



The United Endeavor

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UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH BALTIMORE, MD. 21224



DON'T JUST LIE THERE, JUMP!

It is a strange thing about a frog. You can't kill him by dropping him into hot water, for his reaction to heat will be so sudden he will jump clean out of the pot. But, you put a frog into cold water and heat it gradually, the frog will not react at all but will remain in the water until cooked.

This same strangeness is apparent in the lives of men. If you were to remove their freedom from them, the reaction would truly be revolutionary, and men would struggle to keep freedom. But if the elements of the free life are removed gradually, often there will be no reaction until the chains of a slavery to despotism are fully fashioned and it is too late.

Similarly, mankind would react violently if the church and its influence were suddenly removed from our life. We say we need the Christian faith and the church which makes it explicit in our lives, and would struggle to keep it intact. But, the Devil is wiser than to make this mistake. He tempts us to for-

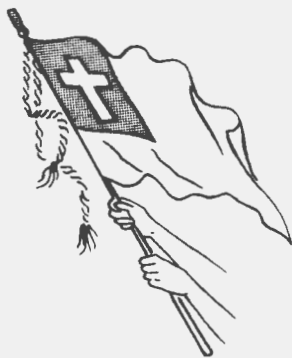
sake the church and the faith step by step. He tells us regularity in our attendance at God's House is not necessary and we believe him. He tells us that watchfulness over our morals is old-fashioned and we follow his suggestions and let down the traces so that 'anything goes'; all we are concerned about is having a good time, a life full of earthly pleasures. Again, the ole Devil tricks us into believing the church and our faith are things which are at the perimeter of our life and are to have no effect upon the day by day experiences in store shop, factory or home. Religion is only for Sundays, he says.

And like the frog, we someday wake up to discover we are dead spiritually. Or, we don't even realize our lamentable state, which is worse. We are no longer children of God in the sense we worship Him, but are 'children of the flesh' given over to worldliness in total-ity.

Are you on this road? Are you permitting the Spirit of Evil to deaden your sensitiveness to that which is wrong, to anesthetize your spiritual powers. At this beginning of a new season of activity at the church, you are called to a renewal of loyalty and a new sensitivity of the spiritual. Your relationship with the church and your personal spiritual life are important and need to be given the proper high position in your life. If you have been negligent about these matters in the recent past, jump before it is too late.



**GET
IN
THE
MARCH!**



**BACK TO CHURCH
SUNDAY, SEPT. 10**

Yes, we need YOU to get into the march here at United, to become a part of the active life at this your church. Thus we call all to this Renewal of Loyalty Sunday, the Back to Church Sunday, Sept. 10th. Many of us have been gone from the halls of worship since May or early June and need to get back into the groove of regularity and participation. Thus we make a beginning together on the second Sunday in September. On this Sunday the more formal Order of Service resumes, the choirs are back for the two services and we make a new beginning in the name of the Lord. The Pastor presents the second sermon in the series of messages on the church presented in the Book of Revelation. Attend either service, the one at 8:00 or the one at 10:15, but, be sure to come to church this Sunday.



LABOR DAY

**LABOR
SUNDAY
SEPT. 3**

This will be last Sunday for the Summer Order of Service. No Communion in September. Services at 8:00 and 10:15 a.m. with Church School at 9:00. Pastor Rasche begins a series of messages on Revelations.



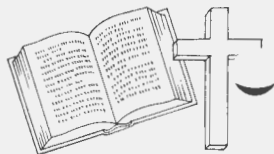
Something to crow about

**OUR
99TH
BIRTHDAY, SEPT. 17**

Sunday, Sept 17th is the 99th anniversary of our United Evangelical congregation. We celebrate this outstanding event in both the services, and the Pastor presents the third in the series of messages on Revelations. Come and be with us this big day.

**THE
DAY
IS
SEPT. 24**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
SUNDAY -



Once each year, at the beginning of the fall season, we highlight the importance of Christian Education in our church life. At the 10:15 service on this day the members of the Church School staff will reconsecrate themselves to their great volunteer task of imparting the Word of God to our youth and adults. Sermon by Pastor Rasche.



**SERMONS
ON LAST
BOOK
OF
BIBLE**

The Book of Revelation in the New Testament has long been a misunderstood book, and many have a false impression as to its message. It is book of our time, and contains strong messages for our Christian living. The Pastor will present a group of messages based on Revelations in the services of this coming Fall season.

Be with us each Sunday as we read from this great book and as we receive the messages written for the seven great churches of that N.T. day. You will discover that each of these churches symbolize the church of today. Hear these stirring messages.



CHURCH SCHOOL INVITES YOU

Not only are we concerned about our folk getting back to the services of the church but also that the Church School receive our attention. Do you know that we have a wonderful school of religion that is in operation each Sunday of the year at the hour of 9:00 a.m. We do invite you to see that your children and grand-children are part of this school. If they have been coming and were away for the summer, see that they return at least by Sept.

th. If they have not been with us, start them this fall season. We have classes for all children from pre-school age through the youth, and even invite our men and women to attend the classes for them. The school is open to all, you simply have to begin coming. Get your entire family enrolled in Church School this fall.



AUTUMN

ORGANIZATIONS RESUME

Church Council, Tues., Sept. 5th.

