

NEWS FROM UNITED CHURCH

Our Mission

*We seek to continue Jesus' mission Of reaching out Embracing everyone
Enriching all Becoming living examples Bonding all with the love of God*

February 2002

Dear Members and Friends of United,

On Ash Wednesday, February 13th we entered into the Lenten Season for this year. This is one of the most holy seasons that we celebrate. One way we celebrate this season is by having worship services here at United every Wednesday evening during Lent. This year our services are a little different. In lieu of a sermon, a dialogue is being read by two members of our congregation. The Series is titled "CROSS EXAMINATION", and as you will see in the calendar that follows each week the dialogue is different. If you are able, please try to attend these very meaningful and moving worship services.

If you know of anyone who needs transportation, please call the church office and let us know. We will try our best to make sure everyone who wants to attend our church has the opportunity.

George Nassner, President

DEACON MAXIM HOFFMANN

I am still in awe at the prospect of serving as your Deacon until a full time Pastor is called.

This has been a most rewarding experience for me and a wonderful opportunity to further hone my own pastoral skills.

I am grateful for the loving response I have received, not only from my co-workers, but from the congregation as well.

We have been making some small subtle changes to our order of worship in order to keep a certain continuity to the entire service.

We are hoping to revise our prayer list in a way, which will enable me to be more specific in my prayers for those in need. What a thrill it is for me to realize how many of my co-worshippers are concerned for those who need Christ's healing power. My own prayer life has been uplifted by your love for others.

May God's grace and power, with the blessing of his Holy Spirit, be with you all.

Deacon Max

P. A. C. T.

Pact is now registering for all programs for 2, 3 and 4 year olds. Anyone interested, call Concetta Clark 410-995-0118

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2002

Wednesday the 20th

The second week in the Lenten Series of "CROSS EXAMINATIONS" is titled "A Matter of Death and Life". The worship service will start at 7:30 p.m. There will be a sing-a-long prior to the worship service from 7:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. At the close of worship there will be a fellowship time in the Friendship Hall with light refreshments.

Wednesday the 27th

The third week in the Lenten series of "CROSS EXAMINATIONS" is title "Is The Cross Necessary?" The Sing- a-long will begin at 7:15 p.m. and the worship service will begin at 7:30 p.m. At the close of worship there will be a fellowship time in the Friendship Hall with light refreshments.

MARCH 2002

Sunday the 3rd

Easter and Lily Fund Memorials are due in church office before today. This is the first Sunday of the month, please remember to bring in your can goods for the food bank. Communion will be offered at both worship services today. Early service 7:45 a.m. and late service at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday the 6th

On this fourth week of the "CROSS EXAMINATIONS" series we will hear about "Enemies of the Cross". The Sing-a-long will begin at 7:15 p.m. and the worship service will begin at 7:30 p.m. immediately after the worship service there will be a time of fellowship in the Friendship Hall with light refreshments.

Wednesday the 13th

Ladies Organization will meet at 12:00 noon for the regular monthly meeting and luncheon. Lunch on this day will be Corn Beef and Cabbage to celebrate St.Patrick's Day. Donation is \$5.00.

During week number five of the "CROSS EXAMINATIONS" series we will learn about "What is Missing in Christ's Sufferings". Worship service will begin tonight at 7:30 p.m with a sing-a-long starting 15 minutes prior to the service. At the close of service there will be a time of fellowship in the Friendship Hall with light refreshments.

Wednesday the 20th

Week number six is the final week of the series called "CROSS EXAMINATIONS" the lesson this week is "The Marks of Christ". Worship service will begin tonight at 7:30 p.m. with a sing-a-long starting 15 minutes prior to the service, and at the close of service there will be a time of fellowship in the Friendship Hall with light refreshments.

Sunday the 24th

Today is Palm Sunday. Worship services are at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Palms will be given out at the close of both worship services.

