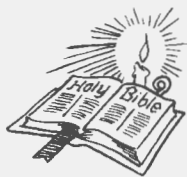




The United Endeavor

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

FEBRUARY 1973



READ THE GOSPELS

One of the chief thrusts of that program known as Key 73 is to concentrate upon the reading of the Bible, especially the gospels, in the period of 1973 until Easter. In many places copies of the Scripture are being distributed house to house. Bible study groups are being set up in neighborhoods and in churches.

All this is necessary. For the Bible is great. Never before have people been beset on every hand with influences and forces which are so distracting and contradictory. It takes a conscious effort, a real battle, to get through the day with anything at all of your own planning. By night we have several times fallen short of our ideals.

With so many voices calling, we need to hear the voice of Christ calling - clearly, plainly. We need both the inspiration and the quieting that comes from listening to His voice.

No better way is possible to secure this blessing than to read the Gospels - Matthew, Mark, Luke, John. Read all the gospels. There are only 89 chapters in the 4 books. Make this your goal for February - to read 3 chapters a day, as an individual or as a family. You will

discover that you would be able to complete the 4 books in an ordinary month, but since February is a short month you may use the first several days of March.

This plan is recommended for trial to all those who are not now reading the Bible seriously and regularly. Or it may be an addition to daily readings, such as in the Upper Room, for instance.

Whatever the problems may be, whatever temptation we meet, whatever danger we face, this plan is recommended to give us determination to learn His will for each of us and then courage to do it.



SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY

With February we bring to a close the series of meditations on the Book of Revelation, which began in September and was interrupted for Advent and Christmas. In all we will have had 18 such messages, an experience which, I'm sure, has been as helpful to the congregation as it has to the Pastor.

In February we also begin the Pre-Lenten period of the Church Year, a period which includes three Sundays and concludes with Ash Wednesday, on Wednesday, March 7. Be with us on each Sunday, for each Sunday is an important Lord's Day. Let not our 'connection' with God

grow so lax that we fail to be in His House each Lord's Day.

Sunday, Feb. 4
5th Sunday after Epiphany
 Communion services, 7:45 & 10:15
 Sermon from Revelation: 'The End of Satan's Rule.'

Sunday, Feb. 11
6th Sunday after Epiphany
 Services at 8:00 and 10:15
 Final sermon from Revelation: 'Description of the New Jerusalem.'

Sunday, Feb. 18
Septuagesima Sunday
 Sermon on pre-Lenten theme

Sunday, Feb. 25
Sexagesima Sunday
 Sermon on pre-Lenten theme



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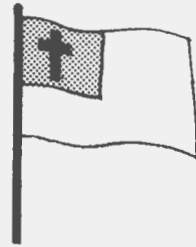
As part of the 100th Anniversary celebration, a committee called the Exhibits Committee has been formed. The purpose of this committee is to collect, arrange and exhibit artifacts, mementoes and pictures depicting the life of our Church. To do this job effectively and interestingly takes time and effort by many persons. If you as an individual have Confirmation pictures, early baptismal records, letters of interest involving the church, or mementoes of the earlier church life, such as programs, anniversary buttons, group pictures, would you please take the time to bring them in for display. The committee will record the acceptance of your item and give you a receipt for such. Your object will be marked in a manner so that it is not disfigured, but yet marking it in such a way you will be certain of its return. As our Anniversary approaches, your objects will be displayed in an appropriate manner for all to see and appreciate.

Please take the time now and the effort to bring in those interesting items pertaining to our Church history so that they may be displayed for our enjoyment. (Wm. Voelker)

1972

FINANCE REPORT

Salaries	\$27341.55
Salaries of all the staff	
Maintenance of Church	5535.24
Utilities, repairs and improvements, etc.	
Maintenance of Parsonage	2095.36
Utilities and certain upkeep expenses	
Other Church Expenses	16994.32
Church supplies, office costs, choir supplies, advertising, etc.	
Pastoral Expenses	2593.43
Auto, Hospital and Disability Ins., Pension, etc.	
Special Church Expenses	1875.74
Receptions, church picnic, expenses which occur once.	
Benevolences	6982.00
Moneys which went to the support of our denominational work, our Conference and other matters.	
Total expenditures	\$63417.64



