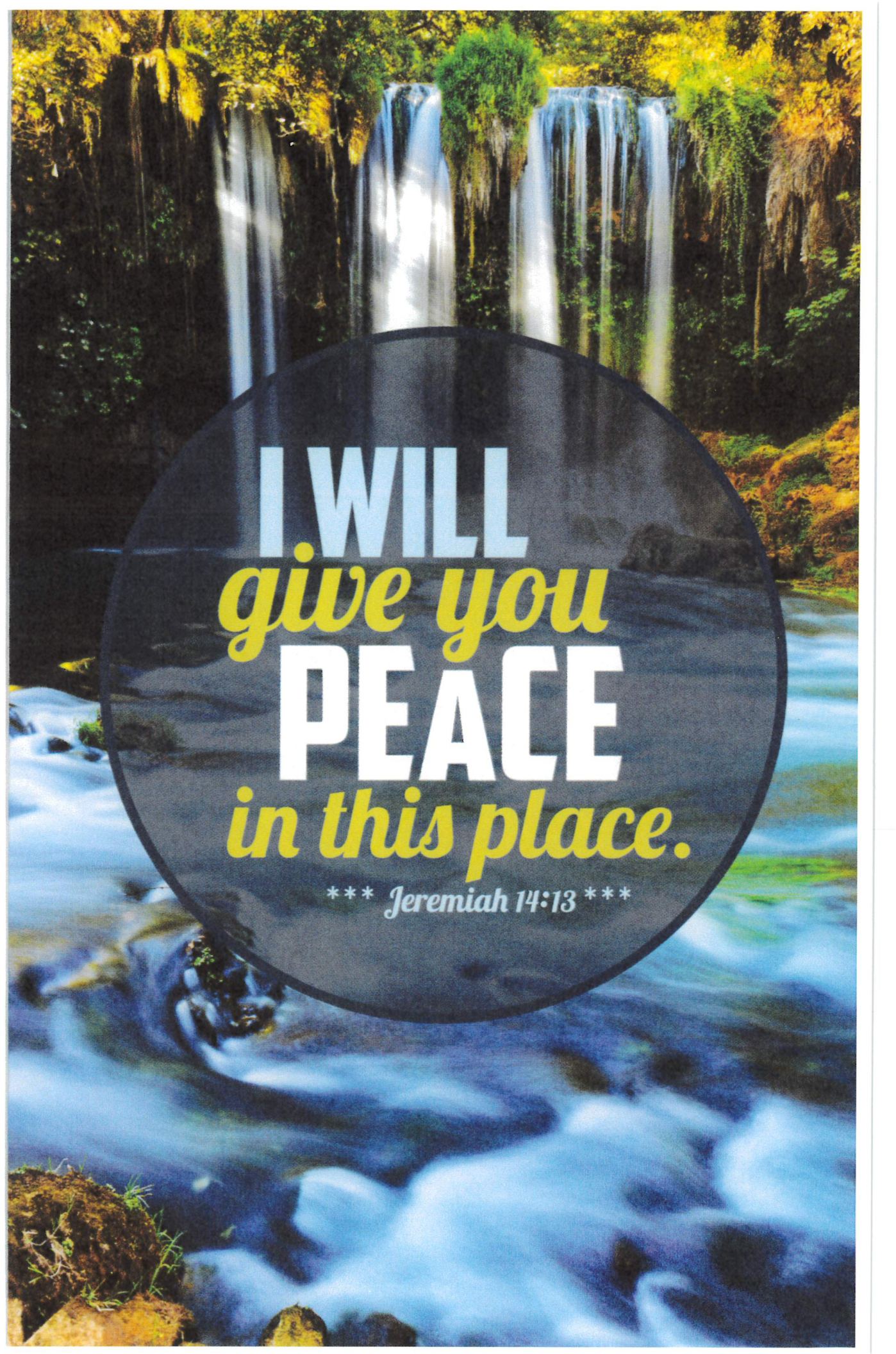


A vibrant photograph of a multi-tiered waterfall cascading through a dense, sun-dappled forest. The water is captured with a long exposure, creating a soft, silky texture. The surrounding foliage is rich green, with some trees showing hints of autumnal yellow. A large, dark, semi-transparent circular graphic is centered over the lower half of the image, serving as a background for the text.

I WILL
give you
PEACE
in this place.

*** Jeremiah 14:13 ***

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Worship Service – 10:15 am

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October 4, 2026 World Communion Sunday

PRELUDE: “An American Folk Hymn” Carl Simone

WELCOME

HYMN: “Amazing Grace!” Hymnal #278

HYMN: “How Deep the Father’s Love for Us” PB Pink Pages

PRAISES AND PRAYERS

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: “My Jesus, I Love Thee” David H. Hegarty

DOXOLOGY

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE LORD’S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC: TBA

SCRIPTURE: Romans 12:1-8

SERMON: “What is Your Gift?” Rev. John Hyter

HYMN: “For God so Loved the World ” PB Pink Pages

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION: “Go Now in Peace”

POSTLUDE: "A Celebration of Praise"

James Denton

Serving You This Week:

Speaker
Organist
Secretary

Rev. John Hyter
Charles Cheuvront
Pat Grossi



Prayer Concerns: Missionary James Reynolds, Paul & Melissa Busick's Prison Ministry, Scarlet Rettig, Tom & Sarah Moneer, Betty Carr, Mike Lautzenheiser, Connie Ryan, Rob Hyter, Sheila Coon, Christian, Tessa Money, Remy Hefner, Marisha Collier, Kameyan Campos, Charles (Jill's Dad), Karen, Anna, Don, Ruth Ann Russell, Randall Allen, Jr., Jill Thomas, Sue Jamison, Dennis Gladfelter, Danielle McNamara King, Jennifer Lewis and Keith McGloughlin.

Praise: Mike Butler, cancer free!

Life Situations: Pray for cancer patients to feel God's healing touch and relief from fear and anxiety during treatment, for healing for people with mental illness and addictions and their families. Pray for the safety of our military and law enforcement officers.

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 NIV)

Shut-In of the Week: Betty Carr is our shut-in of the week. Please take time to send her a card and pray for her. Her address is 100 Red Oak Drive, Willow Room #422, Cridersville, OH 45806.

Pondering: Refa' einu (a Hebrew word, pronounced reh-fah-EH-noo) means, "Heal us." This prayer asks God for physical and spiritual healing. Sometimes healing happens instantly. Sometimes it unfolds slowly over time. Sometimes God heals circumstances and sometimes He heals hearts while circumstances remain difficult.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



World Communion Sunday is today. This service is open to fellow believers in Jesus Christ. You do not have to be a member of this church to receive Communion.

Please fill out the pink paper in your bulletin. Thank you.



For October, CUP would like soap or body wash. CUP can also use plastic grocery bags.

Thank you for your generosity!



The next Ladies Aid meeting is October 7, 2026 at noon here in the church fellowship hall. This is our annual Sauerkraut and Sausage Lunch. There will be chicken and noodles for those who do not like sauerkraut. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation to cover the cost of the food. Eric Mericle of Safety City will be our speaker.

FOUND! We have two pairs of glasses that were found in the sanctuary after Sunday worship services. Please check the table in the hallway if you are missing glasses.

Fill in the blank: Matthew 5:44

But I say unto you, _____ your enemies, bless them that curse you, do _____ to them that hate you, and _____ for them which despitefully use you and persecute you.