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An MCCC Canoe/Kayak Trip is all set!

Sunday, August 13th <u>Meet at Camp Hi, in Hiram, at 1pm.</u> \$36/person for either Canoe or Kayak rental. Pay ahead of time to Steve Hurd. This will be a 3-hr. trip with pizza & drinks upon returning to Camp Hi! Questions? Steve Hurd (330) 842-0026

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. 15th, & 29th

> Packing Bags 12pm Aug. 16th, & 30th

Delivering Bags Aug. 17th, & 31st

Chi-Rho & CYF Events

4C's Food Collection Sun. Aug. 27th

Loaves & Fishes Dinner 5-6:30pm Thurs., Aug.31st (see ad)

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

5th Sunday Potluck! October 29th following worship

Centering Prayer Event September 9th, October 14, & November 11th (see ad)

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!

The next date is August 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 <u>needle work projects</u> are also welcome!

> 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 <u>ANY REASON</u>.

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.

<u>MCCC Loaves & Fishes</u> <u>Community Meal!!</u>

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

The menu is: Chicken, Stuffing, Hash Brown Casserole, Peaches and Assorted Desserts

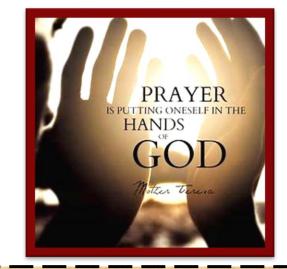
If you would like to get involved in the planning, cooking, or serving of our dinners, as well as dessert donations, please contact Carolin Newell at: (330) 606-7125.

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! This is also a great way for kids to earn their community service credits!!

> 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!



Kathleen Lewarchick has just announced the new Fall Schedule for her Centering Prayer events, held at her home (5182 Winchell Rd., Mantua, Oh). This is a unique opportunity to share a morning of reflection, fellowship,

and brunch!!

The Fall dates are: Sept. 9th Oct. 14th Nov. 11th

The flyer is attached to this email and provides a link explaining more about the **Practice of Silent Reflection**.

Please give it a try! You will LOVE it!

9am: Meet old & new friends 9:30am: Learn about Centering Prayer & practice it 10:30am: Potluck brunch (Bring a dish to share with 4-6 people.) Main dish is provided.



"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, Aug. 27th Items needed are:

Granola Bars Peanut Butter (Small AND Medium sizes)

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!



The Mantua Center Christian Church, Mary Cann, Perlea Converse, and Lucius Converse Memorial Scholarship applications are available for those going into higher education this fall!

The application is attached to this email for your use. If a hard copy is needed, please let one of the committee members know. They are:

Ruth Anne Ruehr, <u>ruehr@kent.edu</u>, Jon Secaur, <u>jsecaur@kent.edu</u>, and MaryEllen Hamlin, <u>Mhamlin622@gmail.com</u>.

The deadline for turning in the application is August 20, 2023. There will also be extra copies on the bulletin board in the entrance of the church. **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, Oct. 29th, and will be organized by our MCCC Youth Group & Leaders! We HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE! (DON'T FORGET A DISH TO PASS . . . AND FEEL FREE TO BRING A FRIEND!)

PLEASE NOTE:

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, September 8th, 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 <u>donation!!</u>

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!** <u>Dates to keep in mind are:</u>

- 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

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