Blessing of the Palms will take place today at 9:15 a.m. in Canton Square on O'Donnell Street
The Confirmation Class of 2002 will be confirmed today at the 10:30 worship service

Wednesday the 27th

This evening the 51st presentation of the "The Lord's Last Supper" will take place at 8:00 p.m. If you haven't ever seen the Tableau, then make every effort to come out for this special event. The dedicated cast does an exceptional job.

Thursday the 28th

Today is Maundy Thursday. The Tennebrae Worship Service will be conducted this evening at 7:30 p.m. Communion will be offered at this worship service.

MARCH 2002 CONTINUED

Friday the 29th

Good Friday Communion Service at 9:00 a.m.

Carry Cross through Community at 10:30 a.m. (Beginning at St. Brigid's Church on Ellwood Avenue)

Three Hour Worship Service 12:00 noon (As of this printing we have not received any information on this event. As soon as we are aware of the schedule it will be published in the weekly bulletin.)

Sunday the 31st

Easter Sun Rise Service 6:00 a.m.

Children's worship lesson (The Living Cross 9:00 a.m. - all are invited to attend)

Easter Worship Service today at 10:00 a.m.

The Confirmation Class of 2002 will be receiving Communion for the first time at the 10:30 worship service.

APRIL 2002

Monday the 1st

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TODAY

Easter Monday Blood Drive will take place today from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please make arrangements to attend this Blood Drive.

Saturday the 6th

Ladies Organization will be sponsoring a bus trip to Faith Church in Westminster for an Oyster Turkey Dinner.

Leave 9:45 a.m. - Return 6:00 p.m.

First stop at McCutcheon's store in Frederick for Jams, Relishes, etc.

Then on to Faith Church for Turkey-Oyster Dinner (approximately by 12:30 or 1:00p.m.)

Stopping for ice cream and /or produce at Baugher's on the way home.

Cost of trip \$27.00 per person. A \$10.00 deposit is required to hold your reservation. Balance due by March 24th

Remember to turn you clocks **FORWARD** 1 hour tonight before going to bed. Daylight Savings time begins tomorrow morning at 2:00 a.m.

Sunday the 7th

This is the first Sunday of the month and Communion Sunday with worship services starting at 7:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Today we will also celebrate with the Confirmation Class Members of **1952** on their **50th** class reunion. Immediately following the 10:30 service there will be a luncheon held in honor of our guests. All are invited, if you plan to attend please call church office 410-276-0393. Please bring in donations or food for the Food Bank.

Wednesday the 10th

Ladies Organization will be going to the Timonium Dinner Theater for a Luncheon and Show. The Show is Golden Girls in "Broadway". Cost is \$30.00 per person. Payment due March 3rd. Leave 10:00 a.m. in private cars.

Sunday the 14th

Mother's Day memorials are due in the church office before today.

MAY 2002

Wednesday the 8th

Ladies Organization will be celebrating Mother's Day with a Luncheon at Squires Restaurant on Holabird Avenue. Please make reservations with Millie by May 1st. We will leave 11:00 a.m. private cars.

MAY 2002 CONTINUED

Sunday the 12th

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL OF OUR MOTHERS. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO WATCH OVER AND BLESS YOU ALWAYS.

Sunday the 26th

Father's Day Memorials are due in to the office before today.

Monday the 27th

Today the country will be observing Memorial Day.

JUNE 2002

Saturday the 1st

Today there will be a Strawberry Festival from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Watch weekly bulletins for more information.

The Strawberry Festival is replacing the "Spring Festival" formerly known as the "Mother and Daughter Banquet". The people who were in charge of the dinners held in May are unable to do it any more due to health problems. If someone would like to chair a May dinner please call the church office. We are open to suggestions. **Children must be accompanied by an adult.**

Saturday the 8th

The Armstrong Family has requested to have a memorial Service here at church in memory of their Mother, Priscilla Armstrong. This service is scheduled to be officiated by Rev. Roy Joellenbeck. You will be given more information in the future as it is received in the Church Office.

