

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
PATRIOTIC SUNDAY

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Baltimore, Maryland

July 3, 1955

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor

Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

SERVICES

8 A. M. and 10:15 A. M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL - No. 440 "God of our Fathers"

INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated, please)

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Grant, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 436 "O God" (10:15 Service)

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Mt. 5:13-16  
Epistle - Acts 21:37 to  
Acts 22:5

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

J. W. Howe and N. Steffe

SENIOR CHOIR

10:15 - "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

SENIOR CHOIR

CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER - No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYERS

Almighty Saviour, who at mid-day didst call thy servant Saint Paul to be an Apostle to the Gentiles: We beseech Thee to illumine the

world with the radiance of thy glory, that all nations may come and worship Thee; who art, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God world without end. Amen

We come before Thee, our Father, mindful of the good land in which we dwell. We are the more grateful for the noble heritage bequeathed us by our forefathers who had faith in Thee and trust in their fellow man. Become, we pray Thee now, a living reality to us as Thou wast to them. Stablish in us the faith that our destiny is in Thy hands. Cast out greed, fear, and suspicion from our common life lest freedom of thought and kindness of deed vanish from our nation. Enable us to turn the back on every ambition that would require us to dishonor ourselves or damage the reputation of others. Strengthen us against every temptation to surrender our integrity for corruptible things such as silver and gold. Shine resplendent in Thine eternal glory above all the cheap glitter of Thine adversaries that the baubles of earthly fame may not lead us from the treasures of heaven. In adoration of Thee we would build on the heritage of godly men of old and keep fair the land in which we dwell, even as did our Lord Jesus whose trust was in Thee. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"I Love Thee My Country" - Von Berge

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIR

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 443 "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

THE SERMON - "Worthy of His Lineage"

Acts 22:3 - Phil 3:5

THE LORD'S PRAYER - BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Amen"

RECESSIONAL - No. 439 "God Bless our Native Land"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES - POSTLUDE\*\*\*\*

THANKS to all who helped with Vacation Bible School  
Theme for next Sunday's services "Under Orders"

ANNUAL PICNIC at MARYLAND BEACH on July 20

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING on Tuesday, at 8 P. M.

## *Patriotism Sufficient for the Times*

**I**ndependence Day recalls the rise of a comparatively small group of men in New England almost two centuries ago who were known as Patriots. They shared in shedding the first blood of the Revolutionary War on the Green at Lexington, Massachusetts. Paul Revere, Israel Putnam, Nathaniel Green and others were numbered among them. They gave themselves, as did thousands of others from the Thirteen Colonies, for the cause that was dearer to them than their own lives.

Love of country may be permitted to become nothing more than a thrilling emotion demonstrated by flag-waving, brass bands and spread-eagle oratory. It may be content with boasting about the size of the country, its wealth, its army and navy, or its place among the nations of the world. It is sometimes confused with Nationalism, for the ideas for which each stands bear a marked resemblance to each other. It is important to point out the difference between the two.

Patriotism implies high thinking and noble ideals while Nationalism is narrow and selfish. Patriotism is concerned with ideals. Nationalism on the other hand is concerned chiefly with things. Patriotism insists on honor, justice and obedience to law while Nationalism seeks glory, prestige and self-aggrandizement, law or no law.

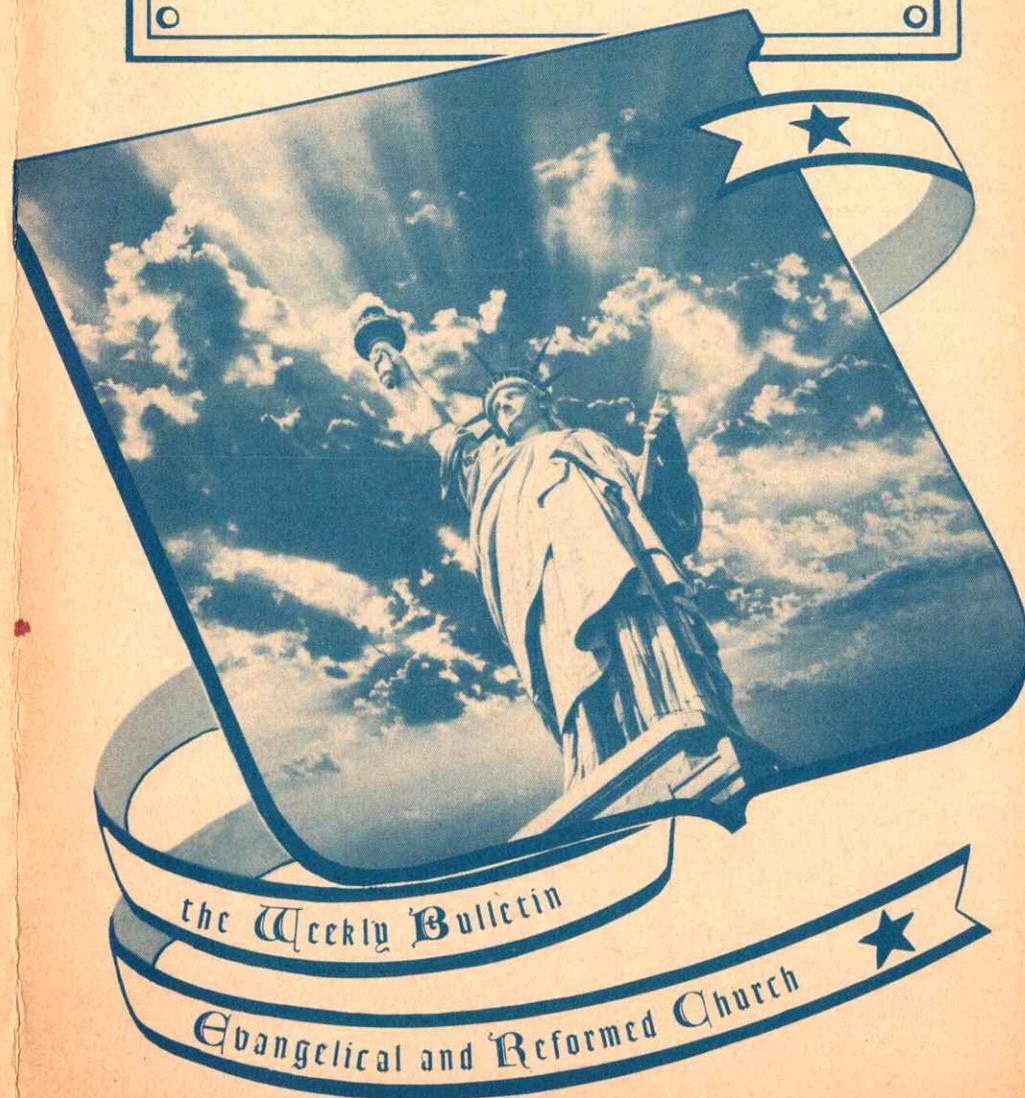
It is clear, the Revolutionary heroes and those who followed in their train were patriots in the better sense of the term. Their faith in God, coupled with their high regard for the worth of the individual citizen, enabled them to found a new kind of government on these shores. In this government the fundamental rights of man were to be safe-guarded as never before. Herein lies the claim of the founding fathers to be remembered by posterity.

The demand of the day is for Patriotism of this calibre. Freedom for one is freedom for all. The opportunity to live one's life at its best can be limited to no one class, race or nation. A narrow Nationalism contrary to the principles upon which Jesus Christ built His Kingdom is ultimately doomed. The highest Patriotism must recognize this fact.

EPH-7-55-1

Here at our sea-washed, sunset gates shall stand  
A mighty woman with a torch, whose flame  
Is the imprisoned lightning, and her name  
Mother of exiles; from her beacon-hand  
Glow world-wide welcome.  
"Keep ancient lands, your storied pomp!" cries she  
With silent lips. "Give me your tired, your poor,  
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free.  
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me.  
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

*From a poem graven on a tablet within the main  
entrance to the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor*



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Baltimore, Maryland

July 10, 1955

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor

Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director  
SERVICES

8 A. M. and 10:15 A. M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Priere" (Prayer)

PROCESSIONAL - No. 188 "Holy Spirit"

INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated, please)

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

O God, who hast prepared for them that love  
Thee such good things as pass man's understanding;  
pour into our hearts such love toward Thee, that  
we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain thy  
promises, which exceed all that we can desire;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 30 (Stanzas 1, 2, 3) "Come" (10:15 Service)

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Luke 9:18-26

Epistle - Acts 9:1-9

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

SOLO (8:00 A. M. and 10:15 A. M. Services)

"Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace" - Oley Speaks

Miss Virginia LeBrun

CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER - "Unselfishness"

We pray Thee, O Lord, for the graces of a pure  
and holy life, that we may no longer add to the  
dark weight of the world's sin that is laid upon  
Thee, but may share with Thee in Thy redemptive  
work. As we have thirsted with evil passions  
to the destruction of men, do Thou fill us now  
with hunger and thirst for justice that we may

bear glad tidings to the poor and set at liberty  
all who are in the prison-house of want and sin.  
Lay Thy Spirit upon us and inspire us with a  
passion of Christ-like love, that we may join our  
lives to the weak and oppressed and may strengthen  
their cause by bearing their sorrows. And if the  
evil that is threatened turns to smite us and if  
we must learn the darkness of sinful power, com-  
fort us by the thought that thus we are bearing in  
our body the marks of Jesus, and that only those  
who share in His free sacrifice shall feel the  
plenitude of Thy life. Help us in patience to  
carry forward the eternal cross of Thy Christ,  
counting it joy if we, too, are sown as grains of  
wheat in the furrows of the world, for only by the  
agony of the righteous comes redemption. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 265 (Tune 193) "We Thank Thee, Lord"

THE SERMON - "Under Orders of the Holy Spirit"

Acts 9:15-17

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL - No. 252 "Take Thou our Minds"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Be seated in Quiet Prayer, Please)

POSTLUDE - "Maestoso" - Walczynski

\*\*\*\*\* ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\*\*\*\*

"St. Paul - What a Man!" This series of sermons will  
have as its subject next Sunday "Turning the World  
Upside-Down." "Come to Church during the Summer -  
Go to some Church while away on Vacation."

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC at Maryland  
Beach on Wednesday, July 20. Buses will leave the  
Sunday School Hall at 9 A. M. Tickets for those  
outside of Sunday School available - Children \$.75  
and Adults \$1.25. Get them Today.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING on Tuesday at 8 P. M.

"CONTINUE TO BRING IN YOUR GIFTS FOR THE BUILD-  
ING OF THE NEW CHURCH."

## A Personal Prayer

God, forgive the poverty, the pettiness, the childish folly of our prayers. Listen, not to our words, but to the groanings that cannot be uttered; hearken, not to our petitions, but to the crying of our need. So often we pray for that which is already ours, neglected and unappropriated; so often for that which never can be ours; so often for that which we must win ourselves; and then labor endlessly for that which can only come to us in prayer.

How often we have prayed for the coming of Thy kingdom, yet when it has sought to come through us we have sometimes barred the way; we have wanted it without in others, but not in our own hearts. We feel it is we who stand between man's need and Thee, between ourselves and what we might be; and we have no trust in our own strength, or loyalty, or courage.

O give us to love Thy will and seek Thy kingdom first of all; sweep away our fears, our compromise, our weakness, lest at last we be found fighting against Thee. Amen.

—W. E. Orchard

## Encouraging, Isn't It?

In the heart of Chicago's famous loop district a tiny hamburger stand has been transformed into an air conditioned chapel. Sponsored by Chicago's Christian Business Men's Committee, the chapel will be open twenty-four hours each day in the week for prayer and meditation by those who may wish to enter for this purpose.

## The New Testament on Formosa

At the request of Madame Chiang Kai-Shek a special edition of six thousand New Testaments was published in Hong Kong for distribution among the Nationalist troops on Formosa. The publication work was done by the American Bible Society and other Bible Societies working together in the Bible House at Hong Kong. The books have been dispatched to Taipei.

## Prayer Answered

"Lord, what a change within us one short hour spent in Thy presence will avail to make!"

—Trench

EPH—7-55—2

**Our Father**

who art in Heaven  
hallowed be thy Name thy kingdom  
come thy Will be done on earth  
as it is in Heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive them that  
trespass against us; And lead  
us not into temptation but deliver  
us from evil: for thine is the  
kingdom, the power, and the glory  
for Ever and Ever

**AMEN**

THE  
LORD'S  
PRAYER

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland  
July 17, 1955

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director  
SERVICES  
8 A. M. and 10:15 A. M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(Let everyone join in the responses)

PRELUDE - "Melodie" - P. Tschaikowski  
OPENING HYMN No. 467 "I Love to Tell the Story"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated, please)  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON  
Lord of all power and might, who art the author  
and giver of all good things; graft in our hearts  
the love of Thy Name, increase in us true re-  
ligion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy  
great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen  
THE DOXOLOGY  
HYMN No. 19 "We Praise Thee, O God" (10:15 Service)  
SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Mt. 21:28-32  
Epistle - Acts 16:5-15  
RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"  
SOLO - Mr. George Yurek  
"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked" G.O'Hara  
CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493  
CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER  
UNISON PRAYERS - "For Personal Commitment"  
O God, so burn into our hearts the realization  
of human need, that we shall not dare to be selfish  
or uncaring as we stand with bowed heads in thy  
presence. Make us to know that weak and imperfect  
as we are, we ourselves are instruments thou hast  
chosen to employ for the world which thou wouldst  
build. Give us a deep sense of our obligation  
to seek thy will and to know thine empowering,

that our lives may not be wasted in this world. Amen  
Lord, give me the serenity to accept what cannot  
be changed, Give me the courage to change what  
ought to be changed, and the wisdom to know the  
one from the other. Amen

A CALL TO PRAYER FOR PEACE

We are persuaded that a world-wide act of in-  
tercession in all our fellowship is required, and  
that this bond of prayer should never be more  
evident than in this grave but hopeful moment.  
Let us pray: For the four men upon whom so solemn  
a responsibility rests at this time. For the  
peoples they represent. For all other peoples who  
look to them in anxiety yet in hope. For the peace  
of the world. "Blessed are the peace makers." Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 385 "Heralds of Christ"

THE SERMON - "Turning the World Up-Side Down"

Acts 16:6-10; 17:6

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Amen"

CLOSING HYMN No. 405 "God the Omnipotent"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Be seated in Quiet Prayer, Please)

POSTLUDE - "Moderato" - B. Kothe

"Deciso" - M. Fischer

\*\*\*\*\*ANNOUNCEMENTS\*\*\*\*\*

Theme for Services on Sunday, July 24 will be

"That a Man!" A message will be brought on the  
remarkable achievements of St. Paul.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC next Wednesday

July 20. Buses will leave the Hall at 9 A. M. to

take you to Maryland Beach. Outside Tickets:

Children \$.75, Adults \$1.25. You can get them at  
the Parsonage. Come, enjoy the fellowship.

We wish to express our deep appreciation to parents

and friends who took our young people to Camp

Michaux on last Sunday.

"GIVE TO THE BUILDING FUND"

## *The Church Stands Ready*

**A**t no time in the history of the Christian Church has it been so prepared to step in with needed ministries when calamity strikes as at the present. The Department of Church World Service of the National Council of the Churches holds in reserve at certain strategic points around the world food, clothing and medicines for emergency calls. Within hours after disaster struck last year assistance was dispatched to the peoples of Greece and Algeria. When the flood waters swept through Salerno, Italy, and down the Danube Valley through Austria, Germany and Yugoslavia; when the waters wrought havoc in Japan, India and Pakistan, and fire raged in the shack-city opposite Hong Kong, immediately help was forthcoming from the Church.

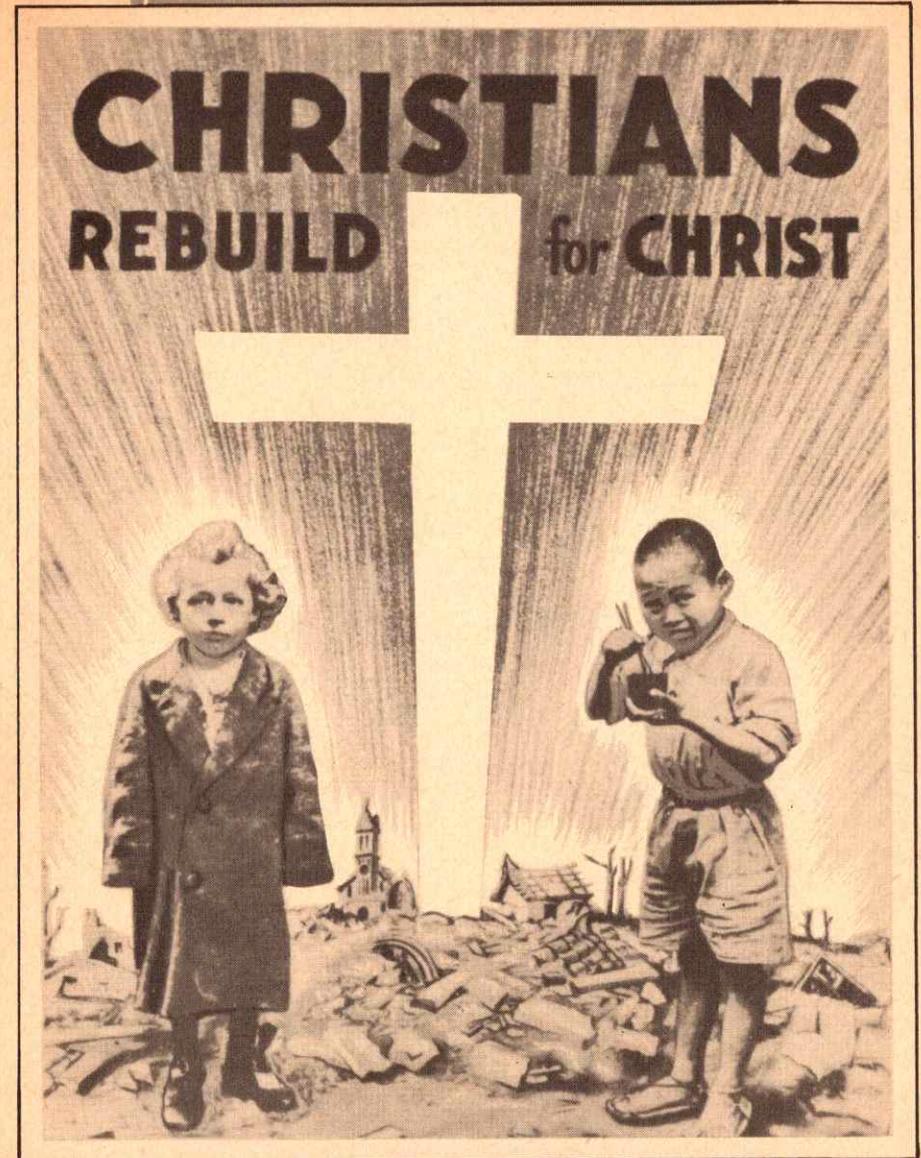
Through the Church these ministries are personalized to a degree not found elsewhere. It needs to be remembered that they are rendered in the spirit of Him who, standing by a pool near the sheep gate in Jerusalem many years ago, helped a man into the healing waters at the moment of his greatest need—a man who had no one to care enough to lend a helping hand. But for the Church and the agencies that have been inspired by its Lord and Master, little or nothing would be done in those places and for those races that sometimes so suddenly are caused to suffer by forces which lie beyond man's control.

