

WEEK AT WESLEY	
Sunday, Sept 6th	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST
Open Gym Time	8:30 a.m. Worship Service (In Person)
directly following	9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School, 2nd Floor Classrooms
second service	11:00 a.m. Worship Service (In Person & Livestreamed)
until 12:45 p.m.	1:00 p.m. 2nd Floor/Balcony area (Mission Church)
	3:30 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Bragg)
	6:00 p.m. College Study, 3rd Floor Classroom
	6:30 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (WVU Volleyball Club)
Monday, Sept 7th	LABOR DAY (Church Closed)
	7:30 p.m. NA Meeting (Lecture Room)
Tuesday, Sept 8th	
	6:00 p.m. Mon County Fair Parade (Downtown)
	7:00 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Moore)
	9:00 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Young Life)
Wednesday, Sept 9th	
	12:00 p.m. Backpack Project (Scott's Run-Cheat Lake)
	7:00 p.m. Choir Practice, 3rd Floor Choir Room
	7:00 p.m. Young Life (QUAD basement)
Thursday, Sept 10th	
	6:30 p.m. SPRC Mtg In person & Zoom (Haden Chapel)
	7:30 p.m. NA Meeting, Lecture Room
Friday, Sept 11th	
	7:00 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Young Life)
	7:15 p.m. Social Group trip to Planetarium (8PM show)
Saturday, Sept 12th	
	6:00 p.m. Balcony/Loft area Reserved (Mission Church)



September Fellowship Event

MOUNTAINLAIR...is the place to have FUN!!

Bowling, Billards, & Ping Pong!!

Tuesday, September 15th

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

\$7 per person

Parking will be free and available in Wesley's Parking Lot (Wesley parking permit will be required).
Contact the Church Office at 304-292-9485/Connection Card/wesleymorgantown@gmail.com

We hope you will join us for few hours of fun!

PARADES & HOSPITALITY!!

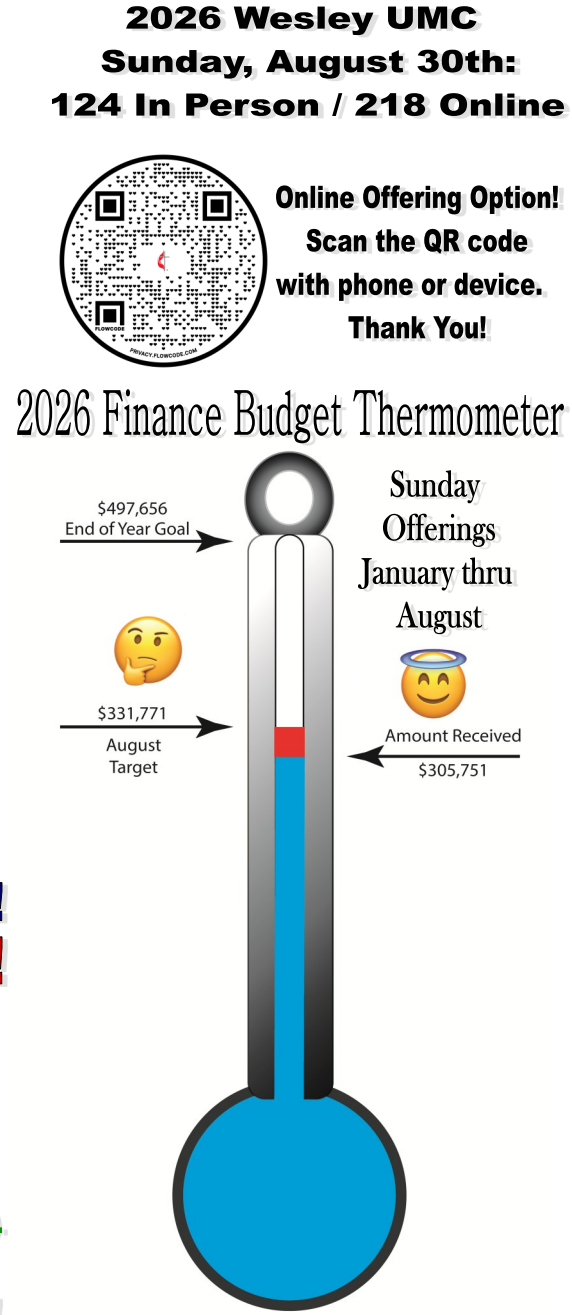
Helping hands and smiling faces are needed for our parade hospitality outreach.

All ages are welcome to be a part of Wesley's Parade Hospitality Group! Be a part of outreach that serves the community during a fun and energized parade. Volunteers arrive one hour before the parade begins and will prepare cold and/or hot beverages then serve at two locations: Davis Gym doors and Church entrance Willey Street (stone steps).

Mon County Fair Parade: Tuesday, September 8th @ 7:00 p.m.
Volunteers for fair parade arrive at 6:00 p.m.

UHS Homecoming Parade: week of Oct 2nd @ time TBS
MHS Homecoming Parade: week of Oct 9th @ time TBS
WVU Homecoming Parade
Friday, Oct. 16th ~ 6:30 p.m.
Volunteers for WVU parade arrive at 5:30

Pride Parade: date & time TBA
Veterans Day Parade: Nov 11th @ time TBA
Christmas Parade: date & time TBA



SUNDAYS: Open Gym Time

Parents and Children who attend the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sundays are welcome to have some free play time in the Davis Gym directly following the second service until 12:45 p.m. **EVERY CHILD regardless of age HAS TO BE accompanied by a parent.** There will be times that the Davis Gym is reserved for other events, therefore, OPEN GYM TIME will be canceled for that day. Other than equipment provided there will be no outside equipment allowed in the gym. NOTE: children will not have access or are permitted to be on the stage for safety reasons. We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely, Wesley Staff



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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

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 6, 2026 8:30 a.m. and 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.



