

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

New Staff Member Announced: We are pleased to share the news that Hannah Ewald has been named our Director of Youth Ministries. Hannah is the daughter of a United Methodist pastor, originally from Maryland, and a graduate of both Otterbein University and Wesley Theological Seminary. Hannah begins her work with us on Monday, July 30th and her first Sunday with us will be on August 5. We invite you to surround Hannah with your prayers as she comes to share in ministry and faith with our congregation.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

Summer Online Study, begins THIS Tuesday, July 31, and continues on Aug. 7, 14, 21 at 8pm. Pastor Larry will facilitate this study focusing on Frederick Buechner's book, *A Crazy, Holy Grace*. This book focuses on the pain we experience, how we can embrace the hurt, discover God in the midst of it, and receive healing that deepens our faith. Participants will need an internet connected computer to participate via live weekly webcasts or to view recorded sessions. To register contact larrybrown@powellumc.org or go to our website. Books are available in the Main Hall.

***10:45 Sunday School for Adults** resumes on Aug. 5, studying *Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times*, by Adam Hamilton. We know Jesus tells us, "Do not be afraid," but with everything going on in the world, how is it possible not to be anxious? Join us for good discussion and fellowship. Led by Denise Miller, demiller31@hotmail.com and Kathy Perry, katharineaperry@gmail.com.

Save the Date, The Aspire Women's Tour, Oct. 14, 5pm-8pm, featuring author Melissa Spoelstra. An evening full of laughter, learning, stories & music. One night. Three hours. Just for women. Please join us, right here at PUMC. Set aside time for you!

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

"I believe in the church" an evening of inspiration, worship, testimony, and sharing with our Bishop, Gregory V. Palmer, Sep. 11 at Indian Run UMC, 6pm-8:30pm. In the light of the upcoming decisions about the future of the United Methodist Church connected to social issues, we are invited to spend time with our bishop reflecting on the past, present and the future of our church. Dinner will start at 6pm and the program will begin at 6:45pm. Registration is required for dinner and to receive printed materials. Use this link to register or go to our website, <https://westohioumc.org/conference/webform/i-believe-church-registration-indian-run-umc>

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Aug. 1 is *Radium Girls*, by Kate Moore; the book for Sept. 1 is *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine*, by Gail Honeyman; the book for Oct. 3 is *The Great Alone*, by Kristin Hannah. 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.

***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: Aug. 26 (6:30-8pm), Sep. 9 (6:30-8pm), and Sep. 16 (6-8pm). Childcare will be available. Sign up at the Welcome Center or contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Early Response Team Training will take place on Saturday, Aug. 18, 8:30am-4:30pm in the Fellowship Hall at the church. The training will provide you with the knowledge and skills that are needed in crises situations. This training will enable you to go and be with people within 4-6 weeks after a disaster happens. After going through the training and background check, you will receive an UMCOR badge that is recognized by FEMA. The cost is \$40, lunch included. Please contact KatyaBrodbeck@powellumc.org, and register online, <https://www.westohioumc.org/equip/mission-and-justice/conference/event/ert-powell-united-methodist-church>.

First Tuesdays at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, Tuesday, Aug. 7, 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.

Habitat for Humanity Walls Build: Aug. 24 & 25. All ages will come together to build all of the walls for a Habitat home in Powell UMC's parking lot. No skills are needed. There are a variety of opportunities to serve. Sign up at the display in the Main Hall or at powellumc.org.

Fall Weekend West Virginia Mission Trip, Sep. 27-30, responding in love to the 2016 disastrous flood for as long as it takes. The work is home rebuilding or repair, but most important is the gift of presence. No special skills needed. If you are interested in being a part of this group, come to an informational and organizational meeting on Monday, Aug. 6, 7pm or email sandyhuber@powellumc.org

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Silent Auction to Support Habitat for Humanity, Aug. 25, 8am-12pm and Aug. 26, 8am-12:30pm. Offer items, talents, services, gift certificates, and experiences to benefit a Habitat for Humanity home. For more information, contact Wendy Tyree, Lwtyree@aol.com.

Food Pantry Items of the Month: Boxed Dinners (such as tuna or hamburger helper). 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.

