

RELIGION CALENDAR

Moral perspectives

Expedient action often goes against morality

CONGREGATION BETH ABRAHAM HILLEL, 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield, will install officers for the 1978-79 year during festival morning services the first day of Shavuot on Sunday.

Jack Schon of Southfield will be installed for his second term as president, and taking office with him will be Sheldon Fishman, vice-president and chairman of the board; Ned Fishman, Benjamin Kinzer and Bernard Kaufman, vice-presidents; Herman Strassberger and Bernard Lichtenstein, secretaries, and Max Blum, treasurer.

TEMPLE BETH EL, 7400 Telegraph, Birmingham, will hold high school graduation and consecration of firmans at 8 p.m. Friday, with Dr. Richard C. Hertz delivering the baccalaureate sermon.

ST. DAVID EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 16200 W. Twelve Mile, Southfield, will present a concert with Solisti Barocchi, a newly formed chamber ensemble, at 8 p.m. Sunday, under the direction of music director Micha Rachlevsky.

Robert Benson, organist, will be guest artist, and soloists joining him will be Faith Foster, soprano; Ginka Gerova Orgega, flutist; Rachlevsky, violinist; Debra Fayroin, cellist, and David Wilson, harpsichordist. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students high school age or younger.

ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1400 Inglewood in Rochester, is having a double reception after the 11 a.m. mass Sunday for the Rev. Eugene Airain, who is celebrating his 25th year as a priest, and the Rev. David West, the new parish priest at St. Andrew, who was sent to the church after the Rev. Joseph Mahoney left to be the priest for Harper Hospital Emergency Room in Detroit.

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 620 Romeo Road, Rochester, is having a newspaper drive from 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday. Proceeds will benefit youth summer projects. The paper drive is sponsored by Lamplighter's and will be in the church parking lot.

EMERSON UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST FELLOWSHIP, 4230 Livernois, Troy, is ending the year with a picnic at 1 p.m. Sunday. There will be baseball and volleyball, and participants are asked to bring food, beverages and a dish of food to share to the home of Ann Collins. For more information about the picnic, call the church at 524-9339.

The debate continues about the construction of an eight-lane highway through the center of downtown Troy. A great deal of pressure is being generated by the Oakland County Road Commission and the City of Troy to build this highway because it is the most expedient solution to traffic problems and will speed development of commercial property.

From a moral and religious point of view, however, the expedient answer is usually the wrong answer. The arguments to build such a highway are all focused upon solving immediate problems. Those who support the expedient solution say it must be approved and carried out now or there will be terrible consequences.

The eight-lane highway must be started now or there will be increased traffic accidents. Loss of life and loss of profit will be blamed upon those who caution a longer evaluation and even a reversal of the present plan. It is expedient that this plan be pressed through now.

RELIGION IS opposed to the expedient solution in favor of a longer range view of those less tangible values of quality of life, community spirit, justice, and equal access to the cultural and socially redeeming values



By REV. DAVID STRONG

of a community. Religion has to do with the values of caring and sharing, of nurturing and preserving symbols of value in a culture.

I recently was told about a school district in our area where the decision of where to place special education classes would probably be made by the bus drivers who would transport the children to their special classes. The school administrator stated that the classes would probably be located in a school most convenient to the bus schedules. Many more important criteria for placing these classes would probably be ignored.

The expedient solution pays little attention to the needs of people. Nevertheless, this is one function of religion, to see the larger view and to focus attention upon the enhancement of human values.

remove administrative hassle.

THE VERY REASON for the execution of Jesus was that "it was expedient that he should die" to avoid social unrest and the reactions of the Roman government. How many times in the history of mankind have expedient decisions destroyed art persons and great resources and societies?

Fortunately, preventing the overuse of our environment and resources has become an important cause for many in our land. Cultivating and protecting endangered values in our world will require that we be more willing to oppose the expedient solution.

However, we must become aware of what great pressures are allied behind expedient decisions. Large money interests, government administrators, the profit motive and our very style of life pushes us toward expedient solutions for problems.

Religiously motivated persons will act in opposition to expedient decisions. They will raise the question of other values which may seem to many to be impractical or unprogressive. Nevertheless, this is one function of religion, to see the larger view and to focus attention upon the enhancement of human values.

Rev. Smith marks 25 years

The Rev. Ronald W. Smith, pastor of Pilgrim Congregational Church of Bloomfield Hills since 1970, now has served 25 years as an ordained minister.

His congregation helped the Birmingham resident mark the 25th anniversary of his ordination in McKeesport, Pa., on May 24, 1953.

A graduate of Adrian College and Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N.J., he served 18 years as a Methodist minister before accepting a call

from the First Congregation Church of Toledo in 1969.

Smith currently is working on his doctorate of ministry at Troy Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, Ill.

He is a member of the commission on the ministry for the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches and served a term as moderator of the denomination's southeast association.

He also is dean of the National Association Minister's Convocation.



REV. RONALD W. SMITH

ORT entertainer Cantor Harol Orbach will present a musical salute to the 30th anniversary of Israel's Independence for the honor roll luncheon of the Michigan region for Women's American ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training) at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 13, in the Sheraton-Southfield grand ballroom. Honor roll members are those who raise \$50 or more toward ORT worldwide projects to help educate Jewish youth. Belle Traub is chairwoman of the luncheon committee.

