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

Annual Church Conference Meeting, THIS Thursday, Nov. 21, 7pm. Members of the congregation are invited to join our Leadership Board for the business of electing new leaders, setting the compensation for our pastors, receiving our membership report, and lifting up other items that celebrate the mission of our congregation. For more information, contact the chair of our Leadership Board, Phil Constans, pconstans.pumc@gmail.com.

Light of the World, our church-wide Advent study, is now open for registration. The four-week-study is written by Amy-Jill Levine, professor of New Testament and Jewish Studies. Many times to participate in a webcast or small groups are listed here. Books are \$13. You may register in the Main Hall or online at powellumc.org. For more information, contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

- *Sunday mornings with Denise Miller and Kathy Perry, 10:45am, begins Nov. 24
- *Sunday evenings with Pastor Larry, 7pm, begins Nov. 24
- Tuesday mornings with Dave Woodyard, 10am, begins Nov. 26
- *Tuesday evenings with Pastor Katya, 7pm, begins Nov. 26
- Tuesday evening webcast with Pastor Larry, 8pm, begins Nov. 26
- *Thursday mornings with Kim La Rue, 10am, begins Dec. 12
- *Thursday evenings with Kristina MacKenzie, 7pm, begins Nov. 14

Free Suicide Prevention Workshop TODAY, 5:30-7:30pm, Stonybrook UMC. Open to families, youth, parents, youth workers. The West Ohio Conference is partnering with OhioHealth to offer a free workshop on suicide prevention in youth. A review of suicide research has found that talking about suicide actually decreases likelihood of suicide completion and increases communication that can lead to getting the help a youth needs. To register contact hannahewald@powellumc.org.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Be an Angel, Take a Tag from the Angel Tree and bring the item(s) back according to the instructions on the tag and put under the tree. This is a way to support families this Christmas through People in Need of Delaware (PIN).

Cookie Bakers Needed! Sign up today in the Main Hall to bake Christmas cookies for the 7th annual Lily Circle Cookie Sale. Many homemade cookies are needed to make the sale a success! This year's Cookie Sale will be on Saturday, Dec. 14, 8am-12pm. All proceeds will benefit missions. Email Kelly Brown with any questions, kfb914@gmail.com.

The Morning Glory Candy Sale will begin Nov. 24, 9:15-11am in the Main Hall, with the traditional buckeyes. If you have not tried these buckeyes, you have missed the best! Then the Christmas candy sale kicks off on Dec. 1. Candy will be sold each Sunday until Christmas. All proceeds go to missions.

Food Pantry Items of the Month: Macaroni and Cheese. 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.

2020 PUMC Garage Sale. May 1 – 2. Set up for the sale will be April 27-30. Start saving your gently used items now. This is a church-wide mission opportunity to serve our community and those in need. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, contact Lisa, lblack@homewellcares.com.

Knowing

learning about faith and discipleship

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Dec. 4 is The Essay, by Robin Yocum; the book for Jan. 8 is The Only Woman in the Room, by Marie Benedict. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at jkw71550@columbus.rr.com or 614-975-8626.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Decorate the church for Christmas, NEXT Sunday, Nov 24, 2pm - 4pm. Transform our building into a beautiful space to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Many hands make the work light. No need to sign up, just show up!

Wrap Angel Tree gifts, Dec. 1, 12-2p.m. Come to the Fellowship Hall for lunch, prayer and brief instruction before wrapping gifts in the basement. Sign up at Powellumc.org/ upcomingevents or https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0545a4ab2aaafa7-sorting. Spaces are limited, so sign up early. Contact Lisa Barnhart, hopponen2@yahoo.com.

People In Need (PIN) Holiday Clearing Holiday House, Dec 2-6, 9am-3pm, Delaware Fairgrounds, Coliseum building. Come and sort the toys under the leadership of Terry Troutman, the missions team chair. To sign up, contact Terry, Tazmantet@vahoo.com.

Serve with Family Promise and help support Delaware County families who are currently without homes, Dec. 22-29. In addition to providing meals and spending the night as a host, families, couples and individuals are needed to spend a few hours on Saturday and Sunday at the facility, 39 N. Washington Street, Delaware. Your support will help families achieve lasting independence. Use www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4BAEAC2BAA8-pumc to sign up to serve or contact Betsy Effinger, beetles121@gmail.com.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

Tuesday Morning Group (TMG), THIS Tuesday at 11am, Willis Johnson will help us examine racism in our lives. All are welcome. Contact davewoodyard@powellumc.com.

*The Redemption of Scrooge, by Matt Rawle, is the study for the Women's H2O on Fridays at 10am, beginning Dec. 6. All women are invited to this 4-week study using Dickens' A Christmas Carol as it's base. Register online and contact Betsy Effinger, beetles121@gmail, for more information.

The Lily Circle will meet on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 7pm in the conference room. Join us as we plan for the upcoming cookie sale and continue our book study. New members welcome! For more information, contact Peggy Meredith, <u>DavePeg77@hotmail.com</u>.

