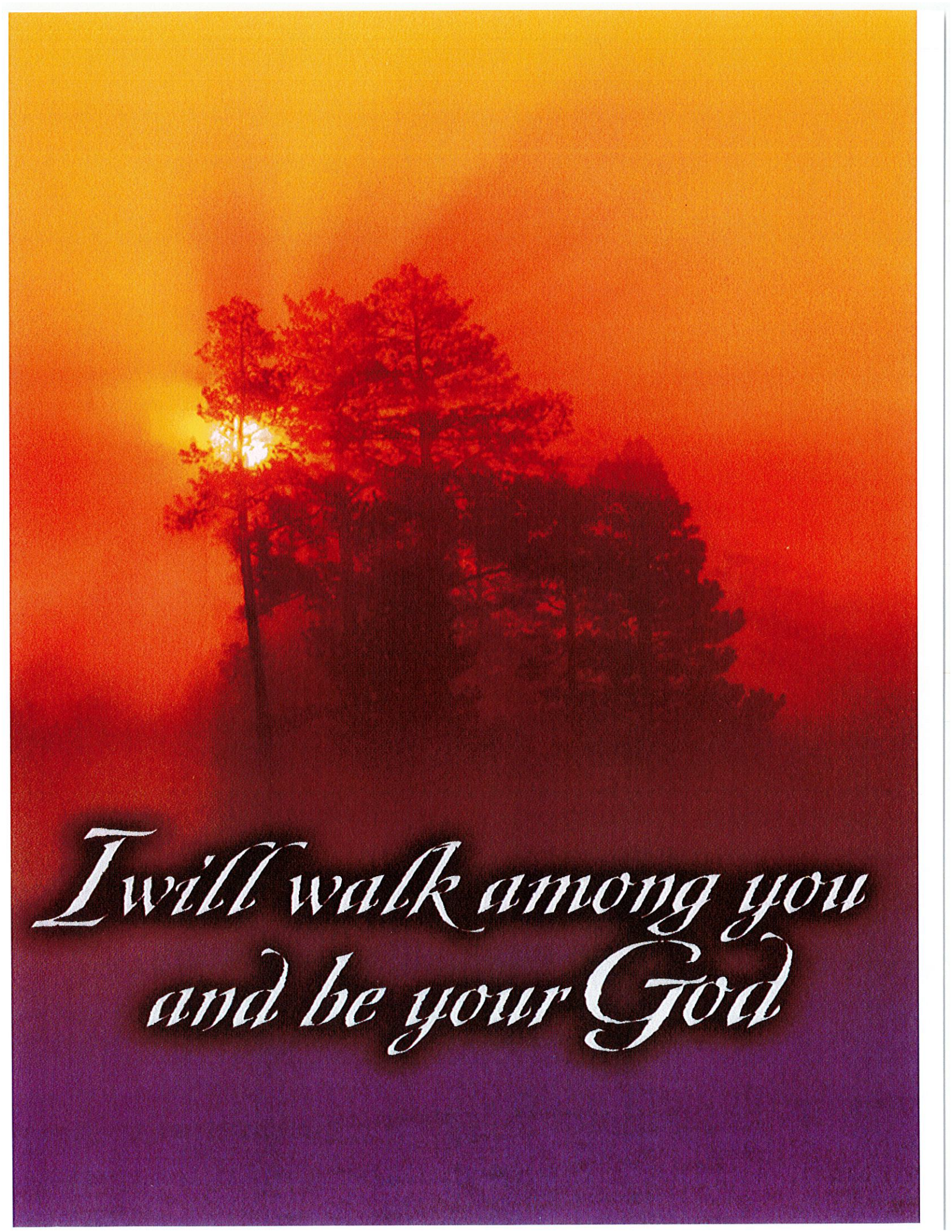




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Sunday, October 19, 2025

THE PEALING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE: Prelude on “Pisgah”

