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

The Way Forward: Awareness & Education on the UMC Special General Conference,

Sunday, Oct. 28, 6:30pm. For decades our denomination, like many others, has struggled with issues related to sexual orientation and lifestyle. In recent years, the divergence of positions related to these matters has threatened to split the church. In response, a special General Conference of the UMC has been called for Feb. 23-26 in St. Louis to propose A Way Forward. On the 28th we will learn about the issues and proposals coming from the leadership of the church and how these may impact local congregations. For more information contact Pastors Larry or Katya.

United Methodists Responding to Hurricane Relief Efforts. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is at work in the areas of Florida, as well as other southern territories, devastated by Hurricane Michael. Our special offerings go directly to the relief efforts, providing support, emergency needs and hope. Should you decide to give an additional offering to this cause, please use the special envelop provided and/or indicate on the memo line of your check, "hurricane relief." Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

Scholarship Program Underway. We are pleased to announce that applications are now being received for the Marg and Bob Heffelfinger Scholarship Endowment Fund. This award is open to students who are members of our church and are currently enrolled in higher education institutions. Graduating high school seniors will be able to apply in the Spring of 2019. Inquire or secure an application through our church office, office@powellumc.org, or pick one up at the Welcome Center. Applications must be returned to the church office by Sunday, Dec. 2. The award will be announced by mid-December.

Pumpkins are on sale now and are sold during the week via the honor system. The patch is staffed each weekend Friday-Sunday throughout October. Stop by and pick out the perfect pumpkin!

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

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

Serve at a Community Meal on Friday, Nov. 9, 2pm-9pm, Good Works, Athens, OH. 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. Register at powellumc.org or contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Good Works - A Mission Day Experience with an Overnight option, Nov 9 and 10, Athens, OH. Experience a day-long mission trip with people affected by poverty under the leadership of Good Works, that is committed to bring hope to those in need. Arrive on Friday night or Saturday, serve all day on Saturday, reflect on the experience and go home after having dinner. The serving projects vary on the skills that people on the team bring. Usually the projects include cleaning homes, raking leaves, doing minor repairs under the supervision of a Good Works staff member. Cost is \$30 for overnight and \$15 for food. Register at powellumc.org or contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

*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 Tuesdays: Nov. 6 (6:30-8pm), Nov. 13 (6:30-8pm) and Nov. 27 (6-8pm). Child care will be available. Sign up at the Welcome Center or contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

All in Community, a Powell UMC ministry team responding to Ohio's incarceration crisis, invites the congregation to learn about Issue 1 that will be on the November 6 ballot. The display in the Main Hall provides information on Issue 1 and arguments for voting "yes" and "no." You can watch a video of Bishop Palmer's press conference supporting the issue,

https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=hiKqP9UDXhA, or google search "Bishop Palmer Issue 1."

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Nov. 7 is *Carnegie's Maid*, by Marie Benedict; the book for Dec. 5 is *The Day the World Came to Town*, by Jim Defede. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. For information, contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or ikw71550@columbus.rr.com.

*Adult Bible Class, Sundays, 9:30am in the Conference Room. The class is studying the Epistle of James. For more information, contact Chuck Klein, klein.7@osu.edu.

Missions Newsletter will come out monthly with updates and upcoming opportunities to serve and give locally and globally. If you would like to subscribe, contact Pastor Katya, katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Save the Date for the Ladies Night Christmas Party, Thursday, Dec. 13, 7pm. Women are invited for an evening of fellowship, fun and Christmas celebration. More information coming soon.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Peace & Justice group believes in fair wages for all farmers and offers a variety of products that both support and empower farmers and consumers. Visit the table in the Main Hall **TODAY**. All proceeds go to support missions.

Crosses and Nativity Scenes Handmade by the Haiti Women are being sold today in the Main Hall. Support the women of Haiti by purchasing those items for gift options as holidays are around the corner.

