

UNITED EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
East Avenue and Dillon Street, Baltimore, Maryland

ORDER FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE REV. ROBERT M. ARMSTRONG November 18, 1990 2:00 P.M. ORDER FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE REV. ROBERT M. ARMSTRONG
AS PASTOR OF UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Sunday, November 18, 1990 2:00 P.M.

Prelude: A Mighty Fortress is Our God arr. Hustad

*Hymn: The Voice of God is Calling (bulletin insert)

*Solemn Declaration: The Rev. Robert M. Armstrong

* CALL TO WORSHIP: Mr. William Voelker
I was glad when they said unto me, "We will go into the house
of the Lord". Psalm 122:1

God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself; not counting their sins against them and has commissioned us with the message of reconciliation.

* CALL TO CONFESSION: Mr. Paul Bauersfeld (Let us join together in confessing our sin before God)

*Prayer of Confession:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen

*Kyrie: The Rev. Robert M. Armstrong

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON: The Rev. D. Jean Kelbaugh

*Hymn: Jerusalem the Golden (bulletin insert)

*Gloria Patri:

*Collect: The Rev. Glenn Rodgers

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm #84 The Rev. Beverly Braine

Leader: The Word of the Lord People: Thanks Be to God

Epistle Lesson: Acts 8:26-35 The Rev. D. Lee Hudson Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks Be to God

*Gloria Tibi: "Glory be to Thee O Lord."

*Gospel Lesson: John 3:5-17 The Rev. Joseph Bochenek

*Laus Tibi: "Praise Be to Thee, O Christ"

*Remembering Our Country: Mrs. Margaret Craig (Let us join in singing the hymn of the United States Navy)

*Hymn: Eternal Father Strong to Save (bulletin insert)

Sermon: Interpreters All!

The Rev.Dr. Thomas R. Hamilton, Associate Conference Minister, Chesapeake Conference

*Apostles Creed:

Mrs. Grace Fader

Choir Anthem: "How Lovely are the Messengers" Mendelssohn

Offering: Mr. Harvey Jacob
Offertory: "How Great Thou Art" Hine, Solo - Mr. Fred Long
Prayer of Thanksgiving: Mrs. Florence Gundlach
*Doxology:

ORDER FOR INSTALLATION

GREETING

The Chesapeake Association of the Central Atlantic Conference of the United Church of Christ greets you in the name of Jesus Christ, the head of the church in heaven and on earth.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

ALL: Let us look to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was waiting endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

PRESENTATION Mr. Clarence Rowell, Council President (addressing Dr. Hamilton)
United Evangelical Church of the United Christ of Christ, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, has called The Rev. Robert M. Armstrong as its Pastor and teacher and respectfully requests that the Chesapeake Association install him in this ministry among us, according to the faith and order of the United Church of Christ.

Response of Mrs. Shelby MacFarlane, Chairperson of the Church and Ministry Commission of the Chesapeake Association.

The Chesapeake Association has reviewed the request of the United Evangelical United Church of Christ. We have prayerfully examined Robert Armstrong, and we are pleased to install him as your Pastor.

Robert Armstrong, servant of God, we invite you to come forward as a sign of your acceptance of the call to this

office. Installation is the action of an association of the United Church of Christ in cooperation with a local church. Installation confirms and celebrates the covenantal partners relationship among a local church, its Pastor, and the United Church of Christ. Installation is a sign that these convenantal partners are committed to share mutually in the mission of the United Church of Christ and of the ecumenical church.

EXHORTATION The Rev. Bruce Swanson, Member, Church and Ministry Commission of the Chesapeake Association

Hear these words from the apostle Paul: We beg you, our brothers and sisters, to pay proper respect to those who work among you, you guide and instruct you in the Christian life. Treat them with the greatest respect and love because of the work they do. Be at peace among yourselves.

(addressing the Pastor)
We urge you, our brother, warn the idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with all.

(addressing all)
See that no one pays back wrong for wrong, but at all times make it your aim to do good to one another and to all people. Be joyful always, pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants of you, in your life in Christ Jesus. Amen

COVENANT

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Hamilton

Dear Friends,
United Evangelical United Church of Christ has declared that,
having gathered under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, it has
called Robert M. Armstrong to minister in this place as
Pastor and that it now receives him as appointed by God for
this ministry. The Chesapeake Association of the United
Church of Christ has declared that he has met all the
necessary conditions for installation to this office.

(addressing the Pastor)
Robert, seeing that you are called to ordained ministry by
the grace of God and that United Evangelical United Church of
Christ has been led to call you as Pastor, are you willing to
enter this covenant with its members who are one in Christ
with us in the Chesapeake Association?

