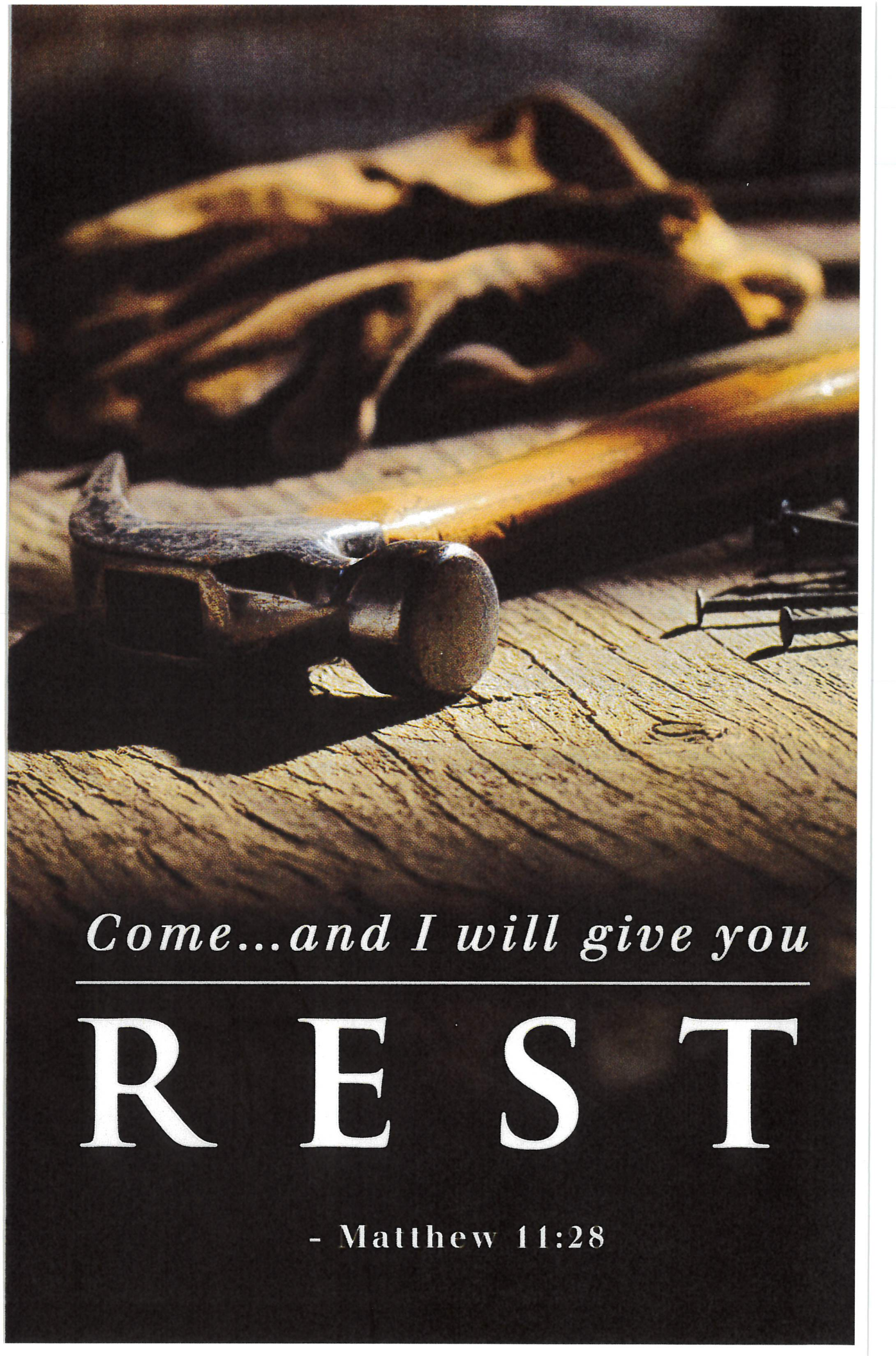




Come...and I will give you

REST

- Matthew 11:28

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Sunday School – 9:00 am
Worship Service – 10:15 am

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July 12, 2026

PRELUDE: “O What Joy and Their Glory Must Be” Robert Powell

WELCOME

HYMN: “The River is Here”

Praise Book #33

HYMN: “Everlasting God”

Praise Book #77-78

PRAISES AND PRAYERS

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: “How Firm a Foundation”

Steven Scott

DOXOLOGY

BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE LORD’S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE: Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

SERMON: “Unity”

Andrea Brunk

HYMN: “The Blood That Jesus Shed for Me”

Hymnal #243

BENEDICTION: “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Hymnal #209
(Verses 1 & 4)

POSTLUDE: "Trumpet Voluntary"

Stanley E. Saxton

Serving You This Week:

Guest Speaker

Andrea Brunk

Organist

Charles Cheuvront

Secretary

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, Tiffany Smith, Sheila Coon, Christian, Mike Butler, 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 and Danielle McNamara King.

Prayer: Jesus, You know every part of my life that needs healing. Restore what is broken, strengthen what is weak, and help me trust you even in the places where healing is still unfolding. Amen

(1 Thess. 5:16-18) Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Shut-In of the Week: Tom Moneer is our shut-in of the week. Please take time to send him a card and pray for him. His address is Springview Manor, 883 W. Spring, Room 209A, Lima, OH 45805.

Bible Trivia: Who led the Jews in covenant renewal once the walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt after the Babylonian captivity?
(Hint: *Nehemiah 10:1*)

a) Nehemiah b) Solomon c) Samuel d) John the Baptist

Pondering: "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

Helen Keller

Announcements



For **July**, **CUP** (Churches United Pantry) has requested donations of shampoo. If you can help with a donation, it would be much appreciated. You can place your donations of the shelf near the elevator marked **CUP**. Thank you. 😊

Attention Gardners! Do you have any fresh flowers from your garden that you would like to share? You can bring them in, and we will display them on the altar.

Our Daily Bread devotionals for September / October / November, 2026 are available. You can pick yours up at either entrance.

Bible Study will be starting up again on September 15, 2026, at Alicia's house. It will be every Tuesday at 7 PM. We will be using the book, *Through the Bible in a Year*. Please bring your Bible, a note pad and a pen. All are welcome.

Music in the Park, 2026

Free! Family Friendly Entertainment!

Date: Sunday, July 26, 2026, from 11 AM to 4 PM

Place: 6825 Faulkner Road, Westminster, OH 45850

- Invite Family & Friends
 - Bring a lawn chair
 - Free Food and Drink
 - Bouncy House for kids



THE MISSION CONTINUES!

Attention shoppers! We will officially kick off *Operation Christmas Child* in just a couple of months, giving gifts to children and sharing the love of Jesus around the world.

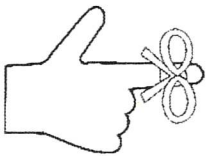
More details and shoeboxes will be available when we begin our mission. Now is the time to take advantage of back-to-school sales for supplies.

Toys and hygiene items are needed.

Please note – soap, candy, food, gum, toothpaste, liquids, glass containers are not permitted. No military figures or war-related items. Remember, it's all about Jesus!

Shoeboxes will be due November 15th.

Thank you, Shannon Rapp



Please continue to save your receipts from Chief's and Community Markets for Ladies Aid. You can collect them from family and friends. Please bring them in and put them in the basket near the elevator for the receipts. The Ladies Aid gets a small percentage of the receipts turned in. Thank you very much.

Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20 KJV