## *The Church of the Living God*

This is the church of my dreams:  
The church of the warm heart,  
Of the open mind,  
Of the adventurous spirit:  
The church that cares,  
That heals hurt lives,  
That challenges youth:  
A working church,  
A church of courage,  
A friendly church for all people,  
The Church of the living God.

—Author Unknown

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SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Baltimore, Maryland

July 24, 1955

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor

Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

SERVICES

8 A. M. and 10:15 A. M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(Let everyone join in the responses)

PRELUDE - "Andantino Moderato" - W. Wedemann

OPENING HYMN No. 43 "When Morning Gilds the Sky"

INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated please)

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

O God, whose never-failing Providence ordereth  
all things both in heaven and earth; we humbly  
beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things  
and to give us those things which be profitable  
for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 17 "I Sing the Praise" (10:15 Service)

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Mark 4:26-29

Epistle - Acts 16:25-34

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

SOLO - "The Prayer Perfect" - Oley Speaks

Miss Mary Fischer

CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYERS

Almighty God, inspirer of prophets and apostles,  
and of every true and good thought and feeling in  
all men; we would join the Church throughout the  
world in thanking Thee for the gift of thy Spirit  
by which thou hast enabled some in all ages to be  
the teachers and leaders of men; and we pray Thee  
so to pour out the same Spirit on us, that we may  
know and understand the deep things of God. Amen

O thou who art heroic love, kindle we pray Thee  
in our hearts that high spirit of adventure, in  
which men scorn the way of safety and seek danger,  
rather, to do thy will. Help us to prove worthy  
of their brave and loving company who, at thy  
bidding, put everything upon the hazard, until they  
passed over, and all the trumpets sounded for them  
on the other side. Through Jesus Christ. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN - No. 391 (Tune 299) "Fearless Prophet"

THE SERMON - "What A Man!!" 2 Cor. 11:23-28

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Amen"

CLOSING HYMN No. 287 "God of Grace"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Be seated in Quiet Prayer, Please)

POSTLUDE - "Pilgrims March" - Stickles

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKS

to all who cooperated and worked so hard at  
our Picnic at Maryland Beach. Out of fellowship  
must come a better work for Christ!

The Final Sermon in our Summer Series on "St. Paul -  
What a Man" will be titled "Press On." Sunday,  
July 31 at 8:00 A. M. and 10:15 A. M.

Rev. Timothy Lehmann, D.D. of Edinburg, Virginia,  
will serve the Congregation during the month of  
August and is available for any emergencies.

Have you moved recently? Please be sure to give us  
your correct address if you have.  
Keep on coming to Church and Bring Someone with You.  
Continue to bring in your envelopes during the  
summer months. Do Not take a Vacation from God!

## Ten Thousand Church School Leaders

**T**his week in Cleveland, Ohio, ten thousand Sunday School officers, teachers and lay leaders representing forty North American denominations will meet in their Twenty-Third Quadrennial Convention. Beginning on Wednesday and continuing through Sunday these earnest church school workers will have an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the best Christian educational programs and emphases. The urgency of Christian teaching and the importance of the church school in meeting this urgency loom large in the thinking of these leaders this week. Moreover, time will be spent in exploring the need for communicating the Christian Faith to all age groups. This is important at a time when Christian education as pursued in the church school often tends to be limited to children. Undoubtedly, Christian leaders will return to their homes from Cleveland at the close of this Convention with a deeper dedication to a more effective Christian witness. The entire nation, indeed the world itself, will profit by this Convention.

## Christian Vocation in Japan

Reflecting the statement of the World Council of Churches' report on "The Christian and His Vocation," The Church of Christ in Japan is giving noteworthy attention to the importance of the practice of Christianity in factories, shops, offices and mines. It is in these places that the real battles of faith are fought today. Recently the Nihon Kirisuto Kyodan Occupational Evangelism Committee declared:

"Our primary task is educating the whole church in its responsibility to the laboring classes and in concern for the occupations of its members. As a means to this end, starting last year, the first Sunday in September was designated as Labor Sunday and observed in local churches all over the country. Three Christian labor centers are already operating. Each of these centers work with the coal miners. Another social center for workers is now being built in Osaka. Two more centers will be opened. Local and National meetings among lay workers and pastors for study and mutual encouragement are using as a theme this year, "The Battle for Faith in our Occupations." Pastors are being encouraged to attend government summer schools on labor problems."

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ONE ROUND TRIP TICKET TO  
**CLEVELAND**  
OHIO

Thousands of church school leaders are answering the call of the Twenty-third Quadrennial Convention of the Sunday School this week.

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SERVICES  
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

(Let everyone join in the responses)

PRELUDE - "Profession of Faith" - Paul Tonner  
OPENING HYMN No. 38 "Day of Rest and Gladness"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated please)  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the spirit to  
think and do always such things as are right; that  
we, who cannot do anything that is good without  
Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according  
to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 285 "Awake My Soul" - (10:15 Service)  
SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Matthew 12:46-50  
Epistle - Acts 20:17-32

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

SOLO - "A Prayer Perfect - Oley Speaks  
Miss Mary Fischer

CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER "For Strength"

O God, give me strength to live another day.  
Let me not turn coward before its difficulties  
or prove recreant to its duties. Let me not lose  
faith in my fellow men. Keep me sweet and sound  
of heart, in spite of ingratitude, treachery,  
or meanness. Preserve me from minding little  
stings or giving them. Help me to keep my heart  
clean, and to live so honestly and fearlessly  
that no outward failure can dishearten me or take

away the joy of conscious integrity. Open wide  
the eyes of my soul that I may see good in all  
things. Grant me this day some new vision of  
thy truth, inspire me with the spirit of joy  
and gladness, and make me the cup of strength  
to suffering souls; in the name of the strong  
Deliverer, our only Lord and Saviour, Jesus  
Christ. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 289 "Soldiers of Christ"

THE SERMON - "Press On!"

Phil. 3:13-14

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Amen"

CLOSING HYMN No. 254 "Jesus I Live to Thee"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Be seated in Quiet Prayer, Please)

POSTLUDE - "March of the Prophets" - M. Stickles

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Timothy Lehmann will be the acting Pastor during  
the month of August. He will be available for all  
emergencies. His sermons are based on Romans the  
12th Chapter. The subjects are:

"Why Go to Church?"

"Think Soberly"

"Learn to Love"

"Practice Forgiveness"

Come to Church and encourage him with your attendance!  
OUR FALL WORK, beginning in September, will be of  
utmost importance. Theme is "Commitment for Christian  
Living."

PRAY for your Church. Guidance is needed for the  
building of the new Church. Gifts are needed, but  
always remember the gift without the Giver is bare.

"ATTEND CHURCH WHILE AWAY ON VACATION"

## *Vacation Days Are Here Again*

*I*t is summer. Vacation days are here again. The lure of the lake, the majesty of towering mountains, the call of the rolling surf—all make their appeal to busy people everywhere, and as we can, we answer the call. We go from our homes by car, by bus, train and plane. The exodus from the usual is in full swing.

Vacation should be more than relief from the routine of every day living, whether that routine is concerned with the manifold duties of managing a household or the pressures of the business and industrial world. Jesus withdrew His twelve disciples from the press of the crowd when they were flushed with success, into the quiet of the Galilean hills where we can be sure they followed the injunction of him who wrote hundreds of years before, "Be still and know that I am God."

No matter where vacation takes us there should be time for communion and fellowship with God. These weeks should afford some opportunity "to think God's thoughts after Him" as we walk among the great trees of the forest or listen to the rhythmic lap, lap of the waves upon the shore, or look out upon the vastnesses of the heavens above. Let not these days then be concerned merely with breaking a record for miles driven or with the effort to catch a bigger fish than last summer. These are days of opportunity for the spirit to become more acutely aware of God.

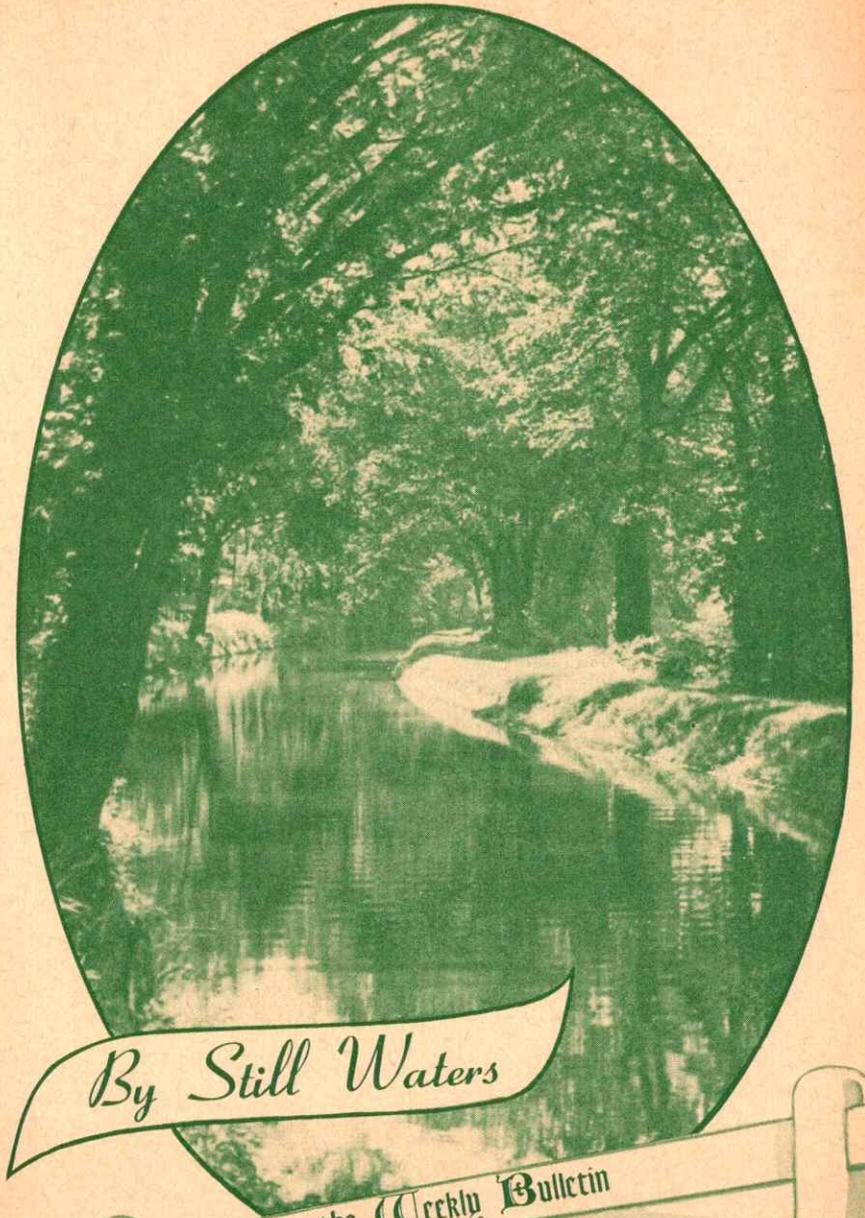
Find God anew this vacation season. Worship Him in the beauty of holiness, perhaps in the little village church nearby or if near a great city church, find God there. Stand before Him reverently as He makes Himself known in the quiet wonder and beauty of the world He has created. Yes, find rest for body and mind as you enjoy these vacation days. But of even greater importance, find peace and serenity of soul by spending some time where you can be alone with God.

### *Take Time*

Take time to play; it is the secret power.  
Take time to dream; it hitches the soul to the stars.  
Take time to worship; it is the highway of reverence.  
Take time to pray; it helps to bring Christ near  
and washes the dust of earth from our eyes.

—Author Unknown

# VACATION



*By Still Waters*

the Weekly Bulletin

Evangelical and Reformed Church

LABOR SUNDAY  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Baltimore, Maryland  
September 4, 1955

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director  
SERVICES  
8 A. M. and 10:15 A. M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Veni, Veni Emmanuel" - Kreckel  
PROCESSIONAL - No. 12 "For the Beauty"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated please)  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Almighty and Everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope and charity; and that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 11 "Ye Servants of God" (10:15 Service)

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Mark 12:41-44  
Epistle - 1 Peter 2:1-10

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "I Have A Friend" - C. Kohlmann  
JUNIOR CHOIR

10:15 - "The Prodigal Son" - Parker-Shepherd  
SENIOR CHOIR

CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER - No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER - "For Workingmen"

O God, thou mightiest worker of the universe, source of all strength and author of all unity, we pray Thee for our brothers, the industrial workers of the nation. As their work binds them together in common toil, and danger, may their hearts be knit together in a strong sense of their common interests and destiny. Help them to realize that the injury of one

is the concern of all, and that the welfare of all must be the aim of every one. If any of them is tempted to sell the birthright of his class for a mess of pottage for himself, give him a wider outlook and a nobler sympathy with his fellows. Teach them to keep step in a steady onward march, and in their own way to fulfill the law of Christ by bearing the common burdens.

In Jesus' Name. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"I Am Alpha and Omega" - Stainer  
SENIOR CHOIR

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 392 (Tune 21) "Jesus, Companion"

THE SERMON

"Commitment in Labor"

Genesis 22:1,7,11

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 131 "O Master Workman"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Please be seated in Quiet Prayer)

POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKS

to Dr. Timothy Lehmann for conducting our Church Services during the month of August and for all the services he has rendered to the congregation.

LADIES AID SOCIETY

will meet on Wednesday, September 7, at 7:30 P.M.  
Let us have 100 per cent attendance.

CHURCH COUNCIL

will meet on Tuesday, September 6, at 8:00 P.M.

LUNCHEON

sponsored by Ladies Aid Society on Wednesday, September 14.

## Labor Sunday Message, 1955

### — To All Who Work

Once again, the National Council of the Churches of Christ extends its greetings to all who work.

For our Labor Sunday Message to the workers of America we refer them to the words spoken by our Savior: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Insofar as workers have heeded this admonition by realizing the mutuality of their strivings, their sorrows and their joys, they have increased the stature and the dignity of labor. There was a time when, of necessity, the labor movement was largely a struggle for the protection and relief of oppressed and underprivileged workers and their families. We thank God that to a marked degree that struggle has been won.

#### Our Debt to the Labor Movement

The churches acknowledge a debt to the labor movement and to the men and women who have built it, for the significant part they have played in this great constructive change.

And in this year 1955 we hail the progress in the relations between labor and management, in the lessening of jurisdictional disputes, and in the growing spirit of cooperation among the branches of organized labor in the United States.

