

The United Endeavor

MARCH 1962

A LENTEN VOW

The Holy Lenten season, beginning on March 7, may become a season of rich spiritual experience to us. The measure of such experience will depend upon the use we make of opportunities for self-examination and growth in spiritual knowledge. We who are Protestants believe that this season gives us the unique opportunity to gather 'beneath the cross of Jesus' in humility and contriteness, seeking for a new comprehension of our Lord, that we may translate His Passion into our own hearts in terms of love.

Special services are planned at United Evangelical Church to enable each to do just this. The invitation comes to all to make this Lenten season a meaningful one. Let us make our vows this Lent, not because we feel it is the thing to do but because we can benefit from the keeping of vows. No easy vow do we have in mind, such as merely giving up candy or picture shows during Lent. It is well to discipline the body in this manner. But rather we have a vow of spiritual content in mind - to pray daily for your beloved Church; to read the Bible daily in your family circle; to attend the services of worship regularly; to speak to someone else about the Christ. Take the season of Lent in to the very center of your life.

A LENTEN PRAYER

Heavenly Father, bless my study of Jesus' suffering and death during Lent. Draw me closer to my Savior in the coming weeks. Help me learn more about His love for me that my love for Him may grow. May I be sincere in the making of my Lenten vow and may I, with Thy help, fulfill that vow, to Thy honor and Thy glory. Amen

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THE SERVICES OF LENT

(Sunday Services: 8:00
& 10:15 unless otherwise noted)

The messages for the Lenten Sundays are upon the theme: "Jesus, our Standard." (four sermons)

- March 11 - "Jesus, Our Standard of Sacrifice."
- March 18 - "Jesus, Our Standard of Suffering."
- March 25 - "Jesus, Our Standard of Forgiveness."
- April 1 - "Jesus, Our Standard of Love."
- April 8 - Presentation of Confirmands at 10 a.m. with oral examination Sermon at 8 a.m.
- April 15 - Palm Sunday Service of Confirmation, 10 a.m. Sermon: "Why Palm Sunday" at both services.

The traditional mid-week service will begin at 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday. These will be more simplified services than on Sundays.

- March 7 - Ash Wednesday. Pastor Rasche will present the message on "The Meaning of Lent."
- March 14 - Dr. Titus Lehmann, pastor Emeritus will be our guest speaker at this service.
- March 21 - Pastor Batzler, of St Paul United, will be the speaker and conduct the service. Pastor Rasche will be at St. Paul Church.
- March 28 - Pastor Suedmeyer, of St. John United, will conduct the service and preach. Pastor

Rasche will be at St.
John Church.

Services during Holy Week will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday(also service at 9 a.m. Fri.) beginning at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday service is a Communion Preparatory service, and all who are planning to come to the Sacrament during Holy Week or Easter should be at the Wednesday service to make preparation. Thursday and Friday services are Communion services.

COFFEE HOUR AND BAKE SALE EACH LENTEN WEDNESDAY

At the conclusion of each Wednesday service(not Holy Week) a coffee hour is planned in Fellowship Hall, where we can stop for a cup of coffee and a donut, and chat together. At the same time each week a Bake Sale will be held by one of the organizations of the church. So, attend the services and then remain for a period of fellowship over a cup of coffee, and take the delicious home-made baked goods with you.

LENTEN DIME-FOLDER FOR EACH FAMILY

A Lenten Self-Denial Dime Folder we will come to your family from the church for use during the season of Lent. It has a place for a dime for each day of Lent. As you have your family devotions, then also make a daily extra offering for United Evangelical Church through this dime folder. The folders are to be returned either on Good Friday or Easter. This special offering will be dedicated at the 10:15 Easter service. The offering will be used by your church for the payment of needed extra equipment for our expanded program.

