

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

***Reflecting Christ's Love during Conversations about Hot-Button Issues.** Learn and practice how to have grace-filled conversations on challenging topics. Discussion groups will be hosted by the Peace & Justice Team. Three evening sessions will be led by Kathy Inamura on Tuesdays, 6:30-8pm, beginning Jan. 21 and concluding on Feb. 4. Three afternoon sessions will be led by Mary Ellen Hatton on Wednesdays, 1-2:30pm, beginning Jan. 22 and concluding on Feb. 5. Register online, <https://powell.breezechms.com/form/a246f89544>, sign up in the Main Hall, or contact Kathy, khinamura@yahoo.com.

The Chili Dinner, Saturday, Feb. 1, 5-7pm in Fellowship Hall. Come for food and fellowship. Dinner includes special recipe church chili and all the fixings, cornbread, beverage and dessert. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids or \$28 for the family. Pay at the door, no advance ticket sales. Take out service will also be available. All proceeds go to support missions. Volunteers are also needed for this event. Visit the table in the Main Hall or contact Karen Curren, kawooster@gmail.com.

Altar Flowers adorn the altar and help make each Sunday unique and special. If you would like to give flowers in honor or memory of someone special in 2020, sign up at the Welcome Center or call the church office, 614-847-3703. The flowers are yours to take following the 11am worship service. Each arrangement is \$45 and is provided by Fireside Floral & Gifts.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

The Lenten Devotional booklet is written by members of our congregation. Register your interest in writing at powellumc.org/upcomingevents by Jan. 24 to receive the details. Deadline for written submissions is Jan. 31. Contact Karen Curren for more information at kawooster@gmail.com.

Finding God in Best Sellers book club invites you to come hear from one of their favorite authors, Robin Yocum, on Monday, Jan. 27, 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Mr. Yocum will have signed copies of his books for sale and light refreshments will be served. RSVP to Joy Waldron, 614-975-8626, or jkw71550@columbus.rr.com Jan. 22 if you plan to attend. Bring a friend!

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study will begin *Messy People*, Thursday, Jan 30, 7pm. Looking at some of the messiest people in the Bible, author Jennifer Cowart shows us that our messy lives can also thrive with God's guidance and help. Register online or contact Kristina MacKenzie, mackenzie.kristina@yahoo.com, for more information.

All In Community Recommends: *Just Mercy* at your local theater. This movie tells the true story of injustice and attorney Bryan Stevenson's work to free a man wrongly condemned. Books recommended for reading in connection with this topic are *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson and *The Sun Does Shine* by Ray Hinton.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Feb. 5 is *Educated*, by Tara Westover; the book for March 4 is *The Pioneers*, by David McCullough. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or jkw71550@columbus.rr.com.

Caring Ministries

Cancer Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 7pm. All are welcome. For more information, contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Are you Experiencing "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, 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, one-to-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. To find out more about Stephen Ministry and how you or someone you know could be matched with a Stephen Minister, contact stephenministry@powellumc.org.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Serve at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, Tuesday, Feb. 4, 5:30-9pm. Join others building community and serving with those in need as you welcome customers, provide assistance, sort donations and serve a meal. Carpooling is available. Contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Welcome Home a Person who has been Jailed or Incarcerated with the gift of simple personal care items, socks, gloves and hats. Pick up a bag with an enclosed list from the table in the Main Hall, fill the bag with the items suggested and return it. The gifts will be distributed through the Delaware County Re-entry Coalition. This ministry is sponsored by All In Community, a modern day Biblical response to the impact of incarceration. For more information, contact sandyhuber@powellumc.org.

Palm Sunday Coat Drive, Sundays March 29 and April 5, to support the Holiday Clearinghouse sponsored by PIN (People in Need of Delaware County), December 2020. On the first Palm Sunday, Jesus' followers laid their coats at His feet. So we are invited to do the same this year. New winter coats for school age children in sizes infant to size 14 and light coats, jackets, and vests for youth and high-schoolers in adult sizes small to adult size 3x will be accepted. For more information and details, contact Carol Brubaker, caroldkbru@yahoo.com.

Garage Sale: a Week of Local Mission, May 1 and 2. Start saving your gently used items now. There are many opportunities to serve through this church wide project. If you are interested in serving, contact Lisa, lblack@homewellcares.com.