Wednesday the 12th

Ladies Organization will be sponsoring a bus trip to Friendly Farms for a Luncheon and Bingo party. The Cost is \$27.00 per person. Leave at 11:00 a.m. more details later.

AUGUST 2002

Wednesday the 7th

Suicide Bridge for Lunch, Steamed Crabs and Boat Ride.

Leave at 9:45 a.m. Make a coffee stop.

Cost of trip is \$58.00 per person. A \$10.00 deposit is required to hold your reservation.

BALANCE DUE BY SATURDAY, JULY 20TH

To make reservations on any of the **LADIES ORGANIZATION** trips:

CONTACT – MILLIE – 410-675-3904

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO – LADIES ORGANIZATION

MAIL CHECKS TO – MILLIE WIRSING – 902 S. CLINTON ST. – 21224

SHUT-INS AND RESPONSIBILITY LIST

Florence Bell
Bertha Benser
Edna Boller
Rose Canitz
Margaret Clark
Grace Fader
Margaret Fitzberger
Richard Francis
Elizabeth "Girlie" Hoffman
Calvin Kellner
Lena Kemp
Marie Kodetsky

Doris Lawrence
Ann Miskar
Ruth Pearce
Charles Peterson
Cecelia Raut
Naomi Reynolds
Evelyn Schreiber
Catherine Smith
Mildred "Mutz" Surdel
Dorothy Topie
Evelyn Violi
J. Henry Will
Agnes Willey

Please include all of the above persons in your daily prayers.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY

Church 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Communion is offered at both worship services on the first Sunday of every month and the early service starts at 7:45 a. m.

Bible Study 9:00 a.m. in Quiet Room

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

MONDAY

P.A.C.T.

Canton Noon N.A. Group 12:00-1:00 p.m.

United Bowling League - 6:00 p.m. Pinland

TUESDAY

P.A.C.T.

Canton Noon N. A. Group 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Church Council meets 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday Night N.A. Group 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Ladies Organization meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month from September to June at 12:00 noon

Canton Noon N. A. Group 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Boy Scouts 6:30 -8:30 p.m. Mr. Lester Wolfe 410-938-8245

THURSDAY

P.A.C.T.

Canton Noon N.A. Group 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

FRIDAY

Highlandtown Friday Morning Alanon Group 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Canton Noon N. A. Group 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

SATURDAY

Saturday Night N. A. Group 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

BLOOD DRIVE

On Monday, January 28th a Blood Drive was held here at United. It was a great success. There were 30 pints of blood that was received and this means that 90 people were helped. We here are very proud of this. On Easter Monday another Blood Drive will take place from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. if you would like to be a part of this blood drive or know of someone who may be interested in donating the gift of life have them call the church office. 410-276-0393

SOUR BEEF AND DUMPLING CARRY-OUT ONLY DINNER

A Carry-out only Sour Beef and Dumpling Dinner was held here on Thursday, February 7th, it was a great success. Only 500 dinners were prepared due to the fact that this was the first time for this kind of dinner. The next time more dinners will be prepared. The co-chairmen were Bob Osburne and Art Jones. These two guys gave it their all. Bob and Art are terrific leaders. There was a lot of hard work and enjoyment felt by all of the volunteers. We should look forward to a terrific Sour Beef and Dumpling Dinner in October, especially if Art and Bob co-chair this event.

LENTEN OFFERING

Enclosed please find your Lenten Offering Envelope. You may put your check inside and return it by mail or bring it to worship service with you and put it in the offering plate.

EASTER AND LILY MEMORIALS

ARE DUE IN CHURCH OFFICE

BEFORE

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2002

A BLESSED AND HEALTHY EASTER SEASON IS WISHED TO EVERYONE FROM
DEACON MAX AND MARGE HOFFMANN

OFFICERS

George Nassner, Clarence Rowell, Kristofer Orendorff, Calvin Gundlach, Samuel Jones, Jr.

