

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

BOWER HILL

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

Find us on the web at www.BowerHillChurch.org

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.

CHILD CARE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Childcare for infants and toddlers is available during worship in the nursery. Kids through 2nd grade begin in worship, and then are escorted downstairs after the Children's Sermon for their own worship service. Kids in 3rd - 5th grade meet directly in room 105 at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School. Youth in 6th grade and up remain in worship with their family.

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.

LEADING IN WORSHIP THIS MORNING

Pastors: Rev. Dr. Brian C. Snyder

Anne Carper Smith
Director of Music Ministries

LECTOR - Amber Grier

USHER CAPTAIN - Matt Arner

GREETERS

Brianna Ivey, Dave Hicks, Nancy Andrews

SEXTON - Dave Hicks

FLOWER DEACON - Kathy Philson

WEB STREAM - Nate Ivey

SOUNDBOARD - Peter Morgan

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS - The Leasure Family

ACOLYTES - Autumn Grella

JR. HELPERS - Bea Watterson,

ATTENDANCE --- 5/1/22

69 total in worship / 18 children



SANCTUARY FLOWERS / DONATION DEDICATIONS

If you are interested in purchasing sanctuary flowers or making a donation to the charity of your choice as a dedication in memory/honor of a loved one, please contact the church office to request a form or information. At this time, available Sunday dates are as follows: May 29 and June 19.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian
Education

YOUTH MINISTRIES



Racial Wealth Gap Follow-Up

A special thanks to all who participated in the racial wealth gap simulation event held last Sunday in Fellowship Hall. New insights were learned, and discussion began on ways to respond to the existing racial wealth gap. Browse the new bulletin board display in Fellowship Hall to read ideas identified by participants; feel free to add your own, or piggyback off the ideas listed. If you'd like to learn more, take advantage of attending Adult Education on Sunday, May 15, to hear from Wayne Younger, Executive Director, at Open Hands Ministries. Learn about how Open Hands works to promote social justice and empower black Pittsburgh families to build multi-generational wealth through financial management skills and navigating the path to homeownership.

May 17 - Need help on Plant Sale delivery day

The youth group plant sale plants will be delivered on Tuesday, May 17. We need lots of help to unload, organize, and sort the plants into orders for pickup. We intentionally selected this day, as most schools have off due to it also being election day, so I'm hoping that our youth will be available to help. Students who work can receive service hour credits. [Here is the link to signup](#) for a 2-hour shift throughout the day - more help is needed early during the initial hours of unloading and sorting (and extra bonus if you have plant knowledge). There are also a few slots from 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. for pickup - this is just helping customers find and load their orders into their cars.

Save the Date - Day Camp 2022

The CE committee is happy to share that our summer Day Camp will be the week of August 1-5. On-line registration will open in mid-May. If you would like to help plan this ministry event, please contact Amy.

~Amy Grella, Director of Education Ministries

ADULT EDUCATION

Today, we will view a video lecture by Dr. David Brakke, the Joe R. Engle Chair in the History of Christianity and Professor of History at Ohio State University, that considers what Paul's letters to the Corinthians can teach us about resolving community conflicts. It's easy to love the neighbors we like but what about others? Steve Boisvert will lead this class.

On Sunday, May 15, we are excited that Wayne Younger, Executive Director of Open Hand Ministries, a non--profit that works to build multi-generational wealth for black families in Pittsburgh, will be speaking to us about Open Hand Ministries work. If you attended last Sunday's Racial Wealth Gap Learning Simulation, attending this session would be an excellent follow-up. We hope this class will also give us other ideas for action.

Please plan to join us in person at 11:00 a.m. in the Friendship Room or online using Zoom.

