



Derthick's Sunflower Field
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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:

- Because the Covid virus is now spreading rapidly in Portage County, we **recommend** wearing masks at church, at your discretion. Please use your discretion on **masking, handshakes, and hugs as each person feels comfortable**. Thank you for your patience, prayers, and feedback.
- 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.
- **After the Children's Moment, all kids through 4th grade are welcome to attend Sunday School class which will run until the end of worship.**
- We have resumed the passing of communion. If you prefer, we 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

Invitation

Liz Meeker

Offertory

Music: “We Shall be Like Him ” [by C.H. Gabriel]

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

Liz Meeker

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

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PASTORAL PRAYER

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***COMMUNION**

Meditation

Beth Schabel

Communion Hymn

“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

#459, v. 3-4

3 Lord, you make the common holy: “This my body, this my blood.”

Let us all, for earth’s true glory, daily lift life heavenward,
asking that the world around us share your children’s liberty.

Refrain:

With the Spirit’s gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

4 Lord, you show us love’s true measure: “Father, what they do, forgive.”

Yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give.

May your care and mercy lead us to a just society. ***(Refrain)***

Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

Beth Schabel

Words of Institution

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Music: “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross” [by W.H. Doane]

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 28:19-20

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SERMON

How Do We Share Our Faith

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***CLOSING HYMN**

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

#487, v. 1-4

1 Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us and bring us to believe
we are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.

2 Teach us, O Lord, your lessons, as in our daily life
we struggle to be human and search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people, for all, not just for some,
to love them as we find them or as they may become.

3 Let your acceptance change us, so that we may be moved
in living situations to do the truth in love;
to practice your acceptance, until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness and laughter’s healing art.

4 Lord, for today’s encounters with all who are in need,
who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread,
we need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on;
renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!

BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE

“I’m Rejoicing Night and Day”
[by D.M. Shanks]

Sarah Park

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

- ***All potential Choir members please add your name and required information to the Choir Sign-up Sheet in the entryway of the church!***
- ***Please feel free to join in our Sunday “Chat” downstairs in the Campbell Room. Everyone is WELCOME!***