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

Through the courtesy of the Maryland Bible Society the "Daily Bible Reading" chart is provided for your family. If you as a family are using "The Upper Room" for your family devotions, then these readings can be used at another time. Or, they can be used about the family table. Be a Bible-reading family during the Lenten season and make it a habit from then on.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE CAMPAIGN- LENT TO PENTECOST

The period of 14 Sundays from the beginning of Lent to Pentecost, Sunday, March 11 to Sunday, June 10 is a period of special emphasis on attendance at the Sunday services of worship. Records of attendance will be taken each Sunday, and all who are present for at least 12 of the 14 Sundays will be on the Honor Roll(to be published in "The Endeavor") and will receive a Church Attendance Certificate. This campaign is for the children of the church as well as adults. In fact, the Pastor desires children to come to services regularly. Those below the age of five should be in the Nursery during services, but all above five should be in the services regularly. A child of five is not too young to attend services

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Sunday, April 1 is "One Great Hour of Sharing" day in all our United Churches of Christ. It is on this day we band together to bring a generous offering from our families for the alleviation of suffering the world over. Please read the pamphlet enclosed in this mailing, and, as a family, bring a generous offering to your church and Saviour in the little red envelope on this "red-letter" day. Don't omit this offering from your family life.

LITTLE NOTES

The next issue of "The Endeavor" will reach your home shortly before Holy Week and Easter.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 7:45 a.m. service on March 4 and the 10:15 a.m. service on April 1.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is scheduled for the service of Sunday March 18, and April 15.

The dramatization of the Lord's Supper is on Wed. April 4; the Choir Lenten Musical Wed. April 11.

Please remember that all who participate in the Sacrament of Holy Communion are required to fill out a Communion registration card, for we must keep records of Communions.

LADIES AID TRIES AFTERNOON MEETINGS

The Ladies Aid, for the months of March and April will have afternoon rather than evening meetings. Beginning at 12 noon on the regular days, the first Wednesdays, with a luncheon, the meeting will adjourn at about the 3 p.m. hour. This departure from the regular schedule is due to the conflict with the mid week Lenten services.

Mrs. Myrtle De Vaughn, president has appointed Mrs. May Getz as co-ordinator of the annual visitation to the City Hospital on Tues. March 20, when the members are requested to meet in the hospital chapel at 1:30 p.m. Gifts will be given to the aged at the hospital.

Other officers include Mrs. Hil-da Schwamb, V. Pres., Mrs. Clara Gross, Treas., Mrs. Emily Beckwith, Secretary.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The annual World Day of Prayer service for Protestant women in our section of the city will be held at Calvary Meth. Church, East Ave. and Fleet, on Friday, March 9 at 8. This is a service arranged by the Council of United Church Women, and the women of our church ought to be in attendance.

While thinking of the cooperative work between churches, we note the sum of \$547.00 was contributed by folk of United to the work of the Maryland Council of Churches in the recent drive. If you have not made your contribution yet, it is still welcome. See the pastor.

SCOUT NEWS

Our Brownies meet each Monday in Friendship Hall, 3:45-5 p.m. This is a fine group for girls from 8 to 11. Mrs. F. Frink is the leader. Needed are more helpers 18 yr. and older. Is your little girl a Brownie? For information, or to help, call Mrs. Frink at Br 6-2097.

Our Girl Scouts meet on Mondays at 7:30 in Friendship Hall. Another very active group, under the leadership of Mrs. Fred Long, this group invites other girls to join it.

Also on Monday evenings, the Boy Scout troop, #19, holds its meetings in the Scout room, on the second fl of the Sunday School building. Your boy is urged to become a scout. Information relative to age and other requirements can be secured from Mr. Howard Jenkins, scoutmaster. Call EA 7-3312.

FINANCE STATEMENT

Gen'l & Benevolence Fund	
Balance, 11/1/61	\$ 5,958.93
Receipts for Quarter	14,569.53
Total money available	\$20,528.46
Gen'l Fd. Exp. \$10,163.70	
Benev. Fd. Exp. 2,300.00	
Total Expen.	12,463.70
Gen'l, Benev. Fd., 1/31/62	\$ 8,064.76
Emergency Fd. Bal.	3,624.72
Withholding Tax/not due	109.88
Total accounts, 1/3/62	\$11,799.36
Signed, E. Jones, Fin. Com.	

PLEASE HELP OUR CHOIRS

There will probably never be a time when music will not be a vital part of the acts of worship. Music affords a universal means of expression and its use guarantees to religion one of her greatest ministries. Won't you give of yourself to love and service.

Youth Choir - 6:30-7:30 Thurs.
Senior Choir - 7:30-9:30 Thurs.

BAUERSFELD ELECTED

Paul Bauersfeld was elected as Ass't Sup't of our Sunday Church School at the annual banquet of the staff recently. Previously elected officers include John Bond as Sup't with Ed. Myers as Treasurer. Eileen McCormick is rec. Sec't and Lynn Bond is Cor. Sec'y. Ray Schmidt is Ass't Treas. We have classes for all age groups from 3 to 93, and we urge that all your children become a part of our school of religion. Sending them next Sunday will get the process under way. We also have a very fine Men's class and a class for women, in which all adults are very welcome.

