

BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
301 W BROADWAY ST
PLATTSBURG, MO 64477

YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH
MATTHEW 5:13

NOVEMBER 2025 - VOLUME 191 - ISSUE 11

THE SALTSHAKER



Michaels Moment: “The Methodist Way”

Recently, I stumbled upon a video on YouTube about John Wesley. You can tell it's a Methodist pastor by their YouTube suggestions! The scholar explained that the Methodist movement began during a turbulent time in Europe. At the time, there was a violent revolution going on in France. The poor and middle class, upset at the corruption of the monarchy, revolted and established a republic. Across the sea in England, the Methodists were starting to meet. Scholars argue that their focus on grace and social holiness kept things peaceful in England because people focused on channeling their concerns into social action.

Methodists have always sought to make society better. November is the time of year when we count our blessings. Each Sunday this month, we're celebrating the power of saying “yes” to generosity. Many in our community feel the effects of the government shutdown and reduced federal funding, yet donations from BUMC and beyond are meeting the need. Thank you to everyone who has supported our food pantry in this time of critical need. We've even gotten donations from several folks who don't go to our congregation! If you are on Facebook, please help us spread the word by liking and sharing our posts. Read more about ‘No Hunger November’ on page 3.

True to the Methodist way, we are striving to live out our faith in ways that impact our community. John Wesley once said, “Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can.” That spirit still guides us today. As we give thanks this November, may every act of kindness, shared meal, and offering reflect God's grace at work!

See You Sunday,
Pastor Michael

MINISTRY THROUGH PLAY

Children and Youth at Broadway

Parents' Night Out

Our first Parents' Night Out was a roaring success. We had 10 children, from 6 different families, from age 3 to age 9. The kids did crafts, played games, ate dinner, made pumpkin seeds, had Storytime, and watched a movie. All the kiddos (and the volunteers) had a blast. If you'd like to help at our next event, reach out to Pastor Michael, Kyle Enderle-Miller, or Chloe Eubanks. Please help spread the word - Parents' Night Out is January 10th from 5:00-8:00pm!



Storytime

Our second Storytime was another amazing experience. We had 12 children in attendance, including several new families! The kids listened to stories, made Oreo spiders, clay foam monsters, and played with toys while adults visited and relaxed. In November, we are planning a toddler 'feast' in anticipation of Thanksgiving! A sign up will be available soon.



Youth Group Adventures

Our Youth Group has been busy! In just the last three weeks they have visited the Fun Farm, held their annual Halloween party, and put together 19 meal kits for donation to the Plattsburg Food Pantry. What a wonderful mix of fun, service, and worship!? If you'd like to help further this ministry, consider providing a meal for Sunday night youth group.



The Gathering Place

As some of you may have seen in the Plattsburg Leader article, the Senior Center is in dire need of assistance. 75% of funding has been cut. This affects both seniors who visit The Gathering Place, and seniors who have meals delivered to their homes. While our focus is on the food drive, we cannot let the Senior Center slip away. If you can, consider making a monetary donation to the Gathering Place.

Plattsburg Community's

No Hunger November

Our church's impact is making waves in the community. On 10/30/25 we announced 'No Hunger November' for our church, with a goal of 200 meals by November 30th. I am writing this on 11/6/25, and we have already collected 130 meals, plus a few hundred dollars in monetary donations for the pantry. As word about our drive has spread, other community leaders have put together ideas to help community members in need of food: Care Portal grocery bundles (read more about this idea below!). We then decided to make 'No Hunger November' a community wide effort, our food drive's goal is now 1000 meals by November 30th. With support from the entire community, I believe we can meet it! If you have any questions, please reach out to me or Pastor Michael,

-Admin Chloe

FOOD DRIVE:

- Collect 1000 meals by Nov. 30
- Drop off at Broadway UMC or Central Bank
- Scan the QR below for donation guidelines and meal ideas
- Donate online to the Plattsburg Food Pantry on our website, **choosing the 'Food Pantry' dropdown option**

Scan for meal ideas and donation guidelines:



CARE PORTAL GROCERY BUNDLES:

- \$100 grocery bundles with perishable food items that complement what families can receive from the food pantry.
- To donate any amount, mail check to First Baptist Church of Plattsburg, noting 'Care Portal' in the memo, or
- Donate online at fbcplattsburg.com/give **choosing the 'Care Portal' dropdown option**

PRAYER LIST

Russell White
Gary McQuerrey
Aimee McLallen
Jerry Moore
Jaxson Grayson
Becky Powers Rogers
Stan Hoover
Jason Hanser
Kim Tongue
Gary McQuerrey
Stephanie Renee Cannon
Becky Rigersy
Christel Ehlers
Kelly Williams
Joyce Cox
Gil and Carol Sander
Pam Clifford
Davila Family

LITURGIST SCHEDULE

11/2: Jacob Enderle-Miller
11/9: Christel Gollnick
11/16: Connie Collins
11/23: Ken Tongue
11/30: Bruce Hageman

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

10/5: 50
10/12: 56
10/19: 49
10/26: 41

October Board Meeting:

- Youth Group chose to dedicate another week to 'Methodists on a Mission' (their local mission trip) in lieu of an out of state mission trip this summer.
- The board discussed bids to replace the carpet in the education wing and the stairs. Bid to be finalized at November board meeting.
- Charge conference and consultation forms were submitted to the conference.
- The board approved donating \$250 to Ellis or Treat for dinner, provided by Dinner on Broadway.
- Our community worship service raised over \$400 for the Plattsburg Food Pantry.
- Lift is fully installed and operational. Full payment for the lift was made.

MONTHLY SCHEDULE

Sundays:

- Sunday School - 9:30am
- Worship - 10:40am
- Bell Choir - 12:00pm
- Youth Group - 6:00pm

Wednesdays:

- Choir Rehearsal - 6:30pm

Thursdays:

- AA Meetings - 6:30pm

3rd Sunday of the Month:

- Nursing Home Service - 12:30pm

4th Monday of the Month:

- Storytime - 10:30am with Free Play from 11:00am-12:00pm
- Dinner on Broadway - 5:30pm

Office Hours:

- Tuesday/Thursday 9:00am-1:00pm
- Monday/Wednesday/Friday by appointment only



Fall 2025

Coming up at Broadway:

- Now-Nov. 30: No Hunger November Food Drive
- November 17: Giving Tree applications Due
- November 23: Giving Tree tags available at church
- November 24: Storytime @ 10:30am - Toddler Feast
- November 24: Dinner on Broadway @ 5:30pm
- December 5-6: Forever Christmas
- December 13: Giving Tree Wrapping Party

Forever Christmas

- Sign ups for the Sweete Shoppe, Cafe Noel, and volunteering are available at church and online. Use the QR codes below to sign up!
- Vendor booths are full, but vendors can still join the waitlist if they wish.



Food Signup



Volunteer Signup