

June, July, 1994

"CARING"

Newsletter

United Evangelical Church

Baltimore, Md.

What a terrific HOT summer we are having. I hope all of you have a fan or an air-conditioner to help you keep COOL. The heavy storms we are having and the heavy deluge of rain hasn't cooled down the temperature very much. I noticed the temperature a short time ago and it was 87° and climbing. But --- its still better than snow.

June and July have been active months at the Church. However, in recalling what has taken place I forgot to include in the May newsletter, a write-up of the Young Women's Guild 50th Anniversary celebration which was held on the last Sunday in April at the Tiffany East.

Approximately 100 members and friends attended this affair. We had a live band for dancing and members of the Dance Class, held at Church, did the line dances, the polkas, German waltz and fox trots. It WAS A SUPER affair.

The Young Women's Guild has been a very active organization of the Church since the year 1944. During World War II our members volunteered at the U.S.O. helping with the cleaning, serving, etc. During the years since World War II, they have entertained at Nursing Homes, invited other Women's Groups from U.C.C. Churches to have lunch with us. They have had beautiful Christmas parties and always helped with providing food for the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for the needy. I notice a few of our Guild members are now on our "Caring" list and perhaps their mind is now thinking of the wonderful times we had together.

Mildred "Mutz" Surdel is President of the Young Women's Guild. She is a great leader and friend.

On June 8th the three Women's Organizations had a luncheon and bingo party. We had a nice crowd and our net profit was \$705.45 which was given ot the Church.

Marty Craig applied last year to get a date for the Women's Groups to tour the White House. She received a telephone call from the person in charge at the White House to tour it on June 15th at 8 a.m. Marty did an excellent job in getting people to attend on such a short notice but the tour was worth it. Not too many rooms were open for tourists to see but the beautiful chippendale furniture, the painted huge pictures of the presidents, plus pictures of their wives are so beautiful. We saw the long hall that the president walks down when he has a news conference on TV, also the library,

the red room, blue, green and gold rooms, the large dining room where many notable persons have dined, the lovely gold chantileers, the silver and china

On entering the White House we were screened and also were our purses. The guard searched a purse of a friend of mine because her breath inhaler for a heart condition looked like a gun in her purse. All the contents were poured out on a table, then returned to her purse, than handed back to her. WOW!

Our White House guide was excellent - what a memory! He had no notes to refer to, but I don't think he missed telling us anything. The tour lasted about 40 minutes, then we toured Washington on the bus. We had luncheon reservations at the Anchorage Inn in Wheaton, Maryland. We were quite hungry by this time and we could choose whatever we wanted from the menu. The luncheon was included in the cost of the trip.

On our tour of Washington, we visited President Kennedy's and Mrs. Jackie Kennedy's graves.

We left East Avenue and Dillon Street at 6:30 a.m. and returned by 3:00 p.m. It was a great day and a great trip.

On Friday, June 24th, the Young Women's Guild had their annual Crab Cake Luncheon and Supper. Our menu was crab soup, string beans, potato salad, cole slaw, rolls, butter, ice tea and coffee. Dessert was extra. The weather was near 100° that day so we did not have a large crowd. You really could not blame people for not wanting to go out in heat on such a hot day though the dining room is air-conditioned. Our profit was \$942.00. Let's hope next year will be a little cooler.

Happy Fourth of July - It was HOT, But hopefully you could do a little celebrating. The TV show in the evening from Washington was a cool way to enjoy the holiday. The show was great, fireworks and everything.

It was another hot day July 16th. Marty Craig had a bus trip to the Red Rooster in Salisbury, Maryland. It was hot but the liquid refreshments were cold. We left Baltimore at 9 a.m., crossed over the Bay Bridge and headed on Route #50 to Salisbury. The traffic wasn't too bad for a Saturday morning. At the Red Rooster we had fried shrimp, fried clams, hush puppies, ear corn, steamed crabs and watermelon. The entertainment was good - a piano player, guitar player and the owner of the Red Rooster sang songs. He had a tremendous tenor voice to sing "Danny Boy". On the way we stopped at a roadside stand and purchased blue berries, corn, tomatoes, water melon, string beans, jellies, potatoes - you name it - we bought it! A very happy day. Thank you to Marty for planning another wonderful trip.

Millie, the secretary, received a phone call from Anna Bright's niece, Dorothy Davenport, telling us Anna has been in the hospital but now has returned to the National

Lutheran Nursing Center where she has resided for a long time. Anna was a dedicated Sunday School Teacher (over 50 years) of the Church. Her beautiful work with the little children will always be remembered. Her mail is being sent to Dorothy Davenport and she will take it with her when she visits with Anna and read the mail to her.

Dear Will Mack has had a fall and was hospitalized for some time. He has now returned to the Glen Meadows Retirement Center in Glen Arm, Maryland. Will was the gentleman who, for years, worked at the church suppers and in the fall, fried all the oysters for the Sour Beef and Oyster Supper. The were great years, Will and I enjoyed working for you. We all wish you Will, a speedy recovery.

By the way - do any of you remember when the Sour Beef and Oyster Suppers were ONLY 50¢ per ticket? They were the days my friend.

United's Eddie Kellner was in Normandy for the 50th Reunion of the D-Day Forces. Eddie was selected to go from his unit. He was one of the lucky ones to survive. Our prayers go out to Eddie and all the other families of the heroes of that day.

We are saddened to tell you our "Caring" member, Elaine Smith, wife of Arthur Smith has passed away on July 9th. She is survived by her husband, daughters Kim and Pam and sister-in-law, Darlene Waters. "May the Lord watch over all those who mourn".

We are saddened by the death of N. Elwood Walter, husband of the late Josephine Walter. They are survived by a daughter and son. "The Lord is my shepherd,....".

I received a beautiful letter from Marianna Carrigan this month. Marianna has been ill since the death of her husband, George, five years ago. In her letter, she tells me her wonderful son now has cancer of the throat. He was operated on 3 weeks ago and will have to have radiation for a while. Marianna is now under doctor's care for depression.

In our "Caring" way, let us all pray for Marianna and her son. May the dark clouds and rain drops go away and they will soon see God's beautiful sunshine.