YOU CAN BE A MEMBER

If you are not a bonified member of United Evangelical Church, and have membership in active status no where else, you ought to apply for membership here. We receive applicants for membership each 1st Sun. of the month. The pastor will be happy to explain procedures to you.

NEW SUNDAY

SCHOOL SCHOLARS

We welcome the following to the rolls of our Sunday School: James Swisher, Gene Braitheraite, Charles Geiger, May Weinhold, Larue Walton, Gregory Pruszkowski, Eileen Rose, Joan Smith, Bruce Binko, David Heath, Denise Frampton, Terri Frampton, Louis Jenkins, Jr.

WOMEN'S GUILD

AT WORK

Mrs. D. Long, president of the Women's Guild, announces the appointment of the following chairmen: Mrs. Thelma Hoffmann, Devotions; Mrs. Anna Block, Service; Mrs. Marie O'Donnell, Refreshments; Mrs. Lydia Becker, Sick Committee. Other officers are Mrs. Esther Leader, V. Pres. Mrs. Mildred Griffin, Rec. Sec'y; Mrs. Elma Amrhein, Cor. Sec'y; Mrs. Grace Fader, Treas.

At the meeting on March 20 (moved to a Tuesday because of Lenten service) the program will be a film on Interior Decoration. At the April 10 meeting (also on a Tues. and a wk earlier because of Holy Week) the Ladies Aid Members are invited, and the program will be an address on volunteer work at the City Hospital.

On Saturday, April 7, the Guild will make a visit at our Hanover Home for the Aged, Hanover, Pa. The bus will leave the church at about 11 a.m. to return the same day. Register with Mrs. Block for this trip.

MENS' CLUB NEWS

Gil Felter, president, announces that the March meeting will be following the Lenten service on Wed., March 28. All men of the church are invited to participate in our Men's Club activities. Throughout the year this group has many meetings which bring interesting events of interest to men. Why not join this group for you at your church?

CRADLE ROLL

MOTHERS' CLUB

The March meeting of the Cradle Roll Mother's Club will be held in Friendship Hall, Thursday, Mar. 1 at 1:30 p.m. We are anxious that more of our mothers who have children in our Cradle Roll, or children of ages up to 3 become a part of this group, for its purpose is to be helpful to young mothers.

After a brief business meeting an open discussion on the meaning of Lent will be lead by Mrs. Paul A Rasche. In preparation for the discussion, please read Exodus, chaps. 14, 15, 16.

Refreshments will be served.

No man can ever discharge his debt to God, but he can make regular payments on it.

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OTHER MEETINGS

Youth Fellowship meets each Friday from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. This event provides good fellowship for our youth. Are the youth of your family a part of our Fellowship? If not they should be. Make it possible for them to come this Friday.

Sunday School Sup'ts have business meeting the 2nd Wednesday.

Girls' Guild (our newest organization, for girls 14 yrs and older) is meeting on the 4th Tuesday, in the Upper Room.

Junior Council meets 4th Tuesday

Spiritual Council and Church Council meet 1st Tuesday.

CHURCH RECORDS

Weddings

George Goetzinger and Victoria Orlick, on Feb. 3
Frederick Lovell and Margaret McGrath, on Feb. 6
Louis Bitner, Jr. and Margaret Laisure, on Feb. 14

Deaths

Mrs. Louise Getz, member age 88 on Feb. 7
John V. Fay, non-member, age 77 on Feb. 9
Edward G. Eichhorn, non-member, age 85, on Feb. 12
Henry B. Eckert, Sr., non-member, age 61, on Feb. 15

Transfers Out

Mr. and Mrs. Max Hoffman, to St. Luke Evang. Luth., Baltimore
Mrs. Jacqueline Bootz, to Babcock Presbyterian, Baltimore
Rudolph Diamond, to Parkside Meth Baltimore
Howard E. Boller, to St. Peter's Luth., Baltimore

New Members

Mrs. Theresa Flugrad, restatement of faith.
Henry Schluetter, restatement
Mrs. Irene Huber, restatement
Mrs. Paul A. Rasche, transfer
Miss Kyra Rasche, transfer

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