JUNE 2025

June 1 Worship Service/ **Communion & Sunday School** 9:30 am - Honoring 2025 **Graduates** June 8 PENTECOST SUNDAY Worship Service/Special UCC Offering "Strengthen the Church" & Sunday School 9:30 June 15 Father's Day **Worship Service & Sunday** School 9:30 am June 16 JULY Call Newsletter Deadline June 22 Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am June 24 Call Collators 11:00 am June 25 68th Anniversary of the **United Church of Christ** June 29 Worship Service & Sunday School 9:30 am

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The mystery of God is often revealed in the ordinary.

FINANCIAL

NEWS

For the month ending April 30th 2025:

April Income to expense ratio was 96.8% and the January through April income to expense was 104.4%.

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 The Church Call



Board of Outreach

2025 Second Quarter Mission

The Mission Focus for April, May & June

LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS

Items Needed: Bottled Water - Gatorade

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

Please Note: <u>The Board of Outreach will be leaving 4 totes in the hallway area for collections throughout the year.</u>

Totes will be labeled as follows:

Paper products only - Soup Kitchen Toiletries/Hygiene School Supplies

So if you are shopping and find a sale on any of these items, you can bring them in at any time.

Thank You!

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.

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 United Church of Christ - P O Box 699 - South Charleston OH 45368.

Your generosity is much needed and very much appreciated.

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.

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 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 bulletin.

Thank you, Progress Club

Honoring our 2025 Graduates.....

On Sunday, June 1st, Plattsburg United Church of Christ will be honoring this year's 2025 graduates during worship service.

Garrett Agle - Graduating from Northeastern High School - He plans on getting his CDL and continuing to farm with his father Adam. He also will work to build his cow heard and hay business.

Joshua Kelly - Graduating from Southeastern High School and CTC. He just received his CDL through Clark State College and plans to continue in the workforce and pursue apprenticeship to become a lineman.

Jake Zimmerman - Graduating from Ohio Northern University with a degree in Construction Management. He will be working at Stover Excavating in Columbus Ohio.

Congratulations
To these young adults.
We wish them much success!



Inspirational Thought to Consider:

Appreciating God's Creation:

Psalm 113:3

"From the rising of the sun to its setting may the Lord's name be praised."

Summer offers all of us a chance
to marvel at the Beauty of
Nature all around us,
from the Warm Sunshine to the Vibrant Flowers
and the Growing Plants and Crops.
This encourages us to be Thankful for the
Daily Blessings and Gifts from God,
including the Beauty of Nature
and the Opportunity to Experience Life.
By recognizing God's
Presence in Everything,
we can Cultivate a Heart of Gratitude.

A Prayer for all Graduates.....

Heavenly Father,

Please surround those who are graduating with your grace. Bless them with hope so that they move into the future with eager and open hearts. Help them to put the knowledge, skills, and insights gained through their education for the good of all mankind. Inspire them to believe in the goodness of life even when faced with challenges and difficulties. As they commence with their lives, may they grow even more grateful and wise. Amen.

From Guideposts.org.

June 2025 Finding Faith

Summer has finally arrived. School is out and travel plans are in full swing. Summer is a time of growth. Children seem to ramp up to a ravenous appetite as they add inches to their height, and crops grow green and lush in the field. But summertime can also be a time of inner growth.

As we all fall into new rhythms of the summertime, I urge you to include a time of prayer and scripture reading. Perhaps in the early morning as the sun begins to break on the horizon, of perhaps in the cool of the evening. No matter the time of day you choose, be as consistent as you can.

Life is always full of chaos. The most common lie we tell ourselves is that "things will settle down next week/month/year." The truth is that we will always be able to find a reason to put off prayer and Bible study... life is full of so many little fires that need to be put out this instant! But the God who calmed the storm can also calm our hearts and minds, opening the way for a deep inner peace rooted in Christ Jesus — even if those external storms are still raging. This summer, let's walk a little closer with Jesus.

Psalm 25:4-5

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long

Thank You

My family and I would like to extend our deep gratitude to the many folks who helped us settle into our new home. From painting, packing, and moving boxes, to fueling our work with delicious food— your help truly lightened our load. Thank you all.

Important Days in the month of June:

June 5 World Environment Day - a day meant to raise environmental awareness across the globe.

June 11 Full Moon or the Strawberry Moon June 14 Flag Day Be sure to raise the flag! June 15 Father's Day Honor or Remember your Fathers

June 20 Summer Solstice The start of summer in the Northern Hemisphere and the day with the most hours of daylight

Facts about June.....

June's Birth Flower is the Honeysuckle or the Rose

A Rose, in general, indicates love.

The Honeysuckle denotes the bonds of love, or generous and devoted affection.

June's Birthstone is a Pearl

Pearls are associated with purity, honesty, and calmness.

Historical Dates that took place in the month of June

June 6 1944 - D-Day The invasion of Normandy

June 14, 1922 - Warren G. Harding became the first U.S. President to broadcast a message over the radio.

June 16 1906 - The United States establishes the Forest Service

June 21, 1834 - Cyrus McCormick patents the reaper

June 23, 1964 - Arthur Melin patents the Hula-Hoop

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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

MAY 2025 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	
April 27	38
May 4	37
May 11 Mother's Day	45 ■
■ May 18	41

MISSION FOCUS FOR JUNE 2025 Board of Outreach 2025 Second Quarter Mission (April-May-June)

Local First Responders (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