Ladies Aid, Wed., Sept. 6

Church School Staff will have an entire staff meeting, Tues. Sept. 12

Men's Fellowship, Wed., Sept. 13

For this Sept. meeting a special film "The Critical Decades" will be shown. Also there will be dart baseball, pinochle for those desiring, and refreshments. Come, men, this is your group.

Women's Guild, Wed., Sept. 20.

Choirs, each Thurs. Aug. 31st on.

Scouts, Monday and Tues.

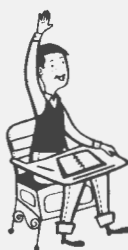
Sewing group, Tues., from Oct. on.

Confirmation, each Thurs. and Sunday

1st yr. class, Sundays at 9 a.m.

2nd yr. class, Thursdays at 7:30

Be active. Get in one of our groups



CONFIRMATION CLASSES TO ORGANIZE

Confirmation is that process in our total Christian education process whereby our youth are given two years of intensive instruction in the elements of the faith and the working of the church prior to their acceptance into membership with the church in their middle teens.

The first year class is held on each Sunday morning and is for all youth 12 yrs of age, or older, who have not yet been confirmed. This class meets at the Church School hour.

The second year class is held on Thursday evenings, under the direction of the Pastor, and continues from Sept. to Easter.

The 1st year class is to be organized on Sunday, Sept 17th in Friendship Hall. The 2nd year class resumes classes on Thurs, Sept. 21 at the 7:30 p.m. hour.



ALL-DAY LEARNING SESSION ANNOUNCED

This advance notification is being given all Church School personnel so that they can save, Sat. Nov. 4th for a full-day training session here at the church, with the noon meal provided. Based upon the general theme of improving the skills of teaching in the Church School, this workshop will have morning and afternoon sessions and will be under the general direction of Mid-Atlantic Institute of Christian Education. All of the Church School, be sure to save this day, morning and afternoon. Arrange to have baby sitters for your youngsters, have Dad cook the noon meal, make whatever arrangements necessary to permit you to be present for this entire session. The date again, Saturday Nov. 4th. It is important that we have every teacher, helper here.

CHURCH RECORDS

Baptisms

Thomas Allen, Jr., son of Thomas and Jacqueline Gabbert, June 18
Anthony Emil, son of Emil and Mary Werner, June 18

Mrs. Mary Werner, adult, June 18
Mrs. Paula Bostic, adult, June 18
Mrs. Shirley Bailey, adult, June 18
Mrs. Linda Loudermilk, adult, on

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Mr. Danny Loudermilk, adult, on June 18

Dawn DeNean, daughter of William and Caroline Nikitin, on July 16
Sherrie Lynn, daughter of Glenn and Betty Pryor, on Aug. 6

Lois Lynn, daughter of Robert and Florence Lois Ewing on Aug. 13

George Joseph, IV, son of George and Karen Chriest, on Aug. 13

Weddings

James Bell and Banquita Helmbright on May 20

Alfred Graziano and Joan Bassetti on May 25

Adolph Zaleski, Jr. and Karen Wiczynski on May 27

Raymond James and Charlene Schaller on June 4

John Vain and Rose Holden on June 9

Wallace Bondyra and Pamela Hrynczyszyn on June 11

Charles Williston and Patricia Gerry on July 22

Carvel Smith and Carolyn Scales on Aug. 12

Michael J. Stephens and Barbara Vogel on Aug. 18

Funerals

Miss Jane Becker, age 20, member, on May 22

Charles S. Oberlander, age 68, member, on June 5

Mrs. Mary Biscoe, age 65, June 28
Leroy J. Sennett, age 72, member, on July 3

Mrs. Katherine Winslow, age 86, on July 8

Mrs. Anna Reiter, age 82, July 17
Mrs. Marion Cain, age 44, July 17

Thomas Creamer, age 66, July 22
George Weaver, age 63, July 27

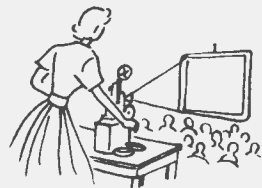
Lloyd Harsh, age 62, July 29
John Zang, Jr., age 69, Aug. 2

William Moltz, age 57, Aug. 3
Elmer Steinmetz, age 81, member on Aug. 7

Mrs. Hildegard Clements, age 74 on Aug. 17

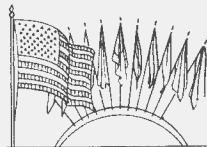
John Newlon, age 54, on Aug. 18

New Members (June 18) Mrs. Mary Werner, Mrs. Paula Bostic, Joseph R. Bailey, Mrs. Shirley Bailey, Danny D. Loudermilk, Mrs. Linda Loudermilk.



FAMILY FELLOWSHIP FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

This is a get-together for all the family members, beginning at 8:00 p.m. The evening gets under way with a group of activities for the entire family. Then, as the program of the evening, Pastor and Mrs. Rasche will present a group of pictures from their 1972 European tour, with narrative by Mrs. Rasche. During the showing of the pictures there will be activities for the very young in the Gym. The evening will conclude with refreshments. The occasion is under the direction of the Fellowship Committee of the Church Council.



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Worship

Each Sunday — 8:00 & 10:15 a.m.

(7:45 a.m. each Communion Sunday)

Church School — 9:00 a.m.