

The United Endeavor

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21224



FALL IN EUROPE AND AMERICA

Someone requested that I tell them about our European trip in a letter. This is impossible, for the experience was too tremendous to encompass in one epistle. Only viewpoints, impressions can be given.

We were thrilled by our vacation period, 31 days from the day we left Baltimore to the day we returned. Life in Europe is different from life in the U.S. We appreciate being there, we are happy to be residents here.

As fall came to the rural area of Europe, we saw their preparation for winter being made in old-fashioned manners -

entire families working in the fields, with the very small children also busy

oxen being used to pull carts
work being done by hand which
over here is accomplished by machines

an immaculateness to fields and gardens, signifying no waste of any materials.

We were impressed by this comparison of their society with our affluence life, by our casualness, by our wastefulness, our disconcert.

Part of it is in the difference between rural life there and city life here, but also it is in the whole tenor of life.

We need to appreciate all the good things God has given our country, we need to use God's gifts gratefully and not wantonly, we need to remember we do have a responsibility to see that all in our country share these benefits (we saw no slums in Europe) It is wrong that so many should be in want in our country.

Thanksgiving is in November. Because we have been in Europe, this Thanksgiving will be more filled with gratefulness. May it be more than a day of football and family banqueting for you.



HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1

At both the 7:45 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. services the Sacrament will be observed, and brief meditations presented by Pastor Rasche on the topic - "Keeping our Faith Strong."



CHRISTIAN LIVING SUNDAYS

On November 8 and 15 the pastor uses this great theme for the ser-

mons at the 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. services. The topic on Nov. 8 is "Partners with God," and on Nov. 15 "The Soul Neglected."



MEMORIAL SUNDAY NOVEMBER 22

On our annual Memorial Sunday, or Totenfest, we remember in love the dear ones who have departed this life within the past 12 months. We invite all bereaved families to the service, and give the opportunity of making memorials on this Sunday. Note the paragraph later on this matter. The sermon theme is "Is Our Immortality Assured? Sermon at both 8 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. service, but Memorial service only at the late service.



ADVENT BEGINS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

The wonderful Advent (pre-Christmas) season begins with the Sunday after Thanksgiving, bringing again the music of Advent the Ceremonials of Advent and the messages of Advent. On this Sunday the traditional hanging of the greens transpires, we sing the Advent carols, the choirs present Advent music and the pastor presents the message on "It was God's Time."



THANKSGIVING

Our Thanksgiving Day service begins at 10 A.M. and will include special choral music and the Thanks giving message from the pastor. The service will conclude by 11 A.M.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NOVEMBER 27 - 8 P.M.

The constitution of our church states that the "Election Meeting" of the congregation shall be held the last Friday of November at which time members of the Church Council shall be elected."

Though this day falls this year on the day after Thanksgiving, our meeting must be held. We therefore beseech the congregation members to make special efforts to be present, for much important business must be accomplished.



WE GIVE MEMORIALS

It is fitting that at the season of Thanksgiving we give thought to the memory of those who were with us in former years. We invite you to participate in our Memorial Service on Sunday, Nov. 22 by the giving of a Memorial to the memory of a loved one. Thus the envelopes are included with this mailing, that all our church family might participate. Memorials received through the offering plate or by mail prior to Wed., Nov. 18 will be included in the printed Memorial listing, to be distributed in the services of Nov. 22 and which will be a part of our Memorial service in the 10:15 a.m. service. All Memorials will flow into our Memorial Fund, which we are seeking to set up as an Endowment Fund for our church.



WILL YOU HELP?

Each Thanksgiving season your church receives requests for Thanks giving baskets, which we gladly provide in the number in which you of the congregation supply the materials for such baskets. Further, at all times of the year need folk ask the pastor to assist and the pastor seeks to meet these requests, also

from the supplies provided by the people of the church. May we therefore request that you begin bringing your supplies of canned goods and staple foods, also cash, for these baskets and the pastor's supply. Heretofore we've been most generous and sufficient has been provided. May we continue in this manner. Thank you in advance. Any Sunday that is convenient, but at the latest, the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving.



MEN'S CLUB FALL DANCE

The annual Fall Dance of the United Men's Club will be held Saturday, Nov. 28, 1964 at Unity Hall, Dundalk Ave., from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Admission \$3.00 per person. Tickets may be obtained from Wilbert Ermer, Ernest Jones or Thomas Bocek. Refreshments served and favors for the ladies. Ernest Jones is chairman of the affair. This dance has traditionally been a fine feature and should be supported by all men of the Club and the church as well.

