be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. ¹⁵ As it is written,

7 'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.'

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PASTOR

**GOSPEL READING

MARK 5:21-43

PASTOR

²¹ When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around Him; and He was by the sea. ²² Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw Him, fell at His feet ²³ and begged Him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." ²⁴ So He went with him. And a large crowd followed Him and pressed in on Him. ²⁵ Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. ²⁶ She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷ She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind Him in the crowd and touched His cloak, ²⁸ for she said, "If I but touch His clothes, I will be made well." ²⁹ Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰ Immediately aware that power had gone forth from Him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched My clothes?" ³¹ And His disciples said to Him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched Me?'" ³² He looked all around to see who had done it. ³³ But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before Him, and told Him the whole truth. ³⁴ He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease." ³⁵ While He was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" ³⁶ But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷ He allowed no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. ³⁸ When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, He saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹ When He had entered, He said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰ And they laughed at Him. Then He put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with Him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" ⁴² And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. ⁴³ He strictly ordered them that no one should know this and told them to give her something to eat.

SERMON

“A Time to Heal”

PASTOR

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Special Music

HYMN SING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTOR

Come to the Chancel for Prayer and Healing.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (On Screen) Hymnal #880

PASTOR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (On screen) Hymnal #891

PASTOR

WORSHIPPING THROUGH GIVING

INVITATION TO GIVE

Eldon Callen, CLM

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (On Screen)

Eldon Callen, CLM

Holy Lord, help us to share according to what we have, knowing that in the body of Christ, we are bound together in a relationship, offering help and hope to one another. Remind us to be generous with our gifts, time, talents, prayers, and witness. Amen.

(Discipleship Ministries)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #895

Eldon Callen, CLM

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

**HYMN

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

UMH #462

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in J-esus, and to take Him at His word; just to rest up-on his promise, and to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

REFRAIN

Je-sus, Je-sus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Je-sus, Je-sus, pre-cious Je-sus! O for grace to trust him more!

2. O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleans-ing blood;
and in sim-ple faith to plunge me neath the heal-ing, cleans-ing
flood! (Repeat Refrain)
3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Je-sus, just from sin and self to cease;
just from Je-sus sim-ply tak-ing life and rest, and joy and peace.
(Repeat Refrain)
4. I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, pre-cious Je-sus, Sav-ior,
friend; and I know that Thou art with me, wilt be with me to the
end. (Repeat Refrain)

SENDING FORTH

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

PASTOR

Persist in grace and let the grace of Christ bring healing and
wholeness to you. Let go of what you need to let go of and rest in the
love of the Lord.

BLESSING

PASTOR

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

THE WORSHIP HAS CONCLUDED, OUR SERVICE BEGINS

RADIO, WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

Listen on 1300am and 92.1FM

Church Website: www.sprucestreetumc.org

Like us on Facebook: [facebook.com/sprucestreetumc](https://www.facebook.com/sprucestreetumc)

<http://mixlr.com/sprucestreetumc/> to connect to hear the live
stream of our worship.

*Please remember to sign up in Seeker's Hall for radio and altar
flowers, refreshment sponsors, and for liturgists!*

Post-Service Refreshments Covered Dish Dinner After 2nd Service!

Altar Flowers *Please remember to sign up in Seeker's Hall.*

Radio Broadcast *Please remember to sign up in Seeker's Hall.*

How to Give Online: www.givelify.com/givers/

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD:

(Prayer updates can be shared with Carolyn Carr at

cdccarr@yahoo.com

- Eileen Ford
- Kelsey Stancliff
- Art Ford
- Dottie Harman
- Connie Erenrich
- Stephen Grant
- Teresa Johnson
- Ray & Carolyn Hubbard
- Nathan Drumheller
- Mildred McCracken
- Michael Hubbard

(The long-term prayer list can be found in the current Newsletter on our website under News and More)

The Staff at Spruce Street UMC

- Pastor Rev. Bart R. Thompson
- Lay Minister Eldon A. Callen
- Choir Director Ashley Lewis
- Organist Dr. Marguerite Bostonia

THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 30	Worship & Christian Formation	
	Covered Dish Dinner	After Church
Monday, July 1	Heritage	1:30PM
Wednesday, July 3	Barnabas Group	6:30PM
Thursday, July 4	Office Closed	

