

## The glory of Easter is with us as we gather today!

We welcome you to our Easter celebration and to Powell United Methodist Church. If you are visiting us for the first time, please stop by our Welcome Center for information about our church. We ask everyone to make use of the Friendship pads at the end of the row, indicating your presence and passing the Friendship pad to others as we connect with all in attendance today. We also invite you to move to the center of the pews to provide more seating as others arrive. We give thanks to God for the gift of eternal life, and it is good that you are here to share in Easter praise and worship!

## Special Announcements

**Celebrating our Easter Banners.** They are in worship for the first time today. The joy of the resurrection is depicted here in the garden, as mentioned in the gospels. The banner team designed, created, and constructed the banners to draw us closer to God in this season of Easter. We express our thanks to: Mary Ellen Hatton, Judy Koenig, Kaylin Masonbrink, Michael Masonbrink, Alan Shore, Nancy Tela, & Kim La Rue.

**\*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: April 23, (6:30-8pm), April 30 (6:30-8pm) and May 7 (6-8pm). Childcare will be available. Email [kimlarue@powellumc.org](mailto:kimlarue@powellumc.org).

**"An American Tapestry," Concert by the Delaware Community Chorus**, directed by 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 & available online at Eventbrite, [delawarechorus.com](http://delawarechorus.com), or at the door.

## 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. Contact [katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org](mailto:katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org) to serve.

**Learn About Acolyting for your Child** at a meeting with Pastor Katya on either Thursday, May 2 at 7pm or 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 by letting Katya know, [katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org](mailto:katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org).

## Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

**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, [diones15@columbus.rr.com](mailto:diones15@columbus.rr.com).

**W.H.A.T. IF** (Women Having Adventures Together In Faith) will go zip lining at Zip Zone on either Sunday, May 5 or Sunday, June 2. Contact Kathy Nissenbaum, [knissenbaum@earthlink.net](mailto:knissenbaum@earthlink.net).

**Peace and Justice.** Tomorrow is Earth Day! As we celebrate this Easter Sunday and reflect on the new life that Jesus brings, we are reminded of our calling to be good stewards of the Earth. One of the ways we can do this is to take part in caring for God's creation by reducing plastic waste. Visit the display in the Main Hall and learn how you can make a difference.

**Experience the Passion Play in Oberammergau** and explore Alpine wonders with Deacon Sandy and Brian Huber, Sep. 14-20, 2020. The passion play in Oberammergau is the most famous in the world and takes place only every ten years. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center or email [sandyhuber@powellumc.org](mailto:sandyhuber@powellumc.org) to indicate interest in the trip or to get more information.

**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](mailto:jkw71550@columbus.rr.com).

## 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 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](mailto: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.

**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](mailto:office@powellumc.org).

## Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

**\*Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple**, by Adam Hamilton, begins THIS Wednesday, April 24 at 7pm, and will be facilitated by David Holliday, [dvhlldy@yahoo.com](mailto: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](http://powellumc.org). 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](mailto:katharineaperry@gmail.com). Register at [powellumc.org](http://powellumc.org) and order your book there too.

**Three Simple Rules: A Wesleyan Way of Living**, Thursdays at 10am beginning May 2. This short three-week study explores the essence of Methodism in easy to remember ways. Following this study, beginning June 6, we'll look at the life of Martin Luther in **A New Reformation** by Rob Fuquay. We'll take a close look at the life and times of 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 for either or both of these studies. Register online at [powellumc.org](http://powellumc.org). Facilitated by Kim La Rue.

**Determined: Living Like Jesus in Every Moment** by Heather Dixon, will be our study for Women on Thursday nights at 7pm, beginning May 2. Join us as we discover how to make every moment count and live with joy instead of apathy. Register online at [powellumc.org](http://powellumc.org). Facilitated by Kristina MacKenzie & Kim La Rue.

**Become a HOPE Letter Writer** encouraging and mentoring incarcerated men and women who anticipate release and return to Delaware County. Best practices do's and don'ts will be shared at an informative HOPE Letter Writing training on **Tuesday, May 21, 7-8:30 pm**. This intentional ministry will be coordinated by Powell UMC's All In Community group responding to the incarceration crisis in Ohio. Contact [sandyhuber@powellumc.org](mailto:sandyhuber@powellumc.org) for more information.

## Caring Ministries

**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](mailto:stephenministry@powellumc.org). Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!

**All God's Children** is a resource for parents, grandparents, former spouses and other close relatives of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people. For more information, contact Marty Traver, [courtdoc@aol.com](mailto:courtdoc@aol.com) or 614-987-5015.

## Children's Ministries (Infant–5th grade)

Children's Ministries Director, [rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org](mailto:rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org)

**We Have Sunday School Today.** Come and worship with us!

**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:** "Jesus Lives" - John 20:1-18

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

**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.

**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.

## Youth Ministries (6th–12th grades)

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

**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.

**"Girls of Grace" Bible Study** is open to all girls 6th-12th grade. Meets Tuesday, April 23, 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 23, 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](mailto:kimlarue@powellumc.org)**