Welcome to Powell United Methodist Church!

If you are new to the church, we invite you to visit the Welcome Center.
Our response to God reflects the truth that Christ is alive in us and is always relevant, inclusive, creative, and generous.

Special Announcements

Our New Stephen Ministers are Being Commissioned Today. Michael Brockfield, Linda Copsey, Michael Saunders, Larry Thomas, and David Tucker have responded to God's call, gone through a 50-hour training and are ready to serve God and our congregation in providing confidential Christian care and support to those who are struggling. They join an active team of Stephen Ministers and Stephen Leaders. The Stephen Leaders are Pastor Katya Brodbeck, Curt Cooper, Kathy Inamura, and Joy Waldron. Support this ministry with your prayers, your acceptance of care and your suggestions to others that the care of Stephen Ministry will make a difference. Stephenministry@powellumc.org.

Wesley Tour Informational Meeting, Monday, Jan. 29, 7pm. Pastor Larry & Kelly Brown and Willis & Emily Gould are hosting a tour of England, May 8-16, 2018. The tour will focus on our Methodist heritage, including inspirational and historic sites connected to John Wesley and the People Called Methodist. All who are interested in learning more are invited to attend and there is no obligation associated with attendance. A tour brochure is available at the Welcome Desk or contact larrybrown@powellumc.org to learn more.

***Sign Up for the Next New Member Series.** If you would like to learn more about Powell UMC and how you can better respond to the reality of God by taking steps on the pathways of knowing, serving, giving, and telling, come to a three-session series on these three Sundays: Feb. 4 (6:30-8pm), Feb. 11 (6:30-8pm), and Feb. 18 (6-8pm). Childcare will be available. Sign up at the Welcome Center or contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

***Church-wide Lenten Study** invites your participation. Lent is a deeply spiritual season prior to our celebration of Easter. The season begins with Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, and moves through the events of Holy Week, March 25-31. During these six weeks we invite you to take part in our Lenten Study, *Restored: Finding Redemption in Our Mess* by Tom Berlin. The study invites our honesty about the ways our lives are not all they should be and to discover how a renewed relationship with God can create hope and deeper faithfulness. Purchase books in the Main Hall and signup for small group or on-line study options in the Main Hall or online. Plan to participate in the journey.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Feb. 7 is *Before We Were Yours*, by Lisa Wingate; the book for March 7 is *The Girl With Seven Names*, by Hyeonseo Lee. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. For information, contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or jkw71550@columbus.rr.com.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

The Glow & Grow Fitness event raised money for the Unity House in Delaware which is a home for returning citizens. If you would like to make a contribution to the Unity House today stop by the Display table in the Main Hall or donate online.

Give Ingredients for a community meal to help provide a healthy dinner for hungry people who participate in a weekly community meal that is called Friday Night Life sponsored by Good Works in Athens, Ohio. To be a part of the meal, take a tag(s) from the tree in the Main Hall, purchase the item(s) and return them to the church kitchen by Wednesday, Feb 7.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Benefits Habitat for Humanity, Tuesday, Feb. 13, 5-7pm. Everyone is invited to this *Mardi Gras* themed evening before Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. Pancakes, sausages, fruit, coffee, tea, milk and juice will be served. No reservations are needed; donations accepted. All proceeds will be used to build the walls for a Habitat for Humanity home in Delaware county. To help with this meal by preparing, cooking, serving, cleaning up or donating a food item, sign up in the main Hall or contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

UMW Lily Circle Chili Sale will be Sunday, Feb. 4 after all church services. The cost will be $8/quart and $4/pint. All profits will benefit missions. Enjoy some chili at your Super Bowl party!

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Early Response Training, Jan. 27, 8:30am-4pm, North Broadway UMC. This eight-hour Basic ERT Training Class will teach you how to assist survivors of natural disasters in their future time of need. You will provide a Christian presence while taking steps to prevent further damage to a family's personal property, tarping, debris removal, cleaning out flooded homes, etc. FEMA recognizes this training to be able to enter a disaster scene. For more information and questions, contact kshoaf@wocumc.org. The cost is $40, includes lunch.

First Tuesdays at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 5:30-9pm. Join others building community and serving those in need as you welcome customers, provide assistance, sort donations and serve a meal. Carpooling is available. To serve, contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Food Prep for Community Meal in Athens, Thursday, Feb. 8, 6-8pm, church kitchen. Come to an evening of chopping, mixing, socializing and serving God as we prepare a healthy meal for a local community in Athens. Bring your cutting board and your smile. Contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Serve at a Community Meal on Friday, Feb. 9, 2018, 2pm-9pm, Good Works, Athens. Meet at the parking lot of the church, drive to the Athens area to serve and participate in the community meal that is called Friday Night Life. This is a place of sharing food and fellowship where people come from all walks of life. Contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Spiritual Work Retreat, Feb. 9 & 10, 2018, Good Works, Athens. Experience the rhythm of serving and being connected to God and community through the Spirit. This work retreat will have elements of doing some volunteer work, worship, bible study and connecting with each other through fellowship. This is an overnight experience with a possibility of coming on Saturday morning. The cost is $30 for overnight and $15 for food. For more information and to sign up, contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

A Disaster Recovery Mission Trip to WV is scheduled for April 29-May 5. An information and planning meeting will be held Tuesday, Feb. 27, 7pm. All who are interested in knowing more about this trip to provide help and hope for a community severely effected by the June 2016 flood are invited. The trip will provide time for work, reflection and relationship building. Although rebuilding skills are important, the desire to offer a caring presence is just as important. Contact sandyhuber@powellumc.org for more information.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

Upper Room Devotion groups meet Mondays, 8:45-9:45am, facilitated by Pat Parren, patparren@yahoo.com, or 11:30am-12:30pm, facilitated by Bev Avers, bavers@insight.rr.com. Discussions each week will be based on the previous Wednesday's devotional in the *Upper Room* devotional book.

