

What's happening this week?

· Mon 12/6:

• Tues 12/7:

• Wed 12/8: Kids Weekend Meals - Packing Bags 12:00

Worship Team Meeting @ Church 1:30

• Thu 12/9: Kids Weekend Meals - Delivering

· Fri 12/10:

• Sat 12/11:

• Sun 12/12: Worship in the Church, or YouTube 9:30am

Sunday School Chat - following worship

Deadline for Staff Donations

Which ever way you choose to worship, we wish you a very blessed and meaningful service!

Our Advent Devotionals "Close to Home" and Advent Calendars are here!

There are several extra copies, and will be located at the entrance of the church for pick-up!

If you need one delivered to your house, please contact Sandi at (<u>secretary@mantuacentercc.org</u> or call/text (330) 607-7003.

Many thanks to **Jon Secaur** for the printing of these beautiful booklets and calendars!



"4th for the 4C's" is December 26th!

The food items needed for December are:

Jello Kleenex Dish Soap

Please consider adding these items to your list while grocery shopping this month!

The Worship Team is asking for your input on the following question:

"If you were the Inn Keeper providing lodging for Mary and Joseph, what would you have placed in the stable to make the space feel like *Home*?

Text/Call Pam Auble with your answer at (216) 308-7930.

If you would like to contribute to a Christmas gift for the MCCC staff, please donate by December 12th. You have one of three options: You can drop a check in the offering plate (with "Staff Christmas Gift" on the Memo line), or mail your check (to: MCCC, P.O. Box 550, Mantua, Ohio 44255), or donate online at our website www.mantuacentercc.org, (click on "Giving" then select the "Staff Christmas Gift" option.) Any questions? Please contact Cathy Hakala-Ausperk, MCCC Board Chair at chakalaausperk@gmail.com.

Chi-Rho and CYF United will host an afternoon Tubing at Punderson State Park AND a White Elephant gift event! We will meet at the Chalet at 2pm, tubes are free to rent and you are welcome to bring your own sled if you'd prefer.

Dress WARM so we can tube for about 1 ½ hrs. *If there isn't enough snow, we will hike the trails together.* Following tubing, we will have our White Elephant Gift Exchange at 3:30pm. (The gift cannot be purchased with money. It can be regifted, selected from your treasure trove of belongings or bartered – but it cannot be purchased!

Additionally, we will also **Collect Financial Gifts to Support the Work of the Cleveland Christian Home.** Gifts can be in the amount of \$.01 to \$100+. All gifts are worthy and will be celebrated!

Attention parents/grandparents/guardians! Our annual Christmas Pageant will take place on Sunday, December 19th during our regular church service. We will be doing a simplified play with several narrators and all other roles being non-speaking. Our current plan is to have all participants come to church early on the 19th to go over what we will be doing and be fitted for costumes. If you or your child are interested, please reach out to Ally Bozeka via email (ally.hurd@gmail.com) or text (330-802-0099) so we can begin planning.



Our "Blue Christmas" service will be on Monday, Dec 20th at 7:00pm at the MCCC building. The service is on the eve of the longest day of the year and together we will make space for God to minister to any grief or sadness we may be experiencing this Christmas Season. It will also be live streamed on YouTube. Keep an eye out for the link!

If you have any church or community events that should be added to the calendar, please contact Sandi Kossick at: secretary@mantuacentercc.org.