

The regular meeting of the Church Council of the United Evangelical Church was held on November 7, 1978, with the following persons in attendance: Louis Oberlander, Margaret Craig, John Bond, J. Edwin Myers, Earl Jackson, Randy Schmitt, George Turk, Killoughby Myrick, Jr., Carole Heidel, William Hoffman, and Rev. W. Scott Nengen III. The pastor opened the meeting with a prayer.

Mr. Ralph Murre of Walker-Nelson Travel Ltd. made a presentation on cruises for fund-raising on the ship Queen Elizabeth II. The suggested months were April and June, and the profit would be made from the sale of the 21st ticket. Consideration of the proposal will be given at a future date.

Due to time and the amount of business before the Council, the reading of the minutes was suspended.

The financial report for October '78 was approved as submitted.

The Council reviewed the recommended budget prepared by the finance committee. A report by Miss Heidel on behalf of the Christian Education Committee recommended the inclusion of a "special musical events" item of \$400, and an increase of \$200 under "receptions and refreshments" to cover the

cost of luncheons at congregational meetings, or other special events. These additions were made as recommended.

There was no specific recommendation concerning the pastor's salary.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Miss Heidel, seconded by Mr. Myers, to give the pastor a five percent raise, totalling \$650. The motion passed 7 to 1, with Mr. Oberlander opposed.

Mr. Myers moved that the \$2,600 listed in the 1978 budget for an assistant sexton be continued. Mr. Jackson seconded the motion, and it was carried.

The total 1979 budget proposed by the Council was \$74,278, plus social security.

Reports of Committees:

Fellowship: Mrs. Craig requested the Council's help with Tinsel Day Dec. 10.

Youth Group: Mr. Myers reported that Norma Spence was the new president. The trip here of the youth group from Philadelphia was cancelled. The group is selling fruitcakes again this year. Approval was given for the use of the kitchen for a youth group party on Dec. 17.

Nominating Committee: Mr. Schmitt reported that 3 persons were needed

to run in the Council election.

New Business: A motion was made by Mr. Myrick, seconded by Mr. Schmitt, to allow future ^{regular} meetings of the congregation to be called on a day in January and a day in December. The motion was carried, and a copy of the change in the By-Laws according to the motion is attached hereto.

Pastor's Report: A copy of the Pastor's monthly report is attached. Pastor Wenger listed the following accomplishments for October:

1. a very successful sour beef and oyster supper;
2. the Chesapeake Association meeting held here;
3. the Christian Education and Finance Committees functioned well;
4. the Clergy-Agency Youth Seminar is to be held here;
5. the pastor's D. Min. project is proceeding well;
6. the pastor is a nominee for president of the PTSA at City College;
7. a cassette recording has been made for use in adult membership classes;
8. we were included in the East Baltimore Photography Project;
9. Young Adult happening on Oct. 14;

10. progress in planning for the LTS students to be here in January;
11. increased interest in the Festival Choir in Chesapeake Association;
12. Plans for an adult & youth choir show;
13. prayer and meditation time from 6-6:30 P.M. on Wednesdays; and
14. a new Chesapeake Association Youth Task Force project and show theme have been set. Plans include a return to South Dakota to work with the Indians.

Concerns:

1. Christmas Eve schedule to include 2 morning worship services, and a family service at 7:30 P.M.;
2. Confirmation class schedules;
3. Lancaster Seminary Day, with an AV presentation, on Nov. 19 (this was approved by consensus)
4. Only 2 Council members were present for the association meeting;
5. an update on our goals and objectives with our budget;
6. a bus trip to Lancaster Seminary in the future;
7. a specific request be made from the Council to the Conference for stewardship help;
8. a written statement on Chris Holferman's employment status here;

9. transfer of Mr. & Mrs. Louis Parker Jr. to Christ Lutheran Church, in Millersville (moved by Mr. Myers, seconded by Mr. Schmitt)
10. transfer of Lula Mary Riedel to Grace Lutheran Church (moved by Mr. Schmitt, seconded by Mr. Myers). Both transfers were approved by the Council.
11. a request for 8 or 12 new tables before Third Sunday (this is to be discussed later); and

12. an editor is needed for The Endeavor. Additionally, Pastor Bengert made the following items known for action by the property committee: broken windows in the old men's room, replacement of a light fixture in the 3rd floor men's room, a vacuum cleaner is needed, treads on the stairs in Friendship Hall are loose, and consideration of a new dryer in the parsonage. John Bond reported damage to 8 chairs in the Primary Dept. of the church school.

There being no other business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned. All joined in the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Carroll P. Heidel
Recording Secretary