



June 15, 2025

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 Sunday Classes at 12pm.
- **Hearing Assistance is now available at MCCC!** Please see Carol Magyarics or Rick Painley (our video techs) for help in setting this up.
- **Want to schedule a meeting with Chad?** Click on the following link or check our website!
<https://calendly.com/pastormccc/meeting?month=2024-02>.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

Sarah Park

WELCOME

Rev. Chad Delaney

Announcements

~ for Mission Updates

*Ministry Leaders and congregants are welcome to come forward to the mic,
to give a mission update or share ways for people to
get involved in missions and ministries.*

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 19:1-4

¹ The heavens are telling the glory of God,
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
² Day to day pours forth speech,
and night to night declares knowledge.
³ There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard;
⁴ yet their voice goes out through all the earth
and their words to the end of the world.

WELCOME SONG

“We Gather Together”

#276, v. 1

We gather together to ask for God's blessing,
to turn to a wisdom surpassing our own;
the pow'rs that oppress us now cease to distress us.
O God, be present with us, and make your will know.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Aspen Baynes

ONE: We come today not because we've mastered our words,
but because God still speaks grace to our hearts.

**ALL: We come not because our tongues are tame,
but because we long to speak with love and truth.**

ONE: We come knowing that small things like a spark or a word can
change everything.

**ALL: So, O Lord, let the words of our mouths and the meditations of
our hearts be pleasing in your sight, our rock and our redeemer.**

***OPENING HYMN**

“This is my Father’s World”

#59, vs. 1-3

1 This is my Father's world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas
God's hands the wonders wrought.

2 This is my Father's world:
the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the flowers bright,
declare their Maker's praise.
Our God has made this world
and shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass I hear God pass,
who speaks to me everywhere.

3 Our God has made this world:
oh, let us ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
God trusts us with this world,
to keep it clean and fair.
All earth and trees, the skies and seas,
God's creatures everywhere.

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Invitation

Offertory

Music

Aspen Baynes

“All the Way My Saviour Leads Me”

[by R. Lowry]

Sarah Park

***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

Aspen Baynes

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Rev. Chad Delaney

SPECIAL MUSIC

“God is in My Heart”

[by Lucy Ann Warriner]

Jan Green

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Chad Delaney

HOLY COMMUNION

Meditation

Katie Baird

*Communion Hymn

#5, vs. 1-2

“O For a Thousand Tongues”

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and king,
the triumphs of God's grace!

2 Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life, and health, and peace.

Communion Prayer
Words of Institution
Music

Cathy Hakala-Ausperk
Cathy Hakala-Ausperk
Sarah Park

“I Hear the Saviour Say” *[by J. T. Grape]*

SCRIPTURE

James 3:2-12

2 For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is mature, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. **3** If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. **4** Or look at ships: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. **5** So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a such a small fire! **6** And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of life, and is itself set on fire by hell. **7** For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, **8** but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. **9** With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse people, made in the likeness of God.

10 From the same mouth comes a blessing and a curse. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. **11** Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? **12** Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

SERMON

“Tongues of Fire”

Rev. Chad Delaney

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Take My Life”

#609, vs. 1, 3, 6

1 Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

3 Take my voice, and let me sing;
unto God my praise I bring.
Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee,
filled with messages from thee.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Chad Delaney

As we depart let's remember the Fruits of the Spirit are...
Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness,
gentleness and self-control (2x)

POSTLUDE

“I’m Rejoicing Night and Day”
[by D. M. Shanks]

Sarah Park

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

**Special thanks to Jan Green for her “Special Music” selection
this morning and to Sarah Park for providing our hymn music!**

We are blessed with so much musical talent in our congregation! Please consider donating to our
“**Music Fund Income**” either online or during our offering. (Be sure to specify Music Fund!) Your
generosity will be used toward Special Music honorariums,
music, and other supplies.

