

# **This Week at MCCC** **(May 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023)**



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

Worship with Aspen Baynes

Board Meeting 12-1pm

\*Don't forget donations of **plastic & lg. paper bags for the 4C's!** Please bring to church. (See ad!)

\* **The Free Clothing Giveaway needs new diapers in sizes 4, 5, & 6.** If you can help, bring them to church or put in the bin outside before June 9th!

**Mon 5/22:**

**Tues 5/23:** Story Time from 10:30-11:30am

**Wed 5/24:**

**Thu 5/25:** Loaves & Fishes Dinner 5-6:30pm!

Asking for donations of desserts!

Contact Sandi Kossick if you can help.

**Fri 5/26:**

**Sat 5/27:**

**Sun 5/28:** Worship with Jon Secaur 9:30am / **4C's**

**Wear RED for Pentecost!!**

## **MCCC May Events & More**

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

- Sun. May 21<sup>st</sup> - Elders Meeting 8:30am **NEW DATE!!**
- Sun. May 21<sup>st</sup> - Worship @9:30am Guest Speaker Aspen Baynes
- Sun. May 21<sup>st</sup> - MCCC Board Meeting. 12-1pm **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**
- Tues. May 23<sup>rd</sup> - Story Time at MCCC! 10:30-11:30am. All Preschoolers are WELCOME!
- Tues. May 23<sup>rd</sup> - "Bread Brigade" Deliveries Due
- Wed. May 24<sup>th</sup> - KWM Packing Bags 12pm
- Thurs. May 25<sup>th</sup> - KWM Delivering Bags
- Thurs. May 25<sup>th</sup> - Loaves & Fishes Free Community Meal 5-6:30pm (see ad)
- Sun. May 28<sup>th</sup> - Worship @9:30am - Guest Speaker Jon Secaur **WEAR RED for Pentecost!!**
- Sun. May 28<sup>th</sup> - "4<sup>th</sup> for the 4C's" collection. (Items are: Coffee, Noodles & Paper Towels)
- Mon. May 29<sup>th</sup> - MEMORIAL DAY!
- Mon. May 30<sup>th</sup> - Story Time at MCCC! 10:30-11:30am. All Preschoolers are WELCOME!
- **Sat. June 3<sup>rd</sup> - "Centering Prayer" event and potluck brunch 9-11:30am (see ad)**
- Sat. June 10<sup>th</sup> - Free Clothing Giveaway at St. Joseph School Bldg. 9-12 (see ad for **donations needed**)
- Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> - Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:secretary@mantuacentercc.org)**

## **Story Time**

**10:30-11:30am**

Every Tuesday for pre-schoolers.

Last day until Fall is

Tuesday June 6<sup>th</sup>!

## **Daytime Fellowship**

Will resume in the fall

## **Life Study**

Will resume in the fall

## **Kids Weekend Meals**

Bread Brigade

By Tues. 23rd

Packing Bags 12pm

May 24th

Delivering Bags

May 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 6<sup>th</sup>!**



## **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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Monday of the month at 1:30pm!**

**Meeting date for June is:**  
**June 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>**

**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**

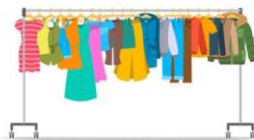
## **CYF MISSION TRIP AND FUNDRAISER!!**

The 2023 CYF Mission/Work trip plans are underway! The dates are **Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**. 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 10<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup>, September 9<sup>th</sup>, and December 9<sup>th</sup>.**

Our Giveaway leaders Lynn Kelley and Nancy Tafel are asking for donations of the following items:

**New packages of diapers, especially sizes 4, 5, & 6**

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 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!**



**WE HAVE VOLUNTEERS!!!**

Thank you to the **ELDERS** who have volunteered to organize **the Potluck on July 30th!**

And also, to the **Youth and their Leaders** for volunteering for **the Potluck on October 29<sup>th</sup>!**

Check out the ad below for more details, AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE AFTER WORSHIP EVENTS!

# Potlucks and Volunteers Needed!!

Keep in mind that on the **5<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>th</sup> and we HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!  
(DON'T FORGET A DISH . . . AND FEEL FREE TO BRING A FRIEND!)

## PLEASE NOTE:

**The Elder's** have graciously volunteered their time, talents, & treasure to organize the Potluck on **July 30th!**

The church **Youth and their leaders** are planning on organizing the Potluck on **October 29<sup>th</sup>!** MCCC would like to keep this potluck idea going into 2024. If your leadership group, Sunday School group, or just a group of friends would like to help with any future potlucks . . . please contact Sandi Kossick (330) 607-7003, Rick Painley (330) 606-6314, or Katie Baird (330) 285-8537 so we can plan ahead for next year! We only need about 6 people to make a team!

*(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](mailto:chakalaausperk@gmail.com).  
Your donation will be listed for many generations to come!**



# An IMPORTANT reminder!

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

**RSVP to Kathleen by Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**

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 24<sup>th</sup>!**

## What's happening around our community?

### Free Dinner

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

Next dinner on  
June 6<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7pm

All are welcome!

The Lutheran Church in Mantua  
is hosting community dinners!

Stop by on the  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month!  
Donations are welcome!

The next dinner will be  
June 21<sup>st</sup> from 5-6:30pm  
All are welcome!

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

**"2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays Soup & Salads"**

It is held at the  
Old Mantua Center School Annex

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

The next meal will be  
**Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> with activities and events on the river & trails. Food, wine tasting & music too!
- Farmer's and Maker's Market will be back on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays in June, July, & August.
- Art on the Hill – Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup> 10am-6pm
- Portage Parks Adventure Race on Sat. July 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Rotary will have their Poker Paddle – Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>
- 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](mailto:secretary@mantuacentercc.org)**