

MUMC Children & Youth Ministry

May 24, 2026



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

First day back – Monday, September 8th – 3:45/4:20 – 5:30pm at Amanda UMC

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

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).



Summer Sundays at the Park! Every LAST Sunday (May through July), after Sunday school, we will walk to Monroe Community Park (412 Old St.). Please pick your child up in front of the playground by 12:30pm



Let's explore the nature of God at Vacation Bible School!

July 12th-16th from 5:30-8:30pm

VBS Work Days at MUMC: May 15th & June 12th, 2:00-5:00pm
Help make decorations & prepare materials for the craft station

ENCOUNTER YOUTH GROUP

Through prayer, scripture, and service, 5th-12th graders **ENCOUNTER** the Journey that Jesus set before them.

**We meet every Wednesday between 6 & 7:30PM.
Bring a friend!**

YOUTH MISSION DAYS

When: June 2nd – June 5th, 2026

Where: Bull's Run Arboretum, Middletown, OH

Project: Christian storybook trail



Thank You for ALL the auction items and participation. Together, you helped the youth raise \$1,075.00 for materials To make our storybook trail.

****Adults & Family****

Altar Flowers – The Sanctuary altar flowers are given by Monica Bolton in memory of deceased family members, Mary & Patty (sisters), grandma and in honor of our 45th wedding anniversary. The Atchley Hall flowers are given by Phil Lacefield in honor of Jennifer’s birthday.

Altar Flowers – The 2026 altar flower calendar for the sanctuary is hanging on the bulletin board in the narthex; cost is **\$48.00/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 **\$25.00/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 beef ramen noodles, canned: carrots, peas, tomatoes, and stuffing. They really do appreciate your help. “

ATTENTION!!

THE CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE HAS BEEN CANCELLED!

Plan to Join Us – Have you ever wondered if there’s more to life than what you can see? This Pentecost and Trinity Sundays, **May 24th & 31st**, Monroe United Methodist invites you into a two-week journey through one of history’s most extraordinary stories: the day God’s Spirit was poured out on ordinary people like you. Whether you’ve been in church your whole life or you’ve never felt like you belong in one, Spirit Unbound is for you. No pressure. No insider language, just a real conversation about the God who refuses to stay locked up and the life we were made for.

Save the Date & Invite a Friend – This summer, join Monroe United Methodist Church for **REAL TALK: Honest Conversations with God**, a practical and encouraging series about prayer and everyday life. Together we’ll explore peace in anxious moments, hope in uncertain times, forgiveness, purpose, and learning how to talk honestly with God – no perfect words required. Whether you’ve prayed your whole life or aren’t sure where to begin, you are welcome here. Sundays,

June 7-August 9 at 9:30 & 11:00am in person and online at MonroeUMC.org, Facebook, and YouTube.



United Methodist Laity across Ohio are invited to “Hats of Purpose,” on **Tuesday, June 9**, from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM via Zoom. This virtual event is a time of fellowship, learning, collaboration, and support for laity serving in key roles in churches across the East and West Ohio Conferences.

Being called by God to serve your church and community can be rewarding, yet the laity can encounter distinct challenges living out that call. If you serve on any committee or in any ministry, “Hats of Purpose” is for you. We hope you leave this event feeling supported, inspired, and energized to continue in your ministry service.

Registration is free. Sign up at <https://www.westohioumc.org/civCRM/event/info?reset=1&id=2467>.

Sanctuary Altar Flowers – Starting in June you can order one vase of altar flowers for the sanctuary for \$25 or 2 for \$48. Please indicate on the flower envelope if you want 1 or 2 vases and the amount you have included with the order for payment. For Questions, call Pam Kilburn 513.594.3225.

Mission Committee: We would like to invite church members, friends and community members to our **Monroe Cookout Social** being held Tuesday, June 16th in Atchley Hall from 6:00 to 7:15pm We will be serving Brats, Metts, and Hot Dogs with Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Chips, Drinks and Cake.

This is a **FREE** dinner so bring a friend or neighbor with you.

Please bring a can good for the Monroe Food Pantry who we help support and are feeding around 30 families a week.
Thanks in advance.

This Week at Monroe UMC

TODAY	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
(May 24)	11:00am	Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
Monday		Church Office Closed Memorial Day
Tuesday	10:00am	Share Group/Parlor
	10:00pm	Sewing Group/Youth Room
Wednesday	11:00am	Yoga/Narthex
	6:00pm	Youth
	7:00pm	Praise Team/AH
Friday	10:00am	Exercise/AH
	11:00am	Yoga/AH
Sunday	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
(May 31)	11:00am	Traditional Worship/AH

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* devotional which is now available in the church lobby and on the table at the back door. 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...