Prayer Requests From the Week of 11/21/21

Joy & Thanksgiving

Rylee Ann, our new granddaughter, born 11/18/21 to Drew & Sydney Budendorf. Diane & Eric Budendorf

Comfort, Healing, Discernment, Strength & Peace

Ralph Newton, my brother, still suffering periods of severe pain following his surgery. Kathy Inamura Our service men & women and their families, in these uneasy times. Jan Howenstein Sally Wesel, my step-mother, dealing with multiple health problems. Karen Barwinski

Janet, Jim's mother, for healing to get her afib under control to help her breathing. Jim & Traci Pickett

Ryan Moore, my son, for wisdom and healing during a difficult time, including heart problems and major family decisions. Diane Eplin

Tim, our friend's son, as he travels to Germany to bring his sister, Hannah, home who has debilitating migraines from a head injury and needs assistance getting home. The Hood Family

Sara Emrick, our sister-in-law, & her family, rehabilitating from mini strokes and now suffering with extremely low sodium levels. Tim & Joan Kreps

Responding to the Reality of God

Those who are engaging in various ways to grow in their faith & share God's love, as we journey through the season of Advent. PUMC

Those giving gifts through the Angel Tree, to share Christ's love with children in need through People In Need of Delaware. PUMC

Our confirmands, as they continue their journey together, learning, serving, exploring faith, and connecting with God, each other, and the church. PUMC

Those who are worshipping regularly online or in person, as they experience the blessing of God's presence and love. PUMC

Those who are praying for others, lifting up prayers as a response to God. PUMC

The people of God, as they trust God's presence and guiding hand in the midst of transitions. PUMC

Ongoing

Bob & Carolyn McQuattie, my friends, for his comfort and her peace as she makes difficult plans for their future. Joy Waldron

Those jailed or incarcerated and their families, for all that imprisons them; that the church becomes a supportive and healing community for them. PUMC

Those impacted by mental illness, that they experience comfort and healing through expressions of love and support. **PUMC**

All those serving in the military and their families. PUMC

For those on the path to recovery from addiction to alcohol and drugs. Unsigned

Our daughter, that she find her way by believing in herself and not being so hard on herself. Mom & Dad

Those who are praying, reflecting, raising awareness, sharing in conversations, & making their voices heard, around the issues of racial injustices in our world, PUMC

Those working in law enforcement, for protection as they face difficult situations and violence. Unsigned

Pat Foss, our friend, as she continues treatment. Jane Chelena & Connecting Threads.

Our country as a whole, for peace. Unsigned

Shelly Eden, for my healing strength and peace and for the guidance of the doctors, as I continue to experience an increase in symptoms and am being referred to more specialists. Myself

Haiti, for the crises happening in this country, may they sense God's presence with them.

Catherine Dutkiewicz

Victims of crime and their families, for healing. PUMC's All In Community Team

The people of the Middle East, for healing in the midst of grief and fear. May God help them to find a peaceful and just way forward. Faith Williams

All those suffering with anxiety & depression. Congregation member

Lifting Up Prayers

Neekly prayer requests may be submitted by completing a blue Prayer Request Card located in the pews, during worship or by going to our website, powellumc.org/prayer-ministries/

Need to spend some quiet time with God? Visit the **Chapel** located in the pre-school hallway. Prayer books, candles, prayer shawls and soft music await.

Be part of the Prayer Ministry by signing up to be on the prayer e-chain to intentionally pray for submitted prayer requests. E-mail prayer@powellumc.org.

Worship Opportunities

8:15 am Traditional Worship 9:30 am Traditional Worship 11:00 am Contemporary Worship

Children are always welcome in worship!

Children's Bulletin Bags are available next to the Children's Ministries table in the Main Hall and next to the Quiet Room in the back of the sanctuary. They contain a weekly Children's Bulletin that includes the scripture verse and activities based around this week's sermon. Place used bulletin bags in the basket provided as you leave the sanctuary.

Nurserv Care is available in Room 117N during all worship services.

Serving in Worship:

Justin Williams, Senior Pastor Katva Brodbeck. Associate Pastor Sandy Huber, Deacon in Residence Dave Woodyard, Pastor of Congregational Care Rachel Parfenchuk, Music Ministries Director Jason Hiester, Organist & Adult Bell Choir Director Kim La Rue, Membership Care & Adult Ministries Director Rebecca Brownlee, Children's Ministries Director Hannah VanMeter, Youth Minister and Coordinator of Social Justice and Social Media Dia Gallagher, Nursery Ministry Coordinator

8:15 Service Communion Stewards: Bridgette Cox and Pat Cox

9:30 Service Acolyte: Audrey Dunzweiler Communion Stewards: Bridgette Cox and Pat Cox

11:00 Service **Communion Steward:** Jane Sprague

Flowers are provided by Carol Lynne Chretien in memory of her husband, Michael; and by Nancy Tela in honor of her family.

Arrangements by Fireside Floral Studio.