Pastor and Mrs. Priscilla Armstrong flew to San Francisco, California for Pastor to officiate in the marriage of their son Keith to Mia, his lovely bride. Let us send our love and best wishes to the happy couple. Let us send our love and best wishes to Pastor and Mrs. Armstrong for the new addition to their family.

Do you know that the lady who mails you the "Upper Room" or delivers it to your door is Helen Bogucki a volunteer member of the Church? She is such a carefree, smiling person and enjoys so much doing this for you. Whenever it is time for a new

"Upper Room", Helen walks in the Canton, Highlandtown area hand delivering to our "Caring" members homes. The Lord loves you Helen and we all love you too! A BIG HAND for HELEN.

Perhaps as you read your newsletter you may think of something to tell us which we can publish. Just call Millie or Cass at the Office, 276-0393 and I will get the message.

God Bless, take care.

With love to you all,

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Grace E. Fader  
Your friend at United

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Newsletter

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In my last newsletter I wrote to you about the terrible hot weather we were having at that time and today I turned on the heat to take the chill out of my home.

The flowers are so beautiful at this time of the year. The trees are beginning to turn into the lovely colors of fall and cornstalks and pumpkins are now trimming many homes in the country.

At the church I attend in Pennsylvania (when I'm not in Baltimore) this past Sunday was "Harvest Festival Sunday. The altar was filled with the fruits and vegetables the farmers raise on their farms. It was a beautiful sight to see. The pumpkins and apples were nestled in the corn stalks and cabbage, turnips, potatoes, sweet potatoes, beets, homemade bread and rolls beautifully placed on the altar among the canned goods, cereal, and many other items of food to be given to those in need. Fall is a beautiful time of the year."

TRIPS AND STUFF:

Our activities in August began with a bus trip, planned by Margaret Craig to the Wesley Chapel Fish Fry in Rock Hall, Maryland. This trip was something different as many of us had never been to a fish fry.

The menu has been the same since they started having this fish fry in 1962. It consisted of: Crab Cakes, Fried Fish, Potato Salad, Pickled Beets, home grown Tomatoes, Applesauce, and Cake Squares and bread dough was patted by hand and baked in specially made Dutch Ovens and baked over wood fires. They say this is becoming a lost art because of its unique operation.

The Dutch Oven short bread was served with dark molasses at the table. The food was served buffet style.

The fish was fried in large kettles out doors. We were invited to watch their church family in action; and to feel free to ask questions and take pictures. The Church family was very appreciative and grateful to us for having come to their church and invited us back next year.

On September 10th, Marty planned another trip to the Faith Church in Frederick, Maryland. Here again our menu consisted of: Fried Oysters, Turkey, Sour Kraut, Dressing,

Stringbeans, Applesauce, Rolls and Butter, and Whipped Potatoes and Cake Squares.

This is another church which welcomes us so warmly when we go there. They always ask that we get there early so they may serve us first and this plan works very well.

The oysters remind us of the oysters we used to serve with our Sour Beef Supper. They are large, juicy, fried to a golden brown and served family style.

On our way to the church, we stopped at the Francis Scott Key Mall; and on the way home we stopped at Wal-Mart to shop and Baurghers for ice-cream and fresh fruits and vegetables.

#### ORGAN FUND:

Our Church bulletin now contains an envelope mark "Organ Fund". Robert Gundlach, our superb organist discovered recently that five valve bellows on our organ are deteriorated to the point we faced the possibility of no organ music at the church services.

As in the past our congregation is responding beautifully with donations to the organ fund. The cost of the repairs is \$5,400. The Senior Choir is very dedicated to the church and always provides for our pleasure, beautiful music for our church services.

#### CHOIR ON THE MOVE:

I asked the President of the Choir, Bill Raddatz, to provide me with an article for our "Caring" Letter. I know you will enjoy reading it.

"Dear Friends:

The Senior Choir members are back from their summer break. We will start singing as a group on September 18th. It was certainly a very hot summer but lately we have been enjoying the fall like weather. We will shortly have our normal election of officers for the Choir. Presently our officers are: Bill Raddatz, President, Will Myrick, Vice President, Holly Raddatz, Treasurer, and Margaret Jean Myrick, Secretary.

We have about eighteen members now but are always asking others to join us. You never have enough singers in the Choir. Our Director, Rob Gundlach, does an excellent job of blending old familiar hymns as well as keeping us up to date with new hymns. We are always open to your suggestions. So please, feel free to let us know what you would like to hear us sing. We meet on Thursday evening at 7:30PM in the Choir Room. If you, or anyone you know would like to join us please come. We will be so happy to have you. Sincerely, Margaret Jean Myrick, Senior Choir Secretary."

SUMMER BLOW-OUT A SUCCESS:

A lovely summer affair was held at the church on Saturday, August 19 for members and friends from 6-60+. This event was organized by Mike and Jackie Beardsworth, two wonderful young people who have become members of the church. They had a live band playing music to please all who attended. Good food was served and some of the proceeds were sent to our missionaries in Rwanda. The rest went to the Church. This event raised about \$272.00. Although I did not attend, I have been told all who did had a great time.

PRE-SCHOOL STARTED:

A Pre-School Learning Center has started in our church for children age 2, 3, and 4. Adult participation is required. The Center will serve 42 children. Call church office for more information (276-0393) We now have a brand newly painted and furnished room for this school. The painting was done by Janice & Rob Jackson and Bill Myers (a new members of the church). George Nassner did the electrical work to install a new fire alarm system for the Christian Education Building so we would meet the fire codes for this new program and to protect all those who use the Christian Education building. New panic bars were also installed. George was assisted by Jim Tallagsen, John Strong, and Henry Will.

SCOUTS MOVE UP!

A part of building this new room involved moving the Scouts to the top of the Christian Education Building. A new floor was installed on the top floor of the Christian Education Building to replace the one destroyed by a flood in that building some years ago. Ben Long and the Scouts moved their equipment to the top floor from the second floor where they have been for 50 years. We have one of the most active cub scout troops in the area. 42 youngsters now belong.