Goodbye Gift for Bishop Sandra

Our Bishop has completed 12 years of service in the West Virginia Area. We do not know if she will return. We can only hope and pray that the Jurisdictional Conference will send her back to us. Nonetheless, if you would like to give her an appreciation gift for her years of service we are once again sponsoring a hole in the Bishop's Chalice Challenge. The proceeds go towards the endowment for campus ministry at West Virginia Wesleyan College. Our goal is to raise \$250 for the hole and maybe a little extra to thank Bishop for her leadership, kindness, love, witness, faith, and service. You can use givelify app, or the offering plate in the back with golf club.

HOW TO JOIN THE CHURCH

- Becoming a United Methodist begins with a desire to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ as part of a local congregation. For United Methodists, being baptized and committing to active participation in a church community are the first steps to becoming a member.
- Baptism marks the beginning of our lifelong journey as disciples of Jesus Christ. In baptism, we are initiated into the Christian church and incorporated into the community of God's people, the body of Christ. Those who have never been baptized will receive the sacrament of baptism before becoming members. Those previously baptized will reaffirm the Baptismal Covenant as part of their membership vows.
- In those vows, we promise to faithfully live out the call to serve Christ through our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.
- Talk with a pastor about what it means to be a member and how to begin your faith journey as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

We need a few volunteers to help with the bulletins on Wednesdays & Thursdays. If you're like to help, please contact Pastor Bart or Cathy. Thank you

NEWS

- **Welcome Ashley Lewis as our new Choir Director.**
- **Welcome back Pastor Bart for year 4 starting July 1.**
- **The Crochet Group with not meet in July.**

We have one (1) scholarship for anyone who wishes to train for the (ERT) Early Response Team. Remember the **Early Response Teams** (ERTs) are specially trained to respond during the relief period following disasters by performing specific tasks that address families' immediate needs in order to ready homes for long-term recovery.

If you are interested in the Scholarship, please contact Pastor Bart at 304-813-7213. We want to thank Dr. Marguerite Bostonia for her gift of the Scholarship.

Parents' Place is CURRENTLY ENROLLING!

For more information about the program or to register, visit www.parentspplacewv.org



SSUMC ANNOUNCEMENTS



July 4, 2024 Independence Day: community meal with Suncrest UMC.

Thank you to everybody who participated in our community meal from Memorial Day. The community meal began several years ago because meals were not available to the homeless on holidays. It became a wonderful way to interact with not only our homeless community, but also with our friends at Suncrest United Methodist Church. Our next meal will be on July 4.

We will set up at 11. The meal will be from 11:30 to 1:30 and we then we will clean up. SSUMC will take care of the desserts and the drinks and provide the chairs and tables for the meal. If you are interested in helping, sign-up in Seekers Hall or contact Carolyn Carr.

July 22, 23, and 24 Vacation Bible School

THEME: LOVE GOD- LOVE NEIGHBOR- LOVE SELF

We are working with Wesley UMC for an all age and all family Messy VBS.

Messy Church will be combined with VBS in July. There will be no Messy Church in August.

There's a new thing going on

Consider being a greeter on Sundays to serve the church and the Lord.

- You will be the most welcoming person in the church.
- People will be happy to receive a bulletin with a smile from you.
- Greeters will need to arrive 15 minutes before the service.
- Sign up in Seekers Hall today to be a greeter for SSUMC.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS 🕉️ Thank you to all who support this ministry. Our next weekend is July 20-21. If you would like to serve, please contact Carolyn Carr at cdccarr@yahoo.com.

GIFTS OF LOVE ❤️

Thank you for your prayers & support. Besides our basic list we currently need cookware, pots & pans, bath towels, glasses, & insect repellent. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the church or contact Carolyn Carr if you need help.

PRAYER CHAIN 🙏🙏 If you'd like to be a part of this, please send your email address-to Carolyn Carr cdccarr@yahoo.com

YARN MINISTRIES 🧶 Prayer shawls, squares, cozies, angels, & crosses in my pocket are available to you as desire Our Crochet group will not meet in July.