~Sarah Neusius, Chair, Adult Education Committee

Pastor Brian talks about Sabbatical

Elder Rick Jacobs met with Pastor Brian to learn more about his upcoming Sabbatical, which is scheduled for June, July, and August. We figured that if he had questions, you might have some, too. Please click on the following link to view the 30 minute interview: <https://youtu.be/-x8c1j9Vu9o>

Get Outdoors! - May 7 Cross Creek Park

The hike for this month will be the trails in Cross Creek Park. Cross Creek Park is Washington County's largest park and features the beautiful Cross Creek Lake for boating and fishing, as well as picnic shelters, playgrounds and hiking trails. We are planning on hiking probably the South Side Trail which for the most part is a loop trail.

Cross Creek Park Brochure with Map

We will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the main parking lot and carpool to the hike. The trailhead is about a 50 minute drive. We will hike a loop that should take under 2 hours. So, it will about 12:30 p.m. when we return. If it rains, we will reschedule. **Please email me at gstchild@yahoo.com or call so we don't leave without you.**

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By official call of the Session, the second 2022 regular meeting of the congregation of Bower Hill Community Church (Presbyterian U.S.A.) will be held on Sunday, May 15, at 11:00 a.m. All church members are encouraged to attend.



The Nominating Committee will present its slate of nominees for Session members in the Class of 2025, Deacon members in the Class of 2025, and congregation members of the 2023 Nominating Committee. In addition, Session will recommend that a change in the church by-laws be approved to reduce the size of Session from 18 to 12 members.

Bill Cadwell, Clerk of Session

The Table at Hot Metal Bridge May 17 - 4:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

We need volunteers to help set up and serve!

Contact Darendra Lease at dlease109@comcast.net



UNITY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION TODAY

Unity Food Pantry will be needing canned carrots, size 4 diapers, and boxed cold cereal. Of course, as always, we welcome donations of any in-date, non-perishable food products, household cleaning supplies, and toiletries.



Help us welcome baby Sophia Lansbery to our community of faith by baptism on Sunday May 15. We will be collecting size 4 & 5 diapers. Books and gift cards are also welcome. All donations can be placed in the playpen in the Narthex!



LIGHTING THE STEEPLE DEDICATION

May 8

In memory of Betty B. Mancini by her family, Ann Morrison & Bob Hendricks, Rick and Andrea Morrison.

In memory of Kathy Duffy, a friend of Virginia Montgomery and Lynn Foltz.



HAPPY Mother's Day

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May 8

Mother's Day
Unity Food Pantry
9:30 AM Children's Worship (PreK-5th gr.)
9:30 AM Worship
10:30 AM Fellowship (Coffee)
11:00 AM Adult Education (FR)
11:00 AM First Baptist Worship

May 9

8:00 AM Montessori School
7:00 PM Building & Grounds (101)
7:30 PM Mission Comm. (ZOOM)

May 10

8:00 AM Montessori School
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Adult Ed Committee - Zoom
11:00 AM Staff (101)
7:00 PM Communication Committee - (FR & Zoom)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Giving 2 Grow (Rm 110)
7:30 PM BS Troop 28 (FH)

May 11

8:00 AM Montessori School
9:00 AM Koinonia - Hybrid (Friendship Rm./Zoom)
7:00 PM Mayfair on Moffett (110,105)

May 12

8:00 AM Montessori School
6:00 PM Bells - Choir Rm.109
6:30 PM CS Pack 28 (FH,105,110)
7:00 PM Choir (Sanctuary)
8:00 PM Eco-Justice Team (Conf. Rm. 101)

May 13

8:00 AM Montessori School

May 14

May 15

Newsletter and Session Report Deadline
Semi-annual Meeting of the Congregation
9:30 AM Children's Worship (PreK-5th gr.)
9:30 AM Worship
10:30 AM Fellowship (Coffee)
11:00 AM Adult Education (FR)
11:00 AM First Baptist Worship

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS
MAY 15**

LECTOR

Kirsten Bruder

USHER CAPTAIN

Nick Gibbs

GREETERS

Christine Henney
Cynthia Gissin, Phil Neusius

SEXTON

Tim Lease

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Kiri Rising

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