WATER PIPES FIXED:

The water pipes serving the Christian Education Building were repaired enabling us to have water in that building.

CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 1995:

Confirmation instruction began on September 29th at 7:30PM. If you know of someone who would like to become a member of the Confirmation Class of 1995, please contact the Church Office (276-0393).

NEW AIR CONDITIONER INSTALLED:

We now have an air-conditioner installed in the kitchen of the church along with cleaning fans to aid in cooling members who work on things like the Sour Beef Dinners. The air conditioner was a gift of Dorothy and Sam Jones. John Price, with the help of Jim Tallagsen and John Strong installed it. These men and many others help in many ways to save the cost of getting outside help to "make the repairs".

Most all of the men are retired and give many hours of help to the church. Jim Tallagsen coordinates all of this as the Chairman of Property of the Church Council.

VISIT TO HOWARD FROEHLICH:

On September 14th, Pastor Armstrong and I visited Mr. Howard Froehlich at the Shrewsbury Lutheran Nursing Home. We held a church service for the patients and residents of the Home and honored Howard with a Rose from the Church. Howard attended the early services on Sunday morning at our church until he had a stroke. His granddaughter Harriett resides in Shrewsbury, Pa. and is taking care of Howard at the Home.

A PARTY FOR MS. LIL:

Lillian Sauer was given a surprise birthday party at the church. Her birthday was on September 13th. She was ninety years old. The party and cake was given by the Young Women's Guild on their meeting day on September 21st. A lovely luncheon was served by the Guild members. They brought in covered dishes. Members were asked to bring in a birthday card which they presented to her. The beautiful cake with many candles was wheeled into Friendship Hall and a "Happy Birthday" was sung to our dear Lillian. Lil cried and cried saying nothing like this ever happened to her. Lil has worked many years for the good of the church and still comes in to help with making the Lima Beans we serve at our church supper.

MORE RENOVATIONS:

The Church School Building has also been renovated. New carpeting has been laid in many of the rooms and the walls have been painted by volunteers.

Marty Craig planned a trip to Maine on September 30th to October 4th. However, Marty was unable to go with the group because her husband, Bob Craig is ill at this time and she is taking care of him. Marcella Surdel filled in for Marty in coordinating this trip.

Do you know that Marcella Surdel volunteered to be a dance instructor at the Golden Ring Retirement Center. Marcella loves to dance and now is giving the time to teach others who live at the Center.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

In response to our "Caring Letter" this letter was received.

"I want to thank the Women's Guild, Pastor, and the Congregation for the literature I received from the church. It is all greatly appreciated." Mrs. Florence Bell.

In response to our Caring News Letter a note was received from Mrs. Roberta Jackson, a member of the Church.

It reads:

"Dear Grace:

I read you lovely caring newsletter. It is great to let people know about the good church work people do. You left out a very important person - Grace Fader. What would the Sour Beef Dinner be without you? Also the many other things you do? I think you deserve a big hand for your untiring church work, too, but I guess that would take up the whole news letter. Love and God Bless. Roberta"

P.S. In April I was awarded a lovely gold heart shaped necklace for my service to the church by the Church Council.

Last, but not least. A word about the All Church Sour Beef Dinner to be held this year on October 25th and 26th. with the luncheon also on the 26th and carry-outs on both days.

SOUR BEEF DINNER:

Jim Tallagsen and I are the General Chairpersons again this year. It is a huge undertaking. Approximately 1200 persons were served last year.

Greeting at the Door: Pastor and Mrs. Armstrong will greet.

Ticket Sales will be done by Bill Voelker, Lou Parker Sr., Millie, and Cass.

Dining Room will be in charge of Marty Craig.

Carry Outs will be in charge of Isabel Parker

Home Made Items will be in charge of Ann Miskar and Marguerite Spliedt. If you make anything at home, we could use it.

Ad Book is in charge of Art Jones

Purchase of Supplies for the supper is a tremendous job undertaken by Jim Tallagsen.

In charge of the Kitchen and keeping the supper moving on schedule: Grace Fader

Candy Making is in the hands of Mutz Surdel

100 church members are needed to make the affair a success. So we need the help of each person in the church.

Don't forget if you know something we can publish in our news letter, just call Millie or Cass at the church office (276-0393) or write to me at the Church office (3200 Dillon Street 21224)

GOD BLESS AND TAKE CARE, LOVE TO ALL,

GRACE E. FADER, YOUR FRIEND AT UNITED!

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October-November-December  
1994

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News Letter

My how time flies. Christmas is coming so quickly, so I must get busy to get my news-letter out before the year ends.

October was a very busy month at the Church. It was the time of the year (October 9th) when we visited the Homewood Home at Williamsport, Maryland. This is a delightful trip. The guests at the "Home" are always so glad to see us, bringing with us the Choir from the Church and they put on a show for the residents. The opening song was "Helly, Hello, Hello" which has so much pep and joy in it. Fred Long sang "Pennies from Heaven" and "Daddy's Little Girl". Florence Gundlach sang "Just a Gigilo" putting a lot of movement in it. Dolores Canoles and Gloria Rohlfing sang "The Grass Is Always Greener" and Margaret and Wil Myrick sang "People Will Say We're in Love". Many other Choir members performed beautifully. The Dance Class of the Church danced to "Where Am I Gonna Live". Dolores Canoles and Wil Myrick closed the show singing "How Great Thou Art".

Robert Gundlach, our wonderful Organist, played a duet with Dolores Canoles at the beginning of the show. It was so beautiful.

After giving each guest at the "Home" a gift, we left (by bus) and had dinner at the DanDee Inn.

Later in October, Marty Craig, our Tour Director, had a trip to a fire house in Urbanna, Maryland. The menu was good fried oysters, turkey and all the trimmings. After visiting some shopping centers, they boarded the bus and sang all the way home.

The Sour Beef Supper on October 25 and 26 was a huge success. We had about 100 people helping at different hours or days, to marinate the 1,050 pounds of beef, make candy, help with the cooking, scrubbing pots, doing dishes, mixing the dumplings and rolling them in nice size dumplings. It takes many waitresses in the dining room and many people selling at the craft tables, nearly new table or selling candy and cakes. It takes two people to sell the tickets at the door and Millie Slechta sells them at the Dillon Street door for carryouts only. Pastor and Mrs. Armstrong are our greeters. It takes a lot of people to run this supper and I'm so proud of the excellent job they did. Our net profit was \$13,378.58.

