



Mantua Center Christian Church
Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Arms
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MCCC Outdoor Worship Order
Sunday, June 20, 2021
Fruits of the Spirit – Patience
Father's Day

This worship service is being live streamed. If the weather is cooperating you are welcome to sit on the lawn. Please know that if you have any concern about you or your child being live on YouTube, please stay behind the camera tripod. You may also sit in your car and tune your radio to 105.5 FM.

Bathrooms are open. Please go to the far north side entrance of the building and use the bathroom in the nursery. One person in the building at a time and please sanitize on your way out.

GATHERING MUSIC	“A Father’s Quiet Strength” <i>By Lani Smith</i>	Jan Green
WELCOME		Pastor Sarah Smith
OPENING SCRIPTURE	Isaiah 40:27-31	Pam Baynes
*RESPONSE	“Weave”	Pam Auble & Beth Schabel

*Weave, weave, weave us together;
Weave us together in unity and love.
Weave, weave, weave us together,
Weave us together, together in love*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE: Fathering God, we lift up our cries of gratitude--

**ALL: for the ways you accompany us through deep valleys;
for the ways you lead us to still meadows;
for the ways you meet us in times of great need**

ONE: Understanding God, we gather with thanksgiving on our lips--

**ALL: for bringing light into our darkness;
for bringing wisdom into our confusion
for bringing courage into our greatest fears.**

ONE: Patient God, our hearts praise you--

**ALL: for the graciousness with which you hear;
for the patience with which you listen;
for the grace with which you care;
Thanks be to God! Amen.**



***SONG OF PRAISE**

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

1 Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

2 Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

3 Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Nora Brant

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Sarah Smith

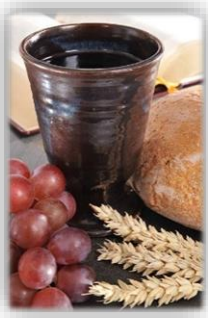
SCRIPTURE READING

James 5:7-11

SERMON

“Follow the Guide”

Frank Schenck



COMMUNION

Meditation

Communion Hymn

Tim Bennett

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

Sweet hour of prayer! sweet hour of prayer!
that calls me from a world of care,
and bids me at my Father's throne
make all my wants and wishes known.

In seasons of distress and grief,
my soul has often found relief,
and oft escaped the tempter's snare
by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Distribution

Tim Bennett
Pastor Sarah Smith

*CLOSING HYMN

“In the Bulb There is a Flower”

1 In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

2 There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

3 In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
in our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Sarah Smith

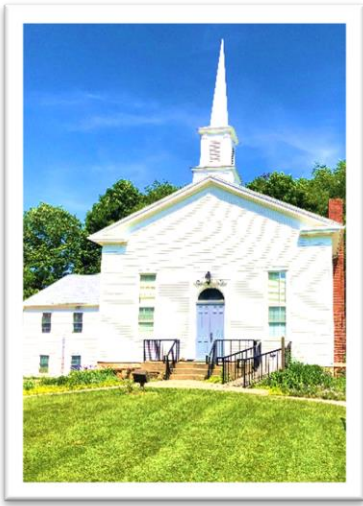
DEPARTING MUSIC

“O God Beyond All Praising”

Jan Green

By Lloyd Larson [tune: Thaxted by Gustav T. Holst, 1918]

Thank you for joining us at Mantua Center Christian Church!
We wish all you dads, & “father figures”, a very blessed Father's Day!



Future events at MCCC and our community!

Just a reminder that the **Delaney family is on vacation**. Should you need pastoral assistance, please contact Pastor Sarah Smith (sms.smith.2016@gmail.com) or our Co-Chairs, Liz Meeker (lmeeker86@gmail.com) or Katie Baird (kbaird2@kent.edu). Please keep the Delaney's in your prayers for safe travel, rest, and wonderful family time together!

- **Kids Weekend Meals needs another delivery driver ASAP!** One of our routes has gotten so big that we need to split it. The new volunteer would be delivering to approximately 6 houses.

The procedure is to deliver on **Thursday (every other week) at anytime that works for you**. Since we can now utilize the church (you will need to have or get a key) you will load any frozen or refrigerated products into the bags. Specific instructions are given to you each and every bi-weekly delivery.

We are seeking someone who can consistently handle this job, obviously allowing for appointments and vacations. If interested in this rewarding volunteer position, please call Liz Meeker at 330-283-4630 or email at lmeeker86@gmail.com.

- Our next **Board Meeting is Sunday, June 27th from 12-1pm**. Anyone is welcome to attend!
- Don't forget to mark your calendars for **July 4th** when we will offer the *option* to gather together inside the church for worship! We will still provide YouTube Live for those who do not feel comfortable worshipping inside. Please stay tuned for other updates/possible options as we get closer to July 4th!

Also, if you haven't filled out the **recent survey that Pastor Chad sent out**, please take a moment to do so. There are just a few questions regarding your comfort level and safety desires if you are considering attending inside worship. The survey is completely anonymous.

- Ally (Hurd) Bozeka is still in need of a few volunteers to do the Children's Moment during church on the following dates: **July 4th, July 11th & August 1st**. If interested in helping out, please reach out to Ally at 330-802-0099 or ally.hurd@gmail.com.
- Our next food collection for the **4C's will be Sunday, June 27th**. Items needed for June are: **Tuna Helper, Canned Baked Beans and Canned Pasta**. If you are able, please add some of these items to your grocery list to help support our community in need. **NO DONATION IS TOO SMALL!!**

Volunteers are also needed at the 4C's! The 4C's drive-thru distribution hours are Mondays from 4-6pm, and Wednesdays & Fridays from 1-3pm. **Call 330-274-3310 if you can help!** Monetary donations may be sent to: The 4C's, P.O. Box 227, Mantua, Oh 44255.

Community Events:

- **Mantua's Art on the Hill & Wine Tasting Too** is back from its Covid Hiatus! Mark your calendar for **July 10th, from 10am-6pm**. It is located on E. Prospect St. in Mantua Village. This event is sponsored by the Downtown Mantua Revitalization Corporation. They are again hosting their annual photo contest. For more information check out www.revitalizemantua.org.
- **St. Joseph's Ox Roast Fair is July 16-18!** So many exciting events are back on schedule and the Ox Roast Fair is another big event that draws crowds from all around the area & beyond! Mark your calendars so you don't miss this annual event!
- **The Mantua Historical Society Flea Market** will be held **Saturday, July 17th on the Mantua Center Green from 9:30am - 1:30pm**. (Located at Rt. 82 and Mantua Center Rd.) **The Smile Team** will also hold a **Bake Sale** fund raiser to help fund their church and community efforts through the end of this year. Hope you can stop by and support both these missions! ***Check out the items for sale and purchase some baked goods for dessert at home!***

*If you have any announcements or events for the bulletin, please contact
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