# MUMC Children & Youth Ministry October 12, 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 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 5<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> graders...MUMC's Youth Group needs YOU!

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

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday: Service work at Bulls Run Arboretum

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

5<sup>th</sup> 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 Pamela Stacy McLaughlin in memory of Joyce Stacy's birthday on October 18<sup>th</sup>. The Atchley Hall flowers are given by Amy Philpot in memory of her mother Rosemary Philpot.

Altar Flowers – 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> – They need chicken noodle soup, mashed potatoes, spaghetti noodles, applesauce. Any items would be appreciated.

<u>United Methodist Women's Salad Luncheon</u> – Please join us for our luncheon on **Thursday, October 16**<sup>th</sup> at **12:00 noon** in Atchley Hall. We will be providing chicken, ham, and pimento salads, drinks and dessert. Please bring salads to share. All women of the church are invited.

<u>SPRC Staff Appreciation Luncheon</u> – We will be having a Staff Appreciation Luncheon October 19<sup>th</sup> 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>Care Team</u> – Want to help offer care for our members? We're building a small team to help follow up with people who are absent, homebound, ill, or in need of prayer or a visit. Talk to Monica Bolton (<u>monica\_bolton@icloud.com</u>; 513.320.3017) to join a team.

<u>Thank You</u> – Thank you for generously giving \$165 last Sunday for the World Communion special offering, providing scholarships to students around the world growing as leaders and disciples.

<u>Newsletter Deadline</u> – The deadline for the November newsletter is **Wednesday**, **October 22**<sup>nd</sup>. If you have an article(s) you wish to submit, please send to monroeumc@cinci.rr.com.

<u>Centennial Celebration for Wesley Foundation</u> – You're invited to a Centennial Celebration for Wesley Foundation at UC, **Saturday, October 25**th, 3 hours before football kickoff (TBD). Tour the Wesley House at 2717 Clifton Avenue, tailgate with students, board members, alums and friends, and view historical items. Shuttle and parking are available at Calvary Episcopal Church, 3766 Clifton Avenue, Cincinnati. Everyone is invited for this final event in the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary commemoration of this UM ministry that our church helps support.

<u>Thanksgiving Baskets</u> – We will be collecting donations for Thanksgiving baskets again this year. All donations are needed by **November 9**<sup>th</sup> and please note Thanksgiving Basket on your check or envelope. We estimate that baskets will cost around \$50 for a family but we will accept any donation amount. We will use the money collected to support any families in our church, the SLINKY program families, and Church of the Nazarene Food Pantry who feed around 30 families.

## Racial Justice Journey with the Wesley Foundation in Cincinnati to Mongomery, Alabama: January 6-10, 2026

Visit the Brian Stevenson Legacy sites:
- The Legacy Museum
- The National Memorial for Peace and Justice
- Freedom Monument Sculpture Park

\$300.00 per person for double occupancy room.

Goals: Fill a Charter Bus with 27 College Students and 27 Diverse Persons 3 pre-trip meetings to prepare Physically, Emotionally, Spiritually, and Theologically.

1 Reunion for post-trip processing and community building.

Needs: Dedication to work for Racial Justice; Stand up for the oppressed and those on the margins; Desire to be more Interculturally Competent.

25 Partner churches to donate \$1,000.00 & Commitments to send church members.

Taking reservations through Nov 1.

Your reservation is your payment for the trip to the Wesley Foundation. Questions: Contact Pastor Becky Schofield Motter at <a href="mailto:director@wesleyuc.org">director@wesleyuc.org</a> or Pastor Tracy Chambers at <a href="mailto:umcpastortracy@gmail.com">umcpastortracy@gmail.com</a>.

#### This Week at Monroe UMC

TODAY	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
(Oct. 12)	11:00am	Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
Monday		Church Office Closed
	6:00pm	Yoga/AH
	7:00pm	Scouts/AH
Tuesday	10:00am	Share Group/Parlor
	10:00am	Sewing Group/YR
	1:00pm	Finance Committee/Library
Wednesday	11:00am	Yoga/Narthex
	6:00pm	Youth
Thursday	12:00pm	UMW Salad Luncheon/AH
	7:00pm	Trustees/Library
Friday	10:00am	Exercise/AH
	11:00am	Yoga/AH
Sunday	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
(Oct. 19)	11:00am	Traditional Worship/AH
	12:00pm	Staff Appreciation Luncheon/AH
	2:00-4:00pm	Trunk or Treat

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...