

July 2, 1985

The regular monthly meeting of the Church Council of United Evangelical Church was held on Tuesday, June 4, 1985 at 8:00 P.M. President, Mr. George Tuerk presided.

All Council members were present except Ms. Ruth Beckwith, Mrs. Nancy Parker Gray and Mr. Paul Bauersfeld. Dr. Thomas R. Hamilton visited with us at this meeting.

Pastor Fair opened the meeting with a prayer.

The secretary's minutes and the financial report were read and approved.

#### Property Committee

Three quotes are due on carpet for alter this week.

The choir room ceiling has been repainted after additional repairs to the roof.

Kitchen refrigerator needs to be checked. It is not working properly and the food is freezing.

Fuel oil tank will be filled and checked each day to see if leaking is continuing. Crystal Oil Company to be contacted.

#### Calander Committee

We have received a request from Kathleen Young for permission to use the hall and kitchen facilities for a surprise anniversary party for her parents. This was approved by the Council.

Pat Smith of Troop #19 has requested use of the hall and kitchen facilities for a dinner on September 25. This was approved by the Council if the day can be changed.

Dieters United would like to change meetings to Wednesday for the summer months. This change was approved by the Council.

#### Fellowship Committee

Sour Beef Supper will continue to be served as in the past, but we will try to enforce no removal of food from tables. Raffle tickets will be sold again this year. First prize will be \$500.00 and second prize \$100. Mr. Voelker motioned to approve the raffle, Mr. George Carrigan seconded the motion. Approved by the Council.

#### Music Committee

Mrs. Canoles reports that the Choir Show is progressing well. Due to lack of interest, the Church Anniversary Dinner-Dance will be brought up again at the time of our 115 Anniversary.

## Pastor's Report:

Statistics: 2 Baptisms  
4 Weddings(1 double) 2 Personal Counseling Sessions  
2 funerals 8 Church Services, led  
4 Church Meetings 22 Home & Hospital visits  
0 Pre-Baptism Sessions 3 Pre-Marriage Sessions  
2 Pending Baptisms 2 Pending Marriages  
0 Guild Meeting 3 Church Services, attended  
0 Choir rehearsals Mercersburg Society Convocation

Pastor's vacation approved by Council for July 14-27.

Youth Group is trying to reorganize. They would like to hold a dance on June 28 to help attract members. This would be a record dance and well supervised by adults. Council approved use of gym for this event.

Youth choir robes are in very poor condition. Present robes have been in use for 5 years or more. Motion made by Mr. Parker and seconded by Mrs. Canoles to pay 2/3'rds the cost of new robes. Children are to earn the rest of the money. Motion approved by the Council.

Rev. Joseph Sweeney will be supply pastor while Pastor Fair is away at meeting.

## Financial Report

Health insurance at \$1800.00 per quarter seems high. This will be checked to see if some reductions can be obtained with another company.

UCC conference insurance policy on property will be sent off for inquiry.

Question was raised as to whether Pastor's vestments and library, which are in the church office, are covered under church insurance policy. This should be checked. Personal property in Parsonage is not covered under church policies.

## Membership Committee

Three members in the adult class will be taken into Church this month.

## New Business

Pastor Jean Kelbaugh would like our church to prepare a meal for a group of high school students from Ohio who will be working on home rehabilitation. Mrs. Fader suggested a menu of chicken, baked potatoes and peas. This would be held on June 11 or 12. The project was approved by the Council and \$100.00 was advanced for supplies.

Mrs. Fader brought to the attention of the Council the fact that the Women's Guild was not announced on May 12, Mother's Day, when the Guild came to church in a group. Also the special booklet of memorials was not brought to the attention of the congregation. Pastor Fair apologized for the omission. Also the style of the Apostles Creed and the Benediction were discussed.

Mrs. Canoles suggests communion services be shortened by cutting back on the number of hymns and by a shorter sermon.

Dr. Hamilton thanked the Council for inviting him to visit during the meeting. He reminded us that he is always available for any assistance we may need. His office is in the Catonsville area.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted;