

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

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. As a congregation, we are invited to raise awareness, create spaces to have conversations and share our experiences around mental health and illnesses, and support and encourage one another. Please visit the table in the Main Hall for information and resources. One of the ways we create space for sharing is by being in a small group. *Blessed are the Crazy: Breaking the Silence About Mental Illness, Family and Church*, written by Sarah Griffith Lund, will be a basis for a four-week book study offered at two different times: Wednesdays, 9:30-11am, led by Katya Brodbeck and Heather Guthrie, beginning June 12; and Wednesdays, 7-8:30pm, led by Kris Shoaf and Ellen Thomas, beginning June 19. To register for one of the small groups, go to powellumc.org or visit the table in the Main Hall.

Scholarship Program Underway. Applications are 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 attending higher education institutions this fall. We are giving particular notice to recent graduating high school seniors. Obtain an application through our church office, office@powellumc.org, or at the Welcome Center. Applications must be returned to the church office by **Sunday, June 16**. The award will be announced later this summer.

New Hearing Assistance System. We are pleased to announce that a new hearing assistance system known as "The Loop" is now installed in our sanctuary. If you wear hearing aids, you will need to find out if they have the wireless receiver called a T-coil or Telecoil. The T-coil program is accessed by pushing a button on the hearing aid. This T-coil program has to be activated by your audiologist. Talk to your audiologist to find out if your instruments can have both a T (no background noise pick up) and an MT program (blended micro-phone & T-coil program). The Loop is made possible by Julie Lothes and her family, in loving memory of her father, Bob Maddox.

"An American Tapestry," Concert by the Delaware Community Chorus, directed by Joshua Brodbeck, is TODAY at 3pm in the Sanctuary. Tickets are \$15 and will be available at the door.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

A New Reformation, by Rob Fuquay, begins June 13, at 10am. We'll take a close look at the life and times of Martin Luther, the famous reformer of the church, and determine what we can do in our own time to embrace the idea of reform-ation. All are welcome to join us. Register online at powellumc.org. Facilitated by Kim La Rue.

Determined: Living Like Jesus in Every Moment by Heather Dixon, continues for women on Thursday nights at 7pm. Join this group as we discover how to make every moment count and live with joy instead of apathy. Register online at powellumc.org. Facilitated by Kristina MacKenzie and Kim La Rue.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

W.H.A.T. I.F. (Women Having Adventures Together In Faith) will go on a zip lining adventure at Zip Zone on Sunday, June 2, 1pm. Contact Kathy Nissenbaum, knissenbaum@earthlink.net, to RSVP.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for June 5 is *Where the Crawdads Sing*, by Delia Owens; the book for July 3 is *The Locksmith's Daughter*, by Karen Brooks. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or jkw71550@columbus.rr.com.

The Spring Tea is Sunday, May 19, 3pm, in Fellowship Hall. All women are welcome to come hear Jackie Prine as she shares her story of how she came to lead Kairos Retreats at The Ohio Reformatory for Women. Enjoy an afternoon of food and special teas, fellowship and faith with the ladies of Powell UMC. Contact Mickey Jones for more information, djones15@columbus.rr.com.

Morning Glory Circle will tour Turning Point's new facility that responds to the needs of domestic violence victims in Delaware on Monday, May 13. Those that want to carpool, meet in the front church parking lot at 9:15. Those who want to drive, the address is 500 N. Liberty St., Delaware.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Communion Offering for May: Summer HYPE (Hilltop Young People Excel). This Shalom Zone Summer Program for youth builds character, confidence, and community pride in children, kindergarten - grade 12. Your giving will support the youth in the Hilltop area, ignite life-long learning, and bolster self-confidence in a safe place for kids. Use our special communion offering envelopes or donate online.

Fill a Truck for People in Need of Delaware County, June 2 and June 9 during all worship services. Take a bag with a list of the food pantry items in the Main Hall, purchase some of the items on the list and place them in a truck in the church parking lot. Your donations will support Delaware families whose children are on summer break, and the need for food is greater. For more information, contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Powell Community Blood Drive, Tuesday, May 14, 1-7pm in the Fellowship Hall. One pint of blood can save three lives and the American Red Cross needs your help. To schedule an appointment, call Mary Carlton at 614-971-0303 or the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767.

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 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 kawooster@gmail.com.

Food Pantry Items of the Month: Bar Soap and Laundry Detergent. 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, THIS 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. Contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org to serve.

Write Letters of HOPE to Persons from Delaware County who are incarcerated, providing them with encouragement and mentoring. Best practices, do's and don'ts, as well as suggestions on how to start a letter writing relationship will be shared at an informative HOPE Letter Writing Training on **Tuesday, May 21, 7-8:30 pm**. Sign up at powellumc.org or on the clipboard at the All In Community table in the Main Hall. For more information, contact sandyhuber@powellumc.org.

Learn About Acolyting for your Child at a meeting with Pastor Katya on Thursday, May 30 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. Please sign up online or email katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Caring Ministries

Teaching Positions Available in Powell UMC's Preschool, which operates from September-May. Different day and time options are available. For more information and to apply, contact Linda Franz, Preschool Director, at directorpumcpreschool@gmail.com or 614-847-3773.

It's Okay to Be Human. An important theme of our faith 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!

Delaware County Library Book Mobile will be in the east church parking lot THIS Thursday, May 9, from 10:45am-11:45am. All are invited to visit during this time to borrow some books. Contact Linda Franz, DirectorPUMCPreschool@gmail.com, for more information.

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: "Best Friends" - 1 Samuel 18:1-5; 20:1-42

Monthly Bible Verse: "Friends love all the time, and kinsfolk are born for times of trouble." - Proverbs 17:17

Monthly Bible Focus: Family Friends

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!

VBS volunteer meeting. It is important for all adult and youth volunteers to attend one of the following meetings to receive information about the program, expectations, helpful tips, safe sanctuary training, and a time to answer questions. Please mark them on your calendar and attend one. Choose either Wednesday, May 15, at 9:30am or Thursday, May 30, at 6:30pm.

How Can You Serve VBS?

- 1) Pray
- 2) Volunteer (paper sign ups at the table in the Main Hall)
- 3) Take a tag from the tree in the Main Hall and purchase a gift card. Return gift cards to the main office, collection plate or give them to Ms. Rebecca on Sundays. Mark VBS on the gift cards.
- 4) Bring in empty toilet paper rolls and place in the box by the VBS table

VBS Music CD's are for sale in the Main Hall by the Children's Cross. The cost is \$10 per CD. Start listening to the awesome VBS music today!

Youth Ministries (6th—12th grades)

Youth Ministries Director, hannahewald@powellumc.org

Youth Sunday School will be worshipping together at the 9:30am service. We will support one of our youth leaders, Kris Shoaf, pouring our love over her as she shares her testimony and talks about mental health awareness.

Senior Letter Packs. High school graduation is almost here! Pick up a senior letter "pack" from the youth table in the Main Hall so we can send notes of encouragement and love to our high school seniors from their PUMC church family. Packs are due back by Sunday, May 26.

Just Hunger Bible Study, continues THIS Tuesday, May 7, 6-7:30pm, and on 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.

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**.

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