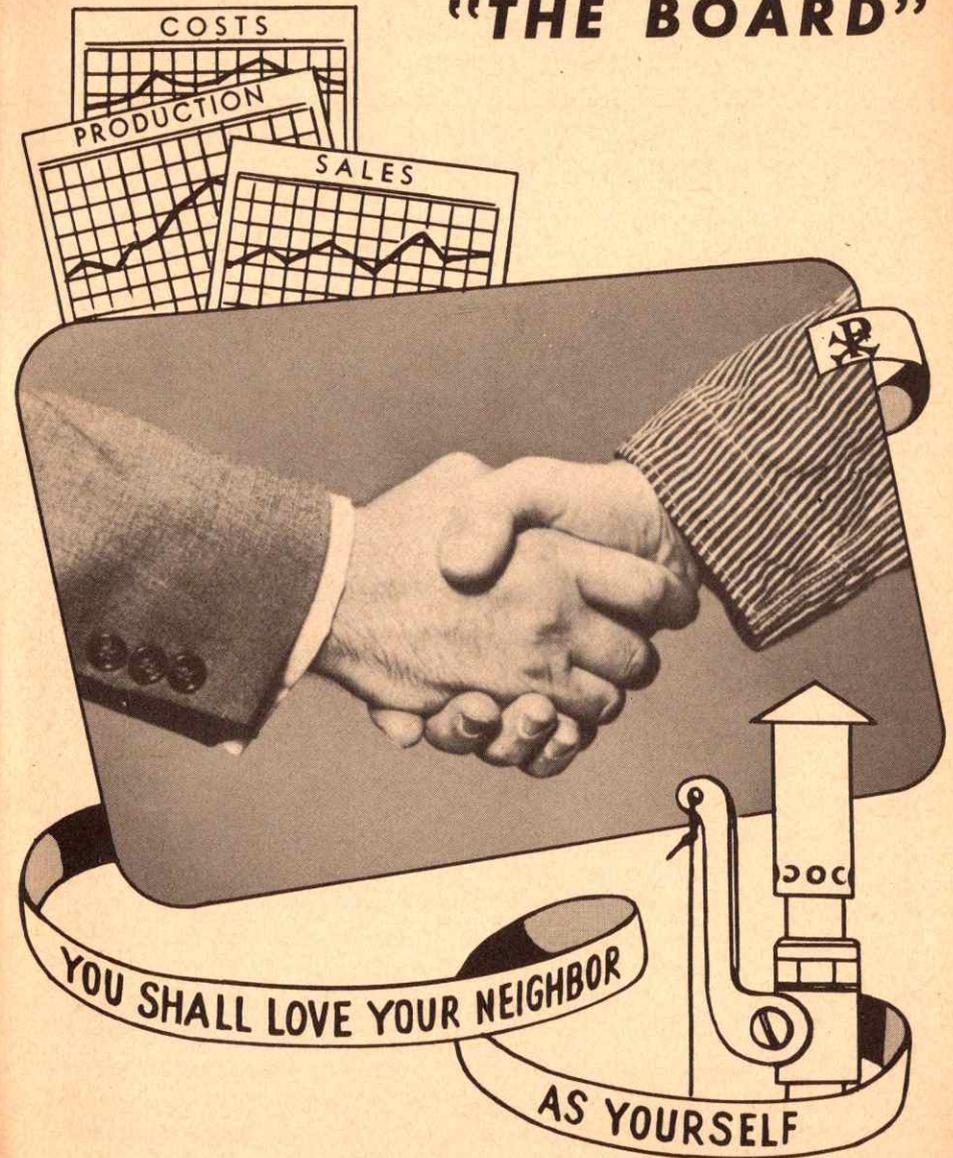
But with strength comes obligation. And in labor's case, the stronger its organization becomes the greater is its obligation to be truly democratic in its procedures and to weigh its every act in the light of its effect upon the general welfare. That obligation is not discharged, for any of us, unless there is a maximum practicable degree of employment and opportunity for creative expression. It is not discharged unless the opportunity for employment and creative expression is equally available to all men and women regardless of creed, race, social status, or national origin. It is not discharged until justice has been done to every child by the provision of good educational opportunity and by the elimination of the slum as a breeding place of suffering and delinquency.

#### God Calls to Responsible Action

These circumstances make clear once again our continuous dependence upon the forgiving and empowering grace of God. In humble acknowledgment that the God of all men and nations has summoned us to obedience, we have faith that His care and guidance will enable us to act responsibly in this day.

—From the Labor Day Message of the  
National Council of the Churches in the U.S.A.

## FRIENDS ACROSS "THE BOARD"



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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
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SERVICES

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INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated, please)

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Keep, we beseech Thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without Thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 11 "Ye Servants of God" (10:15 Service)

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - John 5:1-14

Epistle - 1 Tim. 1:12-17

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "We Would See Jesus" - Brackett

SENIOR CHOIR

10:15 - "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" - Keating

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYERS

As athletes train for the games, as soldiers drill for the battles, so may we prepare ourselves for Thy service. Wake us from mental stupor that we may love Thee with our minds. Direct us in the exercise of kindness that we may love our neighbors as ourselves. Spur us into adventures

of faith that we may know Thee as Thou art. Bid us take up the cross that we may love Thee in the following of Thy way. Bless the heroes and heroines of the Faith. Accept their spiritual sacrifices. Strengthen their arms. Make effective their service unto a better world and the glory of Thine eternal Name. Amen

We would be fit servants of Thine, O Lord. Help us to sense the needs of others. Make us receptive to the outpouring of their spirits, attentive to their desires. Keep us in communion with Thee lest we ourselves become castaways. Use us as Thou wilt. Cleanse us of sin and overcome our self-concern that we may be ministers of Thine to strengthen others on the daily road, for we ask it in the spirit of Christ. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"The Shepherd" - Mendelssohn

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 253 "Take My Life"

THE SERMON - "Here Am I" - Moses

Exodus 3:1 ff.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 254 "Jesus I Live to Thee"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Be seated in Quiet Prayer, Please)

POSTLUDE - "Gothic March" - G. Foschini

\*\*\*\*\* ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\*\*\*\*

LUNCHEON sponsored by Ladies Aid Society on Wednesday of this week. Get your ticket from one of the members.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS Meeting on Tuesday of this week. Let's all be present for this meeting.

RALLY DAY SERVICES for Sunday School at 9 A. M. and Church at 8 A. M. and 10:15 A. M. on Sunday, SEPTEMBER 25. Let everyone attend.

WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION Service on Sunday, October 2. CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTIONS begins October 4 for boys and October 6 for girls at 4:30 P. M.

## *Disciplines of the Christian Life*

**T**he fall months are filled with activity for everyone. The school program is getting underway again for the children. Community interests reclaim the time and energy of those who provide leadership. In the church new programs appear, directed toward the achievement of the purposes for which the Church was founded.

Among these programs this year are suggestions submitted by the cooperative effort of three agencies, the Commission on Evangelism, the Commission on Stewardship and the Commission on Christian Social Action. These suggestions call for emphasis during the month of September on the "Disciplines of the Christian Life." In the six disciplines of this program, the followers of Jesus Christ come to grips with faith as a top priority in their religious life. The Christian life is a process of becoming. It needs to be confronted from time to time with such practical, down-to-earth disciplines as the following, suggested by the Commissions mentioned above:

Worship regularly in the house of God  
Show devotion to the Lord in the home  
Find a place of service in the church  
Support the program of the church generously  
Carry Christian faith into the daily relationships of life  
Bear witness to the power and meaning of faith

It is of interest to note in passing that the disciplines suggested for September serve to prepare the Church for the worship and study program that will claim the attention of the churches in October under the general theme, "Commitment for Christian Living."

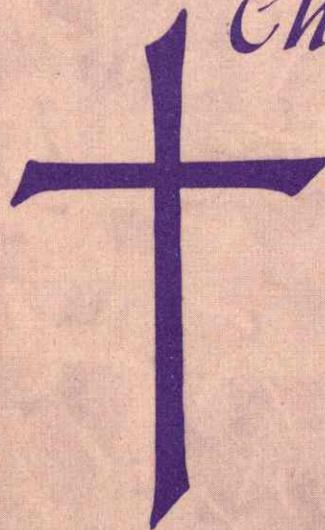
### *A Prayer*

Give us faith and strength to serve Thee,  
Through all life's way.  
Trustful, let us never fail Thee;  
Thou art our stay.  
In the hours that test and try us,  
When from Thee the darkness hides us,  
Be Thou near, O God, to guide us,  
Both night and day.

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# *Disciplines of the Christian Life*



Evangelical and  
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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Baltimore, Maryland

September 18, 1955

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor

Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

SERVICES

8 A. M. and 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Arioso" - J. S. Bach

PROCESSIONAL No. 21 "Joyful, Joyful

INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated, please)

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

O Lord, we beseech Thee, let thy continual  
pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and because  
it cannot continue in safety without thy succor,  
preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 188 "Holy Spirit" (10:15 Service)

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - John 11:1-11

Epistle - 2 Thess: 3:6-13

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "A Prayer" - H. Engelmann

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

10:15 - "O Lord, My Trust Is In Thy Mercy" - Hall

SENIOR CHOIR

CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR VISITORS

O give me Samuel's ear - the open ear, O Lord  
Alive and quick to hear each whisper of thy word,  
Like him to answer at thy call,  
And to obey thee first of all.

O give me Samuel's heart - a lowly heart that waits

Where in thy house thou art, or watches at thy gate;  
By day and night, a heart that still,  
Moves at the breathing of thy will!

O give me Samuel's mind- a sweet unrum'ring faith,  
Obedient and resigned to Thee in life and death.  
That I may read with child-like eyes,  
Truths that are hidden from the wise. Amen

PRAYER OF DEDICATION TO SERVICE

We Thank Thee, Lord, for permitting us to serve  
Thee and our fellowmen. Grant that every  
opportunity to work in Thy Church might be con-  
sidered by us as a privilege and not a burden.  
As we dedicate ourselves to Thee and Thy cause,  
give us the spirit of courtesy, tact and love.  
In Jesus' name. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"The Lord is Exalted" - West

SENIOR CHOIR

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 252 "Take Thou our Minds"

THE SERMON - "Here Am I" - Samuel

1 Samuel 3:4-10

THE LORD'S PRAYER - BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Amen"

RECESSIONAL - No. 446 "Now in Days of Youth"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES - POSTLUDE

\*\*\*\*\* ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\*\*\*\*

RALLY DAY SERVICES on September 25. The Sunday School  
invites young & old to attend at 9:30 A. M. and then  
come to the 10:15 A. M. Service. Rally Theme:  
"Growing as Jesus Grew."

STANDARD TIME next Sunday, September 25.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING on Tuesday, September 27th.

FRIENDLY VISITATION is to be conducted this week.

YOUNG WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING on Wednesday, Sept. 21.

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTIONS October 4 for boys and  
October 6 for girls.

"COME BEFORE HIS PRESENCE WITH SINGING"-JOIN OUR CHOIR

## *Pensions and Relief*

### "THE BIG BROTHER BOARD"

#### **The Ministers' Retirement Annuity Fund**

This is a contributory reserve plan organized in 1941. The minister pays 3% and the congregation 8% on the basis of the minister's annual salary. These payments plus interest will provide a retirement pension of one-half of the minister's salary over a period of forty years of membership. The assets of the Fund are now almost six million dollars. Membership on the part of both minister and congregation is mandatory.

#### **The Evangelical and the Reformed Funds**

The General Synod subsidizes the benefits from these Funds of the two former Churches making possible a maximum retirement pension of \$900 a year to a minister with 60% thereof to a widow. In 1954 the sum of \$486,418 was paid to 409 ministers, 549 widows and 3 children. Gifts from individuals and churches and the Women's Guild Thankoffering were used to supplement insufficient pension amounts.

#### **Insurance Benefits**

During the past year six widows of ministers who died under the age of 55 received insurance checks of \$1000 each; four whose husbands died between the ages of 55 and 65 received payments of \$500 each and 26 widows received checks of \$200 each, the amount payable after age 65.

#### **Social Security**

Ministers are now eligible for inclusion under Social Security on a voluntary self-employed basis. The General Council has urged that every minister enroll. Pension from the Church Pension Fund will be paid in addition to any benefits received from Social Security.

#### **Pastors' Homes**

Two pastors' homes are maintained by the Board. Fourteen cottages at Blue Springs, a suburb of Kansas City, and six cottages at Bensenville, a suburb of Chicago, are provided rent free to retired ministers and widows of ministers.

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The Board has recently received several fine legacies from devoted church members who in gratitude for the services of the ministry and in consideration of the needs of the aged pastor and his widow included our cause in their wills. Do you know of a better way to perpetuate the blessings of a grateful life? Why not remember the Board of Pensions and Relief when you make your will?

*Silas P. Bittner*

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# PENSIONS AND RELIEF SUNDAY



## *The Church Remembers*

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY  
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September 25, 1955

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SERVICE

8 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Andante Sostenuto" - H. Goetze

PROCESSIONAL No. 131 "O Master Workman

INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 (Be seated, please)

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Lord, we pray Thee, that thy grace may always go before and follow after us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE READING \* The Gospel - Matthew 11:25-30

Epistle - Hebrew 12:18-24

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEM

"But the Lord is Mindful of His Own" - Mendelssohn  
SENIOR CHOIR

CONFESSION OF FAITH - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, who hast so made us that we reach attainment only through striving, and who hast placed in our hearts conflicting desires, that we may learn to choose the things that are worthwhile; grant us the grace to choose aright in this and every hour of time, and in every expenditure of strength. Help us to face squarely the responsibilities that go with the moral issues of our time, and to range our

personal power and influence on the side of those ideals in which we honestly believe. While we pray and work for peace in the affairs of men, may we never forget that there is no peace in the struggle against evil. Arm us with confidence in the eternal value of all that is true and beautiful and good, and give us strength every hour to do the things we know are right. We ask it in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 205 "O Master, Let Me"

THE SERMON

"Here Am I" - Isaiah

Isaiah 6:1-8

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION

RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 256 "Lord Speak to Me"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Be seated in Quiet Prayer, Please)

POSTLUDE "Allegro Moderato" - Fr. Walczynski

\*\*\*\*\* ANNOUNCEMENTS \*\*\*\*\*

WELCOME to all as we get back to our Church Services and to the work. May we all be faithful in this task!

THANKS to all who took part in the friendly visitation.

LET US ALL RESPOND.

WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION SERVICES next Sunday, Oct. 2.

7:45 and 10:15 A. M. It is very important that we all attend.

UNITED MEN'S CLUB MEETING on next Wednesday, September 28, 8 P. M.

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTIONS for boys on October 4 and for girls on October 6, at 4:30 P. M.

SUPPER sponsored by Young Women's Guild to be held on October 18.

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RALLY DAY

JOINT SERVICE OF SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONGREGATION  
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SERVICE - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Temple Prelude" - V. Petrali

PROCESSIONAL No. 131 "O Master Workman"

(As Scholars from Sunday School march into Church)

INVOCATION by the Pastor

RESPONSE "Holy, Holy, Holy"

CALL TO WORSHIP - Mr. Paul Bauersfeld,

Sunday School Superintendent

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your path straight."

UNISON PRAYER

O God, we are glad that Jesus came to this world as a little baby, that he grew up as a boy in the home at Nazareth, and that he became the greatest man of all time. Help us to grow like him, to pattern our lives after his, and to become good followers of him. Amen

SCRIPTURE READING - Luke 2:41-52

Marg. Oberlander, Senior Dept.

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEM

"I Have a Friend" - C. Kohlman

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

GREETING - Anna LeBrun - Nursery Department

SONG by BEGINNERS DEPT. "The Bible"

(With show of Bibles)

SHORT INTERPRETATION OF Luke 2:52 - Margaret White

SONG by PRIMARY DEPARTMENT "Glad I Am to Grow"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

Leader: "Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "There Is a Pilot" - L. Keating

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - S. 1

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT - Scripture Reading

2 Peter 3:18 - Richard Bell

ACCORDION SOLO - "Whispering Hope" - Carl Wisner

HYMN - "In The Temple" - JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

CHORAL READING OF PSALM 24 - INTERMEDIATE DEPARTMENT

PROMOTIONS (Or Growing into Another Department)

HYMN No. 205 "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

DEDICATION SERVICE OF TEACHERS AND PARENTS

(Who Grow Also)

UNISON PRAYERS

Pastor - "O God, who by Thy goodness hast opened to us the way that leads to life, give us grace to walk in this way. Use us in the teaching ministry of Thy Church. Keep us growing in faith toward Thee, in knowledge of Thy truth, and in love toward our fellowmen.

Teachers: Guide us as teachers of our Sunday School in our appointed task. Save us from weariness in well-doing. Grant us deep satisfaction and joy that comes from leading others to Him who is the way, the truth and the life.

Parents: Bless the homes represented in our Church. Grant us wisdom and understanding as parents that we by teaching and example, may guide our children into firm faith.

ALL: Teach us all, to press toward the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. We dedicate ourselves to Thy cause, the Church and to Thee, our Christ. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 256 "Lord, speak to Me"

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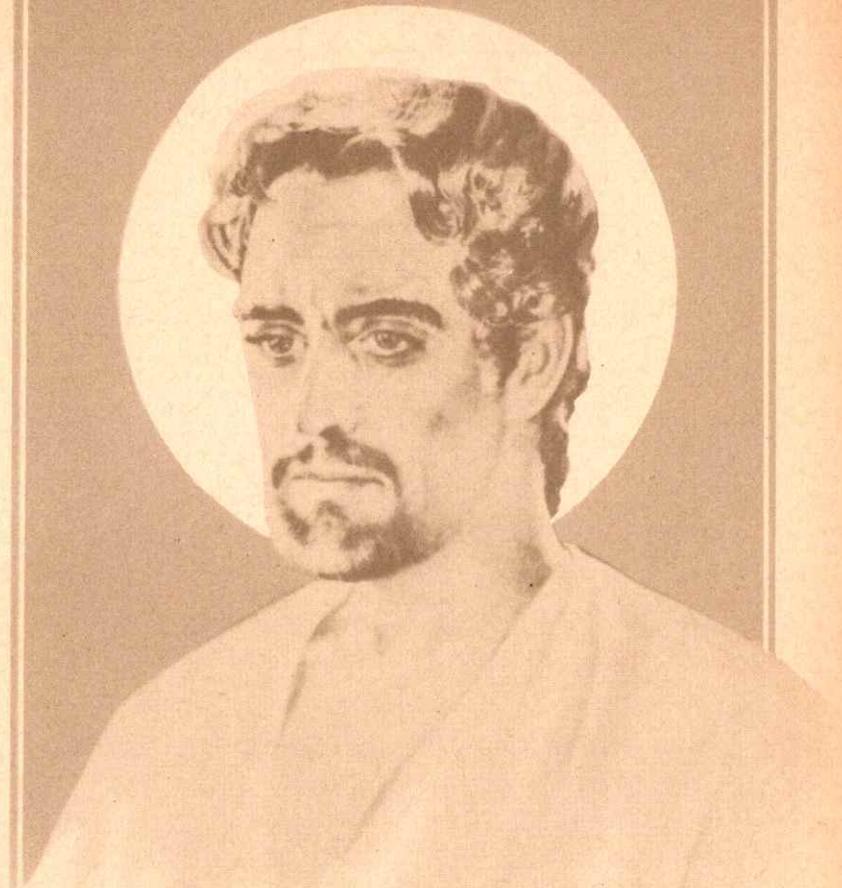
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WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY  
Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity  
October 2, 1955

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
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Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
7:45 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Andante Sostenuto" - H. Goetze  
PROCESSIONAL - No. 226 "Dear Lord and Father"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 485 "Filitz" (Be seated)  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Lord, we beseech Thee, grant thy people grace  
to withstand the temptations of the world, the  
flesh, and the devil; and with pure hearts and  
minds to follow Thee, the only God; through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Matthew 12:1-8  
Epistle - Hebrews 4:9-13

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"  
CHOIR ANTHEMS

7:45 - "My Task"

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

10:15 - "I Am The Bread of Life" - J. Stainer  
SENIOR CHOIR

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER - No. 516 - PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"Jesu, Word of God Incarnate" - Mozart  
SENIOR CHOIR

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - Stanza 1

SERMONIC HYMN - No. 207 "Jesus Calls Us"

THE SERMON - "Come - Follow Me" - Mark 10:21  
THE LORD'S PRAYER - THE BENEDICTION  
(If you are not staying for communion please do  
not leave until singing of Communion Hymn starts)

THE COMMUNION SERVICE

COMMUNION HYMN - No. 335 "Jesus, Thou Joy"

THE EXHORTATION - THE SELF-EXAMINATION

CONFESSION OF SIN IN UNISON

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we acknowledge  
and confess our manifold sins, which we have com-  
mitted against Thee by thought, word and deed. We  
have offended against Thy holy laws. We have  
merited Thy condemnation in this world and in the  
world to come. We do earnestly repent and are  
heartily sorry for our transgressions. Trusting  
in Thy grace and goodness, shown us in our Lord  
Jesus Christ, we ask of Thee pardon and peace.  
Give us strength to lead a new and righteous life  
by the power of Thy Holy Spirit; through the  
same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

CONFESSIONAL QUESTIONS - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CALL TO PRAYER FOR COMMUNION SERVICE No. 514

Pastor - The Lord be with you

Cong. - And with thy spirit

Pastor - Lift up your hearts

Cong. - We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor - Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God

Cong. - It is meet and right so to do.

