

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.

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 --- 12/07/2025

104 total in-person worship / 43 children



SANCTUARY FLOWERS / DONATION DEDICATIONS

In lieu of live flowers this morning, a donation was made to East Liberty Health Center by Joan's Family in honor of Joan McAnulty for her 90th birthday.

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Fred Leasure

USHER CAPTAIN

Matt Belardi

GREETERS

Nancy Andrews, Bri Ivey
Phyllis Madden

LECTOR

Jean Miewald

SEXTON

Dave Hicks

FLOWER DEACON

Karl Casey

WEB STREAM

Peter Morgan

SOUNDBOARD

Dave Dickey

ACOLYTES

Ben Wetzel, Noelle Grella

OFFERING COUNTERS

Alan Hohlfelder, Lynn Sirinek

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

Linda James and Cindy Kelley

YOUTH MINISTRIES

What's Happening this Sunday with Children & Youth

9:30 a.m. Pastor Brian is leading the Connect Class for 6th -8th graders. Meet directly in room 105. Kids through 5th grade, start in worship then head to class w/ Ms. Amy.

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class & Youth Group White Elephant Christmas Party in room 110.

Sunday December 21

9:30 a.m. Sunday school classes for kids PreK through 8th grade. Childcare available in the nursery.

6:30 p.m. Tweener (grades 3-6) White Elephant Christmas Party in room 110.

Christmas Remembrance Dedications

Remember your loved ones this Christmas season through a special donation in honor or in memory of them. All names will be featured in the Christmas Eve service program. Donations will benefit SHIM.

Pick up a form in the Narthex after worship. Please turn in the form and payment (payable to BHCC) to the church office or drop it in the offering tray.

Deadline to submit forms is Thursday, December 18.



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 14 - When Bad Things Happen to Good People - Introduction to Process Theology



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.

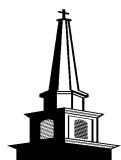
Be sure to grab a tag or two this holiday season to help make life a bit easier for others, humans, and pets alike!

The church directory and photo directory have been sent electronically in the Friday E-Blast. Limited copies of the church directory have been printed and are available to pick up in the Narthex.

2026 offering envelopes are also available for pick up in the Narthex. If you have not received offering envelopes previously and would like to request them, please contact the church office.

LIGHTING THE STEEPLE DEDICATION

Consider sponsoring the lighting of the steeple in honor of an anniversary, birthday, remembrance of a loved one, a prayer request, or some other significant date. Notice of your lighting, and the person, prayer, or date that it commemorates, will appear in the weekly bulletin. The cost for this remembrance is \$10 a day. Email your request to Amy Leasure at amlea97@hotmail.com.





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December 14

Communion Sunday
Unity Food Pantry Collection
9:30am Children's Worship
9:30am Worship
10:30am Fellowship (Coffee)
11:00am BH Phil Rehearsal(Sanctuary)
11:00am Faithful Conversations - When Bad Things Happen to Good People (FR)
11:00am First Baptist Worship
11:30am -6:00pm Compassionate Friends
Candlelight Service (Sanctuary, Kitchen, FH)
6:30pm -8:00pm Combined Confirmation MS & HS Christmas Party (Room 110)

December 15

Newsletter and Session Report Deadline
8:00am Montessori School
6:30pm -7:30pm BH Phil Rehearsal(Sanctuary)
7:00pm Budget Summit Meeting

December 16

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

December 17

8:00am Montessori School
9:15am Koinoinia (Rm 110)
2:00pm Speaker Series Planning Meeting
6:00pm Bells Rehearsal (Choir Room)
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00pm Mayfair on Moffett (110,105)

December 18

8:00am Montessori School
6:30pm -8:00pm Cub Scout Pack 28 (FH)

December 19

8:00am Montessori School

December 20

BH Phil Rehearsal(Sanctuary)
1:00pm -3:00pm Hooks & Needles (Phyllis Yohe's residence)

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)

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

DECEMBER 21

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