This Week at MCCC June 25 – July 2, 2023

Sun 7/2:Worship at 9:30amMon 7/3:Yarn Group – Hilltop at 1:30Tues 7/4:4th of July! Stay Safe!Wed 7/5:Thu 7/6:Fri 7/7:Sat 7/8:Sat 7/8:Mantua's Art on the Hill 10-6Sun 7/9:Worship at 9:30am



Challenge of the Week: Step outside of your comfort zone & help someone in need in ANY way!



MCCC June & July Events Date Changes, New, or Important Events are Highlighted

- •Sun. July 2nd Worship @9:30am
- •Mon. July 3rd Knitting & Crocheting meets at Hilltop Church at 1:30. All are invited! •Mon. July 3rd – NEW DATE!!! KWM "Bread Brigade" Deliveries due.
- •Tues. July 4th HAPPY 4TH OF JULY TO ALL! HAVE FUN & BE SAFE!!!
- •Wed. July 5th KWM Packing Bags 12pm
- •Thurs. July 6th KWM Bag Deliveries
- •Sat. July 8th Mantua's Art on the Hill & Wine Tasting Too! 10-6 on Prospect St. in Mantua!
- •Sat. July 8th Private Memorial Service @MCCC 11am
- •Sun. July 9th Worship @ 9:30am and Elder's Meeting at 8:30am
- •Fri. July 14th MARSI "2nd Fridays" Soups & Salads Dinner, NOW WITH MUSIC FROM SKIP SCHWEITZER! Come and enjoy a meal & music, all for a donation!
- •Sun. July 16th Worship @9:30am and Board Meeting from 12-1pm. All are welcome!
- •Mon. July 17th Knitting & Crocheting meets at Hilltop Church at 1:30. All are invited!!
- •Tues. July 18th KWM "Bread Brigade" Deliveries DUE
- •Wed. July 19th KWM Packing Bags 12pm
- •Thurs. July 20th KWM Bag Deliveries
- •Sun. July 23rd Worship @ 9:30am and "4TH for the 4C's" (Items needed: Coffee (any kind, regular size containers), Canned Fruit and Dish Soap.
- *Sun. July 23rd ICE CREAM SOCIAL FOLLOWING WORSHIP to Thank Rev. Alicia for serving our church while Chad is away. Her last day is July 30th
- *Thurs. July 27th Loaves & Fishes Community Dinner 5-6:30pm
- •Sun. July 30th Worship @ 9:30am and POTLUCK following worship! ALL ARE WELCOME! Please bring a dish to share!

Story Time 10:30-11:30am

Every Tuesday for pre-schoolers. Will resume in the fall

> **Daytime Fellowship** Will resume in the fall

Life Study Will resume in the fall

Kids Weekend Meals

Bread Brigade By Mon. July 3rd & Tues. July 18th

Packing Bags 12pm July 5th & 19th

Delivering Bags July 6th & 20th

Chi-Rho & CYF Events

4C's Food Collection Sun. July 23rd Coffee, Canned Fruit & Dish Soap

Loaves & Fishes Dinner 5-6:30pm

Thurs., June 29th & Thurs., July 27th

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

Ice Cream Social – July 23rd!

A special event to say "Thank You" to Rev. Alicia for being our guest Preacher in June & July. Her last day will be July 30th. Please come and support her!

Next Potluck Lunch Immediately after worship July 30th

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 dates for July are: July 3rd & July 17th

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



PRAYER SHAWL NEWS!!

The Prayer Shawls from this church can be given by <u>ANYONE</u> who would like to give one to a friend, neighbor or family member who needs prayers for ANY REASON.

The shawls are NOW located in the back of the church near the window, on the ladder. We ask you to: 1) SIGN THE CLIPBOARD that hangs from the coat rack so we can determine how many shawls are needed and how many people we helped. Then, 2) SELECT ONE FROM THE LADDER THEY HANG ON.

These shawls have been prayed over by our MCCC church community and the makers who have created them. We hope they will be a source of comfort to those who receive them.

MCCC Loaves & Fishes Community Meal!!

Thursday, June 29th, from 5-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The menu is: Stuffed Peppers Hashbrown Casserole Rolls Assorted Desserts

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

We could especially use HELP with clean-up from 6:15-7:15pm

Just 1 hour a month would make a huge difference for the workers who provide these meals!

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! Want to get involved in a church activity, but don't know where to start ?????

Loaves & Fishes Dinner might be for **YOU!!**

If you can spare just 1 hour a month, check out this ad! If you have questions, contact

Carolin @ 330-606-7125 for details!

* This is also a great way for kids to earn their Community Service credits!





"STORY TIME" WILL RETURN IN THE FALL EVERY TUESDAY FROM 10:30-11:30am!! Mantua Center Christian Church Fellowship Hall



We 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 if you would like to volunteer your time to help! 216-308-7930

St. Joseph's Free Clothing & Diaper Giveaway!

St. Joseph Church in Mantua is hosting a free clothing event on Sat. September 9th 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: 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, 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: 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, June 25th Items needed are:

Coffee - reg. or instant (Regular Size Containers Please) Canned Fruit, Dish Soap

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 & everyone in our area churches and our community for your continued support! MCCC offers a Big "Thank You" to Rev. Alicia!!

The Worship Team is planning an



following worship on JULY 23RD!!

Rev. Alicia has graciously filled-in as our Guest Preacher for June & July. Her

last Sunday with us is July 30th, but she was not available to stay after for our Potluck. Therefore . . . an Ice Cream Social was set for the week before!

There will soon be a sign-up sheet in the entrance of the church for anyone who would like to help donate supplies for this event.

We sincerely hope that you will plan to attend both the Ice Cream Social, as well as her last sermon with us on July 30th and then our Potluck! **Potlucks**

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 will be organized by our MCCC Elders! We HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

(DON'T FORGET A DISH TO PASS . . . AND FEEL FREE TO BRING A FRIEND!)

PLEASE NOTE:

The church **Youth and their leaders** are planning on organizing the Potluck on **October 29th!** 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 5 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 <u>GREAT WAY</u> 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:

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

* <u>The Lives We Actually Have: 100 Blessings for Imperfect Days</u>, 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. <u>chakalaausperk@gmail.com</u>. Your donation will be listed for many generations to come!

> Important Message from the Secretary! PLEASE SEND <u>ANY</u> CHURCH RELATED CORRESPONDENCE <u>INCLUDING PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS</u> TO:

secretary@mantuacentercc.org

What's happening around our community?

Free Dinner

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

5:30-7pm

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, July 14th, from 4-7pm

Eat-in or Take-out available!

NOW FEATURING music by "Moonshadow" (Skip Schweitzer, Cal Craig, & Sarah Harvey!)

Dinner & Music all for a donation!!

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 July 19th from 5-6:30pm All are welcome!

Stay tuned for details on all the upcoming events in Mantua this year! Dates to keep in mind are:

- 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