

The United Endeavor

News from United Evangelical Church

April/May 2009



Pastor's Message



Podcast, weblog, Facebook, Twitter, Youtube; the spell check function of my 2003 edition of Microsoft Word is flagging these words with that red squiggly line, telling me that I've misspelled something. It is amazing to see these red flags knowing that within the last six years these words, and the technology they represent, have come into our everyday language and lives.

Some of us joke about how lost we are when it comes to this technology, and how our children or grandchildren could teach us all about it. As I am exploring the Emerging Church in preparation for my sabbatical, it is obvious that this technology is the platform from which this arm of the Church operates. This helps to explain why 20 and 30 year olds are attracted to this movement. This technology is how these younger generations communicate; it is how they interface with the world around them. We can see this shift in the recent news about newspapers across the country going out of business. The printed word, whose heyday was the 1920's, is being replaced by the internet and all the digital information that can be accessed there.

However, this Emerging church movement is not just about technology, or the latest and

greatest gadgets. It has more to do with the thinking that is behind this new technology; a thinking that is based on interfacing and idea exchange in an environment that promotes exploration and questioning.

One learning that I have already gleaned from my sabbatical is that it will be to the church's detriment to ignore this technology; to believe we don't need to know about it or be involved with it in anyway. If we want to speak the Gospel in the language of our children and our grandchildren then we need to open up this platform.

I will be spending part of my sabbatical becoming versed in this new technology, and I encourage all of you to share with the young people in your lives that you are curious about it as well. Telling young people that we are interested in their world is the interfacing and exploration to which they respond. The speeds at which these new technologies are being developed is a challenge to the established church which has always been slow to respond to the culture around it. The fate of the printed page may be our fate if we choose not to engage this technology.

In Christ's love,

Rev. Cathy

Church Council

Pastor Relations Committee

THE SABBATICAL IS COMING!
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Reverend Cathy 's sabbatical is fast approaching. She will be physically away from her church family from June 1 through August 31 to experience growth and to re-tool and re-focus her ministry approaches. However, Reverend Cathy will be with us spiritually and always in prayer. It is time to begin thinking, along with our Church Council and leadership, about moving forward to build consensus and support within the congregation for the sabbatical.

To begin, the Parish Relations Committee members have been reading Clergy Renewal, which is a guide to sabbatical planning. We will be sharing ideas with the congregation in the near future. The guide is a helpful learning tool since the United congregation has not experienced a clergy sabbatical before 2009. One pastor writes, "Sabbaticals are a wonderful gift to leaders of the church" and those receiving sabbaticals have the responsibility to "treat them as a precious gift given by a loving congregation. A sabbatical is not a vacation nor is it time away as much as it is ministry – ministry of the congregation to its staff so that we may be all that God calls us to be."

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The Parish Relations Committee prays that together we will always be "all that God calls us to be." By stepping out of our current ministry situation, we are freed to embark on a holy trek. We will be welcoming Reverend Ben Griffin to lead us in worship during June through August. Rev. Griffin comes to us with 30+ years of parish experience and has served as president at both Andover Newton and United Theological Seminaries. Church leadership is asking the congregation to assist with Reverend Cathy 's 'routine tasks' - such as verifying that acolytes and readers are available for worship; offering the Children 's Time during the month of June and participating in visitation to shut-in members who are no longer able to attend worship. By working together throughout the sabbatical time, we pray for an energizing renewal for clergy, staff and the congregation. Please talk to Reverend Cathy, a Council member or member of the Parish Relations Committee to offer your talents to participate in this spiritual journey. Thank you and God Bless.

The Parish Relations Committee

Carol Rowell
Bob Osburne
Lynn Sanders

Lenten & Easter Worship Schedule



The Suffering Servant

"Jesus took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself...and

began to wash the disciples feet..."
John 13:3-5

Within the book of Isaiah there are four songs about a servant of God who suffers, is ignored by the people around him, but will be recognized in the future as God's servant, and his mission to restore justice will be fulfilled. Christians believe that Jesus was this servant of whom Isaiah prophesied. Jesus' role as servant reaches its apex around the Passover meal where he washed feet and broke bread. This Lent as we move toward Holy Week we will study the servant passages in Isaiah and Jesus' teachings on being a servant.

