

Prayer Requests

Praise & Thanksgiving

Deb, my friend, that she did not hurt herself when she took another tumble. **Catherine Dutkiewicz**
Renaté & Craig, my friends, for peace, joy and healing as they prepare for their daughter's wedding. **Gillian**
Mary Jean, my YMCA swim buddy, with gratitude for her successful surgery last week. **Jane Chelena**

Comfort, Healing, Discernment, Strength & Peace

Judy, Dave's mom, as she undergoes surgery for an aortic aneurysm, 11/22. **Dave & Annette Brobeck**
Larry Thomas, my friend, for successful hip replacement surgery, 11/23. **Kim La Rue**
Katie, our friend, for comfort and healing as she was diagnosed with breast cancer. **Russ & Mary Blackstone**
Chris, my friend, that she remains free of pain in dealing with pancreatic cancer. **Pam Zweibel**
The Boudinots, for safe travels 11/26-12/3. **Jamie, Allen, Lucie & Henry Boudinot**
Pastor Bruce Applegate, our nephew, as he recovers from his quintuple by-pass surgery. **Rusty & Sharon Whistler**

The LGBTQ community and their allies, who were killed and injured in Colorado, for comfort and healing. **Faith Williams**

Our country, please make America kind again and cease the hatefulness that has become so prevalent. **Kathleen Gauronski**

OSU running backs & receiver Jason Smith-Njigba, for healing and strength this week. **Mike**
The people in our north-eastern states as they endure snow, may God protect them through the aid of neighbors and professional caregivers. **Dave Woodyard**

Alexandra, my niece, for courage and perseverance in pursuing her dream of becoming a nurse. **Kathleen**

Catherine Dutkiewicz, to reorient my attitude towards the family in the coming months. **Myself**
Liv, my daughter, as medical professionals determine a treatment plan following the information from the MRI. **Staci Hood**

Mirielle, our granddaughter, for determining a diagnosis and what surgery will relieve fluid in the brain. **Michael and Kaylin**

Sympathy

Our family, upon the death of my mother, Joyce Conrad. **Karen Baesman**

Growing Together in Faith

Those participating & leading the Advent Study, as they prepare the way for celebrating Christ's presence with us. **PUMC**

Our confirmands, mentors & leaders, as they continue their confirmation journey, growing in their faith, exploring who God is and connecting to our faith community. **PUMC**

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

Sharing God's Love & Changing Our World

Those who served with Good Works, as they did the work on a new homeless shelter, Sign of Hope. **PUMC**

Those who gave to the Operation Christmas Child mission, to bring joy to children across the world. **PUMC**

Those who are giving Blessing Bags to those in need, as they are being seen and loved. **PUMC**

Those who are buying Angel Tree gifts, for families in need this Christmas. **PUMC**

Ongoing

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

Our daughter, who continues to suffer from mental illness and an eating disorder, that she leans on God and trusts in Him again to help her through this time. **Mom & Dad**

Our nation, to continue to find ways to solve the scourge of mass shootings, including school shootings. **Unsigned**

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**

Our son, that he can become more comfortable in social settings and engage in activities that are healthy for him. **Unsigned**

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. **PUMC**

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

All those suffering from mental illness, may they find the support and resources they need and a peace that transcends all understanding knowing Christ is with them always. **Kris**

Our country & the world, for peace. **Pam Zweibel**

Those serving in the military and their families. **PUMC**

The 2022 Advent & Christmas Season

WORSHIP

Sunday Mornings, beginning November 27

In-person at 8:15am, 9:30am & 11:00am and Live Streamed at 9:30am
Each week's service will include music, carols, and Advent candle lighting.
Our sermon series, "Through Their Eyes," will explore scripture through dramatic sermons from the perspective of the biblical characters. **

Early Christmas Eve Service with candlelight and carols

Thursday, December 22, 7:00pm **

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24

2:00pm Family Service with Glowsticks **

4:00pm Family Service with Glowsticks **

6:00pm Youth-led with Candlelight **

8:00pm Traditional with Candlelight and Live Streamed **

10:00pm Traditional with Candlelight and Communion

Christmas Day, A service of Lessons and Carols: the Christmas story told through music and scripture

Sunday, December 25, one combined service at 9:30am

STUDIES

"Daily Give Back" Family Activities Advent Calendar, be more like Jesus by doing small things every day. Available November 20 and open to all.

