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, September 14, 1980 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Silence and Meditation - Pew Prayers Prelude: Bryn Calfaria R.V. Williams *Processional Hymn *Solemn Declaration, Psalm 38:21-22 (p.496)*Gloria Patri Call to Confession and Confession of Sin: Pastor: Jesus told the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector for those like us who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and yet despised others. The one who acknowledged himself a sinner and asked for God's mercy was the one who returned to his house truly justified. People: We come together, not to point at the sins of others, but to recognize and ask forgiveness for our own sins. We experience this event of humility in our personal lives and also in our life together as a congregation. Like for the tax collector, this is a good experience for us. Pastor: It is also good for us that our worship includes the opportunity to experience how God's mercy transforms us. We share together God's good news of forgiveness in Jesus Christ. The power of His cross and resurrection makes it possible for us to become different than our natural selves. People: We seek that power to change from what we are to what God would have us become. We need to stop injuring each other and outsiders by our envy, jealousy, and hate. Pastor: Therefore, let us confess our sins and ask God's forgiveness. All: We join in humility now as we are conscious of both our individual and our corporate sins. As weakened souls we seek the

strength of Thy forgiveness, O God. Pardon us of our wrong doing and our wrong thinking. Remove from us our separation from Thee and from each other. Hear our requests for mercy and grant us the assistance we need to become better in the future. For we ask to be included within Christ's victory over the sinfulness of the whole world and pray in His Name. 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. 76 Hymn of Praise Collect and The Holy Scriptures: Old Testament: Proverbs 9:8-12 (p.566-67) (p.207) Epistle: Philemon 8-17 *Gloria Tibi #497 Luke 14:25-33 (p. 76) *Gospel: *Laus Tibi "A New Partnership" Sermon: *Statement of Faith (Front of Hymnal) 253 Hymn Announcements and Moments of Concern - Mr. J. Edwin Myers) Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Flute Solo Arne Offertory: Morning Prayers and Lord's Prayer (Choral Response)

*Benediction

*Recessional Hymn

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Silence and Meditation

Psalm IXX Postlude:

Marcello

*Congregation Standing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOSPITALS:

Mrs. Anna Scheufel - Franklin Square - Room 2201A

Mrs. Katherine Bush - Franklin Square - Room 4250B

Miss Ethel Becker - Union Memorial - Room 711 Mrs. Marguerite Braun - North Arundel General Room 308B

Mr. Daniel Griffin - St. Joseph's - Room 620B When you are admitted to or released from the hospital please call the Church Office.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Today - For Widows and Widowers Only Noon Covered Dish Luncheon - Youth Group Home Meeting, 2 p.m. - New Confirmands and Parents/Guardians Meeting with the Pastor, 2 p.m.

Monday- Senior Citizens, 10 a.m. - Scouts Wednesday-Guild Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

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

Saturday-Youth Group Bus Trip to King's Dominion

Our special congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Scott Cox nee Sandra Dee Price who were married here vesterday.

Confirmation Class II will begin classes on this Thursday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m.



Learn to show piety at home 1 Tim. 5:4