Our Lenten Theme - "The Suffering Servant"

Wednesday, April 1st

7:30 p.m.

Date/Time	Event
Wednesday, April 1 7:30 p.m.	Lenten Worship
Sunday, April 5 after 10:30 worship	Set up for Tableau
Tuesday, April 7 6:30 p.m.	Tableau Rehearsal— Friendship Hall (contact Arlene Pate, 410-327-3211)
Wednesday, April 8 8:00 p.m.	58th Annual Lord's Supper Tableau
Thursday, April 9 7:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Tennebrae Service (with Communion)
Friday, April 10 9:00 a.m.	Good Friday
Easter Sunday, April 12 6:00 a.m.	Sunrise Service (with Communion)
9:15 a.m.	Children's Living Cross Service
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service (with Communion)

Our Annual Lenten Mission Project—One Great Hour of Sharing



Our Lenten Mission Project will focus on caring and generosity for all our brothers and sisters through support of One Great Hour of Sharing.

One Great Hour of Sharing, as part of Our Churches Wider Mission (OCWM), is the special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that carries God's message of love and hope to people in more than eighty countries.

The UCC works with international partners to provide sources of clean water and food, education and health care, small business micro-credit, emergency relief, and advocacy and resettlement for refugees and displaced persons. OGHS also supports domestic and international ministries for disaster preparedness and response.

OGHS is a Lenten Offering.

The Bible affirms that the Lord "will keep your life" (Psalm 121:7, NRSV). Let us eagerly join together in kindness and generosity by supporting our brothers and sisters throughout the world with our One Great Hour of Sharing offering. Together we can do so much.



Joining Our Church Family



Welcome
Our New
Members

A Warm Welcome to Our Newest Members

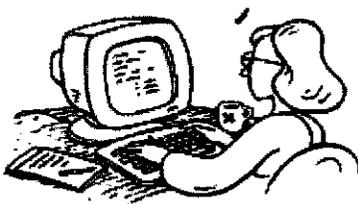
Pam Sartori - is married to Robert, they live in Dundalk. She is retired from Zurich Insurance. Hobbies include spending time with her daughter Kristine and her grandson Logan. She also enjoys crossword puzzles and gardening.

Alfie Thomas-Schrodt - She is the sister-in-law of Monica and John Collins. She enjoys woodworking, crafting and scrapbooking. She lives in Essex.

James and Jennifer Disney - They were recently married and live in the 3000 block of Fait Ave. They have 2 dogs, Johann Heinrich & Charity Noel. They both enjoy hiking and spending time with their dogs. James is a resident in Psychiatry at JHH. Jennifer works as a member advisor for INPUT.

Meet the new Church Office Manager

Carol Duray is our church's new Office Manager. Carol lives in Edgemere with her faithful feline companion, Abigail Alleycat. Carol is very proud of her daughter, Lisa R. Kenyon, Ph.D., who is employed at the Enoch Pratt Library. In her spare time, Carol works on renovating her house, reads, and volunteers at the Enoch Pratt Library. She is also very active at her church, Faith Presbyterian Church, where she is an ordained elder, a scripture reader, and is a member of the "CBS" offering counting team.



Be sure to introduce yourself and bid welcome to Carol!

Church Committee/CCA Information

Altar Flowers



The chart for requesting altar flowers is in the Narthex. The offering is \$ 18 per vase.

If you have any questions, please call

Ursula Jacob, 410-679-6163.



Our UEC Bowling League has Openings!

If interested contact
Holly Raddatz
@ 410-285-0894

Parish Relations Committee

An active Parish Relations/Pastoral Relations Committee continues to exist at United. Are you asking yourself - What is a Parish/Pastoral Relations Committee? The Parish/Pastoral Relations Committee seeks to support and maintain an open and healthy relationship between the pastor and members of the congregation. The group serves as an advisory group to the pastor and as a support group for the pastor's leadership. The group is concerned with all church staff members' well-being. Constructive and caring communication in an atmosphere of confidentiality and trust is essential to the work of this committee.

