



The United Endeavor

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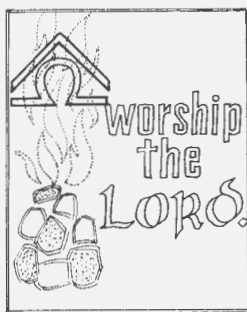
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH BALTIMORE, MD. 21224

SECOND ANNUAL ATTENDANCE CAMPAIGN

You are invited to be in attendance at the Worship Services of the Church on each of the Sundays of Lent, 1971 and beyond Lent and Easter up to and including the Day of Pentecost. This is a period of 14 Sundays, from Feb. 28 to May 30. In individual score cards will be provided for you to keep your own record. For perfect attendance, no absences, a specially prepared attendance certificate will be presented.

In addition, attendance at the 7 midweek Lenten services on Wednesday is an added feature, and, for those accomplishing this discipline also, a special seal of accomplishment will be affixed to the above certificate.

An Honor Roll will be prepared at the conclusion of the Campaign, containing the names of all successful aspirants. So, get ready to begin and continue this attendance campaign. Tally cards will be ready for Ash Wednesday, Feb. 24 and on the Sunday following, Feb. 28th. Many were successful in our first campaign last year. Won't you join the group this year. Youth and children as well as adults are invited to participate.



SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY

The fine attendances at our services has attested to the fact our folk have received much from the ongoing sermons from the Book of Hebrews. We must, however, bring this study to a close and will so do the beginning of the Lenten season. Continue to be with us these February Sundays as we work our way through this stimulating New Testament book.

With the beginning of the Lenten Season, the Sunday services will take on the more somber atmosphere of penitence and self-appraisal. Pastor Rasche is preparing a series of messages for Sunday mornings which will highlight the questions asked of Jesus prior to His suffering and death. These questions bring to the fore the heart and prime purpose of Jesus' ministry and His Passion. Be with us as we consider these questions, among others -

Jesus, Art Thou the King?
Shall We Love God or Country?
Is Love Valid into Eternity?
and others.



LENT



LENTEN SEASON BEGINS WITH ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday of 1971 falls on Wednesday, Feb. 24th. This will bring the first of our mid-week Lenten services, in the sanctuary, at the hour of 8 p.m. The services will be different from the Sunday services, and will include the special music for Lent, the Lenten hymns, the story of Christ's Passion, and the evening message from the pulpit.



LENTEN SALES AGAIN PLANNED

Our Women's Guild, at its January meeting, voted to conduct the Lenten Sales during this coming Lenten season, with the first Sale being held on Friday, Feb. 26. Again, the orders for foodstuffs will be received via telephone, to special numbers. Cod-fish cakes, padded oysters, potato salad, slaw, crullers will be prepared. There will be no 'over the counter' sales, all will be by advance order. More information will come to you in due time.

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ECHOES OF ANNUAL MEETING

FROM THE PASTOR'S REPORT

Official acts:

Baptisms - 33
Weddings - 45
Funerals - 82
Losses from Church rolls -
11 members lost by death
4 transferred out of church

Additions

27 by adult membership
23 Confirmands
Membership, Dec. 31 - 717, an
increase over 1970

Church School - Enrollment, 395
including Cradle Roll. Average attendance, 50% of attending membership. Average offering \$31.00
Church Attendance. Average for Sundays of year, excluding summer Sundays - 395. Overall average, 362.
Projected into Future - Big item of importance for planning is the preparation for our 100th Anniversary in 1973. We need to set up Committee soon to get plans on the road for this big event, the event of a century for our congregation.

THE FINANCE REPORT

Income

Envelopes	\$36,535.00
Other sources	20,047.00
	<u>\$56,582.00</u>

Local Expenses

\$48,359.00

Benevolence Giving

Cent. At. Conf.	\$6135	
Ches. Assoc.	448	
Other Benev.	1803	\$ 8,386.00
<u>Memorial Gifts, 1970</u>		\$ 6,879.00





FEBRUARY MEETINGS

Church Council - February meeting will be held Mon. Feb. 8, instead of regular meeting date.

Ladies Aid Society has its meeting on Wed., Feb. 4 at 12 noon. The program for the day will be on the theme of helpful service.

Church School Teachers General Meeting, Tues. Feb. 9 at 8 p.m. in Friendship Hall. This will be an important meeting for all the Staff for it will concern itself with a discussion of the Church School Curriculum, an evaluation of same. To give help as a resource person we have invited Rev. James Tomasek, Jr. Christian Education staff person on our Central Atlantic Conference staff. He will be here to answer questions and to give help as may be needed.

Women's Guild, Wed., Feb. 17, 8 p.m. Choir rehearsals

Youth, Thursdays at 6:30

Senior, Thursdays at 7:30

Childrens, Saturdays at 10 a.m.

