

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

Many thanks to all who participated in the Habitat for Humanity Silent Auction! We raised \$6,980.00. That will help us build more walls and support Habitat for Humanity programs that bring people together to build homes, communities and hope.

***Safe Sanctuary Training**, Thursday, Sep. 13 at 9am and 6pm in room 100N. This training is for anyone thinking about or interested in volunteering with Family Promise, Youth or Children's Ministries. Contact rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org with questions.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

Autumn Studies for Adults

There are many opportunities to study in small groups, choose one that appeals to you.

***Pastor's Weekly Bible Study** begins Wednesday, Sep. 5, at 6pm in room 108N. Each week participants will reflect on the preaching passage for the coming Sunday. All are invited to come together in a spirit of shared learning and discussion. For more information, contact Pastor Larry.

***Disciple III Fast Track** begins Wednesday, Sep. 5 at 7pm. If you have completed Disciple I, join this group for "Remember Who You Are" and study the Old Testament Prophets and the Letters of Paul. Jeff Firkins and Kim La Rue leading. For more information, contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

***Elijah, Spiritual Stamina in Every Season**, begins Thursday Sep. 6, 7pm. This class for women is perfect as we deal with many different seasons in our lives. This discussion will help us think about things from new perspectives and affirm our worth as Christian disciples. Kristina MacKenzie, mackenzie.kristina@yahoo.com and Kim La Rue are leading.

***Thursday Morning Study**, a class for all, begins Sep. 6, 10am, with the study *Christianity & World Religions* by Adam Hamilton. In our world of diversity, understanding and respecting our neighbors of other faiths is critical. Leaders, Heather.melchiorre14@gmail.com and Kimlarue@powellumc.org.

Men of Iron, begins Monday, Sep. 10, 6:30pm, with the study *Mere Christianity*, by C.S. Lewis. This group for men will meet weekly for 8 weeks during this book study. A time of fellowship follows the study at Gallo's on Grace Drive. Contact Brian Riddle, msforhealthcare@yahoo.com.

Tuesday Morning Group (TMG), Tuesdays beginning Sep. 11, 10-11:30am. Using the book *If Grace Is True*, by Philip Gulley, the group will explore the magnitude of God's grace in our lives. Contact davewoodyard@powellumc.org with questions.

***Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times**, a study by Adam Hamilton, begins on Sep. 19, 7pm. Jesus tells us, "Do not be afraid," but with everything going on in the world, how is it possible not to be anxious? Dave Holliday will facilitate this study, dvhlldy@yahoo.com.

***Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study**, begins Sep. 25, 6:30-8pm. Walk through Exodus to learn and understand this book in the Bible. The only book needed is a Bible. Register online at <https://powell.breezechms.com/form/22bbd5>. Facilitated by rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org.

***Through the Bible in One Year**, will meet on Tuesdays, Oct 2-30, 6:30pm. Have you always wanted to read the whole Bible? Is it on your bucket list? This group will read the whole Bible in a period of one year together. The group will meet every six weeks for a period of six weeks or so to discuss the readings. Read the whole Bible with the support of community. Register online, at powellumc.org or contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Online Study Available: Recordings for Pastor Larry's webcast series on Frederick Buechner's book, *A Crazy, Holy Grace*, are on our website at www.powellumc.org. Go to the adults tab and select "Studies and Small Groups" to locate the videos. For more information contact larrybrown@powellumc.org.

Morning Glory Circle will meet Monday, Sep. 10, 9:30am, in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited. Contact Bev Avers, bavers@insight.rr.com, with questions.

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

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Communion Offering for September: Common Ground Free Store, a place in Delaware where everyone is on common ground and welcomed with a smile, a place where those in need can find a community to belong, a listening ear to be heard, along with clothes, household items, and a free meal. Consider supporting this unusual common place through your generosity and giving spirit.

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.

Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS) will hold a 5k run/walk for refugees on Sep. 8, 10am in Alum Creek Park North. If you would like to go with a group from PUMC, contact Kathy Inamura, Khinamura@yahoo.com.

The Walk to End Alzheimer's, Sep. 23, Huntington Park. Check in/Registration, 12pm, the Walk begins at 2pm. This walk is held annually in 600 communities across the country to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. There is no fee to participate, but people are encouraged to fundraise to support this important cause. Register at, act.alz.org/goto/PUMC. Contact Ginger Brehl, gbrehl@gmail.com, with questions.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Powell Community Blood Drive, THIS Tuesday, Sep. 11, 1-7pm in the Fellowship Hall. One pint of blood can save three lives and the American Red Cross urgently needs your help. To schedule an appointment, call Jo McEnney at 614-584-9586 or the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767.