The committee meets quarterly and reports any questions or concerns to the Council. Committee members consist of:

Rev. Cathy

Carol Rowell

Marge Hurd

Bob Osburne

Lynn Sanders

Please feel free to approach any committee member with questions, comments or areas of concern. Thank you & God Bless.



NEIGHBORHOOD
Association

Canton Community Association Meetings
The Canton Community Association meets at our church on a bi-monthly basis. The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary with free dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall. These meetings are a wonderful way to meet new neighbors and stay informed about the concerns of our community.

It also shows that our church thinks being involved in its community is important. Put the meetings on your calendar and come show our neighbors how important our community is to us as a church.

Upcoming meetings are scheduled for:

May 26 — 6:30 p.m.

Points to Ponder...

Resurrection Means Reconciliation

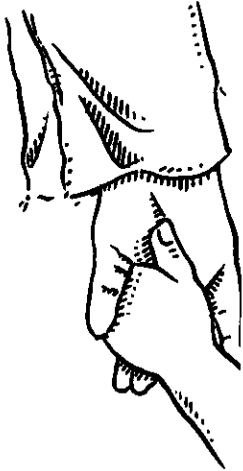
Jesus' resurrection is the very foundation of Christianity. If Christ had never been raised from the dead, we'd have no Christian religion.

God's power was at work in Christ's death and resurrection. "It was on the resurrection fact that the church was built," said New Testament scholar James Stewart.

Paul understood that the resurrection was the bedrock of our Christian faith. "If Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain," he wrote to the Corinthian church (1 Corinthians 15:14, NRSV). The apostle went on to say, "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins" (verse 17).

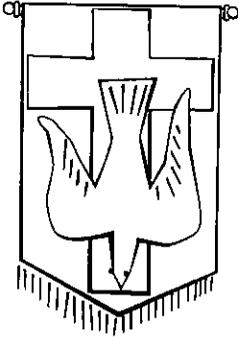
The resurrection proves that Jesus is Lord and Savior. Its authenticity means that by faith in Christ, we are reconciled with God.

Billy Graham said the risen Christ is the bridge between us and God. "One of Christ's hands holds the hand of God; his other hand holds ours," said the evangelist.



Confirmation Class Event Schedule

Confirmation Class



2009 Confirmation Schedule

Date		Time	Event
4/2/09	Thur	6:00 p.m.	Questioning Night
4/5/09	Sun	10:30 a.m.	Confirmation
4/9/09	Thur	7:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday
4/10/09	Fri	9:00 a.m.	Good Friday
4/12/09	Sun	10:30 a.m.	Easter Sunday - serve Communion

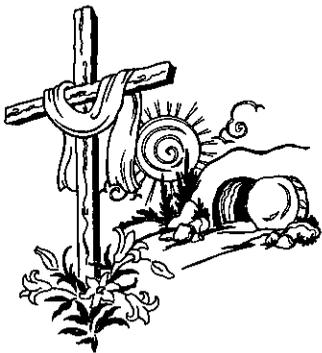
Give It Some Thought...

Fully Restored

*From Heaven 's Highway—Pastor John Stuart;
www.glenkirk.blogspot.com*

Each year, I have the privilege of taking a part in a lunchtime ecumenical service at the local Roman Catholic church on Good Friday. Seven pastors, ministers, and priests give short 4-5 minute homilies on the Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross. I've taken part in this service for about 11 years and it never ceases to amaze me how much the Holy Spirit inspires each speaker.

I love the fact that we all gather together in one sacred place, as one holy church. The Crucified figure of Christ looms above each speaker and adds a pictorial poignancy to what we express. The whole worship service is a solemn reminder of what Jesus endured to save us from our sins. It's a miraculous moment of mystery



when the speakers and worshippers alike sit in awe. The whole place and service makes me feel guilty and sorrowful, absolved and thankful all at the same time.