PASTORAL PRAYER FOR COMMUNION SERVICE

RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RESPONSE No. 525 "O Christ, Thou Lamb of God"

THE INVITATION

THE COMMUNION AT THE ALTAR

PRAYER OF THANKS

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL - No. 205 "O Master"

QUIET PRAYER (Please be seated in Quiet Prayer,  
CHIMES leave as Postlude begins)

POSTLUDE "Andante Con Moto" - Walczynski

"ATTEND CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY"

## *World-Wide Communion — Commitment to Christ*

**I**n a thousand different tongues, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated this day. Christians in Korea, Formosa, Java, Burma, India and Africa will feel the bond of Christ's living union and fellowship with them and their oneness with all Christian souls to the ends of the earth.

In most of Asia and parts of Africa, the Near East and Europe, great masses of our Christian family have been suffering from hunger. In this past year, almost fifty million dollars worth of food has been sent to these hungry people through the Share Our Surplus (SOS) program.

One thinks of the miracle of the loaves and fishes when he realizes that it cost less than one million dollars to send food, clothing, medicine, tools and animals worth fifty times that amount.

But it is on the field where one sees with his own eyes the wonders performed with so little, that one realizes the hand of God is in the whole program.

"He has answered our prayer."

How often I have heard that shout of joy. Any question about World Service being the Lord's work can be answered by just one experience of seeing the tears of joy and hearing the words, "He has heard our prayers."

But World Service has done more than just help the members of our own household of faith. It has sent sufficient supplies to enable our Christian brethren to share with their brothers without regard to religion, caste or creed.

In Viet-Nam, a leader in the small Evangelical church said, "The Communists tell us they are interested in our poor people, but they offer us only words. Our Christian brothers are sending us food and tools and seeds enough that we can share with all. With this loving help we can find hope for our people and our land."

In Japan the head of a Red Mine Workers' Union said, "My Union never had any interest in religion, but our eyes were opened when we discovered that you Christians care whether our children starve or not and when we see how you have been feeding them."

"Every family in our church has ten to thirty refugees feeding from its table," said the pastor of a Chinese Christian church in Hong Kong, "but there are still some crumbs we can share. Let us help the E and R Church in sending the ambulance to Saigon."

"The only hope of conquering the Mau Mau in Kenya, Africa, is the Christian Gospel, but we can't go empty-handed when people are hungry."

He who said, "This do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me," also said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto Me."

—Reginald H. Helfferich

# WORLD-WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY

the *Weekly Bulletin*

Evangelical and  
Reformed Church

May the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ keep and preserve you, each one in body, soul and spirit unto everlasting life. Amen.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity  
October 9, 1955

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "On the Lake of Galilee" - Barton  
PROCESSIONAL - No. 377 "O God Above"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 485 "Filitz" (Be seated)  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

O God, forasmuch as without Thee we are not able  
to please Thee; mercifully grant, that thy Holy  
Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 85 (Tune 21) "There is a Wideness"  
(10:15 Service)

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Mark 10:17-27  
Epistle - James 2:10-17

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Lord of our Life" - Howard  
SENIOR CHOIR

10:15 - "O Jesus I Have Promised" - Keating  
JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER - No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER - "For Mankind"

O Spirit of Truth! May the way of life be lighted  
up for all mankind! Grant us not only to see and  
abhor the evil but to know how to overcome evil  
with good. Send us prophets and leaders who come  
not to destroy, but to fulfil. In the face of all

confusion and error, fraud and violence, and of  
man's inhumanity to man, grant that we may never  
lose our faith that right makes might, that truth  
and love are stronger than falsehood and hate, and  
that this is Thy world throughout all generations.  
Let Thy name be our strong tower and rock of  
defence. In that name may we set up our banners  
and fight the good fight of faith and convert every  
defeat into victory. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"Jesus, Meek and Gentle" - Pease

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - Stanza 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 394 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways"

THE SERMON - "Christian Missions in a Revolutionary  
World" - "The Widening Circle"  
Acts 4:13-14

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 376 "From Ocean unto Ocean"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES (Be seated, Please)

POSTLUDE - "Fugue in 'C' Major" - Handel

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Dr. Dobbs Ehlman, Executive Secretary of our  
International Missions Board is our guest speaker  
next Sunday. This is Laymen's Sunday. The United  
Men's Club will attend in a body at 10:15 and will  
have a part in the Service. Dr. Ehlman will speak  
in both services and in some Departments of Sunday  
School.

TEACHER TRAINING CLASS Wednesday at 7 P. M. Pictures,  
Film Strips will interpret - The Church and Her  
Children. The small child will be considered.  
Parents and Teachers are urged to come.

CONFIRMANTS and their parents meet on Wednesday at  
7:45 P. M. for a joint meeting to plan their work.  
Boys meet on Tuesdays, girls on Thursdays, 4:30 P.M.  
Saturday class for boys and girls at 10:00 A. M.  
REFORMATION SERVICE on October 30 at 3:30 P. M. at  
St. Matthews' Church. Plan to attend.

SUPPER sponsored by Young Women's Guild on Tuesday  
October 18. Serving from 5 P. M. until 8 P. M.

## National Missions Becomes Personal

**I**t is a startling fact that two out of every five Americans you might meet on the street today are not connected with any religious body. This is an average figure, of course, but it means that instead of thinking of how many millions still need to be won by the churches, we can think of individual men and women, boys and girls, our neighbors and fellow-citizens.

One of the first obligations of any Christian, then, is to begin looking for these unchurched neighbors. Perhaps they have simply been overlooked because they are not in our own circle of acquaintance, or because they seem different in some way or other. But the mission of the church is to seek out all who are not walking the same way with us and to show them how the children of God are trying to carry out His will.

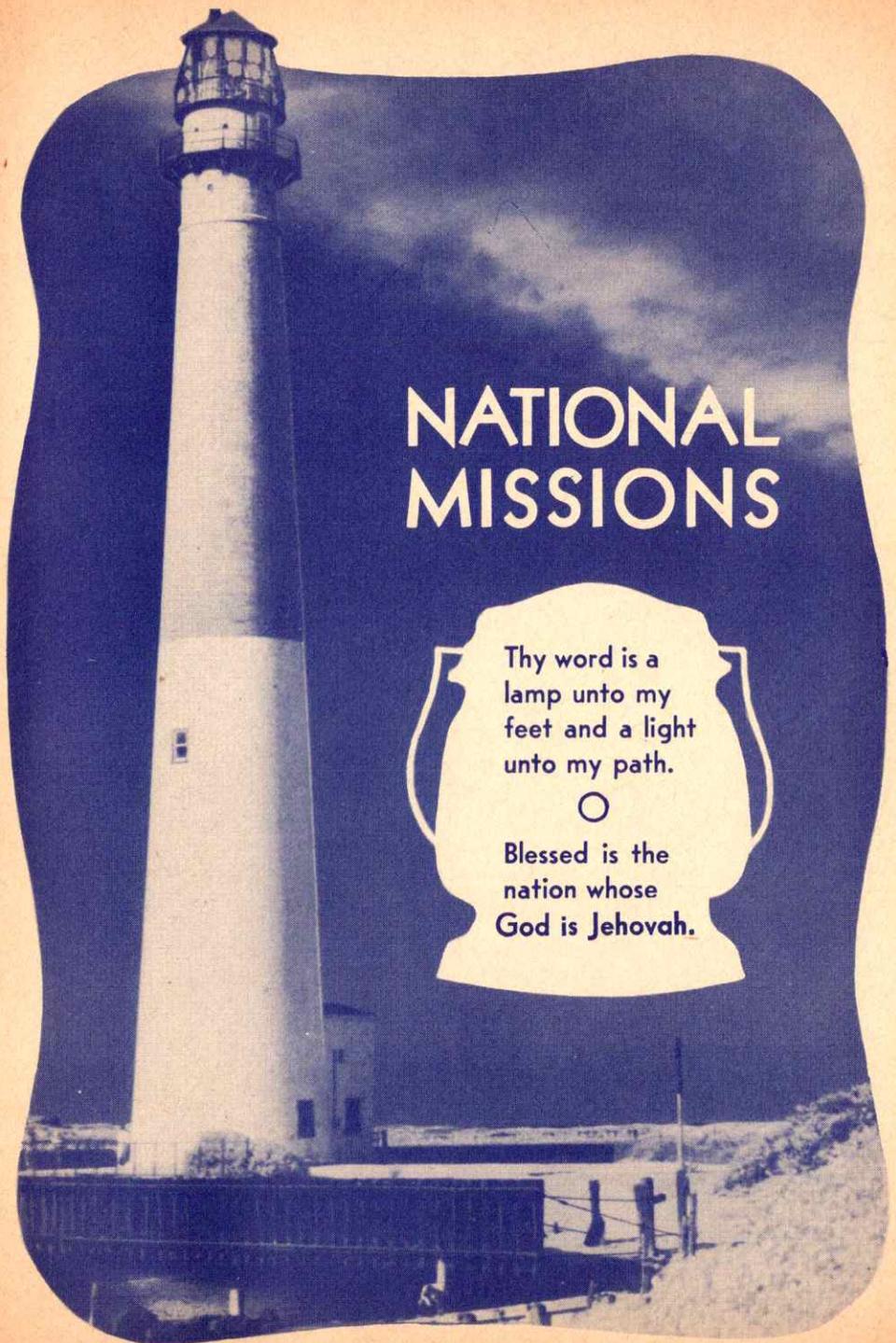
This means "widening the circle of the committed," reaching out in ever more inclusive circles to extend the realm of Christ's mind and heart. There are so many who are eager to respond, if we are sure of our own commitment to the Master and are willing to take the trouble to talk about our faith.

In this way, National Missions can be the outreaching effort of every church member. At the same time, the apportionment giving of our church members helps support the specialized activities which the Board of National Missions administers. New churches in new communities, the strengthening of needed ministries in many older communities, the constant effort to extend the influence of the church among unchurched people—these are the main lines of National Missions effort, through two hundred and thirty mission congregations and special projects.

This year, beginning with the Fall of 1955, the interdenominational home mission study theme is "Indian Americans." This brings to mind the longstanding work among the Winnebago in Wisconsin, with a history of sacrificial missionary effort which has grown and developed for more than seventy-five years. Part of our task is to bring all minority groups into full participation in American and church life.

—Purd E. Deitz

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## NATIONAL MISSIONS

Thy word is a  
lamp unto my  
feet and a light  
unto my path.



Blessed is the  
nation whose  
God is Jehovah.

LAYMEN'S SUNDAY  
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity  
October 16, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Organ Meditation" - C. A. Stebbins  
PROCESSIONAL No. 384 Morning Light is Breaking  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"

(10:15 Service today is being led by  
Mr. Ernest Jones, President of the  
United Men's Club)

CONFESSION OF SIN - (In Unison)

"O Merciful Father, we confess before Thee, that we  
have done little to forward Thy kingdom in the world.  
We humble ourselves before Thee for our past neglects  
and seek for mercy and pardon. Forgive our sins,  
as we earnestly repent of these. Inspire us thru  
Jesus Christ to be more diligent, in our prayers, in  
our giving, thru our examples to spread abroad the  
knowledge of Jesus Christ. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON - RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory Be"

THE INTROIT IN UNISON (Led by Harry Bauersfeld)

"Say unto my soul, I am thy salvation. The righteous  
cry and the Lord hears. He delivers them out of all  
their troubles. He is their God forever. Give ear,  
O my people, to my law. Incline your ears to the  
words of my mouth."

THE COLLECT IN UNISON (Led by Ferd Medinger)

"O God, forasmuch as without Thee, we are not able to  
please Thee; mercifully grant that Thy Holy Spirit  
may in all things direct and rule our hearts; thru  
Jesus Christ. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 17 "I Sing the Praise" (10:15 Service)

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Gospel - John 9:24-41 Read by Wilbert Ermer  
Epistle - James 5:13-20 Read by Geo. Hoffmann  
RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"  
CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Sweet Story" - W. B. Bradbury  
JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

10:15 - "Build Thee More Stately Mansions"  
SENIOR CHOIR

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

LITANY OF PEACE (Page 517 in Back of Hymnal)

Led by J. Edwin Myers

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERING VERSE by Leader and in unison

The Lord will bless you in all you produce. You  
shall not appear before the Lord empty-handed.  
Every man shall give as he is able, according to  
the blessing of the Lord your God, who has  
given to you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM - "Hark, Hark My Soul" - Shelley

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - Stanza 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 382 (Tune 282) "O Master"

THE SERMON - "The Christian Mission in Changing  
Asia" - Dr. Dobbs Ehlman

THE LORD'S PRAYER - BENEDICTION - "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 389 "Rise Up, O Men of God"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES (Be seated, Please)

POSTLUDE - "To Gott zum Haus" - J. C. Bach

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WELCOME! to Dr. D. Ehlman, Secretary of our  
International Missions Board.

SUPPER - By Young Women's Guild on Tuesday, Oct. 18.

Serving from 5 P. M. until 8 P. M. Film on Life  
of Helen Keller at 6:15 P. M. and 8 P. M.

TEACHERS' TRAINING CLASS Wednesday at 7 P. M. Parents  
and Teachers urged to attend.

JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE at St. Matthew's Church  
Sunday, October 30, at 3:30 P. M.

"THIS REVOLUTIONARY FAITH" is theme for next  
Sunday's services at 8 and 10:15 A. M.

"Do You 'give of your most to the Master'?"  
Give of your talents-join the Choir now.

## *Life's Highest Purpose*

**T**he really important question for all of us is not so much *what* we do for a living as *how* we do it. Do you work only for money, for your family, for your own personal satisfaction? Or do you work primarily to glorify God?

How do you spend your leisure time? Again, the question is, *how*? Our fathers have said—the chief end of man “is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever.” To do this is to fulfill life’s highest purpose.

The Churchmen’s Brotherhood is interested in undergirding all of man’s work and play with life’s essential purpose. Even in our church work we must constantly refresh our motives by remembering through prayer, meditation and study the basic reason for our efforts. Failing to do this, we may become testy and self-righteous, forgetting in our busyness both to glorify God and to enjoy Him.

Today is Men’s Sunday. Laymen are leading worship services, singing in men’s choruses, reading scripture lessons and even preaching sermons. Offerings are being contributed for the erection of two buildings at the Volunteer Service Center at Camp Fernbrook. Whatever is done this day, our worship, our leadership, the giving of our gifts—all should be done as we do all things—that God may be glorified, and to the end that man may enjoy Him forever.

—Rev. J. Kenneth Kohler

## *An International Memorial*

**F**or Members of the Reformed Family of Churches, the Church of Notre-Dame-la-Neuve (now known as the Auditorium) in Geneva, Switzerland, has great historical significance. Built in the thirteenth century, it fell into disuse in early Reformation years. John Knox preached here later. Following him came John Calvin. Calvin lectured to as many as a thousand students at one time—students from all the Reformed countries of Europe. For two hundred years Calvin’s Church stood as a shining center of Christian culture. Unfortunately three quarters of a century ago a heavy superstructure was added, both disfiguring the original church and making it unsafe for use.

It is now proposed to restore this church to something of its appearance when John Calvin lectured in Geneva and to create on this historic and sacred spot an International Memorial for the Reformed Family of Churches.

Many congregations will present this appeal on Reformation Sunday, October 30, and receive the gifts of their members for the restoration of this historic Church, so important in the early life of the Reformed Churches.