"Twelve Days of Christmas" Online Devotional, begins December 25

SERVING AND GIVING

PIN Holiday Clearing House: sort gifts for families

November 30 - Dec. 11, 9:00am - 2:00pm, Delaware County Fairgrounds

Common Ground Free Store: serving those in need

December 1 and 6, 5:00-8:30pm, 193 E. Central Avenue, Delaware

Equal Exchange, Kindwear and Dreamshine Sale: gift opportunities for all

Sunday, December 4, 9:00am - 12:30pm, Main Hall

Bethlehem on Broad: give food for families in need

Boxes due back Sunday, December 4

Cookie Walk: homemade cookie sale benefitting missions & Quilt Display

Saturday, December 10, 8:00am-12:00pm, Narthex & Fellowship Hall

Family Promise: help support Delaware County families without homes

Sunday, January 1 - Sunday, January 8, 39 N. Washington Street

Un-decorate the Church: take down trees and pack decorations

Sunday, January 8, 12:15pm, meet in the Main Hall

FELLOWSHIP

Youth Christmas Party: cookie decorating, Christmas jams, and *The Grinch*

Sunday, December 4, 12:00 - 2:00pm in the lower level

December Children's Check In: dinner, music, and movie

Wednesday, December 7, 6:00 - 7:30pm. Register online

Ladies' Night: Christmas party for women **

Thursday, December 15, 6:30pm, Fellowship Hall. Register online

Casual Christmas for families: carols, crafts, and cookies

Sunday, December 18

4:00 - 5:00pm, listen to the bells ring and the cherub choir sing in the Sanctuary

5:00 - 7:00pm, crafts and cookies in the Fellowship Hall

MUSIC OF THE SEASON

Delaware Community Chorus Christmas concert

Saturday, December 17, 3:00pm, Sanctuary

825 E. Olentangy Street, Powell, OH 43065
614-847-3703

Church Office Hours: 9:00 am–3:30 pm Monday-Thursday, Closed Friday & Saturday
www.PowellUMC.org

Hope

Powell
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Welcome to Powell United Methodist Church!
If you are new to the church, we invite you to visit the Welcome Center.
Our mission is to grow together in faith to share God's love and change our world.

Special Announcements

Pizza with the PUMC Pastors is TODAY at 12:15pm. If you are new to our church, you are invited to this casual event to learn about the ministry and mission of our church and to get to know the pastors and others who are beginning their journey at PUMC. Stop at the Welcome Center to sign up.

Angel Tree gifts are due TODAY. Thank you for sharing God's love and changing our world by sharing gifts with children in need this Christmas. Contact Pastor Katya with any questions.

The all-Church Advent Bible Study is *Prepare the Way for the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist*. In this study, best-selling author and pastor Adam Hamilton explores the Advent themes of John's life and ministry, and how John calls all followers of Jesus to prepare our hearts for his coming. Many time options are offered. Register online.

Pastor Justin will be joined by pianist David Wion on Sunday, Dec. 11, 3pm, to share some of their favorite Christmas music. In addition to sharing some selections from their Christmas CD together, David will play some of his solo arrangements. Join us for a time of music and story as we celebrate the reason for the season!

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

People In Need (PIN) Holiday Clearing House, Nov. 30- Dec. 9, 9am-2pm, the Coliseum building at the Delaware Fairgrounds. Come and sort the toys under the leadership of Terry Troutman, the missions team chair. Contact Terry, Tazmantet@yahoo.com, to sign up.