I love the Cross of Calvary, but I hate what happened to Jesus. I love the freedom He brings me, but I despise my sins which nailed Him to the Cross. Good Friday has a spiritual ambivalence and a bittersweet attachment to my soul. But it fully prepares me for the glorious goodness that I experience on Easter, when I am fully restored to God on Resurrection Sunday. The curse of the Cross is broken by the very first rays of the rising sun, given to us gladly by the grace of the Risen Son of God.

Prayer:

*In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.
When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me,
Lo! it glows with peace and joy. Amen.
(John Bowring)*

John Stuart is the pastor of Erin Presbyterian Church in Knoxville, Tennessee.

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Galatians 6:14

The UEC Youth Booth



Attention All Youth – Ages 12 and up

Our Church Youth Group invites you and all your friends to come, hang out, have fun and live your faith.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
4/26, Sunday	9:00 – 12:30	UEC	Flower Sale
5/17, Sunday Don't wear good clothes	TBA	UEC	Clean up day in Baltimore
5/31, Sunday Bring \$\$ for food and games	12:30 – 3:00 p.m.	UEC	Putt-Putt & more in Churchville
6/6-6/7, Sat-Sun Sign up sponsors for the ACS—Bring \$\$ for food	6:00 p.m.	CCBC Dundalk	Relay for Life
6/14, Sunday Bring a dish to share, bathing suit & towel	12:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Sanders House 333 Enfield, Joppa	End of Year Party

Youth Group—Flower Sale



Sunday, April 26

It's spring already and time to plant your flower garden. Our Youth Group will be selling flats of flowers to make your garden sing.

Don't miss it!

1959 Confirmation Class Reunion

Confirmands 1959

Becker, Carol Ruth
Boeryli, Thomas Donald
Bridges, Linda Jeannette
Brown, Kenneth David
Cassedy, Glen Robert
Cearfoss, Janice Lee
Crispens, William Henry
Cumberland, June Irene
Cumberland, May Spencer
Cummins, Shirley Charlotte
Faber, Patricia Lee
Falkenstein, Robert Anthony
Felter-Schweiger, Doris Margaret
Gallup, Harry Davis
Gibbs-Sellers, Catherine
Goodwin, Thomas David
Griest-Tropea, Marlene Mae
Griffith, Gayle Norma Lee
Hallas-Bolt, Linda Adeline
Hamer-Schleigh, Georgeann
Hammerbacher-Boyer, Beverly Ann
Hennigan-Rogers, Elizabeth Anna
Himmelman, Diane Carol
Jondo, Dorothy Louise
King, Rose Marie
Kraemer, James Thomas
Kraft-Thomas, Jacqueline Jean
Lucas, Gerald
Lupinek-Jacobs, Joyce Lynn
McEvoy, Elsie Louise
Merritt, George Elmer
Meyers, Geraldine Mildred
Meyers, Shirley
Morris, Diane Lee
Noetzel, William August
Osbourne-Farnczkowski, Lorraine
Pesotsky, Catherine
Phillips, Charles John
Reisenweber, Lee Earle
Rossmark, Joyce Ann
Sandlass, Robert Frank
Sarsitis, Robert William
Seymour, Carolyn
Shepard, Katherine Mary
Stratemeyer, Harry Theo
Sullivan, Louis John
Tarr, Dorothy Matilda
Taylor, Roy
Thompson, Karen Lee
Tsendeas, Katherine
Weaver, Carole Lorraine
Weber, Cheryl Lois
Williams, Helen Louise
Wirsing, Robert Louis
Wise, Joan Ann
Wise, Joan Josephine
Yupatoff, John Rodgers
Zalenski-Czawlytko, Rosalie Helen



Sunday, May 31st

**50th Reunion Celebration
for the
UEC Confirmation
Class of 1959**

A luncheon celebration honoring the 1959 UEC Confirmation Class will be held on May 31st, following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. If you know any of the confirmands listed, please advise them of the upcoming celebration in their honor.

All church members are invited to the celebration. Be sure and sign up in the Narthex so that an accurate count of attendees can be obtained.

**Come to the celebration
luncheon!**

Bingo Night—Friday, May 1st

Fun for the whole
family!

We had so
much fun at
the first
Family Fun
Bingo Night
we thought
we'd do it
again!!



