MUMC Children & Youth Ministry September 28, 2025



Xtreme Kids Sunday School is for kindergarten and up. Every Sunday at 9:15. Dismissal is at the end of the first service (usually between 10:30 and 10:45). Let your kids have fun while learning about Jesus! Invite friends too! Engaging activities will help your child grow socially and spiritually.

Nursery: for newborns to 4 years old. Sundays during the 9:30 and 11:00 services.



The Amanda Outreach / Slinky Tutoring Center

Tutoring is on Mondays and Wednesdays throughout the school year between 4:20 and 5:30. Amanda Elementary children and parents appreciate your Christian love and academic encouragement. **LINK Adult Readers** Help parents and grandparents become better reading role models for their children. As a tutor for an adult reader, you determine the schedule and meeting place (church or library). Contact Gina for more details (gmatcraft@gmail.com/937-514-3793).

Community Fall Celebration/Trunk or Treat is on Sunday, October 19th from 2:00-4:00pm We need your decorated car trunks and **LOTS** of Christian outreach! Candy donations can be dropped off at church anytime.

The Breakfast Club Christmas Show (Dec. 14th at 9:30am). Practice on Sundays, beginning Oct. 26th until noon.

Pancakes with Santa – Saturday, December 6th 9:00-11:30am



Calling ALL 5th–12th graders...MUMC's Youth Group needs YOU!

We are well on our way to make some fresh, positive changes that will level up our Christian walk and make an impact on those we serve.

1st & 3rd Wednesdays: Bible Study at the church in rooms 6 & 8

2nd Wednesday: Service work at Bulls Run Arboretum

4th Wednesday: Service work at Ohio Living Mt. Pleasant

5th Wednesday: Game Night...church family and friends are welcome!

Church Wide Campfire on Wednesday, October 29th, 6:00 - 7:30pm

Adults & Family

<u>Altar Flowers</u> – The Sanctuary flowers are given by Rob & Pam Kilburn in honor of Smittie Majors' 92nd birthday on October 3rd. The Atchley Hall flowers are given by Macy Phillips.

<u>Altar Flowers</u> – the 2025 altar flower calendar for the sanctuary is hanging on the bulletin board in the narthex. Cost is \$25.00/Sunday. Envelopes are available on the table below the sign-up sheet. A sign-up sheet and envelopes are available on the bulletin board in Atchley Hall for the 9:30 worship service. The cost is \$15.00/Sunday.

<u>Prayer Concerns</u> – Prayer concerns are welcome and encouraged since we believe in the power of prayer and scripture directs us to pray. Please legibly write down your prayer requests on the card in the envelope marked "PRAYER CONCERNS." You may hand this to an usher to give to the pastor, or you may give it to the pastor during the first song.

<u>The Nazarene Food Pantry</u> – Because of our generosity at the Lasagna Dinner and through their Stuff the Bus campaign, the Nazarene Food Pantry is well-stocked right now. They still need pineapple, boxed potatoes, canned potatoes. Any items would be appreciated.

UMW Annual Nut and Candy Sale Update:

We apologize for how late we are this year, but unknown to us, Terry Lynn, the company we have used for many years, went out of business. We have found a new company, Farmstead Nuts and Treats, who offer the same assortment of nuts/chocolate we have sold in the past. They assure us that they use the same chocolate distributor used by Terry Lynn. There will be a slight increase in price for chocolate due to the increase in price of chocolate from the distributor. Order forms are now available. We appreciate your past patronage and look forward to providing you the same quality nuts and candy. Due to how late we are in the season, orders must be returned to us no later than **Sunday, October 5th**. We need to make a complete order to the company by **November 1st** to assure we can provide orders by early December. Thank you so much for your continuing support. *UMW Nut and Candy Committee*,

Pam Kilburn (513) 594.3225 Terri McGuire (513) 315.2880 Toni McDonough (513) 706.3710 Elaine Kuth (513) 535.3674

Give. Lead. Transform. World Communion Sunday empowers future faith leaders through education and training. Your gift helps build a church where leadership reflects the full body of Christ. Give generously and change lives. Let's come together on **Sunday, October 5**th to make a lasting impact by giving a special offering: write "World Communion Sunday" on your check memo or envelope; give online at MonroeUMC.org/Give and choose Fund 8413-Special Sundays; or text \$amount WCS to 513.547.9908.

DON'T FORGET! – CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY – OCTOBER 3RD. The Trustees are asking for your help. There are clip boards on the bulletin board in the back of the Narthex and downstairs. We would appreciate your help if you can.

<u>SPRC Staff Appreciation Luncheon</u> – We will be having a Staff Appreciation Luncheon **October 19**th after the 11:00am worship service. Chicken and drinks will be provided. We ask that you bring a side dish (vegetable, salad, or dessert) to share. To our friends who attend the 9:30am service we hope you will come back at noon and join in the fun and good food. Looking forward to seeing our whole congregation and telling our staff that we just could not do it without them.

Blessing of the Animals – Sunday, October 26th, 2:00pm

All God's creatures – and their people – are invited to our **Blessing of the Animals** service at the Picnic Shelter. Bring your pets for a brief time of worship and an individual blessing over each animal. Pets should be leashed, caged, or safely controlled. Invite a friend and their furry or feathered companion!

<u>Greeters Needed!</u>! If you have a smiling face and can say, "Hello" or "Welcome," then we need YOU. Greeters are important roles at both the 9:30 and 11:00 services. They help everyone (and especially guests) feel welcome and valued. This is the front line of sharing God's love. BTW, did you know the number 1 reason people say they don't go back to a church is bad hospitality?!? Be part of the solution by signing up today. Also, the 9:30 service is looking for someone to coordinate the greeting ministry. This involves scheduling greeters, making sure we have our welcome bags ready, getting contact information, and so on. Talk to Pastor Jeff if you are interested.

The signup sheet for the 11:00am greeters is up and open for the rest of 2025 and all of 2026. Sign up today to get your choice of dates!

This Week at Monroe UMC

9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
11:00am	Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
	Church Office Closed
6:00pm	Yoga/AH
7:00pm	Scouts/AH
10:00am	Share Group/Parlor
10:00am	Sewing Group/YR
11:00am	Yoga/Narthex
6:00pm	Youth
1:00pm	SPRC/Parlor
10:00am	Exercise/AH
11:00am	Yoga/AH
9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
11:00am	Traditional Worship/AH
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Please note the deadline for submitting information/announcements for the weekly bulletin is noon on Wednesday.

Communication Cards: your attendance in worship is very important to us; please take a moment to complete the card each week.

Want to Improve Your Spiritual Life. Pick up a current copy of *The Upper Room* or *Our Daily Bread* devotionals which are now available in the church lobby and at the Welcome Centers. Large-print versions are also available. Grab one today!

A pager system is used by our nursery staff for the convenience of our parents with small children in our nursery each Sunday.

We invite you to remember our Church in your will or other estate planning. Your thoughtfulness and kindness will help assure that the church continues vital ministry into the years to come.

Isaiah 45:3 God says, "I will give you treasures hidden in the darkness—secret riches.

I will do this so you may know that I am the LORD...