

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

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.

Service of Comfort and Healing, Dec. 2, 6:30pm, Fellowship Hall. If you are struggling with loss or hardship this holiday season, come and find God's light and hope through this time together. A time to let God speak to our sadness through reading of scripture. A time to sing together. A time to light candles and be anointed with healing oil. A time to create a craft and be surrounded by the loving community in God's presence. Come as you are to enter into God's heart to find peace and hope.

Thank you to all who supported the Kairos weekend at the Ohio Reformatory for Women! Your prayers were part of a chain of love with 5500 links that touched the hearts of the participants. The 171 dozen cookies donated fed the spirit of staff and inmates alike. And your monetary gifts are so important for the future of this ministry.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Decorate the Church for Christmas, Sunday, Nov 25, beginning at 2pm. There are wreaths to hang, garlands to deck, and trees to decorate. This is a family-friendly serving opportunity, so bring your children and youth. No need to sign up, just come.

First Tuesdays at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, Tuesday, Dec. 4, 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.

Wrapping Gifts, Sunday, Dec 2, 12:30pm, church basement. Love wrapping? Come for a few hours to sort and wrap the gifts that will come from the PIN Angel Tree. Wrapping paper, scissors, and pizza will be included. All the gifts will brighten the holiday season for Delaware families.

PIN Holiday Clearing House, Delaware County. Join Pastor Katya on Wednesday, Dec. 5th, 9am-12pm, or pick a time that works for you, Dec. 3-7, 9am-3pm to sort through the gift items. The program provides new toys, gifts and food to Delaware County families with children and senior or disabled homebound residents. Contact Terry Troutman, Tazmantet@yahoo.com or (740) 972-8908.

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 (grades 1-5), no rehearsal today.
Joyful Ringers (grades 3-5), meets 4:15-5pm in the choir room

Youth Music: **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

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 Dec. 5 is *The Day the World Came to Town*, by Jim Defede; the book for Jan. 2 is *The Good Pilot*, by Alexander McCall Smith. 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.

***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.

***10:45 Sunday School Class,** begins Nov. 18, studying *The Gift of the Nutcracker* by Matt Rawle. This takes the old, old story of Jesus' birth and helps us experience it through the imagination of Clara and the story of the Nutcracker ballet. All are welcome to join for this four-week Advent study. Contact Kathy Perry, katharineaperry@gmail.com.

Ladies Night Christmas Party, Thursday, Dec. 13, 7pm. You are invited for an evening of fellowship and Christmas celebration. Bring 5 of the same, unwrapped gifts (\$5-10) & either a dessert (last name A-M) or an appetizer (N-Z) to share. RSVP to StaciHood@powellumc.org.

Morning Glory Circle will meet Monday, Nov. 12, 9:30am, in the Fellowship Hall and kitchen to make candy. Bring your candy-making supplies! Contact Bev Avers, bavers@insight.rr.com, with questions.

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. Today **Dreamshine** will be joining the Peace and Justice team in selling products in the Main Hall. Dreamshine is a day program for adults with special needs. The Dreamshine participants make the products which include candles, candy, and crosses. Visit their tables **TODAY**. All proceeds go to support missions.

New Giving App "GivePlus" is a free giving app that makes giving easy. Download the app in Apple store or Google play, put the name of our church in the search box, and click on it. You can create an account for recurring donations or simply give to a fund of your choice when it pops up. With questions, contact Debbie Wenner, office@powellumc.org.

Cookie Bakers Needed! Sign up today in the Main Hall to bake cookies for the 6th annual Lily Circle Cookie Walk. Many home made cookies are needed to make the sale a success. This year's Cookie Walk will be on Saturday, Dec. 8, 8am-12pm. All proceeds benefit missions. Email Kelly Brown with any questions, kfb914@gmail.com.

Powell Community Blood Drive, NEXT Tuesday, Nov. 13, 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 Mary Carlton at 614-971-0303 or the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767.

The Morning Glory Candy Sale begins NEXT Sunday, Nov. 18 with buckeyes. Pick yours up in the Main Hall. All proceeds will go to Patches of Light, an organization that offers financial support to families of seriously ill children.

Be an Angel: Take a Tag from the Tree. Purchase the item and return it to the church no later than Sunday, Dec. 2 to make Christmas brighter for many children identified by People In Need, Delaware County. The opportunities to give include clothing items, shoes and toys along with other fun gifts. Items should be returned unwrapped under the tree in the Main Hall.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

***Join our Church-wide Advent Study,** as we prepare for the coming of the Lord. You are invited to participate in a four-session Advent Study, *Home for Christmas*. This study brings inspiring stories of hope and second chances to a beautiful season. Included will be scripture lessons and tales of those who reflect on the themes with love and longing. Among the classes available will be one facilitated by Pastor Larry on Monday evenings Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10 and 17. A live webcast will also be available each Wednesday. Visit the display in the Main Hall to purchase a book and to sign up.

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.

A Thankful Heart, TODAY, 12:30-1:45pm for preschool-5th grade. Learn what it means to have a thankful heart. It is not too late. REGISTER ONLINE before 11:30am.

Children's Christmas Pageant. Rehearsals are in the sanctuary, Sundays through Nov. 25. All cast, 2:00-3:00pm; speaking and nativity scene roles, 3:00-4:00pm.
- Dress Rehearsal: Friday, Nov. 30, 6:00-8:00pm. There will be a family potluck dinner in Fellowship Hall from 5:30-6:00pm. Look for sign ups to bring a food item soon.
- Performance: Saturday, Dec. 1 at 2:00pm. Child care is provided.

Operation Christmas Child. The boxes are OUT! Grab a box and set of instructions to fill your box. This is an awesome way to get your whole family involved with giving to others. There is a coloring sheet in your packet to fill out and include in your box to make it personal to the child receiving the box. The shipping cost is \$9 per box. Put a check in the box or pay online. When you pay online your family is able to track the location of the box, so cool! Open your hearts, open a box and share the love of Christ with children around the world. Return filled boxes by Nov. 18.

Save the Date, "A Casual Christmas," Sunday, Dec. 9. This is a wonderful, relaxed family evening. Come as you are. ALL are invited to this wonderful event!

- 4:30-5:15pm: In the Sanctuary, come and enjoy the bells perform seasonal Christmas favorites
- 5:15-6:30pm: In the Fellowship Hall, come as a family to enjoy Christmas crafts, snacks and the Cherub Choir and Youth Praise Group singing Christmas carols

Children's Caroling, Dec. 16, 1:30pm at Powell Senior Living Center. Come and sing Christmas Carols with the residents and spread some Christmas cheer to others! All are invited.

Family Christmas Eve Services, Dec. 24 at 2pm & 4pm. Children retell the story of Jesus' birth in reading scripture, ringing bells, singing and dressing up as the Nativity Scene Animals. Sign up online (scripture reading parts are limited). All are invited to participate. One Rehearsal to pick up your costume and run through scripture readings, Dec. 23. More information online.

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, Nov. 13, 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, Nov. 13, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Hannah is facilitating.

Confirmation Session #2 is TODAY from 12:30-2:30pm. Confirmands will meet in room 101N.

Youth Bulletin Board. The PUMC youth are crafting their own vision statement and we need your help! Check out the youth bulletin board in front of rooms 101N/102N. Post-its are displayed in front of the board for you to write your ideas to help us brainstorm vision statements.

Kalahari registration is open. Registration forms can be found on the youth table in the Main Hall. Kalahari is Jan. 4-6, 2019. Contact Hannah with any questions.

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.