

UNITED EVANGELICAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
East Avenue and Dillon St. Baltimore, Md.  
The Rev. W. Scott Hengen, III - Pastor  
Mr. Robert Gundlach Director of Music  
Sunday, July 22, 1979

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Silence and Meditation - Pew Prayers

Prelude: "Let All Together Praise Our God"

- \*Processional Hymn 31
- \*Solemn Declaration, Psalm 134:1-3 (p.552)
- \*Gloria Patri

Call to Confession and Confession of Sin

Pastor: *The Letter to the Ephesians says that we have been blessed in Christ with every spiritual blessing in heavenly places. And just as we have been chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world was established, so also are we to be holy and blameless in His presence.*

People: *To have been chosen that far in advance means that God must have included us in all His future plans. To believe that is most astounding. It must mean that long before we were even here, God cared about us in His Son, Jesus Christ.*

Pastor: *To be chosen like that, however, means that we can take no credit for being chosen. It means God chose us as a gift, as an opportunity. And it means we were chosen for a special purpose. That purpose is the same purpose for which Jesus came, a plan for the fullness of time to unite all things in Him, both in heaven and on earth.*

People: *Such a super plan is almost beyond our ability to know what it would be like. And it sets our own personal plans and church plans in their true perspective. We need to be sure our plans fit with God's total plan in Christ.*

Pastor: *Then let us begin by recognizing our sinfulness and our need to believe that God would also forgive us.*

All: *We praise You, God, for choosing us. We praise You, God, for giving us our true purpose in Jesus Christ. Take from us our sinfulness. And grant us the pardon and peace we need to do better. In Jesus' name we pray.*  
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: *O Lord, open our lips.*

People Sing: *And our mouths shall show forth Thy praise.*

Hymn of Praise 13

Collect and The Holy Scriptures:

Old Testament: Ezek. 2:1-5 (p.729)

Epistle: 2 Cor.12:7-10 (p.175)

\*Gloria Tibi #497

\*Gospel: Mark 6:1-6 (p. 42)

\*Laus Tibi

Sermon: "Sources Of New Strength"

The Rev. Dr. Ralph E. Weisser

\*Statement of Faith (Front of Hymnal)

Hymn 243

Announcements and Moments Of Concern

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: "In God, My Faithful God" Bach

\*Dedication Of Offerings and Doxology

Special Music:

Solo - Mr. Fred Long - "Have Thine Own Way Lord"

Morning Prayers and Lord's Prayer (Response)

\*Benediction  
 \*Recessional Hymn 205  
 Silence and Meditation  
 Postlude: "In Peace and Joy I Now Depart"  
 \*Congregation Standing  
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers today are a "Love Gift" to the Church in loving memory of my husband, George F. Gross on the 3rd anniversary of his passing, July 22. Presented from wife, Norma L. Gross.

HOSPITALS:

Mrs. Margaret Connor - Church Home - Room 515  
 Mrs. Carolyn Harrell - Johns Hopkins-Room 814B  
 Mr. Matthew Groom Good Samaritan Room E203  
 When you are admitted to or released from the hospital please call the Church Office.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today - Youth Group Home Meeting, 2-5 p.m.  
 Monday- Senior Citizens, 10 a.m. - Youth Group Show Rehearsal, 7-9 p.m.  
 Wednesday-Youth Group Show Rehearsal, 7-9 p.m.  
 Thursday-Youth Group Show Rehearsal, 7-9 p.m.  
 Conway Diet Group, 7:30 p.m.

Pastor Hengen will be on vacation for 2 weeks. Dr. Ralph Weisser is the supply pastor today. Mr. Stephen Fair, a seminarian at Lancaster Theological Seminary and living in Baltimore will be the supply pastor on July 29. For other pastoral services, contact the Church Office (276-0393).

Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Mr. Charles H. Becker, who passed away July 18, 1979.



*The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.  
 Psalm 33:5*