Refreshments

Prize
baskets,
gift
certificates
from local
stores and
markets
are among
the many
prizes!

Family Fun Bingo Night!
Friday, May 1st
at
United Evangelical Church
3200 Dillon St. in Canton

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Bingo begins promptly at 6:00 p.m.

20 Games for \$ 10 - plus 5 quickie games for
an additional \$ 5.00

Nachos, Hot Dogs, Meatball Subs,
Chips/Pretzels and Soft Drinks will be available

All proceeds to benefit the United Evangelical
Church Clock & Bell Tower Refurbishment Project

Mission Moments

Mission Moments is a way of highlighting our congregation's connection to the wider church. Our church is a vital part of the United Church of Christ, and it is not alone! Each Mission Moment will help inform members of what they make possible through their gifts to Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM).

Mission Moment

Let All Praise with Joy the World's Creator

Ah, Spring! Fresh breezes, a new palette of colors, the earth changing daily before our eyes—a time so full of promise it's easy to "Praise with Joy the World's Creator," as the hymn goes. And a time to remember we are entrusted with God's marvelous handiwork. We hold it in common so that all may enjoy and praise in this generation and in years to come.

As communities across the U.S. celebrate Earth Day on April 22, we can look back in history and discover yet another UCC first. Twenty years ago, on the eve of Earth Day 1987, the United Church of Christ's Commission for Racial Justice published a landmark report, "Toxic Waste and Race." For the first time in history, the disproportionate burden borne by African American, Latino, Native American, and Asian American communities as the "dumping grounds" for our nation's waste and pollution was documented. Funded by Our Church's Wider Mission, the study looked at every zip code in the United States and identified where toxic waste sites were located. It found that race was the most significant factor, even more significant than poverty. "Toxic Waste and Race" led to the coining of the term "environmental racism" and helped to jump start the environmental justice movement.

April 2009

God is still speaking,

**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**



Just What is OCWM?

Just what is it and how is it different from OGHS (One Great Hour of Sharing)?

OCWM **(Our Church's** **Wider Mission)**

Right now, Our Church's Wider Mission is bringing the UCC message to more and more people:

*No matter who you are
or where you are on
life's journey...you're
welcome here.*

Without OCWM, there would be no United Church of Christ. OCWM is who we are.

OGHS **(One Great Hour** **of Sharing)**

OGHS works with international partners to provide sources of clean water and food, education and health care, emergency relief, and resettlement aid for refugees. OGHS also supports domestic and international ministries for disaster response and relief.

Chesapeake Association & Central Atlantic News

Official Call to The Annual Spring Meeting of The Chesapeake Association

Saturday, April 25, 2009

12:00 Noon to 4:00 P.M.

\$5.00 Registration covers meal

Location:

PEOPLES CHURCH OF DOVER

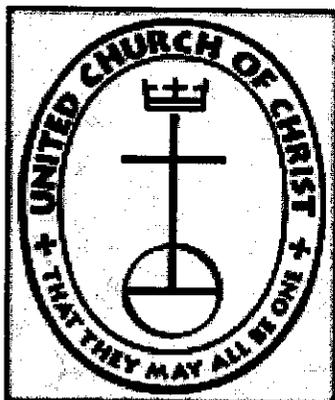
46 South Bradford Street

Dover, DE 19901-7316

Phone: 302-674-4177

Please call the Conference to register.

People's Church will be providing lunch that day. It will be served in the dining room, which is in the church undercroft: there is a chair lift for persons who don't do stairs.



Central Atlantic Conference Annual Meeting June 12, 2009

The Board of Directors of the Central Atlantic Conference, hereby calls the Forty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Central Atlantic Conference, United Church of Christ to convene on Friday, June 12, 2009 at the University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware.

Registration information is now available for the 45th Annual Meeting of the Central Atlantic Conference the Conference Webpage at www.cacucc.org.

Our theme is: **Save the Rock! Lord, lead us to greener pastures.** In keeping with our theme we will not be mailing out any Annual Meeting registration information. Please share this email with your church delegates and your congregation.

