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

*Congregational Lenten Study, Soul Reset, by Junius Dotson. Plan now to participate in this six-week small group experience discovering the ways our lives make our souls weary and how we can be renewed in a journey toward wholeness. This is a call to take up spiritual practices, learn to walk through difficult seasons with our souls connected to the source of Living Water. We will also discover how we can lift one another up and point one another back to Jesus. Sign up online or in the Main Hall. Books are available for \$10.

Sunday, 10:45am, begins Feb. 23 Monday, 7:30pm, begins Feb. 24 Tuesday, 7:00pm, begins March 3

Wednesday Webcast, 8:00pm begins March 4 Thursday 10:00am, begins Feb. 27 Tuesday, 10:00am, begins March 3 Thursday, 7:00 pm, begins March 19

Introducing the formation of a "Safe Environment Team," a group of men and women who will provide care, attention, and help in monitoring our facility to increase safety. Unexpected events happen. Weather, medical emergencies, and other threats make any public space potentially vulnerable. Under the direction of our Leadership Board, a task force has been working on a plan to identify and train a team of volunteers to provide a welcoming and watchful eye on Sunday mornings. If you have an interest in being part of this team, you are invited to an informational meeting on Sunday, March 15, at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Your attendance does not imply a commitment. To know more, please contact Pastor Larry Brown, larrybrown@powellumc.org

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

All Welcome Home Bags should be returned to the church by TODAY. Place the filled bags next to the Mission Table in the Main Hall. 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. Contact sandyhuber@powellumc.org.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper benefits Habitat for Humanity, Tuesday, Feb. 25, 5-7pm, Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to this Mardi Gras-themed evening before Lent begins. Pancakes, sausages, fruit, coffee, tea, milk and juice will be served. No reservations are needed, donations are accepted. All proceeds will be used to build the walls for a Habitat for Humanity home in Delaware County. To help with the supper by preparing, cooking, serving, decorating or cleaning up, sign up at https://www.powellumc.org/habitat-for-humanity/.

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.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

At the Cross: A Lenten Meditation with Music, Image, and Word. March 8, set on Women's International Day, honors art, music, and writings of women across the ages. The evening will begin in the Main Hall at 4pm with a short presentation on changing imagery of the Passion of Christ by a local art collector from Delaware, John Kohan, followed by a Lenten meditation on art, music performed by widely-known organist, Joshua Brodbeck, and text read by lay and clergy women. Men and women are welcome to this meditative experience. Sign up at, https://powell.breezechms.com/form/e168f1.

*Beautiful Life, 40 Days in the book of James, H20 for Women, beginning Friday, Feb 28 at 9:30am. Challenging us to practice deeds over creeds and acts over practiced passivity, we will discover the beautiful life of faith we've been created to experience every day. James takes his faith seriously and wants us to do the same. Join the group for this Lenten Study and you're welcome to stay for future studies! Contact Betsy Effinger for more information beetles121@gmail.com.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Serve at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, Tuesday, March 3, 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.

Good Works Mission Opportunities. Good Works is a non-profit community of hope dedicated to support those affected by poverty and homelessness. To sign up for any of these mission serving opportunities, go to https://www.powellumc.org/good-works/.

- Feb 20, 6-8pm. Meal Prep in the church kitchen, chopping, mixing, and fellowship.
- Feb 21, 2pm-9:30pm. Serving at a Good Works Community Meal, Friday Night Life in Athens County, serving, sharing a meal, and creating relationships with people from all walks of life. Carpool from the church.
- Jan 26-Feb 19. Grab a tag or two off the tree in the Main Hall, purchase the items at the store, and bring them back to the church kitchen no later than Feb. 19 to sponsor a Good Works Community Meal, Friday Night Life.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

"Mental Health Awareness," a panel discussion hosted by the Stephen Ministers on Monday, March 2, at 6:30 pm in room 100N. As a church, we are invited to learn, raise awareness and find ways of supporting and welcoming those who are impacted by mental illnesses. All are welcome to attend this meeting. No need to sign up.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets at 9:30am at Scramblers, 3980 Presidential Pkwy, Powell. The book for March 4 is The Pioneers, by David McCullough; the book for April 1 is The Forgotten Garden, by Kate Morton. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or

The Lily Circle will meet THIS Thursday, Feb. 20, 7pm. We will recap the chili dinner and continue the book study. New members welcome. For more information, contact Karen Curren, kawooster@gmail.com.

Upper Room Devotion groups meet Mondays, 8:45-9:45am, facilitated by Pat Parren, patparren@yahoo.com, or 11:30am-12:45pm, facilitated by Bev, bavers@insight.rr.com. Discussions each week will be based on the previous Wednesday's devotional in the Upper Room devotional book.

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.

Transportation Ministry is vital and appreciated. Sign up to serve if driving people to church or appointments is what you feel called to do. Contact kimlarue@powellumc.org for more information.

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.

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)

- 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

Monthly Focus: Leaders of the Community

February's Bible Verse: "He did what was right in the LORD's eyes." - 2 Kings 22:2

Sunday School Lesson: "The Servant Girl" - 2 Kings 5:1-19

"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. See a group of Christian artists at this 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.

Family Movies & Putting Together and Filling Eggs for the Egg Hunt, March 1 and March 15, 12:30pm - 2:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Watch a movie and put together the eggs as we need LOTS of hands to help this go quickly. Pizza will be provided, bring a snack to share with others. Come, serve, fellowship and enjoy the movie!

March 1: by popular request, we will watch "The Star, A Tale of Faith & Friendship." March 22: We will watch Veggie Tales, "Noah's Ark" and "Beauty & the Beet."

VBS Registration is Open! Come and take an adventure on the Rocky Railway. We will learn that "Jesus' power pulls us through." Register your child to participate and yourself or a youth to serve. This is a wonderful week to share Christ and grow in your own relationship with him. Evening Session: Sunday, May 31-Thursday, June 4, 5:30 - 8pm. Morning Session: Monday, June 1-Friday, June 5, 9am - 12pm. Register online.

Date to Add to Your Calendar:

- April 4, Powell Community Easter Egg Hunt, 10am, Powell Village Green Park.

Children in Mission: We are collecting baby blankets and sleep sacks (preemie sizes needed) for Meghan's Mission. They will be given to a baby in the Columbus NICU. Many of these babies are born into challenging situations and need a little extra help. Donate today and help a baby!

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

Youth Sunday School will NOT meet today. Many of our youth and leaders are on the winter retreat. Youth are encouraged to worship with their families.

Youth Bible Studies. We're wrapping up our final Wild Card series session this Wednesday, 6:30-8pm. We have had so much fun trying out this new study with you. All are welcome at our last session: why do bad things happen to good people?

Youth Lenten Study, 24 Hours that Changed the World by Adam Hamilton. Join us on a Lenten journey to relive the one day in history that changed everything, where we are invited to experience and understand the significance of Jesus' final hours. We will begin our study on Wednesday, Feb. 26, by attending the Ash Wednesday service together. We will then meet each Wednesday, 6:30-8pm from March 4 until April 1. Register at https://www.powellumc.org/youthbible-studies/, it's not too early.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Tuesday, Feb. 25, 5-7pm. This is a wonderful serving opportunity for youth! Sign up online under "upcoming events" to help with supper by preparing, cooking, serving, decorating or cleaning up.

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