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THE WEARY WORLD

November 28, 2021 www.PowellUMC.org

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

All are invited to attend our 2021 Children's Christmas Pageant on Saturday, Dec. 11, at 3pm in the Sanctuary. The children have been working hard to bring you, A Tree Lot Christmas. Come out to support our kiddos and to remind ourselves what the true meaning of Christmas is! ALL AGES are welcome to attend.

Hope, healing, and light: a Blue Christmas service, Monday, Dec. 13, 7pm, Fellowship Hall. Come as you are to this safe and sacred space created for all who are struggling this holiday season, a place to be with other people for whom it is not easy to celebrate and be jolly. Whether it is the loss of a loved one, an illness, anxiety or stress, you are welcome to come to be comforted by music, prayers, and a community that understands how you feel.

"Peace on Earth" a concert by the Delaware Community Chorus, under the direction of Joshua Brodbeck, Saturday, Dec. 4 at 3pm. The chorus will perform songs of the season. Tickets are available for \$15 on Eventbrite or at the door. All students will be admitted for free. Please reserve a ticket for both students and general admission attendees. This concert is a part of the Powell UMC Music for the Community concert series.

Our Church-Wide Advent Study is All the Good: A Wesleyan Way of Christmas. Grounded in Biblical texts, John Wesley turned to the simple, and at the same time unimaginable, reality of God's love embodied in Jesus Christ. Register online and purchase your own book. For more information, contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

Traditional advent calendars give a gift to a child each day leading up to Christmas. This year we offer a "Daily Give Back Advent calendar" for you to use with your family and friends. Each day is a different way you can give something to someone else to remind them of the love of the Christ child. Pick one up in the Main Hall or access it from powellumc.org or our social media.

Serving Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

People In Need (PIN) Holiday Clearing House, Nov. 29- Dec. 10, 9am-4pm, the Coliseum building at the Delaware Fairgrounds. Come and sort the toys under the leadership of Terry Troutman, the missions team chair. Sign up online or contact Terry, Tazmantet@vahoo.com.

Wrap Gifts, Saturday, Dec.4, 9-11am and Sunday, Dec. 5, beginning at noon. If you love wrapping, please sign up online to make sure all the Angel Tree gifts are wrapped to present them for children this Christmas. Contact Lisa Barnhart, hopponen2@yahoo.com.

Serve with Family Promise and help support Delaware County families who are currently without homes, Dec. 5-11, 39 N. Washington Street, Delaware. At this time we serve by providing meals only. Your support will help families achieve lasting independence. To serve, sign up online or contact Amanda Moranville, amandamoranville@gmail.com.

Serve with those impacted by poverty and homelessness at the Common Ground Free Store with a group from PUMC on Tuesday, Dec. 7, or Thursday, Dec. 9, 5:15pm-8:30pm or simply come and serve on any of these days and times: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings from 5:15pm-8:30pm; Wednesday and Saturday mornings from 9:30am-1:00 pm. The free store welcomes all and provides an opportunity to those in need to shop for free and get a meal to go. To sign up, go to the serving page of powellumc.org or contact Pastor Katya.

The Drop Shares Love and Joy inside Ohio's Prisons through the gift of Christmas cards and notes. Pick up a packet of 10 cards in the Main Hall today or sign up online under What's Happening. Our original goal of 2500 cards is passed. We are almost to 3000! For more information regarding this ministry supported by All in Community, contact sandyhuber@powellumc.org.



*The Adult Bible Study class at 10:30 on Sunday mornings, begins a study of the Epistle of James on Nov. 28. Please join us in the Conference Room behind the Welcome Center.

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Today's Communion Offering: Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Your giving to this fund makes it possible for the ministerial staff to provide emergency help to local persons in need. Although the assistance can take other forms, it is most often given in the form of a gift card that can be used for food, personal care products, or gasoline.

Bethlehem on Broad Food Boxes are available at the display in the Main Hall. For those not familiar with this program, various churches in the Franklin County area collect food boxes to be distributed at Broad Street UMC's Bethlehem on Broad Program. It is a complete holiday experience for over 1200 less fortunate families in the area. The filled boxes are to be returned to the church by NEXT Sunday, Dec. 5. Contact Terry DeWitt, 614-581-3012.

Spirit-Filled Christmas Giving. Buy delicious and meaningful gifts on Dec. 5 and 12 to support small-scale farmers through the Equal Exchange sale. Orders can also be placed online. Gift bags will be available for orders placed online in advance. Then, on Dec 12, purchase items made by Kindwear and Dreamshine and support those who are in prison and children and adults living with disabilities.

Cookie Bakers Needed! Sign up today in the Main Hall to bake Christmas cookies for the Lily Circle Christmas Cookie sale. This year's Cookie Sale will be on Saturday, Dec. 11, from 8am-12pm. All guests attending the sale will be asked to wear a mask. There will be some pre-boxed cookies available for quick purchase the day of the sale. All proceeds will benefit missions. Email Karen Barwinski with any questions, kbarwin2@outlook.com.

