UNITED EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST East Avenue and Dillon St. Baltimore, Md. The Rev. W. Scott Hengen, III - Pastor Director of Music Mr. Robert Gundlach Sunday, February 18, 1979 SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY Silence and Meditation - Pew Prayers Prelude: "Prelude on 'O Brother Man'" Scott \*Processional Hymn \*Solemn Declaration, Psalm 103:19-20 (p.534) \*Gloria Patri Call to Confession and Confession Of Sin Pastor: Isaiah, the prophet, tells us that God, the Holy One, the Creator, is doing a new thing. He sees it as a path in the wilderness, water in the desert, a cool drink to those chosen to do God's tasks. People: We would like to know what that new thing is that God is doing. We have come to this time and place to discover it for ourselves. We have needs to be fulfilled. Pastor: Isaiah says that this God blots out all our transgressions for his own sake. Our sins are no longer remembered. We can experience a new kind of religious freedom for everyone. God provides that for us. People: We would like to believe that kind of freedom is really possible. We would like to believe there is still hope for us and our future as a people. We need to look beyond a past not to be remembered. Pastor: The Apostle Paul reminds us that God is most faithful and in Jesus Christ those promises of God find full expression. In Him we find the "Yes" answer to our need for hopeful help. Let us ask God's forgiveness. All: Lord Jesus Christ, we bring ourselves to You as sin-sick souls. We need Your healing mercy. We ask your help to change us toward a more hope-filled future. Cleanse us of our sickness. And give us new freedom that we do not deserve. Amen

Pastor: Lord. have mercy upon us. People Sing: Lord, have mercy upon us. Pastor: Christ, have mercy upon us. People Sing: Christ, have mercy upon us. Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us. People Sing: Lord, have mercy upon us. Pastor: Hear the promises of God: "Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you." "If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just. and will forgive our sins". I announce therefore in the name of Jesus Christ, that we are forgiven. Praise Versicle (No. 517) Pastor: 0 Lord, open our lips. People Sing: And our mouths shall show forth Thy praise. Hymn of Praise 21 Sacrament of Holy Baptism (10:30 a.m.) Collect and The Holy Scriptures: Old Testament: Isaiah 43:18-25 (p.638) Epistle: 2 Cor. 1:18-22 (p.169)\*Gloria Tibi #497 \*Gospel: Mark 2:1-12 (p. 38) \*Laus Tibi #497 "God's 'Yes' Answer" Sermon: Statement of Faith (Front of Hymnal) 317 Announcements and Moments of Concern Offertory: 3:00 a.m. - Solo - Mr. Edward Tomczewski 10:30 a.m. - Choir - "Dorian in D minor" \*Presentation of Offerings and Doxology Special Music: Women's Group - "Let There Be Peace On Earth" Miller Morning Prayers and Lord's Prayer (Response) \*Benediction 380 \*Recessional Hymn Silence and Meditation Postlude: "Praise God, Ye Christians, All Together" Buxtehude \*Congregation Standing

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers today are a "Love Gift" to the Church in loving memory of Louis J. Marshner on the fourth anniversary of his passing, February 21, 1975. Presented from wife Helen Marshner and girls.

The Sunday Bulletins today are a "Love Gift" to the Church in loving memory of mom, Mrs. Inez McGeoch who passed away three years ago, February 19, 1976. Presented from Earl, Roberta and Rob Jackson.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be administered at the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service to Brandon Keith Dillon, born December 19, 1978, son of Mr. Raymond Dillon, Jr., and Ms. Kathy Malczewski.

## HOSPITALS:

Mrs. Lillian Ramia - Greater Baltimore Mrs. Louise Martin - Maryland General When you are admitted to or released from the hospital please call the Church Office.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today - Pastor's Study Group, 9:15 a.m. - Festival Choir Meeting, 3:00 p.m.

Monday- Senior Citizens - Scouts - Christian Education Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday-Sewing Group - Pastor's Stdy. Group, 1 p.m. - Scouts - SECO Senate Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday-Pastor's Study Group, 6:30 p.m. - Young Women's Guild, 8:00 p.m.

Thursday-Confirmation II, 6:30 p.m. - Senior Choir - Conway Diet - 7:30 p.m.

The Youth Choir will have rehearsal today right after the late service.

