

## **NEWS FROM UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

**Hello,**

The Newsletter is later this month due to the fact that it has been a very busy time here in the Church Office. Hope this hasn't inconvenienced anyone getting this letter late. Now onto the News.

### **PASTORAL SEARCH**

After consulting with the church council Pastor Baker has begun her preparation for her next Pastoral call. Pastor Baker has agreed to stay with us through the next couple of months but no later than December 31, 2001. She may leave earlier if she receives a new call or we call a new Pastor. We are all very thankful for spiritual leadership that she has provided over the last two years. We ask that you pray for God's guidance in leading Pastor Baker to her next call.

As you know, the search committee is still working toward finding a pastor to service our church. To date, the committee has interviewed several prospective Pastors, by telephone as well as face to face, and at this time they are in the process of having one of the Pastors preach a sermon at a neutral pulpit in accordance with the guidelines of our Constitution and Bylaws. Should the search committee find the sermon acceptable, they will then have him/her deliver a guest sermon at our church and informally meet with the congregation afterward. The congregation will then have an opportunity, by vote, to accept or reject the prospective Pastor. It is our fervent prayer that our search will soon come to an end. The search committee will keep you informed of their progress.

### **BIBLE STUDY**

Ever wonder what the Bible is trying to tell us? Feel free to join us as we try to understand what God is telling us. We meet every Sunday right after the 8:00 a.m. service in the quiet room. We choose a book of the Bible, read it, discuss it and try to apply it to our every day lives. We occasionally watch videotapes about the Bible. We are constantly learning new things about the Bible and about ourselves. Come join us.

### **CHURCH COUNCIL**

We are entering the fall season with some unanswered questions. Who will be our next Pastor? What is the future of our church? This doesn't mean we should be afraid or apprehensive. We should see this as an opportunity for a new beginning. We can take this time to renew our spirit and ask for God's direction for this church. With the grace of God and our commitment to our faith and to our church, we will help create our own future. The Pastoral Search committee is committed to finding the right person for this church. We have faith that this person will be found soon.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

At the present time, we are in the process of hosting communications antennas and electronic equipment on the roof of our school building. They are to be installed in the most inconspicuous way possible by APC Realty and Equipment, and various contractors who are involved in the installation for Sprint PCS. The antennas are radio frequency antennas that will allow wireless communication over a wide range and will cover the Canton area and should be installed sometime before December. The equipment is completely silent and self-supporting. Meaning that, once it is installed, there is no need for anyone to be there to assist in its operation.

### **P.A.C.T**

P.A.C.T. under the direction teaching of Concetta Clark will resume on Monday, September 17, 2001. If you need some information about this preschool contact Concetta at 1- 410-995-0118.

## **CURTAINS FOR CHURCH BALCONY**

The small curtains at the front window in the balcony of the church had become deteriorated to a point that they disintegrated when touched ever so lightly. So, the Ladies Organization of U.E.C. purchased new ones and are to be installed on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. They also had the large curtain in the back of the church taken down and reversed so that wear and tear would be even on both sides. Thanks for a job well done.

## **AIR CONDITIONER**

The air conditioner in the Pastor's study finally gave up the ghost and a new one was purchased and installed. We think the pastor was right when she said, "I think we need a new air conditioner, this one makes too much noise" However, we found that it not only made too much noise, it didn't produce any cool air either. Let's hope this one keeps her cool and comfy.

## **THE SENIOR CHOIR**

The Senior Choir officers and members hope all of you had a safe and healthy summer. Rehearsals resumed on Thursday, August 23, 2001. Our first anthem together will be sung on Sunday, September 16, 2001. We will be singing some new music this year and, of course, some of our old favorites. Let us know if there is some anthem you would like to hear us do. We will certainly give it a try. Better yet – why don't you come and sing with us? Any Sunday morning or come to any Thursday night rehearsal (7:30p.m., up in the Choir Room). We would love to have you join us.

**WE REALLY DO NEED YOU !!**

Sincerely,  
Margaret Jean Myrick  
Senior Choir Secretary

## **COOK BOOKS**

There are still Cookbooks available for the minimal donation of \$8.50 per copy. All proceeds go directly to the church.

## **ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

As in past years we are selling the Entertainment Books again. This year the books are north and south combined. There are also a great number of coupons in the book for Ocean City, Maryland. The donation price is **\$25.00**. If you want a copy, call 410-276-0393 or visit the church office and we will be glad to help you.

## **HEAT FUND RAFFLE TICKETS**

Anyone wanting more Heat Fund Raffle Tickets, please contact the Church Office at 410-276-0393. The winning ticket will be drawn on Sunday, October 21, 2001 at 9:30 a.m.

## **ALL CHURCH SOUR BEEF & DUMPLING DINNER**

It's time to once again think about our annual sour beef supper. On August 13<sup>th</sup>, we had our first meeting and approximately 24 members attended the meeting to pledge their help and support. This was in addition to 15 members who called in and pledged their support. If all those people show up on the days of the supper, we should have no problems. The supper will be on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be carryouts both days. The price of a ticket is \$10.00. There will be deliveries for orders of 3 or more suppers within an agreed upon area. The delivery boundaries are Broadway, Boston Street, Bank Street and Haven Street. Other areas will be considered depending on the request.

FALL CALENDAR 2001

OCTOBER

Wednesday, October 10, 2001

Making Candy to be sold at Bazaar

Monday, October 15, 2001

Preparation of Food for Dinner

Tuesday, October 16, 2001

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Wednesday, October 17, 2001

Sour Beef and Dumpling .

Luncheon 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Dinner 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 18, 2001

CARRY-OUTS WILL START TODAY AT 12:00 NOON AND GO UNTIL 7:00 P.M.TONIGHT

Dinner 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Carry-Out during all serving hours

This year we are trying something new. We will deliver the dinner if you have an order of **THREE (3) or MORE** to one location. All dinners this year are \$10.00 per dinner eat in or carry out.

Sunday, October 21, 2001

You may start sending in your Memorials for Memorial or Totenfest Sunday, which will be on November 25, 2001.

Sunday, October 28, 2001

At 2:00 a.m. on this day Daylight Savings Time will end. Remember to turn your clocks back 1-hour before you go to bed on Saturday, October 27, 2001.

NOVEMBER

Sunday, November 11, 2001

This Sunday Veterans Day will be observed in both Worship Services.

Sunday, November 26, 2000

Today, Sunday, November 26, 2001 is Totenfest Sunday. We will be remembering our loved ones at both services. There will be a Congregational Meeting on this Sunday following the 10:30 a.m. Service. The meeting will be held in the Friendship Hall with light refreshments.

IF YOU, AS A NEWSLETTER READER WOULD LIKE TO PUT AN ARTICLE OR STORY OF A MEMORY ABOUT THE CHURCH IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.