

Prayer Requests

Praise & Thanksgiving

Georgene Kurpe, my mom, with thanksgiving for her continued healing! **Nicole Tosoian**
Our graduates, as they embark on their new journey, may they feel God's call upon their life
and know that their PUMC family loves them and will always be here for them.
Rev. Hannah VanMeter

Comfort, Healing, Discernment, Strength & Peace

Children with special needs & their families, as school is out and their schedules change.
Diane Thomas

The Memorial Tournament staff & families, enduring long hours of preparation. **The Stiffers**

Howard Howe, my uncle, as he recovers from open heart surgery. **Lori Kipfer**

Our country and the world, that leaders come together for the good of all. **Pam Zweibel**

Doc, beloved pet of a co-worker, may he continue to recover. **Pam Zweibel**

Dan, my beloved friend, who needs healing due to GI issues. **Pam Zweibel**

George Masie, Tim's dad, who has had multiple health concerns that have resulted in several
trips to the ER. **Tim & Jill Masie**

Mary, my sister-in-law, for healing and answers to find the cause of the fluid around her heart.
Staci Hood

Sympathy

Pam & Brett Spurgeon & family, surrounding them with love and sympathy upon the loss of her
son, Brandon. **The Lily Circle**

Linda, our friend, upon the death of her son, may God enfold her in his arms and help her
through this terrible time. **Russ & Mary Blackstone**

Terri, my friend, for peace and healing from the loss of her father this past week. **Pam Zweibel**

Growing Together in Faith

Our children & youth planning to go to a church camp this summer, as they continue to grow
together in faith, experience God's love, and strengthen friendships. **PUMC**

Our Vacation Bible School, as classrooms are being decorated and the church is being
transformed into a place where children from our church and community can learn
of God's love and Christ's light. **PUMC**

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

Our congregation, may God's grace, peace, and direction be evident as we prepare for the
coming pastoral transition. **PUMC**

Sharing God's Love & Changing Our World

Hope letter writers, bringing hope to folks who are incarcerated, connecting with them, and
learning more about their stories. **PUMC**

Indian Run UMC, our ministry circuit partner, may God's grace, peace, and direction be evident
as they prepare for the coming pastoral transition. **PUMC**

Those who are serving God, through the ministries of this church and beyond. **PUMC**

Ongoing

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, who continues to have challenges, 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. **Mom & Dad**

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**

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 with anxiety & depression. **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 Frantz-Shoaf

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

What Is My Next Step?

Attend Pizza with the Pastors, Sunday, July 30, at
12:15pm. Learn about the history of our church, our
vision, how to get connected and grow in your faith.
Meet the pastors and others like yourself who are
taking steps to get connected. Sign up online or
at the Welcome Center.

Commit to Jesus: If you
have never made a
decision to follow Jesus as
the Lord of your life and
you feel like that is a
commitment you would
like to make, we would
love to discuss this
further. Contact one of our
pastors.

Be Baptized: Baptism is
an opportunity for you to
profess your faith in God
and receive God's grace.
If you have never been
baptized and are
interested in baptism,
contact one of our
pastors.

Become a Member: We view membership as a step
in discipleship. To become a member of the church
means to become a partner in the ministry of
Powell UMC. Join the next new member
retreat on Saturday, July 22, 8:30am-3pm.
Register online or at the Welcome Center.

Serve in a Ministry: Each of
us have been given gifts,
talents, and skills to serve
others. Our vision is for
everyone to be serving in a
ministry. If you are
interested in serving, contact
a staff member.

Join a Small Group: We
believe that joining a group
where you can connect with
others as you grow in your
faith is essential to being a
disciple.
Find a group where you can
belong.
Contact
KimLaRue@PowellUMC.org.

Invite Others to Come: We believe that Powell UMC is
an excellent place to grow together in faith to share
God's love and change our world. Invite others to
come and be part of this transformation!

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COME HOLY SPIRIT



Powell
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 28, 2023

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

Memorial Day Parade. Our church is participating in the Powell Memorial Day Parade TOMORROW, May 29, 10am. If you would like to join us in the parade, contact Lori Kipfer at 614-961-8088.

Rev. Hannah VanMeter will be ordained as a Deacon at Annual Conference this year. The Ordination Service will be on Saturday, June 3, at 10:30am at the Dayton Convention Center. Our incoming associate pastor Carrie Schwab will be commissioned as an elder during this service as well. All are welcome to attend and the service will be livestreamed. We will celebrate Hannah's ordination in worship at PUMC on Sunday, June 4th. If you would like to wish Rev. Hannah congratulations, you can bring a card to worship that day.