Fifth Annual Quilt Display, sponsored by Connecting Threads, Saturday, Dec. 7, 8:30am to 12pm in Fellowship Hall. Many quilts will be on display and you are invited to come and view these beautiful reflections of the people in our community. If you are interested in displaying a quilt for this event, please contact Nancy Tela, nancyrtela@gmail.com.

Caring Ministries

Cancer Support Group will meet on Wednesday, Dec 4, 7pm. Come to find support and care in a safe place, especially during this time of holidays. All are welcome. For more information, contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Music and Worship Arts Rachel Parfenchuk, rachelparfenchuk@powellumc.org

Lessons and Carols Concert, Dec. 2, 7pm, Gray Chapel, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware, Ohio. The PUMC Chancel Choir will join with Ohio Wesleyan University Choral Art Ensemble, Delaware Community Chorus, and Buckeye Valley High School Choir to perform both choral selections and sing-along carols. The concert is free and open to the public.

Children's Music: Cherub choir (age 3-kindergarten), meets 10:35-10:55am in room 108N. Children's choir (grades 1-5), no rehearsal today. Joyful Ringers (grades 3-5), 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.

Children's Ministries (Infant-5th grade)

Children's Ministries Director, rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org

Family Worship Today! Children are invited to join their families in worship today. This is a great time to experience worship together as a family, hear the scripture readings, sing the songs and listen to the sermon. Then go home and talk about all the things you experienced in worship together as a family! Children's Bulletin Bags are available to help engage children in the service. The nursery will be open for infants and toddlers up to age 5 (not in kindergarten) from 8:15am to 12:00pm. The Quiet Room is also available at the back of the Sanctuary.

Operation Christmas Child boxes are due TODAY. Please return your filled shoe box to one of the children's mission tables and don't forget the \$9 for shipping - if paid online your family can track where the shoebox goes! PUMC families can serve families all over the world, sharing Christ's love!

Ministries to share the love of Christ and purchase Christmas gifts for children whose parent is incarcerated. Attend an informational meeting on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 2pm. If you would like more information, contact Heidi McDowell, Staci Hood or Rebecca.

Spreading Love One Family to Another. Your family is invited to partner with Children's

Christmas Pageant Rehearsals, Sundays through Dec. 1. All children from 2-3pm and speaking parts only from 3-4pm.

- Friday, Dec 6: Dress Rehearsal: 5:30-6pm cast & family dinner: 6-7:30pm running the show
- Saturday, Dec 7: Performance at 2pm. This is a wonderful way to begin the Christmas Season!

Carols & Cookies, Sunday, Dec. 8, 6-7pm at Powell Senior Living (10351 Sawmill Parkway). Sing Christmas carols and decorate and eat cookies with the residents. This is a wonderful way to share your time and spread Christ's light to others. All ages are invited. Meet at Powell Senior Living.

A Casual Christmas, Sunday, Dec. 15. Come, relax and enjoy the bells performing, 4:30-5:15pm. Make Christmas crafts, eat cookies and watch the Cherub Choir and ensembles by Children and Youth, 5:15-6:30pm, ALL are invited!

Family Christmas Eve Service, Dec. 24, 2pm or 4pm. Register online today for your child(ren) to read scripture and dress up in costumes to tell the Nativity story. There is ONE Practice on Sunday, Dec. 22 at 1pm for the 2pm Service and 3pm for the 4pm Service. ALL ages are welcome to read and dress up to be a part of this wonderful evening.

Youth Ministries (6th—12th grades) Youth Ministries Director, hannahewald@powellumc.org

Youth Sunday School meets today, 9:30am. High School in room 101N and Middle School in room 102N. Breakfast is provided, all are welcome!

Making Fleece Blankets, THIS Tuesday Nov. 19, 4pm. Join us for a cozy afternoon making tie-blankets with the Connecting Threads group! We will make the blankets at church and donate them to the Ronald McDonald House in the winter. No sewing skills required. Contact Hannah if you're planning to attend.

Youth Advent Study, Not A Silent Night, begins THIS Wednesday, Nov. 20, 6:30-8pm. Girls of Grace and G.Y.M. will merge for this 4-week study by Adam Hamilton! Youth leaders are facilitating. To register, contact hannahewald@powellumc.org to register. Books are provided!

Christmas Eve 6pm service is entirely youth led. Anyone can be involved in this service, whether it be serving as a greeter, usher, liturgist or musician. All are welcome and encouraged. This service is moving and powerful! Sign up at signupgenius.com/go/70a0d45ada723a0ff2-youth1 Slots will fill up quickly, so sign up asap!

Youth Christmas Party, Tuesday Dec. 10, 4:30-8pm. Join us to celebrate Jesus' birth in this season of hope, peace, joy, and love. We will decorate cookies for the Cookie Walk (test taste many!), play games in the basement, and be in fellowship with one another. RSVP to Hannah. Food provided. All are welcome!

United Methodist Church for All People Christmas Shop, Saturday, Dec. 21, 11:15am-2:15pm. Serve at the annual Christmas Shop to provide Free Store families an opportunity to select brand new toys and coats for their children this season. Last year's Shop served 500 children. We have reserved a spot for 20 volunteers, who will serve as helpful elves while parents shop! Sign up as a family or individual to hannahewald@powellumc.org. Lunch will be provided.

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