It was a great time and by the number of carry out tickets sold, everybody in Canton must have had sour beef and dumplings on

the 25th and 26th of October.

At the Ladies' Aid meeting the first Wednesday in November, members were asked to bake a batch of cookies to sell at the meeting. We had some good cookie bakers in the Ladies' Aid Society..and all the cookies were sold.

The Women's Guild had their annual Thanksgiving dinner meeting in November at which time 54 persons attended and paid \$5.00 for the meal consisting of fresh ham, sour kraut, stewed tomatoes, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, rolls, coffee, ice tea and pumpkin pie for dessert. The Guild gave \$200.00 to the Church for the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for the needy.

On Thanksgiving Day we had a church service at 10:00 a.m. with beautiful music and the Thanksgiving message by Pastor Armstrong.

The day after Thanksgiving, Marty Craig had a bus trip to New York to see the stage show and film at Radio City Music Hall. This is always so beautiful to see. After the show they visited the skating rink at Rockefeller Center, viewed the Christmas decorations and on the way home had dinner at Bordentown, New Jersey. All the people I talked to said they had a very nice time.

May it be that you had a Happy Thanksgiving Day with dinner with your family or friends. It's such a wonderful time of the year.

Since writing my last newsletter to you (at the end of September) three of our Caring members have passed away:

Mrs. Mini Bark, age 78 years on November 18, 1994  
Mr. John Bond, age 73 years on November 19, 1994  
Mr. Howard Froehlich, age 90 years on November 30.

Our sympathy is extended to their families. May our beloved friends/members "Rest In Peace".

On Wednesday, December 7th, the Ladies' Aid Society will have their Christmas party at Candle Light Lodge on Frederick Road. the bus leaves at noon. More about this in our next newsletter.

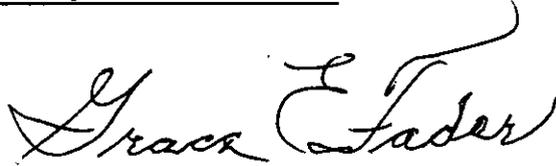
The Advent Season is here and the Church has been decorated for the Advent/Christmas season. It is beautiful.

This coming Sunday, December 11th is Tinsel Day. Our attendance has been growing each year and it is now necessary to issue no cost tickets to attend. Our fire code allows us 265 persons for a sit down dinner and we must abide by it. I will tell you about it in the next news letter which should reach you near the end of February, 1995.

May all the happiness that fills you remain in your heart and home through out the New Year.

Christmas blessings to each and everyone of you and may  
the New Year be good to you.

God bless, take care, love to all.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Grace E. Fader". The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent flourish at the end of the word "Fader".

Grace E. Fader,  
Your friend at United

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January/February 1995

"CARING"

NEWS LETTER

Winter has arrived and with it the snow fell and slippery roads, streets, the cancelling of school days and various churches cancelled their services because of the weather.

We are very fortunate at "United". Our Pastor lives next door to the church and recently we purchased a new snow blower. The walkways were cleared for the Pastor and members who wanted to get to church regardless of the weather. Isn't that nice! United thinks of every thing.

Tinsel Day was held at church on Sunday, December 11. The Church School had their Christmas program in church on that day. A pageant was presented honoring the new born Baby Jesus.

It truly was a happy time for the 200 plus members and children who came to enjoy the food food (fresh ham, sour kraut, whipped potatoes, stewed tomatoes, corn, apple sauce, rolls, milk, coffee, ice tea and jello for dessert) and to join in the festivities of the day. There were arts and crafts, trimming of the church tree, Sunday School children making crafts with their teachers, then a brief service in church with carols being sung and the lighting of the Christmas Tree.

When the service was over everyone was invited to attend the birthday party for Jesus held in Friendship Hall. The children were excited waiting for Santa Claus to come.. Finally with the singing of "Jingle Bells" Santa arrived. The children rushed to get to talk to Santa and tell him of their wishes for Christmas. Everyone was wearing a happy face. Finally, after Santa had heard their wants and desires, Santa (alias George Hammerbacher) gave to everyone a candy cane. He then waved goodbye to all and then dashed away.

With the singing of "Happy Birthday Dear Jesus", the birthday candle on the cake was extinguished. All were invited to get some cake, fruit punch, jello or milk to enjoy.

This was the end of the Tinsel Day party and everyone was so happy when they left. The people were filled with the true Christmas Spirit - good food, a church service, the singing of carols, honoring the Baby Jesus on His birth-

day and sharing this love with others.

A Christmas Family church service was held on Christmas Eve at 7:30 p.m. Many parents with their children attended the service and saw the Baby Jesus placed in his cradle.

All the Church organizations had beautiful Christmas parties and all were well attended.

December 7th - Ladies' Aid Society - Candle Light Inn - Marty Craig, President - Emma Essel, Chairperson

December 14th - United Sewing Group - The Eastern House - Lillian Buschman, President - Lillian Buschman, Chairperson

December 21st - Young Women's Guild- Williamsburg Inn - Mildred "Mutz" Surdel, President - Dorothy Patzwall, Chairperson

"A great time was had by all"!

On Sunday, January 29th, a congregational meeting was held after the 10:30 a.m. church service. At that time the financial reports of all organizations in the church were read. It was at this meeting that the church members voted unanimously, approval for the Rev. Roy Joellenbeck to be our Minister of Visitation and assist Pastor Armstrong when needed.

Pastor Joellenbeck will be visiting our sick and friends on our Caring List. To familiarize you, I have asked Millie to write an article and include it in this letter so you may know a little bit about our new Pastor before he visits you.

"Pastor Roy" brings extensive experience as a pastor in Kansas City, Missouri for four years, fourteen years as a campus minister at Morgan and Towson State Universities, and twenty-two years at Christ Church, Locust Point. Pastor Roy has worked with the Churchmen's Fellowship of the Chesapeake Associaton over many years."

