



### **Fourth 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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](http://mantuacentercc.org)).**

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 27, 2022

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PRELUDE

**“Jesus is My Life”**

Jan Green

*[Todd Kendall]*

WELCOME

Rev. Chad Delaney

OPENING SCRIPTURE

**2 Corinthians 5:16-21**

\*RESPONSE

**“Come and Find the Quiet Center”**

#575

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,  
find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:  
clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see  
all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Hurd

ONE: God’s reach is endless. God’s mercy is unstoppable.

**ALL: God’s grace is lavish. God’s love is constant.**

ONE: God’s wisdom is vast.

**ALL: God’s hope is stubborn.**

ONE: God’s presence is here—

**ALL: with us, among us, moving through us.**

ONE: Breathe easy. Breathe deeply. We are in God’s house.

**ALL: Let us worship the One who welcomes us home.**

\*OPENING HYMN

**God of Grace and God of Glory**

#464 v.1 & 4

1 God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church’s story;  
bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

4 Set our feet on lofty places;  
fill our lives that we may be  
strengthened with all Christ-like graces  
pledges to set all captives free.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we fail our call from thee,  
lest we fail our call from thee.

**INVITATION TO GENEROSITY**

**Steve Hurd**

Invitation

**Music: *O When Will I See Jesus [Lani Smith]***

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

**MaryEllen Hamlin**

**Communion Hymn**

**When you do this, Remember Me**

**#400**

1 You my friend, a stranger once,  
do now belong to heaven.

Once far away, you are brought home  
into God's family.

"When you do this, remember me."

Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

**MaryEllen Hamlin**

Words of Institution

**Rev. Chad Delaney**

**Music: “Communion” [Cesar Franck]**

**SCRIPTURE**

**Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32**

**SERMON**

**Prodigal Grace**

**Rev. Chad Delaney**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

**There's a Wideness in God's Mercy**

**#73 v.1, 3-4**

**1** There's a wideness in God's mercy,  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in God's justice,  
which is more than liberty.

**3** For the love of God is broader  
than the measure of our mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.

**4** If our love were but more simple,  
we would rest upon God's word;  
and our lives would be illumined  
by the presence of the Lord.

**BENEDICTION**

**Rev. Chad Delaney**

**POSTLUDE**

**“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”**  
*[Jason W. Krug]*

**Jan Green**

*Thank you for joining us at Mantua Center Christian Church!*