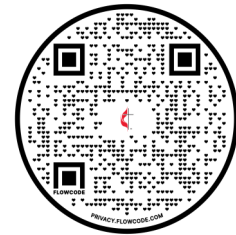


WEEK AT WESLEY

Sunday, May 10th	SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER 8:30 a.m. Worship Service (In Person) 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School, 2nd Fl Classrooms 9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School, 3rd Fl Classrooms 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (In Person & Livestreamed) 1:00 p.m. Loft/Balcony Area Reserved (Mission Church)
Monday, May 11th	7:30 p.m. NA Meeting (Lecture Room)
Tuesday, May 12th	Election Day 6:00 p.m. Finance Team Meeting, Haden Chapel 7:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting, Haden Chapel 7:00 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Moore)
Wednesday, May 13th	6:00 p.m. Lectionary Study (Zoom only) 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir, Lecture Room
Thursday, May 14th	5:30 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Bragg) 7:30 p.m. NA Meeting, Lecture Room
Friday, May 15th	WVU Graduation Weekend
Saturday, May 16th	6:00 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Mission Church)

2026 Wesley UMC

**Sunday, May 3rd:
140 In Person / 153 Online**



Online Offering Option!
Scan the QR code
with phone or device.
Thank You!

PRAYER MINISTRY AT WESLEY

Prayer is one of the most important ministries at Wesley. The Wesley Church Prayer Team prays continually for those who request prayer.

To request prayer you may -

- Write your prayer request on the **Connection Card** and place it in the offering plate. These will be shared with Pastor Martha and the prayer team.
- Contact for **Prayer Requests** is Rachel Beach (email rplybonbeach@gmail.com or call 304-382-3255).
- Place a prayer request in the **Prayer Box** at the back of the sanctuary. These requests will be known only to God.
- **BECOME a MEMBER of WESLEY'S PRAYER TEAM** by contacting Rachel Beach at rplybonbeach@gmail.com

**MonValley
United Women in Faith
Book Club**

START WITH HELLO
(And Other Simple Ways to Live as Neighbors)
SHANNAN MARTIN

**MON VALLEY DISTRICT
United Women in Faith Bookclub**
What: Next Book Club Meeting
When: Tuesday, June 2 @ 6 p.m.
Where: In Person at Suncrest United Methodist Church and Via ZOOM @
<https://zoom.us/j/98820712087>
Meeting ID: 98820712087
Passcode: 208710
Book: Start With Hello
Author: Shannan Martin



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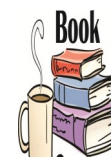
Website: wesleymorgantown.org
Email: wesleymorgantown@gmail.com
Livestreamed 11:00 Service:
facebook.com/wesleymorgantown

GATHER as a community for worship ~ GROW in relationship with God and others ~ GO to serve Morgantown and the world

Mother's Day/Festival of the Christian Home May 10, 2026 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO WESLEY CHURCH

We are glad you are here. Whether you are here for the very first time or a lifelong member of Wesley Church, you are welcome. May this day be filled with God's presence and blessing. Please fill out the Connection Card and drop it in the offering plate so that we will be able to contact you.



Wesley Book Club - Zoom Only
7:30 PM - 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
(May 5th & 19th)

Book Club Leader - Mary Ragland
304-282-1947 / mhragland5@yahoo.com

Please contact for more info. Current book study is on

The Last Week by Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan

We will begin a new book, Sinners in the Hands of a Loving God by Brian Zahnd, on June 2. Join us! Please contact the church office for the Zoom link.

**Festival of the
Christian Home**

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church*



Children/Youth Sunday School
last class Sunday, May 17th

Lectionary Study
last class is Wednesday, May 13th

Thursday Bible Study
last class is Thursday, May 7th

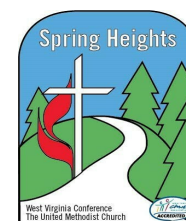
College Bible Study on break

Youth Group
last meeting May 31st

Chancel Choir
Last practice is Wednesday, May 13th
WE WILL START BACK UP IN THE FALL!

Gracious God,
on this Mother's Day,
we give thanks for loving
mothers and all who mother
your beautiful creation.
Bring comfort to all who
struggle with this day.
Surround us now and always
with your deep, unending love.
Amen.

ELCA



Camp ages 5-18 Summer Camp is right around the corner...make plans for some summer fun!

Spring Heights Summer Camp is accepting registrations! There are camps for all ages and interests, including Classic Camp (with a short Mini Camp for younger kids), Hold Your Horses and Wranglers, which are camps all about horseback riding, Creative Camp, where you can 'develop' your photography skills, and Camp Outrageous, where you can do a little bit of everything! For schedules, age requirements, and all other camp info, see Martha or check our springheights.org. Have fun; enjoy nature; learn about God; make friends-let's go to camp!

