



November 19, 2023
“Stewardship: Faithful, Hopeful, Loving”

Mantua Center Christian Church
Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Arms
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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If you decide to attend in person, please note the following:

- The upstairs nursery is available for your children. There are also coloring sheets at the entrance for the children.
- After the Children’s Moment, all kids through 4th grade are welcome to attend Sunday School class which will run through the end of worship.
- We pass communion. If you prefer, we have sealed “personal” communion cups available at the entrance.
- Offering baskets will be passed around the sanctuary at the start of the “Invitation to Generosity.” (You may also *Give Online* at: mantuacentercc.org).
- **Hearing Assistance is now available at MCCC!** Please see Carol Magyarics for help in setting this up.

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Invitation

Linda Idoine

Offertory

Music

“Give Thanks”

Clara Kim & Sarah Park

[by Henry Smith]

***Response**

“Give Thanks”

#528

*Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ his Son. Give Thanks!*

Offering Prayer

Linda Idoine

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Rev. Chad Delaney

SPECIAL MUSIC

Clara Kim & Sarah Park

“III: Andante- Sonata for Violin and Piano in A Major, D. 574”

[by F. Schubert]

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Chad Delaney

HOLY COMMUNION

Meditation

Beth Schabel

***Hymn**

“Come Share the Lord”

#408, vs. 1-3

1 We gather here in Jesus’ name,
His love is burning in our hearts like living flame;
For through the loving Son the Father makes us one;
Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine,
come, share the Lord.

No one is a stranger here, everyone belongs;
Finding our forgiveness here, we in turn forgive all wrongs.

2 He joins us here, he breaks the bread,
the Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead;
the one we love the most is now our gracious host:
Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine,
come, share the Lord.

We are now a family of which the Lord is head;
though unseen he meets us here in the breaking of the bread.

3 We’ll gather soon where angels sing;
we’ll see the glory of our Lord and coming King;
now we anticipate the feast for which we wait:
Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine,
come, share the Lord.

Prayer

Pete Pruszynski

Words of Institution

Pete Pruszynski

Music

“You Raise Me Up”

Clara Kim & Sarah Park

[by Brendan Graham]

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 35:30-36:7

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SERMON

“HOPEFUL Anticipation”

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*CLOSING HYMN “Go, My Children, With My Blessing”

#431, vs. 1-3

1 Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river, I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing—you are my own.

2 Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Here you heard my dear Son's story;
here you touched him, saw his glory.
Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

3 Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me;
Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free.
Here my Spirit's power filled you;
here his tender comfort stilled you.
Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Chad Delaney

POSTLUDE

Clara Kim & Sarah Park

“IV: Allegro Vivace – Sonata for Violin and Piano in A Major, D. 574”

[by F. Schubert]

*Thank you for joining us at
Mantua Center Christian Church!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- * **Hearing Assistance is now available at MCCC!** Ask Carol Magyarics, our video technician, for setup tips!
- * **Board Meeting Sun. Nov. 19th from 12-1pm!!** Please feel free to join us!
- * **Don't forget to fill out and return your Pledge Cards on Sunday, Nov. 26th!** Just drop them in the collection basket.
- * Don't forget that **“Story Time”** has returned for preschoolers, accompanied by an adult, **every Tuesday, from 10:30-11:30am.** EVERYONE IS INVITED! What a fun way to share some one-on-one time with your child, grandchild, or niece/nephew!! Contact Pam Auble with any questions: 216-308-7930.
- * Attention all **Knitters & Crocheters!** Meet us at the Hilltop Church from 1:30-3:00pm on **Monday, Nov. 20th** (usually the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month). All are welcome with their yarn projects or hand work creations for chit-chat and show and tell! Questions? Contact **Kathy Meier at: 330-840-8944.** Want to learn a new skill? Come join us and learn - Prayer Shawls are always in need!

* Come join us **EVERY WEDNESDAY** from 1:15-2:30pm for our **“ Dwelling in the Word ”** (Daytime Fellowship) led by Pastor Chad, or from 7-8:30pm for our **“ Life Study ”** gathering led by Jon Secaur. What wonderful mid-week events we have available in fellowship and Bible studies! Great conversations to be had at both! **NOTE: There will be NO WEDNESDAY GATHERINGS THIS WEEK, Nov. 22nd due to Thanksgiving week.**

* **DON'T FORGET - - - KWM'S 3RD ANNUAL THANKSGIVING PLUNGE is THIS THURSDAY, Nov. 23rd from 9-11am!** Think about taking the plunge, or sponsoring one of our “plungers” at the “B Ranch” (3327 Work Rd., Shalersville, Oh) Extra sign-up forms are available in the entrance of the church and through Pete Pruszynski (330) 607-4102, who is helping Liz Meeker by organizing this event again this year! Grab a few friends and take the plunge together in memory of Pastor Len Malotte! **Thanks to Todd & Cheryl Brugmann for letting us use their property for this fundraiser!**

* **The 4C's** (Crestwood Coalition for Community Care) next food collection is Sunday, November 26th. Items needed for November are: **Strawberry Jam or Jelly, Canned Fruit, and Canned Pasta.** *Monetary Donations are also welcome.* Many thanks to all at MCCC for supporting the 4C's!

***The “MITTEN TREE” has returned during the month of November!** Spread the word to friends and family! We are asking for donations of **mittens, gloves, scarves, winter headbands, & hats in all sizes!** These items can be homemade, or store bought. Donations will then be given to our Kids Weekend Meals families just before Christmas. Any extras will be donated to Family & Community Services in Ravenna for those in need. No donation is too small! Any questions? Contact Sandi Kossick (330) 607-7003. **Special thanks to Kathy Meier for volunteering to help this year!!**

* **SAVE THE DATE FOR OWM'S ANNUAL CRAFT BAZAAR on Saturday, Dec. 2nd from 10am – 4pm!**

There will be a variety of vendor's and crafters, food to purchase, music, 50/50 raffle, and the Smile Team will be hosting a bake sale! Lots for everyone to enjoy! Bring your friends and family for a great time! We will need some help with this event and a sign-up sheet will be emailed soon!

***SAVE THE DATE FOR MCCC'S ANNUAL ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY!! Saturday, Dec. 9th at 3pm.** See the attached flyer attached to this email, or on the bulletin board in the front entrance of the church.

* **Please check out our NEW “Card Station”** (put together through the combined efforts of the **Trustees and the Smile Team**) outside the Fellowship Hall, near the restrooms. **We have current MCCC Congregational Lists, and Prayer Lists for the taking!** We also have a nice selection of cards to choose from. There is a basket on the bulletin board to drop your card in - AND a Smile Team member will even mail it for you! There's nothing better than knowing that someone is thinking of you! Write out a card today! **It's FREE!**

***Please Remember!** The Trustees and others within the congregation have been diligently working to clear out various closet and classroom spaces of unnecessary items. To prevent a build-up again of things that the congregants want to charitably donate to MCCC, we are asking individuals to first check with one of the Trustees to see if we can accept and can accommodate these items before dropping them off at the church. The Trustees are: Paul Meeker 330-357-6392, Pat Hoskin 440-223-6351, Brian Summerlin 440-667-9437, Randy Alger 330-221-5800, & Dale Ausperk 440-382-9971. **Also, take a close look at the sanctuary with its newly painted walls!! Many thanks to all who helped get this project completed!! Extend a special “Thanks” to those who have made our church so nice just in time for the holidays!**