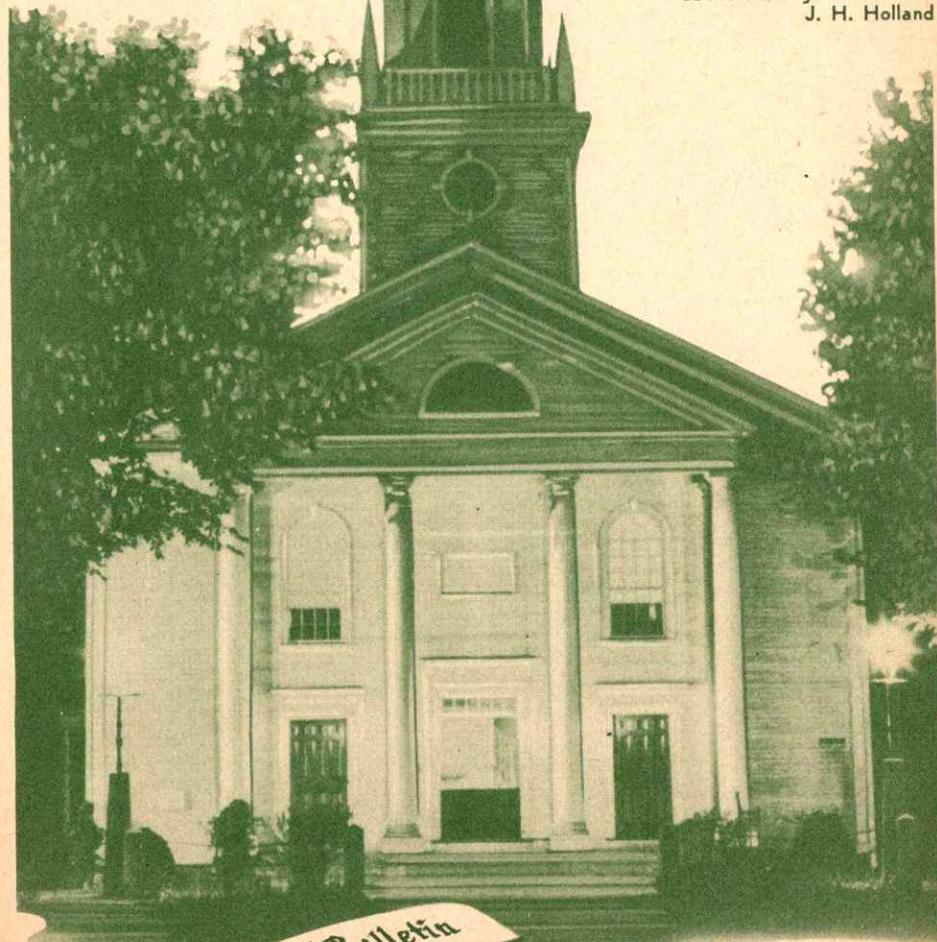
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# LAYMEN'S SUNDAY

God give us men. The time  
demands  
Strong minds, great hearts, true  
faith and willing hands.

... Tall men, sun-crowned, who live  
above the fog.

J. H. Holland



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WORLD ORDER SUNDAY  
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity  
October 23, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Cavatina" - Bohn  
PROCESSIONAL No. 400 "At Length There Dawns"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON  
Grant, we beseech Thee, merciful Lord, to thy  
faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be  
cleansed from all their sins, and serve Thee with  
a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen  
THE DOXOLOGY  
HYMN No. 14 "Praise Ye the Father" (10:15 Service)  
THE SCRIPTURES - The Gospel - John 15:1-8  
Epistle - Romans 14:1-9  
RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"  
CHOIR ANTHEMS  
8:00 - "Holy Father, We Adore Thee" - Bortiansky  
SENIOR CHOIR  
10:15 - "Beautiful Saviour" - Crusaders Hymn  
JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS  
CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493  
CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER  
UNISON PRAYER - "For World Fellowship"

Let us silently dedicate ourselves anew; body, mind  
and soul, to God; that his will may be done in us and  
through us, and his salvation proclaimed unto all  
nations. O Lord, thou hast entrusted us with the  
glad tidings of thy salvation - May we never live to  
ourselves in self-contained contentment, keeping to  
the old trodden paths, but seek ever new ways to

forward thy cause and serve our fellowmen. Make  
us to be truthful and joyous messengers of thy  
redeeming love and grant unto thy servants to  
speak thy word with boldness.

O Lord, who didst humble thyself that we might  
be raised unto Thee, kindle us with thy love that  
we may "in honor preferring one another" gladly  
discern thy gifts in those of other nations, other  
traditions, other races, and give to Thee the  
glory. Our Father, who has given thy Son, to re-  
concile the world unto thyself, and to abolish  
the walls of partition between classes, races,  
and nations, may our ministry be a ministry of  
reconciliation. We pray Thee for those who are  
exposed to danger, strife and persecution. We  
thank Thee for those who have endured and con-  
quered. May we be ready to follow their example,  
that we, with them, may be conformed unto the  
likeness of thy Son, our Lord and Savior, and  
remain steadfast in the faith to the end. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"  
ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"Let All the World" - J. W. Clokey  
JUNIOR-YOUTH CHOIRS

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - Stanza 1  
SERMONIC HYMN No. 405 "God the Omnipotent"  
THE SERMON - "This Revolutionary Faith" - Luke 4:18-19  
THE LORD'S PRAYER - BENEDICTION - "Threefold Amen"  
RECESSIONAL No. 371 "Jesus Shall Reign"  
QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES (Be seated, please)  
POSTLUDE - "Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light"

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THANKS to all who helped with the Guild Supper.  
UNITED MEN'S CLUB MEETING Wednesday at 8 P. M.  
YOUNG WOMEN'S GUILD OUTING Wednesday at 6:30 P. M.  
REFORMATION SUNDAY SERVICES next Sunday at 8 & 10:15.  
Theme "The New Being" in these Changing Times  
REFORMATION SERVICE at St. Matthew's Church at 3:30  
P. M. Members of our Senior Choir will take part.

Dr. F. W. Schroeder will be the speaker.  
CRADLE ROLL PARTY on November 6 at 2 P. M.

"ATTEND EVERY CHURCH SERVICE"

## *Our Christian Responsibility for World Community*

"In praying, 'Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven,' we commit ourselves to seek earthly justice, freedom and peace for all men." So the Section on International Affairs at the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches expressed its conviction of our Christian responsibility for world community.

It is a rare Christian and a rare congregation that does not pray for peace. But in addition to prayer, there is need for study and action regarding the things that make for peace. Therefore, a major resource in our church-wide Emphasis on Christian Commitment and Christian Community is a Statement on Christian Commitment and the World Community, drawn up by our Commission on Christian Social Action. This points out some of the more promising paths to World Community:

1. *Co-existence.* "Governments and peoples cherishing diverse economic and political systems can and must learn to exist side by side in 'peaceful competition with a sincere commitment to growing cooperation.'"

2. *The United Nations.* "Christians ought to study and support the United Nations as an important instrument . . . through which God's will for community, justice, and freedom on earth may be advanced."

3. *Disarmament.* "We must work both for the settlement of differences and for the reduction and control of armaments by international agreement through the United Nations."

4. *Technical Assistance.* "The sharing of knowledge, the training of persons in medical, educational, agricultural, industrial, and administrative skills, and the investments of funds for projects that will raise the standard of living is of permanent benefit to the less developed nations. . . . On the other hand, . . . it means that positive helpfulness, even more than the deterrent power of our arms, may become the symbol of our mission in the world."

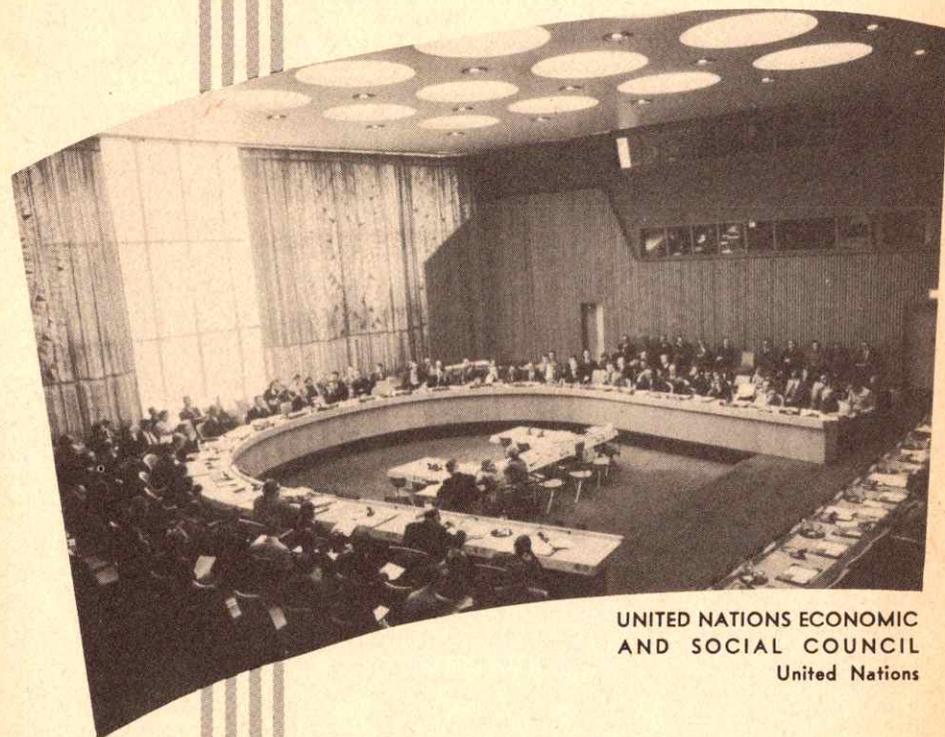
Copies of the complete statement may be secured from the Commission on Christian Social Action, 2969 West 25th Street, Cleveland 13, Ohio.

—Huber F. Klemme

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# WORLD ORDER

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REFORMATION SUNDAY  
Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity  
October 30, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Phantasy on the Chorale"

"A Mighty Fortress is our God" - Luther

PROCESSIONAL - No. 324 "Christ, Sure Foundation"

INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Lord, we beseech Thee to keep thy household, the Church, in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities; and devoutly given to serve Thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 12 "For the Beauty" (10:15 Service)

THE SCRIPTURES - The Gospel - John 8:31-36

Epistle - Gal. 2:16-21

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Lord, God of Hosts" - Clokey

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

10:15 - "A Mighty Fortress is our God" - Luther

SENIOR CHOIR

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER - "Martin Luther's Prayer for Wisdom"

O Thou, my God! Do Thou, my God, stand by me, against all the world's wisdom and reason. Oh, do it! Thou must do it! Yea, Thou alone must do

it! Not mine, but Thine, is the cause. I would prefer to have peaceful days, and to be out of this turmoil. But Thine, O Lord, is this cause; it is righteous and eternal. Stand by me, Thou true Eternal God! All that is of the flesh and savours of the flesh is here of no account. God, O God! dost Thou not hear me, O my God? Thou art only hiding Thyself. Hast Thou chosen me for this work? I ask Thee how I may be sure of this, if it be Thy will; Stand by me, O God, in the Name of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ, who shall be my Defence and Shelter, yea, my Mighty Fortress, through the might and strength of Thy Holy Spirit. God help me. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"Sing Allelujah Forth" - Thirman

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 Stanza 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 281 "A Mighty Fortress"

THE SERMON - "The New Being" - Luke 5:1-10

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 286 "Who is on the Lord's Side?"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES (Be seated, please)

POSTLUDE - "Fague in G Major" - Buxtehude

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REFORMATION SERVICE TODAY at St. Matthew's Church,

Mayfield and Norman Aves. at 3:30 P. M. Our Choir

will take part in the Service. COME

NEXT SUNDAY'S THEME: "That We Shall Become" or

"The Unfinished Person"

November 13 - Stewardship Sunday

November 20 - Memorial Sunday

November 24 - Thanksgiving Day

TUESDAY of this week - Church Council at 8 P. M.

WEDNESDAY - Ladies' Aid Meeting at 7:30 P. M.

Teachers' Training at 7:15. Film strip for

Junior Age children. Parents-Teachers Attend.

CRADLE ROLL PARTY on November 6 at 2 P. M.

GET YOUR COPY OF UPPER ROOM today. Read and Pray.

ANNUAL SUPPER of Ladies' Aid will be held in

December instead of November this year.

## The Genevan Reformer

**A**s truly as did Martin Luther and Ulrich Zwingli, John Calvin, 1509-1564, made a lasting contribution to the spiritual progress of the race through the Protestant Reformation.

The "Institutes," which established Calvin's reputation as a theologian, are of lesser importance to us perhaps than the great work he did in Geneva as preacher and teacher. Here, he exposed the lax views toward sin and grace prevalent at the time. Although his view of ecclesiastical authority and discipline carried him at times to extremes, he was able to maintain such close cooperation between the Church and State that their relationship approached the ideal. To him, God was sovereign. In all things our unquestioned submission is due Him.

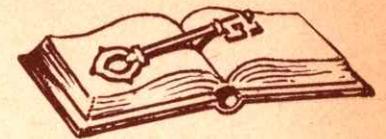
Most prominent among the means Calvin used to reform the city was preaching. Every second week he preached daily in the plain, every-day language of the people. Every Friday the so-called "Congregation" was held where questions were answered and debates carried on. To Calvin belongs the credit for introducing congregational singing into the worship of the Reformed Church in Geneva. Most important, his manner of life, known to all, was the expression in living characters of his preaching. In him, Christian commitment reached a high level indeed.

Reformers from many countries were attracted to Geneva by Calvin. Calvin's influence did not end with his death. He planted in the minds and hearts of men, the seeds of Christian martyrdom that "blossomed red" in the years following the Reformation. One needs only to recall the Waldensians in Italy, the victims of the Inquisition in Spain, the Huguenots in France, the Puritans in England and the Covenanters in Scotland. His influence extended even to our shores. It has been said that for the first two hundred years of our history, "almost every college and seminary of learning, and almost every academy and common school even, had been built up and sustained by Calvinists."

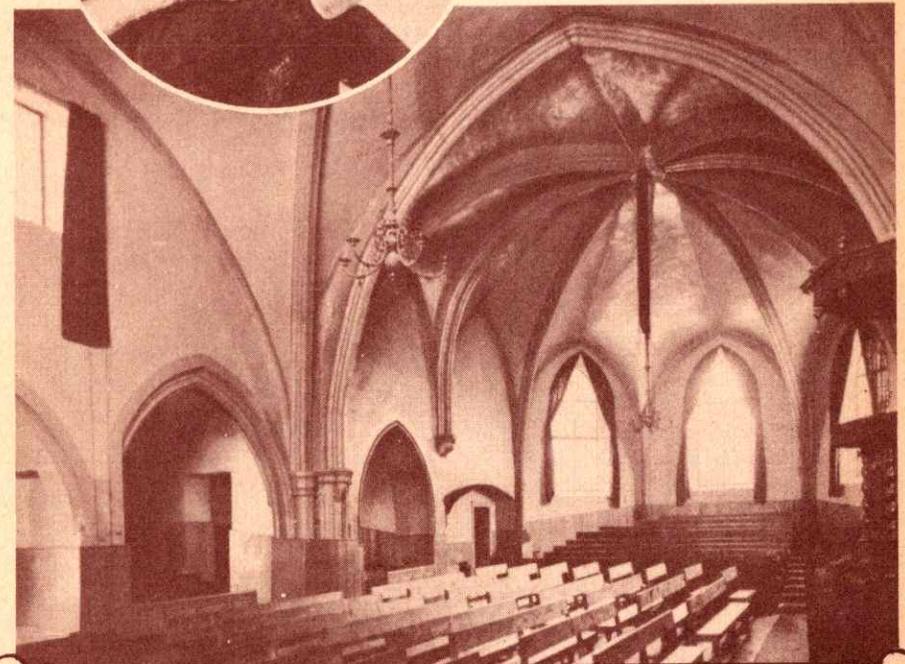
It is Calvin's church in Geneva which we honor this year on Reformation Sunday. By our gifts in the Evangelical and Reformed Church, joining them with gifts of Reformed Churches the world round, it is our purpose to restore the church of the great Genevan reformer to something of its former usefulness, and to create at the place where Calvin preached and taught, an International Memorial for the Reformed Family of Churches.

EPH— 10-55-5

# Reformation Sunday



JOHN CALVIN  
1509-1564



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Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

November 6, 1955

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Baltimore, Maryland

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor

Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP

8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Prelude"

PROCESSIONAL No. 21 "Joyful, Joyful"

INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

O God, our Refuge and Strength, who art the author of all godliness; be ready, we beseech Thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 233 (Tune 188) "They who Seek" (10:15 A. M.)

THE SCRIPTURES - The Gospel - Luke 9:57-62

Epistle - Hebrew 13:1-9

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me" - Clements  
SENIOR CHOIR

10:15 - "Lord and Master, Lead Us Onward" - Nagle  
JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER

God of all wisdom, thrust thou me into a life long quest of great ideas. Save me from easy contentment with small thoughts whose cost is little and whose rewards are slight. Stir within me some inward and holy passion for the mighty thoughts that, costing all, reward the soul with

all. Grant me a divine grace in the ability to ask questions, sharp questions that cut deep and divide truth from error. Spare me the inner defeat of easy answers. Enlarge me by the wisdom that has come down from my fathers. Grant me as well the courage to outgrow it as they outgrew what had come down to them. Cleanse me of small spites, purge my soul of puny hatreds, sweep my heart of paralyzing bitterness through the ennobling power of great ideas. In the name of him who is the truth. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me" - Clements

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - Stanza 1

SEMPHONIC HYMN No. 452 "We Would Be Building"

THE SERMON - "The Unfinished Person" - Phil. 1:6

"He who began the good work will go on completing it"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 446 "Now in Days of Youth"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES (Be seated, please)

POSTLUDE - "I Know My Redeemer Lives" - R. Wienhorst

----- ANNOUNCEMENTS -----

CRADLE ROLL PARTY this afternoon at 2 P.M. in the Beginners Department of the Sunday School.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MEETING on Tuesday, November 15 at 8 P. M. All workers should be there.

