



**Welcome to Spruce Street United Methodist Church
"A Church at the Heart of Morgantown
with a Heart for Morgantown"**

**October 10th, 2021
20th Sunday after Pentecost**

*(** indicates to stand if able)*

Prelude
Announcements

****GATHERING CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Liturgist

Listen, for the voice of God comes near!

Listen, for God's voice is not obtrusive.

We come to worship the God who became one of us,

**Who calls us by name and calls us beloved children of God,
precious and beautiful to behold.**

Who is Love Incarnate, Resurrected, Ascended, and Coming
Again.

Let us gather in joy and hope and worship the- God of Love!

Music Ministry

OPENING PRAYER:

Liturgist

**God our Parent, we come to you as children. Be with us as we
learn to see one another with new eyes, hear one another
with new hearts, and treat one another in a new way. Amen.**

(Corrymeela Community, Ireland, 20th Cent.)

FIRST READING: PSALM 22:1-15

Liturgist

22:1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you

so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning? 22:2 O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest. 22:3 Yet you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel. 22:4 In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted, and you delivered them. 22:5 To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame. 22:6 But I am a worm, and not human; scorned by others, and despised by the people. 22:7 All who see me mock at me; they make mouths at me, they shake their heads; 22:8 "Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver-- let him rescue the one in whom he delights!" 22:9 Yet it was you who took me from the womb; you kept me safe on my mother's breast. 22:10 On you I was cast from my birth, and since my mother bore me you have been my God. 22:11 Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help. 22:12 Many bulls encircle me, strong bulls of Bashan surround me; 22:13 they open wide their mouths at me, like a ravening and roaring lion. 22:14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast; 22:15 my mouth is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

PRAYER: "Gloria Patri"

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen, amen.**

****GOSPEL READING MARK 10:17-31 & 1 John 4:7 Pastor**

10:17 As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 10:18 Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. 10:19 You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" 10:20 He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." 10:21 Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You

lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." 10:22 When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

10:23 Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" 10:24 And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! 10:25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." 10:26 They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" 10:27 Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." 10:28 Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you."

10:29 Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, 10:30 who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age-- houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions--and in the age to come eternal life. 10:31 But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

1 John 4:7 - "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God."

Children's moment: Pastor

The Sermon: "Do The Little Things"

Pastor Bart

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

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. Amen.

Choral Anthem: "Standing on the Promises" by Hayes

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD: (Prayer updates can be shared with Carolyn Carr at cdccarr@yahoo.com)

Quinn Williams	Art and Eileen Ford
Charlotte Taylor	Frances Lindamood
Becky Digman	Dale Staley II
Jean Losh	Larry Buchman
Dana Trent	Pam Todd
Phyllis Glowacky	Jerry Hott
Jean Smith	John Dugan
Delbert and Del Hilling	Pastor John Welch
Elaina McCutcheon	Bob Jones
Rita and David Friend	Dorothy Moore
Eldon Callen	Debbie Davis
Connie Rutan	Sarah Davis
Teresa Murray	Debbie Summers
Christyn Rodeheaver	George Ketterman
David Thompson	Jane Thompson
Lynda Ware and family	Sancie Smallwood
Michael, Patricia, Cameron and Ashton Southerly	

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

WORSHIPPING THROUGH GIVING:

We give joyously to our Lord with our time, talents, gifts, service, presence, and witness.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING/DEDICATION: (Unison)

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

CHORAL BENEDICTION

****Call to Discipleship and Blessing**

Remember you are a Beloved Child of God, precious and beautiful to behold. You are made in the image of God the creator of the universe. You matter and everyone matters; be bold and share this good news of the love of Christ by doing the little things with love. Take a prayer card follow the instructions and do a thank you to someone.

