

The United Endeavor

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

OCTOBER 1964

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21224



OCTOBER SUNDAYS

OCTOBER 4 - WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION

The observance of World-wide Communion is a practice which has been adopted by the majority of Protestant denominations and individual churches across the world. Ordinarily each denomination, and very often, each church, selects the times when communion will be observed in its services. There is therefore great variance. But this is one Sunday each year when the greater majority of Protestant churches, not only in the U.S., but across the world observe the Sacrament. In their time zones and at the hours of their services Protestant Christians of many colors in many countries assemble at their altar for the blessed Sacrament.

We ought to join them in this great testimony of our faith. This ought to be as large a communion as at Easter. If you are one of those folk who have been accustomed to receive the Sacrament only once the year, during Holy Week or at Easter now is the time to make the decision to come the second time. If you are among the many who commune

more frequently, as all are admonished to do, this Sunday is a good time to begin the faithful practice for another season. This will be the first communion of the fall season, in fact the first Sunday on which Pastor Rasche will again be in the pulpit, following his European trip. The Sacrament will be observed at both the 7:45 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. services, as is our custom, before the morning sermon. The sermon topic is "A Festival of Faith and Fellowship."

Please read the article elsewhere in this issue about the World Service Offering and bring the special offering from yourself and/or your family to the Communion service this day.

OCTOBER 11 - WORLD ORDER SUNDAY

World order is not only the concern of those with governmental or political positions. It is also the concern of Christians, for the Kingdom of God cannot be brought in to realization by God, even with the help of men, in a world in disorder. It is well that we pay strict attention to the furtherance of World Order through the United Nations, in our prayers and in our action, for we will not just drift into a state of order in our world. This important subject becomes the theme of our service this day, with services at 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. and the sermon topic being, "Charting our World's Future."

OCTOBER 18 - LAITY SUNDAY

Protestantism is not a religion of preacher preaching and people listening, preacher directing and people following. It is a faith in which the pastor and people work together in all phases of the Christian life.

In the effort to spell out this

vital and central position of the lay person, (the laity of the church), a Committee on Lay Life and Work has been functioning here at United Evangelical Church. This committee, composed of representatives of the lay organizations, will have charge of this service (the 10:15 a.m. service) and all facets of the service will be conducted by lay folk, even the morning messages.

In the 8 a.m. service the Pastor will present the message and conduct the service. Sermon: "A Sensible Outlook."

OCTOBER 25 - REFORMATION SUNDAY

A day "worthy of commemoration" in Protestant circles is Reformation Sunday. All Protestantism, as a testimony of the Christian faith, derives from the Reformation, that act of returning to the basic elements of the Christian faith by conscientious men and women of God and their leaders who departed from what they considered a decadent form of Christianity. Transpiring in the 16th century and centered in Germany and Switzerland, the Reformation within the Christian Church brought into being the Protestant Church which has, from its very inception, been a testimony unto God, centered in the preaching of the Word and the maintaining of very basic and elemental Christian truths by which men are to live, as compared with the more elaborate mandates which govern those of the non-Protestant form of the Christian faith. We need to know why we are protestant and need to be positive in the living of that which is our faith. May we practice one of the very basic tenets of our faith, that of being regular in our attendance at divine worship. Sermon - "Why Observe the Reformation?"



WORLD SERVICE OFFERING OCTOBER 4

"Hunger is pitiless....Bitter cold strikes mercilessly at the in-

adequately clothed.....No one is lonelier than an orphan....There is no greater drain on the spirit than being homeless after a flood or earthquake.....

The above sentences were selected at random from reports by Church World Service field workers in various parts of the world. These terse phrases sum up the needs which are partially or wholly solved through funds raised by Protestant churches in our land.

This year our churches seek more than \$15 million for a world-wide program of assistance to the needy overseas. The greater portion of these funds will be raised through the 1964 "Share Our Substance."

Contributions made by millions of Americans in these special offerings will provide food, clothing, medicines and shelter for victims of floods, famines, earthquakes, hurricanes and other natural disasters; help rehabilitate and resettle refugees; assist orphans and patients in hospitals and clinics. Funds raised will also furnish vocational training and self-help opportunities, and make possible agricultural and community development that will help break patterns of poverty the world over."

At United Evangelical Church our share of these \$15 million is something less than \$1 thousand, which we seek to raise in two special offerings, the first in Lent, the second here in October. For some reason or other, the Lenten offering was far below the needs, and we have gathered less than one-third of this requested amount. The only reason known to your pastor for this lack is that we must have let the matter slip in our remembrance.

Please do not forget this time. Use the special envelope we are including with this issue and bring, if you can, a most liberal special offering for this World Service cause. Thank you very much.



CONFERENCE ORGANIZED

For approximately the last three decades the Evangelical and Reformed Churches of this Maryland-Washington-northern Virginia area have been organized into Potomac Synod one of 33 such Synods across the U.S.

Since 1957, when we as a denomi-

nation merged with the Congregational-Christian Churches to become the United Church of Christ, made up of some 6500 churches and about 2 million members in these United States there has been a reorganization of our area groups into what are now known as Conference.

Our area was one of the last areas in the nation within our denomination to find a satisfactory working arrangement for a new Conference. It was only at the recent meeting of our Potomac Synod in June that we voted the Plan of Union with the Congregational-Christian Churches in the area to become the Central Atlantic Conference of the United Church of Christ. Though the boundaries of the Conference are not spelled out precisely, it seems the Conference will include the area of New Jersey, part of Delaware, all of Maryland and the District of Columbia, northern Virginia and also a few churches in eastern W. Va. This will include approximately 207 churches and a total membership of 67,500.

