

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

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	Wednesday Webcast, 8:00pm begins March 4
Monday, 7:30pm, begins Feb. 24	Thursday 10:00am, begins Feb. 27
Tuesday, 10:00am, begins Feb. 25	Thursday, 7:00 pm, begins March 19
Tuesday, 7:00pm, begins March 3	

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

Peace & Justice Equal Exchange Sale TODAY. Looking for a sweet treat for your sweetheart this Valentine's Day? Stop by the Equal Exchange table in the Main Hall to purchase from a large selection of yummy chocolate bars, chocolate chips, and pecans! Our new item this month is Natural Almonds – a heart healthy snack. By purchasing these delicious food items and coffee, you are making a difference supporting small scale farmers and Family Promise. We thank you!

All Welcome Home Bags should be returned to the church by Sunday, Feb. 16. 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

Women at the Cross: A Lenten Meditation with Music, Word, and Image, Sunday, March 8, 4-6pm, Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary. Start the evening with a short presentation on women's sacred art by a Delaware art collector, John Kohan, and experience that art along with music performed by widely-known organist, Joshua Brodbeck. March 8th is Women's International Day. All men and women are welcome to this meditative experience during this Lenten season. Sign up at <https://www.powellumc.org/church-events/>.

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

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

Morning Glory Circle will meet THIS Monday, Feb. 10, 9:30am, in Fellowship Hall. Hannah Ewald will share her background and why she chose the avenue of working with youth. Contact Sue Sheets, einworb11@aol.com, for more information.

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 Avers, 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.

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.

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), no rehearsal today.
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.

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

Confirmation class meets today, 12:30-2:30pm in Room 101N. Lunch is provided. Students should bring their Confirmation Bible, folder and student guide. We are excited to see you!

Youth Bible Studies. The Wild Card Series continues this Wednesday, Feb. 12, 6:30-8pm. This is a middle and high school study and all are welcome. Even if you weren't able to make the first one, we would love for you to join us! We will meet in the Sunday school rooms, 101N and 102N. Snacks are provided. Let Hannah know you are coming by emailing hannahewald@powellumc.org.

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/youth-bible-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.

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. You must contact hannahewald@powellumc.org if you are interested in a carpool.

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