Welcome to Powell (Inited 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

A Way Forward: Awareness & Education on the UMC Special General Conference, a Repeat Session for those who were unable to come to the session in October, led by Pastors Katya and Larry, has been rescheduled to THIS Monday, Feb. 4 at 7pm in Fellowship Hall. We will learn about the issues that the UMC has struggled with in the past decades, the proposals coming from the leadership of the church, and how these may impact local congregations. No need to sign up. Contact Pastors Larry or Katya with questions.

Church Staff News! We are pleased to share these items with you. 1) Rachel Parfenchuck will be our next Music Ministries Director, following Jody Hepp, who will be with us through the end of February. Rachel grew up in our church, is an accomplished vocalist, and served in the past as our interim director. We look forward to welcoming her. 2) Hannah Ewald, our Youth Ministries Director, expands her staff role as she commits more time to our youth and takes on additional responsibilities as the Coordinator of Social Media and Social Justice. This full-time capacity allows Hannah to share her ministry gifts with us more completely. We ask for your prayers for those who serve us and our Lord.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Serve at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, THIS Tuesday, Feb. 5, 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

Food Prep Night for a Community Meal, Thursday, Feb 14, 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. Register at powellumc.org or contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Serve at a Community Meal, Friday, Feb 15, 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.

Disaster Recovery Mission Trip to West Virginia Planned for April 28-May 4 to help rebuild homes and provide hope for persons whose lives were devastated by raging floods in the summer of 2016. Many resources have been depleted but The United Methodist Church is providing disaster recovery for as long as it takes. The gifts of home repair as well as presence will make a difference. An information meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 26, 7pm. To join the team or for answers to questions, contact sandyhuber@powellumc.org

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

Be Not Afraid - There is Enough, a series to look at things that we fear, Tuesdays at 10am. We will discuss Gun Violence on Feb. 5 and Race on Feb. 12. For more information, contact DaveWoodyard@powellumc.org.

*Adult Bible Class, Sundays, 9:30am in the Conference Room. The class is studying The Minor Prophets. All are welcome. For more information, contact Chuck Klein, klein.7@osu.edu.

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 10:35am in the choir room. Joyful Ringers (3rd-5th grade), no rehearsal today.

Youth Music: Glorybells (grades 6-8), meets 4:30-5:30pm in the choir room Alleluia Bells (grades 9-12), meets 5:00-6:00pm in the choir room

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

The Lenten Devotional booklet is being written now by members of our congregation. If you like to write and connect your faith to life, please let us know. Sign up at powellumc.org/upcomingevents so you can receive the details about the devotion you will write. The deadline for your written submission is Feb. 6. Contact Karen Curren for more information at kawooster@gmail.com.

Morning Glory Circle will meet Monday, Feb. 11th at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Come and hear Deacon Sandy talk about her experiences serving in disaster recovery in West Virginia and how God is working in and through those who serve.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Feb. 6 is Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell, by Robert Dugoni; the book for March 6 is A Brilliant Death, by Robin Yocum. 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.

Paint Night returns for WHAT IF (Women Having Adventures Together In Faith), Monday, Feb. 25, 6:30-9:30pm. All women are invited to paint a scene on canvas to take home. Join us for creativity, fellowship and fun! Cost is \$25 per person; register online at Powellumc/upcomingevents.

The Men of Iron is studying Traveling Light by Max Lucado on Mondays at 6:30pm. Using Psalm 23 the author explores all the loads we lug around: Fear, Worry, Discontent. We're worn out from carrying that excess baggage. Wouldn't it be nice to lose some of those bags? All men are invited to join this study. Contact Brian Riddle at msforhealthcare@yahoo.com or register online at powellumc/Adults/smallgroupsandstudies.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Communion Offering: Haiti Mission Trip. A small team from our congregation is committed and strong in their call to go to Haiti. March 8-14 2019. We are partnering with HUT Outreach, a non-profit organization in Haiti, in sharing hope, light and love of Christ with the people of Haiti by working with a local community, especially children and pregnant women. Along with your prayers, your giving will support the work of the team and HUT Outreach.

Welcome Home a Reentering Citizen with a bag of personal care items. Persons released from prison and jail leave with little or nothing. To support them and send a message of encouragement, take an empty bag with a list from the display in the Main Hall, fill the bag and return it along with a note of blessing. These bags will be distributed to restored citizens in Delaware County through the Reentry Coalition. The project is coordinated by Powell UMC's All In Community group in response to the incarceration crisis in Ohio. For more information, contact sandyhuber@powellumc.org.

Give Ingredients for a Community Meal, Friday Night Life. 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 Feb 13. 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.

Giving App "GivePlus" is a free giving app that makes giving easy. Download the app in Apple Store or Google Play, enter "Powell United Methodist Church" in the search box, and click on it. You can create an account for recurring donations or simply give to a fund of your choice when it pops up. With questions, contact Debbie Wenner, office@powellumc.org.

Food Pantry Item of the Month: Canned Beef Stew. 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.

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

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- 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: "Families Remember God" - Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Monthly Bible Verse: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your being, and all your

strength." - Deuteronomy 6:5

Sunday School Monthly Focus: Family Wisdom

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 parent volunteers all week long. Scholarships are available if cost is a concern. REGISTER ONLINE!

Family Movie, Sunday, March 10, 1:30 - 2:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will watch "lesodo: Faith (Where Fun and Faith Take Flight)." Parents, we need your hands during the movie to put Eggs together for our Egg Hunt. Many hands is very helpful! Bring something comfy for the kids to lay on, bring a snack to share and bring a friend. ALL ages are invited.

New Nursery Check in process. We are moving to checking in your nursery child with a computerized system. We are in the beginning stages of this - so please bare with us as we work through this process. We will still use the paper process until we work out all the kinks. Thank you for your patience!

Children's & Nursery Sunday School Registration. Please register your child(ren) online. If you child is not registered online they will not show up on our attendance sheets for Sunday school or the nursery care. Visit powell.breezechms.com/form/659c7c to register your child(ren)

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, Feb. 12, 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, Feb. 12, 6:30pm and will meet every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Hannah is facilitating.

Ronald McDonald House tour, Saturday Feb. 9. We will travel to the RMH downtown to donate the homemade tie blankets made by the youth & Connecting Threads and the pop tabs that have been collected by PUMC over the years. The tour begins at 10am. Contact Hannah for more details and to RSVP.

Caring Ministries

Are You Experiencing a Winter in Your Life? In addition to the cold weather outside, many people experience winters in their personal lives. A recent loss through death, divorce, or relocation may leave them feeling lonely. A hospitalization, a cancer diagnosis, or ongoing medical problems may leave them feeling isolated. The loss of a job, the fear of layoffs, or a financial setback can devastate one's self-esteem. If you are going through a difficult time, our Stephen Ministers can bring God's warm love back into your life. They provide confidential, oneto-one Christian care. They will meet with you privately on a weekly basis to listen, to support and encourage you, to pray with and for you, and to walk with you for the duration of your crisis. To find out more about Stephen Ministry and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, email stephenministry@powellumc.org.