Gilbert M. Martin

WELCOME

HYMN: “Sing the Wondrous Love of Jesus”

Hymnal #513

OFFERTORY: “At the Name of Jesus”

Douglas E. Wagner

DOXOLOGY

BLESSING OF THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

HYMN: “Take Time to Be Holy”

Hymnal #402

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 23 and 1 Corinthians 10:13

SERMON: “Living in the Valley of the Shadow” Rev. John Hyter

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN: “It Only Takes a Spark”

Hymnal #477

BENEDICTION: “Go Now in Peace”

POSTLUDE: “All Saints Triumphant, Raise the Song”

Richard Blake

Serving You This Week:

Guest Speaker

Organist

Secretary

Rev. John Hyter

Charles Cheuvront

Pat Grossi



Prayer Concerns: Scarlet Rettig, Tom and Sarah Moneer, Karen Kaufman, Betty Carr, Angela Striff, Kevin Cheney, Nancy Strouss, Mike Lautzenheiser, Missionary James Reynolds, Tom Clutter, Jamie Lewandowski, family of Carol Freed, Connie Ryan, Rich Grossi, Anna Fraley and Shannon Russell.

Life Situations: Pray for the safety of our families, for all seeking public office to have or come to the saving knowledge of knowing Christ and wisdom to know God's heart and direction.

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

Shut-In of the Week: Joy Hadding is our shut-in of the week. Please take time to send her a card and pray for her. Her address is 1091 W. Bluelick Road, Lima, Ohio 45801.

Bible Trivia: Who was taken up in a chariot of fire and a whirlwind? (2 Kings 2:11)

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| a) Elisha | b) Elijah |
| c) Abraham | d) David |
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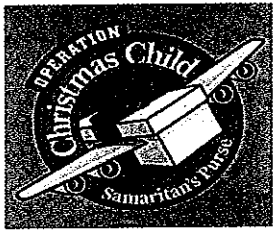
Pondering: If you genuinely forgive someone, you won't feel compelled to tell others what they did to you, for "love covers a multitude of sins." (Ref. 1 Peter 4:8)

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven, and Earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the One Holy Universal Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen



Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are available in the lobby. Favorite items to pack could be school supplies, drawstring bag, puzzle, washcloth, toothbrush, comb, hair clips, socks, sunglasses, hats, gloves, ball, jump rope, stuffed animal.

Do NOT include soap, candy, toothpaste, gum, toy guns, knives, or military figures, chocolate or food, glass containers or aerosol cans. Do not secure your box with a rubber band. If your box doesn't close, it is too full of your kindness! Please make sure your items easily fit in the shoebox.

Labels are included with the shoebox to designate the box for a girl or boy and their age. Don't forget to enclose the suggested \$10 donation per box to help with shipping and handling. You can donate online if you want to track your box and still bring your gifts to church. You can also build a box online. Be sure to let me know if you participated through the OCC website to be counted with our group. Please bring your shoeboxes to the church by November 16th!

Thank you for sharing God's love. Shannon Rapp

LIMA RESCUE MISSION

Current needs include: laundry soap (liquid), bleach, papertowels, facial tissue, napkins, canned beef and chicken, #10 cans of corn, green beans, mixed vegetables, pork and beans.

You can find a complete and up-to-date list on the website at limamission.org/needs.

Thank you for all that you do to support the ministry of Lima Rescue Mission. Everything they do is made possible by your support.

Check it out! The Lima Rescue Mission newsletter is on the message board near the secretary's office.



For the month of **October**, CUP is asking for donations of **soap or bodywash**. Thank you for your generosity to the needy in our area.



On the third Sunday of every month, this church donates all loose cash in the offering plate to The Good Samaritan. This is a worldwide organization, but these funds will stay local to help those in need.

DONATING YOUR IRA DISTRIBUTION! If you need to take your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) and do not need it to live on, consider donating your IRA distribution to a charity. Please see the reference sheets at either entrance for your information.

