

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.

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 from which to choose. 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 and www.garagesalefinder.com, and an insert on the Welcome Center 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 or contact Pastor Katya, katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Serve with Family Promise, TODAY - March 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.

Welcome New Members

We Continue Our New Member Celebration today by receiving Sean Cochran. He was a part of the last new member class, listed below. Please take a moment to introduce yourself and welcome him!

Sean Cochran
Alex Dumm
Devin Hughes

Erin Hughes
Bill Knight
Charles Leatherman

Janniefer Leatherman
Steven Parish

* 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

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 or call Claudine, 304-612-4168.

Give Ingredients for a Good Works Community Meal. Grab a tag or two off the giving tree in the Main Hall, pick items up at the store, and bring them back to the church kitchen no later than March 27. 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.

Thank you all who supported our Pancake Supper by serving, cooking, bussing, cleaning, eating pancakes and donating toward Habitat for Humanity! We raised \$1,201 toward a house that will be built in 2020.

Hanna Fenstermaker would like to thank all who supported her Senior Project and brought in eye glasses. Her goal was to raise a 100 glasses in five weeks. We raised 234 eye glasses! All the glasses will go to to support those needing eye care around the world.

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.

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 to indicate interest in the trip or to get more information.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

***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 Effinger, beetles121@gmail.com.

Music and Worship Arts

Rachel Parfenchuk, rachelparfenchuk@powellumc.org

Children's Music: Cherub choir (age 3-kindergarten), no rehearsal today.
Children's choir (1st-5th grade), meets 10:35am in the choir room.
Joyful Ringers (3rd-5th grade), 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

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
- Kindergarten & 1st Grade - Room 110N - 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 Two Debtors" - Luke 7:36-47

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, Sunday, April 7, 1:30 - 2:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will watch "Isodo: Faith & Love" (Where Fun and Faith Take Flight). Parents, we need your hands during the movie to fill Eggs with candy for our Egg Hunt. Bring something comfy for the kids to lay on and a friend. All ages are invited!

Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 13, 10am, at Village Green Park in downtown Powell. Come rain, snow or sunshine. Bring your own basket and fill it with eggs. Come early (9am) and help put the eggs in the grass for the kids. All are invited!

Children's Palm Parade, Sunday, April 14, at all services. Children will line up in the Fellowship Hall to receive their palm branch and then will parade in the Sanctuary.

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 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

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

G.Y.M. and Girls of Grace will meet as scheduled Tuesday, March 26, from 6:30-7:30pm. To celebrate being on spring break we are extending this time of fellowship with a movie night afterwards! Contact Hannah for more details.

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 or 614-987-5015.