

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH U.C.C.  
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F A L L E N D E A V O R

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

Thursday, November 27th  
Thanksgiving Day Worship Service 10 a.m.

Sunday, November 30th  
Congregational Meeting 12 noon  
Friendship Hall

Wednesday, December 3rd  
Ladies Aid Christmas Party  
Poplar Inn 12 noon

Sunday, December 7th  
Interfaith Music Festival 2:30 p.m.  
Patterson Park Baptist Church

Sunday, December 14th  
Tinsel Day 12 noon

Wednesday, December 17th  
Young Women's Guild Christmas Party  
Williamsburg Inn 1 p.m.

Wednesday, December 24th  
Christmas Eve Worship Services  
7:30 p.m. Family and 11:00 p.m. Communion

Wednesday, December 25th  
Happy Birthday Jesus  
and  
Merry Christmas

Wednesday, December 31st.

Happy New Year

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S U N D A Y S C H O O L

WE ENCOURAGE ALL PARENTS TO DO ALL THAT  
THEY CAN TO START BUILDING CHRISTIAN  
EDUCATION IN YOUR CHILD AS EARLY AS  
POSSIBLE.

CRADLE ROLL and NURSERY  
Infant to 3 years

KINDERGARTEN  
4 and 5 years

PRIMARY  
6 and 7 years

LOWER JUNIOR  
8 and 9 years

JUNIOR  
10 and 11 years

Sunday School is every Sunday 9 - 10 a.m.  
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PARENTS AND CHILDREN TOGETHER  
P.A.C.T.

for 2 - 3 - 4 year olds

Monday - Tuesday - Thursday

INFORMATION

Concetta Clark - Teacher

1-301-995-0118

or

410-276-0393

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TAI CHI

TaiChi is taught here on Monday and  
Thursday, evenings 7 - 9 by Charles Wallace  
for more information call 410-276-4763

## LET THERE BE LIGHT

It was a world of darkness. Darkness says the book of Genesis was on the face of the deep, and into that world God sent light. And so the Bible reminds us that darkness was always a part of our lives. In the creation he made the sea and the land, the fishes and sea monsters, trees and vines and the animals and every creeping thing on the earth. All this was to prepare the world for his greatest creation, humanity. Male and Female created he them. And he made each one of us in his image and a little lower than the angels. All of this activity was to prepare the way for us, his beloved children. And when the time was right he prepared us to receive his greatest and most precious gift. He went before us to prepare a place that where he is one day we may be also. As I think about how our Church has been involved in preparation for mission tasks in our neighborhood I can give thanks for a number of Great Gifts we have received this year. One of these is the rebuilding of our Church Offices so that we can carry out a more effective and efficient ministry. A Second is the installation of two new boilers to keep us warm in the cold of winter. God wants us and each new member to be comfortable in our service to him, and finally the completion of the bell tower project which included the removal of the old equipment of heavy metal which one supported our bells and the installation of new equipment which controls the ringing of the steeple bells, and the special bell we call the "Potato" bell. This we ring each time we say the "Lord's Prayer". And finally God said "Let There Be Light" and light was installed in the tower - the clock faces painted and the spire painted gold as it points heavenward to the Lord we love. These lights break up the darkness in our city and remind us of the light - the true light that came into our world at Christmas - A light which continues to show us the way as we walk through these

tumultuous years. At Christmas time we remember at first how very small that light was. It came in the form of a vulnerable baby - small and yet such a powerful light that it changed each of our lives and indeed our whole world.

Merry Christmas,  
The Pastor

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CALLING ALL CHILDREN AND  
YOUTH CHOIR MEMBERS

The Senior Choir has asked me to gather some voices to sing with them on Christmas Eve. I'll be calling to ask if we can count on you to help us rejoice on December 24th. Please call me at 410-679-1452 if you can join us.

Thank you,  
Lynn Sanders

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THE LADIES AID SOCIETY  
NEWS

Dear Members;

Summer is past and now fall is here. Hope you all enjoyed you vacations.

Many members enjoyed a Crab Feast at Suicide Bridge with a lovely boat ride. We are planning to make another trip next year. Be sure to come along.