The details are now being worked out and in due time the Conference will become a reality and our first full-time Conference executives will be elected and hired. To this new Conference, instead of only one delegate and pastor being sent, representation will be one delegate for every 300 or 500 of the church membership plus the pastor. The Conference will be divided into three major Areas, each with at least one fulltime director. Our area will be the combination of all our churches in the Washington-Baltimore section. Then we will have our Baltimore Association, for the churches of our immediate vicinity.

SOUR BEEF and O Y S T E R S U P P E R

O c t. 27,28

t i c k e t s :

\$1.50

5 - 7 : 3 0 p.m.

Luncheon, Wed. Noon

NIGHT OF FUN

for adults

Oct.16

8 p.m.

motion picture

fun games

square dancing

food

fellowship



MINISTRY TO "NIGHT PEOPLE"

The United Church Board for Home land Ministries and the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. is establishing a night ministry to the lonely and desperate in big cities, beginning with a pilot project in San Francisco. A night evangelist will be on call from 11 p.m. to 8 a.m. when other ministers and social agencies normally are not available. He will be assisted by a corps of specialized laymen - doctors, lawyers and social workers.

The night evangelist will be the eyes and ears of the church at night, according to Dr. Purd Deitz, general secretary of the Board's Church Extension Division. His job will be to seek out the lonely, the desperate, teen-age gangs, narcotics addicts, prostitutes, derelicts and night workers. The planners hope to provide worship services and counselling for the "night people" in every major city eventually.

LITTLE NOTES

Financial receipts for the third quarter of the year(July-Sept) will soon be in the mail for your perusal. This is a service your church renders you, to give you a steady receipt and "thank you"for the contributions received through your envelopes.

Church Leaders, Please, note ! !
The United Church of Christ Workers Conference(formerly School of Religion) has been set for 4 Tues. of Nov.(3, 10, 17, 24) for our Grace Church, on S. Charles St. This is a school for all leaders of our life here at the church. Time, 8 - 10 p.m. These who should attend are the officers of our groups, the teachers and staff of the Church School and Council members.

New and Returning Scholars. We list these new folk of our church School for the past months: Mrs. Doris Bantz, Karen Williams, David Nicholas, Valerie Kortash, Sylvia Bultart, Jack Goldberg, Norman Metzger Joseph Kortash, Richard Kortash, Virginia Carr, Wm. Brundick, JoAnn Kortash, Eliz. Harvey, Kenneth Williams, Steven Binko, Wilbert Mohr, III; Kenneth Mohr, Mark Bantz, Wm. Bantz, Karen Hall, David George, Joachim Kiser, Phyllis Mareski, Donald Caricofe, Thomas Litzemberger, Robert Soper, Stephen Heinlein, Leonard Linkous Beatrice Heinlein, Tommy Chrusniak.

CHURCH RECORDS

Baptisms:

Calvin Leroy, Jr., son of Calvin L. and Lillian Brundick, on Aug. 9
James Timothy, son of James C. and Joanne Dunn, on Aug. 9
Ronald Wayne, son of Leonard J. Joan Linkous, on Aug. 9
Shannon Lynn, daughter of George Jr. and Brenda Lorince, on Aug. 16
Timothy Mark, son of Thomas P. and June Bocek, on Aug. 31

Beverly Ann, daughter of Frederick A. Sr. & Jacqueline Sturm Sep. 13
Weddings:

Kenneth E. Rexroth, Jr. and Emilia F. Pirog, on July 31
Francis P. Czawlytko and Rosalie H. Zalenski on Aug. 9
Larry Caldwell and Judith Ann Rothermel on Aug. 15
Salvatore S. Scardina and Lorraine Vikell on Aug. 15
Charles P. Mack and Earlyn E. Vogel on Aug. 15
Louis J. C. Harris and Nancy Michael on Aug. 15
Richard D. Fitts and Nellie T. Long on Aug. 29.
Bobby M. Maney and Jeanette Ed-

monson on Aug. 29

William F. Stitely, Jr. and Yvonne G. Beckett on Aug. 29

Charles Reechal and Irma Smith on Sept. 5.

Funerals:

Charles H. Norr, III, age one day on July 25

Miss Mary Weber, non-member, age 80, on Aug. 1

Leonard D. Hughes, non-member, age 38, on Aug. 15

Fred C. Kintsler, non-member, age 78, on Aug. 17

Henry J. Thamert, Jr., non-member age 55, on Aug. 17

Mrs. Dorothea Flutka, non-member, age 80, on Aug. 17

John H. Musch, Sr., member, age 69, on Aug. 24

Conrad Haas, non-member, age 65 on Aug. 27

Mrs. Margaret Smith, non-member, age 67, on Sept. 1

Charles George Muenzing, member, age 71, on Sept. 3.

Timothy Mark Bocek, age 13 hours, on Aug. 30

Charles Carlson, member, age 82, on Sept. 8

New Member:

Mrs. Rosemarie Clapin, by letter of transfer.

FINANCE REPORT

For August

<u>Receipts</u>	
Envelopes	\$ 3285.26
<u>Disbursements</u>	
Salaries	2228.95
Maintenance of program	68.71
Utilities, Travel	301.39
Equipment, Repairs,	
Cleaning	295.60
Benevolent Expenses	600.00
	\$ 3494.65
Expenditures over receipts\$	209.39

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