



The United Endeavor

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UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH BALTIMORE, MD. 21224

as to not get to Communion? It is time again to fulfill your vows and come to the Sacrament. We observe it at the 7:45 and 10:15 a.m. services on Sunday, Nov. 2nd. Don't turn away when the Lord beckons you to come.

Excuses

*The
best excuse for
absence from
church is not so
good as actual
attendance.*

*The sermon may
save your soul
but it is not likely
that the excuse
will.*

John Andrew Holmes



**CONTINUE
YOUR
REGULARITY**

Be on the ball when it comes to putting aside hours on Sunday for your presence in God's House for the Church School session and the Divine Worship Service. Pastor Weiser will be bringing the message on Sunday, Nov. 9th, 8 and 10:15 a.m.

**YOUR
STEWARDSHIP
IS IMPORTANT**



**WILL YOU
COMMUNE?
NOV. 2ND**



In the paper of a neighboring congregation, the Pastor commented that it was a shame that only about half the congregation attended the Holy Sacrament on Communion Sunday. The same could be said about our folk. Where are you when the Sacrament is offered? Shame on many of you for being so lax in your faith

Each Fall, in preparation for the thinking of your church's needs for the new year, we look seriously at the matter of our stewardship. We cannot push aside our responsibility at this point any less than we can our regular presence in God's House. What we give to the church is not our business only, it is also God's business, and His words are right to the point. Because the Gospel is so forthright, the church also must be forthright in speaking of our stewardship, coming right to the point. Pastor Rasche will be speaking on this theme at the 8 and 10:15 a.m. services, Nov. 16th.



TOTENFEST IS OUR MEMORIAL DAY.

Each last Sunday of the Christian Church Year (the Sunday before Advent begins) we have our annual Memorial Service, our church Memorial Day, in which we read the names of the beloved dead for the past 12 months. This we call Totenfest. The Totenfest service will be on Sunday Nov. 23 at 10:15 service. If you as an individual or family desire to place a memorial to honor your beloved dead, please use the enclosed envelope. These memorials will be listed in a special brochure published for this day.

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT



The blessed season during which we prepare ourselves in every way for the glorious coming of Christmas - this season begins with the last Sunday in November, always 4 Sundays before Christmas. With this service we begin looking seriously at the need of personal preparation for Christ's coming, and do so in song, in anthem, in Scripture, in message and in our special ceremonies. Sunday, November 30 is the First Sunday in Advent.



THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE — 10 A.M. MUSIC, SERMON, SCRIPTURE ON THANKSGIVING THEME

TELL IT AS IT IS!



We want you to know everything as it is here at your church. We want to level with you, thus we desire your attendance at our CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, FRIDAY, NOV. 28TH.

At this meeting the facts of the church for 1970 will be revealed. Further, new individuals will be voted to the Church Council for the new year of work.

We need your presence as the older generation and also as the younger generation at this meeting, talk about the budget and elect Church Council members. Meeting is at 8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, with refreshments to follow the business

LAST CALL !



This is the last call to our Annual Sour Beef and Oyster Supper, on Nov. 4 and 5, with bazaar tables on each day. Serving in evening beginning at 5 p.m., with luncheon on Wednesday from 12 to 1:30 Tickets: \$2.00 and \$1.00. Come and enjoy this wonderful meal, an annual event which you don't want to miss.



Did you know that we have in our library a full set of books of the Bible in Braille, bequeathed to the church from the estate of George Pfeil. These are for loaning out to blind folk of the community, so be about telling others about this.... Did you know that new drapes have been purchased from the estate money of the late Miss Dorothy Trautner, given the Church School, and have been hung in the Church School building by a committee of volunteer workers. They look grand.... Did you know that our Sewing Group is growing larger in number this new season, but that still more of

our ladies are welcome. The meeting time is 10 a.m. each Tuesday..... Did you know that many odd jobs about the church are being accomplished by one of our retired men, George Sauer. His latest achievement has been the refinishing of the outer doors of the church and church - school building. These doors were in need of refinishing.Did you know that the Church School and Boy Scouts are again selling Christmas cookies, at \$1.50 per box. Get yours early.... Did you know that our Guild is selling fruit cakes this coming holiday season.....Did you know, as officers and program people of our organizations, that the Pastor has two fine film strips on the work of our denomination, and would be happy to arrange to show these at your meeting.....Did you know that Pastor Rasche will be attending the meeting of the United Church Board for World Missions in Allentown, Pa. in the middle of November..... Did you know that we are hurting for additional members to our Senior Choir and are heartily soliciting your participation. Especially do we need men singers, but sopranos and altos are also most welcomeDid you know that from the following, cards were received at church while they were on vacation (if any cards have been omitted, please inform us, but forgive) ---- Mrs. Gert. Benser and Miss Martha Bohle; Miriam and Bill Long; Dorothy and Fred Long; Margaret and Ed Waltmyer and Genevieve Meil; Grace and Al Fader; Marcella Belzner and Henrietta K. Held and Catherine Lambert; Rev. and Mrs. Weisser; Hattie Nieteman; Girlie and Otts Block.