Common Ground Free Store Fundraising Event, Fashions & Fixin's, Friday, Aug. 11, 6-9pm at the Homestead of Radnor, 2866 St. Rte. 203. Come to celebrate, honor and show support to this ministry that is making a big difference in the lives of our neighbors in Delaware. Tickets are \$40. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fashions-and-fixins-tickets-47334540886>.

The Book Box is here to prepare for the 10th Annual Used Book Sale on **Oct. 6**. The book box is located by the Welcome Center entrance and is for gently used books that you no longer need at home. These books will be sold at the Used Book Sale in October. Contact Mary Linn Hoffmann at 740-548-7757 or mlinn@insight.rr.com with questions.

Caring Ministries

Preschool Parent's Day Out has openings for this fall. The program is on Fridays, 9am-1pm and is open to 2-6 year olds. This gives you time to run errands, attend appointments or meet a friend for lunch. For more information, contact Preschool Director Linda Franz at 614-847-3773.

Children's Ministries (Infant–5th grade)

Children's Ministries Director, rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org

Family Worship Today! Children are invited to join their families in worship today. This is a great time to experience worship together as a family, hear the scripture readings, sing the songs and listen to the sermon. Then go home and talk about all the things you experienced in worship together as a family! Children's Bulletin Bags are available to help engage children in the service. The nursery will be open for infants and toddlers up to age 5 (not in kindergarten) from 8:15am to 12:00pm. The Quiet Room is also available at the back of the Sanctuary.

VBS Memory Videos are on sale Today at the Children's Table in the Main Hall and in the Education Wing. This is a collection of pictures taken in the morning and evening sessions of VBS 2018. The pictures scroll while the VBS songs play! This is an awesome way to remember the week of VBS. Cost is \$5 per video.

Summer Movies are back! All ages are welcome. This is a great opportunity to come as a family and watch a movie with others at church. If your child is in preschool or kindergarten an adult must stay with him/her during the movie. Wear pj's, bring a pillow and blanket to lay on, and bring a favorite snack to share.

-Sunday, August 5th: 1-2pm - "Veggie Tales, The Penniless Princess"

-Sunday, August 12th: 1-2:30pm - "Camp New - Dollar Days"

Save the Date: Sunday, August 12th - Blessing of the Backpacks. Bring your backpack to worship and before the prayer, you and your backpack will be invited up to the chancel to be blessed for the new school year. All will receive a special "Backpack Blessing Tag" as a reminder that no one is alone at school. God is always with them and Powell UMC is praying for each student this school year. All ages are welcome to participate.

Collecting New Pairs of Socks, plain socks or fun socks, for People In Need (PIN). Drop your donations in the collection bins in the education wing.

Youth Ministries (6th–12th grades)

Youth Ministries Director, hannahewald@powellumc.org

Youth Sunday School meets today, 9:30-10:30 am rooms 101N and 102N. Contact Matt Utt, ohio.mutt@gmail.com, or Kris Shoaf, krisshoaf@gmail.com, with questions.

"Girls of Grace" Bible Study will meet at the church on Aug. 8, 7-8pm. All girls, grades 6th-12th are welcome to attend. The group will study the Bible, watch videos, have conversations and fellowship.

G.Y.M. (God's Young Men) Bible Study, open to all boys 6th-12th grade. Meets Aug. 7 and Aug. 21 from 6:30-8pm. Contact Matt Utt, ohio.mutt@gmail.com, for more information.

PINS Mechanical in Dublin, Sunday Aug. 12, 12:15pm to 4:30pm \$10 per person, lunch is included at the church. RSVP with Kris Shoaf, krisshoaf@gmail.com. See table in Main Hall for more information.

High School Book Study, *Mere Christianity*, by C.S. Lewis. Thursdays, 7:00pm Meet to discuss the book and connect the topics to what is going on in life. Contact Matt Utt, ohio.mutt@gmail.com to participate and share in fellowship.

Fall Retreat. Mark your calendar for Friday, Sep. 14-Monday, Sep. 17 for the annual fall retreat. You can register at www.powellumc.org. Cost is \$100 per person and includes transportation, lodging and food.

Music and Worship Arts

Jody Hepp, jodyhepp@powellumc.org

Summer Choir Set to Sing, Sunday Aug. 19. All singers are invited to form a summer choir. We'll learn an anthem to share at the 9:30 service and we'll meet in the choir room at 8:45am. For more information contact jodyhepp@powellumc.org

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