MCCC Announcements - June 15, 2025

- **1)** Bible Study "Dwelling in the Word" led by Pastor Chad will be held this Wed. May 28 from 1:15-2:30pm "Life Study" will also be held on Wednesday led by Jon Secaur, from 6:30-8pm. All are welcome - feel free to bring a guest!
- **2)** Sunday Classes following worship are: "Life 101" led by Carol Buzbee, "The Seekers" led by Nancy Humes and "The Bible & Beyond" led by Jon Secaur. Oldcomers and newcomers are ALL welcome to attend any of the 3 classes!
- **3)** CYF Mission Trip 2025 is set! CYF youth and adults will leave for our Detroit Mission Trip on the afternoon of Sunday, June 22nd. All our meals will be provided by the CASS Community Service team; however, snacks are always appreciated! If you would like to express your support for the youth with food, we welcome donations of individually wrapped bars, chips, nuts, candies, juices. These donations may be left in the Narthex any Sunday and Pam Auble will gather and store them. If you would like to donate fresh fruit like apples, oranges, cuties, grapes, pineapples, & melons, please bring them to the church worship service on June 22nd. Questions? Call Pam Auble (216-308-7930).
- **4)** Attention Hilltop Knitters! Our meetings in June will be at the Hilltop Church on Monday, June 16th, & 30th. We normally meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, from 1:30-3pm, but get an extra date in as there are 3 Mondays in June! All yarn and hand work creators are welcome to come, work on their projects, and visit!
- **5)** "4th for the 4C's" food collection will be Sunday, June 22nd. Items needed in June are: Crackers, Pancake Mix, Baked Beans, and Pasta Sauce. Remember . . . NO DONATION IS TOO SMALL WHEN COMBINED WITH OTHERS! Note: We also collect baby items for the Free Clothing & Diaper Giveaway with the 4C's items. See #10 in the list for details.
- **6)** The next Loaves and Fishes Free Community Dinner will be Thursday, June 26th from 5-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall! This is a free community meal, and all are welcome to attend. (Donations are gratefully accepted but not required.) If you would like to help with ANY part of this dinner, please contact Carolin Newell at: 330-606-7125. The menu for June is: Pizza, Salad, Mixed Fruit, and assorted Desserts.
- **7)** Library News - Our Fellowship Library is growing! *Check out this new title in the Fellowship Library: Check out Boat Baby: A Memoir, by Vicky Nguyen now in the Fellowship Library! Thanks to Rick Painley for the donation.*
- **8)** SAVE THE DATE!! THE NEXT "5TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH MCCC POTLUCK" WILL BE JUNE 29TH FOLLOWED BY OUR 2ND "DAY OF KINDNESS"! Please mark your calendars and join us for both events. Kathleen Lewarchick & Roger Cram (new leaders for 2025) are looking at holding a car wash, but the location has yet to be determined.
- **9)** The next date for the Free Clothing & Diaper Giveaway is Saturday, August 9th, from 9am-12 noon at St. Joseph school building. Spread the word - ALL ARE WELCOME!! The ONLY shed that is utilized for the Free Clothing Giveaway is on the south side of the MCCC parking lot, and it is currently OPEN for donations! They need diapers (Currently sizes 2, 4, 5, & 7), baby wipes, large black trash bags (30-33 gal), and regular trash bags (13 gal.). You can bring the baby items or trash bags to the church at your convenience by leaving them in the outside bin at the lower-level entrance of the

church, OR bring them on June 22nd to donate with the 4C's food collection during worship. Questions? Call Nancy Tafel at (330) 416-0752. Thank you for your support.

- **10)** Remember to save your can tabs (from soup, pop, etc!) The jar is located just inside the lower-level entrance window. After collecting the tabs, please drop them in the jar at your convenience. The proceeds will benefit research for NFS (Neurofibromatosis) - a genetic disorder that causes tumors to form in the brain, spinal cord, and nerves. It can present either internally or externally and many times begins in adolescence. (Family members within our community are currently afflicted with this disorder. Thanks to Mike & Pat Hoskin for collecting these tabs to raise awareness and money for research.
- **11)** Hilltop Church is looking for volunteers to man their "Free Store" in the basement of their church. They only need one person from 1-3pm on Wednesdays. This would be perfect for a school-aged person looking for volunteer work this summer. The "Free Store" is a room inside the 4C's that gives away gently used household items that are clean and not broken. These include dishes, pictures, crafts, small appliances, books - but no clothing. If anyone is interested in helping Hilltop's mission, contact Candy Lloyd at 330-592-2945 and leave a message/text.

Mantua Community Events

- 1) The Mantua Area Restoration Society (MARSI) continues to have suppers at the old Mantua Center School on the 2nd Friday of each month from 4-7pm and it's open to ALL! The "2nd Fridays Supper" is by donation only. Join us on June 13th and take a night off from cooking. They even have music provided by Steve Stork for your enjoyment!
- 2) Activities for the "older generation" are happening at Buchert Park Village Lodge, 4810 E. High St., Mantua, every Wednesday from 11am-3pm. For more information call 330-274-8776, ext.155 or 330-297-2575. Also check Facebook: "Crestwood Community Center" for weekly schedules!
- 3) Mantua Variety Market is held every Saturday through August 23rd from 9-1 at the Lutheran Church in Mantua. This is an outside event to sell your "wares" or garden products. Contact Diane Lottig at 330-274-2868 to register by the Thursday before.
- 4) Farmers & Makers Market at the Granary in Mantua is coming June 13th from 4-7pm! Explore locally made products and produce, enjoy live music, and more! The Summer Kick-off is Friday, June 13th and runs through August on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month! Stop by and check it out!
- 5) Mantua's "Art on the Hill" will be Saturday, July 12th on E. Prospect Street from 10am-6pm. It features a variety of artisans, food vendors, a photo contest, wine tasting and more!! Mark your calendars and enjoy some shopping and wine!