

MUMC Children & Youth Ministry

November 16, 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).

November Birthday Party - Come celebrate on the 23rd after Sunday School (room #7).

The Breakfast Club Christmas Show

(Dec. 14th at 9:30am). Practice is every Sunday until noon.

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



ENCOUNTER YOUTH MINISTRIES (new logo coming soon)

On Wednesdays, 5th–12th Graders get to know Jesus through prayer, teachings, and service.

Holiday Schedule:

Nov. 19th – Amanda Church

Nov. 26th – No Youth Group

Dec. 3rd – Bible Study at church

Dec. 10th – Caroling in Amanda neighborhood

Dec. 17th – White Elephant Party at church

Dec. 24th – Jan. 7th – Winter Break

Jan. 14^h – Bible Study

Jan. 21st – Mt. Pleasant

Jan. 28th – Bible Study

****Adults & Family****

Altar Flowers – The Sanctuary altar flowers are given by Pam & Rob Kilburn in honor of Jane Majors' 90th birthday November 20th. The Atchley Hall flowers are given by Michelle Wysong in memory of Mom & Dad, Eileen and 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.

Newsletter Deadline – The deadline for the December newsletter is **TODAY (note the date change due to Thanksgiving)**. If you have an article(s) you wish to submit, send to monroeumc@cinci.rr.com.

United Methodist Women – Please join us on **Thursday, November 20th** 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 23rd**. 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.

Christmas in Monroe – We will once again be present at the annual "Christmas in Monroe" event **Saturday, December 6th**, 6-8pm at the City Building. The tree will be lit; there will be activities for the whole family, and we will be there to hand out cookies and materials for children and families. We will need a small number of volunteers to help with getting materials to the event, greeting people, and handing out our gifts. Please let Pastor Jeff know if you are willing to help.

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

TODAY (Nov. 16)	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
	11:00am	Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
	2:30-4:30pm	Grief Share Group/Library
Monday		Newsletter Deadline
		Church Office Closed
	6:00pm	Yoga/AH
Tuesday	7:00pm	Scouts/AH
	10:00am	Share Group/Parlor
	10:00am	Sewing Group/YR
Wednesday	1:00pm	Finance Committee/Library
	11:00am	Yoga/Narthex
	6:00pm	Youth
Thursday	7:00pm	Praise Team/AH
	1:00pm	United Methodist Women/AH
	7:00pm	Trustees/Library
Friday	10:00am	Exercise/AH
	11:00am	Yoga/AH
Sunday (Nov. 23)	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
	11:00am	Traditional Worship/AH
	12:00pm	Decorating the Church

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...