Julius J. Roth, age 66, Oct. 15.
Mrs. Mary K. Conrad, life - long member of church, age 87, Oct. 16.
Otto Timm, age 72, Oct. 21
New Members:
Norman M. Phillips, Jr. by Confession of Faith.
Mrs. Karen Przybylski, by restatement of faith.
Mrs. Rosemarie Kneeland, by restatement of faith.
Mrs. Margaret McKonley, by restatement of faith.
John H. Kolb by restatement of faith.
Mrs. Ruth Kolb, by Confession of Faith.
Mrs. Kathryn Weber, by restatement of faith.
Mrs. Anna Ketchum by restatement of faith.

OUR SHUT INS

As we announced last month, we desire to place seven of our shut-ins before you each month, that you may remember them in your prayers and with notes and cards. These are presented in an ongoing alphabetical manner -

Mrs. Anna Birkfeld, Homewood (Pearson) Church Home, Inc. 2750 Virginia Ave. Williamsport, Md. 21796
Mrs. Mary Black, City Hospital, Bldg. D, 4940 Eastern Ave., City 21224
Mrs. Lillie Blimline, 901 Baylis St., City 21224
Mr. John Boehm, 3305 Foster Ave. City 21224
Miss Christian Borleis, 3103 Fayette Street, City 21224
Mrs. J. H. Borleis, 3111 Hiss Ave City, 21234
Mr. Frederick Burmeister, 6123 Marglenn Ave. 21206

CHURCH RECORDS

Baptisms:

Rhonda Lynn, daughter of Roger and Linda Ludwig, on Sept. 28.

Dawn Lyn, daughter of Charles W. and Carol Mayes, on Oct. 12.

Wm. Anthony, Jr., son of William Anthony and Deborah Kraemer, on Oct 12.

Weddings:

Richard Brzozowski and Florita Perez on Oct. 12.

Dennis Leroy Bell and Margaret Richert on Oct. 18.

Funerals:

Albert C. Rauck, Sr., age 77, on Sept. 27.

William P. Hesse, age 95, Oct. 10.



Keeping You Posted

"Keeping You Posted" is a newsheet which is published for the clergy by our denomination, a service to keep one informed about the United Church of Christ. Following are some paragraphs from the latest issue - - -

WESTERN REP FOR UCBWM

A former UC Board for World Ministries missionary in Africa, Neill Richards, has been elected by the Board to serve as its representative in the western states. Mr. Richards, who is based in Berkeley, Cal., will do interpretative educational work for the Board and will interview applicants for overseas service. In 1967 Mr. Richards was ousted from Rhodesia by the Ian Smith government which claimed he was 'engaged in activities prejudicial to the best interests of the country. He had taught since 1964 at Epworth Theological Seminary in Salisbury, an inter-denominational school which trains African pastors. He also served as chairman of the social concerns committee of the Salisbury Council of Churches.

DR. PAUL T. LAUBY, UCC minister and former UCBWM(United Church Board of World Missions) missionary is the new executive secretary for the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia. In 1953 he went to Silliman University in the Philippines, serving as a missionary teacher on the faculty of the College of Theology and as pastor of the University Church. He helped reorganize the curriculum of the school which trains pastors and other religious workers for the United Church in the Philippines. He became dean of the college in 1961 and was elected vice president for academic affairs of the university in 1965.

HERBSTER HONORED AT LOCAL CHURCH CONFERENCE

An all-day conference on the local church was chosen as an appropriate means of honoring retiring UCC President Ben Mohr Herbster. Sponsored by the Executive Council and Union Theological Seminary, it was to be held Sept. 25 at Riverside Church in New York City.

The welfare of the local church was one of Dr. Herbster's deepest concerns. During his eight years in office, he was a warm defender of its strengths and a sincere critic

of its weaknesses.

Papers on the subject were to be presented by Dr. Gabriel J. Fackre, professor of theology and culture at Lancaster Seminary; Avery D. Post, pastor of Scarsdale, N.Y., UCC minister-elect of the Massachusetts Conference; Mrs. Margaret Haywood, a Washington, D.C. laywoman and member of the Executive Council, and Sam Roberts, A Union Seminary student.

Dr. Herbster was scheduled to address the conference at the conclusion of the banquet.

CALIFORNIA WORLD HUNGER CONFERENCE

To be held Oct. 23,24 at Anaheim. Sponsored by interfaith and secular agencies, the conference will bring together outstanding authorities on population dynamics, family planning and food production. Our Council for Lay Life and We has made a grant to the project which UCC layman Douglas Chalmers, Newport Beach, Cal., has been a moving spirit. The UC Board for World Ministries will be represented by William K. Whitcomb, on furlough from India where he has been working in the development of water resources, family planning and improvement of agriculture methods.



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