

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

The Way Forward: Awareness & Education on the UMC Special General Conference, Sunday, Oct. 28, 6:30pm. For decades our denomination, like many others, has struggled with issues related to sexual orientation and lifestyle. In recent years, the divergence of positions related to these matters has threatened to split the church. In response, a special General Conference of the UMC has been called for Feb. 23-26 in St. Louis to propose A Way Forward. On the 28th we will learn about the issues and proposals coming from the leadership of the church and how these may impact local congregations. For more information contact Pastors Larry or Katya.

Our Yearly Mission, Watoto Read, is on track to provide funding for two classrooms in Chad, Africa. Each classroom for refugee children is \$10,000. This was our original goal but our fund now totals \$16,918. We hope to reach \$20,000 by year's end so that two classrooms can be built. "Watoto" is Swahili for "children." Our goal is to help the little ones who are among the most forgotten in the world.

Scholarship Program Underway. We are pleased to announce that applications are now 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 currently enrolled in higher education institutions. Graduating high school seniors will be able to apply in the Spring of 2019. Inquire or secure an application through our church office, office@powellumc.org, or pick one up at the Welcome Center. Applications must be returned to the church office by Sunday, Dec. 2. The award will be announced by mid-December.

It's time for our annual Youth Pumpkin Patch! Pumpkins are on sale now and will be sold during the week via the honor system. The patch will be staffed each weekend Friday-Sunday throughout October. Stop by and pick out the perfect pumpkin!

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Food Prep Night for a Community Meal Thursday, Nov. 8, 6-8pm, church kitchen. Love cooking and helping others? Come to an evening of chopping, mixing, socializing and serving God as we prepare a healthy meal for a local community in Athens, OH. Bring your cutting board and your smile. Contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Serve at a Community Meal on Friday, Nov. 9, 2pm-9pm, Good Works, Athens, OH. Meet at the parking lot of the church, drive to the Athens area to serve and participate in the community meal that is called Friday Night Life. This is a place of sharing food and fellowship where people come from all walks of life. Register at powellumc.org or contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Good Works - A Mission Day Experience with an Overnight option, Nov 9 and 10, Athens, OH. Experience a day-long mission trip with people affected by poverty under the leadership of Good Works, that is committed to bring hope to those in need. Arrive on Friday night or Saturday, serve all day on Saturday, reflect on the experience and go home after having dinner. The serving projects vary on the skills that people on the team bring. Usually the projects include cleaning homes, raking leaves, doing minor repairs under the supervision of a Good Works staff member. Cost is \$30 for overnight and \$15 for food. Register at powellumc.org or contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Haiti Mission Trip, March 8-15, 2019. Experience God and the People of Haiti with HUT Outreach, our mission host. Hut Outreach is a non-profit organization that shares God's love with the people of Haiti through nutrition, education, and healthcare. Hut Outreach will provide a hands on experience for our congregation to build relationships, be in community and work alongside the Haitian church community. All interested are invited to attend the informational and organizational meeting, **Oct. 18 at 7pm.** With questions and to sign up, contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Music and Worship Arts

Jody Hepp, jodyhepp@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 10:35-10:55am in the choir room.
Joyful Ringers (3rd-5th grade), meets 4:15-5pm in the choir room.

Youth Music: Glorybells (6th-8th grade), meets 5-5:45pm in the choir room.
Alleluia Bells (9th-12th grade), meets 5:45-6:30pm in the choir room.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

***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 Tuesdays: Nov. 6 (6:30-8pm), Nov. 13 (6:30-8pm) and Nov. 27 (6-8pm). Child care will be available. Sign up at the Welcome Center or contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

W.H.A.T. I.F?! (Women Having Adventures Together In Faith) will be adventuring next Sunday, Oct. 21 at Marmon Valley Farms <http://marmonvalley.com/horseback-riding/> for a one hour horseback trail ride. The cost will be \$25 if we have at least 10 people. All women are invited to attend even if you have never ridden before. There will be instructional time. We will leave the church at 12 pm for a 1:30 ride. Spaces are limited so please reserve your spot by contacting Kathy Nissenbaum, knissenbaum@earthlink.net.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

Aspire Women's Tour, TONIGHT, 5pm-8pm, featuring author Melissa Spoelstra. Tickets on sale at the door. This will be an evening full of laughter, learning, stories & music. One night. Three hours. Just for women. Set aside time for you! Visit the table in the Main Hall or contact stacihood@powellumc.org to help with the evening.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Nov. 7 is *Carnegie's Maid*, by Marie Benedict; the book for Dec. 5 is *The Day the World Came to Town*, by Jim Defede. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. For information, contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or ikw71550@columbus.rr.com.