Equal Exchange items will not be sold during the month of January. If there is a product that you are in need of before our February sale, please contact Kathy Inamura, khinamura@yahoo.com. Due to your support during 2019, we were able to help small scale farmers earn a livelihood in their home countries and to donate \$500 to the Common Ground Free Store. Visit our table on Feb. 9 to get your honey some chocolate and ingredients for Valentine's Day treats!

Food Pantry Items of the Month: Cereal. Purchase some 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 who shop at People in Need's Food Pantry.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

***The Adult Bible Sunday School class** meets Sunday mornings, 9:30, in the Conference Room. This class is beginning a study of what scripture says about our sexuality.

TnT, Twenties & Thirties Young Adult group, Super Bowl gathering, Feb. 2, 6pm. Must register online or contact Kim, kimlarue@powellumc.org.

***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: Feb. 4, (6:30-8pm), Feb. 11 (6:30-8pm) and Feb. 18 (6-8pm). Childcare is available. Email kimlarue@powellumc.org.

***Women's H2O class**, Fridays, 9:30am, will study *Wonder Struck* by Margaret Feinberg. We were created to experience the wonder of God. When you watch the sun melt behind the horizon or cradle a baby, these moments remind us we were made for something more than deadlines and debt, carpools and coffee breaks. Register online or contact Betsy, beetles121@gmail.com.

*** 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

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.

Make Valentine's Boxes with Powell Senior Living Residents, Wednesday, Feb. 5, 6:30pm. Craft supplies are provided. Sign up online - space is limited to 20 spots.

"A Loving Heart," Sunday, Feb. 16, 12:30-2pm in room 100N. Come together to read scripture, talk about how to love people, make a craft, listen to music, eat and fellowship. Register online.

Winter Jam, Saturday, Feb. 22, 6pm, at the Schottenstein Center. This is a group of amazing Christian artists that come together and put on an all age, family appropriate concert. It will be a wonderful night of music, praise, and worship. No tickets are required, cost is \$15 per person at the door. Doors open at 5pm. Come enjoy this family evening out!

Dates to Add to Your Calendar:

- March 1, Family movie, TBD. We will be putting Easter eggs together. Parents, we will need your hands matching the eggs together. Lots of hands are appreciated!
- March 15, Family movie, TBD. We will be filling Easter eggs with candy to get ready for the Powell Community Easter Egg Hunt.
- April 4, Powell Community Easter Egg Hunt, 10am, Powell Village Green Park.
- May 31 - June 5, Vacation Bible School. Registration will open soon, so be on the lookout!

Youth Ministries (6th—12th grades)

Youth Ministries Director, hannahewald@powellumc.org

Youth Sunday School meets at 9:30am this morning. Middle school in Room 102N and high school in Room 101N.

Youth Bible studies will pick up on Feb. 5. We will continue to meet on Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm. Girls of Grace and G.Y.M. are kicking off with a "wild card" series. If students are interested in discussing a certain topic/theme/or question, email it to Hannah and we will work on building a lesson. The wild card series will run Feb. 5, 12 and 19. We will then begin a youth Lenten book study that starts with attending the Ash Wednesday service together on Feb. 26, 7pm. The Lenten book study will run each Wednesday until April 1. Keep an eye out for the book details and registration form! All of these studies are open and welcome to ALL, middle and high schoolers.

Youth Winter Retreat, WhiteOut at Beulah Beach, Feb. 14-16, 2020. Registration OPEN, sign up ASAP! The theme this year is "Believe it or Not," characters found in God's Word. Registration cost is \$150. Contact Hannah with questions. Register online at <https://www.powellumc.org/youth-events/> by January 31.

Winter Youth Lock-OUT! Join us Jan. 31-Feb. 1 for an exciting joint event between Linworth UMC and PUMC. We will gather at PUMC at 7pm on Friday night and return at 7am to Linworth UMC for pick up. Breakfast will be provided and pizza and snacks throughout the night. Our night adventures include Glo-Putt, ice skating, movies, and unlimited bowling! Registration form is on the youth table in the Main Hall. Cost is \$30. Sign up today. Friends welcome!

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Music and Worship Arts

Rachel Parfenchuk, rachelparfenchuk@powellumc.org

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

Youth Music: **Glorybells** (6th-8th grade), no rehearsal today. **Alleluia Bells** (9th-12th grade), no rehearsal today.