

# Serve



Sewickley Presbyterian Church

*We aspire to be a church where the  
Gospel of Jesus Christ is  
faithfully proclaimed and faithfully lived  
in grateful responses to God's love.*



## Serving at Sewickley Presbyterian Church

One of the key initiatives of our Vision (printed on the opposite page) is to create more opportunities for participation and engagement within our church family. There are multiple ways for you to be involved in the SPC ministry. They come in all shapes and sizes with many different time commitments. Look through this brochure and find what interests you!

Our Volunteer Coordinator, Beth Rom, would love to help you find a place to serve. If you have any questions please contact Beth:

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Vacation Bible School



## Committee & Subcommittees

All SPC members are welcome to be a part of the various committees that represent our church family. Experience is helpful, but not required so if you have a desire to be a member of one the committees please let us know!

### Discipleship & Spiritual Formation

**Purpose:** To develop spiritual growth for all ages

**Subcommittees:** Children's Ministries (ages birth to 5<sup>th</sup> grade)

FriendShip Preschool

Youth (6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

Adult Education

#### Examples of ways to serve in this committee:

- assist with children or youth by:
  - teaching a class
  - mission trip planning
  - assist/plan various activities
  - provide food for activities
- lead and/or teach adult education

### Fellowship & Hospitality

**Purpose:** To host & plan for fellowship events

#### Examples of ways to serve in this committee:

- help to plan, organize & set-up church meals and/or receptions

### Finance

**Purpose:** To oversee financial policies of the church

- accounting policies
- manage endowments and gifts
- investment strategies
- prepare and review annual budgets
- prepare long-range financial forecasts and plans

### Membership

**Purpose:** To support the membership of SPC

- support the Volunteer Coordinator who helps assimilate new & current church members
- support church staff with new member classes
- oversee the Greeter Program and Muffin Ministry
- update the church photo directory as needed
- maintain and revise welcome brochure as needed

**Subcommittee:** History Committee

#### Examples of ways to serve in this committee:

- bake and/or deliver muffins to new members or to members who are ill or home bound
- help to plan/organize new member receptions
- assist Volunteer Coordinator with various tasks
- have a passion for preserving the history of SPC
- help recruit members to greet guests on Sundays



## Mission

**Purpose:** To encourage mission activity at SPC

- support our Pastors in seeking a deeper theological understanding of Mission within our congregation
- seek ways to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ to our church, community, and to the world
- provide guidance for our church towards engaged participation in Mission activities
- seek to develop mission partnership

**Subcommittees:**

- Benevolence:** recommends mission grants to the Mission Committee
- Campbell Scholarship:** selects recipients for Campbell Scholarships
- Center for Hope:** coordinates and oversees mission opportunities at the CFH
- Day on the Lawn:** plans DOL rummage sale
- Dinners and Service:** oversees dinners at the Ladle; collects non-food items through Neighbors in Need; provides leadership for Amigos Fellowship; provides leadership for Produce to People
- Hammers and Nails:** hands-on work projects for our church and for other area mission groups
- World Mission:** supports and creates world mission opportunities

### Examples of ways to serve in this committee:

- serve dinner at outside mission organizations once a month
- work alongside kids to make healthy meals twice a month
- take part in our annual rummage sale
- work with developmentally challenged adults

- perform various tasks at our mission partner Center for Hope
- paint, garden, build alongside Hammer & Nails at SPC
- attend a mission trip
- distribute food through the Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank
- work on knitting projects with our Knitting Group



Hammer & Nails



Center for Hope



Day on the Lawn

## Personnel

**Purpose:** To provide support to our church staff

- supports our Pastors to foster a climate of growth and development for all staff
- provides a forum for all employees to communicate workplace misconduct
- annually reviews the compensation and benefits for staff and recommends to the Finance Committee any changes to the Personnel budget
- periodically reviews the Employee Handbook and recommends changes to Session



### Property

**Purpose:** To ensure the church's facilities and grounds are properly maintained and accessible to all

- uses church volunteers whenever possible for repair and maintenance
- sets and oversees independent contractor policy and building use policy
- evaluates equipment needs of church and oversees procurement and use
- creates and implements a master facilities plan
- creates and maintains appropriate signage inside and outside our church
- maintains suitable interior decorating that is welcoming and comfortable



Main Church Building



Faith House

### Stewardship

**Purpose:** To educate and communicate the mission and ministry needs of SPC

- conducts an annual stewardship campaign
- provides year-round Christian stewardship education for the congregation
- establish and maintain an ongoing Planned Giving program
- monitor all fundraising in the church to better understand our giving practices and history
- coordinate with the Finance Committee's annual budgeting process

### Technology

**Purpose:** To maintain the church's information and communication systems

- operate, maintain, and train volunteers in the use of the SPC sound systems
- identify and develop various methods of communication with and among the congregation
- ensure the preservation of critical content via recording, streaming and archiving

**Subcommittee: Sound Team**

**Examples of ways to serve in this committee:**

- operate sound equipment for services
- provide IT assistance/guidance for church equipment



## Worship & Music

**Purpose:** To support the music & worship of SPC

- supports Pastors in planning worship
- supports Director of Music Ministries in oversight of:
  - church choirs
  - musicians
  - professional soloists
- recruits, trains, and coordinates lay readers and ushers
- oversees sacraments, funerals, weddings, and the musical endowments

**Subcommittees:** Flower  
Funeral  
Wedding

### Examples of ways to serve in this committee:

- arrange flowers for Sunday morning services
- provide assistance at funeral services by handing out bulletins and greeting attendees
- support wedding parties and clergy during ceremonies
- help to plan various aspects of worship services

### Other ways to use your gifts with Worship & Music:

- sing in one of our choirs
- play in our handbell choirs
- be a lay reader during a worship service
- usher on a Sunday morning
- help to serve communion

Thank you for taking a moment to search out where you might be interested in serving at Sewickley Presbyterian Church. Some committees are more about planning and support, while others are about hands-on service. Regardless, there is something for everyone!

## Our charge from the Book of Order of the Presbyterian Church (USA):

“Membership in the Church of Jesus Christ is a joy and privilege. Membership is also a commitment to participate in God’s mission. A faithful member bears witness to God’s love and grace and promises to be involved responsibly in the ministry of Christ’s Church. Such involvement includes: taking part in the common life and worship of a congregation; lifting one another up in prayer, mutual concern, and active support; studying Scripture and the issues of Christian faith and life; supporting the ministry of the church through the giving of money, time, and talents; responding to God’s activity in the world through service to others; and working in the world for peace, justice, freedom, and human fulfillment.”

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