

SERVICE AT THE LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE
of the
NEW CHURCH

Second Sunday after Epiphany, January 20, 1957
10:15 A. M.

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

PRELUDE: "Our Father, Thou In Heaven Above".....Schneider

PROCESSIONAL HYMN—No. 19: "We Praise Thee, O God"

We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before Thee, we kneel and adore Thee,
We bless Thy holy Name, glad praises we sing.

We worship Thee, God of our fathers, we bless Thee;
Through life's storm and tempest our Guide hast Thou been.
When perils o'er take us, escape Thou wilt make us,
And with Thy help, O Lord, life's battles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer,
And gladly our anthems of worship we raise.
Thy strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us,
To Thee, our great Redeemer, forever be praise. Amen.

INVOCATION - RESPONSE No. 521

CONFESSION OF SIN - ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

THE INTROIT - THE COLLECT IN UNISON

"Almighty God and Everlasting Father, who dost govern all things in heaven
and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace
all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

10:15 A. M. CHOIR ANTHEM: "Father of Heaven"—Willan.....Senior Choir

SCRIPTURE READING: The Gospel—John 2:1-11
The Epistle—Ephesians 2:13 - 21

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

CHOIR ANTHEMS:

8:00 A. M. and 10:15 A. M.: "Praise Ye The Father"—Gounod
Junior and Youth Choirs

AFFIRMATION OF OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH AND RESPONSE—No. 493

CALL TO PRAYER—No. 516

PASTORAL PRAYER AND RESPONSE—No. 501: "Hear Our Prayer"

ANNOUNCEMENTS - OFFERTORY ANTHEM
10:15 A. M.: "Praise The Lord, His Glories Show"—Barnard.....Senior Choir

DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERING—No. 258: S. 1

SERMONIC HYMN—No. 322: "The Church's One Foundation"

The Church's one Foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the word:
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy Bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.
A-men.

THE SERMON: "Christ our Cornerstone"—Ephesians 2:20-21

PROCESSIONAL: "In the Name Which Earth and Heaven" (Tune No. 21)

(Led by pastor, Church Council and Building Committee members, and Choirs,
the congregation files out orderly to the laying of the cornerstone.)

In the name which earth and heaven	Here as in their due succession
Ever worship, praise, and fear,	Stone on stone the workmen place,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,	Thus, we pray, unseen but surely,
Shall a house be builded here;	Jesus, build us up in grace;
Here with prayer its deep foundations	Till, within these walls completed,
In the faith of Christ we lay,	We complete in Thee are found;
Trusting by His help to crown it	And to Thee, the one Foundation,
With the topstone in its day.	Strong and living stones, are bound.

Fair shall be Thine earthly temple;
Here the careless passerby
Shall bethink him, in its beauty,
Of the holier House on high;
Wearied hearts and troubled spirits
Here shall find a still retreat;
Sinful souls shall bring their burdens
Here to the Absolver's feet.

OUTDOOR SERVICE

Laying of the Cornerstone
10:15 A. M.

OPENING SENTENCE:

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Except the
Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING: *I Cor. 3:9-17*

PASTOR: "For we are God's fellow-workers; ye are God's husbandry, God's building.

ALL: According to the grace of God which was given unto me, as a wise master-builder I laid a foundation; and another builded thereon. But let each man take heed how he buildeth thereon.

PASTOR: For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

ALL: But if any man buildeth thereon gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay, stubble, each man's work shall be manifest; for the day shall declare it, because it is revealed in fire; and the fire itself shall prove each man's work of what sort it is.

PASTOR: If any man's work shall abide which he built thereon, he shall receive a reward.

ALL: If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss; but he himself shall be saved; yet so as through fire.

REMARKS BY PASTOR

LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE—The articles to be placed in the cornerstone are announced.

NOW TAKES PLACE THE SETTING OF THE STONE

The Minister shall strike the stone three times with trowel.

"Behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious cornerstone of sure foundation. Other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ."

In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit do we now lay this Cornerstone of United Evangelical Church, to be a house for Christian worship and the building of lives according to the measure of the stature of Jesus Christ, to the teaching of God's Word, for self development through Christ, for Christian fellowship and to the glory of God.

Following the officiating minister, the members of the Building Committee and Church Council and representatives of various organizations may also strike the stone with the trowel repeating words of scripture.

PRAYER BY PASTOR

All Join in this following Prayer:

"On this stone now laid with prayer Let Thy House rise strong and fair; Ever, Lord, Thy name be known, Where we lay this cornerstone,—Let Thy Holy Child, who came Man from error to reclaim, And for sinners to atone, Bless, with Thee, this cornerstone.—
May Thy Spirit here give rest To the hearts by sin oppressed, And the seeds of truth be sown, Where we lay this cornerstone.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE DOXOLOGY

