

*Growing together ...in Faith...Reason...Service...and Love*

# BOWER HILL

Bower Hill Community Church (Presbyterian U.S.A)



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### WORSHIP AIDS

Large print bulletins and listening devices are available in the Narthex. Copies of this week's sermon are available from the ushers for the hearing impaired. Please ask an usher for assistance with any of the above.

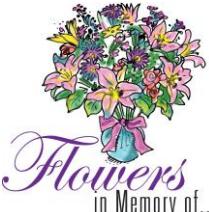
Sunday School classes for kids PreK through 8th grade. Sixth through eighth graders meet directly in their classroom (room 105) at 9:30 a.m.; the rest start in worship. Childcare is available for babies and toddlers in the nursery.

### NEW TO BOWER HILL? WANT MORE INFO?

Please feel free to pick up a visitor packet in the Narthex (just outside the Sanctuary). Contact the pastor, Rev. Dr. Brian Snyder, via the office at 412-561-4114, with any questions.

### ATTENDANCE --- 12/14/2025

67 total in-person worship / 15 children



### SANCTUARY FLOWERS / DONATION DEDICATIONS

The chancel flowers this morning are given by Lynn Sirinek in memory of loved ones.

### LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Brian Snyder

### USHER CAPTAIN

Nick Gibbs

### GREETERS

Betsy Hohlfelder, Caroline Smith  
Phyllis Madden

### LECTOR

Peter Smith

### SEXTON

Dave Hicks

### FLOWER DEACON

Nate Ivey

### WEB STREAM

Theresa Child

### SOUNDBOARD

Dave Stewart

### ACOLYTES

Maggie Webler, Charlie Webler

### OFFERING COUNTERS

Jean Miewald, Matt Arner

### COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

McElroy Family

## **YOUTH MINISTRIES**

### **What's Happening this Sunday with Children & Youth**

**9:30 a.m. Sunday school.** Kids through 5th grade, start in worship then head to room 110 w/ Ms. Amy. Middle schoolers can either join in room 110 or stay in worship.

**6:30 p.m.** Tweener White Elephant Christmas Party (grades 3-6) in room 110 with special guest... Jeremiah Wagner from Crestfield! Bring a wrapped gift, not to exceed \$10. Invite your friends!

### **Sunday December 28**

**9:30 a.m. Annual Sunday-after-Christmas PJ Party** in room 110. Kids should be picked up after worship. The nursery will be open that day. Wear your PJ's and bring a pillow and blanket. We will watch a fun holiday DVD. Donut holes, fruit, juice, and milk will be provided.

### **IN MEMORIAM: ROBERT FERRERO**

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Robert "Bob" Ferrero. Bob was a long-time member of Bower Hill Church living at Concordia with his wife, Lee, who survives. Bob was on hospice when he died peacefully at home in full possession of his characteristic wit and good cheer. A memorial service will take place in the spring.

### **2025 Flea Market Results**

The Flea Market Committee is excited to share with you the results for the 2025 flea markets. As a reminder, the Spring Flea Market did not break any records, but the results were very strong at \$9,373. The Fall Flea Market also did not break any records but was also strong at \$9334. When you put the two totals together, we broke the record for the year at an astounding \$18,707!

Whether you donated items, bought items, made soup or snacks for the snack bar, helped with setup and/or cleanup, helped on the day of the sale, told a friend to come shop, or simply prayed for our success, the Flea Market Committee is grateful to all of you.

### **Faithful Conversations**

"Faithful Conversations" are held most Sundays after worship beginning at 11 AM in the Friendship Room. We welcome everyone High School age and older to join us as we learn about and discuss issues of Faith. Our discussions thus far have been well attended and received a positive response

December 21 - The Birth of Jesus - Different Stories



JOIN US FOR  
**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**

**Monday, December 24**

11:00 a.m. Family Worship Service

7:00 p.m. Candlelight Service  
Music begins at 6:30 p.m.

#### Holiday Season Giving Trees

The Mission Committee has chosen three ways to help those in need this holiday season. Bower Hill Youth has partnered with the Mission Committee for the Jared Boxes collection.

- Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank
- Humane Animal Rescue of Pittsburgh
- Jared Boxes – boxes provided to children during their hospital stays



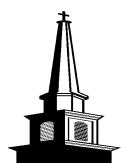
For more details, check out the December Newsletter.

Be sure to grab a tag or two this holiday season to help make life a bit easier for others, humans, and pets alike!

#### **LIGHTING THE STEEPLE DEDICATION**

**December 24**

In memory of Betty Mancini on Christmas Eve by her family.





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### **OUR CHURCH STAFF**

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### **December 21**

BH Phil Performs in Worship  
9:30am Children's Worship  
9:30am Worship  
10:30am Fellowship (Coffee)  
11:00am Faithful Conversations - The Birth of Jesus (FR)  
11:00am First Baptist Worship  
6:30pm Tween Game Night (FH)

### **December 22**

### **December 23**

10:00am –11:00am Staff Meeting (Rm 101)  
7:15pm –8:15pm OA Meeting (Rm 105)  
7:30pm –9:00pm Troop 28 & 9028 (FH)

### **December 24**

Office Closed - Christmas Eve  
11:00am Family Christmas Worship Service  
5:00pm Rehearsal  
6:30pm Christmas Eve Worship Service

### **December 25**

Office Closed-Christmas Day

### **December 26**

### **December 27**

### **December 28**

9:30am Annual PJ Party  
9:30am Worship  
10:30am Fellowship (Coffee)  
11:00am Faithful Conversations - Midwinter Festivals of Lights (FR)  
11:00am First Baptist Worship  
2:00pm –6:00pm Mission Project with Carnegie Presbyterian (Kitchen & FH)

### **WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS**

### **DECEMBER 28**

#### **LEADING IN WORSHIP**

Rev. Dr. Brian Snyder

#### **USHER CAPTAIN**

Mary Beth Waine

#### **GREETERS**

Amber Grier, Cynthia Gissin  
Phyllis Madden

#### **LECTOR**

Sally Child

#### **SEXTON**

Jean Miewald

#### **FLOWER DEACON**

Brian Vertz

#### **WEB STREAM**

Brian Vertz

#### **SOUNDBOARD**

Dave Dickey

#### **ACOLYTES**

Elias Kunkle, Michael McElroy

#### **OFFERING COUNTERS**

Jean Miewald, Colleen Marsteller

#### **COFFEE HOUR HOSTS**

Child Family