



Third Sunday in Lent

Mantua Center Christian Church
Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Arms
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If you choose to attend in person, please be aware of the following:

- **Masks, handshakes, and hugs will all be optional, as each person feels comfortable, *with no restrictions*.** Thank you for your patience, prayers, and feedback that has brought us to these new guidelines.
- 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 and is available if needed for your children. There are also coloring sheets at the entrance as well as in the Fellowship Hall for the children with a picture corresponding to the sermon.
- **We have resumed the passing of communion. If you prefer, we will still have sealed “personal” communion cups available at the entrance.**
- **Offering baskets will be passed around the sanctuary at the start of the “Invitation to Generosity” during worship. (You may also *Give Online* at: mantuacentercc.org).**

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Steve Hurd

Invitation
The Doxology

#46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offering Prayer

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Ally Bozeka

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Chad Delaney

***COMMUNION**

Meditation
Communion Hymn

Roger Cram

“Seed, Scattered and Sown”

#395

Refrain:

**Seed, scattered and sown,
Wheat, gathered and grown,
Bread, broken and shared as one,
The living bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land,
Wine, work of our hands,
One cup that is shared by all;
The living cup, the living bread of God.**

V.1 Is not the bread we break a sharing in our Lord?
Is not the cup we bless the blood of Christ outpoured? ***[Refrain]***

Prayer & Lord’s Prayer
Words of Institution

Roger Cram
Rev. Chad Delaney

Music: *A Lenten Prayer* [Juliet Calkins]

SCRIPTURE

Luke 13:1-9

SERMON

You Are Worthy

Rev. Chad Delaney

***CLOSING HYMN**

“I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry”

#75

- 1** I was there to hear your borning cry, I’ll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.
- 2** I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.
- 3** When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.
- 4** If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
I’ll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk ‘till rising sun.
- 5** In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,
I’ll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I’ve begun.
- 6** When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,
I’ll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.
- 7** I was there to hear your borning cry, I’ll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Chad Delaney

POSTLUDE

“We Are an Offering”
[Laura Bergquist]

Jan Green

Thank you for joining us at Mantua Center Christian Church!



Today is the deadline for giving to this Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) mission fund to help others throughout the world. **The best way** to make sure your donation gets credited to MCCC is to donate in one of the following ways:

- 1) mantuacentercc.org – click “Give Online”, and select Week of Compassion in the drop-down box, 2) put your cash offering in an envelope marked “WOC” in the collection basket (Checks made payable to MCCC, with WOC in memo line), or 3) turn in your coin boxes before or after the church services by placing on the communion table. **** We have extended the deadline to Sunday March 20th.****
- For more information go to their website: weekofcompassion.org.