

# 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

**Lent is a time of reflection** on how faith intersects with the struggles of life. Our Lenten altar will depict the starkness and struggle in various ways. The visual team offers these images to God, who accompanies us through the muck and mire of life and does not leave us there. May we remain steady on our Lenten journey, as the altar design moves toward the hope and the reality of Christ's love for each of us.

**Lenten Devotional Booklets** are available in the Main Hall today. The devotions are written by members of our congregation to inspire us and deepen our walk of faith during the Lenten season. This year's theme is "God's Relentless Grace." In addition to the printed version, each daily devotion will be shared on the church's Facebook page, website and sent as a daily e-note. Feel free to share them with your family members and friends.

**Have you signed your child up for summer camp yet?** Get out your calendars and plan to send your child to church camp through the West or East Ohio UMC conferences. There are a variety of camp locations, dates, and programs to choose from. Scott Seese, director of Camp Otterbein in West Ohio, will be in the Main Hall TODAY to answer any questions you may have about camps. Find him by the Camp Table! If your child attends a week-long program, you are eligible to receive a \$100 rebate on the cost of the camp. Let your child experience church camp this summer!

**Our Annual Garage Sale** has been postponed this year. With this change, we share other options in our area for donations of used items. Information about these opportunities include: a garage sale at Linworth UMC, Friday, April 12, 9am-7pm, and Saturday, April 13, 9am-1pm, websites that provide a list of garage sales, [www.yardsalesearch.com](http://www.yardsalesearch.com) and [www.garagesalefinder.com](http://www.garagesalefinder.com), and an insert in the bulletin that provides a list of non-profit organizations, their contact information, and a list of items they accept as donations. We encourage you to continue to be in mission together.

## Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

### Good Works Upcoming Mission Opportunities:

- Meal Prep in the church kitchen, chopping, mixing, and having fellowship, March 28th, 6pm
- Serving at a Good Works Community Meal in Athens County, serving, sharing a meal, and creating relationships, March 29, 2pm-9:30pm
- A work retreat to serve those in need, neighbors helping neighbors, Athens County, overnight option is available, March 29-30

Good Works is a non-profit community of hope dedicated to support those affected by poverty and homelessness. To sign up for any of these serving in mission opportunities, please go to [powellumc.org](http://powellumc.org) or contact Pastor Katya, [katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org](mailto:katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org).

**Serve with Family Promise**, March 17-24. 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](mailto:beetles121@gmail.com).

## Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

**\*Church Wide Lenten Study**, *The God We Can Know, Exploring the "I Am" Sayings of Jesus*, by Rob Fuquay. He captures our imagination through the sayings of Jesus in ways that will strengthen our hearts and deepen our faith. Multiple day and time options are available, including a weekly webcast. Register on-line, [www.powellumc.org](http://www.powellumc.org), or visit the display in the Main Hall where you will find registration forms. Lent is an important time to deepen our faith. Many classes begin this week.

**H2O Women's Group**, Friday mornings at 9:30am, will begin *What Love Is* by Kelly Minter on April 5. This study on the three little books of 1st, 2nd & 3rd John looks at the heart of Jesus. Join this group to dig into scripture and have lively conversation about real life. Contact Betsy, [beetles121@gmail.com](mailto:beetles121@gmail.com).

## Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

**Communion Offering for March: West Virginia Mission Trip.** In June 2016, a 'thousand-year-flood' swept through West Virginia. Twenty-three people died and 1,400 homes were destroyed. The communities are slowly being rebuilt and many resources are depleted. Your giving and your prayers are ways to continue to help rebuild and share hope.

**Peace & Justice** group believes in fair wages for all farmers and offers a variety of products that both support and empower farmers and consumers. Take home some delicious Fair Trade coffee today. All proceeds go to support missions.

**"Equity Optics" - The Gift of Sight:** TODAY is the last day to help high school senior and Global Scholar, Hanna Fenstermaker, reach her goal of collecting 100 pairs of used glasses. Put your eyeglasses of all sizes, prescriptions and conditions in the donation box in the Main Hall. Donated glasses will be sent to Lions Clubs International and provided to underprivileged individuals all over the world. E-mail Hanna Fenstermaker at [hfenstermaker@columbus.rr.com](mailto:hfenstermaker@columbus.rr.com).

**Ernie Haase and Signature Sound Concert to Benefit Watoto Read**, Saturday, April 6, 3pm. Enjoy one of the most popular and beloved quartets in all of Southern Gospel music. All the proceeds will go to benefit Watoto Read, a non-profit dedicated to the education of refugee children in Africa. Tickets are \$35 per person and \$60 per couple. To purchase a ticket, go to [watotoread.com/concert](http://watotoread.com/concert) or call Claudine, 304-612-4168.