Confirmation

1 yr. class, Thurs. at 7:30 p.m.

2 yr. class, Sundays at 9 a.m.

Sewing Group - Each Tues. at 10 a.m.

Scouts

Girl

Brownies, Mondays at 3:45 p.m.

Junior Girls, Mondays at 7

Cadettes, Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Boy

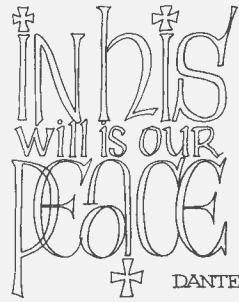
Cubs, Dens each week at homes

Cub Pack night, last Mon. 7 p.m.

Troop #19, Mondays at 7 p.m.

Youth - each Friday, 7:30-10:30 in Friendship Hall. For youth 12-15 yrs Blue and Gold Dinner. Cubs and

Boy Scout Troop have this annual event in Friendship Hall, Monday, Feb. 22nd.



CHURCH RECORDS

Baptisms:

William James, son of William and Kathryn Miller, on Jan. 10

Eugene Calvin, Jr., son of Eugene and Lillian Curran, on Jan. 24

Funerals:

Mrs. Lena Sinclair, member, age 80, on Dec. 26, 1970

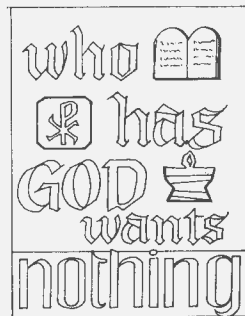
John H. Meyers, age 67 on Dec. 26

Thomas R. Trautfelder, age 62 on Jan. 15

Mrs. Mary Krug, age 76 on Jan. 16

Edward H. Mack, age 51, on Jan. 18

William Jondo, age 55, on Jan. 26



GO WITH US TO EUROPE IN 1972

A tour to Europe in 1972 is in the making, under the direction of Pastor and Mrs. Rasche. Tentative departure time would be the latter part of June (after school closes) for a 21 day period. This tour would go to Germany, then the Scandinavian countries, London and the Low Countries. Total cost will be in the neighborhood of \$1000.00, all transportation (from N.Y.) and lodging and 2 meals a day included. Be thinking about this. Plans are to be finalized shortly and a brochure issued soon.



CRISIS IN THE NATION

No one has to be told there is grave crisis in our nation and in our world today. Times of crisis always bring forth need, need on the part of fellow human beings.

The church must be at work in the areas of crisis, for where there is need, there the Church of the Lord Christ must be busy.

Your Central Atlantic Conference is expending efforts in various areas of need in our own territory, of which you may not be aware. To inform you, here are brief resumes of some of this work -

North East Community Organization in Baltimore (NECO), a mass based community organization serving the 110,000 citizens in n.e. Baltimore. The DARE Outreach Center, Newark, N.J., an ecumenically supported center which provides drug addiction treatment education and counselling. DARE operates 2 half-way houses in mid Newark.

The Street Ministry, Baltimore, involves the training of six men, 18-25, to work with people on the street, and to attach them as part-time workers in 6 churches in the general Montebello area of the city. These street ministers act as a link between the churches and the people of the community, mostly black, seeking to minister to their needs in the name of the local church.

Juvenile Justice Program, Washington, D.C., an ecumenical program designed to recruit, educate and prepare persons, primarily church related, for effective involvement in the problems of poverty, racism and injustice as these factors relate to problems of juvenile justice.

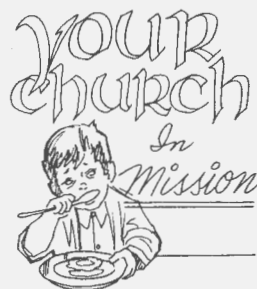
The Hour of Awareness and Liberation, Newark, N.J. is an attempt to bring together black church and community people around issues that affect them. This work is channeled through the Newark Community Coalition.

TRUST, Richmond, Va., stand for Task Force for Research, Urban Strategy and Training for Service and Renewal. This is an ecumenical agency geared to assist churches in their urban mission.

The Urban Teaching Internship Program, Washington, D.C. is trying to raise funds to match Federal funds which will be used for tuition grants and loans for inner-city students enrolled in this program.

Metropolitan Ecumenical Ministry, Newark, N.J. This ministry is concerned with tenant relocation of those displaced by renewal programs, and comprehensive planning and assistance to groups desiring to construct new housing in Newark.

A Neighborhood House, Plainfield, N.J., serves the needs of a group of people ranging from small children to adults. Additional support for this work comes from local church groups and some from the Plainfield United Fund.



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Worship

Each Sunday — 8:00 & 10:15 a.m.

(7:45 a.m. each Communion Sunday)

Church School — 9:00 a.m.