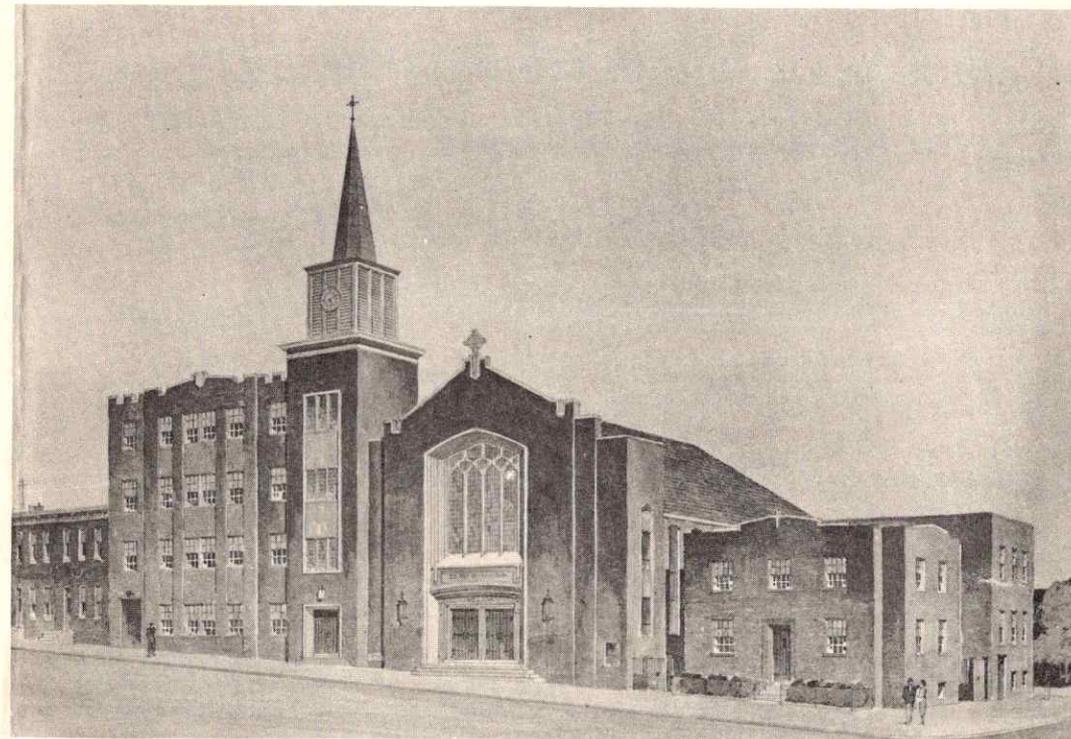
THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "*Christ Is Our Corner-Stone*" Miles

United Evangelical Church

EAST AVENUE AND DILLON STREET

BALTIMORE 24, MARYLAND



"To the Glory of God"

REVEREND TITUS LEHMANN, Pastor

Organist and Director, DONALD D. SCHNADER

"Build us a tower of Christ—like an height,
That we the land may view,
And see, like Christ, our noblest work
Our Father's work to do."

DEDICATION SERVICE

FRIENDSHIP HALL

November 28, 1957

INVOCATION BY THE PASTOR

Pastor: To God, the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit

Cong: We dedicate this Friendship Hall

Pastor: To the Friendship with God, as Abraham was called a "Friend of God"

Cong: We dedicate this Hall and all of its various appointments.

Pastor: To Jesus our Lord who said "I have called you friends"

Cong: We dedicate this Hall.

Pastor: To the Holy Spirit, who as a Friend counsels, stands by us, strengthens us, speaks for us, and helps us;

Cong: We dedicate this Hall.

Pastor: To families and individuals who may find here wholesome friendships, rich fellowships and inspiring companionships;

Cong: We dedicate this hall.

Pastor: To Christian work in fellowship of preparing and serving food that will sustain body, mind and spirit; in the spirit of the Master, our Lord Christ

Cong: We dedicate this Hall and the Kitchen with all of its equipment.

Pastor: To the ministry of music and singing in the joyous fellowship of Christians;

Cong: We dedicate our Choir Rooms.

UNISON DEDICATORY PRAYER OF PASTOR AND PEOPLE

Blessed be Thy name, O Lord, that it has pleased Thee to put it into the hearts of Thy servants to build and dedicate this Friendship Hall and all of its appointments to Thy glory and for the use of Thy people. Accept, we pray Thee, the offering of Thy servants and remember for good all who have

contributed to this work. Let Thy blessing rest upon this place that it may serve the purpose for which it was intended. Grant that here brotherly love and true fellowship may ever abound and Thy people encourage one another in all good works, to the honor of Thy name;

Fill all those who shall move in and out of here with a spirit of love toward Thee, and toward all mankind. Let us have real warm affection for one another, and a willingness to let other men have the credit. Let us not allow slackness to spoil our work, and let us keep the fires of the spirit burning as we do our work for God.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

RECESSIONAL HYMN No. 282 "Faith of our Fathers"

Faith of our Fathers! living still,
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword,
O how our hearts beat high with joy,
Whene'er we hear that glorious word;
Faith of our Fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to Thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! we will strive,
To win all nations unto Thee;
And through the truth that comes from God,
Mankind shall then be truly free;
Faith of our Fathers, holy faith;
We will be true to Thee till death.

Faith of our Fathers! we will love,
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach Thee, too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life;
Faith of our Fathers, holy faith!

We will be true to Thee till death. Amen

(Choirs return to the Auditorium) The people - after a word of Silent Prayer - and the BENEDICTION by the Pastor, may inspect the "Friendship Hall."