Our guest speaker will be Dr. Larry Rasmussen, Reinhold Niebuhr Professor Emeritus of Social Ethics – Union Theological Seminary

Deadline for registration without a late fee is May 1. If you have any questions, please contact me:

Arnetta A Jones

Executive Administrative Assistant

410-788-4190 410-788-9485 fax

1-800-441-1965

Chesapeake Association News

Saturday, May 2, 2009
9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Save the Date!

Join us for a morning of fellowship and workshops on church revitalization.

Topics will include visioning, leadership development, and other practical applications.

Don't miss it!



Living into God's Future: Tools for Revitalization

Sponsored by:
Chesapeake Association
Church Development and Vitality Committee

Our mission: encouraging evangelism & hospitality and supporting new church starts in the Chesapeake Association of the UCC.

The Chesapeake Association Church Development and Vitality Committee would like to invite you to an Evangelism Workshop, to be held on May 2, 2009 from 9a.m.-12:30p.m. at Immanuel (Catonsville), that will give you some tools for church growth. There will be workshops on such topics as creating a vision statement (something each church should do every five years or so); and researching the demographics of your neighborhood, as well as a continental breakfast.

It is designed as a follow-up to the March Small Church Event, but you don 't need to have attended that event to benefit from it.

Please call or email Angie Megna at the conference office to register. The number is 410-788-4190, or toll free 800-441-1965. The email address is amegna@cacucc.org.

Places to Go, People to See, Things to Do....

Ladies Organization Trips & Events

Upcoming Events



Arlene Pate
410-327-3211

Millie Wirsing
410-675-3904

April 4 \$ 34.00
Faith Church Oyster, Turkey & Ham Luncheon Bus Trip
McCutcheon Jelly & Baugher Produce & Ice Cream. Mall.
(We will go shopping in April and will skip shopping in
November. Half of our bus would like to shop and half would
not).

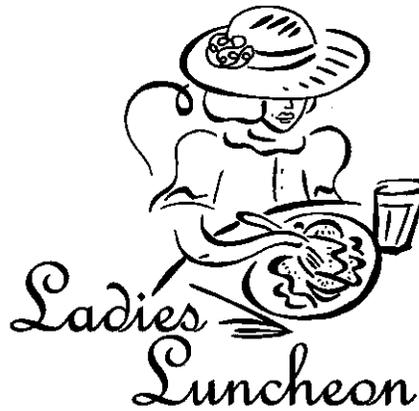
June 6. Strawberry Festival
Chairperson: Olga deBloom

Come join the Ladies Organization,
we would love to see you!!

New members are always welcome!
Dues are \$ 10.00 per year

Upcoming Ladies Organization Meetings
first Wednesday of the month.
All Meetings Begin at 12 noon
(unless otherwise noted)

Apr. 1 Brown Bag Lunch
May 6 Barbecue & Cole Slaw \$ 7.00
Jun. 3 Squires Restaurant



Important Notice—All trips MUST HAVE DEPOSIT TO HOLD SEATS

If you must cancel your seat you need to find someone to take your seat to receive your money back.

Persons to contact:

Arlene Pate 410-327-3211 or Millie Wirsing 410-675-3904

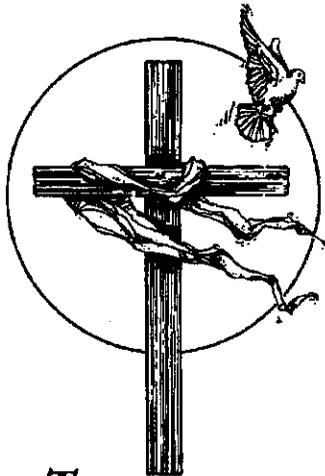


UEC April 2009 Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Lenten Worship 7:30 p.m.	2 Confirmands Question Meeting 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	3	4
5 Palm Sunday (no Communion) Food Bank Donations 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Bible Study	6 Swing Dance Lessons UEC gymnasium 7:30 p.m.	7 Tableau Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.	8 Lord's Supper 58th Tableau 8:00 p.m.	9 Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion & Tennebrae 7:30 p.m.	10 Good Friday Worship 9:00 a.m.	11
12 Easter Sunday 6:00 a.m. Worship (with Communion) 9:15 am. Children's Living Cross Service 10:30 a.m. Worship (with Communion)	13 Swing Dance Lessons UEC gymnasium 7:30 p.m.	14 Church Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	15 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	16 Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	17	18
19 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Bible Study	20 Swing Dance Lessons UEC gymnasium 7:30 p.m.	21 Christian Education Meeting 6:30 p.m.	22 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	23 Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	24	25
26 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Bible Study Youth Group Flower Sale	27 Swing Dance Lessons UEC gymnasium 7:30 p.m.	28	29 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	30 Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.		

