

SEPTEMBER 2025

September 1 "Labor Day"
Church Office Closed

September 5, 6, & 7 South
Vienna Corn Festival

September 7 Worship Service
& Sunday School 9:30 am

September 14 Worship Service
& Sunday School 9:30 am
Deacons Meeting after worship
service
Official Board Meeting 6:00 pm

September 15 OCTOBER Call
Deadline

September 21 Worship Service &
Sunday School 9:30 am

September 23 Call Collators
8:30 am

September 28 Worship Service &
Sunday School 9:30 am

FINANCIAL NEWS

*For the month ending July 31st
2025:*

July Income to expense ratio
was 89.2% and the January
through July income to expense
was 99.0%.

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.

PLATTSBURG UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST The Church Call



Board of Outreach

2025 Third Quarter Mission

The Mission Focus for July, August & September

SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

For Northeastern Elementary & Miami View Elementary Schools

Northeastern (SV) Elementary Items Needed:

Fiskars Scissors- Colored Pencils - Expo Black Dry Erase Markers
(thin/fine line) - (2) Pocket Folders - (2) Pocket Folders w/fasteners

Sheet Protectors - Head Phones to use on computers

Wide-line Notebook Paper - Hand Sanitizer – Ziploc Sandwich or Gallon Bags

Band-aids - Clorox wipes - Highlighters

3 x 5 Index Cards both Lined and Unlined - Tissues

Miami View Items Needed:

Small Plastic Supply Boxes (5" x 12") - Glue Sticks – Fiskars Scissors

#2 Pencils (Sharpened if possible no mechanical) - Colored Pencils

Expo Black Dry Erase Markers (thin/fine line) – Large Pink Erasers

(2) Pocket Folders - (2) Pocket Folders w/fasteners - Sheet Protectors

Head Phones to use on computers - Wide-line Notebook Paper

Hand Sanitizer – Ziploc Sandwich or Gallon Bags – Band-aids - Clorox wipes

Highlighters – Tissues

Please Note: Purchase only the items that are on the list.

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 (paper products only) Toiletries/Hygiene

Hats/Mittens/Socks

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.

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.

*Heavenly Father,
In the mighty name of Jesus, As we step into
September, we embrace new beginnings and
fresh starts.
Renew our spirits and guide our steps as we
navigate this new month.
“Because of the Lord’s great love we are not
consumed, for his compassions never fail.
They are new every morning; great is your
faithfulness.”
Inspire us with new hopes and new dreams.
In Jesus’ name, Amen.*

Lamentations 3:22-23

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 worship bulletin.

Thank you, Progress Club

Neighbor’s In Need Special UCC Offering

In the letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages the church to “carry each other’s burdens.” This seems to be a clear enough encouragement. Why then, does he also say just a few verses later, “for each one should carry their own load?” This scripture highlights a dynamic many of us face when we help others or receive help. There’s a difference between helping someone and taking over for them. Inversely, it can be both challenging and a source of comfort to receive care. Giving and receiving, with autonomy, is an integral part of justice ministries. When the United Church of Christ gathers to collect the Neighbors in Need offering, we work to honor this complexity. The money collected supports the work of the UCC’s Washington D.C. Office for Public Policy and Advocacy. The advocacy done in this office can be on behalf of churches, but most of the time, it involves partnership with congregations and church members across the nation. The work is shared through collective advocacy, with and for one another. Contributing to this offering allows us to share one another’s burdens. Two-thirds of your donation supports the UCC’s justice and witness ministries, such as the D.C. Office. The remaining one-third supports the Council for American Indian Ministries (CAIM), which has been witnessing to Native values and culture as a vital part of the UCC since 1971. Thank you for your gifts as we work together, sharing our burdens to support our Neighbors in Need. The offering will be taken on Sunday, October 5th during our worship service.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

**Our Ministry grows stronger
when we are united in purpose.**

Romans 15:1-6
Live in harmony with one another...so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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. Pastor Faith is asking for volunteers to assist her with the worship service. A Worship Service Helper Sheet has been posted on the bulletin board. If anyone would like to volunteer, please sign the sheet . If you have any question regarding this, see Pastor Faith.

The 47th South Vienna Corn Festival will take place on Friday, September 5, 2025 through Sunday, September 7, 2025.

As always, admission and parking are free and there will be a free shuttle service running from the Ritchie Brothers parking lot to the festival entrance.

Handicapped parking will be in the first row of the Ritchie Brothers parking lot. There will be committee members with golf carts to shuttle all handicapped parkers to the festival entrance.

A reminder that pets are not allowed. Service animals only please.

FRIDAY, September 5 2025- 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

-Free Entertainment in the big tent from 7:00 p.m.- 11:00 p.m. featuring Level Ground!

SATURDAY, September 6, 2025- 10:00 a.m.- 11:00 p.m.

- Parade begins at 2:00 p.m. on Main Street

- Free Entertainment in the big tent from 7:00 p.m.- 11:00 p.m. featuring Overdrive!

SUNDAY, September 7, 2025- 12:00 p.m- 6:00 p.m.

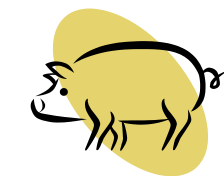
- Free Entertainment- Gospel music in the big tent from 12:30 p.m.- 5:30 p.m. featuring Enabling Grace, Jeremy Liles and Chris Baldwin Ministries!

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, November 8th, has been chosen as the date for the Pork Chop Drive-Thru Event.

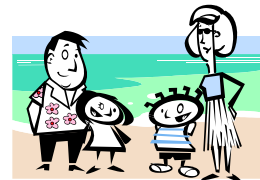
Lots of volunteers will be needed.

Watch for more details in the upcoming Worship Bulletins and Call Newsletters



THANK YOU THANK YOUTHANK YOU

A big Thank You to Mike & Peggy Bellows for hosting the 2025 Annual Plattsburg UCC Outdoor Worship Service and Picnic and to the Board of Outreach for organizing and providing the sandwiches and beverages. God was good, the morning was just a wonderful day with lots of warm sunshine and a cool breeze blowing.



We were blessed with beautiful music by Pastor Faith and Danielle Fredette and lots of delicious food carried in by our church families along with the loving fellowship we shared. AMEN.....

WHAT DOES THE FALL SEASON MEAN

Have you ever wondered what the fall season means in a biblical context?

As leaves change color and the air turns crisp, this time of year invites reflection and gratitude.

Many people celebrate harvest festivals, but there's a deeper significance rooted in scripture that can enrich your understanding of this beautiful season.

The fall season represents themes of harvest, gratitude, reflection, and spiritual renewal.

Harvest time emphasizes God's provision and encourages expressions of gratitude for both physical and spiritual fruits of labor.

Fall invites individuals to release past burdens and negative thoughts, promoting personal growth and renewal.

Gathering with family and friends during fall strengthens community bonds and fosters a sense of belonging, which reflects biblical principles of generosity and support.

Engaging in gratitude practices during the fall can deepen faith and connection with God, enhancing spiritual maturity through this season of change.

May you all enjoy the beautiful fall season.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED
DATED MATERIAL MAILED ON 8/26/2025
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

AUGUST 2025 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	
July 27	50
August 3	30
August 10 Annual Outdoor Service & Picnic	40
August 17	41
August 24	47

MISSION FOCUS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025
Board of Outreach
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School Supplies for Northeastern (SV) Elementary & Miami View Elementary
(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