



April 24, 2022
SSSSH Sunday

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.
- **We have resumed the passing of communion. If you prefer, we 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).**

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE

“He Included Me”
by Lucy Ann Warriner

Jan Green

WELCOME

Rev. Chad Delaney

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:1-4

*RESPONSE

“Weave”

#495

*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

Nora Brant

ONE: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

ALL: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

ONE: We have not seen the risen Christ,

**ALL: But we see him in the lives of those transformed
by grace.**

ONE: We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

**ALL: But we have seen him in the faces of everyone whose
love encourages us.**

ONE: We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

**ALL: But we have been called to bring healing to the scarred
of the world.**

Written by Thom Schuman

*OPENING HYMN

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

#234, v.1-2

1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Nora Brant

Invitation

Offeratory *Music: "Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus" by Terry Osman*

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

Nora Brant

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Chad Delaney

"Humble thyself in the sight of the Lord"

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Chad Delaney

***COMMUNION**

Meditation

Drema Herron

Communion Hymn

"In the Garden"

#227, v.1-3

1 I come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses;
and the voice I hear falling on my ear, the Son of God discloses.

Refrain:

***And he walks with me, and he talks with me, and he tells me I am his own,
and the joy we share, as we tarry there, none other has ever known.***

2 He speaks, and the sound of his voice, is so sweet the birds hush their singing,
and the melody that he gave to me within my heart is ringing. **[Refrain]**

3 I'd stay in the garden with him though the night around me be falling,
but he bids me go; through the voice of woe his voice to me is calling. **[Refrain]**

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Drema Herron

Words of Institution

Rev. Chad Delaney

Music: "Here in the Bread and Wine" by Paul Davis

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Arise"

Beth Schabel & Jon Secaur

by Clair Cloninger & Kathy Frizzell [Arr. Gary Rhodes]

SERMON

“SSSSH”

Roger Cram

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Fill the World with Love”

#467, v. 1-4

1. With the vision in our minds of how the world could be
And the fullness of our heart from the suffering we see
When we make all that we are and have part of God’s destiny
We can fill the world with love. We can fill the world with love.

2. All the people in this world living lives of pain and fear
Crying out into the night, wondering when someone will hear
While there are so many others having so much they can share
Can we fill the world with love? Can we fill the world with love?

3. We whose spirits long to share, long to comfort and to heal
Know that when we act alone, hope is difficult to feel
But together as we labor God’s compassion to reveal
We will fill the world with love. We will fill the world with love.

4. Let us hesitate no longer in our doubt and our dismay
There’s a power at work within us that has promised a new day
And the time will surely come, it will not be long delayed
When God fills the world with love.
When God fills the world with love.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Chad Delaney

POSTLUDE

“Recessional”
by Kevin E. Cummings

Jan Green

Thank you for joining us at Mantua Center Christian Church!

*Roger Cram’s “SSSSH” cards will be passed out at church this Sunday.
If you are not attending in person, and would like one sent to you, please contact
Sandi Kossick at secretary@mantuacentercc.org with your address,
and it will be mailed to you!*