The Summer Reading program begins today! Pick up your brochure in the Main Hall and register online or email kimlarue@powellumc.org. Read the books you want to read this summer and note where God is present or the attributes of God show up. The scripture track is studying the Psalms. There are prizes at the end of the summer for reading four books or following the scripture track and a grand prize for doing both.

Serving

Being the hands, feet and heart of Christ

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

The Cardinal Chorale, a youth chorus from Coshocton, returns to PUMC as part of their summer tour on Wednesday, June 14. They will have a concert in the Sanctuary at 7pm. Volunteer opportunities are available to donate money for a meal to feed the chorus, help serve the meal, house the singers for one night in your home, and donate breakfast food items. Contact Lori Kipfer, LoriKipfer63@gmail.com or 614-961-8088.

Provide and share a meal with families at the Family Promise residence in Delaware, OH, June 25-July 1. You will be a part of the Family Promise ministry helping homeless families achieve lasting independence. 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, contact amandamoranville@gmail.com.

Habitat for Humanity Walls Build will be Friday and Saturday, Aug. 25 and 26. This is a mission project that brings the community together to build the walls for a home for a deserving family. All ages are invited to participate. There are many serving jobs for a variety of age and experience levels for both days. Sign up at the mission display table or online, <https://www.powellumc.org/wall-build-habitat-for-humanity/>. You may also donate financially to support future builds, online or cash/check (mark "Walls Build" on your donation).

Telling

Sharing our stories of God's activity in our lives

***Love Does** by Bob Goff begins Sunday, June 11, in the 10:45am Sunday School Class. Join us to read and hear Bob Goff's amazing look at life. What fuels his impact? Love. But it's not the kind of love that stops at thoughts and feelings. Bob's love takes action; he believes "Love Does." Purchase your own book and register online. Facilitated by Kathy Perry & Kim La Rue.

The New Member one-day retreat is Saturday, July 22, 8:30am to 3pm. If you have thought about becoming a member of PUMC and want to know more about the church, our pastors, and our work in the world, please join us. Register online.

Youth Parent Summer Study begins June 14 and continues on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8pm. If you are a middle school, high school, or incoming 6th grade parent, this study is for you. Led by Drew Thiele and Kim La Rue. We will dive into *Sticky Faith: Everyday Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in Your Kids* by Dr. Kara Powell and Dr. Chap Clark. Register online.

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

Giving

God's generosity inspiring our own

Powell UMC's New Mission Project is Watoto Read: Sponsoring High School Education for Refugee Girls in Malawi. "If you educate a woman, you educate a nation," African proverb. Girls in refugee camps in Malawi do not receive an education so Watoto Read partners with Jesuit Refugee Services to provide this education. \$1000 will cover all costs for a complete high school education, including tuition, board, academic and hygiene supplies, transportation, medical insurance, incidentals (like eyeglasses), and administrative fees for a boarding school in Malawi for one girl for one year of high school. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 to send five girls to all four years of high school. If you're feeling led to support this important mission that empowers young women, you can make a donation online under giving or send a check with a memo, Watoto Read.

VBS Gift Card Donations Requested. We have lots of VBS kiddos to feed snack in the morning and dinner in the evening. If you are able to donate gift cards in ANY amount from Meijer or Cane's Chicken, it would be much appreciated!

Knowing

Learning about faith and discipleship

Pastoral transition. Over the past month, our staff and Leadership Board have been preparing for the coming pastoral transition. Pastor Katya's final Sunday with us will be on June 25. We will have a farewell reception at 12:30 that day. Pastor Carrie Schwab will begin on July 2. She will be preaching on her first Sunday with us. We are working on ways to welcome her and her family to PUMC. Please continue to join us in prayer for this transition.

The Faith of a Mockingbird by Pastor Matt Rawle will have a morning and evening session, Thursday mornings at 10 am beginning June 22. and Thursday evenings at 7pm beginning July 6. This 4-week study is based on Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird*, and uses the beloved characters to explore Christian faith, theology, and ethics. We will consider God's word and what it all means. Purchase your own book and register online or contact kimlarue@powellumc.org.

Youth Ministries (6th—12th grades)

Youth Minister, HannahVanmeter@powellumc.org

Sunday School is not meeting this morning. There are exciting things happening in worship, so plan to attend at 9:30am. Next Sunday, June 4, we will also be in worship as a group as we celebrate Rev. Hannah's ordination.