Since writing my last newsletter to you, several of our beloved members and friends have passed on.

In memory of:

Elizabeth Hulseman, on December 28, 1994.  
Lillian Single Smith, age 82, on Jnauary 7, 1995.  
Anna Bright, age 83, on January 15, 1995.  
Robert (Bob) Craig (husband of Marty Craig), age 90, on February 1, 1995.  
Donald Schnader, age 60 years on February 4, 1995 (former organist of United Church.

Julia Markwitz, age 85, on February 14, 1995.

Our love and sympathy is extended to their families. May our loved ones and friends rest in eternal peace.

The Ladies' Aid Society had their annual Sour Beef Supper on Wednesday, February 22nd. Many members and friends joined together to help prepare and serve this supper. Grace Fader is chairperson for the Ladies' Aid Society and Art Jones is chairperson of the Fellowship Committee of the Church.

More about the supper will follow in the next newsletter.

It was a real joy to receive Christmas cards from Mrs. Bertha Benser - "wishing all a happy holiday's" and expressing thanks for the newsletter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Edna Boller who reside at Green Meadows, 15 Salisbury Road, Dover Delaware. They send "Season's Greetings to all" and "Thank You" for all our letters to them.

Millie Slechta, Secretary, and Cass Young, Assistant Secretary, join with me in saying "you made our day".

If you know something you would like to share with us, phone Millie or Cass (276-0393) and they will see that I get your message.

Happy Valentine's Day



God bless, take care, my love to all.

Grace E. Fader  
Your friend at 'United'

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News Letter

April/May 1995

Dear Friends,

Perhaps you are noticing the new listings of Pastors', Mrs. Armstrong and myself at the top of this "Caring" Letter. All of us working together will be helping me to gather news of your friends and about the Church.

Pastor Joellenbeck has been making calls to your homes to visit you, having a very heartwarming prayer with you which helps you feel much better after the visit.

I have moved from living in the hills of Pennsylvania and am now residing in the Golden Ring Co-op Apartments, 8620 Kelso Drive, Apartment A310, Baltimore, Maryland 21221. This group of buildings is on the grounds of Zion Lutheran UCC Church, Rosedale, Md. Several members of our church live here. They are Norma Bauersfeld, Margaret Schorr, Marcella Surdel, Dolores "Ody" Doering and myself. It is a beautiful, well-kept senior Citizen home with 154 apartments in use here. They have just finished planting beautiful flowers for the summer months. It is truly a beautiful entrance to the apartments. All the planting was done by volunteer help.

Marty Craig has been busy with bus trips. On April 22, a bus trip to Trinity Church, Frederick Maryland, stopping on the way home at Baughter's for good ice cream.

On April 25, a bus trip to Christ UCC Church, Locust Point, Maryland for a delicious Church Dinner.

On May 3, a bus trip to Wilhelm's Caterers, Westminster, Maryland for lunch and games party.

The Sour Beef Supper the Ladies' Aid Society had was a huge success. The net profit was \$2,500.00. Everyone worked so hard to help the Ladies'.

The Luncheon/Bingo held by the 3 Women's Group; the Ladies' Aid Society, The Women's Guild and the United Sewing Group made a net profit for the church of \$918.95.

On Sunday, April 23, we celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the Confirmation Class of March 25, 1945. We had 22 of the original class attend. A delicious luncheon was prepared by Mildred "Mutz" Surdel and Jim Tallagsen and enjoyed by all who attended.

The oldest Confirmand attending Church on Reunion Sunday were: Mrs. Viola Redding at the 8 a.m. service and Mr. Paul Bauersfeld at the 10:30 a.m. service.

Attendance during the mid-week Lenten Worship Services was light, but good attendance at the pageant of the "Last Supper". Approximately 180 persons attended.

Easter Sunday was well attended, 60 attended the 6 a.m. and 204 attended the 10 a.m. service.

Pastor Armstrong has been receiving new members into the Church. This is encouraging news.

We welcomed a brass quartet at the 10 a.m. Easter service. They were students of the Baltimore School of the Arts.

The Women's Guild will celebrate its birthday at the Williamsburg Inn on June 21, followed by a 'Mystery Ride'. "Mutz" Surdel, 285-0134 is taking reservations.

Florence Bell asked us to add her apartment number 1216 to her mailing address. She also wishes everyone a Blessed Easter, especially the Women's Guild and the Ladies' Aid Society.

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Evangelists located at 1001 S. Potomac St., Baltimore, Md. 21224 terminated its ministry on Sunday, April 23. They were founded in 1874. The Rev. Carman John E. Kallagawa was the chief celebrant assisted by clergy and lay leaders from religious organizations. A reception followed the closing of the Church.

Continuation of "Caring" News Letter - 3 - April/May 1995

I'm sorry this letter is a little late in reaching you. Moving does take a long time.

Your friend at United,

*Grace E. Fader*

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"CARING"

NEWS LETTER

September/October 1995

Dear Friends,

We welcome the beautiful fall mornings feeling cool and brisk after having such a hot dry summer.

Pastor Armstrong has recently returned from Ireland after having attended a family reunion there. There were over one hundred kinfolk gathered for this wonderful reunion. They were there about two weeks. They must have had a wonderful time from what I'm hearing and he is going to show the reels of film he took while there. They will be shown at a general meeting of the three Womens' Organizations and we all are looking forward to seeing them. Pastor and the Mrs. look very relaxed from their trip across the ocean and now they are completing their vacation in Maine at their summer cottage. He does some fishing while there. Do you think we'll hear about the "Big One" that got away? I hope they are enjoying themselves to the fullest. Pastor works hard continually to bring new members into the church. This is an endless job which he does well.

On Saturday, September 30, The Ladies' Aid and friends took a bus trip to Faith Church, Frederick, Md. for their annual fried oyster and turkey supper. It is always so good. whipped potatoes, sauerkraut, turkey, dressing, string beans, corn, applesauce, rolls, coffee, and a cake square for desert. Where can you go to have such a good meal for such a modest price. As usual we can't forget to stop at Bohagers for ice cream to climax our day. We got home about 7 p.m. and we did make a stop in the morning at McCutcheons for jars of their very good jelly. A GREAT DAY!