We will have only 1 meeting this year on Wednesday, December 3rd our Christmas Party make sure to put your name on Emma Essel's list. If you wish to bring a gift contact Emma.

It would be nice if every member would remember our shut-ins with a Christmas Card they all love to get mail:

- Grace Fader - 8620 Kelso Dr.  
Apt. A-310 21221
- Mildred Hoerger - Riverview Nursing Home 1  
Eastern Blvd. R-223-D  
21221
- Edna Oberlander - Canton Harbor Nur. Home  
1300 Ellwood Ave. 21224
- Mildred Sanders - 2423 Ellis Rd. 21234
- Lillian Sauer - Manor Care Rossville  
6600 Ridge Road R-208-B  
21237

May you all have a Blessed Christmas and a  
Happy Healthy New Year

God Bless you,  
Marty (Pres.)

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YOUNG WOMEN'S GUILD  
NEWS

We hope you had a pleasant, relaxing  
summer. Now its time for our fall and  
winter work.

We encountered some sad facts since  
our last newspaper. Our President, Mildred  
"Mutz" Surdel, lost her only son Rick, in  
May, due to a heart attack and stroke.  
Lillian Buschman lost her husband, Charles.

I am glad to report that the Guild  
members who were incapacitated this summer  
are recuperating very well. God Bless you,  
Lillian Sauer, Grace Fader, Marty Craig and  
Millie Slechta, and all the other Church  
Members who are going through trials and  
tribulations, we wish you the very best.

As you know due to the Chesapeake  
Water Scare", we felt like we should cancel  
our annual Crab Cake Supper. Like the  
Orioles, wait 'til next year!.

Our "girls" helped with the Church's  
124th Anniversary Celebration. It was a  
success. We all do love our Church.

As usual we all turned out to help  
with the All Church Sour Beef and Dumpling  
Supper. Nice to see new faces. It's easier  
on the kitchen group to have the supper  
changed to Wednesday and Thursday. More  
time to make more food so it won't be a  
disappointment to have to turn people away.

Our Christmas Party will be held Wednesday, December 17th at Williamsburg Inn. Watch the Sunday Bulletins for more details and transportation information.

We welcome three new members into the Guild:

Arlene Pate  
Darlene Waters  
Mildred Wirsing

Our President "Mutz" Surdel has requested to be relieved from her Presidential position effective 12\31\97, due to health problems, also Grace Fader as Treasurer, Millie has asked to be relieved as Corresponding Secretary for the same reason. These ladies have served over 10 years and are sad that illnesses necessitate these changes.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 1998

PRESIDENT-----Olga deBloom  
VICE PRESIDENT-----Helen Bogucki  
TREASURER-----Mildred Wirsing  
RECORDING SECRETARY-----Mildred Gronberg  
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY-----Darlene Waters

WE ALL WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, A HAPPY,  
JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON.

Sincerely,  
Millie Slechta (Publicity)

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HEAT FUND RAFFLE WINNERS

1st Prize Winner -- Carol Burnham  
2nd Prize Winner -- Harry A. Kutter  
3rd Prize Winner -- Calvin Kellner  
Thanks to everyone who purchased a  
Heat Fund Raffle Ticket.

T H E S E N I O R C H O I R

The members of the Senior Choir hope everyone had a safe summer. A few of our members had surgery or bad falls, or medical tests taken. These members are back singing again. Our prayers are with our Choir members and also with all of you.

Now we are looking forward to singing God's Praises, cooler weather. We helped where we could at the All Church Sour Beef and Dumpling Luncheon and Supper.

If anyone is interested in joining us, please speak to Rob Gundlach or any other Choir member. Our rehearsals are on Thursday evenings, at 7:30 p.m. If that is not possible for you, come on in on Sunday morning and we will be glad to have you sing with us. Rob has some new hymns for Advent and he will be glad to share them with you.

Let's make this 124th Anniversary Year of our Church the best ever.

Respectfully,  
Margaret Jean Myrick,  
Senior Choir Secretary

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A T H A N K Y O U F R O M M I L L I E

I wish to thank the Pastors' Armstrong and Joellenbeck for their visits to our home.

I want to thank Pastor Armstrong for his bi-weekly phone call. I have received phone calls from Mutz, Grace Fader, Ruth Beckwith, Olga and Big Jim. I really appreciate these calls because they are toll-calls.

