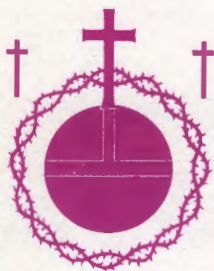




# The United Endeavor

## UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

APRIL 1973



### APRIL BRINGS PALM SUNDAY HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

With April the season of Lent progresses to its culmination in Holy Week and Good Friday, to be followed by a glorious Easter.

The early Sundays in April bring further Lenten messages and the Lenten liturgy at both the 8:00 and 10:15 a.m. services. There will be no communion services the 1st Sunday in April because of the closeness of Holy Week and Easter.

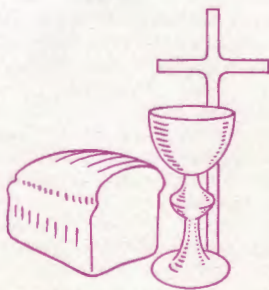
Each Wednesday we shall gather for the informal Lenten meditation periods at 8 p.m.; wherein much time is spent in singing the favorite hymns of the congregation and in meditation upon the theme: "The Cross and Men." A fellowship period follows each Wednesday service and at the same time a Bake Sale is held, sponsored by one of the organizations.

Palm Sunday, April 15, is a meaningful day. It is the day we receive the palm branches, as we be-

gin another Holy Week. These branches will be distributed at both the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. service (note the change of time) The Palm Sunday message will be a part of each service and the Service of Confirmation highlights the 10 a.m. service.

Then, with Holy Week, the fine experiences at 8 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday evenings are offered us. On Wednesday we again present "The Lord's Supper" in dramatic form, by our men. On Thursday evening the Tenebrae Service highlights the closing events in Jesus' earthly life. On Good Friday morning at 9 a.m. the service will provide the Good Friday message by Pastor Rasche. The service on Thursday evening and on Friday morning will include the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

From 12 noon to 3 p.m. on Good Friday the 3 hr. Good Friday community service will be held at St. Paul Luth. Church, Clinton and Pratt, sponsored by all the churches of Canton-Highlandtown. There will be no service at United on Good Friday evening. For a calendar of all these services, please consult the Lenten announcement provided you with the March Endeavor.



CHRIST THE LORD  
IS RISEN TODAY



## EASTER IS FOR EVERYBODY

All Christians should go to church on Easter. All the folk of United should be at either the 6a.m. or 10 a.m. service, even though you receive the Sacrament during Holy Week. For these services only, the Sacrament will be offered at the conclusion of the service.

Both services will be the same, with the beautiful Easter lily altar, the beautiful music of Easter by the choir, the liturgy for Easter and the Easter message by the Pastor. The traditional Memorial service for Easter will be included in the 10 a.m. service as will the first communion for the 1973 Confirmation class.



## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Christmas, 1972 in Nicaragua was a time of calamity, for just prior to Christmas Eve, the earth quaked and the city of Managua fell. The damage was great both physically and humanly speaking.

Into this need our denomination and other Christian bodies stepped and provided immediate help. More help is needed. From the Church World Service source, some \$500,000 is necessary for alleviation in this disaster. Of this amount our own national church wants to provide \$50,000.00 from the contribution of our people through the One Great Hour of Sharing on Sunday, April 1. The envelope for this offering is included with this mailing. We hope you as individuals & in family groups will prayerfully use this envelope, so we at United can send in a sizeable amount in this our annual One Great Hour of Sharing offering. This offering is being received across our denomination on this Lenten Sunday.

SPECIAL SPECIAL SPECIAL

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 1973  
(following 10:15 service)

for purpose of approving  
certain plans for the  
100th Anniversary

LENT



Learn  
about  
God's  
love

THE UPPER ROOM

## PLANS FOR HOME FOR AGED

One of the needs of our United Churches of Christ in the Baltimore area has been a Home for the Aged. For years that has been a dream, and now it has the possibility of being realized.

Through the graciousness of a family of one of our churches, a plot of about 11 acres has been made available to our churches to use as a site for such an institution. Tentative plans for a facility containing 190 units (1 bedroom apartments and efficiency apartments) have been drawn up. Applications for funds for construction have been placed with H.U.D. of the Federal government. The location will be in the vicinity of Franklin Square Hospital. As plans progress more detailed information will be forthcoming.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

The class of 15 young people is in the final weeks of the 2 yr. Confirmation instruction. These 10 young women and 5 young men will be presented to their family members and the members of the Church Council on Thursday, April 5 at 7:30 in the sanctuary in an informal gathering in which each Confirmand will present an original essay on a topic assigned them. The Confirmation



picture will be taken that same evening.

The group will appear for Confirmation at the 10 a.m. service on Palm Sunday, during which they will be accepted into membership with the church. And then, to climax the experience together as a class, the group will receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time at the 10 a.m. Easter service.



