

SEPTEMBER
2026



PLATTSBURG UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

The Church Call

September 6 Worship Service &
Sunday School 9:30 am - Adult
Bible Study 8:30-9:15am - Board of
Outreach to sort School Supplies
September 7 **Labor Day**
Church Office closed
September 11-12 & 13 South
Vienna Corn Festival
September 13 Worship Service &
Sunday School 9:30 am - Adult
Bible Study 8:30-9:15am
September 14 October Call
Newsletter Deadline
September 20 Worship Service &
Sunday School 9:30 am - Adult
Bible Study 8:30-9:15am - Board of
Outreach Meeting after worship
service - Call Collators
September 27 Worship Service &
Sunday School 9:30 am - Adult
Bible Study 8:30-9:15am



Board of Outreach
2026 Third Quarter Mission
The Mission Focus for July, August & September
SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION
For Northeastern Elementary & Miami View Elementary Schools

FINANCIAL NEWS

*For the month ending August
31st :*

July Income to Expense Ratio
was 96.1%. The January thru
July Income to Expense Ratio
was 97.4%

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 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.

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)
First Responders - 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.

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.

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 .

Plattsburg Church, a “slice of heaven”

This year we will have a booth at the Corn Festival selling pie by the slice. This will serve as a fundraiser and a means of making our presence known to the wider community.

Due to health department restrictions, it will be easier for us to make the pies at the church and then sell them. Because of this we will not be needing donations of pies, but rather donations of your time. If you haven't already, please sign up for one (or more!) shifts to either make or sell pies. The sign up sheet can be found on the Report Board.

Additionally, we will be making T-shirts that read “Plattsburgh church, a slice of heaven” with an image of pie with a halo in the clouds. If you would like to purchase a shirt to wear while working, or while walking around the festival, the link will be posted on the Facebook page.

Stewardship Covenants

This September we will be distributing, collecting and celebrating our stewardship covenants. Stewardship covenants are a tool we can use to think deeply about what God has given us, and how we can use those gifts for God and our community. A portion of the stewardship covenant will outline different ways to volunteer and serve our church family, and a portion will estimate future financial contributions.

Stewardship covenants let us make a plan for the future. From the returned covenants we will be able to make lists of folks to help read in worship, teach Sunday school, and serve on committees. We will also be able to give the financial giving estimate to the trustees and financial committee so that they can appropriately set at budget for the next fiscal year.

Stewardship covenants are meant to be a spiritual exercise. Please prayerfully consider how you can give of your time and talents. What you list on your covenants will be kept private, handled similarly to offering and donation statements in years past.



**Sign up and join
the Plattsburg
Corn Festival
Team as we
spread the word.**

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, November 14th, 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



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. 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.

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.



Monday, **September 7th** is **Labor Day**.

Let us pay tribute and honor all American men and women both past and present that have worked hard and have contributed to the development and achievements of this great country the United States of America. The Church Office will be closed.



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

***When I trust God,
I am never alone
in my challenges.***

We will Never Forget 9-11, 2001

Lord, on this day, September 11, 2001, 25 years past, we remember the lives lost . We lift up all the families and loved ones that were affected by this tragic event. We remember the courage of the first responders and all who served with selfless love on that day.

Help us, Lord, to walk in unity, faith, and hope, trusting in you always. Amen.



Psalm 34:18

**“The Lord is close to the brokenhearted
and saves those who are crushed
in spirit.”**

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 link below.



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

2026 UCC “Neighbors in Need Offering”

The Neighbors in Need offering supports ministries of justice and compassion, with one-third of the offering given to the Council for American Indian Ministries and the remaining two-thirds supporting UCC justice ministries.

In 2025 the Neighbors in Need Offering supported 26 grant recipients across the UCC who were engaged in projects of direct service and advocacy.

The offering will be taken during the worship service on **Sunday, October 4th 2026**. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Embracing Family Time -

Let’s talk family.

September is prime time to soak up some quality moments before the hustle and bustle of the holiday season kicks in. Did you know that studies show families who engage in regular activities together build stronger bonds and report higher levels of happiness? It’s true! So, this month, why not focus on making those connections even stronger?

There’s Labor Day, a perfect excuse for a BBQ. National Grandparents Day is September 8th, which is all about showing love and appreciation to the older generation.

September 26 is National Pancake Day who wouldn’t want to kick off a morning with a stack of fluffy pancakes?

Here is a list of many other family activities that can be done during the month of September:

- * Go Apple Picking at a Local Orchard
- * Visit a Local Fair or Fall Festival
- * Take a Family Hike to Enjoy the Fall Foliage
- * Watch a High School Football Game Together
- * Plan a Back-to-School Family Night Game
- * Have a Picnic in the Park
- * Take a Bike Trip
- * Visit a Pumpkin Patch
- * Enjoy a Family Movie Night with a Fall Theme
- * Host a Family Bonfire Night with S’mores
- * Decorate the House with Fall Decorations

Creating lasting memories with your family during the fall season can be both fun and very meaningful.

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South Charleston OH 45368

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED
DATED MATERIAL MAILED ON 8/23/2026
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

AUGUST WORSHIP ATTENDANCE	
July 26	19
August 2	38
August 9	29
August 16	41
August 23 Indoor Annual Worship/Picnic	63

MISSION FOCUS FOR SEPTEMBER 2026
Board of Outreach
2026 Third Quarter Mission (July, August, September)
SCHOOL SUPPLIES
(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