UEC May 2009 Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Family Fun Bingo Night 5:30 p.m.	2
3 <i>Communion Sunday</i> <div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">Food Bank Donations</div> 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Bible Study	4 Swing Dance Lessons UEC gymnasium 7:30 p.m.	5	6 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	7 <i>National Day of Prayer</i> Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	8	9
10 <i>Mother's Day</i> 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Bible Study	11 Swing Dance Lessons UEC gymnasium 7:30 p.m.	12 Church Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	13 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	14 Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	15	16 <i>Armed Forces Day</i>
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24 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Bible Study	25 <i>Memorial Day</i> Swing Dance Lessons UEC gymnasium 7:30 p.m.	26 Canton Community Assoc. Meeting 6:30 p.m.	27 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.	28 Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.	29	30
31 <i>Pentecost</i> 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 1959 UEC Confirmation Class Reunion						



*The Lord lift up
His countenance
upon you
and give you peace.
-Numbers 6:26*

United Evangelical Church

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A "Hunger Site at the U.N" on the Internet

All you have to do is click a button and somewhere in the world some hungry person gets a meal to eat at no cost to you. Corporate sponsors pay for the food. Just go to the site listed below and click.

No gimmicks, no tricks.

You are only allowed one click per day, so spread the word to others.

The site is: www.hungersite.com

General Mills Boxtops for Education

Don't forget to bring in your General Mills Boxtops for Education and leave them in the display in the Narthex.



*Just a
Reminder...*

Don't Forget....



**Swing
Dance
Lessons
at UEG**

Every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m.

**Put on your dancin' shoes and join
swing and ballroom dance classes at
United Evangelical Church
with instructor John Butler**

**Classes will be held in the
United Evangelical School Building in
the 900 block of S. East Avenue
Come to the double red doors**

**Cost: \$ 5.00 per person each lesson
plus one non-perishable food item
for the Canton Food Bank**

Dance Instructor: John Butler

**For more information call 410-276-0393
Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m.
United Evangelical Church in Canton
Don't Miss It!**

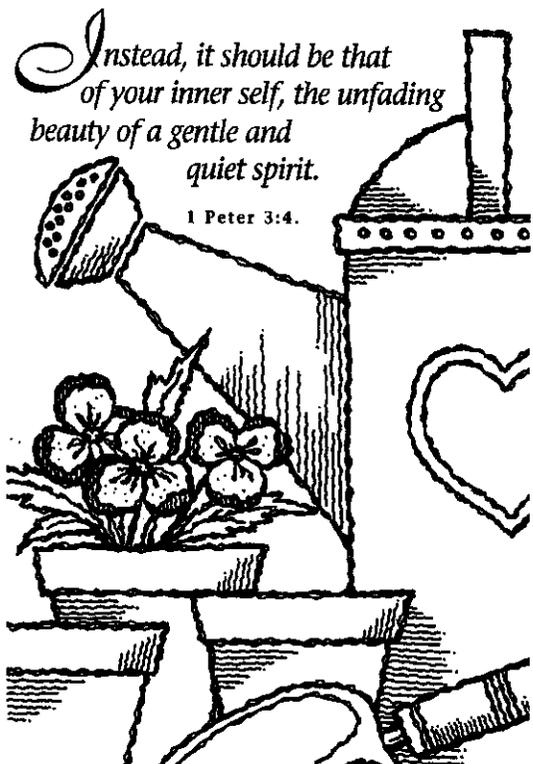
Coffee Hour

Extra, Extra,
Read All About It!