Serve with those impacted by poverty and homelessness at the Common Ground Free Store with a group from PUMC Thursday, Dec. 1, and Tuesday, Dec. 6, 5:15-8:30pm. 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.

Wrap Angel Tree Gifts, Saturday, Dec. 3, beginning at 9:30am. Come to the Lower Level to wrap all of the gifts that will go to the families in need through PIN. Sign up online.

Serve with Family Promise and help support Delaware County families who are currently without homes, January 1-7, 2023, 39 N. Washington Street, Delaware. Prepare or sponsor a dinner and stay and visit with the families, and go shopping. Your support will help families achieve lasting independence. To serve, sign up online or contact, amandamoranville@gmail.com.

Music and Worship Arts

Music Ministries Director, rachelparfenchuk@powellumc.org

Chancel Choir is open to all adults with a song in their heart and who love to sing. Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7pm in the sanctuary. Contact Rachel with any questions.

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

Children's Music: **Cherub choir** (age 3-kindergarten), meets 10:35-10:55am in the Chapel
Children's choir (grades 1-5), meets 10:35am in the choir room
Joyful Ringers (3rd-5th grade), meets 4:15pm in the bell room

Youth Music: **Glorybells** (6th-8th grade), meets 5:00-5:45pm in the bell room.
Alleluia Bells (9th-12th grade), meets 5:45-6:30pm in the bell room.

Caring Ministries

Are you or someone you know going through hard times? Do not do it alone. God created us to be in a community with one another to share each other's burdens. Our Stephen Ministers will walk with you, listen to you, encourage you, pray with you, and provide confidential one-to-one care to help you through tough times. To learn more about Stephen Ministry, email stephenministry@powellumc.org.

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.

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, the Education wing, or access it from powellumc.org.

Christmas Cookie Bakers Needed! Sign up TODAY in the main hall to bake Christmas cookies for the annual Lily Circle Christmas cookie sale. Many homemade cookies are needed to make the sale a success. This year's cookie sale will be on Saturday, Dec. 10, 8am-12pm. All proceeds will benefit missions. Email Peggy Meredith with questions, DavePeg77@hotmail.com.

Buckeyes are on sale in the Main Hall TODAY. If you have not tried these buckeyes, you have missed the best! All proceeds go to missions.

Spirit-Filled Christmas Giving. Buy delicious and meaningful gifts on Sunday, Dec. 4 and Dec. 11 to support small-scale farmers through the Equal Exchange sale. Orders can be placed online and gift bags will be available for orders placed in advance. On Dec. 4, purchase items made by Kindwear and Dreamshine and support those who are in prison and children and adults living with disabilities.

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 Sunday, Dec. 4. Contact Terry DeWitt, 614-581-3012.

Support People In Need (PIN) Food Pantry. As you go grocery shopping, buy any of the items on the list of needs from the food pantry: canned fruit, soup of any kind, saltines, and cereal, or you can donate on our giving page, indicating "Food for PIN." This list is available at the Missions Cabinet where you can drop off the items. Dollar stores are a great place to purchase any of the items. Thank you for sharing God's love with those in need.

Support all affected by recent hurricanes, Fiona and Ian, by giving to UMCOR, United Methodist Committee on Relief, who are coming alongside thousands of people in Puerto Rico and Florida impacted by the damage the storms brought. Give online or use envelopes in the pews.

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

Advent Podcast. Jesus is not just a savior that our culture knows about, but the whole world celebrates! In this Advent podcast, Rachel Parfenchuck and Kim La Rue bring music from around the world with lively discussion about the culture, music and the roots of scripture within the musical text. Each Wednesday, starting Nov. 30, these will be available on the PUMC website, in an email, and on social media.

Quilt Display, sponsored by Connecting Threads, Saturday, Dec. 10, 8am-12pm, Fellowship Hall. Many quilts will be on display and you are invited to come and view these beautiful reflections of the people in our community. There will also be small gift items available for purchase. If you are interested in displaying a quilt for this event, please contact Nancy Tela, nancyrжела@gmail.com.