NEW CONFERENCE

We are steadily moving to the formation of the new Central Atlantic Conference of our United Church of Christ, which will take the place of the former Potomac Synod, when we were an Evangelical and Reformed Church. On Sat., Nov. 21 at 1 to 5 p.m. a meeting will convene in First Church, Washington, D.C. for the purpose of the first reading of the Constitution of this new Conference. Then, in January, here in Baltimore the new Central Atlantic Conference will have its first session. Along with this development is the formation of our Baltimore area Association of the United Church of Christ. Your pastor is on the committee assigned to write the Constitution for this new area functioning group, to replace the former Baltimore Federation.

TEACHER'S SCHOOL SET

A series of six training session for all teachers of our Church Schools is planned for the Tuesdays of November from 8 - 10 p.m. at our Grace Church, 1404 S. Charles St. Herein will be provided excellent help in the preparation and use of our Church School curriculum, and each teacher on our staff is earnestly urged to attend. Registration for the entire course is just \$1.00, which will be repaid by our own school. In addition a course for adults on "The Language of Faith" will be conducted by one of our national staff leaders, and a class for youth on "The Youth Ministry" will be led by Pastor Fogal.

WHITE GIFT PLAN

We invite all members of our Church School and members of the church to participate in the White Gift plan for 1964, whereby we are thinking of the needs of the Caroline Mission in St. Louis, a mission of our church at work in the slums of that big city and seeking to aid these in need. We welcome gifts which may be sent to the work, according to this schedule:

- Sun. Nov. 29 - dolls, doll dress
- Sun. Dec. 7 - wash cloths, face soap, towels
- Sun. Dec. 13 - nursery housekeeping furniture.

These gifts will be packed on Tinsel Day, Dec. 13 and will be sent to aid in the work of the Nursery School at the Mission.



ITEMS OF INTEREST

Men's Club Tour of Fisher Body plant arranged for Nov. 17. Please call Gil Felter (IV 8-3524) and tell him you and your wife will be going and about your travel arrangements.

Youth Teen Nites being held each Friday in Friendship Hall, with volleyball for boys and girls, a motion picture and discussion, and basketball for boys and other events for girls.

New officers of Youth Ministries Both the Jr. Hi and Sr. Hi. Youth Ministries have elected their new

Officers heading the Sr. Hi. group are Glen Cassedy, James Fischer and Marilyn Crusse. The Jr. Hi. officers are Dennis Jondo, David Richards Julie Milecki, Diane Metzger. The Members of the Junior Council were installed into office at the 10:15 a.m. service on Oct. 11. 15 young men constitute our Junior Council. Applications for membership can be made to Pastor at any time by young men 14-21 yrs of age.

Adult Fellowship Night, Nov. 20
Such a good time was had at the event on Oct. 16 that a second night was chosen for a get-together. This one will be in Fellowship Hall, on 2nd floor of School Bldg. on this Friday night prior to Thanksgiving. Come dressed for fun. 8 p.m. until. For all adults of the church, with or without husbands, or wives.

Vote---Vote---Vote. Don't let election day go by but that you go to the polls and cast your vote in the national and regional election.



CHURCH RECORDS

Baptisms:

Debra Louise, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Schultz on Sept. 20
Denise Ann, daughter of John and Rita Becker on Sept. 20
William, IV, son of William, III and Gloria Single, on Sept. 20
Lisa Rose, daughter of Marcus and Janice Strovel on Sept. 27
Laura Diane, daughter of Jesse and Myrna Hofmann on Sept. 27
Cheryl Denise, daughter of Paul and Charlene Witemore on Sept. 27
Charles Michael, Jr. son of Charles and Sarah Fultz on Oct. 11

Weddings:

Edward J. Lyston and Ellen Snee on Sept. 26
Edward Bullock and Sharon Clarkson on Sept. 26
Joseph J. Corleis and Nancy Elizabeth Pearce on Oct. 3
James H. Bohrer and Frances Lang on Oct. 10

Funerals:

Howard Earl Ward, non-member, age 70, on Sept. 17
Henry Klass, member, age 66 on Sept. 19
Mrs. Annie M. Portera, non-member, age 77, on Sept. 22
Edward J. Hulseman, non-member, age 57, on Oct. 10

Mrs. Mary Etta Miller, non-member age 68, on Oct. 12
Arthur Earl Smith, non-member, age 55, on Oct. 13

FINANCE REPORT

For September

Receipts	
Envelopes	\$ 2999.87
Disbursements	
Salaries	911.90
Maintenance of program	302.71
Utilities, Travel	244.79
Equipment, Repairs, Cleaning	46.68
Benevolent Expenses	1000.00
	\$ 2506.08
Receipts over expenditures	\$ 493.79

REASONS FOR THANKSGIVING

To have food enough, and a place to dwell,
To have work to do and do it well..

To find the comfort when things go wrong,
In a bit of prayer or a snatch of song....

To know the pleasure a kind act brings
To see the beauty in simple things.

To know good books and share their worth,
To plant brightflowers in rich, brown earth.

To have true friends, this is living
And reason enough for Thanksgiving.

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