

# MUMC Children & Youth Ministry

## March 1, 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](mailto:gmatcraft@gmail.com)/937-514-3793).

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



**Pancakes with the Easter Bunny** – Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 – 11:30am



Through prayer, scripture, and service, 5<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> graders **ENCOUNTER** the Journey that Jesus set before them.

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

1<sup>st</sup> week: Bible Study at church

2<sup>nd</sup> week: Mount Pleasant

3<sup>rd</sup> week: Bible Study at church

4<sup>th</sup> week: Bulls Run Arboretum – meet at church during winter

5<sup>th</sup> week: Game night at church

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

**Altar Flowers** – The Sanctuary altar flowers are given by Pam McLaughlin in honor of her dad, Doug Stacy's 88<sup>th</sup> birthday. The Atchley Hall flowers are given by Phil & Jennifer Lacefield in honor of their granddaughter Lauren Lacefield's 16<sup>th</sup> 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 potatoes, carrots, peaches, pineapple, pork & beans, jelly, mashed potato flakes, peanut butter, rice packets, spaghetti noodles. 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 16<sup>th</sup>** 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 **TODAY**. Our seats are on the lower level.

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

**EASTER LILIES** – It's time to order Easter lilies to decorate the church Easter morning. This year they are \$16.50 each. The final order must be in by **Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**. If anyone is interested in purchasing a lily, put your payment, number of lilies wanted, and information in the Easter envelope found in the sanctuary pews or on the table in Atchley Hall **today!** Since it's such a short notice, you may also call the church office with your order.

**Lenten Bible Study** – A small group Bible study to correlate with our Lenten series, *Seeking: Honest Questions for Deeper Faith* will be offered on Thursdays, 1:15-2:30pm (**starting February 19<sup>th</sup>**) and Mondays, 6:30-7:45pm (**starting February 23<sup>rd</sup>**). All you need is a Bible you can read and understand, a curious mind, and a teachable spirit. *No previous experience with small groups or Bible study needed.* Please email the church office at [MonroeOHUMC@gmail.com](mailto:MonroeOHUMC@gmail.com) and let us know if you plan to participate.

**Lenten Offering** – Again this year the Mission Committee will be using the offering to help feed the women and children at the Hope House in Middletown. Once a month we furnish groceries that they request and they now have a cook that comes in everyday and cooks their meals for around 30 people. Thank you in advance for your generosity for helping support this project.

**Potluck Party** – On **March 15<sup>th</sup>** we will have a Potluck Dinner after the second service. Fried chicken, drinks and tableware will be provided. We ask that you bring either a side dish or dessert to complete the meal.

### **Mark Your Calendars for these Upcoming Special Services:**

- Maundy Thursday, **April 2<sup>nd</sup>**, 7:00pm in Atchley Hall
- Good Friday, **April 3<sup>rd</sup>**, 7:00pm in the Sanctuary
- Easter Sunday, **April 5<sup>th</sup>** – Communion
- Graduate Recognition, **May 31<sup>st</sup>**

### This Week at Monroe UMC

<b>TODAY</b>		<b>Second Sunday in Lent</b>
<b>(March 1)</b>	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
	11:00am	Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
<b>Monday</b>		<b>Church Office Closed</b>
	6:00pm	Yoga/AH
	7:00pm	Scouts/AH
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00am	Share Group/Parlor
	10:00pm	Sewing Group/Youth Room
<b>Wednesday</b>	11:00am	Yoga/Narthex
	6:00pm	Youth Group
	7:00pm	Praise Team/AH
<b>Thursday</b>	1:15-2:30pm	Seeking Small Group/Library
<b>Friday</b>	10:00am	Exercise/AH
	11:00am	Yoga/AH
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>Third Sunday in Lent</b>
	9:30am	Praise Worship/AH
<b>(March 8)</b>	11:00am	Traditional Worship/AH
		<b>Set Clocks Ahead 1 Hour!</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* 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...*