

# 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

**\*Safe Sanctuary Training**, Thursday, Aug. 13 at 9am and 6pm in room 100N. This training is for anyone thinking about or interested in volunteering with Family Promise, Youth or Children's Ministries. Contact [rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org](mailto:rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org) with questions.

## Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

**Sunday morning serving.** Each Sunday there are 30 folks who give of their time to create a hospitable environment in our church. If you would like to help with coffee & treats, ushering or greeting, please contact [kimlarue@powellumc.org](mailto:kimlarue@powellumc.org). This offering of ourselves and creating a welcoming space is vitally important to visitors and our congregation members alike. Please consider becoming part of this team by serving one time a month.

**Children Serving as Acolytes in Worship** are a gift to our worshipping community. We invite children in 2nd and 3rd grades to serve God and our church community as an acolyte in the 8:15am and 9:30am worship services. An individual training is provided to each child by Pastor Katya. Contact Kim La Rue to sign up for an acolyte training, [kimlarue@powellumc.org](mailto:kimlarue@powellumc.org).

**Habitat for Humanity Walls Build: Saturday, Aug. 25**, begins at 8:30am with breakfast and 9am worship in Fellowship Hall. No previous experience needed; no age limitations. Trained crew leaders will guide the process. Water and snacks will be available throughout the morning as all the walls for a Habitat for Humanity home will be built. Celebrate with lunch beginning at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up to serve online or at the table display in the Main Hall. For more information, contact [katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org](mailto:katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org).

**Save the Dates** to serve and be out with the Good Works community in Athens, OH this Fall. For more information and questions, contact [katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org](mailto:katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org).

- Men's Serving Day, Sat, Oct 6, 8am-4pm
- Community Meal, Friday, Nov 9, 2pm-9pm
- Overnight Work Retreat, Nov 9 and 10

**First Tuesdays at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware**, Tuesday, Sep. 4, 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](mailto:katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org).

## Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

**Refugee Issues – Opening Our Hearts, Minds, and Souls**, Sunday, Oct. 7, 4–5:30pm. The Peace & Justice Team will host an event at our church to offer an opportunity for all to learn about and discuss the global refugee crisis and Central Ohio's resettlement of some refugees. A former refugee and current Columbus area resident will share his/her story of fleeing from persecution and finding a new home here.

**Finding God in Best Sellers** group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Sep. 5 is *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine*, by Gail Honeyman; the book for Oct. 3 is *The Great Alone*, by Kristin Hannah. 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](mailto:jkw71550@columbus.rr.com).

**\*Sign Up for the Next New Member Series.** If you would like to 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, come to a three-session series on these three Sundays: Aug. 26 (6:30-8pm), Sep. 9 (6:30-8pm), and Sep. 16 (6-8pm). Childcare will be available. Sign up at the Welcome Center or contact [kimlarue@powellumc.org](mailto:kimlarue@powellumc.org).

**Save the Date**, The Aspire Women's Tour, Oct. 14, 5pm-8pm, featuring author Melissa Spoelstra. An evening full of laughter, learning, stories & music. One night. Three hours. Just for women. Please join us, right here at PUMC. Set aside time for you! See the table in the Main Hall.

## Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

**The Book Box** is here to prepare for the 10th Annual Used Book Sale on **Oct. 6**. The book box is located by the Welcome Center entrance and is for gently used books that you no longer need at home. These books will be sold at the Used Book Sale in October. Contact Mary Linn Hoffmann at 740-548-7757 or [mlinne@insight.rr.com](mailto:mlinne@insight.rr.com) with questions.

**A Golf Event to Support Watoto Read**, our 2018 mission project, the mission of reaching refugee children Africa, September 29, Brent Tree Club, Sunbury OH. Cost is \$100 per golfer and includes prizes, auction, and dinner. Tiger Woods Foundation has provided a hole flag signed by Tiger from the 2008 US Open which he won. To register, go to [watotoread.com](http://watotoread.com).

**Food Pantry Items of the Month: Cereal.** 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.

**Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS)** will hold a 5k run/walk for refugees on Sep. 8, 10am in Alum Creek Park North. If you would like to go with a group from PUMC, contact Kathy Inamura, [Khinamura@yahoo.com](mailto:Khinamura@yahoo.com).

## Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

### Autumn Studies for Adults

There are many opportunities to study in small groups beginning in the next few weeks. Choose one that appeals to you.

**\*Women's H2O**, a class for all ages, Fridays, 9:30am, with the study "Christianity & World Religions" by Adam Hamilton. In our world of diversity understanding and respecting our neighbors of other faiths is critical. Contact the facilitator, Betsy Effinger, for this small group study, [beetles121@gmail.com](mailto:beetles121@gmail.com).

**\*Elijah, Spiritual Stamina in Every Season**, begins Thursday Sep. 6, 7pm. This class for women is perfect as we deal with many different seasons in our lives. This discussion will help us think about things from new perspectives and affirm our worth as Christian disciples. Kristina MacKenzie, [mackenzie.kristina@yahoo.com](mailto:mackenzie.kristina@yahoo.com) and Kim La Rue are leading.

