

This Week at MCCC (May 14th – 21st, 2023)



Sun 5/14: Worship with Rev. Nancy Humes – 9:30am
Donations of plastic & lg. paper bags needed for the 4C's! Please bring to church. (See ad!)

Happy Mother's Day!

Mon 5/15:

Tues 5/16: Story Time from 10:30-11:30am

Wed 5/17:

Thu 5/18:

Fri 5/19:

Sat 5/20:

Sun 5/21: **Elder's Meeting 8:30 (NEW DATE!)**

Worship with Aspen Baynes

Board Meeting 12-1pm

MCCC May Events & More

Date Changes, New, or Important Events are **Highlighted**

- **Sun. May 14th – MOTHER'S DAY!**
- Tues. May 16th – Story Time at MCCC! 10:30-11:30am. All Preschoolers are WELCOME!
- Sun. May 21st - Elders Meeting 8:30am **NEW DATE!!**
- Sun. May 21st – Worship @9:30am Guest Speaker Aspen Baynes
- Sun. May 21st – MCCC Board Meeting. 12-1pm EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
- Tues. May 23rd – Story Time at MCCC! 10:30-11:30am. All Preschoolers are WELCOME!
- Tues. May 23rd – “Bread Brigade” Deliveries Due
- Wed. May 24th – KWM Packing Bags 12pm
- Thurs. May 25th – KWM Delivering Bags
- Thurs. May 25th – Loaves & Fishes Free Community Meal 5-6:30pm (see ad)
- Sun. May 28th – Worship @9:30am – Guest Speaker Jon Secaur
- Sun. May 28th – “4th for the 4C's” collection. (Items are: Coffee, Noodles & Paper Towels)
- Mon. May 29th – MEMORIAL DAY!
- Mon. May 30th – Story Time at MCCC! 10:30-11:30am. All Preschoolers are WELCOME!
- **Sat. June 3rd – “Centering Prayer” event and potluck brunch 9-11:30am (see ad)**
- Sunday, June 11th – Saturday June 17th CYF MISSION TRIP

The 4C's are in need of spare plastic grocery bags or large paper bags!

We are asking you to bring any “extras” to the church – and give them to Roger Hurd.

You may also drop off bags in the outside bin at the lower level of the church, or the bin in the inside entrance of the church.



Thanks in advance for your continued support of this wonderful community mission!



Important Message from the Secretary!

**PLEASE SEND ANY CHURCH RELATED CORRESPONDENCE
INCLUDING PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS TO:**

secretary@mantuacentercc.org

Story Time

10:30-11:30am

Every Tuesday for
Pre-schoolers!

Daytime Fellowship

Will resume in the fall

Life Study

Will resume in the fall

Kids Weekend Meals

Bread Brigade

By Tues. May 9th, 23rd

Packing Bags 12pm

May 10th, 24th

Delivering Bags

May 11th, 25th

Chi-Rho & CYF Events

To be announced

4C's Food Collection

Sun. May 28th

Coffee, Noodles,
& Paper Towels

Loaves & Fishes Dinner

5-6:30pm

May 25th

Last Thurs. of the Month
From January – October
(See the ad)



**“STORY TIME” IS
EVERY TUESDAY**

FROM 10:30-11:30am!!

**Mantua Center Christian Church
Fellowship Hall**

We will provide stories, activities and
music prepared by adults with years of
educational experience!

**NO COST, NO REGISTRATION,
NO LONG-TERM COMMITMENT,
NOT A FAITH BASED EVENT.
TRY IT ANY TUESDAY!
OPEN TO EVERYONE!**

Call Pam Auble if you have any
questions or would like to volunteer
your time to help!
216-308-7930

PASS THE WORD TO ALL!!

**Last Day until Fall is
Tuesday, June 6th!**



MCCC Loaves & Fishes **Community Meal!!**

**Thursday, May 25th, from
5-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.**

The menu is:
Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes
Vegetable
Assorted Desserts

**If you would like to get involved in the planning,
cooking, or serving of our dinners, please
contact Carolin Newell at:
(330) 606-7125.**

**We also welcome help with either set-up,
clean-up, or food donations!**

**Meals are served on the
last Thurs. of each month from Jan. – Oct.
This is a FREE Community Meal!
Donations are gratefully accepted,
but *not* required!**

Calling all MCCC Knitters & Crocheters!



**You are invited to attend a
joint meeting of “crafters” at
Hilltop Church every 1st & 3rd
Monday of the month at 1:30pm!**

**Meeting date for May is:
May 15th**

**What a fun opportunity to get
together with others who love
working with yarn! Maybe even
teach someone or learn some
new “tricks of the trade”
from others!**

**If you have any questions,
contact Kathy Meier at:
(330) 840-8944**

CYF MISSION TRIP AND FUNDRAISER!!

The 2023 CYF Mission/Work trip plans are underway! The dates are **Sunday, June 11th through Saturday, June 17th**. We will be in Charleston, WV, working with CROSS Ministry, affiliated with the Board of Global Missions of the United Methodist Church. We will be repairing homes for those in need, the elderly and veterans.

Youth in 8th grade into high school are welcome. And our youth are invited to share this opportunity with their friends. We are also actively recruiting adult supervisors and a cook.

Pam Auble can answer any questions regarding the
Mission Trip at: 216-308-7930.

St. Joseph's Free Clothing & Diaper Giveaway!