Give Ingredients for a Community Meal, Friday Night Life. Grab a tag or two off the giving tree in the Main Hall, pick the items up at the store, and bring them back to the church kitchen by Nov. 7. Your giving will support a healthy meal for those affected by poverty in the Athens County Area and the ministry of Good Works, one of our mission partners. For questions, contact Pastor Katya, katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

The next KAIROS weekend at the Ohio Reformatory for Women will be held Oct. 25-28. You can help in the following ways. With your prayers, donations and by baking chocolate chip cookies. Please email Gillian for details at gillkrish@hotmail.com or call or text: 937-209-0874. Thank you for blessing this ministry with those who are incarcerated.

Angel Tree for People in Need: adopt a family this Christmas! Families and small groups at our church are invited to adopt children from one family before we put the Angel Tree up to support families in Delaware during the holiday season. The gifts include: one toy and one clothing item and do NOT need to be wrapped. Instructions and specific gift suggestions will be given upon the receiving of the family. The deadline to sign up for a family is Oct 29. The Angel Tree will go up on Nov. 5th. To sign up and with questions, contact Pastor Katya, katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Music and Worship Arts

Jody Hepp, jodyhepp@powellumc.org

Children's Music: Cherub choir (age 3-kindergarten), meets 10:35-10:55am in room 108N.

Children's choir (1st-5th grade), meets 10:35-10:55am in the choir room.

Joyful Ringers (3rd-5th grade), meets 4:15-5pm in the choir room.

Youth Music: Glorybells (6th-8th grade), meets 5-5:45pm in the choir room.

Alleluia Bells (9th-12th grade), meets 5:45-6:30pm in the choir room.

Do you have a musical gift or talent you could share? There are many opportunities for special music on Sundays. Contact Jody Hepp, <u>jodyhepp@powellumc.org</u> for more information.

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

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

- Preschool - Room 103N - 2nd & 3 - Kindergarten & 1st Grade - Room 110N - 4th & 5

- 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: "Moses and His Sister" - Exodus 1:8-14; 2:1-10

Sunday School Monthly Focus: We are Family.

Monthly Bible Verse: "Look at how good and pleasing it is when families live together as one." - Psalm 133:1

Children's Christmas Pageant. It is not too late to sign up online. Children in preschool - 5th grade are invited to participate. Rehearsals are in the sanctuary.

- Rehearsals: Sundays through Nov. 25. All cast, 2:00-3:00pm and speaking roles, 3:00-4:00pm.
- Performance: Saturday, Dec. 1 at 2:00pm

"Trick or Treating" at Powell Senior Living Center, Saturday, Oct. 27, 1:30pm. Dress in costume, make people smile by bringing a little fun into their lives, get candy! ALL are Welcome to dress up and attend. Meet at 1035 Sawmill Pkwy. Bring God's light into someone's day.

A Thankful Heart, Sunday, Nov. 11, 12:30-1:45pm for preschool-5th grade. Learn what it means to have a thankful heart. We will have crafts, music, food, Bible, and fellowship. Sign up online.

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 black tables in the Preschool & Education Wing Hallways. Please DO NOT put them in the Blue Missions Bins.

Operation Christmas Child is right around the corner. If you are interested in helping fold the boxes that we give out to fill, contact Rebecca! We need to have 200 boxes folded by Nov. 1. Any help is greatly appreciated!

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

Youth Ministries (6th—12th grades) Youth Ministries Director, hannahewald@powellumc.org

Youth Sunday School meets today at 9:30am, high school in room 101N and middle school in room 102N.

G.Y.M. (God's Young Men) Bible Study, open to all boys 6th-12th grade. Meets Tuesday, Oct. 23, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Matt Utt and Drew Thiele are facilitating.

"Girls of Grace" Bible Study is open to all girls 6th-12th grade. Meets Tuesday, Oct. 23, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Hannah is facilitating.

Sign Up to Work the Pumpkin Patch. Youth can sign up on the website to work a shift, weekends Friday-Sunday, throughout October.

Tour the Ronald McDonald House, Nov. 10 at 11am. We will bring homemade fleece blankets and pop tabs to donate. If your youth is interested in the tour and/or making blankets, contact Hannah.

Caring Ministries

Are You Stressed? Discouraged? Feeling Down? You don't have to go through difficult times alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide you with confidential, one-to-one, Christian care and support to help you get through a tough time. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care. To find out more about Stephen Ministry, contact stephenministry@powellumc.org.