

MUMC Children & Youth Ministry

January 25, 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

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).

Kids Easter Variety Show (March 22) - For any age. Beginning February 15th, practice is every Sunday between 10:30 & noon. Power snacks provided.



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!**

- 1st week: Bible Study at church
- 2nd week: Mount Pleasant
- 3rd week: Bible Study at church
- 4th week: Bulls Run Arboretum – meet at church during winter
- 5th week: Game night at church

****Adults & Family****

Altar Flowers – The Atchley Hall flowers are given by Toni McDonough in honor of their grandson Crosley's 10th 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 canned pinto beans, canned potatoes, jelly, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce. All items are appreciated.

UMW Going to LaComedia – An invitation to all women in our church and their friends from the United Methodist Women. We hope you will join us at LaComedia on **April 16th** to see "Jesus Christ Superstar". We will meet at the church at 10:00am to carpool. Please make your reservation and pay \$53.00 to Arlene Horton or Jane Majors by **March 1st**. Our seats are on the lower level.

Mark Your Calendar: The UMW is having a Mother's Luncheon on **Saturday, May 2nd**. Invite your female family members.

Lay Servant Ministry Training – A variety of Lay Servant Ministry trainings will be offered during 2026, including many online for easier access. Topics include Leading Worship, Ministry with the Forgotten, Spiritual Gifts, and others. Any lay person is. Welcome to attend. More information is available through Pastor Jeff.

Medical Response Team – Are you trained as a nurse, EMT, or other medical professional? We would like to invite you to be part of our Medical Response team that might be called on if there is a medical emergency during a worship service or other event. Please notify Pastor Jeff or Edna Miller in the office if you are qualified to serve in this way.

Mark Your Calendars for these Upcoming Special Services:

- Communion, February 1
- Lent begins: Ash Wednesday, February 18th, 7:00pm in the Sanctuary
- Communion, March 1
- Maundy Thursday, April 2nd, 7:00pm in Atchley Hall
- Good Friday, April 3rd, 7:00pm in the Sanctuary
- Easter Sunday, April 5th – Communion
- Graduate Recognition, May 31st

You're Invited to Participate – The Council of Bishops invites all United Methodists to participate in an online survey about the future direction of our denomination. You can read the detailed article on the News page of our website, Monroe UMC.org. The direct link to the article is MonroeUMC.org/news/participate-in-a-um-survey-online-now. The survey itself can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UMCLG2026>, or use the QR code.



This Week at Monroe UMC

TODAY	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
(Jan. 25)	11:00am	Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
Monday		Church Office Closed
	6:00pm	Yoga/AH
	6:30-7:45pm	Small Group/Library
	7:00pm	Scouts/AH
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
Thursday	1:15-2:30pm	Small Group/Library
Friday	10:00am	Exercise/AH
	11:00am	Yoga/AH
Sunday	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
(Feb. 1)	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*** 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...