



The United Endeavor

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UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH BALTIMORE, MD. 21224

THE "ENLISTMENT" COMING SOON.

Through these past months those attending the services of worship and receiving the Sunday bulletins have noticed a weekly paragraph on "Budget Information," giving data concerning our attendance at the services and the financial report on offerings. All have noted, if you read with discernment, that tho our attendances have not declined too badly for the summer months, we fail each Sunday to achieve the necessary funds, by offerings, to meet our budget. The figure listed as our 'need' is 1/52nd of the total budget for 1966, the sum necessary for every Sunday.

Because the above is true and, moreso, because the need for increased services of the church are pressing upon us both by way of volunteer services on the part of our members as well as service needs which could be reflected in greater budget requests - - because of the pressing situation before our congregation, we will be hearing more about an Enlistment of Time, Talent and Treasure, this to transpire in the months of October and November. A calendar of special Sundays for special emphases will be announced as well as planned meetings of the congregation to give all an opportunity to participate in this Enlistment. The Enlistment Committee and its sub-committees are hard at work formalizing all plans and accomplishing all committee responsibilities to bring forth a well-rounded Enlistment. Our goal is to bring each member of the church into active participation in the life of the church in 1967.



COMMUNION SERVICES SUNDAY, SEPT. 4

We will offer the Sacrament of Holy Communion at the services on the 1st Sunday of September, at the 7:45 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. We will follow the summer Order of Service, with an Old Testament message for the morning. Please plan to make your first fall Communion on this Sunday.

"BACK TO CHURCH" SUNDAY, SEPT. 11th



This is the day to which we point for all our folk to be back in the services, after a period of summer week-ends at the Shore and elsewhere. This is our "Back to Church" Sunday and it heralds the return of our Senior Choir in the 10:15 a.m. service and the first appearance of our Youth Choir in the 8 a.m. service. Further, it will herald the beginning of a new order of worship for the Lord's Day, adapted from the 'Order' suggested by our denomination. This 'Order' will be quite different from that which we've used but is one you will grow to appreciate, though it

will seem strange for a time.

With this Sunday the Pastor also returns to the use of the Gospel selection as the basis of the morning sermon, a practice we interrupted for the summer.

In the Church School, beginning at 9 a.m., an emphasis of fall renewal also will be sounded, so it is imperative that Church School scholars and staff be back in the departments by that Sunday.

The theme "Back to Church" (and Church School) is a rallying theme for the renewal of vows and intentions on the part of our folk to be very regular at the House of the Lord each Lord's Day, that the full benefits of loyalty to and participation in the Lord's work at His church may be experienced from day to day. Membership at United Evangelical is that which is expected to be expressed in constant loyalty and devotion. As a young man said to the pastor, in commenting on the statement appearing on the outdoor bulletin board - "Worship in God's House regularly", "Pastor, that statement is not complete. It ought to read, "Worship in God's House regularly, not annually." May be you are one who needs to listen and obey.



FAMINE RELIEF OFFERING

This special offering transpired on Aug. 21st. Because of the suddenness of this appeal, in the middle of summer when we had no mailings scheduled, we could not get informative materials to you. But it was announced extensively in the church.

The need is great in the land of India, in the very section of the land we have been serving in a missionary effort as a denomination for over 50 years. It is to the Central provinces we have been sending our missionaries and money, and, these provinces are the worst hit by this famine.

Our denomination requested this special outpouring of our love in a special summer offering. And so we had the offering. Perchance you are one who did not participate in the requested special gift. We want to give you this opportunity. Please send in a gift, marked "Famine Offering" with your name and address. We'll add it to the gifts received.

CHURCH SCHOOL HONORS STAFF SEPT. 20th



As the new season of intensity begins in Church School, the officers of the Church School, in behalf of the School at large, are desirous of expressing appreciation for loyalty and service expressed in the year past, and to 'kick off' the new season of activity for all the staff. To show appreciation and to encourage renewal of loyalty, the staff is invited to a banquet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 20th in Friendship Hall. There will be no charge for this banquet to staff members. Others may attend upon the payment of the meal cost.

Following the banquet a program of fellowship and inspiration will be presented, featuring a message from the Rev. Dr. Henry Schaeffer, pastor of our St. John's Church. We urge all staff members to reserve this night and to be present. Reservations will be taken in the departments.



MORE OF OUR MEN IN UNIFORM

Our list of men from United Evangelical who are in uniform is growing, for more and more of our young men are either enlisting or being drafted. We know they would appreciate hearing from the members of our congregation, and therefore a mimeographed list, with the last addresses we have, is included with this mailing. The church keeps in touch with these young men on a bi-monthly basis, but letters and cards from you will be appreciated.

If you as a reader have a family member, also a member of our church, whose name does not appear on this list, it means we either have not been informed of his service tenure or we do not have his latest address. If you call the office and give us information, we will be happy to put the name on our list and see that he receives church mail.



CONFIRMATION CLASS ORGANIZES

The date is Thursday, Sept. 1 and the age level is 13, at present or before Jan. 1, or, standing in the 8th grade of school as of Sept. of this year. The first session is at 7:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall. On successive Thursdays the hours will be from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., with the first hour given to participation in the Youth Choir as a member in study and rehearsal. The group will sing each 8 a.m. service thru the year, as attendance at the service of worship is an expected part of the Confirmation experience.

SENIOR CHOIR TO BEGIN REHEARSALS



The 1st rehearsal is set for Thursday, Sept. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the rehearsal room, second floor of the office wing, with entrance off Dillon St. The reason for these directions is that we certainly are anxious for new members to our Senior Choir. The choir will make its first appearance on that Sunday, at the 8 a.m. service.

