PLATTSBURG UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 1715 S URBANA LISBON ROAD PO BOX 699 SOUTH CHARLESTON, OH 45368

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

DATED MATERIAL MAILED ON 3/24/2025 Church Phone 937-568-4102

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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)

MARCH 2025 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	
February 23	45
March 2	39
March 5 Ash Wednesday	14
March 9	36
March 16	35
March 23	35

MISSION FOCUS FOR APRIL 2025

Board of Outreach

2025 SECOND Quarter Mission - April-May-June

LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS—(See details in newsletter)



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 phone message on the Church answering machine.

Thank you.

APRIL 2025

April 6 Fifth Sunday in Lent -Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am - Adult Sunday School Class 8:30-9:15 am - Board of Outreach will be meeting after worship service

April 12 Official Board Meeting 9:00 am

April 13 Palm Sunday Worship
Service Parade of Palms & Sunday
School 9:30 am - Adult Sunday
School Class 8:30 - 9:15 am
April 17 Maundy Thursday
Special Service with supper
following 6:00 pm
April 18 Good Friday
April 19 Holy Saturday
April 20 Easter Sunday
Worship Service & Sunday School
9:30 am - Adult Sunday School
Class 8:30 - 9:15 am - Kids Easter
Egg Hunt



FINANCIAL NEWS......

April 21 MAY Call Deadline

April 27 Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am

April 29 Call Collators 11:00 am

April 22 Earth Day

For the month ending **February 28th 2025**:

February Income to expense ratio is 123.8%. January thru February Income to Expense ratio is 115.7%.

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 <u>YOU</u> do as we walk together loving and serving our Lord and Savior.

PLATTSBURG UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



PLATTSBURG UCC EMAIL ADDRESS

Email address is: Plattsburgucc@gmail.com
If you should have any questions, please call the church office
and speak to Mitzi.
Thank you.

Board of Outreach 2025 Second Quarter Mission April - May - June Local First Responders

Items Needed:

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

Bottled Water - Gatorade

The Board of Outreach will also be leaving 3 totes in the hallway area for the collections of various items throughout the year.

Those totes will be labeled as follows:

Soup Kitchen (paper products only) - Toiletries/Hygiene
and School Supplies

If you are out shopping and find a sale on any of these items, you may now bring them to the church at anytime.

THANK YOU!

Church Contributions:

We understand that there still may be concerns about gatherings and attending worship service. If you are unable to attend worship service in person, you may mail your contributions to - **Plattsburg UCC - P O Box 699 - South Charleston OH 45368.**Your generosity is much needed and very much appreciated.

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.

Spring

What does the Bible say about Spring? This season is a time of warming weather and nature coming back to life. As flowers bloom and animals are born, we are reminded of the innocence and beauty that exists in this world and that there is new life all around us. As Christians, we are given new life and new mercies every morning. Spring provides a wonderful reminder to us that we should be living a full life and leaving the old dead parts of life behind. There is always hope during the coldest, darkest winters of life. Spring will come and new life will come forth!

"With GOD all things are possible."

Matthew 19:26

Bible Study Tools 2/24/2021

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ

The resurrection of Jesus Christ provides us with strength and encouragement to face challenges and trials, knowing that we are not alone and that we have a hope that transcends our life. By rising from the dead, Jesus Christ demonstrated that He had cleansed the guilt of our past and is able to help us in our present lives. His resurrection assures us that our future is safe and secure. Without Christ's resurrection we would have no salvation from sin, and no hope for our own future resurrection.

Prayer:

Lord God, we bless your holy name for the love you have shown us. We bless the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who was crucified for our sake. On Easter morning, we will celebrate his resurrection. We are more than grateful to know such love.

Thank you for the gift of new life through his resurrection. Thank you for the privilege to come closer to you through your son. Fill our hearts with joy on Easter morning, and all the days of our lives. Amen

The Graceful Chapter



The Old Rugged Cross On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, The emblem of suffering and shame; And I love that old cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, Has a wondrous attraction for me; For the dear Lamb of God left his glory above To bear it to dark Calvary. In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, A wondrous beauty I see, For "twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, To pardon and sanctify me. To that old rugged cross I will ever be true, It's shame and reproach gladly bear; Then he'll call me some day to my home far away, Where his glory forever I'll share. So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at least I lay down.; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

By George Bennard, 1873-1958

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to provide flowers for the church altar on a Sunday during 2025, a sign-up sheet has been posted on 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 bulletin. Progress Club

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 contact Joanna Rittenhouse. Thank you.

NEW ARRIVAL

Birth of Hudson Daniel Troxell
Born March 18, 2025 - 7 lbs -14 oz -20 inches
Proud Parents - Matthew & Stephanie Troxell
Big Sister Hadley and Big Brother Tucker
Grandparents: Rick & Jeanne Troxell
Marvin & Susan Moeller



PLATTSBURG UCC HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday - April 13th - Worship Service & Parade of Palms 9:30 am

Maundy Thursday - April 17th - Special Service with a supper following 6:00 pm

Easter Sunday - April 20th - Worship Service 9:30 am with a Kids Easter Egg Hunt

Everyone is welcome!