On Sunday, October 8, we visited the Homewood Nursing Home in Williamsport, Maryland. The Pope was in Baltimore enjoying himself, so we went to visit those who live at the nursing home. Our Choir went with us and put on a show for entertainment. They were really good and people enjoyed it. Robert Gundlach played the piano, Dolores Canoles always does things that make people laugh. Fred Long sang so beautiful. IT WAS A GREAT DAY and they are so happy to see us come to see them. After the show was over, each resident received from us a small picture frame, hopefully for a small picture of a loved one. One man had his picture framed before we left and he was so proud showing it to us. It made us feel good.

On Wednesday, October 4th the three Womens' Organizations had a luncheon and bingo. We had a small crowd but good spenders. We made \$630.60 for the Church. We served roast beef, whipped potatoes, string beans, slaw, coffee, iced tea, and jello.

Thank goodness for all the volunteer help we always have. It's wonderful how they come out to help. Men and women, the men are needed for the lifting. We girls are getting a little old to do that so the men help very nicely. Big Jim Tallagsen does all the buying for the affairs and that is a big, big help. He works together on what to order, then he orders what is needed and gets it to the Church on time.

The Sour Beef and Dumpling Luncheon and Supper is the next big event to work on. Say a little prayer for all the helpers who will be busy on those days. You know the work, as I know many of you worked here too when your health was better. We really appreciated all you did in your good days.

Thank goodness our funerals are getting less. Here are their names of the deceased:

Shirley Frampton  
Margaret Waltimyer  
Marianna Carrigan  
Emily Feehrer  
Guy Stoker  
William Mack

May they all rest in peace.

I haven't had any news from any of you to put in the newsletter. Surely you have something nice to tell us about. You can call the office and talk to Millie or Cass and they will give me your message.

Stay as well as you are and if you can eat sour beef and dumplings send someone for a carryout. It's sooo delicious. There will be a article in the Sunday Magazine in the newspaper on some future Sunday. Keep looking for it.

LOVE YOU ALL!

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Your friend at United

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"CARING" - News Letter

January/February 1996

O' the weather outside is frightful  
But the fire inside delightful  
As long as you are nice and warm  
Let it snow! Let it snow! Let it snow!

(Church closed for 3 Sundays.)

Dear Friends,

You and I have seen many a snow storm in our day, but nothing like these past seven weeks. The Good Lord helped with the second storm sending warm weather and sunshine so the snow didn't last too long, but this storm will be around for quite a while because its so cold out. Zero this morning! Brrrrr!

Shortly after the first storm, Jim Tallagsen called me about cancelling the Sour Beef Supper planned for Wednesday, February 7th because all the people who help with the supper are getting a little older and he was concerned about them walking in snowy weather. I told him he had a good idea thinking about the help and it should be cancelled. He called Marty Craig and discussed it with her and she agreed it was a good idea.

Today it is February 5th and it was the best thing that Jim got that idea, as we would have been cancelling now as it is too cold to be out in it.

Our February 7th Sour Beef Supper has now been scheduled for April 17th.

I heard Millie fell on the ice but is okay. She was snow bound in her home in Aberdeen and Cass Young substituted for her.

The Sour Beef Supper we had in October, 1995 was a huge success, as usual. Only we ran out of meat and had to close the doors at 6 p.m. and stop carryouts during the evening hours of the last day.

We had plenty of help and this is something we can brag about as we have heard other nearby churches are having problems of getting enough volunteers to help to do their suppers.

Our profit was \$11,022.95. Not quite as much as last year, but a nice amount.

The Church Supper brings out many many of our friends and church members that we haven't seen for a while and there was a lot of JOY to greet them. Some day I'm going to try to make a list of a good many of them and let you know who they are.

The next big event was Tinsel Day, December 10, 1995. We had a huge crowd and everybody enjoyed the good dinner we served - fresh ham, whipped potatoes, string beans, stewed tomatoes, corn, apple sauce, rolls, butter and jello for dessert.

A lot of hungry people came for seconds and we had enough food to feed them.

This was an "iffy" situation too, as we had snow the day before, but we took a chance and Jim Tallagsen came and got Margaret Schorr, Olga deBloom and myself from this part of town and John Price picked up Mutz Surdel and Marty Craig and Helen Bogucki walked up from O'Donnell Street. We then had enough help to get the work done. First we put the hams in the oven as they take about six hours to get cooked through (they weigh 18-22 pounds each), then we set up the dining room, and made up the jello, set up the serving tables and about 7 p.m. we were ready to go home. The next day we had more help. Thanks be to God for all of these fine people.

Even John Strong came to help. John has been ill and hopefully he will soon be feeling better. I miss him. He is a good worker in the kitchen.

The Christmas service was well attended at Church. The Church looked beautiful, dressed in its garland, wreaths, poinsettias, the extra candles and the manger set up and the tree. The youth decorated the tree on Tinsel Sunday.

the program was for families with children of the church. It was well received - 242 people attended. We only had one service.

So the holidays have come and gone and now we are wondering how much more snow we still can have. I personally

feel we had a bad winter - but - SPRING will be here next month and we will hear the birds singing, the sun giving us warmer weather and the trees on Dillon Street will be blooming again. This is a beautiful sight. I don't know what kind of trees they are - they produce a white bloom and they are beautiful when they are in full bloom.

So now we can set back and watch the snow flakes fall, waiting for spring to come.

The following persons have passed on the recent months. Some have been on my shut-in list:

Savina Rossmark  
Mary Haas  
Edward Riemer  
Mary Ziegler  
Anna Eckes  
Henry Eberling  
William Black

May the souls of the departed rest in peace.

Pastor has been busy having new members join our church. We have two sets of twins being confirmed this year. As of now they are acolytes on the altar. There are 9 children in the Confirmation Class.

I know its a little late but Santa (George Hammerbacher, Council President) and I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a year of good health and happiness.

Thank you Florence Bell for your Christmas Card.

Now, take good care of yourself, you belong to our Church and are on our 'Caring' list. It's a pleasure to work for you.