BUILDING COMMITTEE has a very important meeting on Friday, November 11, at 8 P. M. Many considerations will come up for discussion and decision.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY is our stress for Sunday, November 13. "Half-Way or Whole-Way Christians" is our theme. ATTEND

MEMORIAL SUNDAY on November 20.

THANKSGIVING DAY Services on Thursday, November 24. Attend and give Thanks to God.

A SOUR BEEF Supper will be served by the Ladies' Aid on December 6 and December 7.

OTHER WEEKLY MEETINGS will be held as scheduled.

"DO WE HAVE YOUR CORRECT ADDRESS?"

"ATTEND CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY"

# The Church Paper Serves Too

The purpose of Church Paper Day is to emphasize the importance of the church paper for every member of the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

We have three church papers: *The Messenger*, *Der Friedensbote* (for the older people who prefer to read their church news in the German language), and *Reformatusok Lapja* for those of Hungarian background who want their church news in their mother tongue.

The church paper is important because it serves as a link between the individual church member in a local congregation and the larger Christian fellowship to which he belongs. It tells him what is going on in other churches in the denomination, and in the Church that extends beyond the denomination into every corner of the world. It also keeps him informed about what other Christians are thinking concerning those critical issues that should be the concern of every Christian today. It confronts him with the task that Christians must tackle together if modern life is to become more Christian.

More and more congregations are ordering one of the church papers to be sent regularly into the home of every member. On this congregational subscription basis, twenty-four issues of the church paper are sent into a home in the course of a year for only one dollar and a half. Churches that have adopted this plan and have written it into the budget have found it to be one of the best investments they have yet made.

The Evangelical and Reformed Church will be a stronger Church when every member is thoroughly informed concerning the whole Church. Nothing so welds together the members of a denomination as the consciousness of a common task and a sense of achievement in the realization of that task. The church paper serves to strengthen this consciousness and brings to its readers those inspirations and encouragements that have their source in worthy achievements presently being made by the Church.

—Theodore C. Braun

# The Messenger

FAITH



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AND A MULTITUDE  
of Other Subjects—  
News Reports and Features  
to keep you informed

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STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY  
Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity  
November 13, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland

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Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Cantelene" - Faulkes  
PROCESSIONAL - No. 30 "Come, We Who Love the Lord"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Absolve, we beseech Thee, O Lord, thy people  
from their offences; that from the bonds of our sins  
which, by reason of our frailty, we have brought  
upon us, we may be delivered by thy bountiful good-  
ness; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who  
liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit,  
ever One God, world without end. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 395 "From Thee All Skill" (10:15 Service)

THE SCRIPTURES - The Gospel - Matthew 10:24-33

Epistle - Acts 5:1-11

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Lord and Master Lead Us Onward" - Nagle

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

10:15 - "Fear Not, O Israel" - Spicker

SENIOR CHOIR

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER - followed by Stewardship Hymn

(Tune No. 272)

Would you have great joy in living?

Would you share the life divine?

As you grow in cheerful giving,  
Learn to say, "Lord, all is thine."  
Knowing life's a trust in stewardship,  
Serving God in all you do,  
Will make life a great adventure  
For your fellow-man and you.

Look about you at God's treasure  
Giv'n so freely to us all.  
You will find thrills without measure,  
When you say, "Lord, here is all."  
As you give the best that's in you,  
Using talent for your God,  
You'll find happiness and pleasure,  
You'll be more than merely clad.

Life can be a great adventure;  
Joy can be the note you stress.  
Talent, time, and earthly treasure,  
Giv'n in love, return to bless.  
Joy in living, cheerful giving,  
Doing gladly what you can,  
Bring you to triumphant living,  
Following the Son of Man.

Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY SOLO (10:15 Service)

"The King of Love" - J. Holler - Virginia LeBrun

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - Stanza 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 260 (Tune 21) "Lord, Thou Love"

THE SERMON - "Half-Way or Whole-Way Christians"

Acts 4:37 - Acts 5:11

THE LORD'S PRAYER - BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 470 "Saviour, Thy Dying Love"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES (Be seated, please)

POSTLUDE - "Aus Meines Herzens Grunde" - Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMORIAL SUNDAY next Sunday, November 20 in 10:15

Service - Theme: "Living under the Cloud"

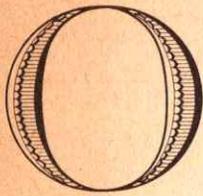
FRIDAY at 8 P. M. IMPORTANT BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY at 8 P. M. YOUNG WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE November 24, at 10:00 A. M.

SOUR BEEF SUPPER & BAZAAR December 6 and 7th.

## LAY MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL



In the cover page of "The Weekly Bulletin" this week are the pictures of five lay members of the General Council, elected by the General Synod to serve on this judicatory. Time without stint, the best of their thinking and their treasure have been brought gladly to the altar of selfless service by these and the five other laymen who with eleven pastors guide the life and work of the

Evangelical and Reformed Church. Their only compensation is the joy they find in their selfless service. The following brief biographical sketches introduce one-half the lay persons presently serving on the General Council. A later issue will introduce the other five.

**John W. Mueller**, St. Louis, Missouri. Second Vice-President and Counselor of the Church. Attorney. Graduate of Washington University in St. Louis with an LL.B. degree and an honorary LL.D. from Elmhurst College. Member of St. Peter's Church, St. Louis. On General Council since 1940.

**Frederick A. Keck**, St. Louis, Missouri. Treasurer of the Church. Nineteen years in real estate business in St. Louis until in 1930 he became treasurer of the former Evangelical Synod of North America and four years later treasurer of the newly-united Church. Studied at Jones Commercial College in St. Louis, has an honorary LL.D. degree from Elmhurst College. Member of Friedens Church, St. Louis, since his confirmation there in 1900. On General Council since 1938.

**Samuel C. Bond, Jr.**, Orefield (near Allentown), Pennsylvania. Architect. Member of the boards of Phoebe Home for the Aged and Ursinus College. Graduate of Carnegie Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Architecture degree. Member of Salem Church, Allentown. On General Council since 1953.

**Sara F. (Mrs. E. Roy) Corman**, Wilkesburg, Pennsylvania. Pastor's wife. Graduate of West Chester State Teachers' College, with A.M. Education degree from University of Pittsburgh and an honorary LL.D. from Cedar Crest College. President (1945-53) of the Women's Guild of the Evangelical and Reformed Church. Member of Trinity Church, Wilkesburg. On General Council since 1953.

**Harold F. Webber**, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. Purchasing agent, Lewisburg Chair and Furniture Company. Graduate of Bucknell University, with a B.S. in Civil Engineering. Member of St. John's Church, Lewisburg. On General Council since 1953.



JOHN W. MUELLER



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ORDER OF WORSHIP  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Chanson Matinale" - Wesley  
PROCESSIONAL No. 472 "What a Friend"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON  
O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by  
thy Holy Spirit, that being made ever mindful of  
the end of all things, and the day of thy just  
judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living  
here, and dwell with Thee forever hereafter;  
through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 47 "Dayspring of Eternity" (10:15 Service)

THE SCRIPTURES - The Gospel - Luke 12:35-43

Epistle - Revelation 7:9-17

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Recessional" - DeKovens

SENIOR CHOIR

10:15 - "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" - Keating

JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER - Followed by Prayers of Confidence

O God of peace, Who has taught us that in  
returning and rest we shall be saved, that in  
quietness and confidence shall be our strength;  
by the might of Thy Holy Spirit lift us, we pray  
Thee, to Thy presence, that we may be still and

know that Thou art God, through Jesus Christ  
our Lord. Amen

O Thou whose presence is everywhere and whose  
mercy never faileth, graciously regard all who  
are in trouble or danger and especially those  
known to ourselves, (whom we now name in our  
hearts before Thee); guide the perplexed, defend  
the wronged, restore the lost, heal the sick, be-  
friend the lonely, comfort the sorrowing, and re-  
ceive the spirits of the dying; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen

O Lord, support us all the day long of this  
troubled life until the shadows lengthen and the  
evening comes and the busy world is hushed, and  
the fever of life is over, and our work is done.  
Then in Thy mercy grant us a safe lodging and a  
holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"Recessional" - DeKovens

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - Stanza 1

IN MEMORY (10:15 Service)

SERMONIC HYMN No. 305 (Tune 290) "Come Unto Me"

THE SERMON - "Living Under the Cloud"

Luke 9:34-35

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 168 "Jesus Lives"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES (Be seated, please)

POSTLUDE - "Sortie Solennel" - Ashley

\*\*\*ANNOUNCEMENTS\*\*\*

THANKSGIVING DAY service on Thursday, November 24,  
10:00 A. M. The Choirs and the Pastor will bring a  
message on the "Grace of Gratitude"

UNITED MEN'S CLUB meeting on Wednesday, November 23,  
8 P. M. with pre-Thanksgiving features.

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT with COMMUNION SERVICES on  
Sunday, November 27, 7:45 A. M. & 10:15 A. M.

The THEME for ADVENT SUNDAYS will be "O Come,  
Desire of Nations" - Come every Sunday in Advent.

## The Thank Offering

**T**he Thank Offering is a way of life, a challenge from the Cross to the depths of our spirits to keep the path to God clear through a daily rite of worship, a moment spent in His presence, a concrete expression of gratitude. It is a bond which unites the participants in a fellowship of thanksgiving.

The true significance of the Thank Offering ingathering is fulfilled only through the threefold pattern of the Thank Offering "way": the cultivation of an active awareness of the many blessings from God (so often taken for granted and not associated with Him) which each day holds, the regular acknowledgment of these blessings before Him in prayer of thanks, and the offering of a small share of our substance as a tangible expression of gratitude that we may be instruments of His in helping to extend His Kingdom around the world.

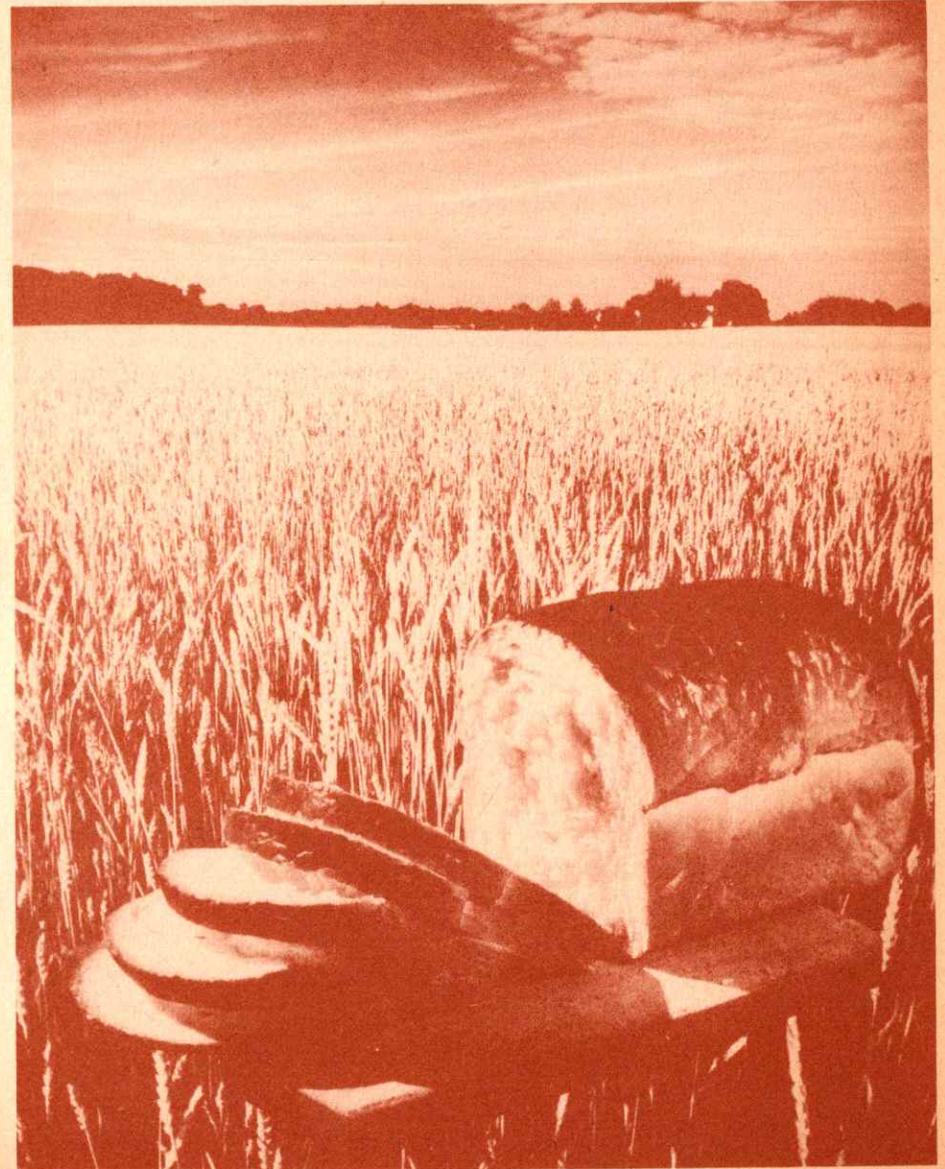
The ancient Hebrews had several kinds of offerings. Some were required and some were free-will. The sacrifice of thanksgiving was voluntary—a sacrifice of pure devotion. Such is the spirit of the Thank Offering.

To the participants in the threefold pattern of the Thank Offering comes a growing consciousness of God's grace and goodness, a deeper and abiding appreciation of the free gifts of His love. Through this daily act of worship we are drawn closer to the Giver of all gifts. Each day takes on new meaning through this close association with God, and the accumulation of these small supplementary gifts of thanksgiving (which are not payments for blessings received, but voluntary and of pure devotion) becomes a sizable sum to be used for Kingdom causes.

To a chosen few is given the "call"—the faith, the courage, and the consecration of purpose to answer Christ's command, "Go, therefore, and teach all nations." But all others who confess Christ also have a commission from Him—to provide the needed material substance through which healing and love and light may go into the dark and devastated corners of the world to save precious souls and widen the reach of His Kingdom on earth. It is thus that we give proof of our love.

—Mrs. V. J. Bartell

# Thanksgiving Sunday



*For life, and health, and daily food;  
For love, and home, and all things good,  
Father in heaven, we thank Thee.*

—WILLIAM BARRETT MILLARD

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THANKSGIVING DAY  
November 24, 1955

UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
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Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
10 o'clock

PRELUDE - "Intermezzo" from "Seedtime & Harvest" - Test  
PROCESSIONAL No. 434 "Come, Ye Thankful People"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus" (Be seated)  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT (In Unison)

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord;  
Praise Ye the Lord. Praise him for his mighty acts,  
praise him according to his excellent greatness.  
THE COLLECT (In Unison)

O most merciful Father, who hast blessed the  
labors of the husbandman in the returns of the  
fruits of the earth; we give Thee humble and hearty  
thanks for this thy bounty; beseeching Thee to  
continue thy loving kindness to us, that our land  
may still yield her increase, to thy glory and our  
comfort; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 72 "Now Thank We All our God"  
RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING - Page 600 - Sel. 75  
RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"  
CHOIR ANTHEM - "Sing to the Lord of Harvest" - William  
CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493  
CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER  
THANKSGIVING PRAYER - Page 506, Sel. 3 (In Unison)  
RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem" - Maunder

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - Stanza 1  
SERMONIC HYMN No. 435 "Praise to God"  
THE SERMON - "The Grace of Gratitude"  
Psalms 56:12-13

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION "Chorale Benediction" - CHOIRS  
RECESSIONAL No. 432 "We Plow the Fields"  
QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES (Be seated, please)  
POSTLUDE - "Come, Ye Thankful People" - Gehrke

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST ADVENT COMMUNION SERVICE on Sunday, November  
27, at 7:45 A. M. and 10:15 A. M. There will also  
be reception of the new members in the 10:15 service.  
Our Advent Season Theme is "O Come, Desire of  
Nations." - On Sunday Sermon Topic is "Jesus Christ,  
One for Whom we Long."

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING on Friday, December 2,  
8 P. M. Election of Church Council Members will take  
place. Reports of the various organizations are to  
be given. Plans for the Church are to be complete at  
that time and should be on hand for viewing. ATTEND

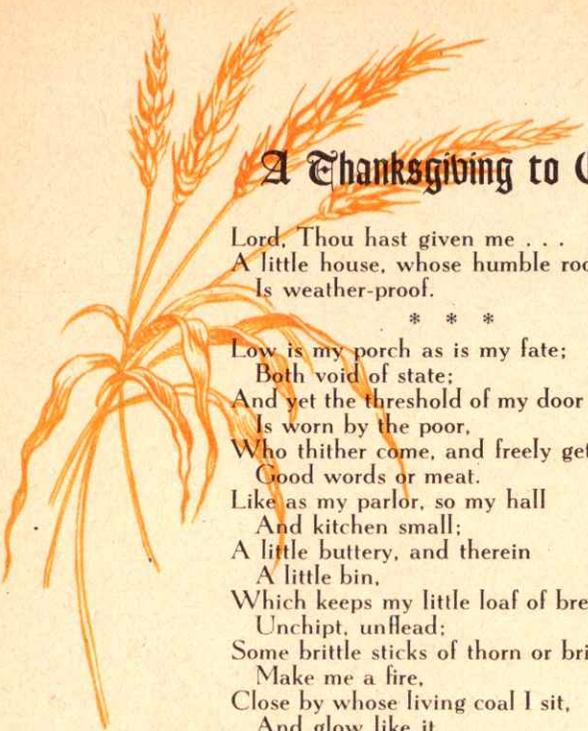
SOUP BEEF SUPPER AND BAZAAR on Tuesday and Wednesday  
December 6 and 7. Serving begins at 5 P. M.

