

The November meeting of the Congregation of the United Evangelical Church was held on Friday, November 20, 1970.

There were a total of 50 voting members present.

President Albert Fader called the meeting to order and Pastor Paul A. Rasche opened it with a prayer.

The minutes of January's Congregational meeting in April were read and approved as corrected.

The first order of business was the presentation of the \$61,279 Proposed Church Budget for the year 1971. Arthur Block, our Finance Committee Chairman, read the complete budget; explained each item and answered questions of the Congregation. Sam Jones asked why the salaries of our Pastors did not increase as did the cost of living by 5.9% in the past year; Mr. Jones was advised that Pastor Rasche's salary was considered at length and that when all the benefits were totaled the salary was thought to be in line. Pastor Rasche said that he felt he was being treated fairly when he compared his salary to salaries which were submitted at the Central Atlantic Conference meeting in Dover, Delaware. Pastor Weisser is satisfied with his present salary and expenses arrangement, as they are tailored to his tax situation. Sam Jones made a motion that Pastor Rasche's salary be increased by \$500 yearly. The motion was not seconded, therefore it was not carried. George Sauer motioned that the proposed budget be approved as submitted, Ray Schmitt seconded the motion and it was carried.

Arthur Block reported that we are through paying interest to the improvement fund bond holders. To date 72 of these bonds have been issued with 51 remaining. The Church realized a profit of \$380 interest on the bonds that were not called for. Albert Fader thanked Mr. Block for a job well done.

The Young Women's Guild is making a gift of \$500 to the church, but it must be used to buy a new coffee urn for the kitchen. Mr. Fader thanked all those who helped make the Oyster Supper the big success that it was.

The following members of the Congregation were nominated to run for Church Council for the coming two year term by the Nominating Committee: William Benser, Ernest Jones, John Lenning, Henry Schneider Jr., Richard Single, William Single III and George Tuerk. Mr. Fader asked for nominations from the floor, there were none.

The Congregation was asked to vote for only six of these seven candidates.

The following members were elected to two year terms to Church Council:

Ernest Jones	(45 votes)	Richard Single	(41 votes)
John Lenning	(43 votes)	William Single III	(43 votes)
Henry Schneider, Jr.	(30 votes)	George Tuerk	(44 votes)

Mr. Fader thanked all the Council Members who were leaving and welcomed the new members.

Pastor Rasche informed us that our Church World Services was able to be one of the first to aid the Pakistanians after their catastrophe. This offering was a token offering and the congregation agreed to have another special offering through our church.

In response to a letter received from the Youth Steering Committee of the Chesapeake Association, Pastor Rasche and the Council Board agreed to give the matter of having some church services which would interest the not too conservative youth of today, some thought. Mr. Fader said that this matter would be brought up for discussion at the next congregational meeting.

Mr. Fader thanked William Benser for the fine manner in which he served on the Board and thanked all the Council members who worked with him for the past six years. Fred Long said the whole congregation should thank Mr. Fader for the fine job he has done as president of our Church Council.

There being no other business to be brought before the congregation, the meeting was adjourned.

Dr. Weißer closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis W. Parker, Sr.  
Recording Secretary