



Mantua Center Christian Church
Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Arms
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, October 31, 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). There are also coloring sheets at the entrance for the children with a picture corresponding to the sermon.

GATHERING MUSIC

"I Walk With God This Day"
[Tom Birchwood]

Jan Green

WELCOME

Rev. Chad Delaney

OPENING SCRIPTURE

John 17:20-21

***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**

Beth Schabel

ONE: We come to God this day, the One who names each of us
as a beloved child.

**ALL: Here in these moments together, we would recognize
God dwelling in us.**

ONE: We come to Christ this day, the One whose love is the bedrock
of our lives.

**ALL: Here in this place of glory and grace, we would understand
the one who calls us to faith.**

ONE: We come to the Spirit this day, the One who would calm our
fears with peace and hope.

**ALL: Here in unity with those who are our sisters and brothers,
we would seize the opportunities to serve.**

~ written by Thom Shuman

***OPENING HYMN**

“In Christ There is No East or West”

#687, V.1 & 3

1 In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one community of love
throughout the whole wide earth.

3 Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate’er your race may be;
all children of the living God
are surely kin to me.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Liz Meeker

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Rev. Chad Delaney

I am the church! You are the church!
We are the church together!
All who follow Jesus,
All around the world!
Yes, we’re the church together!

1 The church is not a building;
The church is not a steeple;
The church is not a resting place;
The church is a people.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Chad Delaney

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 2:11-22

SERMON

“The Wall” Drama by Thomas H. Troeger
(Performed by Rick Painley, Chad Delaney, and Laura Parker)

COMMUNION

Meditation

Beth Schabel

Communion Hymn

“One Bread, One Body”

#393

Refrain:

**One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.**

1 Gentile or Jew,
servant or free,

woman or man no more. ***(Refrain)***

Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

Beth Schabel

Words of Institution

Rev. Chad Delaney

Distribution

CLOSING HYMN

“They’ll Know We Are Christians”

#494 V. 1 & 3

1 We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that our unity may one day be restored:
And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

3 We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
we will work with each other, we will work side by side,
and we’ll guard each one’s dignity and save each one’s pride:
And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Chad Delaney

DEPARTING MUSIC

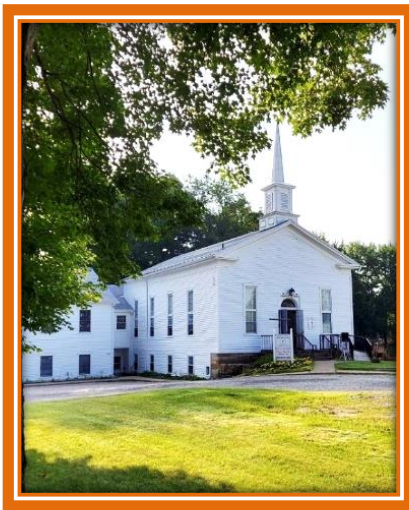
“Joy in the Morning”

Jan Green

[Tom Birchwood]

Thank you for joining us at Mantua Center Christian Church!

****Please stay after worship for the 4th of our 7 week book study “MCCC’s Exodus: Telling OUR Story” in the Fellowship Hall. Today’s session is entitled: “The Intersections of Christianity and Judaism”, led by Nancy Humes. All are welcome!***



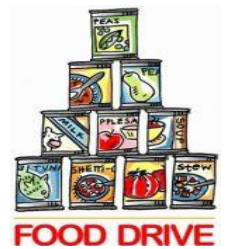
Future events at MCCC and our community!

With colder weather upon us, we have two ways offered for worship at MCCC:

- 1) **Worship inside church,**
- 2) **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!

Our next "4th for the 4C's" is Sunday, November 28th. Many THANKS to all those who were able to donate food items for the month of October and for your continued support! 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 – you don't have to wait for the 4th Sunday! **The food items needed for November are: Jello, Canned Pasta, and Dish Soap.** 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 in any way to support our community in need!