Christian Education Sunday & Wesley Kids KickOff Event!!

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 13th!

9:30 a.m. ~ 10:30 a.m. ~ Sunday School Meet & Greet for all ages!

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. ~ Food, Fellowship, & Fun in the Gym!!

As we prepare to celebrate our Christian education ministries and kickoff our children's and youth ministries for another school year, it's time to get excited! This coming year we are committed to offering ministries for the whole family and to provide ways for everyone to be engaged in the full life of the church. Get Ready! More information will be shared soon.

Wesley Kids' Volunteer Needed: we are looking for adults of all ages to serve as a Sunday School Teacher, Substitute Teacher, Youth, Music, Skits, Crafts or Nursery volunteer. Volunteer forms are located on the Welcome Table...fill out a form and leave in the church office or offering plate.

THE WESLEY JOURNAL NEWSLETTER

The September edition of the Wesley Journal Newsletter has been emailed. If you need a printed copy stop by the Welcome Table or the Church Officelots of exciting things going on!!

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, September 17th at 6:30 p.m. Wesley's Nomination Committee Meeting will meet in Haden Chapel. Please notify the church office or Pastor Michael of your attendance.

Concerts In The Loft

Kittens Ain't Biscuits



SUN SEPT 13 5PM

Free Concert & Parking compliments of Wesley UMC

503 North High St.
304-292-9485
wesleymorgantown.org



CHANCEL CHOIR

The Chancel Choir has started back Seot 2nd. Choir practices are held on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the Choir Room on the third floor. NEW and SEASONED voices are welcome to join us! Chancel Choir sings every week at the 11:00 am Sunday service and occasionally at the 8:30 am service. The Chancel Choir offers a variety of musical selections. This is a great time for people who want to start singing in the choir to join. For more information, contact Lya Stroupe lyastroupe@comcast.net for more information.

The Church in Worship

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

† Congregation Standing (*as you are able*)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “*Deck Thyself with Joy and Gladness*” Cruger/arr Johnson

† CALL TO WORSHIP
Come, let us gather in the presence of Christ, who calls us to seek reconciliation and restoration.
We come with humble hearts, ready to listen, forgive, and love one another.
Jesus reminds us that when we gather in His name, He is among us.
Lord, be present with us today. Give us grace for difficult relationships and wisdom to pursue peace.
Let us worship the God who brings healing where there is hurt and unity where there is division.
We come worship, to listen, and to follow Christ together.

† OPENING HYMN #384 (UMH) “*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*”

† OPENING PRAYER
Almighty God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - we come before you today grateful for Your grace and mercy. As we worship You, remind us that You have called us to love one another, even when relationships are difficult. Give us humble hearts that are willing to listen, forgive, speak the truth in love, and see reconciliation. You promised where two or three are gathered in Your name, You are there among them. So be present with us today and always. Heal broken relationships, soften hardened hearts, and help us pursue peace according to your Word. We offer to you our worship this day. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen!

† PASSING THE PEACE

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 “*Hide Me Now Under Your Wings*”
Yuraslova Pukhova, solo and piano

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881 (UMH) “The Apostle’s Creed, Traditional Version”

HYMN OF PREPARATION #494 (UMH) “*Kum Ba Yah*”

GOSPEL READING Matthew 18:15-20

SERMON “Difficult Relationships” Rev. Michael Burge

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

HOLY COMMUNION #12 (UMH) “A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II”

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.

† DOXOLOGY #70 (UMH) “*Glory Be to the Father*”
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

† CLOSING HYMN #2221 (TFWS) “*In Unity We Lift Our Song*”

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE “*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*” C S Lang

SERMON NOTES

MATTHEW 18:15-20
¹⁵ “If your brother or sister sins against you,^[a] go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. ¹⁶ But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

PRAYER FOCUS

Dear God, We don't always get along with family, friends and even total strangers. We pursue what is in our own best interests instead of what is in YOUR best interest. We get angry and want them punished or proven wrong. Help us to remember they deserve Grace, love and forgiveness; as do we. Jesus showed us how to live. Let us use His example to reconcile differences. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

Lectionary Readings

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 13th:

Exod 14:19-31 / Exod 15:1b-11, 20-21

Rom 14:1-12 / Matt 18:21-35

Save the date! Women of Faith Event

Tuesday, October 13th

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Peace Hall

Hosted by The Catholic Daughters

\$20 per person

Food ~ Fellowship ~ Raffles (Quilt & Baskets)

Reservation forms are in the newsletter, Welcome table, and Church Office.

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:
September 13th, 20th, and 27th

SUNDAYS AT 6:00 P.M.
(3RD FLOOR CLASSROOMS)

COLLEGE BIBLE STUDY
Is back for the Fall Semester!
ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS WELCOME!

College Study led by Lawrence DeLeurere
Contact info: 304-319-7740
semangeloph@gmail.com

UMYF: Start Back
Sunday, Sept 13th
***United Methodist Youth Formation**

ALL YOUTH WELCOME!
(6th thru 12th grade)
Youth Leaders Chad & Arielle Harvey
Contact info: 304-619-9441
simplysouthernphotographywu@gmail.com
Youth are invited to bring a friend!!

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters	Mike and Linda Bagby (8:30)	(11:00)
Scripture Readers	Mike Bagby (8:30)	(11:00)
Communion Stewards	Mike and Linda Bagby (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	