Serve with Family Promise, Sep. 16-23. Help support Delaware County families who are currently without homes. In addition to providing meals and spending the night as a host, families, couples and individuals are needed to spend a few hours on Saturday and Sunday at the facility, 39 N. Washington Street, Delaware. Your support will help families achieve lasting independence. To serve, contact Betsy Effinger, beetles121@gmail.com.

Men's Good Works One Day Mission Trip, Saturday, Oct. 6. All men, including young men, are invited to participate in our annual work day. We meet early in the morning and travel to Athens County to work in the community assisting those in need. Projects range from light construction to yard maintenance. An organizational meeting will take place on Sunday, Sep. 23, 6pm. To sign up, contact larrybrown@powellumc.org.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

Explore Alpine Wonders and See the Oberammergau Passion Play, Sep. 14-22, 2020. Although this is two years away, it is time to plan. It is only every 10 years that the residents of the Bavarian town of Oberammergau put on this unique performance. An informational meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sep. 25, 7pm. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center, or contact hosts Deacon Sandy and Brian Huber at sandyhuber@powellumc.org.

"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 the church. Registration is required for dinner and to receive printed materials. To register go to <https://westohioumc.org>.

Refugee Issues – Opening Our Hearts, Minds, and Souls, Sunday, Oct. 7, 4-5:30pm. The Peace & Justice Team will host an event at our church to offer an opportunity for all to learn about and discuss the global refugee crisis and Central Ohio's resettlement of some refugees. A former refugee and current Columbus area resident will share his/her story of fleeing from persecution and finding a new home here.

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! See the table in the Main Hall.

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.

Children's Music:

Cherub choir (age 3-kindergarten), no rehearsal today.

Children's choir (1st–5th grade), no rehearsal today.

Joyful Ringers (grades 3-5), rehearsals begin Sep.23, 4:14-5pm in the choir room.

Bible Camp & Bible Presentation. Children 2nd - 5th grade are invited to: **Bible Camp**, Saturday, Sep. 22, 4pm-6pm (dinner provided). Come and learn about the Bible, how to use it and where to find things

- ALL children are invited to Bible Camp - even if they have attended before

- Register online at powellumc.org - under Children's/Upcoming Events

Bible Presentation, Sunday, Sep. 23, 9:30am & 11am Services

- If children are not able to attend Bible Camp they are still welcome to receive their Bible in Worship

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Children in Missions. We are collecting NEW boxes of crayons and NEW coloring books. They will be given to PIN (People In Need). Please place these items on the back tables in the Preschool & Education Wing Hallways. Please DO NOT put them in the Blue Missions Bins.

Children's Christmas Pageant Info. It is early, but it takes a lot of planning and rehearsals! All Children, preschool - 5th grade, are invited to be a part of this awesome production. Put these dates on your calendar and sign up online today. Tell the story of what Christmas is all about!

- **Auditions for Speaking Parts (3rd-5th Grade only)** - Sunday, Sep. 23, 3:00-4:00pm

- Rehearsals: Sundays, Oct. 7 - Nov. 25. All cast, 2:00-3:00pm and speaking roles, 3:00-4:00pm

- **Performance:** Saturday, Dec. 1 at 2:00pm

Sign up online, <https://powell.breezechms.com/form/81ceda>.

Children's & Nursery Sunday School Registration. Please register your child(ren) online or fill out a paper registration form. It is important to have families' information updated. ALL families are being asked to register their child(ren) even if they have done it in the past! Thank you! Online Register at <https://powell.breezechms.com/form/30b7c1>.

PUMC Preschool has an opening for a teacher on their Parent's Day Out teaching staff. The children are 2-3 years old and would love to have you in their classroom on Fridays. Contact the preschool director, Linda Franz, 614-847-3773, for more information.

Youth Ministries (6th–12th grades)

Youth Ministries Director, hannahewald@powellumc.org

Middle and High Sunday School meets combined today, join us for breakfast at 9:30am in room 101N.

G.Y.M. (God's Young Men) Bible Study, open to all boys 6th-12th grade. Begins Tuesday, Sep. 11, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Matt Utt and Drew Thiele are facilitating.

"Girls of Grace" Bible Study is open to all girls 6th-12th grade. Begins Tuesday, Sep. 11, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Hannah is facilitating.

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

Serve at Family Promise, Sep. 22, The youth will gather in the church kitchen at 3:30pm to cook and prepare a meal and then take it to Family Promise. If your child is interested, please contact Hannah Ewald.

The Pop Machine is back in business! Head down to the back entrance by the kitchen to grab a cold pop. All proceeds support the Youth Program.

Jam Night. Musician? Singer? Listener? Join us Sep. 20 for a jam night at the church! We'll start jamming at 7pm. Whether you are beginner level, advanced, never sang or played before...please join us! More details to come.

Youth Handbell Ringers, practices begin Sep. 23. Contact Debbie Thresher, 614-846-1456.