

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

Holy Week Worship Offerings. You are invited to continue to be in community as we journey with Jesus from the upper room to the cross, to the tomb and to the garden. These days proclaim the Mystery of Jesus Christ's passion, death, and resurrection.

- **Holy Thursday** Worship and Communion, April 18, 7pm

- **Good Friday** Worship, April 19, 7pm

- **Easter Sunrise** Worship Service, April 21, 6:45am. This will be an interactive worship experience, led by youth. The service will begin outside in front of the red doors on the East Side. Dress for the weather.

- **Easter Celebration** Worship, April 21, 8:15am, 9:30am, and 11:00am.

"An American Tapestry," Concert by the Delaware Community Chorus, under the direction of Joshua Brodbeck, Sunday, May 5, 3pm, Sanctuary. This concert will celebrate American composers and will be sure to entertain audiences of all ages and backgrounds. Songs will be woven together through narration, and the choir will be joined by instrumental backing and soloists for select pieces. Tickets are \$15 and available online at Eventbrite, delawarechorus.com, or at the door.

Filled Easter Eggs are due back to the church by THIS Thursday, April 11. Leave them at the egg table in the Main Hall.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

The Stations of the Cross have been created for modern-day worshippers to stop at each of 14 significant events on Jesus' path to the cross. By using scripture, tradition of the church, and visual aids, the walker can imagine what it might have been like to be with Jesus during the trek to the cross.

- **At PUMC**, beginning Sunday, April 14, 6:30-8:30pm, then daily, Monday-Good Friday, 9:30am-8:30pm. This family-friendly and self-directed experience is created during Holy Week to reflect on Jesus's last hours leading to the cross. Come when you can and stay as long as you'd like. Contact kimlarue@powellumc.org with questions.

- **At Pontifical College Josephinum**, Friday, April 19 at 9am. The outdoor Stations of the Cross are beautiful in the spring. Dress for the weather as we walk together hearing the scriptures and meditating on the stations around the south garden. Kim La Rue will facilitate. Register at powellumc.org.

Experience Holy Saturday at a Silent Retreat led by Katya Brodbeck & Kim La Rue, April 20, 9am-12pm. Come to experience God's loving and healing presence through a time of intentional silence and prayer. The retreat will begin with a short Taize service in the prayer chapel. During the hours of the retreat, the sanctuary, the stations of the cross, the outside labyrinth, and the prayer chapel will be available to walk around and be in prayer. A time of reflection in community at the end will be provided. Register at powellumc.org. Contact kimlarue@powellumc.org or katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org with questions.

***H2O Women's Group**, Friday mornings at 9:30am, is studying *What Love Is* by Kelly Minter. This is a 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. Register at powellumc.org. Contact Betsy Effinger, beetles121@gmail.com.

***Simon Peter; Flawed but Faithful Disciple**, by Adam Hamilton, will be offered on two different days and times. The Tuesday Morning Group (TMG) will begin April 16 at 10am, facilitated by Dave Woodyard, davewoodyard@powellumc.org. Another class will be offered on Wednesdays, beginning April 24 at 7pm, and will be facilitated by David Holliday, dvhlldy@yahoo.com. Peter was just an ordinary guy who heard and followed God's extraordinary call. Discover how you, too, have special gifts, talents, and abilities that God can use to make a difference today. Sign up at powellumc.org for either class. You can order your book there too.

***The 10:45 Sunday School class** will start *Reckless Love* by Tom Berlin on April 28. Please join this class for fellowship and conversation around Jesus' greatest commandment. Many of us hope to learn to be better family, friends, leaders, and neighbors by finding a deeper relationship with God, what if becoming a better neighbor leads you to that deeper love of God? For more information, contact katharineaperry@gmail.com. Register at powellumc.org and order your book there too.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Save the date and save your books for the Used Book sale on October 5! The Lily Circle will be hosting the 11th Annual Used Book Sale again in October. Please hold on to any books that you would like to donate until the collection box arrives in July. Any questions please contact Karen Curren at 614-735-1065 or at kawooster@gmail.com.