CHURCH ENVELOPES for 1956 will be ready on  
Sunday, December 11. Get your set after either of  
the services. If you are not an envelope member,  
why not join in '56. Ask for a set.

#### ADVENT SUNDAY THEMES

December 4 - "Jesus Christ is One for Whom we Love"  
11 - "Jesus Christ is One for Whom we Look"  
18 - "Jesus Christ is One for Whom we Live"  
25 - "Jesus Christ is One Who Lifts"

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## A Thanksgiving to God

Lord, Thou hast given me . . .  
A little house, whose humble roof  
Is weather-proof.

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Low is my porch as is my fate;  
Both void of state;  
And yet the threshold of my door  
Is worn by the poor,  
Who thither come, and freely get  
Good words or meat.  
Like as my parlor, so my hall  
And kitchen small;  
A little buttery, and therein  
A little bin,  
Which keeps my little loaf of bread  
Unchipt, unblead;  
Some brittle sticks of thorn or briar  
Make me a fire,  
Close by whose living coal I sit,  
And glow like it.  
Lord, I confess too, when I dine,  
The pulse is Thine,  
And, all those other bits that be  
There placed by Thee;  
The worts, the pulsain, and the mess  
Of water-cress,  
Which of Thy kindness Thou has sent.

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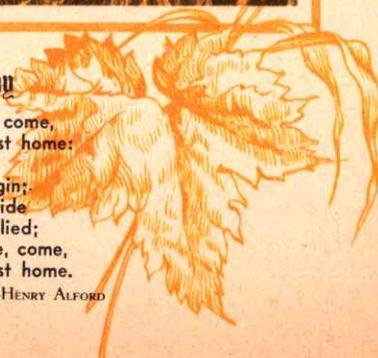
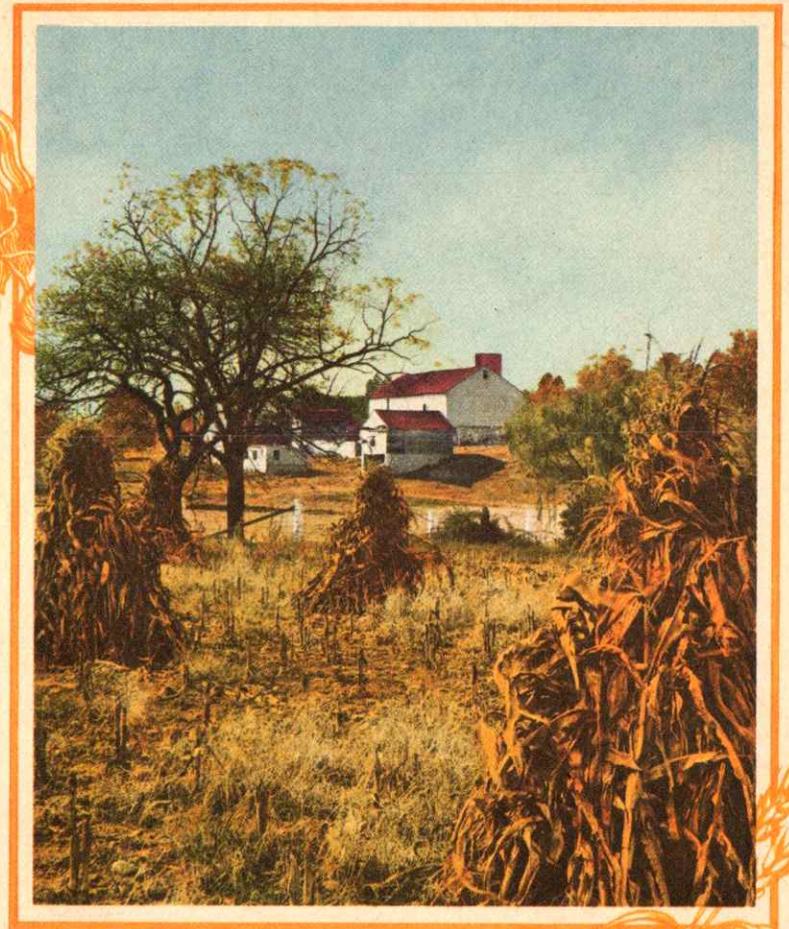
Lord, 'tis Thy plenty-dropping hand  
That soiles my land  
And giv'st me for my bushel sowne  
Twice ten for one.

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All these and better Thou dost send  
Me to this end—  
That I should render, for my part,  
A thankful heart  
Which, fired with incense, I resign  
As wholly Thine.

—ROBERT HERRICK

# Thanksgiving Day



## Thanksgiving Day

Come, ye thankful people, come,  
Raise the song of harvest home:  
All is safely gathered in  
Ere the winter storms begin;  
God, our Maker, doth provide  
For our wants to be supplied;  
Come to God's own temple, come,  
Raise the song of harvest home.

—HENRY ALFORD

First Sunday in Advent - November 27, 1955  
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HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES  
7:45 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Communion Meditation" - A. Guilmant Op.15  
PROCESSIONAL No. 93 "Arise"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 485 "Filitz"  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Almighty God, give us grace that we cast away the works of darkness and put upon us the armor of light now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, now and ever. Amen - THE DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Luke 1:68-79  
Epistle - Hebrews 10:19-25

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"  
CHOIR ANTHEMS

7:45 - "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" - Keating  
JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

10:15 - "Sanctus" - Schubert  
SENIOR CHOIR

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER - PASTORAL PRAYER - RESPONSE No. 501

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (10:15 Service)

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)

"God is a Spirit" -Scholin

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN - No. 88 (Tune 282) "O Come"

THE SERMON - "O Come, Desire of Nations" -

The One for Whom we Long - Haggai 2:7-9

THE LORD'S PRAYER - THE BENEDICTION

(Please do not leave until Communion Hymn starts)

## THE COMMUNION SERVICE

COMMUNION HYMN No. 335 "Jesus Thou Joy"  
THE EXHORTATION - THE SELF-EXAMINATION  
CONFESSION OF SIN (In Unison)

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins, which we have committed against Thee by thought, word and deed. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have merited Thy condemnation in this world and in the world to come. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for our transgressions. Trusting in Thy grace and goodness, shown us in our Lord Jesus Christ, we ask of Thee pardon and peace. Give us strength to lead a new and righteous life by the power of Thy Holy Spirit; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

CONFESSIOAL QUESTIONS

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CALL TO PRAYER FOR THE COMMUNION SERVICE - No. 514

Pastor - The Lord be with you.

Cong. - And with thy spirit.

Pastor - Lift up your hearts.

Cong. - We lift them up unto the Lord.

Pastor - Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

Cong. - It is meet and right so to do.

PASTORAL PRAYER FOR COMMUNION SERVICE

RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RESPONSE No. 525 "O Christ Thou Lamb of God"

THE INVITATION

THE COMMUNION AT THE ALTAR

PRAYER OF THANKS

THE BENEDICTION

RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 100 "How Shall I Receive Thee"

QUIET PRAYER

CHIMES

(Please be seated in Quiet Prayer,

leave as Postlude begins)

POSTLUDE - "Allein Gott under Hoeh" - J. Pachelbel

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## As Christmas Approaches

**A**dvent, Christmas, Lent, Trinity—these and other special days and seasons of the Church Year enrich greatly the Christian experience of those who observe them with discernment.

Just as it is the purpose of Lent to prepare the followers of Jesus Christ worthily to celebrate Easter, so Advent, beginning today, is designed to help the faithful to keep Christmas. Colorful advertising and high pressure salesmanship, joined with the blaring of Christmas carols from the shop fronts, can hardly be regarded as provocative of the true Christmas spirit.

Among the paintings of the old masters, no scene is more familiar than the kneeling of adoring figures before the manger-cradle of our Lord. Worthily to observe Advent is to approach Christmas on our knees. Children's and youth groups in our church schools, and family groups in our homes can do much to generate the proper Christmas mood and atmosphere by carefully collecting figures and materials and assembling them in neatly built nativity scenes. Candles and greens about the home, placed with simple ceremonies and explanations so that they may have meaning for children likewise contribute to a rewarding observance of the season.

The greatest deterrent to a rewarding observance of the Advent season is time itself. The days are so filled with extra tasks and duties, easily rationalized into responsibilities that may not be avoided. Early and careful planning is essential lest we become anxious and troubled about many things, as was Martha in St. Luke's Gospel. Only one thing is needful as we prepare ourselves for the Christian observance of Christmas. It is that we give time and energy to the main business of the Advent season. These weeks before Christmas provide opportunity for the preparation of mind and heart for the birth anew of Jesus Christ by keeping constantly before ourselves and our children those traditions and customs that preserve Christmas as the birthday of our Lord.

1958 11-25-4



No ear may hear His coming,  
But in this world of sin,  
Where meek souls will receive Him, still  
The dear Christ enters in.

—PHILLIPS BROOKS

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT  
December 4, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland  
Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader -- Organist and Director  
SERVICES  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" - J. S. Bach  
PROCESSIONAL No. 99 - "Rejoice, Rejoice"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 485 "Filitz"  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Lord, we beseech Thee, give ear to our prayers,  
and lighten the darkness of our hearts, by thy  
gracious visitation; who livest and reignest with  
the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever One God,  
world without end. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 89 (Tune 21) "Come" (10:15 Service)

SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Luke 17:20-30  
Epistle - 2 Peter 1:3-11

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Softly, The Stars were Shining" - Torovsky  
SENIOR CHOIR

10:15 - "Softly, The Stars were Shining" - Torovsky  
JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

CREEED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER "For Divine Strength"

Father, in thy mysterious presence kneeling,  
Fain would our souls feel all thy kindling love;  
For we are weak and need some deep revealing  
Of trust, and strength, and calmness from above.

Lord, we have wandered far thru doubt and sorrow,  
and thou hast made each step an onward one;

And we will ever trust each unknown morrow -  
Thou wilt sustain us till its work is done.

Now, Father, now, in thy dear presence kneeling,  
Our spirits yearn to feel thy kindling love;  
Now make us strong, we need thy deep revealing,  
Of trust, and strength, and calmness from above.  
Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, Lord"  
INSTALLATION OF CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS (10:15 Service)  
ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)  
"Christians, Lo, The Star Appareth"  
DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 258 - Stanza 1  
SERMONIC HYMN No. 113 "Behold a Branch"  
THE SERMON - "O Come, Desire of Nations"  
The One Whom we Love  
Luke 1:50

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Thricefold Amen"  
RECESSIONAL No. 102 "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"  
QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Please be seated in Quiet Prayer)  
POSTLUDE - "Come, Almighty King" - Stults

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUP BEEF SUPPER AND BAZAAR this coming week on  
Tuesday and Wednesday. Supper will be served from  
5 o'clock. Many nice items will be sold at the Bazaar.

LADIES' AID MEETING postponed for a week, at which  
time the Christmas Party will be held.

CHURCH ENVELOPES for 1956 will be ready for dis-  
tribution on Sunday, December 11th. Get your set  
if possible on that Sunday.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING ON TUESDAY at 8 P. M.  
GUILD CHRISTMAS PARTY ON FRIDAY, December 9.  
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE on SATURDAY, December 24, at  
10:45 P. M.

## *Christmas Means Sharing*

**H**AVING caught something of the spirit of Him whose birthday we are about to celebrate, it is natural that we should wish to share our blessings with those less fortunate than we. At this season of the year the Church has singled out particularly its benevolent institutions as worthy of our gifts. The homeless, the sick and the lonely need the ministries of the Church. Everyone who experiences the joy of a Christian observance of Christmas will wish to share this joy by helping to provide and maintain homes for orphaned children, for the aged and for the ill. Our benevolent institutions provide a ministry in the name of Him who came as a little child, without which the Church could not fulfill its purpose.

## *Amazing*

The experience of one of our churches in Cincinnati, Ohio, causes us to realize something of that which may be done where faithful witness is borne by members of a church to the value of its worship and program. Trinity Evangelical and Reformed Church began as a mission in 1951. At the latest report its membership numbered four hundred and sixty-four. Of unusual note is the fact that through the four years since its founding this congregation has maintained an average Sunday morning attendance equal to its membership!

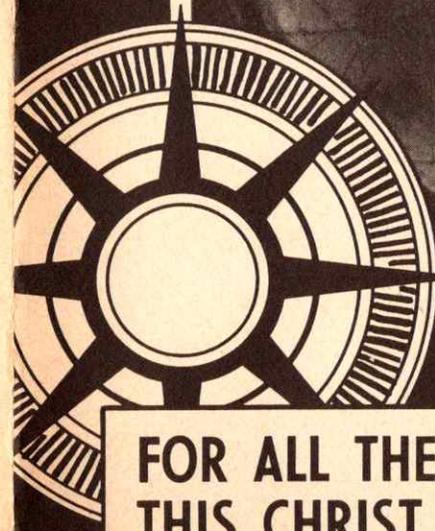
## *Unseal Our Lips, O Lord*

"O God, gracious beyond our deserving, who spared not Thy Son, Jesus Christ from the cross, in order to manifest Thy love toward us, pardon the discreet silence whereby we so often refrain from witnessing to Thy bountiful goodness and whereby we hoard Thy mercies in secret. What is this fear of men which out-weighs our gratitude to Thee? Unseal our lips, O Lord, that we openly give Thee thanks before men. What have we that we have not received? By Thy sufferance we live out even this hour! Shame our ingratitude toward Thee. Open our mouths to give Thee praise lest we go down to the grave more in the fear of men than in the love of Thee. Amen."

—Ralph E. Cushman

the *Weekly Bulletin*

Evangelical and Reformed Church



**FOR ALL THE WORLD,  
THIS CHRIST WHOM WE FOLLOW**

BIBLE SUNDAY  
THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT  
December 11, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader — Organist and Director  
SERVICES  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Come thou Prince of Peace" - C. Burney  
PROCESSIONAL No. 104 "Angels, from Realms"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 203 "Book of Books" (10:15 Service)  
SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - Matthew 3:1-11  
Epistle - 2 Tim. 4:5-8

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "There's A Beautiful Star" - Schilling  
JUNIOR AND YOUTH CHOIRS

10:15 - "The Nazareth" - Gounod  
SENIOR CHOIR

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER followed by UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God, who in time past hast spoken to thy servants through the pages of thy Word, accept our humble and hearty thanks for the work of those

who have put the eternal message in the language of today. Grant that it may be for us, as it was for those in all ages past, a light in our darkness, food for our hunger, a staff for our journeys and salvation for our souls, in the name of Him of whom the prophets spoke, our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom be glory and dominion both now and forevermore. And now, O God, we rededicate ourselves as we join heart and voice in prayer that this book, the Word of Life set in living language, may live in our hearts and guide our steps forevermore. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

RECOGNITION OF FAITHFUL BIBLE READERS (10:15 Service)

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY SOLO - Virginia LeBrun

"Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" - J. S. Bach

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 Stanza 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 199 "O Word of God"

THE SERMON - "O Come, Desire of Nations"

"The One for Whom we Look"

Matthew 2:3

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

PROCESSIONAL No. 108 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Please be seated in Quiet Prayer)

POSTLUDE - "Jesus, Thy Church with Longing Eyes" - Bach

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A WORD OF APPRECIATION is given to all - each and everyone - who cooperated in making the supper and bazaar of the past week a success.

LADIES AID CHRISTMAS PARTY on Wednesday.

WHITE GIFT SUNDAY - December 18. Share your gifts with the needy. Bring in clothing, food, or cash donations. "Come, Lord Jesus, For Whom we Live" is our theme on this Sunday.

GET YOUR CHURCH ENVELOPES for 1956 today in the Fellowship Hall. If you are not an envelope member, get started for 1956. Everyone should assume this responsibility.

Sunday School Christmas Program December 21 - 7:30 P.M.

CHRISTMAS EVE Service on December 24 at 10:45 P. M.

## Take — Read

**S**T. AUGUSTINE, a restless youth of the fourth century, seeking something the play-centers of the Roman World could not supply, overheard boys at play calling, "Tolle, lege," meaning, "Take up and read." In a distraught state of mind he went to his room. Taking up the Scriptures he read until the direction of his life was completely changed.

"Take—Read." It is not without reason that these two simple words furnish the slogan for the American Bible Society in its observance of Universal Bible Sunday this year. From Thanksgiving to Christmas, when the importance of Bible reading is emphasized by the Society, it is expected that more than one hundred and seventy-four television stations will show one minute readings each day, taken from the passage suggested for the day. Radio and press coverage of the same readings are expected to reach one-half the population of the United States during this period. One hears frequently at this time of the year, "Put Christ into Christmas." By reading the one Book that gives first hand information about Him, we utilize the most significant way of accomplishing this we have at our disposal.

The American Bible Society has established as its purpose the translation, publication and distribution of the Bible without note or comment and without purpose of profit, to every man on earth and in whatever language he may require. The Bible has been printed in whole or in part in more than one thousand languages and dialects and in forty systems and tongues for the blind. Over fourteen million volumes of the Scriptures were distributed by the Society last year. It is worthy of note that over fifty denominations, among them the Evangelical and Reformed, are represented on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society.

### *The Holy Scriptures*

"The Holy Scriptures contain all things necessary to salvation; so that whatsoever is not read therein, nor may be proved thereby, is not to be required of any man that it should be believed as a article of faith, or be thought requisite or necessary to salvation."