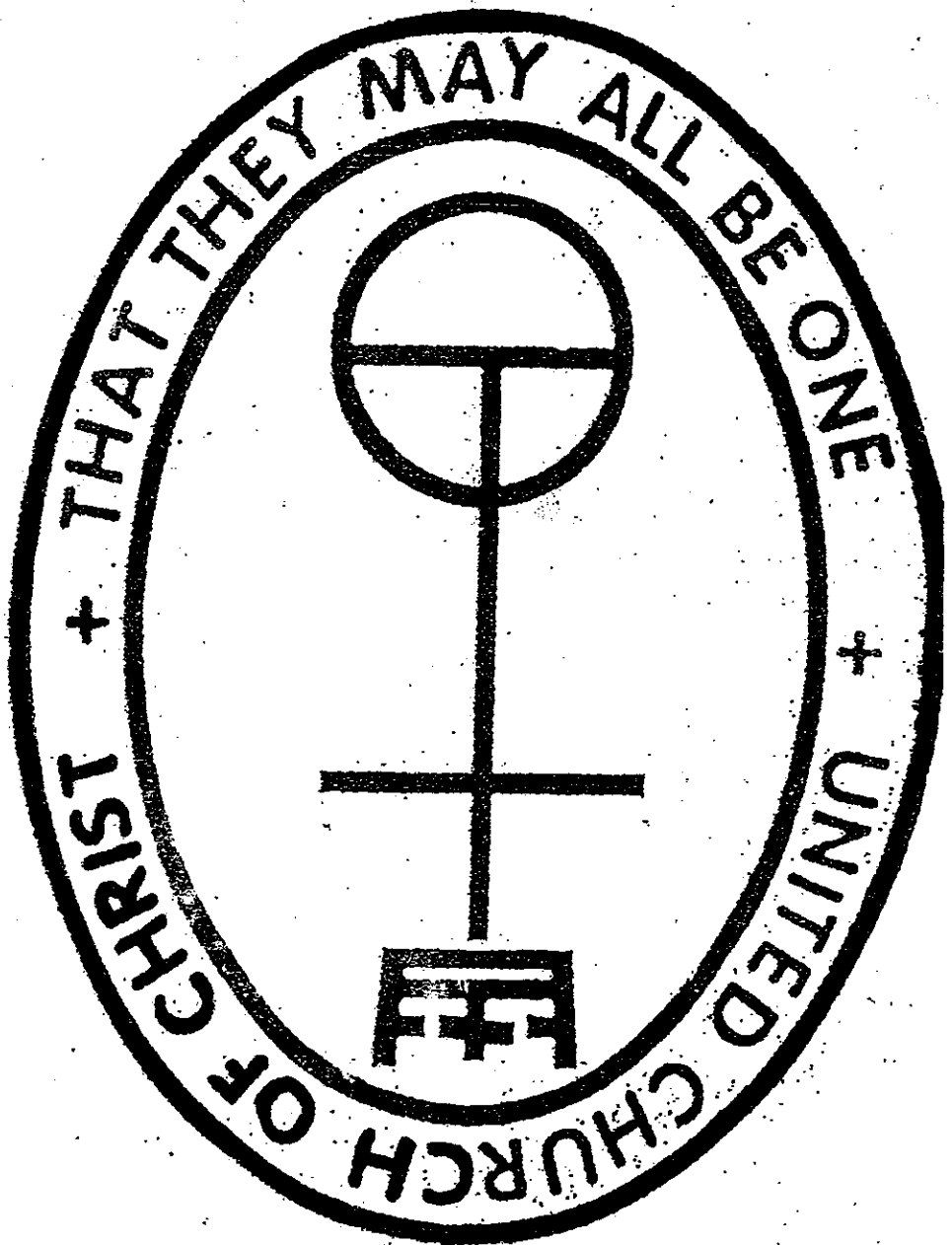
COUNCIL

Harvey and Ursula Jacob, Bob Osburne, John Price,
Darlene Waters, John Williams and Cass Young

CHURCH STAFF

Cass Young, Darlene Waters, Art Jone and Robert Gundlach





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