PLATTSBURG UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
The Church Call

NOVEMBER
2026

November 1 ***All Saints Day*** Adult Bible Study 8:30-9:15am - Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am (Daylight Savings Time Ends)
November 3 ***Election Day***
November 8 Adult Bible Study 8:30-9:15am - Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am
November 9 Trustee Budget Meeting 6:30pm
November 11 ***Veterans Day***
November 14 Drive Thru Pork Chop Event (see article for details)
November 15 Adult Bible Study 8:30-9:15am - Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am
November 16 December Call Newsletter Deadline
November 22 Adult Bible Study 8:30-9:15am - Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am - Call Collators
November 26 ***Thanksgiving Day***
November 27 Church Office Closed
November 28 Hanging of the Greens & Christmas Decorating at the Church 9:00am
November 29 Adult Bible Study 8:30-9:15am - Worship Service/Communion & Sunday School 9:30 am

FINANCIAL NEWS ……..

For the month ending September 30th 2026:

September Income to Expense Ratio was 93.4%. The January thru September Income to Expense Ratio was 106.3%
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

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.



Board of Outreach
2026 Fourth Quarter Mission

The Mission Focus for October, November & December

COLLECTION OF FOOD, HATS, GLOVES, MITTENS & SOCKS

Please Note: During the month of December the mission Focus will also include the Adopt – A Families Project.
This year we are asking for congregation assistance with the canned and dry food items for the Adopt – A- Families.
We will be collecting the canned and dry food items beginning now.
You may bring the food items in and place them in the container that will be provided in the hallway area.

Please place your Hats, Gloves, Mittens & Socks in the appropriate container in the hallway area as well.
We will be using the "Spirit of the Giving Trees" for the Adopt-A-Families Project in December.

The Board of Outreach will be leaving 4 totes in the hallway area for collections throughout the year.
Totes will be labeled as follows:
Soup Kitchen - First Responders
School Supplies - Hats/Mittens/Socks
So if you are shopping and find a sale on any of these items, you can bring them in at any time.
Thank you!

Church Contributions: We understand that you may not always be able to attend church or church gatherings, you may mail your contributions to:
Plattsburg United Church of Christ - P O Box 699 - South Charleston OH 45368.
OR
Use the online Zeffy method. See article in newsletter on how to send your contribution.
Your generosity is much needed and very appreciated.
Thank you .

PASTOR FAITH

As we head into a season marked by thankfulness, I find myself surrounded by reasons to be grateful. From the color show of the changing leaves, to the glory of a sunrise, the earth is resplendent with beauty. In all the intricacies of nature, I find it awesome that God still took the time to weave beauty into the everyday.
I also find myself grateful to this community of believers. I want to thank everyone for their kind words on Pastor Appreciation Sunday. I can safely say this is the church I have felt most appreciated in! I know that myself and my whole family are blessed by being a part of this church. Thank you for being our partners in study, worship and life.

QUARTER LIFE RETREAT

So much of life from ages 25-50 is focused on work or family life, we often overlook ourselves. Life moves fast, and it's easy to spend all of our energy investing in work, family, relationships, and everything else that needs our attention. Sometimes we forget that we're worth investing in, too.

Join us on **Saturday, November 21** at Camp Christian in Marysville for a day of conversation, reflection, learning, and community as we explore what it means to invest in ourselves in practical ways, mentally, physically, and spiritually.

We'll start with coffee, snacks, and some time to reconnect beginning at **9:00 AM**, then spend the day together from **10:00 AM to 5:00 PM**. Lunch is included, and registration is **$20 if you register by 11/11** to help cover food and facility costs.

Whether you're feeling stuck, stretched thin, looking for a reset, or simply wanting to spend time with people who understand the joys and challenges of this season of life, we'd love to have you join us.

Register at the website below, or scan the QR code on the bulletin Board across from Pastor Faith's office.
https://www.ccinoh.com/regional-calendar.aspx?events=16461&action=details

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED .....
We are looking for individuals to volunteer to be Ushers or Greeters on Sunday mornings.

The church is also in need of volunteers to teach Sunday School classes and be with the little ones in the Nursery during worship service time. If you are interested, please take a moment and sign up on the sheets posted on the bulletin board or call the church and leave a message on the phone. Thank you.

Pastor Faith is asking for volunteers to assist her with the worship service. If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact Pastor Faith.

A Psalm Of Thanksgiving
Psalm 100 (NLT)

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth!
Worship the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing with joy.

Acknowledge that the Lord is God!
He made us, and we are his
We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good.
His unfailing love continues forever,
and his faithfulness continues to each generation.