Buckeyes are on sale in the Main Hall. If you have not tried these buckeyes, you have missed the best! They will be sold each Sunday until they are gone. All proceeds go to missions.

Food Pantry Item of the Month: Canned Soup and Crackers. As you go shopping, get a few extra items to support the People In Need Food Pantry and bring them to the church to drop off in the mission bins by the mission closet. In the past year and a half, the need has been great. Thank you for supporting this mission.



*Ladies Night Christmas Party, Thursday, Dec. 16, 6:30pm. You are invited for an evening of fellowship and Christmas celebration. Bring 5 of the same, unwrapped gifts (\$5-10 each). A light meal will be provided. RSVP to Staci, stacihood@powellumc.org or sign up online.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets the first Wednesday of each month at 9:30am, Scramblers on Route 23 in Lewis Center. The book for Dec. 1 is The Rose Code, by Kate Quinn; the book for Jan. 5 is The Nature of Fragile Things, by Susan Meissner. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at 614-975-8626 or jkw71550@gmail.com.

Caring Ministries

*GriefShare begins Monday, Jan. 10, at 7pm on Zoom. If you are frustrated that people just don't understand that you are grieving or wonder how you can ever feel a small bit of joy in life again, please join us for GriefShare. This 13-week study is for anyone who has lost a spouse, partner, child, family member or friend to death. It addresses the issues that we encounter in grief. To register or for more information go to powellumc.org under Caring Ministries.

Stephen Ministers Are There to Care. Are you going through a difficult time - emotionally, spiritually, or relationally? Are you lonely, experiencing a crisis, or simply stressed by everyday life? You don't have to suffer alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers, ready to listen, care for and encourage you, pray with you and for you, and provide confidential one-toone Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. Email stephenministry@powellumc.org to find out more.

Cancer Support Group meets on Zoom every Tuesday at 7pm to encourage and provide a sense of hope and community and invites all impacted by cancer in any way to be a part of this group. To get a Zoom link, contact Harry Poston, harryposton@gmail.com.

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) We have four Sunday School classrooms: 1) Preschool, 2) Kindergarten & 1st Grade, 3) 2nd & 3rd Grade, and 4) 4th & 5th Grade

Check In and Check Out Procedures: Please check in and check out your child at the Check In table. Children will then go to their assigned classrooms.

Sunday School Lesson: "God Gives Caleb Courage" - Numbers Bible Point: God is bigger than our fears.

Christmas Pageant Information

- Performance, Saturday, Dec. 11, 3pm in the Sanctuary. Invite all your friends and family to this wonderful faith filled performance.

A Casual Christmas, Sunday, Dec. 12. Come, relax and enjoy the bells performing, 3-4pm in the sanctuary. Then move to the Fellowship Hall from 4-5:30pm for Christmas crafts, cookies fellowship and fun. ALL are invited!

Children's Christmas Eve Worship Service at 2pm & 4pm. Your children are invited to participate in our Christmas Eve Service by dressing up in a Nativity Scene costume, sharing a musical talent or reading scripture. To participate, Register Online.

Christmas Eve Rehearsal, Monday, Dec. 20, at 3pm or 5:30pm. Children will pick up costumes, practice reading scripture in a microphone and learn what to do in the service. Your child may attend either time - it is the same practice.



Youth Sunday School meets today from 9:30-10:30am. Middle schoolers are in room 102N and high schoolers are in the basement. All are welcome!

Youth Advent Studies begin this week! The middle school study meets on Tuesday at 6pm and the high school study meets Wednesday at 6pm. Register online by tomorrow, Nov. 29, at powellumc.org/youth-bible-studies/

Girls of Grace Bible Study transitions into the Advent study this week. All girls are encouraged to attend the Advent study!

Youth Christmas Party, Sunday, Dec. 5, from 12-2pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring your best cookie decorating skills! Sign up to bring a dish to share at powellumc.org/youth-events/

Volunteers Needed to Help with the Cookie Sale on Saturday, Dec. 11. High school teens and adults are invited to help customers select their cookies to purchase during the cookie sale. Contact Karen Barwinski for more information, kbarwin2@outlook.com.



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

Chancel Choir is open to anyone who loves to sing and wants to join in fellowship and song. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7pm. Join us at a practice!

Celebration Ringers (Adult handbells) meet Wednesdays at 6pm in the bell room. Directed by Jason Hiester. Contact jahieste@owu.edu for more information.

* Childcare or Sunday School scheduled. Childcare is available for other adult ministries classes. Sunday Morning Ministry Opportunities (An age appropriate Bible lesson is offered to all children)

- Nov. 28: Practice today in the sanctuary, 2-4pm for ALL CAST.

- Dress Rehearsal, Friday, Dec 10, 5:30-6pm, potluck dinner (sign up online to bring something to share): 6-7:30pm we will run the show twice.

Youth Ministries (6th-12th grades) Youth Minister, <u>hannahvanmeter@powellumc.org</u>

Music and Worship Arts Music Ministries Director, rachelparfenchuk@powellumc.org

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