Love to all,

Pastor and Priscilla Armstrong  
Pastor Joellenbeck  
George Hammerbacher, President  
Grace E. Fader, your Friend at  
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P.S. Please pardon the lateness of this letter. I had an eye problem. Grace

May 14, 1996

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NEWS LETTER

April/May 1996

To The Members and Friends at United,

It has gotten so cool out doors it feels like the cool weather doesn't want to leave us. With a few warm days with the sun shining so warmly, it will make our bodies feel so much better.

We at Church have been busy the past two months.

On April 17th the Ladies' Aid Society had a Sour Beef and Dumpling Supper. All went well except we had to stop carryouts and dinners about 6 p.m. because we were running out of beef. It was a very successful supper. I heard they made over \$5,000.00.

On April 30th the Ladies' Aid had a bus trip to Faith Church at Frederick, Md. They had oysters, ham, sauerkraut, string beans, dressing, cranberry sauce, and applesauce, nice rolls, and coffee which everyone on the bus enjoyed. Coming home we stopped at Baughers for ice-cream and stopped at Walmart, a lovely new store to shop in.

On April 24th the Guild celebrated their 52nd anniversary having dinner at Michaels on Eastern Ave. About thirty-six members and friends attended the affair. It was real nice, but Pastor Armstrong had to miss it because he was in the hospital at that time. He is feeling better at this time and looks good. Rev. Jollenbeck attended the affair and gave the blessing before the meal.

On May 2nd the Ladies' Aid Society had a bus trip to Annapolis. Many of our Choir members were with us and we had another good meal at Ficherman's Inn. We were served crab cakes, stuffed chicken breast, broccoli and cheese, crab soup, and a baked potato. Our dessert was strawberries on cake. Everything was very delicious.

The Guild held their annual Mother and Daughter Banquet on May 8th and a good crowd attended. This time we had fruit cup, fresh ham, sauerkraut, potatoes, string beans, and applesauce. Strawberries and ice-cream for dessert----Another delicious meal.

On May 12th the Guild members marched in Church for Mother's Day. A very nice group attended.

Dolly Earl was named Mother of The Year but because she did not attend the banquet, she received her crown in Church at the 10:30 service on May 12th.

It was a very full schedule for April and May. Also the 50th Confirmation Reunion service was April 14th. A good crowd attended.

Tomorrow, May 15th, we are having a Bingo by the 3 Womens' Organizations of the Church with all profits going to the Church. We hope to have nice weather and a good crowd.

On June 5th the Guild is going to Friendly Farms for lunch and bingo. They also serve a nice lunch and we look forward to a very nice affair.

Listed below is some of our casualties:

Mutz Surdel fell on May 2nd and sprained her arm and hit her head. She recently came from the hospital after having her knees operated on again.

Ruth Pearce had a stroke and is in Harbour Hospital.

George Finnerty has been in the hospital with a heart problems.

Dorothy Patzwall fell at the Mother and Daughter Banquet and broke her collarbone.

We send our very best wishes for a quick recovery to all.

Listed below is the members and friends of the Church who recently passed away:

Herman Rossmark	William Fischer
Michael Vogel Jr.	Mary Schaeffer
John Langenfelder	Edward Baker
Naomi Wachter	Edward Boller
Ludora Dannettel	Sadie Zinn

I hope you have enjoyed the letter I wrote to you. If you have any news you would like me to publish call Millie or Cass at the Church Office (276-0393) and they will see that I receive it. May you have the opportunity to have a ride in the country to see the beautiful Spring flowers in full bloom. It's a beautiful sight to see.

Love and good wishes to all!

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NEWS LETTER

July/August 1996

Hi Friends,

The summer is just about over. The children have gone back to school, and the older young adults are off to college.

We have had a beautiful summer. Nice warm sunny days and good sleeping weather at night, of course our younger generation would not agree with me, as they like the weather hot for swimming and everything else they do. But, we other folks like it the way God gave it to us to enjoy this summer.

As I look out my huge window in my apartment in the country, the trees are such a rich green and full of leaves telling me they had a lot of nourishment (rain) this summer. The flowers are beautiful too, so full of blooms and they too had a lot of rain to make them so lovely.

There is a beautiful American flag flying in the front of the apartment building and it tells me the wind velocity. This flag is erected in the center of the flower bed. It flies all night, having a light to shine on it, and it's a gorgeous sight to see each morning when I get up. This apartment dwelling is so well kept and so well furnished. Many people volunteer their services to keep it so nice. I have made some new friends since I've been here.

I guess many of you are like me. Everything is great only I can't get to church as often as I would like too. But God hears our prayers and on occasions I get to Church.

August has been a quiet month at Church. The secretaries say it's so quiet, they miss people coming to the office. Big Jim has been cleaning the building which is used so much. He

works hard and I'm glad I can write about this in my letter. He has a steady crew of workers to help him. John Strong, Henry Will, John Price, Art Jones, John Williams, and Harvey Jacob. These men give of their talent to the church. They not only give of themselves, but they save the church a lot of money on repairs. Pretty soon all the church bells will be ringing on Sunday morning because these men made it so under the leadership of Harvey Jacob. Thank God for such wonderful kind people

September will bring activity back into the Church and Church School.

Our first meeting of the Ladies' Aid was on September 11th and the Women's Guild on September 18th. Dance classes will begin again and the Choir will begin to have rehearsal and then singing in church.

As I write I think of the rich life we have always enjoyed at Church. So full of love for one another.

If you are one of our friends who cannot get to Church, then talk to your children and try to motivate them to coming and tell you about it.

Pastor Armstrong always has a beautiful message for us to take home with our bulletins and they can take an extra one for you. It's very informative and Cass and Millie do an excellent job in keeping us all informed.

This is a different kind of letter-not talking about food and bus trips. I hope you enjoyed it.

Pastor and Mrs. Armstrong will be taking their final days of their vacation this month.

Rev. Joellenbeck has recovered from his back injury and is now visiting the ill and older members in their homes.

