Welcome to Powell (Inited 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

*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.

Wesley Tour Informational Meeting, TOMORROW, Jan. 29, 7pm. Pastor Larry & Kelly Brown and Willis & Emily Gould are hosting a tour of England, May 8-16, 2018. 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.

Attention! Scout Sunday will be celebrated next Sunday, Feb. 4 at the 9:30 service. All children and young people, both boys and girls, who are involved in scouting are invited to wear their uniforms. At the start of the 9:30 service they will be recognized and we'll have a moment of celebration for the program of scouting. Following this, children can either stay in worship with their families or go on to their Sunday School class.

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, 7pm, a service with imposition of ashes and prayer for healing on the first day of Lent to mark the beginning of preparation for the understanding of the death and resurrection of Christ.

Join the Refit Revolution, Tuesdays, 7pm in Fellowship Hall. 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.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

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.

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.

Caring Ministries

Are You Experiencing a "Winter" in Your Life? The winter weather can be symbolic of what may sometimes happen in life. Little difficulties build up like slush, making us slip and slide, causing every decision to seem treacherous. We can wonder, "Is God even there?" 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.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

*Church-wide Lenten Study invites your participation in 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. Sign up for your preferred study at the Adult Ministry Table or online at powellumg.org.

Sundays, beginning Feb. 18, at 9:30 or 10:45
Tuesdays, beginning Feb. 20, at 10am, 12:30pm, or 7pm
Wednesdays, beginning Feb. 21, 8pm webcast
Thursdays, beginning Feb. 15 at 6:30pm for young adults and others or
7pm for women

Fridays, beginning Feb. 23, at 9:30 for women

Peace & Justice Committee Meets Today, 4pm, in Fellowship Hall. This group strives to put faith into action by helping to bring justice and peace into the community and the world through knowing, giving, serving, and telling. Interested persons are invited to participate. For more information, contact Kay Sutton, <u>sis43065@sbcglobal.net</u>.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

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 \$8.00/quart and \$4.00/pint. All profits will benefit missions. Enjoy some chili at your Super Bowl party!

Food Pantry Item of the Month: Cereal. Purchase some extra items when you shop, and drop them – along with any other items of your choice – in the church's mission carts. Your donations make a big difference for Delaware County families and individuals who visit People In Need's choice food pantry.

Glow and Grow Unity House Fundraiser, we want to thank all those who helped and came and supported our fundraiser for the Unity House, a temporary housing for women transitioning from being in prison into society. With all your effort, we almost hit our goal of \$3,000! These resources will make a difference for women who live in the Unity House.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

An Evening On Domestic Violence with Denise Kontras, an advocate, speaker and author, Monday, Feb 5, 6:30-7:30pm, room 100N. Denise is the Training Coordinator for the Ohio Domestic Violence Network and a member of the Ohio Faith-Based Task Force to develop policy for training faith leaders and their communities about best practices and responses for domestic violence victims. This is a continuing education event for Stephen Ministers that is open for the congregation. All are welcome.

"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.

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

- 2nd & 3rd Grade - Room 109N

- Kindergarten & 1st Grade - Room 110N - 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: "A Boy's Lunch" - John 6: 1-15

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, Feb. 6, 7-8pm. Email <a href="mailto:mai

Boys Bible Study, beginning Tuesday, Feb. 6, 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, Feb. 23 - Scavenger Hunt, March 18

- Smash Night, April 29 - Mess Fest, May 20

Confirmation meets Feb. 4, 12:30-2:30pm in rooms 101N/102N.

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