CHURCH RECORDS

Baptisms

Thomas Joseph, Jr., son of Thomas and Joyce (Raddatz) Gawronski, on Jan. 21

Weddings

William Norris and Geraldine Ow-
saniecki on Jan. 7

John Butrim, Jr. and Joan Muir on Jan. 7

Raymond E. Jenkins and Shirley Jones, on Jan. 13

John W. Bailey and Denise Framp-
ton on Jan. 20

Funerals

Richard G. Smith, age 64, on Dec. 27, 1972

John A. Ochlech, age 76, on Dec. 30, 1972

Herman C. Klein, age 77 on Jan. 3, 1973

Mrs. Clara Koltz, age 83, on Jan. 22.





ANNIVERSARY PLATES NOW ON SALE

The beautiful plate, as pictured above, is the official anniversary plate, to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of our beloved church. The plate, measuring 10 inches across, is in smoked glass color, a beautiful plate. As you can see, by the reduced picture, the plate has on it the picture of the church buildings of the past as well as the present building, and also the pictures of each of the six pastors, together with the dates of their service at United Church.

This plate will be fine memento for you to have in your possession through all the years to come. The plates are available, on only a cash basis, at the cost of \$3.00 per plate. They can be secured from the church office or on any Sunday in Friendship Hall after each service. Mr. Ed Myers is the General Chairman of our Anniversary committee and is personally handling the sale of these plates.

Secure yours as early as possible, for the supply will be limited, and once the sale is completed, no further plates will be available.



MEETINGS OF THE MONTH

Church Council, Tues., Feb. 6
Ladies Aid, Wed., Feb. 7, 12 noon
Church School General Meeting,

Tues. Feb. 13 at 8 p.m. This is the meeting for all members of the Church School staff.

Men's Fellowship, Wed., Feb. 14

Another special film has been secured for showing this night, a 27 min. film in color on the country of Switzerland. Also pinocle, dart board, refreshments. Meeting from 7:30-10 p.m.

Women's Guild, Wed., Feb. 21 at 8 p.m. Every women of the church should be a member either of our Guild or Ladies Aid.

Sewing Group, each Tues. at 10 a.m.

Youth meetings

Jr. Youth group meets alternate Friday evenings, 7-9 p.m.

Senior Youth group meets alternate Sundays, 2-5 p.m.

Choirs - each Thursday

Youth, 6:30; Senior, 7:30 p.m.

Confirmation

1st yr. class, Sundays at 9 a.m.

2nd yr. class, Thurs., 7:30 p.m.

Scouts

Boy Scout groups meet Mondays at 7 p.m.

Girl Scout groups meet

Brownies, Mondays, 3:45 p.m.

Jr. Girls, Mondays at 7 p.m.

Cadettes, Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Church Time Nursery

We maintain a nursery for children from 5 and under each Sunday during the 10:15 a.m. service, to enable parents with the very young to leave them with our official staff and attend the service. We do admonish that children be left at the Nursery during the service. Children who cannot yet walk should accompany parents to the service, sitting in Quiet Room.

NEWS NOTES

The bringing of the officers of all organizations, together with the Council officers, into the service of Jan. 21st for installation worked out very well, and probably will become an annual event.....

...The Acolyte Group has been growing in numbers in recent months. Originally composed of two young men, the group now numbers four young men and four young women, these serving with the pastor in the services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. assisting at the opening and closing of the services, and also in the leading of the Litany of the morning and the Apostles' Creed. Their services are appreciated. The group numbers the following: Robert Jackson, Robert Gundlach, Perry Ziegler, Gary Pate; Janice Houck, Janet Hook, Linda Pate, Lynn Stincomb.....

.....The Lenten Sale on each Friday in Lent will again be on the calendar, this being a project of the Women's Guild which they approved at their last meeting.....

.....The Committee for the Securing a Full-time Associate Pastor (The Spiritual and Pastoral Committee of Church Council) is at work on the matter, having directed letters to Seminary Presidents and Conference people, requesting assistance in this matter. Reports of progress will be given from time to time.....

....A list of special gifts which can be made at Anniversary time is being prepared and will be issued soon. Maybe you or your family will desire to choose one of these.

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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.