



February 12, 2023

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:

- 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 of the church.
- **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).

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE

“Oh, the Best Friend to Have”
[by P. P. Bilhorn]

Sarah Park

WELCOME

Rev. Chad Delaney

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 58:6-8

*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

Leighton Baynes

ONE: Jesus calls us to be the light of the world –

ALL: To loose the bonds of injustice, to let the oppressed go free, and give food to the hungry

ONE: God invites us to be a light to the nations –

ALL: To carry God's love to the ends of the earth

ONE: The Holy Spirit dwells in us, giving us strength to do God's work.

ALL: To live and serve one another in Jesus' Name!

Let us worship the Lord!

***OPENING HYMN**

“Into My Heart”

#304, 3x through

Into my heart, into my heart,
come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
come in today, come in to stay,
come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Invitation

Offertory

Leighton Baynes

Music: “O Lord my God, When I in Awesome Wonder ” [Arr. by E. A. Edgren]

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

Leighton Baynes

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Chad Delaney

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Chad Delaney

COMMUNION

Meditation

Rev. Nancy Humes

Communion Hymn

#419, v. 1-2

“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly”

1 All who hunger gather gladly; Holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wand'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

2. All who hunger, never strangers, seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

Prayer

Rev. Nancy Humes

Words of Institution

Rev. Chad Delaney

Special Music:

“Table of Love”

Carli Calapa

[Words and Music by Andra Moran and Josh Elson]

SCRIPTURE

James 2:14-26

SERMON

“Faith and Action”

Rev. Chad Delaney

***CLOSING HYMN**

#494, v. 1-3

“We are One in the Spirit”

1 We are One in The Spirit, We are One in The Lord. **2x**
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

[Chorus]

***And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our Love,
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

2 We will walk with each other, We will walk hand in hand. **2x**
And together we'll spread the News that God is in our land.

[Chorus]

3 We will work with each other, We will work side by side. **2x**
And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.

[Chorus]

INVITATION FOR MISSION UPDATES:

Ministry Leaders and congregants are welcome to come forward to the mic to give a mission update or share ways for people to get involved in missions and ministries.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Chad Delaney

POSTLUDE

“Encamped Along the Hills of Light”
[by I. D. Sankey]

Sarah Park

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

- **In lieu of our regular Sunday classes, we invite you all to join in our 2nd “Re-Centering Event” following worship today!** We will have an update of our previous event that was held in November. Please plan to participate right after worship and share in the new things happening at MCCC since that meeting!
- **Several Weekly Calendars of Events for MCCC and Community** are available at the entrance of the church. Feel free to take one! **If you would like to receive weekly email updates or would like to be added to the Prayer Chain, please contact Sandi Kossick at: secretary@mantuacentercc.org.** All church related information OR Prayer Chain requests should be sent to the same email address.

WEEKLY REMINDERS

- **CYF at the Aubles will be Sunday, Feb. 12th, now from 4-6pm! Please note the time change!**
- **Story Time Returns on Tuesdays, beginning Feb. 14th in the Fellowship Hall! This is a free event for pre-schoolers, from 10:30-11:30am! Anyone is welcome to spend some time with their toddler and enjoy book reading, crafts, singing and more!**
- **This is a Kids Weekend Meals week! Bread Brigade, bring your bread by Tuesday (2/14). “Bag Packers” you will meet at 12pm on Wednesday (2/15), and “Bag Deliveries” are on Thursday (2/16). Don’t forget . . . and THANK YOU for all you do!**
- **Lutheran Church of Mantua is holding their monthly dinner this Wednesday, Feb. 15th from 5-6:30pm. Donations are gratefully accepted.**
- **On Wednesday’s at MCCC: Daytime Fellowship is at 1:30-2:45pm. Life Study is from 7-8:30pm. Please join in some enlightening conversations if you are able!**
- **Next Sunday, Feb. 19th, begins Week of Compassion. Also keep in mind we will have our Board Meeting in the Fellowship Hall from 12-1pm. Everyone is welcome to attend!**