

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

Announcing our Annual Charge/Church Conference, Sunday, Oct. 18, 7pm in room 101N. The agenda of this meeting includes the yearly business of our congregation related to clergy compensation, membership reports and candidates for ministry. All members of the church are invited. For more information contact Pastor Larry, larrybrown@powellumc.org.

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.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

***The New Member Series**, begins THIS Tuesday, Nov. 6, 6:30-8pm, and continues on Nov. 13 (6:30-8pm) and Nov. 27 (6-8pm). 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. Contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

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.

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.youtube.com/watch?v=hjKqP9UDXhA>, or google search "Bishop Palmer Issue 1."

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), meets 10:35am in the choir room.
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

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.

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 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.

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 is coming soon.

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

Communion Offering for November: PIN Angel Tree. Your generous giving will provide gifts for children from low income families of Delaware County through People In Need, Delaware County.

Give Ingredients for a Community Meal, Friday Night Life. Thank you for supporting a community meal and taking the tags from the tree! Please return your food items to the kitchen by **Nov 7th**. Please put perishable items in the refrigerator. For questions, contact Pastor Katya, katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

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! Beginning next Sunday, Nov 11, sign up in the Main Hall to bake cookies for the 6th annual Lily Circle Cookie Walk. This year's Christmas cookie sale will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8, 8am-12pm. Many cookies are needed to make the walk successful. Email Kelly Brown with any questions, kfb914@gmail.com.

The Morning Glory Candy Sale begins 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.

Powell Community Blood Drive, 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.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Food Prep Night for a Community Meal THIS 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 THIS 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.

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
- Kindergarten & 1st Grade - Room 110N
- 2nd & 3rd Grade - Room 109N
- 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: "Naomi and Ruth" - Book of Ruth

Sunday School Monthly Focus: Different Kinds of Family.

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.

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.

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.

Tour the Ronald McDonald House, Saturday, 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.

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

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