

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

Undecorating the Church, TODAY immediately following the 11am worship service. There are trees to take down and decorations to be packed. There are roles for families with children, as well as adults and youth. The project is coordinated by Mark Koenig and Sarah Schnulo. No need to sign up, simply come!

GriefShare, beginning TOMORROW, Jan. 6, 6:45pm, is a 13-week, Christ-centered support group for people who have lost a spouse, child, family member, or friend due to death. Space is limited, so register in the Main Hall. For more information, contact Karen Jordan, kkiordankb@gmail.com, and Emily Cunningham, ecunningham517@gmail.com.

Scholarship Program Underway. 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 2020. Secure an application through office@powellumc.org or pick one up at the Welcome Center. Applications must be returned to the church office by Wednesday, Jan. 15.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Communion Offering for January: Family Promise. Your giving helps families without a home in Delaware County achieve lasting independence. Family Promise provides housing, meals, and support for families experiencing tough times. In addition to financial support, servants from PUMC provide meals and weekend overnight hosting to Family Promise a few times a year. To learn more, visit <https://www.familypromise-delawareohio.org/>.

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.

Candy Sale Update. The Lilly Circle thanks everyone for their support. We made about \$3000 this year. All ingredients were donated and all proceeds go to missions. Thank you!

Food Pantry Items of the Month: Diapers (Medium and Large). 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.

Caring Ministries

Cancer Support Group will meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm starting in January. The topic for January 8th is "Support - Good, Better, and Best." All are welcome. For more information, contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

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 or 614-987-5015.

Are You Experiencing the Holiday Blues? The joy of the holidays can turn into a time of painful loneliness and emptiness for those who have suffered a loss or who are going through a difficult time. But help is available. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and support you through the holidays and as long as your need persists. If you or someone you know is hurting, let us know, stephenministry@powellumc.org.

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

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Serve at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, THIS Tuesday, Jan. 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. To serve, contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

***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. Contact Kathy, khinamura@yahoo.com, to get more information or to sign up for a discussion group.

Tuesday Morning Group, beginning Jan 7, *The Parables of Jesus*, will help us contemplate deep spiritual truths through simple, vivid, engaging stories. Woven from the stuff of everyday life, Jesus helped make the Kingdom of God understandable. Contact Dave Woodyard, davewoodyard@powellumc.org, or register online.

Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study, the book of Mark, Jan. 7, 6:30-8pm. No study guides, no videos. Just ladies, a Bible, and an open hearted biblical conversation. Contact rebeccabrownlee@powellumc.org with questions and register online.

TnT, Twenties & Thirties Young Adult group, Jan 14, 7pm, Theology on Tap. Join this group for casual conversation at Olentangy River Brewing Company, 303 Green Meadows Drive South, Lewis Center, OH 43035. Topic this month is "Big Reality!" Register online or contact Kim La Rue.

Morning Glory Circle will meet Monday, Jan. 13, 9:30am, in Fellowship Hall. There will be a guest speaker on Alzheimer's. All women are welcome to attend. Contact Sue Sheets, einworb11@aol.com, for more information.

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.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

10:45 Sunday School, begins TODAY, *The Grace of Les Misarables*, by Matt Rawle, dive into the six ideals in the story: grace, justice, poverty, revolution, love and hope. Join us for this 6-week study that is open for all. Register online.

***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.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for Jan. 8 is *The Only Woman in the Room*, by Marie Benedict; the book for Feb. 5 is *Educated*, by Tara Westover. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at jkw71550@columbus.rr.com or 614-975-8626.

Preschool

Preschool Registration for church members for the 2020-2021 PUMC Preschool year begins Jan. 9, 2020 at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please visit preschool.com, stop by the preschool office, or call 614-847-3773 for more information. We offer classes for children ages 2, 3, 4, and 5 years old. We also offer Kindergarten Enrichment classes for Kindergartners.

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*)

- All (preschool - 5th grade) will be in room 100N

11:00 a.m. Sunday School (*Children MUST be toilet trained to attend Sunday School Classes*)

- Preschool through 5th grade - Room 100N

December's Bible Verse: "So they went out and proclaimed that people should change their hearts and lives." - Mark 6:12

Sunday School Lesson: "Jesus is Baptized" - Mark 1:9-11

Dates to Add to Your Calendar:

- Feb. 5, Make Valentine's Boxes with Powell Senior Living Residents, 6:30pm. Craft supplies are provided. Sign up online - space is limited to 20 spots.
- Feb. 16, "A Loving Heart," 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.
- Feb. 22, Winter Jam, 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!
- 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 Winter Retreat, WhiteOut at Beulah Beach, Feb. 14-16, 2020. Registration OPEN! Beulah Beach Camp and Retreat Center is an organization that has been engaging guests to encounter Christ since 1921, located by Lake Erie in Vermilion, OH. At WhiteOut, your child will be stretched spiritually and engage in life-challenging discussions. During the weekend, we will get to experience Kalahari Waterpark after hours, epic dance parties, hilarious hosts, interactive activities, uplifting worship and transformational Biblical teaching. 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/>. Deadline to register is January 31.

Capitol Area North Winter Youth Lock-Out, Jan. 31-Feb. 1. The CAN winter gathering is back again! Mark your calendars for this late night filled with activities. We will gather with youth groups from all over the district. Registration information coming soon.

Winter Jam, Feb. 22, 6pm, at the Schottenstein Center. Join us for a night of awesome 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. Email hannahewald@powellumc.org if you are planning to attend.

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), 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.