Girls of Grace (GOG) meets THIS Tuesday, May 30, from 6:30-8pm in the lower level. Join us as we wrap up our May series focusing on mental health. We meet again on June 13 and will start our summer hours, 4:30-6pm.

God's Young Men (GYM) THIS Tuesday, May 30, from 6:30-8pm in the lower level. Join us as we wrap up our May series focusing on mental health. We meet again on June 13 and will start our summer hours, 4:30-6pm, continuing to meet bi-weekly.

Summer Youth Group Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm in the Lower Level, beginning June 14. This will be a weekly gathering during the summer unless a bonfire/other youth event is scheduled.

Rev. Hannah's Ordination & Celebration. Rev. Hannah will be ordained as a Deacon in the West Ohio Conference on Saturday, June 3 at 10:30am at the Dayton Convention Center. All are invited to attend and witness this moment! On Sunday, June 4, Rev. Hannah will be preaching and youth will be serving in worship throughout the morning. Youth and their families are invited to join us for a celebration of the ordination in the Lower Level following the 11am worship service.

Welcome incoming 6th graders! Summer is the time when we transition our incoming 6th graders to the youth program. This means that all incoming 6th graders are invited to participate in youth Sunday school and all youth events. This is highly encouraged and is a great way to get to know Rev. Hannah, our youth leaders and fellow youth! Be on the lookout for a welcome email from Rev. Hannah to be added to the communication list.

Father's Day Kits at The Open Shelter in downtown Columbus on Saturday, June 10, 9:30am-11:30am. This is an in person event hosted by Seeds of Caring. Guests of The Open Shelter are navigating difficult life circumstances and many do not have the resources to show their appreciation on Father's Day with gifts. We will have the opportunity to explore Seeds of Caring's "Imagine If..." book, growing in empathy and compassion for our unhoused neighbors, learn about The Open Shelter, tour the facility, assemble appreciation kits, and help with other hands-on tasks. Must register at powellumc.org/youth-events/ Parents are welcome to attend, also!

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 eases John's doubt." - Matthew 11:1-6; Luke 7:18-23

Bible Point: Jesus is the Messiah.

Children's Check-In. All children preschool - 5th grade are invited to attend. We will eat dinner together, watch a video, music videos, color and talk about God. This is a time of fellowship and fun to grow in our faith together in the Children's Worship room. Register online for these Wednesdays, 6-7:30: June 28, July 26, August 9, September 6, and October 4.

Club Story. All 2nd-5th graders are invited to come, read and dig into a Bible story, listen to Christian music and talk about the meaning of the words. Then, find yourself in the Bible story, music story, and your story as we grow in faith together. Register online for these Wednesdays, 6-7:30pm: June 21, August 2, September 20, and October 18.

Girl's Night - Staying Connected Midweek, for girls, 1st - 5th grade, 6-7:30pm (dinner is served). Gather together for girl talk, the Bible, friends, food, and faith. Register online. Upcoming Wednesday dates: July 5, August 23, September 13, and October 13.

Boy's Night - Staying Connected Midweek, for boys, 1st - 5th grade, 6-7:30pm (dinner is served). Gather together for food, friends, faith, and hanging out. Register online. Upcoming dates: Thursday, July 6, Wednesday, August 30, Wednesday, September 27, and Wednesday, October 25.

Church Camp! Get your calendars ready and start to look for the perfect time this summer to send your child(ren) to Church camp. There are opportunities for Church camp from 6 years old to age 20. Church camp is a time to get away from home and your family to meet new friends, grow in your faith, and get connected to Jesus while out in nature. Visit the Camp Table in the Main Hall.

VBS Music CDs and Music Download Cards are available at the VBS table. Each are \$10 (cash or check only). Take a CD or Download Card and put the money in the box. Music Download Cards are new this year. No CD player? Not a problem. Simply download the music videos onto your device.

Sunday School Weekly Offering: Each week children are encouraged to bring in coins and dollars to place in the offering boxes. We are partnering with World Vision to purchase five ducks, two chickens, and fishing kits for families around the world. Our yearly goal is \$2,000. Encourage your children to do extra things around the house to raise coins for our Sunday School Offering!

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- to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. Email StephenMinistry@PowellUMC.org.

Transportation Ministry. If you enjoy driving and have some time to share, consider becoming part of our Transportation Ministry team. Folks need rides to appointments or church and are unable to get there on their own. Contact KimLaRue@powellumc.org if you have questions or are able to assist.

Music and Worship Arts

Music Ministries Director, rachelparfenchuk@powellumc.org

Do you have a musical gift or talent you could share? There are many opportunities for special music on Sundays. Contact Rachel for more information.