

PLATTSBURG UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:00-11:00am

DEVOTIONAL LIFE BOOKLETS Devotional Life Booklets (The Upper Room) will be placed in a rack in the front hall for anyone who wishes them. If you would like one delivered to your home or to someone in a Nursing Home please call the Church Office and let us know. (937-568-4102)



APRIL 2021 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE		
March 28	Palm Sunday	40
April 1	Maundy Thursday	7
April 4	Easter Sunday	74
April 11		26
April 18		30

MISSION FOCUS FOR MAY
COLLECTIONS FOR LOCAL
FIRST RESPONDERS

(See information inside Newsletter for items for collection)



FUTURE INFORMATION FOR THE CHURCH CALL NEEDS TO BE SENT TO THE CHURCH E-MAIL ADDRESS AT: plattsburgucc@woh.rr.com or you may leave a note in the secretary's mailbox or call the church and leave a phone message on the Church answering machine. Thank you.

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MAY 2021

May 1 Central Southeast Ohio Association Heartland Conference UCC - Spring Meeting Virtual 9:30-11:30 am - Rooted in Love: Growing in Justice

May 2 Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am

May 5 Zoom Book Club 7:00 pm

May 9 Happy Mother's Day
Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am

May 10 Official Board Meeting 7:00 pm

May 13 Ascension Day

May 16 Mental Health Sunday
Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am

May 17 JUNE Call Deadline

May 23 Worship Service and Strengthen the Church Special Offering & Sunday School 9:30 am

May 25 Call Collators 11:00 am

May 30 Memorial Day Weekend
Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am

May 31 Memorial Day
Church Office Closed



Church Contributions: During this pandemic if you are unable to attend worship service in person, please mail your church contributions to: **Mike Judy, 8439 Whitridge Road, South Charleston OH 45368.** Your generosity is much needed and very much appreciated.

2021 GRADUATES

On **Sunday, June 6th, 2021**, Plattsburg UCC will be honoring our 2021 graduates. If you know of a high school or college graduate in our Church, please contact anyone on the Official Board with the information. Thank you!

Progress Club

The last Zoom Book Club session for the book Twelve Extraordinary Women, by John MacArthur, is on Wednesday May 5th at 7:00 pm.

On **Sunday, May 23rd**, a special “**Strengthen the Church Offering**” will be taken during worship time. The funding from this offering goes to the United Church of Christ in supporting leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation throughout our country and others. Please prayerfully consider giving to this special offering as we all work through this current challenge and beyond.

BOARD OF OUTREACH COLLECTION FOR LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS

Items Needed:

Bottle Water

Gatorade

Individual packaged snacks such as (chips, beef jerky, protein bars, granola bars, etc.)

New or gently used stuffed animals that can be washed. (They are used when they have emergencies with a child to help console them.)

Thank you for your support.

REMINDER: PLEASE cash any expense-reimbursement checks from the church in a timely manner. Checks that have not been cashed for two or three months make record keeping more difficult. Thank you.

FINANCIAL NEWS.....

For the month ending **March 31st 2021:**

Income was 112.5% of the expenses and Year-To-Date Income was 89.8% of the expenses.

This congregation supports all the missions of the church: financial, with donations to benefit all the many special projects, and with their time and talents. We appreciate all the wonderful support provided.

A detailed report of the Church expenses, by month, is always posted on the church bulletin board outside of the pastor's office.

Your generous and regular financial support makes it possible for our church to do great things for our members, our neighbors, our community and our world.

Thank you for all **YOU** do as we walk together loving and serving our Lord and Savior.

Help Still Needed:

We are needing volunteers who will help serve on a committee to help organize and submit information for the church website. We have a wonderful couple who will update our website for the church, but we are looking for help for those who will help relay and create content to provide to the web masters. See Pastor Jeff or Official Board Members if interested in helping serve in this area.

This year is our church's **175th Anniversary** and we want to do something extra special to celebrate. A committee is forming to help organize and plan this wonderful time. See Bill Agle, Ed Kranz, Richard Flax or Pastor Jeff if interested in helping.

Dear Church Family,
Thank all of you for the cards and the many gifts. The jig saw puzzle has been put together but I will have to live to be a 100 to solve all the puzzle books. Later the Easter Bunny arrived with a basket of goodies and a planter of beautiful pink tulips. Your kindness and thoughtfulness means so much to me. You made my Easter very special.

Love Martha Silver



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the Easter gift of a word find book, jig saw puzzle and stamps. I will enjoy using all of those gifts. It was so nice of you to think of me. I miss seeing all of you on Sunday mornings.

Thanks again.