Grant, O Lord, that what has been said with our lips we may believe in our hearts, and that what we believe in our hearts we may practice in our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer Of Hope (All)

“All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well.” Amen. (From Mother Julian of Norwich)

Postlude

THE WORSHIP HAS CONCLUDED, THE SERVICE BEGINS

HOW TO GIVE ONLINE

Please use our app

<https://www.givelify.com/givers/>.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Spruce Street United Methodist Church

Church Website: www.sprucestreetumc.org

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

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RADIO, WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

Church Website: www.sprucestreetumc.org

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

Check out <http://mixlr.com/sprucestreetumc/> to connect to hear the live stream of our worship. To listen to past worship services, when on the homepage scroll down on the left-hand column and click Showreel items for past worship services.

Special Thanks to those who provide...

Our Radio Broadcast (listen on 1300 AM or 92.1 FM):

In memory of 1st Lt. Mayo S. Heath on his birthday, October 7, 1923. KIA, Korea, 1951.

From his sister, Charlotte Taylor

Altar Flowers:

In honor of Henry Lee's Birthday

You are able to sponsor the radio broadcast or altar flowers by calling the church office at 304-292-3359 or emailing to secretary@sprucestreetumc.org. The cost is \$80 for the radio broadcast (and can be divided for multiple sponsors) and \$35 for the altar flowers and that can be mailed to the church or given through Givelify at <https://www.givelify.com/givers/>.

This Week:

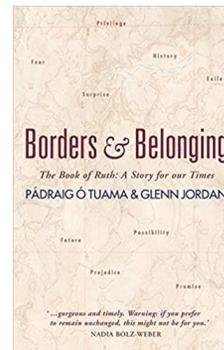
- Sunday, October 10th: Alzheimer's Walk (during Sunday School)
- Monday, October 11th: SPPRC Meeting 6PM
- Tuesday, October 12th: Chair Yoga at 9AM
- Wednesday, October 13th: Bible Study at 11AM in-person and Zoom (link on website)
- Wednesday, October 13th: Prayer Meeting at 6PM on Zoom (link on website)
- Wednesday, October 13th: Borders and Belongings Study at 7PM in-person (week 2)

Our prayer shawls, prayer squares, crosses in my pocket and masks are always available. If you desire or need them, please let us know. We will bring them to you. 😊

Gifts of Love ministry is in need of twin size bed sheets, light weight blankets, bakeware, pots and pans, new standard size pillows and fans. Thank you for your generosity.

Borders & Belonging

The Book of Ruth: A Story for our Times



Amid the poorly told, blunt stories in our world today that divide, polarize and reinforce stereotypes, this lyrical and imaginative book invites us to explore a timeless human drama that reveals how we might respond more creatively to pressing current issues about borders and belonging.

The ancient story of Ruth tells of an outsider, a migrant facing uncertainty in a strange land, a vulnerable female in a foreign culture; yet Ruth draws our

generosity and justice and is herself the gift that will shape a new future for the people she chose as her own.

Join Pastor Bart for week 2 of this study, Wednesday, October 13th at 7PM, following the Prayer Meeting.

Study will be in Seeker's Hall and online.

Materials can be found on our website under News and More.

October Activities

Mark your calendars for these activities during the month:

- October 17th: Walk for Refugees, 2-4PM (Move 4 Missions). The Morgantown East and Morgantown Urban Cooperative parishes are taking part in this walk. Starts at Suncrest UMC and is 4.5 miles. More information is available in Seeker's Hall and on the church Facebook page.
- October 31st: Charge Conference after the 10:45 service.

Some Parking Tags have gone walkabout! Please check your purses, cars, bags, etc and return any parking tags you might come across.

Our Kroger Community Rewards for the 3rd quarter of 2021 amounted to **\$57.21**.

Earn money for our church when you use your Kroger loyalty card!

1. Login to Kroger with your account data.
2. Click on your name, and choose "My Account" from the 6 menu.
3. From the left side of the screen, choose "Community Rewards."
4. If you are enrolled, you can change your charity...
5.If you have not enrolled, search for, and choose "Spruce Street United Methodist Church"
6. A list will appear: Choose our church.
7. Each time you shop at Kroger and use the Kroger Loyalty Card, you will earn money for our church!

*You can only choose one charity