Listed below is the members and friends of the Church who recently passed away:

Denise Canapp	Richard Heineman
Donald Dowell	Loretta Clapin
Theodore Hines Sr.	Andrew Ruppalt
Bertha Loomis	Robert Whetsell
Inez Pratt	Joseph Balling
Anna Schaeffer	Joyce Hammerbacher
Ida Jefferson	Robert Whetsell Sr.

May God grant them eternal peace.

As I gaze outdoors the weather looks like more rain and cool temperatures and I wonder if the "Orioles will play ball tonight?"

Love you all,  
Grace E. Fader  
Your friend at United

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**NEWS LETTER**

January 30, 1997

Hi My Friends,

The Christmas/New Year were beautiful and joyous here at the Church, and I'm sure you were busy planning the activities in your home.

We had our annual Thanksgiving Dinner that was sponsored by the Womens Guild. It was held at Church, at noon on Wed., November 20th, and was well attended. Mutz Surdel, amid all her health problems and taking care of her son Rick, is a wonderful President of the Young Womens Guild and we all admire her for this.

Tinsel Day, Sunday December 15, 1996, was great. We had a full house and dinner was well received. Our meal consisted of Baked Fresh Ham, sourkraut, peas and carrots, stewed tomatoes, Jello for dessert, rolls butter, tea and coffee.

Marty Craig takes over after dinner while we do dishes and clean up the kitchen. Marty with the help of Millies sister, Eleanor Brandenburger, had a beautiful angel for the adults to make and take home. It was good to see so many adults interested in the project.

The usual mini-Church service was held in Church as we prepared the Birthday Party for Jesus, in Friendship Hall. At the close of the services everyone came down stairs and waited for Santa Claus, (Alias George Hammerbacher), to come. Robert Gundlach, played for us on the piano. Songs such as "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus," "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas", "Winter Wonder Land", and then Robert played here comes Santa Claus, and everyone especially the children got

real excited when they saw Santa. Mrs. Santa Claus (Alias Marie Kirby) helped Santa with the children who received a candy cane from Santa, as he listened to the children tell him what they wanted for Christmas. When all the children had talked to Santa, Santa had to go back to the North Pole. With the ringing of Santas Bells and a hearty wave he said good bye. Santa was on his way back to the North Pole.

Mommies, had their cameras to take exciting pictures of their children to remember the day.

Then it was party time, to cut the Birthday Cake and everyone sang Happy Birthday to Jesus. Everybody was served Birthday Cake and Punch.

It was a great full day and after the party was over it was time to go home.

There was a great team of workers who helped with everything that took place. They stayed behind and helped to clean up the hall and kitchen. All these people deserve much praise for making the day so enjoyable for all who attended.

Jim Tallagsen got all the food and supplies needed then the cooks came in on Friday and baked the hams and a crew set up the dining room for dinner. Then the same good people helped where ever they could on Sunday.

They are wonderful people who put the Church first in their hearts and it all works out so smooth. MY LOVE AND MANY THANKS TO ALL OF THEM.

Perhaps you have heard Millie Slechta is no longer the Church Secretary. Millie retired on December 20, 1996, having served the church so faithfully for 22 years. She was so very good in her work and will surely be missed.

Mrs. Darlene (Konigkremer) Waters , is now assistant secretary of the church and we wish her many good years along with Mrs Catherine Young Church Secretary.

The Christmas service e was well attended, I was in Pennsylvania for the holidays. I missed going to my own Church. The UCC Church I Attended was beautiful. They gave each worshipper a candle to hold and at a given time the acrolytes lit them for you. We sang "Silent Nite". It was a beautiful sight, but I thought it was dangerous.

Marty Craig, president of the Ladies' Aid Soeity had a lovely Christmas party at Winterlings, a convient place in the neighborhood to get to. The pastors and secretaries came to the dinner. A lovely affair was planned and all had a good time.

Marty, had her meeting of the Ladies'Aid Society on the 2nd Wednesday of January as the first Wednesday was New Years Day. She is making pland to have a Sour Beef and Dumpling Dinner Supper on Wednesday, April 9, 1997, a one day affair and 50 cents extra for carryouts. We hope she has a very successful Supper.

The Sewing Group is doing very well. We have a Lady, Mrs. Rose Burdyck bringing us new ideas to make. The group is now meeting on the Second Tuesday of every month and it seems to be working better.

The Young Womens Guild was chaired by Mrs. Olga deBloom, Vice President. Mutz had to take her son to a Veterans Home, near Washington, named Charlotte Hall. She has been very ill with the flue, bronchitis, heavy cold and because of this Olga handled the Christmas party also. Mutz worried about taking Rick to Charlotte Hall but when they got there Ricks friend he had in earlier years in Baltimore was there, Mutz felt better having someone there knowing Rick. God works in mysterious ways doesn't he? Mutz is still ill but slowly recruperating

The Guild Christmas party was held at Williamsburg Inn, December 18th at 1:00P.M.. A good group of members attended and Olga deserves a lot of credit for the wonderful job she did at the Christmas Party.

The Sewing Group had their Christmas Party at Eastern House at 1:30 P.M.. Another good meal and good times with our friends Pastor, PrPriscilla attended Rev. Jollenbeck was there and the secretaries.

This is a lengthy letter but I had to catch up on everything.

With all our joys at the Christmas Season some had sorrows. We pray for them.The deceased are:

Francis Hammerbacher	Dorothy Buckler	Evelyn Smith
Joseph Balling	Lillian Mohr	Evelyn Gensler
Bernadine Felter	Henry Bush	Clara Juliano
Jennifer Nowakouski	Henry Swhartz	Shirley Kellner

May their souls rest in peace.

A retirement party was had for Millie on January 15th during the second service in church which was called Millie Sunday. The Council had previously honored her with a dinner at Haussner's and also gave her a Gold Watch. In Church they gave her a monetary gift, and the 3 Womens' Organizations gave her a Christmas Tree (very small) with money tied to it from each of the womens organizations. The tree can be planted in her yard and she can watch it grow. All of Millies family

was there in Church for the celebration and Millie shed many tears of joy. Buns and Coff were served at the reception.

Our very best wishes to Millie in her retirement years. Enjoy good health both you and Jim.

With Love and Affection.  
Grace Fader  
Your Friend at United