Wesley United Methodist Church

**invites you to celebrate the retirement of
Reverend Martha Ognibene**

Sunday, June 28, 2026

Worship Service: 10:30 am

One Service Only

(Plan to wear something green—it's Martha's favorite color)

Memories and Gifts for Martha...

Please email any pictures of Martha you want to be included in a slideshow and memory book

*email pics to Kristi DeLeurere at intrigue329@yahoo.com

Deadline: May 31, 2026
and/or

Monetary donations and cards will be received to be included in a Pastor's Gift from our congregation

Deadline: May 31, 2026



Let's have a picnic!!

Lunch will be provided by the church immediately following the service
Menu to include: Hot Dogs and all the fixins', chips, sides, cake, ice cream

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The Church in Worship

Congregational Responses and Prayers are in **bold italic print**

† Congregation Standing (as you are able)

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Trumpet Tune”

G Young

† CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM PROVERBS 31

A capable woman opens her mouth with wisdom

and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.

She girds herself with strength and makes her arms strong.

Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband too, and he praises her

Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come.

A woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.

† OPENING HYMN #384 (UMH)

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

† OPENING PRAYER

We give you thanks, nurturing God, for our mothers who have given us life and love. We remember with compassion mothers who have lost a child through death, and pray that their faith may give them hope, and that their families and friends may support and console them. We rejoice in your good gift of women who, though without children of their own, have nurtured and cared for us. We pray for mothers who have been unable to be a source of strength, and who have not responded to their children or sustained their families. Loving God, watch over these women and your Church. Grant that we, daughters and sons, may honor our parents and be loving ourselves. Amen.

† GATHERING HYMN #408 (UMH)

“The Gift of Love”

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

11:00 a.m. Service Only - Children age 3 through 2nd grade are welcome to attend Children’s Church immediately following the Children’s Message (located on 2nd floor behind balcony)

SPECIAL MUSIC

8:30 a.m.

“Simple is the Song”

Chancel Choir

11:00 a.m.

“Lord, Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace”

Chancel Choir

Johnson

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #883 (UMH)

HYMN OF PREPARATION #2123 (TFWS)

“Loving Spirit”

SCRIPTURES

JOHN 14:15-17 AND ACTS 17:22-31

SERMON

“Our Christian Home”

Pastor Martha

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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.

† PRESENTATION OF GIFTS & OFFERINGS

DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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† CLOSING HYMN #549 (UMH)

“Where Charity and Love Prevail”

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

“Praise the Lord”

H Hopson

ALTAR GUILD

The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in memory and in honor of all mothers.

JOHN 14:15-17

¹⁵“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

ACTS 17:22-31

²²Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’ ²⁹Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

ALTAR GUILD

Would you like to dedicate flowers to someone *special in your life*? Sunday altar flowers can be given in loving memory of in honor of your loved ones or a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, baptism, etc.). Altar Guild member Michelle Smith handles all flower arrangements. To place a dedication please contact Michelle at 304-216-8870 or email her at michelle012067@gmail.com.

OPEN DATES: May Special Sundays

Sunday, May 17th: Ascension Sunday

Sunday, May 24th: Pentecost/Heritage/Aldersgate Day

(Memorial Day Weekend):

Sunday, May 31st: Trinity Sunday

2026

Contribution Statements

January thru April

Giving Statements

will be mailed May 15th.

PRAYER FOCUS

Dear God, You made man and you made woman. This Sunday we focus on the women of the church. We are blessed by women who show strength, lead, care for us, teach us Your word, nurture us and so much more. They are a daughter, sister, aunt, cousin, friend, mother, and grandmother. Regardless of how we refer to these women; they are LOVE and they are loved. Thank you for each and every one of them. They are such blessings in our lives. Support them in many roles they have. Amen.

THANK YOU!!

We thank Gabrielle Smith, 2026 graduate of West Virginia University, for permission to use her Capstone video in this service. Good work, Gabrielle!

Lectionary Study w/Pastor Martha

We'll be meeting weekly via Zoom on WEDNESDAYS at 6:00 PM. Everyone is invited to take part in this lively discussion of the upcoming Sunday's scripture lessons. Contact the church office to get the Zoom link. **Last class before summer break is May 13th.**

Lectionary Readings

7th Sunday of Easter, May 17th:

Acts 1:1-14 / Ps 68:1-10, 32-35

1 Pet 4:12-14; 5:6-11 / John 17:1-11

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters

Duncan and Owen Lorimer (8:30)

Nancy and Bill Wasson (11:00)

Scripture Readers

(8:30)

(11:00)

Ushers

Frank Cox, Alan Waters, Dennis Chambers, and Karl Yagle

Sound & Media

Colton Davis, Scott Blosser, Kyle Swisher, Wesley Davis, Shelby Davis, Brad Davis, Bob Beach and Ellis Oti Boateng

Sundays 6PM **YOUTH** 3rd Fl Classroom

May 10 - Mother's Day - No Youth

May 17 - Field Trip Special Event

May 24 - Memorial Day Weekend - No Youth

May 31 - End of Year Cookout/Campout