(Pastor)
I am willing, and I promise to serve this church faithfully, preaching and teaching the word of God, administering the sacraments, and fulfilling the pastoral office, according to the faith and order of the United Church of Christ.

(addressing the congregation) The Rev. Bruce Swanson Members of United Evangelical United Church of Christ, will those who are able rise and affirm you covenant with your Pastor? (stand for the remainder of the covenant)

*LOCAL CHURCH MEMBERS
We the members of United Evangelical United Church of Christ,
receive Robert Armstrong as Pastor and teacher, promising to
labor with him in the ministry of the gospel and to give him
due honor and support.

We gather with him and with the United Church of Christ as a sign of our mutual ministry in Christ's name.

(addressing the Association Members) The Rev. Bruce Swanson Members of the Chesapeake Association, will those who are able rise and affirm your covenant with United Evangelical United Church of Christ and its Pastor and teacher?

We, the members of the Chesapeake Association of the United Church of Christ, gather with you, the people and the Pastor and teacher of United Evangelical United Church of Christ, as a sign of our covenant and in celebration of our mutual ministry in Christ's name.

*PRAYER OF INSTALLATION Mrs. Millicent Caton, President, Chesapeake Association Council

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have called your servants to make promises; before you; now enable us to keep our vows that we may remain steadfast in faith and fruitful in every good work. Bless, we pray, you servant Robert M. Armstrong, to whom the care of your people in this church is now committed. Pour out you Holy Spirit on him, on the people of United Evangelical United Church of Christ, and on all the churches of the Chesapeake Association that our mutual ministry may be served with all faithfulness, diligence, and courage. Grant us the spirit of power and of love and a sound mind. Make our ministry a means of awakening the careless, strengthening the faithful, comforting the afflicted, building up your church, and converting sinners to you. Guard us against the snares of temptation that we may be kept pure in heart, fervent in spirit, and valiant against evil. And at the last, by your grace, receive us in your eternal home, where with you and the Holy Spirit, Christ reigns in glory, one God, for ever and ever.

ALL: AMEN (Please be seated)

DECLARATION The Rev. Dr. Thomas Hamilton

In the name of Jesus Christ, and on behalf of the Chesapeake Association of the Central Atlantic Conference of the United Church of Christ, I declare you duly installed as Pastor and teacher of United Evangelical United Church of Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God

LORD'S PRAYER: Mr. Louis Parker Sr.

*BENEDICTION: The Rev. Robert M. Armstrong

*Hymn: For All the Saints (bulletin insert)

Postlude: "Festival Toccata" Fletcher

*Please stand.

PARTICIPANTS

Mrs. Millicent Caton, President of the Chesapeake Association Council

The Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Hamilton, Associate Conference Minister for Chesapeake and Catoctin Associations, Central Atlantic Conference

Mrs. Shelby MacFarlane, Chairperson, Church and Ministry Commission of the Chesapeake Association

Mr. William Voelker, Chair, Search Committee, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

Mr. Fred Long, Council, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

Mr. Paul Bauersfeld, Pastoral Vistor, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

Mrs. Margaret Craig, President, Ladies' Aid Society, Tour Director, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

Mrs. Grace Fader, Women's Guild, Sewing Group, Ladies' Aid, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

Mrs. Florence Gundlach, Council, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

Mr. Harvey Jacob, Vice President, Council, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

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Mr. Tony Warchal, Acolyte and Youth Member, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

Mr. Robert Gundlach, Organist and Music Director, United

The Rev. Joseph Bochenek, Pastor, St. Brigid's Roman Catholic Church, Canton

The Rev. Beverly Braine, Assistant Rector, Trinity Episcopal Church, Towson

The Rev. D. Lee Hudson, Messiah Luthern Church, Canton

The Rev. D. Jean Kelbaugh, Messiah United Church of Christ, Baltimore

The Rev. Glen Rodgers, Bethel United Church of Christ, Canton

The Rev. Bruce Swanson, 1st & St. Stephen's United Church of Christ, Towson

Ushers:

Charles Carrigan Calvin Gundlach Art Jones
Francine Raddatz Susan Rowell John Strong
Jim Tallagsen Catherine Young

Choir, United Evangelical United Church of Christ

Ministers, All the Members of United Evangelical United Church of Christ

The Luncheon was under the leadership of Mr. Ben Long, Council, United Evangelical United Church of Christ, and Scout Master of Troop #19 and the Assistant Scoutmasters and boys of the Troop. A special thank-you to all who have assisted with this luncheon and reception.

The offering taken at this service will be given to the Chesapeake Association toward assisting those individuals entering the ministry.

A thank-you to Mrs. Millie Slechta, Secretary, United Evangelical United Church of Christ for typing and collating this bulletin.

"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" Isaiah 52:7

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