Missions Newsletter will come out monthly with updates and upcoming opportunities to serve and give locally and globally. If you would like to subscribe, contact Pastor Katya, katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Give Ingredients for a Community Meal, Friday Night Life. Grab a tag or two off the giving tree in the Main Hall, pick the items up at the store, and bring them back to the church kitchen by Nov. 7. 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.

The next KAIROS weekend at the Ohio Reformatory for Women will be held Oct. 25-28. You can help in the following ways. With your **prayers, donations** and by **baking chocolate chip cookies**. Please email Gillian for details at gillkrish@hotmail.com or call or text: 937-209-0874. Thank you for blessing this ministry with those who are incarcerated.

Angel Tree for People in Need: adopt a family this Christmas! Families and small groups at our church are invited to adopt children from one family before we put the Angel Tree up to support families in Delaware during the holiday season. The gifts include: one toy and one clothing item and do NOT need to be wrapped. Instructions and specific gift suggestions will be given upon the receiving of the family. The deadline to sign up for a family is **Oct 29**. The Angel Tree will go up on Nov. 5th. To sign up and with questions, contact Pastor Katya, katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Caring Ministries

Are You Stressed? Discouraged? Feeling Down? You don't have to go through difficult times alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide you with confidential, one-to-one, Christian care and support to help you get through a tough time. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care. To find out more about Stephen Ministry, contact stephenministry@powellumc.org.

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
- 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: "Joseph and His Brothers" - Genesis 37:1-36; 42:1-46:34

Sunday School Monthly Focus: We are Family.

Monthly Bible Verse: "Look at how good and pleasing it is when families live together as one." - Psalm 133:1

Children's Christmas Pageant Info. All Children, preschool - 5th grade, are invited to be a part of this awesome production. It is not too late to sign up - you only missed one rehearsal. Help tell the story of what Christmas is all about!

- Rehearsals: Sundays through Nov. 25. All cast, 2:00-3:00pm and speaking roles, 3:00-4:00pm.

Pageant practice TODAY is in room 100N, not the sanctuary.

- **Performance:** Saturday, Dec. 1 at 2:00pm

Sign up online, <https://powell.breezechms.com/form/81ceda>.

L.E.A.P (Leading, Encouraging, And Praising), for children 2nd-5th grade, TODAY, 12:30-1:30pm in room 100N. We will discuss what L.E.A.P means and plan out the years' activities and service projects. Lunch will be provided (if your child is in the Christmas Pageant, they may remain with me until it starts at 2pm). Register online and come!

"Trick or Treating" at Powell Senior Living Center, Saturday, Oct. 27, 1:30pm. Dress in costume, make people smile by bringing a little fun into their lives, get candy! ALL are Welcome to dress up and attend. Meet at 1035 Sawmill Pkwy. Bring God's light into someone's day.

A Thankful Heart, Sunday, Nov. 11, 12:30-1:45pm for preschool-5th grade. Learn what it means to have a thankful heart. We will have crafts, music, food, Bible, and fellowship. Sign up online.

Children in Missions. We are collecting NEW boxes of crayons and NEW coloring books. They will be given to PIN (People In Need). Please place these items on the black tables in the Preschool & Education Wing Hallways. Please DO NOT put them in the Blue Missions Bins.

Children's & Nursery Sunday School Registration. Please register your child(ren) online or fill out a paper registration form. ALL families are being asked to register their child(ren) even if they have done it in the past! Thank you! Register online, powell.breezechms.com/form/30b7c1.

Operation Christmas Child is right around the corner. If you are interested in helping fold the boxes that we give out to fill, contact Rebecca! We need to have 200 boxes folded by Nov. 1. Any help is greatly appreciated!

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. (God's Young Men) Bible Study, open to all boys 6th-12th grade. Meets Tuesday, Oct. 23, 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, Oct. 23, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Hannah is facilitating.

Sign Up to Work the Pumpkin Patch. Youth can sign up on the website to work a shift, weekends Friday-Sunday, throughout October.

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