***Ladies Night Christmas Party**, Thursday, Dec. 15, 6:30pm. You are invited for an evening of fellowship and Christmas celebration. Bring 5 of the same, unwrapped gifts (\$5-10 each) and either a dessert (last name A-M) or an appetizer (N-Z) to share. Register online.

Finding God in Best Sellers group meets the first Wednesday of each month at 9:30am at Scramblers on Route 23 in Lewis Center. The book for Dec. 7 is *Finding Me, A Memoir*, by Viola Davis; the book for Jan. 4 is *Lessons in Chemistry*, by Bonnie Garmus. Those who enjoy reading are invited to join this small group. Contact Joy Waldron at jkw71550@gmail.com.

* Childcare or Sunday School scheduled.
Childcare is available for other adult ministries classes.

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*)
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: "Jesus is coming back for us." - Revelation 21-22
Bible Point: Jesus wants to be with us forever.

Children's Check-In, Wednesday, Dec. 7, 6-7:30pm. All children preschool - 5th grade are invited to attend (youth are welcome to come and help). We will eat dinner together, watch a Christmas movie and make a special craft. This is a time of fun and fellowship to grow in our faith at church. Register online so there is enough food and materials!

Family Fun Events at Powell UMC! These are times to come together as a family, relax, make crafts, make memories, and fellowship with other families at church. Community is important!
- **Sunday, Dec. 18**, 4-7pm in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. We will come together to have "A Casual Christmas." The handbells will ring from 4-5pm and then we will have an evening of making crafts from 5-7pm. ALL are invited to come!

Outreach in Children's Ministries: Powell UMC families helping locally and all over the world!
- **Prison Fellowship: Hope & Connection In Prison & Out**
This program gives gifts to children who have a parent incarcerated, helping to strengthen families and restore bonds.

Children's Christmas Eve Services, Saturday, Dec. 24, at 2pm & 4pm. ALL children are invited to participate in the service by dressing in costume, sharing music and reading scripture. Register online to play music or read scripture (these spots are limited so sign up now). There will be one practice on Sunday, Dec. 18, to rehearse with the microphones, practice, and pick up your costume. If you cannot attend, please let Ms. Rebecca know! The Cherub choir will sing at the 2pm service and the Children's choir will sing at the 4pm service. Joyful Ringers will play at both.

Jesus' Birthday Cake, Monday, Dec. 19, 10am-12pm. Come and help cut and package birthday cake for the Children's Christmas Eve services. Register online to help.

VBS Save the Date, registration coming in January!
- Evening: June 4-8, 2023
- Day: June 5-9, 2023

Youth Ministries (6th—12th grades)

Youth Minister, HannahVanmeter@powellumc.org

Sunday school will meet as a combined group this morning. Join us at 9:30am in the lower level for breakfast and a joined lesson.

Youth Advent Study begins THIS week, Nov. 29, and will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30-8pm. Take a journey through *The Redemption of Scrooge*, by Matt Rawle. Led by Rev. Hannah and Terry Troutman. Sign up online.

Used Shoe Collection. The last day to donate shoes is TODAY! Drop them off in the cardboard boxes in the common area of the Lower Level.

Youth Wildlights Trip, tomorrow, Monday, Nov. 28. Join us for a night at the zoo wildlights! We will meet at the zoo at 6pm. Youth & families should pre-purchase their tickets. Sign up online.

The Youth Christmas Party is Sunday, Dec. 4 from 12-2pm. Mark your calendars! It will be a fun afternoon of cookie decorating, ornament making for our tree, Christmas jams and The Grinch. RSVP online via the SignUp Genius. Please bring one dish to share per family.

Youth Christmas Eve service is at 6pm on Christmas Eve. ALL youth are invited to be a part of this worship service! There are opportunities to read scripture, deliver the sermon, play music, usher, pray, or do behind the scenes work. Sign up online.