**\*Disciple III Fast Track** begins Wednesday, Sep. 5 at 7pm. If you have completed Disciple I, join this group for "Remember Who You Are" and study the Old Testament Prophets and the Letters of Paul. Jeff Firkins and Kim La Rue leading. For more information, contact [kimlarue@powellumc.org](mailto:kimlarue@powellumc.org).

**\*Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times**, a study by Adam Hamilton, begins on Sep. 19, 7pm. We know Jesus tells us, "Do not be afraid," but with every-thing going on in the world, how is it possible not to be anxious? Join this class for relevant discussion and good fellowship. Dave Holliday will facilitate this study, [dvhlldy@yahoo.com](mailto:dvhlldy@yahoo.com)

**\*Pastor's Weekly Bible Study to Begin.** The new season of our Pastor's Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, Sep. 5, at 6pm in room 108N. Each week participants will reflect on the preaching passage for the coming Sunday. All are invited to come together in a spirit of shared learning and discussion. For more information, contact Pastor Larry.

**Tuesday Morning Group (TMG)**, Tuesdays beginning Sep. 11, 10-11:30am. Using the book *If Grace Is True*, by Philip Gulley, the group will explore the magnitude of God's grace in our lives. Contact [davewoodyard@powellumc.org](mailto:davewoodyard@powellumc.org) with questions.

**\*Tuesday Evening Women's Bible Study**, begins Sep. 25, 6:30-8pm. Walk through Exodus verse by verse to learn and understand this book in the Bible. The only book needed is a Bible. Need one? Ask Rebecca. Facilitated by [rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org](mailto:rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org).

**Summer Online Study Underway:** Recordings for the webcast series on Frederick Buechner's book, *A Crazy, Holy Grace*, are on our website at [www.powellumc.org](http://www.powellumc.org). Go to the adults tab and select "Studies and Small Groups" to locate the videos. For more information contact [larrybrown@powellumc.org](mailto:larrybrown@powellumc.org).

**\* 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 Woman at the Well - John 4:1-42

**Sunday School Monthly Focus:** We can follow Jesus' example.

**Monthly Bible Verse:** "I have given you an example: just as I have done, you must also do." John 13:15

### Children's Music:

**Cherub choir** (age 3-kindergarten), meets today, 10:35-10:55am in room 108N.

**Children's choir** (1st–5th grade), meets 10:35am in the choir room.

**Joyful Ringers** (grades 3-5), rehearsals begin Sep.23, 4:14-5pm in the choir room.

**Collecting New Pairs of Socks**, plain socks or fun socks, for People In Need (PIN). Drop your donations in the collection bins in the education wing. We need more socks so please consider donating. You can help!

**VBS Memory Videos are on sale Today** at the Children's Table in the Main Hall and in the Education Wing. This is an awesome way to remember the week of VBS. Cost is \$5 per video.

**Bible Camp & Bible Presentation.** Children 2nd - 5th grade are invited to:

**Bible Camp**, Saturday, Sep. 22, 4pm-6pm (dinner provided). Come and learn about the Bible, how to use it and where to find things

- ALL children are invited to Bible Camp - even if they have attended before
- Register online at [powellumc.org](http://powellumc.org) - under Children's/Upcoming Events

**Bible Presentation**, Sunday, Sep. 23, 9:30am & 11am Services

- If children are not able to attend Bible Camp they are still welcome to receive their Bible in Worship
- Register Online at [powellumc.org](http://powellumc.org) - under Children's/Upcoming Events

## Youth Ministries (6th–12th grades)

Youth Ministries Director, [hannahewald@powellumc.org](mailto:hannahewald@powellumc.org)

**Youth Sunday School.** Beginning today, the Fall/Winter/Spring Sunday School schedule resumes as normal. High school will meet 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 Aug. 21 from 6:30-8pm. Contact Matt Utt, [ohio.mutt@gmail.com](mailto:ohio.mutt@gmail.com), for more information.

**Fall Retreat.** Mark your calendar for Friday, Sep. 14-Monday, Sep. 17 for the annual fall retreat. You can register at [www.powellumc.org](http://www.powellumc.org). Cost is \$100 per person and includes transportation, lodging and food.

**Serve at Family Promise**, Sep. 22. The youth will gather in the church kitchen at 3:30pm to cook and prepare a meal and then take it to Family Promise. If your child is interested, please contact Hannah Ewald.

## Music and Worship Arts

Jody Hepp, [jodyhepp@powellumc.org](mailto:jodyhepp@powellumc.org)

**Chancel Choir** will begin weekly rehearsals THIS Wednesday, Aug. 22 at 7pm. For more information contact [jodyhepp@powellumc.org](mailto:jodyhepp@powellumc.org).

**Attention All Youth Handbell Ringers**, practices will begin Sunday, Sep. 23. Joyful Ringers (grades 3-5) practice 4:15-5pm; Glorybells (grades 6-8) practice 5-5:45pm; Alleluia Bells (grades 9-12) practice 5:45-6:30pm. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board by the bell room in the Education wing. Call Debbie Thresher, 614-846-1456, with questions.

**PUMC Preschool** has an opening for a teacher on their Parent's Day Out teaching staff. The children are 2-3 years old and would love to have you in their classroom on Fridays. Contact the preschool director, Linda Franz, 614-847-3773, for more information.