**A New Twist on
Coffee Hour**

With everyone's busy schedules it can be difficult to host Coffee Hour. So we are going to have a Coffee Hour Collection Carafe in the Narthex, When the collection totals enough for a Coffee Hour than we'll have one.

So look for the Coffee Hour Carafe coming soon in the Narthex,



*Instead, it should be that
of your inner self, the unfading
beauty of a gentle and
quiet spirit.*

1 Peter 3:4.

Comics Corner

A minister proceeded to deliver a sermon on bad habits. He began:

Four worms were placed into four separate jars.

The first worm was put into a container of alcohol.

The second worm was put into a container of cigarette smoke.

The third worm was put into a container of chocolate syrup.

The fourth worm was put into a container of good clean soil.

At the conclusion of the sermon, the Minister reported the following results:

The first worm in alcohol -Dead.

The second worm in cigarette smoke - Dead

Third worm in chocolate syrup -Dead

Fourth worm in good clean soil -Alive.

So the Minister asked the congregation -

What can you learn from this demonstration?



Maxine was setting in the back, quickly raised her hand and said,

"As long as you drink, smoke and eat chocolate, you won't have worms!"

That pretty much ended the service.



The police officer got out of his car as the kid who was stopped for speeding rolled down his window.

'I've been waiting for you all day,' the officer said. The kid replied, Yeah, well I got here as fast as I could.' When the cop finally stopped laughing, he sent the kid on his way -without a ticket.

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Smoke detectors need to be tested from time to time. So sometimes I cook something.



Thanks and a tip 'o the hat to Cissy Funk for her Comics Corner contributions!!

Bridge Anyone?



A truck driver was driving along on the freeway and noticed a sign that read: Low Bridge Ahead. Before he knows it, the bridge is right in front of him and his truck gets wedged under it. Cars are backed up for miles.

Finally a police car comes up. The cop gets out of his car and walks to the truck driver, puts his hands on his hips and says, 'Got stuck, huh?' The truck driver says, 'No, I was delivering this bridge and I ran out of gas.'

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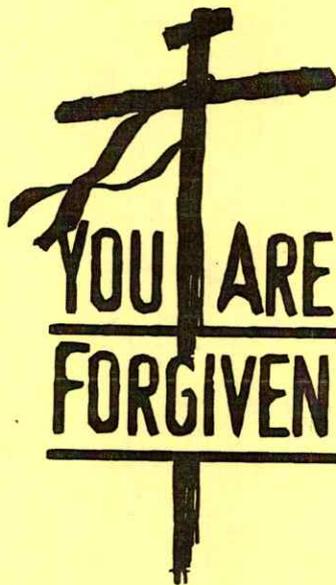
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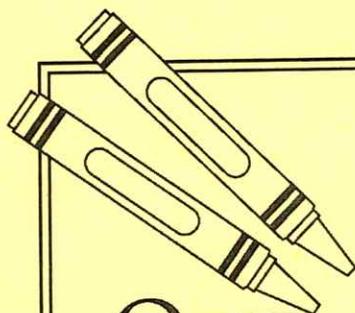
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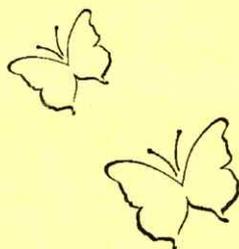


Just for **KIDS**

OUR LIVING HOPE

Easter is a time to rejoice because of what God did for us in sending his Son. Jesus is our living hope. Read 1 Peter 1:3-4 (NIV) below. Then find the **bold** words in the crossword search.

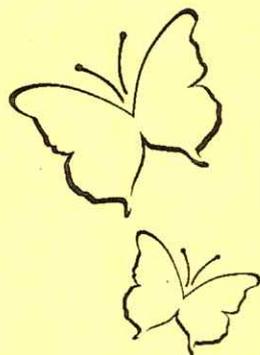
"Praise be to the **God** and **Father** of our **Lord Jesus Christ!** In his great **mercy** he has given us **new birth** into a **living hope** through the **resurrection** of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an **inheritance** that can **never perish, spoil or fade** — **kept in heaven** for you"



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