**Food Pantry Item of the Month: Canned Vegetables.** 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.

## 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 April 3 is *Beneath a Scarlet Sky*, by Mark Sullivan. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or [jkw71550@columbus.rr.com](mailto:jkw71550@columbus.rr.com).

**Morning Glory Circle** will meet THIS Monday, March 11 at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Larry will reflect upon the decisions and actions made at the special called meeting of The General Conference of the United Methodist Church. Please come to participate in the shared learning and conversation. Contact Bev Avers, [BAvers@insight.rr.com](mailto:BAvers@insight.rr.com), for more information.

**Experience the Passion Play in Oberammergau** and explore Alpine wonders with Deacon Sandy and Brian Huber, Sep. 14-20, 2020. The passion play in Oberammergau is the most famous in the world and takes place only every ten years. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center or email [sandyhuber@powellumc.org](mailto:sandyhuber@powellumc.org) to indicate interest in the trip or to get more information.

**Tuesday Morning Group (TMG)** meets Tuesdays at 10am. On March 12 the group will watch a movie on racial issues. Contact [DaveWoodyard@powellumc.org](mailto:DaveWoodyard@powellumc.org) for more information.

## Music and Worship Arts

Rachel Parfenchuk, [rachelparfenchuk@powellumc.org](mailto:rachelparfenchuk@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 10:35am in the choir room. **Joyful Ringers** (3rd-5th grade), no rehearsal today.

**Youth Music: Glorybells** (6th-8th grade), no rehearsal today. **Alleluia Bells** (9th-12th grade), no rehearsal today.

\* Childcare or Sunday School scheduled.  
Childcare is available for other adult ministries.  
Contact Kim La Rue at [kimlarue@powellumc.org](mailto:kimlarue@powellumc.org)

## Children's Ministries (Infant—5th grade)

Children's Ministries Director, [rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org](mailto: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:** "The Forgiving Father" - Luke 15:11-32

**Monthly Bible Verse:** "Now is the time! Here comes God's kingdom! Change your hearts and lives, and trust this good news!" - Mark 1:15

**Sunday School Monthly Focus:** Observe Lent with Your Family

**VBS Registration for Participants and Volunteers is Open.** Register for VBS TODAY. Spots are limited, so don't delay! We are taking an adventure to the continent of Africa to ROAR and be reminded "Life is Wild" & "God is Good." The evening session is June 2-6 (5:30-8pm) and the morning session is June 3-7 (9am - 12pm). Cost is \$30 per child; \$15 per child if a parent volunteers all week long. Scholarships are available if cost is a concern. REGISTER ONLINE!

**Family Movie**, TODAY, 1:30 - 2:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will watch "Iesodo: Faith (Where Fun and Faith Take Flight)." Parents, we need your hands during the movie to put Eggs together for our Egg Hunt. Many hands make light work. Bring something comfy for the kids to lay on, a snack to share and a friend. ALL ages are invited.

**Have you signed your child up for summer camp yet?** For more information, look under the Special Announcements section. Contact Rebecca with questions.

### Save the Dates:

- March 24-April 7: Easter Eggs Need Filled. Take home a bag of empty eggs and fill them for the Easter Egg Hunt.
- April 7: Family Movie, *Iesodo: Believe*
- April 13: Powell Community Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by Powell UMC, 10am in Village Community Park (downtown Powell)
- April 14: Palm Parade during worship services (children will line up in the Fellowship Hall to receive palms and parade around the sanctuary during worship)
- April 17: "Children Walking with Jesus" - a guided tour of the Stations of the Cross for children and families at 6:30pm
- April 21: Easter Sunday (We WILL have Sunday School so come and worship in class)

## Youth Ministries (6th—12th grades)

Youth Ministries Director, [hannahewald@powellumc.org](mailto: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, March 12, 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, March 12, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Hannah is facilitating.

**Youth will be serving at Family Promise** on Thursday, March 21, during Powell UMC's host week. We will meet in the kitchen at 4pm to prepare a meal and take it to Family Promise to serve and eat together. RSVP to Hannah if you'd like to join!

**Have you signed your youth up for summer camp yet?** For more information, look under the Special Announcements section. Contact Hannah with questions.

## Caring Ministries

**All God's Children** is a resource for parents, grandparents, former spouses and other close relatives of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people. For more information, contact Marty Traver, [courtdoc@aol.com](mailto:courtdoc@aol.com) or 614-987-5015.