This Week at MCCC July 23-30, 2023

Sun 7/23: Worship at 9:30am

4C's Food Collection (Items needed are: Coffee, Canned Fruit, Dish Soap) Ice Cream Social after worship!

Mon 7/24: Tues 7/25: Wed 7/26:

Thu 7/27: Loaves & Fishes Meal – 5-6:30pm

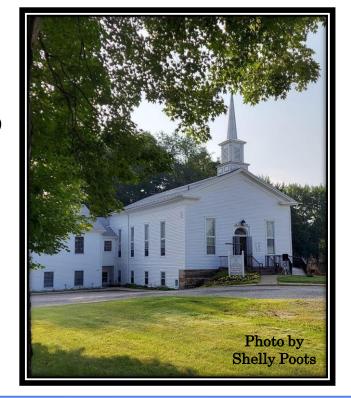
<u>Fri 7/28:</u> <u>Sat 7/29</u>:

Sun 7/30: Worship at 9:30am Potluck after worship!



5th Challenge of the Week:

Be a shining light to all! Matthew 5:14



MCCC July Events

Date Changes, New, or Important Events are Highlighted

•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!

*Fri. Aug. 4th - Joan Siman Memorial Service at MCCC - 11am with luncheon to follow.

Joan Siman's Memorial Service will be on Friday, August 4th at Mantua Center Christian Church. The service will begin at 11am and we will have a luncheon following the service. All are welcome to attend. Click on the link for her obituary. <u>Joan Siman Obituary - Record-Courier</u>

We will be asking our church members to help provide donations for the luncheon for Joan. An email will be sent out soon with the details. Keep your eye on the lookout for it! If you have any questions or would like to help set-up, serve, or clean-up for this event, please contact Sandi Kossick (call or text) 330-607-7003. Thanks for your consideration!

HURRAY!!

An MCCC Canoe Trip is in the works!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 13th. Time, Prices, & location will be coming soon!!



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 Tues. Aug.1st, 15th, & 29th

Packing Bags 12pm

Aug. 2nd, 16th, & 30th

Delivering Bags

Aug. 3rd, 17th, & 31st

Chi-Rho & CYF Events

4C's Food Collection

Sun. July 23rd

Coffee, Canned Fruit & Dish Soap

Loaves & Fishes Dinner

5-6:30pm

Thurs., July 27th & Thurs., Aug.31st

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 workday of yarn or needle work crafters at Hilltop Church every 1st & 3rd Monday of the month from 1:30-3:00pm!

We added a new date on July 31st!
August dates are the 7th & 21st

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! Those doing needle work projects are also welcome!

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

Thank you for your efforts Kathy Meier !!

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, July 27th, from 5-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The menu is:
Pizza
Tossed Salad
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. –through 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.

Helping Others Feels Great!!!



Our next 4C's collection is Sunday, June 23rd

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 having 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!

Many thanks to all ALLwho will be donating needed supplies for this event, and to the Worship Team for organizing it!

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:

- * 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.

Your donation will be listed for many generations to come!

Important Message from the Secretary!

PLEASE SEND ANY CHURCH RELATED CORRESPONDENCE INCLUDING PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS 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, August 11th, from 4-7pm

Eat-in or Take-out available!

"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
August 16th 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.
- 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 church or community, please let Sandi Kossick know so it can be included in the calendar! Send all information via email to secretary@mantuacentercc.org