TROOP NEWS

SCOUTING AT UNITED

Scouting will resume its full schedule with September on both the level of the Boy Scouts as well as the Girl Scouts.

All three divisions of Girl Scouts will have first meetings on Monday, Sept. 12 with the Brownies and Junior Girls meeting at 3:45. New leadership has been secured for the Girl Cadettes, these are scouts 12-14 yrs. of age, and the invitation is extended to all girls of this age to come to this interesting group, meeting Mondays at 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Friendship Hall. Form

er membership in Girl Scouting is not required for any of these groups. For information about Girl Scouting, call Mrs. Florence Frink, BR 6-2097.

Our Boy Scouting program provides a Cub Scouting group for boys, 8-11 and a Boy Scout troop for boys 11 and older. We have 2 very fine Boy Scout groups, who also meet on Mondays at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and the Scout Room on the 2nd floor of the Church School Bldg. For information call Henry Smit, at BR 6-8175.



CHURCH MEMBERSHIP CLASS ANNOUNCED

Our practise at United Evangelical is to gather applicants for membership into groups at various time in the year and provide a series of discussion periods on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. in the Pastor's office. Announcement is made of such a class, beginning on Sept. 11 and continuing each Sunday through Oct. 2nd, with the service of reception on Sunday, Oct. 9.

All who have indicated such a desire across the summer months are hereby alerted and will be informed of this class. If there are others who have been considering such a decision, the advise is to let the Spirit move you to action now, and to become a part of this group. An indication of this to the Pastor will be appreciated.

GROUP MEETINGS LISTED

The church organizations begin regular meetings again with September, and we here list the time of the month in which these groups have their stated meetings -

Church Council, 1st Tuesday
Ladies Aid, 1st Wednesday
Church School Sup'ts., 2nd Tues.
(entire staff, quarterly)
Girl's Guild, 2nd Wednesday
Women's Guild, 3rd Wednesday
Men's Club, 4th Wednesday
Choirs - each Thursday

Youth, 6:30; Senior, 7:30 p.m.
Cherubs - time to be announced
Confirmation, each Thurs., 7:30
Scouts, Mondays; Youth, Fridays

CHURCH RECORDS

Baptisms

James Buchanan III, son of James and Peggie Andrews, on May 29

Michele Lynn, daughter of Michael and Joanne Appel, on Mar. 20

Carol Beth, daughter of William and Ruth Voelker, on June 5

Thomas Ralph, Jr., son of Thomas and Dorothy Kuser, on June 5

John Edwin, son of John and Dorothy Long, on June 12

Matthew, Jr., son of Matthew and Iris Long, on June 12

Helen Marie, daughter of Matthew and Iris Long on June 12

Victoria Elizabeth, daughter of Luther and Anna Tyree, on June 19

Marc Edward, son of Jerry and Diane Wisner, on June 26

Gregory Scott, son of Joseph and Nancy Carter, on July 10

Christopher Michael, son of Edgar and Diane Chaney, on July 31

Lisa Mary, daughter of Billy and Doris Hellems, on July 31

Kimberly Lisa, daughter of Arthur and Elaine Smith, on July 31

Barbara Lynne, daughter of Wilmer and Rose Burke, on July 17. (This baptism was performed by a chaplain in the Armed Services in France and the request made it be included in our records here.)

Diane Lynn, daughter of Charles and Carol Borkman, on Aug. 21.

Weddings

Melvin Mack and Joyce Wirth, on March 18. (This record was overlooked in its proper month and is hereby announced, with apologies for its lateness.)

Thomas E. Sibila and Eileen L. Fultz, on June 11

Carroll J. Malecki and Gloria J. Baublitz, on June 25

Robert F. Ewing and Florence L. Bell, on July 2

Earl W. Serena and Margie A. Binkley on July 9

Ronald G. McBee and Ellen Smith on July 23

Peter R. Fischer and Darlene R. Talbert, on July 29

George A. Thompson, III and Genevieve C. Mohr, on Aug. 2

Richard T. Bell and Brenda Lee Wagner, on Aug. 5

Roger L. Ludwig and Linda Adams on Aug. 6.

Funerals

William E. Petty, age 54, June 29

James J. Marshall, age 77, June 30

Delbert C. Ailiff, age 47, July 1

George Freimiller, age 84, July 1

Mrs. Lulu Hoffman, member, age 77 on July 7

Mrs. Mary Baier, age 65, July 14

Mrs. Margaret Eder, member, age 66, on July 18

George T. Watts, age 60, July 18

Joseph A. Garcia, age 71, July 19
Alexander Cunningham, age 72, on July 28

Mrs. Catherine Hoffman, age 62 on Aug. 13

PLANS FOR CHURCH UNION PROCEEDING

The plans for eventual union between 8 of the large denominations of our U.S. are proceeding in good fashion. During the summer the report of the meeting in Dallas May was received, in which "Principles of Church Union" were spelled out in more detailed fashion than ever before. Our United Church of Christ is one of these denominations looking forward to a new denomination which will bring together, in addition to our fine denomination the following church groups in the U.S.: The United Presbyterian Church in the U.S., the Methodist Church, The Evangelical United Brethren, the Disciples of Christ Church (also known as the Christian Church), the Episcopal Church, the African Methodist Episcopal Church and the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. This Dallas meeting was the fifth plenary session of the representatives of the cooperating churches.

One of our Baltimore-Washington men, Dr. David C. Colwell, past of 1st Congregational Church, Chairman of the Executive Committee

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