Afterlife, Tuesdays, 10am. This is a look at what the Bible and other sources say happens when we die. The Tuesday Morning Group (TMG) invites you to join them in thinking about and discussing what's going to happen to all of us after-this-life.

"IF" Women's Webcast Retreat, Friday, Feb. 9 (6-9pm) and Saturday, Feb. 10 (9am-4pm) at the home of Megan Rockey. What IF we followed God with perseverance instead of insecurity? We will look at one of Paul's letters to Timothy as he reminded him of the power and responsibility of sharing the gospel. Contact kimlarue@powellumc.org for registration.

Caring Ministries

Are You Experiencing a "Winter" in Your Life? The winter weather can be symbolic of what may sometimes happen in life. Stephen Ministers are trained to provide confidential Christian care, giving you the emotional and spiritual support you need to make it through a winter in your life. To learn more about how a Stephen Minister can help you or someone you know, contact stephenministry@powellumc.org.

Join the Refit Revolution! Beginning January 23 at 7pm Refit will be at PUMC weekly! Refit is a fitness *community* whose vision is to create a fitness experience that changes people from the inside out, and this vision is accomplished by focusing on the heart as a muscle AND soul. People don't have to get *fit* in order to be *fit* at REFIT®- workouts are designed for *every body* regardless of age, shape or size or ability. Each session is led by trained instructors and a $5 donation is suggested. Contact Heidi McDowell, heidimcd@yahoo.com, for information.

Children's Ministries (Infant—5th grade)

Children's Ministries Director, rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org

Sunday Morning Ministry Opportunities *(An age appropriate Bible lesson is offered to all children)*

Nursery
- Infant - 5 years old *(not in Kindergarten)*
- Available at all worship services *(8:15, 9:30, 11:00 am)*

9:30 a.m. Sunday School *(Children MUST be toilet trained to attend Sunday School Classes)*
- Preschool - Room 103N
- Kindergarten & 1st Grade - Room 110N
- 2nd & 3rd Grade - Room 109N
- 4th & 5th Grade - Room 100N

11:00 a.m. Sunday School *(Children MUST be toilet trained to attend Sunday School Classes)*
- Preschool through 5th grade - Room 100N

Sunday School Lesson: "Jesus and the Children" - Matthew 19: 13-15
Sunday School Monthly Focus: God sent Jesus to tell us about God.
Monthly Bible Verse: "This is truly the prophet who is coming into the world." John 6:14

A Loving Heart Movie Time, Sunday, Feb. 11, 2-4pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come and watch Veggie Tales, "Silly Thing Called Love." This is a time for fellowship, fun, a craft, snacks and a movie. Learn about loving your neighbor, your family and God! Parents are invited to stay and put Easter Eggs together for the Easter Egg hunt.

Veggie Tales Easter Movie, "An Easter Carol," Sunday, March 4, 3-4pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come together to watch a movie with friends and snacks. Parents are invited to stay and put Easter Eggs together for the Easter Egg hunt or fill them with candy. The more helpers the better!

Fill Easter Eggs with Candy for the Easter Egg Hunt. Pick up the empty eggs in the Main Hall from Feb. 25-March 11 and fill them with wrapped candy.

Powell Community Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, March 24, 10am, at the Village Green Park in downtown Powell.

Children's Palm Parade, Sunday, March 25, during the 9:30 and 11am worship services.

VBS Online Registration is Open. Register today, www.powellumc.org/vbs-info-registration.html, as spots are limited. Children preschool - 6th grade (register for the grade going into)
- Evening VBS: Sunday, June 3 - Thursday, June 7, 5:30-8pm
- Morning VBS: Monday, June 4 - Friday, June 8, 9am - 12pm
- Youth and adult volunteer register is also open

Children's Music:
Cherub choir (age 3-kindergarten), meets today, 10:35-10:55am in room 108N.
Children's choir (1st—5th grade), meets 10:35am in the choir room.
Joyful Ringers (grades 3-5), meets 4:15-5:00pm in the choir room.

Youth Ministries (6th—12th grades)

Youth Ministries Director, joshuaslone@powellumc.org

Youth Sunday School meets today, 9:30-10:30 am. Middle School in room 102N and High School in room 101N. Contact Josh with middle school questions and Matt Utt, ohio.mutt@gmail.com, or Drew Thiele, thiele.drew@gmail.com, with high school questions.

"Girls of Grace" Bible Study, led by Youth Leaders, Mallory and Kayla. Open to all girls 6th-12th grade. Next meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 23, 7-8pm. Email malloryslone@gmail.com with questions.

Boys Bible Study, beginning Tuesday, Jan. 23, 7-8pm, led by Drew Thiele and Joshua Slone. E-mail thiele.drew@gmail.com or joshuaslone@powellumc.org with questions.

Upcoming Events - stay tuned for more information!
- Nerf War
- Smash Night
- Scavenger Hunt
- Mess Fest

Youth Music: Middle School Choir (grades 6-8), meets 10:35-10:55am in room 102N
Glorybells (grades 6-8), meets 5:00-5:45pm in the choir room
Alleluia Bells (grades 9-12), meets 5:45-6:30pm in the choir room

*** Childcare or Sunday School scheduled.**
Childcare is available for other adult ministries.
Contact Kim La Rue at kimlarue@powellumc.org