Community Events

Derthick's Corn Maze will soon close! It is open on the weekends through Sunday, October 31, 2021!! This annual event offers so much fall family fun! (Friday 6-11pm, Saturday 1-11pm, and Sunday 12-6pm). Last ticket sales are 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. **Be sure to check their Facebook page or website for closures due to weather before venturing out!**



Our LAST Loaves & Fishes Dinner for 2021 was this past Thursday, October 28th. Thanks to those who volunteered to provide



pumpkin pies for this event, to all who attended, and to all who gave so generously through donations for our past several meals! Loaves & Fishes dinners run from January through October on the last Thursday of the month. This is a FREE community meal and

EVERYONE is welcome! If you have any meal suggestions or would like to donate your time to this community event next year, please call Carolin Newell at: (330) 606-7125. We can always use the extra help! **We look forward to seeing you again in 2022!**

The “Mitten Tree” collection will begin next Sunday!



With the onset of cooler weather, it's that time of the year for MCCC to ramp up our collecting of **Mittens, Hats, Headbands, and Scarves** for the families in our community and beyond!! The sizes needed are for **infants, toddlers, teens and adults**. Traditionally the donations are given to the 4C's (local food pantry) who then distribute the items during the month of December. (Last year Kids Weekend Meals distributed them because the 4C's were not able to.) We have so many more families in need this year that

we are hoping for a **“better than ever”** collection. Please start keeping your eyes open while shopping and help us out if you are able – handmade items are also welcome. We are planning to hang the items on the lines in the sanctuary so we can watch the progress grow. If you have any questions, please contact Sandi Kossick at: secretary@mantuacentercc.org or call/text 330-607-7003. Bring your donations to the inside entryway of the church or place in the bin outside the lower level. Sandi is also available to make arrangements for pick-up of items if needed.

The 2021 Meghan R. Brant Memorial Quilt is now being raffled with all proceeds



going to support early detection of ovarian cancer research at Case Comprehensive Care Center and providing scholarships.

Raffle tickets for this Queen Size quilt made by her mother, Nora Brant, are \$1 each or 6/\$5. See the quilt and buy tickets in person at Forage & Feather in Mantua Village. Make checks payable to: Meghan Brant Memorial Fund and mail, along with your name and phone number to: Nora Brant, P.O. Box 488, Mantua, Ohio 44255.

Tickets will be sold through Nov. 20th. Winner need not be present for the November 24th drawing and will be notified by phone.

From single dollar bills to matching funds, **Nora has raised over \$100,000 for research and scholarships since 1997**. Please join us in the fight against ovarian cancer by entering this year's raffle. One lucky supporter will win this quilt – it could be **YOU!**

MANTUA K OF C REVERSE RAFFLE! The Mantua Knights of Columbus #3766 will be holding a Reverse Raffle on **Saturday, November 13, in St. Joseph's Hughes Hall** (not at the K of C Hall on St. Rt. 44 as in the past). **Doors open at 6 p.m. and dinner begins at 7 p.m. Ticket price of \$70.00/couple or \$50.00/single includes a delicious dinner, beverages, and dessert.** There'll be an open bar, musical entertainment and dancing, and a chance at a \$1,000.00 grand prize along with other games of chance! Tickets are available by contacting Doug @ 330-618-2552 or Faith @ 216-406-3825.

FREE SENIOR CITIZEN THANKSGIVING DINNER!

The 2021 Knights of Columbus Senior Citizen Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on **Sunday, November 21, at 1 p.m.** The reservation line will open on **November 1**. Please call 330-274-4295 and leave a message with your name, phone number, and how many will be in your party. This free dinner will be held in Hughes Hall at St. Joseph Church in Mantua (not at the K of C Hall on St. Rt. 44 as in previous years). Reservations are first come, first served.

Mantua's Christmas Craft Fairs

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 offering 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>.



Our Ohio Women's Ministries group (OWM) at MCCC is hosting our annual 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 4255). There will be a variety of crafters, a 50/50 Raffle, food, baked goods, music and free parking. Questions? Contact Carolin Newell at 330-606-7125.

**Please send any MCCC or community announcements to Sandi Kossick at: secretary@mantuacentercc.org.*