



Mantua Center Christian Church
Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Arms
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, September 19, 2021

- **Please note that our status of masking has changed.** We are asking everyone to **please wear a mask during the inside worship service** for the time being. This is a temporary step back until the infection rate in our county falls again. **Thank you for protecting yourself and those around you!**
- This worship service is being live streamed. If you have any concern about you or your child being live on YouTube, please stay behind the 5th row of pews.
- The nursery has been cleaned and sanitized if needed for your children.
- There are baskets at the entrance/exit of the sanctuary space to place your offering. (You may also Give Online at mantuacentercc.org).

GATHERING MUSIC

"God Will Take Care of You"
[by Robert W. Thygeson]

Jan Green

WELCOME

Rev. Chad Delaney

OPENING SCRIPTURE

John 1:29-34

***RESPONSE**

"Weave"

*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**

Liz Meeker

ONE: The spirit of God calls us from many places;

**ALL: some of us come from busy homes with many people,
some of us live alone.**

We are all part of this family.

ONE: This week has been different for each of us;

**ALL: some of us have had happy news we want to celebrate;
some of us have faced grief and need to cry.**

We are members of God’s family.

ONE: Yet we all come to this same place;

**ALL: all of us seeking God’s presence in our lives
all of us seeking God’s presence with each other.**

Together we become God’s family.

~By Katherine Hawker

***OPENING HYMN**

“All Creatures of our God and King”

#22

All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O burning sun with golden beam,
O silver moon with softer gleam;

Refrain

***O praise God, O praise God,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!***

***OFFERING OF PRAISE**

Liz Meeker

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Ally Bozeka

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Chad Delaney

COMMUNION

Meditation

Drema Herron

Communion Hymn “Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken”

#387

1 Bread of the world in mercy broken,
wine of the soul in mercy shed,
by whom the words of life were spoken,
and in whose death our sins are dead:

Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

Drema Herron

Words of Institution

Rev. Chad Delaney

Distribution

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

SERMON

Holy Curiosity

Rev. Chad Delaney

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Shalom to You”

#436

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

BENEDICTION

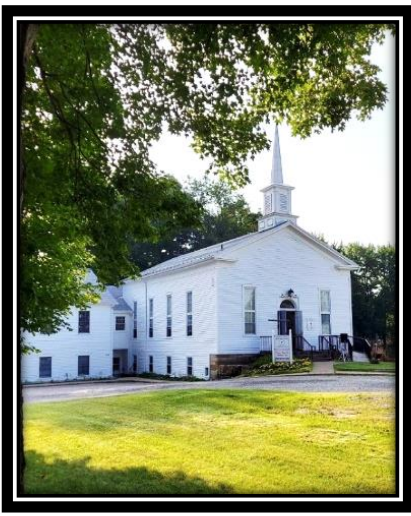
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DEPARTING MUSIC

“Postlude on Faithfulness”
[By Douglas E. Wagner]

Jan Green





Future events at MCCC and our community!

We have three ways offered for worship at MCCC:

- 1) *Worship inside church,*
- 2) *Worship outside on the lawn, or*
- 3) *Worship via YouTube Live (*The link is sent out via email on Friday or Saturday. Simply click on the link and it will take you directly to the live stream. You can also access it by typing in "Youtube" on your web browser, then scroll and click on "videos", then type in "Mantua Center Christian Church.")*

You are welcome to choose which ever option is **most comfortable for you**, while knowing that God's message will be offered just the same!

- **The Roy Mayfield Invitational Baseball Game will be held on Sunday, September 19th from 2-4pm at Sunny Lake Park.** If you




are interested in participating, please let one of the following people know: Carol Magyarics (440) 840-7704, or Steve Hurd (330) 842-0026. **ANYONE IS WELCOME TO PLAY!!** Even if you choose not to play, we welcome any spectators to cheer us on!! Hope to see you there!

- **Our next "4th for the 4C's" is next Sunday, September 26th.** Remember that any items may be placed in the bins outside at the lower level entrance of the church at any time during the month. **The food items needed for September are: Baked Beans, Instant Coffee & Sloppy Joe Sauce.** Also, if you are interested in getting involved in this wonderful community group, **they are looking for volunteers!** Call 330-274-3310 if you can help! Thanks to all who help support our community in need!



Community Events

-  **Derthick's Sunflower Patch** is open in the evenings, in good weather. Please check out their Facebook Page for updated times. \$5 per car, \$1.50 per bloom. Cash only. Pick your own blooms, and/or capture some great pictures at sunset!

- **Derthick's Corn Maze opens Friday, September 17th - October 31, 2021!!** This annual event offers so much fall family fun on the weekends! (Friday 6-11pm, Saturday 1-11pm, and Sunday 12-6pm). Last ticket sales 90 minutes before close. Prices are: Free for ages 0-3, \$10 for ages 4-64, \$6 for ages 65+. Also 2 ziplines are offered (300' each!), \$5/ride or \$10/3 rides. Check out their Facebook page or website at derthickcornmaze.com. Located at 5182 State Route 82, Mantua, Oh 44255). Any questions? Call(330) 569-8661. This is a wonderful farm experience not to be missed!



LOAVES & Fishes



• **Our next Loaves & Fishes Dinner will be held on Thursday, September 30th from 5-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.** Remember, this is a **FREE Community Meal** – ANYONE IS WELCOME – so please pass the word! The tentative menu will be: **Stroganoff over Noodles, Green Beans, “Pink Salad”, Rolls, and a dessert of Ice Cream with assorted Toppings. Beverage choice of Lemonade, Iced Tea, Water, or Coffee.** **Please note that extra precautions are being taken with the handling of food and sanitizing of tables. Donations are gratefully accepted. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SPREAD THE WORD!!**

- **Skip’s Music Jam had to be cancelled on 9/10 due to the rise in Covid.** We will keep you posted as soon as possible if it will resume in October. In the meantime, keep practicing those acoustic instruments!!



Mantua’s Christmas Craft Fairs are scheduled!

- Mark your calendars for the **36th Annual Christmas Boutique to be held on Sunday, November 7, 2021, in Hughes Hall at St. Joseph’s Church.** This event will run from 9:30am – 3:30pm. They will have a variety of hand-crafted items, baked goods, raffles, door prizes and breakfast, lunch, snack and dessert items. For more information visit the website at: <https://stjosephmantua.com/christmas-boutique>. Tables are still available for crafters - \$30 for an 8ft. table (2nd table is \$25). To reserve a table contact Nikki Fathauer (937) 726-6470, or nmpoppe1@gmail.com. Reservations are on a first come basis.



• **Our Ohio Women’s Ministries group (OWM) at MCCC is also looking ahead to Christmas and planning our MCCC Craft Bazaar! It will be held on Saturday, December 4th from 10am – 4pm at the old Mantua Center School** (11741 Mantua Center Rd., Mantua, Oh 44255). There will be a variety of crafters, a 50/50 Raffle, food, baked goods, music and free parking. Mark your calendars so you don’t miss this annual event! It is always a great time had by crafters and patrons alike! Questions? Contact Carolin Newell at 330-606-7125.

Please send any announcements/events for our weekly calendar to Sandi Kossick at:
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