

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

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. Begin in the Main Hall at 4pm with a short presentation on changing imagery of the Passion of Christ by John Kohan, a local art collector from Delaware, followed by a Lenten meditation on art, with 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 powell.breezechms.com/form/e168f1.

Time to Fill the Eggs for the Powell Community Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by Powell UMC! There are bags of 100 empty eggs in the main hall. Grab a bag, take it home and fill the eggs with wrapped candy. Please return the bag of filled eggs by March 29.

Annual Spring Tea, Sunday, March 22, 3pm in Fellowship Hall. All women of the church are invited for wonderful food, fellowship, and an inspiring presentation by Keith Wasserman of Good Works in Athens, OH. Contact Mickey Jones, djones15@columbus.rr.com.

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

Communion Offering For This Month: West Virginia Mission Trip. This will be our final mission trip to Clendenin, WV and is scheduled for April 26-May 1. This mission emerged out of the urgent needs created by the floods of 2016 and supported many affected by this natural disaster. Your giving will support purchase of the materials for the projects the team will work on in April. To learn more, 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. 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, set up April 27-30 with the sale on May 1 and 2. There are many opportunities to give and serve through this sale. To sign up to serve during the set up or the sale, go to powellumc.org or the display table in the Main Hall, where you can also pick up a list of donations. For more information, contact Lisa Black, lblack@homewellcares.com.

Food Pantry Items of the Month: Canned Vegetables. 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.

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.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

Serve at the Common Ground Free Store in Delaware, THIS 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.

Serve with Family Promise and help support Delaware County families who are currently without homes, March 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/8050A4BAEAC2BAAS-pumc1 to sign up to serve or contact Betsy Effinger, beetles121@gmail.com.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

"Mental Health Awareness," a panel discussion hosted by the Stephen Ministers, TOMORROW, 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.

Family Promise Ministry Recognition, as it marks 10 years of its ministry, will be held March 15. Gwyn Stettler, the executive director, will be here to share information and express gratitude for our church's role in this ministry during each worship service. Then all are invited to a fellowship lunch to commemorate 10 years of serving families in our community.

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

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.

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

***Congregational Lenten Study**, *Soul Reset*, by Junius Dotson. 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. Sign up online or in the Main Hall. Books are available for \$10. Classes that have not yet begun are listed below.

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

Caring Ministries

Cancer Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month in the Conference Room. It is a safe place to share the struggles of the journey with cancer, whether you or your loved one is the one suffering. All are welcome. Contact katyabrodbeck@powellumc.org.

* 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

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)

- 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

Sunday School Lesson: "Jesus Teaches" - Matthew 5:1-9

February's Bible Verse: "If I, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you too must wash each other's feet." - John 13:14

Church Camp Info is here! This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to get some time away to make friends and grow in their relationship with God. Pick up a camp brochure and check out the different offerings for your child. If your child attends a week long camp, a rebate of \$100 is given back to you. Send your child to church camp this summer!

Family Movie & Putting Together and Filling Eggs for the Egg Hunt, TODAY, 12:30 - 2:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Watch "The Star, A Tale of Faith & Friendship" and put together eggs. Pizza will be provided, bring a snack to share.

"Talking with Jesus," a Lenten Devotional for children & families with a focus on prayer. You are welcome to pick up a book from the Children's table in the Main Hall, Education wing or Preschool wing. Grow closer to God and allow this season of Lent to be focused on prayer.

Children's Palm Parade, Sunday, April 5, at all services. Children are invited to walk around the sanctuary while waving palm branches. This year we are asking families to purchase a new coat for PIN (People In Need), bring the coat to the Palm parade and then place the coat at the altar during the parade! "A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road" - Matthew 21:8

Powell Community Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by Powell UMC, Saturday, April 4, 10am, at the Powell Village Green Park. Bring your own basket and come rain, snow or shine! Contact Rebecca if you are able to help place eggs in the grass before the hunt (arrive at 9am) or if you are able to help clean up and bring eggs back to the church (about 10:30am).

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!

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. Evening Session is Sunday, May 31-Thursday, June 4, 5:30 - 8pm. Morning Session is Monday, June 1-Friday, June 5, 9am - 12pm. Register online.

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 Lenten Study, *24 Hours that Changed the World* by Adam Hamilton, begins THIS Wednesday, March 4, 6:30-8pm, and continues each Wednesday through April 1. 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. Books are \$5. Register at www.powellumc.org/youth-bible-studies/.

Movie in the basement! Mark your calendars and join us Friday, March 13, at 7pm for a movie on the big screen. We'll fill some Easter eggs and have a grand time. Bring a friend and your favorite movie snack.

Family Promise. Youth will be preparing and serving a meal for Family Promise on Monday, March 23. We will prepare the meal in the church kitchen at 4:30pm and then depart to the Family Promise house. Must sign up to serve! Contact Hannah if interested.

Easter sunrise service. If your child is interested in being a part of the youth-led sunrise service on Easter morning, please contact Hannah. Youth can serve in a multitude of ways by ushering, reading scripture, or offering gifts of music. Please email hannahewald@powellumc.org if you are interested or have questions.