## LENTEN DIME FOLDERS AND EASTER MEMORIALS

Are you as individuals, as family groups, keeping up with your Lenten Dime Folders, putting your dimes in it each day? You ought, for your church requests you to return these special offering folders at one of the services during Holy Week or Easter, and that is not too far away. This special offering will be dedicated at the 10 a.m. service on Easter. The folders can be deposited in the special boxes for the purpose in the Narthex.

We further invite you to be thinking of Easter Lily gifts and Easter Memorials. These we may have another beautiful Easter Lily altar, we will appreciate gifts to the Easter Lily Fund. These gifts may be in the form of memorials if desired. Or, you may desire to place an Easter memorial with the church. May we only suggest that the Easter Lily gifts or memorials and the Easter memorials be received at the church office no later than Wednesday, April 11th, so that all may be included in the Memorial brochure to be distributed on Easter.



## FLEA MARKET PLANNED FOR MAY

As an Anniversary year activity, our Women's Guild is arranging for a Flea Market here at the church on Sat. May 19, morning and afternoon. For this event the Guild requests your donation of anything which is good enough to sell - anything at all which is in excess at your home. Please bring materials during the week and deposit same in the kitchen. Clean out your attic, bureau drawers, closets, and help make this an outstanding evening. Get your stuff in soon, please.



## THIS AND THAT

The Lenten sales continue thru-out the remainder of the Lenten season, up to Holy Week. Please phone in your orders by each Wed. night. Further, your help is needed on Thursdays to assist in preparing the food items, and then again on Friday to prepare the orders..... the Pastor is having Membership Conversation sessions on Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Pastor's office, with reception of new members set for Palm Sunday at the 10 a.m. service. If you have no definite church home and desire membership here, please contact the Pastor.....one of our members, Mr. Henry Schlueter, was honored by the 1st District Civic and Improvement Association at its recent meeting for 14 years of excellent service, prior to retirement, with the Baltimore Department of Streets. A plaque was presented him by Mr. Neff of the Department of Public Works in behalf of

the Mayor. Also a bouquet of lovely flowers was presented to Mrs. (Blanche) Schlueter. We are happy for this honor to our member..... the first Youth service on Sunday, Feb. 25th, was a real success, and requests are many that the service become a regular part of our church life. Appreciation is expressed to each of the youth who planned and produced this service, under the direction of the Youth Committee of the Church Council.....the Pastor is ready to bring the Sacrament to our shut-ins, prior to Holy Week Please contact the church office to make the request.....the Pastoral Committee is progressing nicely in the plans to bring an Associate Pastor to our staff. Plans for receiving applications are now being formulated.....the Chesapeake Association has a meeting on Sunday, April 1 at Bethel Church, Ellwood and Baltimore Sts. in the evening.



## CHURCH RECORDS

### Baptisms

Christina Lynn, daughter of Wm. and Sandra(Stuts) Clark on Feb. 25  
 Tammy Lynn, daughter of Ronald and Christine(Heim) Mincher on Mar. 11  
 Barbara Lynn, daughter of James and Arlene(Voelker)Pate on Mar. 11  
 George David, Jr., son of George and Renee(Sallah) Smith, on Mar. 11  
 Melanie Marie, daughter of Wm. and Jane(Earl) Barnes, III, Mar. 11  
 William Frederick, son of Rose Carrigan, on March 18

Stacie Teresa, daughter of Ronald and Cynthia(Tirschman)Blachowicz on March 18

### Weddings

William F. Finnerty and Barbara Stotler, on March 16

### Funerals

James A. Powers, age 77, Feb. 16  
 Mrs. Lena Hogan, age 73, Feb. 20

Howard E. Rode, age 72, Feb. 27  
 Mrs. Catherine Colligan, age 62, March 1

Harry P. Kresse, age 40, Mar. 7  
 Frederick Ruth, age 78, Mar. 15

## MORE ABOUT THE ANNIVERSARY

It isn't every year we can celebrate our 100th birthday. But this is the year, and it is hoped you are getting thrilled about this big birthday of our congregation. Although we are setting aside three or four Sundays in September for the actual Anniversary Sundays, we are celebrating all year long.

One evidence of the mood of rejoicing is the banner-sign which covers the entire back balcony, and announces the Anniversary. Another evidence is the pair of wreaths which grace the front pillars of the sanctuary, one containing the date, 1873, the other, 1973.

As the year moves along more evidence of the great event will become apparent. Some of our groups are arranging activities prior to September, of which you will be made aware in due time. A calendar of all the anniversary events will be published in the near future. An official program book is in early stages of preparation. Letters have gone out to our special speakers. Things are moving along. Aren't you thrilled? You should be, for this will be a great year.

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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.