I want to thank Darlene Waters for sending us the weekly bulletin.

I want to thank the Smith Girls, Dolores Canoles and Grace Ruppalt for their kind letters and I want to thank all for the beautiful cards.

It's tough being in a wheel chair and I went through depression for 3 weeks. Now I know this is my way to get around and

I've finally accepted it. My neighbors are erecting a ramp so that its going to be better on Jim. He has become a perfect house-husband, bed making, windows, washing, etc.

Thank you all too, who have remembered us in your prayers.

Millie Slechta

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U N I T E D B O W L I N G L E A G U E

Our 1997-1998 Bowling League Season is now half over and it is just as much fun as when we first started. Competition is very keen. We are bowling at Middlesex Lanes. If you care to join us next season, contact Paul Bauersfeld, Rob Gundlach, the Church Office or me.

Sharon Daniloski  
Secretary

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U N I T Y C A N D L E

Those wishing to make a "Love Gift" to celebrate a Marriage, Wedding Anniversary or their unity in the family of the Church through Baptism may call the Office to speak to Cass or Darlene. 410-276-0393.

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S E L F D E N I A L F O L D E R

Enclosed with this United Endeavor is your SELF-DENIAL FOLDER For the Advent Season. We ask that this year in particular, you remember that your Church needs you to the best of your ability. The heating season has begun and all of us know from personal experience what it means in terms of oil and utilities cost. If more folders are desired, they are available in the Narthex or Church Office. Thank you very much.  
Your Church Council.

MEMORIAL AND POINSETTIA MEMORIALS

The Church Office is now accepting memorials for our Annual Christmas Memorial Booklet to be distributed with the Bulletin on Christmas Eve, Wednesday, December 24th. If you would like to have your memorials in this special booklet we must have them in the Church Office by Friday, December 5th. We are also accepting Poinsettia Memorials and they are \$10.00 each. We do suggest that you purchase a poinsettia and designate it for a shut-in. If you wish to pick up the flower it will be ready following the Worship Service on Christmas Eve.

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1998 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

Cass is currently preparing 1998 Church Offering Envelopes for distribution in early December. If you did not have envelopes in 1997 and desire them in 1998, please call the Church Office, 410-276-0393

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CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Our Church Council has decided to limit distribution of Christmas Baskets to families who are MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH ONLY For those who are non-members, we are cooperating with SEARCH (2639 Fait Ave) and these people will be referred to our local food bank, All requests for Christmas Baskets must be in writing and received in the Church Office By Friday, December 12th.

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OUR CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Roy Joellenbeck, Minister of Visitation - 410-377-7939  
Catherine "Cass" Young - Church Secretary  
Darlene Waters - Assistant Church Secretary  
Robert Gundlach - Director of Music  
Dorothy Green - Volunteer Collater  
Lois Duvall - Volunteer Collater

OUR CHURCH STAFF CONTINUED

Olga deBloom - Volunteer Collater  
Carol Borkman - Leader - Child Care - Nur.  
Concetta Clark - P.A.C.T. Program - Dir.  
Kathleen Meehling & Patricia Foster - Teach  
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TINSEL DAY

Because the Tinsel Day Program is a Church Family affair and the number of places limited by the Fire Department, the Church Council has decided that this year admittance will be by TICKET ONLY. Tinsel Day is Sunday, December 14th. Tickets will be available through the Church Office.

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7th ANNUAL INTERFAITH MUSIC FESTIVAL  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH 1997 - 2.30 p.m.

Sponsored by Canton-Highlandtown Area Churches and S.E.A.R.C.H.

(South East Alliance Resolved to Combat Hunger)

Ticket Donation - \$3.00

To Benefit Superpantry

HOSTED BY; Patterson Park Baptist Church  
3115 Eastern Avenue

T I C K E T S

Courtesy of Hoffman-Skafda Funeral Home

See Pastor or Office

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S C O U T S

Monday Nights Cub Scouts 7-8:30 p.m

Wednesday Night Boy Scouts 6:30-8:30 p.m.

INFORMATION

Cub Scout Leader Kathy High 410-675-6652

Boy Scout Leader Lester Wolf 410-563-1317