Patty Wilson

HOW TO SEE THE PAST PLATTSBURG UCC KITCHEN RENOVATION STORY

- * Log into "plattsburgucc.org"
- * Go to the word "HISTORY" on the bar across the top. Hold the cursor over the word "HISTORY". When the drop down "KITCHEN 1 & 2" appears, left click on it.
- * Read the narrative that pops up.
- * Go back to the top of the same page and click "GALLERY" on the same top line where you found "HISTORY".
- * Click on the "KITCHEN REMODEL 1 & 2"
- * Click on the first picture. It will enlarge.
- * Click on the small right arrow at the upper right of the picture to scroll through all the pictures from week 1 & 2.
- * ENJOY!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR.....

DRIVE THRU ONLY

**Fair Chop, Fresh Cut Fries and
Homemade Ice Cream Event
Saturday, June 26th,
4:00 - 7:00 pm
at South Vienna Town Hall.**

To guarantee getting pork chops, pre-orders will be taken in advance.

Watch for upcoming information regarding the deadline for pre-ordering the chops and pricing.

This event is sponsored by Plattsburg UCC and United Church of South Vienna.

LAST CALL FOR PHONE DIRECTORY UPDATE INFORMATION

We are gathering information with hopes to print an Updated Church Phone Directory in the next few weeks. The information sheet has been inserted in the church bulletins for the last several Sundays. If you have not had the opportunity to complete the form, you may email your information or call the church office and leave a detailed message. Thank you.

We need your Name & Children's Name(s) - (Please list only name's of Children still living at home)

Your Mailing Address - Your Phone Numbers - (Please list home & cell) - Your E-mail Address

Example: John & Betty Smith Children: David, Grace and Sally

Address: 333 Green Drive - Baker City, OH 44444

Home Phone 333-444-5555 John's Cell 666-777-8888 Betty's Cell 666-777-8889

E-Mail - jbsmith@dir.com



Board of Trustees Meeting – March 29, 2021

Meeting Opening:

The Trustees walked around the church property, including the former Runyan property, to note some needed repairs for 2021.

Inside, the meeting was opened by Jay Flax. Those present were Jay Flax, Adam Agle, Adam Zimmerman, Jason Rittenhouse, and Debbie Bell. Sam Roberts and Larry Spahr were unable to attend.

Approval of Minutes:

The meeting minutes from January 21 were reviewed. Adam A. moved to approve the minutes and Adam Z. seconded the motion. All approved.

Report from Official Board:

Jason reported on several items covered in the recent Official Board meeting: the June 26 Pork Chop Drive Through at South Vienna; the Zoom Book Club; Sunday School teacher rotation with couples leading and the June 6 graduation recognition.

Debbie covered points in the January and February Financial Statements. Adam Z. moved to approve the Financial Statements and Adam A. seconded the motion. All approved.

Old Business:

Jay had Delaney Plumbing add an inline water filter to catch sediment before it went into the new water softener. Also, Ohio Edison replaced the parking lot light after Jay contacted them.

New Business:

The elevator screw mechanism requires some maintenance and preparation needs to be completed for the annual inspection.

The garage roof needs to be replaced. Jay is ordering the supplies and the trustees will provide the labor.

The concrete steps at the main door need to be repaired. Adam Z. will be looking into the repair.

A portion of the basement wall has some water damage. The trustees will be looking further into that issue.

Adam A. is planning to seed and fertilize the empty lot.

Jay is going to purchase new bushes to replace the ones that had to be removed during excavation.

The Church roof has a leak and the trustees examined some results. Further investigation needs to be done.

Adjournment: Adam A. moved to adjourn the meeting and Jason seconded the motion. All approved. No future meeting date was made, but it could be in two months. Jay will communicate some things by email and text until the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Debbie Bell, Trustee Secretary

Mental Health Awareness Month is May

Did you know that (1) in every (5) Americans experience a mental health challenge in any given year? That means many people in our pews, and in the pulpit, either know someone with mental illness or live with it themselves. The pandemic and world events have increased this challenge for many.

**Educate Yourself and Others
See the Person, not the Condition
Take Action**

2021 Memorial Day Monday, May 31st

**On this upcoming Memorial Day let us stop and take a moment to say thank you to all of the men and women who are serving in our armed forces today fighting to keep our freedom and thank you to our veterans that fought for our freedom in the past, and may we never forget our veterans that gave the ultimate sacrifice of their life to keep us free.
God Bless America!**

***“I believe our flag is more than just cloth and ink. It is a universally recognized symbol that stands for liberty, and freedom. It is the history of our nation and it’s marked by the blood of those who died defending it.”
John Thune***