

September 11, 1984

The regular monthly meeting of the Church Council of United Evangelical Church was called to order on Tuesday, Sept. 11th at 8:00 p.m. by president, George Tuerk. Council members present were George Carrigan, George Tuerk, Grace Fader, Louis Oberlander, John Strong, Ruth Beckwith, Nancy Parker-Gray, Louis Parker, Sr., Absent: William Single, III, William Voelker, Paul Bauersfeld, Willoughby Myrick.

Visiting with us was the Rev. and Mrs. Clair Rhodes.

The secretaries minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Mr. Tuerk announced Pastor Rhodes will conduct services on October 14th, etc. Pastor Johnson will conduct services on Sept. 23 and 30th.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report was presented and approved as presented.

Mr. Tuerk announced Mrs. Florence Gundlach has consented to serve as chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Mr. Tuerk explained to Pastor Rhodes that the Search Committee negotiated a Contract of Call with the Rev. Stephen Fair.

The Search Committee chairman, Mr. Tuerk, recommended to the Church Council Pastor Stephen Fair be called to serve as Pastor of United Evangelical Church, and that a special Congregational meeting be held on September 16th. Balloting will be by secret ballot. Pastor Fair advised Mr. Tuerk that unless he received 75% of the vote he would not accept the call. In the event Pastor Fair is called <sup>the Council</sup> ~~Mr. Tuerk~~ has asked Pastor Rhodes to be our interim pastor until Pastor Fair gets here, presemably around December 16th.

Pastor Rhodes was asked to teach the Confirmation class of approximately 6 to 8 children. He consented until no longer needed. He will use the book "My Confirmation."

Pastor Rhodes agreed to \$200.00 per week, plus 20¢ per mile for church business. He agreed also to visit shutins, hospital calls, conduct baptisms, funerals and weddings. He will conduct two church services on Sunday.

Starting date for the Confirmation class will be published in bulletin.

Pastor Rhodes spoke of previous experiences with former churches not being able to hold on to the confirmed child after he had

been confirmed. Mr. Tuerk said a letter of requirement will be sent to parents. Pastor Rhodes agreed.

Pastor Rhodes will also explain meaning of hymns used in the church services. Thinks this will give more meaning to hymns.

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Mr. Tuerk reported to Church Council the Search Committee recommends to the Council to call Pastor Stephen Fair to be Pastor of United Evangelical Church under terms of Letter of Call.

Motion by Louis Parker, Sr. + "We recommend to the Congregation that we call Pastor Stephen Fair to be Pastor of United Evangelical Church according to the terms of the Letter of Call."

Seconded by Mr. George Carrigan.

Voter- 7 for

1 opposed.

Motion carried.

Mr. Myrick suggested a copy of Letter of Call to Pastor Fair be included in bulletin of September 16th.

It was decided to call a special Congregational meeting on September 16th. The meeting will convene after the first service, then recess until after the second service. Secret balloting will take place at each service. All ballots will be counted after second service.

Pastor Fair called Mr. Tuerk on the phone regarding moving expenses. Atlas Van Line submitted a price of \$2,964.25, including packing; United Van Lines price of \$1,701.45 does not include packing. Mr. Tuerk to call Von Paris Van Lines. The Church will pay Pastor Fair's moving expenses to Baltimore not including packing. The Church will choose the moving Van Line.

Motion approved.

Mr. and Mrs. James and Grace Martin attending a Presbyterian Church in Dundalk requested envelopes in June and to be put back on mailing list and be attending members at United. They wish to vote at the Congregational meeting. Pastor Schaefer agreed to this. Mr. Parker motioned we reinstate them on terms of Constitution and By-Laws of the Church. Seconded by Nancy Parker-Gray. Motion carried.

Mrs. Sandra Cox advised church secretary she was placed on inactive list some time ago. She now wishes to have her baby

Nancy Parker-Gray motioned we stay with Cope for the 1984-85 heating season. Motion carried.

New condensers delivered for the air conditioners.

Paper hanger will paper the parsonage the week of Sep t. 25th.

Boiler Repair - Mr. Leonard Carnes found circulator pump needs repair. Mr. Myrick will try to work out something with him.

Mr. Parker spoke of the terrific job Pastor Schaeffer did during the time he was here. He motioned - A gift to Pastor Schaeffer should be for \$2,500.00 and be put in the 1985 budget. Motion carried. This money will be given to Pastor Schaeffer at a reception for him in the early weeks of 1985.

Chesapeake Center - Plan a Sunday for gifts to the Chesapeake Center. Envelopes to go out with the Endeavor.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned and all joined together saying "The Lord's Prayer."

Respectfully submitted,

*Grace E. Fader*  
(Mrs.) Grace E. Fader  
Ch. Council secretary