Food Pantry Item of the Month: Canned Meat and Fish. 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.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Serve at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, Tuesday, May 7, 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.

Learn About Acolyting for your Child at a meeting with Pastor Katya on either Thursday, May 2nd at 7pm or Thursday, May 30th at 7pm, in the Sanctuary. Children in 2nd grade and older and their parents are invited to come to one of the meetings to learn about acolyting in worship: lighting the candles and assisting worship leaders. We will talk about the training and scheduling and will have a small presentation. Please sign up online or by letting Katya know, katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

Tour Riverview International Center with Morning Glory Circle on Thursday, April 11. Meet in the east church parking lot at 9:45am to carpool and tour the center that provides a nurturing place for neighbors from Bangladesh, Algeria, Iraq, Sudan, Morocco, and Egypt. Homework help for their children, jobs, and English classes are also offered here. The tour is guided by Bev Aver's daughter, Diane. To sign up and with questions, please contact Beverly Avers, bavers@insight.rr.com.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for May 1 is *Varina*, by Charles Frazier; the book for June 5 is *Where the Crawdads Sing*, by Delia Owens. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or jkw71550@columbus.rr.com.

Caring Ministries

It's Okay to Be Human. An important theme of the Lenten season is the humanity of Christ. In Jesus, God became human and fully experienced the wide range of emotions we all encounter in life. Jesus experienced times of loneliness, sadness, hurt, anger, grief, disappointment, and abandonment. That is part of being human. Another part of being human is needing help from each other. So when you are experiencing difficult times, don't struggle alone. Our Stephen Ministers will walk with you, listen to you, encourage you, pray with you, and provide confidential one-to-one care to help you through tough times. Stephen Ministers can bring the love of Jesus back into your life. To learn more about Stephen Ministry, contact stephenministry@powellumc.org. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!

Music and Worship Arts

Rachel Parfenchuk, 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.

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: "Peter Pretends" - Matthew 26:69-75

Monthly Bible Verse: "I've seen the LORD" - John 20:18

Family Movie, TODAY, 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.

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.

Children Walking with Jesus, Wednesday, April 17, 6:30-8:30pm. This is a guided tour of our Stations of the Cross for children with Ms. Rebecca. We will learn about and walk the different stations, and create a craft to remember Jesus' sacrifice for us. We will have serious discussion so an adult must be present with the child. Register at powellumc.org. Space is limited.

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!

Children & Families in Missions & Partnering with PUMC Preschool. Save your pennies - they will make a difference! Bring in your pennies, coins, & dollars to the collection locations in the Sunday school classrooms and the Children's Tables in the Main Hall & Education Wing. The money is being collected for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to fight blood cancers. Collection will be April 1-28. All ages can help one penny at a time.

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.

"Girls of Grace" Bible Study is open to all girls 6th-12th grade. Meets Tuesday, April 9, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Hannah is facilitating.

G.Y.M. (God's Young Men) Bible Study, open to all boys 6th-12th grade. Meets Tuesday, April 9, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Matt Utt and Drew Thiele are facilitating.

30-Hour Famine. Get hungry for justice! In just 30 hours, 7,000 kids will die of hunger-related causes. The question is: will you care enough to let their hunger move you to action? Inspired by the love of God, you can join the fight to keep kids alive and to give food to all who go hungry. PUMC's 30-Hour Famine is **Friday, May 17, 6 pm-May 18, 6:30 pm**. We will have three Bible studies leading up to the famine. For details about the Bible studies, see below.

Just Hunger Bible Study, 6-7:30pm on Tuesdays April 30, May 7, and May 14. These Pre-Famine Bible studies will allow us to spend intentional time getting our hearts and minds ready for the 30 Hour Famine experience. A follow-up Bible study will be held Tuesday, May 21 at 6pm. Our goal is to grow our own hunger for God and God's kingdom as we learn more about what the Bible has to say about injustice.

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