



## **MUMC Children's Ministry September 11, 2022**

**Xtreme Kids Children's Church** begins with donuts at 9:15 in Small Fellowship Hall. Sunday school starts at 9:30. Our mission is to teach kids how to read the Bible and apply it to their lives. Current curriculum is based on the Parables of Jesus.

**Nursery:** for newborns to 4 years old (or when potty trained and ready for Children's Church). Sundays during the 9:30 and 11:00 services.

### **The Amanda Outreach / Slinky Tutoring Center**

TUTORS/MENTORS NEEDED on Mondays and/or Wednesdays between 4:30 and 5:30.

Amanda Elementary children appreciate your Christian love and encouragement.

Training is available, but not required.

Slinky starts back up THIS MONDAY, September 12<sup>th</sup> – come check us out at 1315 Oxford State Road in Middletown or...contact Gina for more details ([gmatcraft@gmail.com](mailto:gmatcraft@gmail.com)/937-514-3793).

**Meet us at the park NEXT Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>!** Monroe Bicentennial Park (old Americana site on Rt. 4)

After Sunday school (around 11:00am). Snacks, water, and ice cream provided.

**Sleepover at the Stable Christmas Play Practice** begins September 25<sup>th</sup> after Sunday school until 12:30.

Children 5 and under must have a parent or guardian with them. Power snacks provided.

**Trunk or Treat** will be on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> (2:00-4:00pm)

*Contact Gina at 937-514-3793 or email at [gmatcraft@gmail.com](mailto:gmatcraft@gmail.com)*

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

**Altar Flowers** – The Sanctuary altar flowers are given by David & Shirley Hall in honor of their 66<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Altar Flowers** – the 2022 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.

**United Methodist Women Meeting** – The September meeting of the Monroe United Methodist Women will be on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm in the Parlor downstairs. Our own Ann Copeland will be the speaker. Hostesses are Shelley Copeland and Ellen Osterman.

**Nut and Candy Sale** – The Monroe United Methodist Women are taking orders for their annual nut and candy sale. Order forms are included in the weekly bulletin, the church newsletter and in the information racks. Orders are due by October 16<sup>th</sup>. Please return your order along with your check payable to UMW to any of the following committee members: Jane Majors, Pam Kilburn, Helen Ihle, Terri McGuire, Elaine Kuth or Toni McDonough. Delivery is expected the first week of November. Thanks for supporting the UMW.

**LaComedia Checks** – If you made a reservation for LaComedia, checks are due by September 15<sup>th</sup>. Please make check payable to Monroe UMW in the amount of \$41.00. Give checks to Jane Majors.

**Volunteers Needed for Scouts** – Monroe UMC hosts BSA Troop 42 for its regular meetings. Adults are always needed to encourage scouting and assist with programs and events. Troop 42 is looking for adults to serve on its committee or as merit badge counselors (all information will be provided). Youth going into sixth grade are invited to join 42. The Troop is also interested in doing community service. Please contact Pastor Jeff, and he will help you contact the Troop 42 leaders.

**HOPE HAPPENS HERE** – Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>

People struggle to find meaning and hope in their lives. From personal health to financial health, from relationships to work, from busyness to stress, many long for a sense of peace and hope for the future. In Jesus Christ, God offers us hope not just for the hereafter but also for the here and now. We have the best news to share, so let's invite our friends, relatives, associates, and neighbors to worship on Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at either 9:30am or 11:00am (or both!).

**Kairos Ministry** – Kairos ministry will be serving at Warren Correctional Institute November 3-6, 2022. The team will be using our church kitchen that weekend to prepare food to take inside and needs additional hands. If you would like to serve, please talk to Pastor Jeff to serve on Friday or Saturday, when help is most needed. Also, men who have been part of Emmaus or Chrysalis are invited to pray about serving on the Kairos team that will minister to the residents of WCI. Talk to Pastor Jeff if interested.

"The REAL THING Event" is coming to our area on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. Hosted by J. Warner Wallace at Faith Community UMC, this event will be an authentic conversation about modern-day Christianity and how to overcome doubts to the Christian faith. For questions or more information, contact Steve and Ann Schwankhaus at 513.907.9061 or visit [www.faithcommunity.org](http://www.faithcommunity.org) to register. Tickets are \$25 each or \$20 each for two or more.

### **Move from Problem-Focused Prayer to Possibility-Focused Prayer: DYNAMITE PRAYER**

*Dynamite Prayer* is the name of our next sermon focus starting September 25<sup>th</sup>. We'll explore God's power made available to us through the Holy Spirit and learn to pray for God's power to breakthrough in our lives and in our church to discover new possibilities God intends for us. The new book, *Dynamite Power* by Rev. Sue Nilson Kibbey and Rev. Rosario Picardo (two UMC pastors at United Theological Seminary in Dayton – Pastor Jeff's *alma mater*) will help you experience the richness of grace and practice what we are hearing in worship each week. You can order a book at \$15 through the church office ([monroeumc@cinci.rr.com](mailto:monroeumc@cinci.rr.com) or 513.539.7290) or get a Kindle ebook from Amazon. This is a daily guide to show how to begin a practice called breakthrough prayer. Order your book today!

**Missions Committee:** The **Nazarene Food Pantry** that we help from time to time needs boxed scalloped potatoes, boxed Au Gratin potatoes, canned potatoes, pasta sauce, canned chicken, canned tuna and instant pudding. We will be taking donations through the month of September and there are bins marked downstairs and up in the Narthex for the food pantry. Any donations are appreciated, but please no pasta, they have plenty. Thanks in advance, Missions.

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

<b>TODAY</b>	9:30am	Praise Service/AH
<b>(Sept. 11)</b>	11:00am	Traditional Service
<b>Monday</b>	6:00pm	Yoga/AH
	7:00pm	Scouts/AH
<b>Tuesday</b>	10:00am	Share Group/Parlor
	7:00pm	Line Dancing/AH
<b>Wednesday</b>	11:00am	Yoga/AH
	12:00pm	Exercise/Narthex
	7:00-8:30pm	Youth Group
<b>Thursday</b>	1:00pm	UMW Meeting/Parlor
	7:00pm	Rekindled/AH
<b>Friday</b>	10:00am	Exercise Class/AH
	11:00am	Yoga/AH
<b>Saturday</b>	8:30am-3:00pm	Kairos/AH
<b>Sunday</b>	9:30am	Praise Service/AH
<b>(Sept. 18)</b>	11:00am	Traditional Worship

**Please help us to maintain a worshipful environment in the sanctuary** by refraining from eating, drinking, or having your cell phone turned on.  
**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... the one who calls you by name."*