ALTAR FLOWERS
If you would like to provide flowers for the church altar on a Sunday during 2026, a sign-up sheet has been posted in the front hallway for your convenience.
In past years, we have had live flowers on the altar nearly every Sunday.
You may wish to provide flowers in memory of loved ones, to commemorate a special anniversary or other important date, or just because.
When signing up, please add any such information so that it can be included in the Sunday worship bulletin.
Thank you.
Progress Club



DRIVE THRU PORK CHOP EVENT

BONE-IN FAIR PORK CHOPS
PREPARED BY PLATTSBURG UCC
Saturday, November 14th 2026
11:00 AM TILL 1:00 PM

This year's Drive Thru Pork Chops event will be held at Bill & Polly Agle's Farm (993 South Urbana Lisbon Road).
The event will begin at 11:00 am and run till 1:00 pm.
The cost of a bone-in pork chop is $9.00.
A bone-in chop dinner, including baked potato, coleslaw and roll is $13.00.
There will be a few pieces of pie available while supply lasts $2.00 a slice. **(no pre-orders for pie slices please).**
Just ask at the time of your pick up.
The phone number to call to place your order is … **"937-206-2094"**
You may also place your order by using the QR Code displayed below.
Please preorder by Sunday, November 8th.

Many other volunteers will be needed on the day of the event.
If you would like to help, contact Jeanne Troxell.

Hanging of the Greens & Christmas Decorating at the Church ……..

On **Saturday, November 28th,** at **9:00 am** we will be hanging the greens and Christmas decorating.
Everyone is welcome to come and help. Let us be joyful as we begin the Christmas season and the celebration of Jesus Christ's Birth.

2026 UCC Christmas Fund Offering

On **Sunday, December 20th,** the 2026 UCC Christmas Fund Offering will be taken during worship service. This Fund has been a beacon of love and care providing direct financial assistance to the healers in our lives: retired and active UCC ministers, faithful church workers, and their families.

Your gift represents more than financial relief - it also reminds us of God's presence and the Church's love. This generosity makes hopes tangible, such as providing hearing aids, eye glasses, and helping financially with mounting medical bills during a time of deep crisis.

Our 2026 theme is **"The Greatest of These…Love"** from **1 Corinthians 13:13.**
Thank you for your contributions. God Bless!

Easy to Give – Plattsburg UCC Offering Now Available Online

You can now make an offering or tithe online! We have set up a "campaign" through Zeffy, which is an online platform that allows 100% of your gifts to go to the church! There are multiple options for how you can give – one-time, monthly and annual gifts of any amount.
This option allows you to use a credit card or electronic funds transfer from your bank account. Zeffy doesn't charge a fee to the church, which is why we chose this method. Please help keep them in business by providing a "tip" when you submit your offering.

To use this method, just scan the QR Code, or go to the ink below.

https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/tithe-to-plattsburg-ucc

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY ……..
Even when I don't get the answer to prayer that I want, God still loves me.

Thanks and Giving in November

Ways to Give Back

Donate Clothes to a local shelter.
Donate food to a food drive for Thanksgiving.
Send flowers to someone just because.
Bake cookies or a quick bread for your neighbor.
Volunteer at a local hospital or nursing facility.
Send a card to an elderly neighbor letting them know you are thinking of them.
Donate Blood.
Thank a veteran for their service.
Invite someone to Thanksgiving who may be alone.
Leave a bottle of water and a special treat for your UPS or Fed Ex delivery driver.
Help someone elderly carry their groceries to their car.
Donate items to a local animal shelter in need.
Participate in a Christmas outreach program Your church is sponsoring.
Donate a toy to a Children's Christmas toy drive.
Leave a gift card or note for the mail carrier and your refuse driver thanking them for their service.
Pay for the order of the car behind you at the drive thru.

"Simple actions and words have major impacts on others' lives."

Please Note …… The Church Office will be closed on Friday, November 27th, 2026.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED
DATED MATERIAL MAILED ON 10/25/2026
Church Phone 937-568-4102
Church E-Mail Plattsburgucc@gmail.com
Mitzi Holloway - Church Secretary
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday & Friday
9:00-11:00 am

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

OCTOBER WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

September 27	**36**
October 4	**33**
October 11	**36**
October 18	**31**

MISSION FOCUS FOR NOVEMBER 2026
Board of Outreach
2026 Fourth Quarter Mission (October, November, December)
Collection of Hats, Gloves, Mittens, Socks & The Adopt-A-Family Project
(See Newsletter article for more details)

FUTURE INFORMATION FOR THE CHURCH CALL NEEDS TO BE SENT TO THE CHURCH E-MAIL ADDRESS AT:
Plattsburgucc@gmail.com or you may leave a note in the secretary's mailbox
or call the church and leave a message