St. Joseph Church in Mantua is hosting a free clothing event on **Sat. June 10th from 9am to noon** in the school building. Remember that ANYONE & EVERYONE is WELCOME!! You do not need to be a resident, there is no limit, and no questions are asked.

Upcoming Giveaways: June 10th, September 9th, and December 9th.

Our Giveaway leaders Lynn Kelley and Nancy Tafel are asking for donations of the following items: **New packages of diapers, especially sizes 4-6 & baby wipes, LARGE black trash bags for the shoppers, and plastic hangers.**

All donated items can be dropped off at St. Joe's in the All-Purpose Room before or after mass on their clothing drive weekends (May 13/14, May 20/21, Aug. 19/20, Aug. 26/27, Nov. 18/19 and Nov. 25/26,) or at the parish office during the week. For MCCC members, you may donate diapers, wipes, trash bags, or hangers in the inside box (narthex) or the outside bin at MCCC. All clothing donations should be folded and bagged and placed in the shed at the south side of the church. Accessory items (shoes, belts, purses, etc.) and bedding will also be accepted. **(NO PILLOWS OR FURNITURE).**

For more information or to volunteer your time, please contact Lynn Kelley (330) 990-8912.

This is a collaborative effort of area churches providing free clothing to families in need.

Our next 4C's collection is Sunday, May 28th

Items needed are:

Coffee - reg. or instant

(Regular Size Containers Please)

Noodles & Paper Towels



Items may also be dropped off in the outside bin at the lower-level entrance of the church, at any time.

Thank you to MCCC, all in our area churches, and our community for your continued support!



Thank you to the **Smile Team** who volunteered to organize the Potluck last Sunday! What a great way to send-off Pastor Chad on his Sabbatical!

We are still looking for a few volunteers to help organize the next **Potluck on July 30th!** Check out the ad below for more details.

Potlucks and **Volunteers Needed!!**

Keep in mind that on the **5th Sunday of each month** (except December), we will again enjoy fellowship with each other via a pot-luck luncheon!

Our next potluck will be Sunday, July 30th and we HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!
(DON'T FORGET A DISH TO PASS . . . AND FEEL FREE TO BRING A FRIEND!)

PLEASE NOTE:

The Smile Team graciously volunteered their time, talents, & treasure to organize the Potluck on April 30th!

The church Youth and their leaders are planning on organizing the Potluck on October 29th . . . BUT, we are still in need of **NEW VOLUNTEERS**, who could help with the next potluck on July 30th). If your leadership group, Sunday School group, or just a group of friends would like to help, please contact Sandi Kossick (330) 607-7003, Rick Painley (330) 606-6314, or Katie Baird (330) 285-8537.

(This event entails providing punch, coffee (which Laura Parker usually does), plates, cups, napkins, plastic ware, set-up and take down of serving tables, and clean-up).

*What a GREAT WAY to get involved in a fun activity that benefits the whole church!
We thank you in advance for your time and support!*

CHECK OUT OUR MCCC Library! We have MANY new books!

If you are interested in donating a book to the MCCC Library, please see the new recommendations listed below:

* **Becoming Free Indeed: My Story of Disentangling Faith from Fear**, by Jinger Duggar Vuolo & Corey Williams; Thomas Nelson Publisher, 2023; ISBN 978-1400335817; \$20.08 (Amazon price)

* **The Lives We Actually Have: 100 Blessings for Imperfect Days**, by Kate Bowler & Jessica Richie; Convergent Books, 2023; ISBN 978-0593193709; \$16.37 (Amazon price)

If you decide to purchase one, please let Cathy Hakala-Ausperk know so she can attach a donation plate inside the cover. chakalaausperk@gmail.com.

An IMPORTANT reminder!

Kathleen Lewarchick is hosting a "Centering Prayer" event & potluck brunch on June 3rd at her home. Come and learn about this traditional Christian Experience. You will not want to miss it!

RSVP to Kathleen by Wednesday, May 24th

The flyer is attached to this email and provides all the details. Extra flyers are on the bulletin board in the entrance of the church. Please check it out and let Kathleen know by **May 24th!**

What's happening around our community?

Free Dinner

1st Tuesday
of every month at
First Covenant Church in
Garrettsville (High St.)

Next dinner on
June 6th, 5:30-7pm

All are welcome!

The Lutheran Church in Mantua
is hosting community dinners!

Stop by on the
3rd Wednesday of each month!
Donations are welcome!

The next dinner will be
May 17th from 5-6:30pm
All are welcome!

MARSI's (Mantua Restoration
Society) monthly meals
is now called:

"2nd Fridays Soup & Salads"

It is held at the
Old Mantua Center School Annex

Meals are held on the 2nd Friday of
each month from 4-7pm!

The next meal will be
Friday, June 9th, from 4-7pm

Eat-in or Take-out available!

**ALL are welcome – Spread the
word!**

All for donation!

**Stay tuned for details on all the
upcoming events**

in Mantua this year!

Dates to keep in mind are:

- Triple Trail Fest – June 2nd & 3rd with activities and events on the river & trails. Food, wine tasting & music too!
- Farmer's and Maker's Market will be back on the 2nd & 4th Fridays in June, July, & August.
- Art on the Hill – Saturday, July 8th 10am-6pm
- Portage Parks Adventure Race on Sat. July 8th.
- Rotary will have their Poker Paddle – Sept. 16th
- Rotary Christmas Tour of Homes – Cancelled

If you know of any interesting events going on in our community, please let Sandi Kossick know so it can be included in the calendar! Send all information via email to secretary@mantuacentercc.org