—*The Protestant Affirmation*

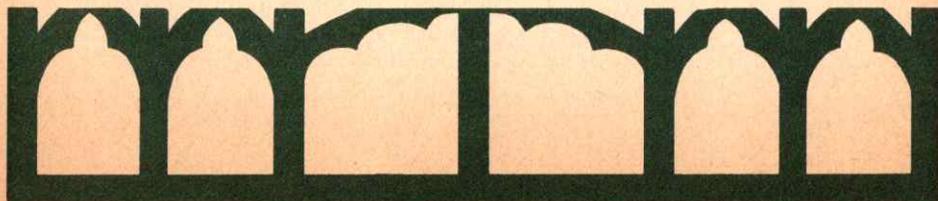


## Universal Bible Sunday



# Take — Read

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WHITE GIFT SUNDAY  
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT  
December 18, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader -- Organist and Director  
SERVICES  
8:00 A. M. - 10:15 A. M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE - "Yuletide Echos" - Faulkes  
PROCESSIONAL No. 105 "Angels on High"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Sanctus"  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Stir up, O Lord, we beseech Thee, thy power, and  
come, and with great might succor us, that by the  
help of thy grace whatsoever is hindered by our sins  
may be speedily accomplished, through thy mercy and  
satisfaction; who livest and reignest with the Father  
and the Holy Spirit, ever One God, world without  
end. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY  
\* (See Below)

HYMN NO. 119 "All My Heart" (10:15 Service)  
SCRIPTURE READING - The Gospel - John 1:19-28  
Epistle - Phil. 4:4-7  
RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEMS

8:00 - "Jesu, Bambino" - P. Yon - SENIOR CHOIR  
10:15 - "Jesu, Bambino" - P. Yon - JUNIOR-YOUTH  
CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER  
UNISON PRAYER

Reveal thyself to us, O God, as thou didst to all  
the world in Christ our Lord, who for us men and  
our salvation came down from heaven; that drawn by

(Those arriving late for service will be  
seated after the Collect)

the star of his appearing, we may lay the  
treasures of our life at his feet; whom, with  
Thee and the Holy Spirit, we worship and  
glorify as one God. Amen  
RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"  
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (10:15 Service)  
ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:15 Service)  
"The Angels' Song"

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - Stanza 1  
SERMONIC HYMN No. 123 "As with Gladness"  
THE SERMON - "O Come, Desire of Nations"  
"The One for Whom we Live"  
John 1:14 - Eph. 1:17

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"  
RECESSIONAL No. 126 "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"  
QUIET PRAYER - CHIMES

(Please be seated in Quiet Prayer)

POSTLUDE - "Break Forth Into Joy" - Simper

\*\*\* \*\* ANOUNCEMENTS \*\*\* \*\*

THANKS for sharing your surplus on this White Gift  
Sunday. We Welcome our new members today:

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Burmeister  
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Burmeister  
Mr. Gilbert Burmeister

1956 is ahead - Please get your envelopes in the  
Fellowship Hall. Also, get your calendar. These are  
donated by Messrs. Clarence and George Hoffmann and  
all donations for same go into the Building Fund.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM and ENTERTAINMENT  
on Wednesday, Dec. 21 at 7:30 P. M. A film strip,  
pageant and recording of Story of the Christmas  
Carols will be presented for your enjoyment.  
CHRISTMAS EVE Service Saturday, December 24, at  
10:45 P. M. CHRISTMAS DAY - Sunday, December 25,  
only one service at 10:15 A. M.

PLEASE be sure to give us your correct address  
so we may keep our mailing list current at all  
times.

"ATTEND CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY"

## *At Christmas*

HELP us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds and the worship of the wise men. . . . Close the door of hate, and open the door of love over the world. Let kindness come with every gift, and good desires with every greeting. . . . Deliver us from evil by the blessing that Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts. . . . May the Christmas morning make us happy to be Thy children, and the Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

—Robert Louis Stevenson

## *Widening the Fellowship*

FOR many years the Christian Church has sent its missionaries into Japan, Korea, China, India, Africa, South America and other more familiar parts of the world. At least we know something of the Christian educational institutions, the hospitals and other agencies that have been established in these countries, and feel ourselves to be a part of their work.

Now, new names of countries where Christian churches are located are beginning to appear. These names denote countries that, for many of us, are difficult even to locate—Mid-Celebes, West Java, Molucca, Bali, Kenya, to mention several. These churches face terrific problems, problems of poverty, lack of leadership and persecution. Nevertheless, they continue to bear a Christian witness.

Much has been written and spoken since the beginning of the twentieth century about winning the world to Christ. When we read of the Church in these new lands it appears that certain parts of the world are being won and we know little or nothing about it. New meaning is being given to an ever recurring Advent text, "Now is salvation nearer than when we first believed." What we are witnessing is good news about The Good News. This should make the anniversary of His birth all the more meaningful and enrich our Christmas experience.



Peal the bells more loud and deep:  
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;  
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail  
With peace on earth, good will to men."

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

December 24, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland  
Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
10:45 P. M.

PRELUDE - "Prelude from Christmas Oratorio" - Soens

CANDLELIGHT PROCESSIONAL No. 112 "O Come"

O Come all ye faithful, O Sing, Choirs of Angels,  
Joyful and triumphant, Sing in exultation!  
O come ye, O come ye, Sing all...ye citizens  
to Bethlehem! of heaven above!  
Come and behold Him, Now to our God be  
Born the King of angels! Glory in the highest!

Amen, Lord, we greet Thee,

Born this happy morning,

O Jesus, forever be

Thy name adored;

Word of the Father,

Now in flesh appearing;

CHORUS

O come let us adore Him,

O come let us adore Him,

O come let us adore Him,

Christ the Lord.

Amen

INVOCATION by Pastor

RESPONSE "Gloria" - Clarence Hall

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"

THE INTROIT - CHRISTMAS COLLECT IN UNISON

"O God, who makest us glad with the yearly  
remembrance of the birth of thine only  
Son Jesus Christ; Grant that as we joy-  
fully receive Him for our Redeemer, so  
we may with sure confidence behold Him  
when he shall come to be our Judge, who  
liveth and reigneth with Thee and the  
Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

ANTHEM "Carol of the Bells" - Leonovich - SENIOR CHORUS  
SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

The Gospel - St. Luke 2:1-14 - Epistle Titus 2:1-14

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

ANTHEM "Christmas Roundelay" - Young - JUNIOR-YOUTH

CONFESSION OF CREED - RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER followed by Unison Prayer

Dear Lord, Creator of the Universe, Thou art  
altogether lovely. The beauty of the stars reflects  
Thy face. Their serenity denotes Thy peace; their  
magnitude denotes Thy might. Help us to see Thee  
back of all beauty, back of our lives, that we may  
live beautifully. Help us to go forward impelled by  
Thy might, that we may be strong and steady in our  
upward course. We ask it in Thy Son's name. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANTHEM - "There were Shepherds" - Vincent - SENIOR

ANNOUNCEMENTS - THE OFFERING

DUET - "Cantique de Noel" - A. Adam

Miss Virginia LeBrun - Mr. George Yurek

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 123 - Stanza 3

"As they offered gifts most rare,

At that manger rude and bare,

So may we with holy joy,

Pure and free from sin's alloy,

All our costliest treasures bring,

Christ to Thee, our Heavenly King." Amen

SERMONIC HYMN - No. 101 "Silent Night"

Silent night! holy night!

All is calm, all is bright,

'Round yon virgin, mother and child,

Holy infant so tender and mild;

Sleep in heavenly peace, (repeat)

Silent night! holy night!

Darkness flies, all is light;

Shepherds hear the angels sign;

Alleluia! hail the King!

Christ the Saviour is born, (repeat)

Silent night! holy night!  
Guiding star, lend thy light!  
See the eastern wise men bring,  
Gifts and homage to our King!  
Christ the Saviour is born (repeat)

Silent night! holy night!  
Wondrous star, lend thy light!  
With the angels let us sing,  
Alleluia to our King!  
Christ the Saviour is born, (repeat)

THE SERMON - "Inexpressible Gift of God" 2 Cor.9:15

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - (CHORAL BENEDICTION) Lutkin

RECESSIONAL - No. 120 "Joy to the World"

Joy to the world! the Lord is come,  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Saviour reigns,  
Let men their songs employ;  
White fields and floods, rock, hills and plains,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove,  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders of His love. Amen

QUIET PRAYER (Please be seated in Quiet Prayer)

CHIMES (Leave as Postlude begins)

POSTLUDE - "Fugue on 'Joy to the World'" - Hugo Gehrke

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THIS CHURCH Extends To You most cordial Christmas  
Greetings in the Spirit of Jesus Christ, Her Lord!

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For unto us a child is  
born, unto us a son is  
given...and His name shall  
be called Wonderful,  
Counselor, the Mighty God,  
the Everlasting Father,  
the Prince of Peace.

ISAIAH 9:6



CHRISTMAS SUNDAY  
December 25, 1955  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH  
Baltimore, Maryland  
Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor  
Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director  
SERVICE  
10:15 A. M.

PRELUDE - "Christmas Meditation" - Becker  
PROCESSIONAL No. 107 "It Came Upon the Midnight"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE "Gloria"  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Almighty God, who hast poured upon us the new  
light of thine incarnate Word; Grant that the  
same light enkindled in our hearts may shine  
forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ, our  
Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 102 "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"

SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Gospel - Matthew 1:18-23

Epistle - 1 John 3:1-5

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

CHOIR ANTHEM "Break Forth Into Joy" - Simper

CREED AND RESPONSE No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER - "For Christmas"

We Thank Thee, O God, for the return of the  
wondrous spell of this Christmas season that  
brings its own sweet joy into our jaded and  
troubled hearts.

Forbid it, Lord, that we should celebrate  
without understanding what we celebrate, or,  
like our counterparts so long ago, fail to  
see the star or to hear the song of glorious  
promise.

As our hearts yield to the spirit of Christmas

may we discover that it is Thy Holy Spirit who  
comes - not a sentiment, but a power - to  
remind us of the only way by which there may  
be peace on the earth and good will among  
men.

May we not spend Christmas, but keep it, that  
we may be kept in its hope, through Him who  
emptied Himself in coming to us that we might  
be filled with peace and joy in returning to  
God. Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"And He Shall Reign Forever" - Simper

DEDICATION OF OFFERING - No. 123 - Stanza 3

"As they offered gifts most rare,

At that manger rude and bare,

So may we with holy joy,

Pure and free from sin's alloy,

All our costliest treasures bring,

Christ to Thee, our Heavenly King" Amen

SERMONIC HYMN - No. 118 "The First Nowell"

THE SERMON "O Come, Desire of Nations"

"The One Who Lifts" Luke 2:11

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - "Choral Benediction"

RECESSIONAL No. 108 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

QUIET PRAYER (Please be seated in Quiet Prayer)

CHIMES (Leave as Postlude begins)

POSTLUDE - "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" - Gehrke

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS CHURCH extends to YOU most Cordial CHRISTMAS  
GREETINGS in the Spirit of Jesus Christ, Her Lord!  
GET your Upper Room Copy after the service.

NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE on Saturday, at 8 P. M.

Come, give thanks to God for his kindness in 1955  
and ask blessings upon the year 1956.

NEW YEAR'S DAY - Sunday - one service at 10:15 A. M.

ENVELOPES for 1956 are ready. Get your set in the  
Sunday School Hall after the Service.

## Good News to All the People

**I**N those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. And all went to be enrolled, each to his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Be not afraid; for behold I bring you good news of great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

"Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased."

—LUKE 2:1-14

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NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE  
UNITED EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Baltimore, Maryland

December 31, 1955

Rev. Titus Lehmann, Pastor

Mr. Donald Schnader, Organist and Director

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Eight O'Clock

PRELUDE - "Nun Preiset Alle" - Healey Willan  
PROCESSIONAL No. 63 "Our God, Our Help"  
INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521 "Holy" (Be seated)  
CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
RESPONSE No. 489 "Glory be to God on High"  
THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

Almighty God, who hast poured upon us the new  
light of thine incarnate word; grant that the  
same light enkindled in our hearts may shine  
forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ, our  
Lord. Amen

THE DOXOLOGY

HYMN No. 426 "For Thy Mercy and Thy Grace"  
RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING - Page 540 - Sol. 9

"The Last Day of the Year"

RESPONSE No. 204 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"  
CHOIR ANTHEM

"Heavens are Declaring" - Beethoven

CALL TO PRAYER No. 516 - SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER followed by Unison Prayer

"THE NEW YEAR"

Father, as the old year ends and a new year be-  
gins, forgive us for the failures of the vanished  
days, and bless us in whatever we have truly  
striven for in days that do not die. Keep us  
from vain regrets, and let us face forward in the  
light of the best that we have learned. Purge  
our hearts both of shallow self-confidence and  
cowardly fears, so that we may know that without  
Thee we can do nothing, but that in Thee all  
things are possible, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

RESPONSE No. 501 "Hear our Prayer, O Lord"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Break Forth O Beauteous Heavenly Light" - Bach

DEDICATION OF OFFERING No. 258 - Stanza 1

SERMONIC HYMN No. 428 (Tune 381) "Ring Out"

THE SERMON - "B. C. - A. D."

"The Year of Lord's Favor" - Isaiah 61:2

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION - RESPONSE "Threefold Amen"

RECESSIONAL No. 424 "Another Year" (Tune 299)

QUIET PRAYER (Please be seated in Quiet Prayer,

CHIMES leave as Postlude begins)

POSTLUDE - "O, Rejoice Ye Christians Loudly" - Bach

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"GOD GRANT YOU

a BLESSED NEW YEAR for 1956. May His blessings  
rest upon each and everyone!

PLEASE, get your UPPER ROOM, your CALENDAR for 1956  
and your ENVELOPES for 1956 - Thank you.

THANKS to all for the many kindnesses shown during  
the illness of the Pastor.

FATHER AND SON BANQUET on January 11, at 6:30 P. M.

"THE CHURCH and ITS MEANING FOR LIFE" is series of  
sermons for January. Next Sunday "The Altar -  
"The Presence of God".

CHURCH COUNCIL meets on Tuesday, January 3.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY meets on Wednesday, January 4.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES get under way again on Tuesday

at 4:30 for boys, and Thursday at 4:30 for girls.

ALL OTHER WEEKLY MEETINGS as scheduled.

On next Sunday our Services will be held at the  
regular time again -

Early Service at 8 A. M.

Later Service at 10:15 A. M.

Sunday School at 9 A. M.

"ATTEND CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY IN 1956"

## The New Year — God's Gift

PHILIPPIANS 3:13,14—“Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”

**N**EW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS become part of the climate of our thought as we set our feet upon the untrodden ways of a year newly born. If we are serious, perhaps such resolutions can be helpful in providing a new direction for our daily walk. Certainly it is true that everyone who looks back upon the past finds there something to regret, something he wishes he had done. Or, he sees there hopes and dreams yet unfulfilled.

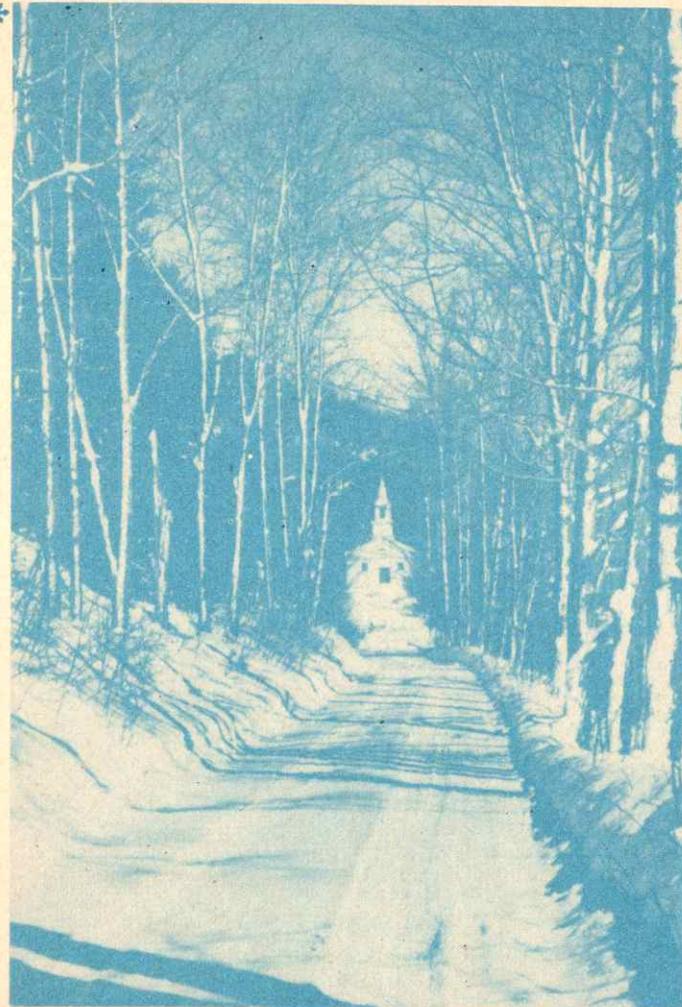
Be this as it may, the Christian is called to a kind of forgetfulness while at the same time he is invited to seek the Way which is highest. Whatever our past has been the future beckons to us with its opportunities, its hopes, its dangers and its demands. The Christian is called to “strain” toward the summit without allowing the errors and failures of the past to deter him on the way. God knows our imperfections, our frailties, our sins, our disobedience. Yet, in Christ, He calls us *as we are*—as St. Paul puts it—“to press on toward the goal.” Therefore, let us not fret about the past or allow it to be a burden upon us, preventing us from giving our fullest allegiance to our Lord and Master.

God always has a New Year for us. He reveals in Christ the glory of the new life for every man. Every New Year, therefore, is a straight, clear, open road, and Christ walks this way before us. To follow Him is to answer the “upward call of God,” and is the only response which the dedicated Christian believer can make.

On the first day of the New Year it should be our one high resolve to heed the call of God and make the days and months which lie ahead a glorious journey with our Lord. God provides the road; in Christ He leads the way. Our greatest joy is to be found in our obedience to His call. So—let us press on.

—Sheldon E. Mackey

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# THE NEW YEAR

Standing upon the threshold of another year, the Church bids a cordial welcome to all who worship

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