

# MUMC Children & Youth Ministry

## November 9, 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](mailto:gmatcraft@gmail.com)/937-514-3793).

**The Breakfast Club Christmas Show** (Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am). Practice is every Sunday until noon.

**Pancakes with Santa** – Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> 9:00-11:30am

## **ENCOUNTER YOUTH MINISTRIES** (new logo coming soon)

5<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> Graders get to know Jesus through prayer, teachings, and service.

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

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday: Service work at Ohio Living Mt. Pleasant

5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday: Game Night...church family and friends are welcome!

## **\*\*Adults & Family\*\***

**Altar Flowers** – The Sanctuary altar flowers are given by Tammy Brown in honor of the Monroe United Methodist Church. The Atchley Hall flowers are given by Michelle Wysong in memory of Mom & Dad, Eileen & David Ostermeier.

**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.

**Prayer Concerns** – 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.

**The Nazarene Food Pantry** – They need cereal, canned chicken, canned peas, canned green beans, canned potatoes, canned pineapple, mandarin oranges, stuffing, mashed potatoes, chicken noodle soup, spaghetti, peanut butter (small jars), jelly, pancake mix. They served 27 families last week.

**Thanksgiving Baskets** – We will be collecting donations for Thanksgiving baskets again this year. All donations are needed by **TODAY** 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.

**Annual Church Conference**: All members of the congregation are invited to participate in our annual church conference on **TODAY at 4:00 pm** in Atchley Hall. We will elect officers, review our membership roles, assess our progress, and look ahead to 2026.

**Newsletter Deadline** – The deadline for the December newsletter is **Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup>** (note the date change due to Thanksgiving). If you have an article(s) you wish to submit, send to [monroeumc@cinci.rr.com](mailto:monroeumc@cinci.rr.com).

**United Methodist Women** – Please join us on **Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00pm in Atchley Hall. The guest speaker will be Gina Craft. She will be talking about Slinky and the many other responsibilities she does for the church. Please consider bringing paper goods or personal hygiene items for the women of Hope House. All women of the church are invited.

**Christmas Poinsettias** – It's time again to place your order for poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary and Atchley Hall for Christmas. The cost is \$10 and envelopes for payment will be available in the pews and at the Welcome Center in Atchley Hall. Orders must be in by **Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**. The poinsettias come from Bern's Garden Center. They are 6-1/2" pots with 5-7 blooms. You are welcome to take your poinsettias home after the Christmas Eve service.

**The Agape Fund** – The Agape Fund is one way our congregation helps our members and neighbors in their time of need. Pastor Jeff receives and reviews requests and gives spiritual support as well. Your gift shares the love of God with others through utilities, rent, gas, or food. Mark your offering for Agape Fund.

**Snow Removal Help Needed** – We need your help to do the entrances to the church and the sidewalks. It can be divided up in weeks for signup. Example: two weeks in December and two weeks in January. Or it can be teamed up with someone to help. See John Routson in the early service (Thanks John) and Mike Kuth or Elaine in the late service to sign up. We have a company to do the parking lots but need help with the entrances and sidewalks. There is the possibility of a snow blower and/or shovels available.

### **This Week at Monroe UMC**

|                  |         |                               |
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| <b>TODAY</b>     | 9:30am  | Praise Worship/AH             |
| <b>(Nov. 9)</b>  | 11:00am | Traditional Worship/Sanctuary |
|                  | 4:00pm  | Church Conference/AH          |
| <b>Monday</b>    |         | <b>Church Office Closed</b>   |
|                  | 6:00pm  | Yoga/AH                       |
|                  | 7:00pm  | Scouts/AH                     |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | 10:00am | Share Group/Parlor            |
|                  | 10:00am | Sewing Group/YR               |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 11:00am | Yoga/Narthex                  |
|                  | 6:00pm  | Youth                         |
|                  | 7:00pm  | Praise Team/AH                |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 10:00am | Exercise/AH                   |
|                  | 11:00am | Yoga/AH                       |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 9:30am  | Praise Worship/AH             |
| <b>(Nov. 16)</b> | 11:00am | Traditional Worship/AH        |
|                  |         | <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>    |

**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...*