Postal women set meet

The Michigan District Postal Women's Conference will be held June 9-11 at the Detroit Plaza Hotel in the Renaissance Center.

Approximately 2,000 women from across the country and Canada will assemble to concentrate on career development and training for upward mobility. All facets of development, whether personal, medical, motivational or managerial, will be presented at these sessions.

Set sail

The American Youth Hostels are offering "Let's Go Sail Vacations" during the summer. These week-long trips are being offered in northern Lake Huron. Detailed information and a brochure are available from American Youth Hostels, 2024 Coolidge, Berkley, 545-0311.

Getting settled made simple. New-town dilemmas fade after a WELCOME WAGON call. As your Hostess, it's my job to help you make the most of your new neighborhood. Our shopping areas, community opportunities, special attractions, lots of facts to save you time and money. Plus a basket of gifts for your family. I'll be listening for your call. Welcome Wagon. CALL 356-7720

Your Invitation To Worship

For Church Directory Information Please Call: Debbie 644-1100 Ext. 217. CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia. Pastor Gerald Fisher. 8:30 p.m. Youth Meetings 10:15 a.m. Church School 7:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Service 7:30 p.m. Second Service of Worship 11:15 a.m. Nursery Provided at All Services.

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BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH A.L.C. 5631 North Adams Road 1/2 Mile North of Long Lake Rd. Sun. 8:30 A.M. Mains Communion 3rd Sunday 9:45 A.M. Sunday School 11:00 MORNING WORSHIP COMMUNION 1st SUNDAY Fred W. Macdon, Pastor Diane F. Soule, Pastor MI 6-5041 MI 6-5124

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 165 E. Sweet Lake Road Bloomfield Hills (2 1/2 miles east of Woodward) 338-9323 Minister: Dr. Roger Innes Church School 9:45 A.M. Worship Service 10:00 A.M. Pastors Class 10 A.M. - New Testament

EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 23425 Lohrey Road (East W. of 9 Mile) Phone: 357-1848 9:30 A.M. Church School 10:45 A.M. The Service The Rev. L. Alden Erdmann

COVENANT BAPTIST Covenant is a church where Christian education is important. There is a place for you and your family to study and grow. Church School 9:45 11:00 11 AM & 6:30 PM 5000 W. Maple Rd. W. Bloomfield, Mich 48003 1/2 Mile W. of Orchard Lake 855-9191

First United Methodist Church 1589 West Maple at Pleasant Ministers: James W. Wright, G. Bryn Evans John H. Bunce, Thomas H. Beaven Harold E. Weemhoff Worship Services 8:30, 9:30 & 11 a.m. Church School 9:30 and 11 a.m. Nursery Care Provided

Birk in the Hills PRESBYTERIAN 1340 W. Long Lake Rd MINISTERS James F. Anderson Robert L. Lindsey Ross H. Gooch Worship Services and Church School Sundays at 9:30 and 11:30 A.M.

St. John American Lutheran Church 23223 68th Road, Farmington Pastor Duane Fox 474-0506 or 474-4480 Church Office GR 4-4480 Outside of GR, Farmington, Phone: 474-2844

St. Andrew Lutheran Church LCA 6555 Telegraph Rd. Birmingham N. of Maple WORSHIP SERVICE Sunday Church School 10:30 A.M. Thursday Church School 5:00 P.M. Children's Health Center 464-5207

Bethlehem Lutheran Church 35300 Eight Mile Road Farmington Hills ENO M. TUORI, PASTOR Worship & Sunday School 10:30 A.M. First Church Of God Farmington Hills 2577 Pine Road, W. of W. of 9 Mile, Farmington Hills, Mich. 48015 9:45 Morning Worship 11:00 Evening Service Wednesday Prayer 7:30

FARMINGTON HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH 28301 Middlebelt Rd. 1/2 Mile N. of 12 Mile A FULL-SERVICE CHURCH SUNDAY GRADED BIBLE SCHOOL 9:45 AM - 11 AM 11 AM - 1:30 PM CHILDREN'S CHURCH 9:45 AM - 11 AM WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT 7:30 PM Douglas B. Brown, Pastor Nursery Provided at All Services 851-0310 Ample Parking C.B.A. Affiliated No Steps

First Baptist Church Base and Walls, Birmingham, Mich. Robert G. Middleton, Minister David W. Swain, Pastor Glen W. Maurer, Pastor James J. Armstrong, Emeritus Church School 9:45 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M. Worship 6:00 P.M. Prayer Service Wednesday 7:15 P.M. Bible Study 651-8516

Salem United Church of Christ Oakland at 6th, Farmington Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Worship Service at 10:15 A.M. Church Office GR 4-4480 Outside of GR, Farmington, Phone: 474-2844

The Congregational Church of Birmingham, U.C.C. Woodward at Cranbrook Bloomfield Hills MI 6-4511 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship and Church School Minister: Rev. Charles O. Erickson Minister of Education: Rev. Ross W. Walker

FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH United Methodist at Franklin & 9th Street Services at 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. Nursery care at both Services Sunday School at 11:15 a.m. Junior High at 10:15 a.m. 7, 8, 9th Grades Adult Education at 10:15 a.m. Family Hour at 10:15 a.m. Senior Minister Frank B. Cnwick Associate Minister Charles Stubbs

Beverly Hills United Methodist Church 3008 W. 13 Mile at Telegraph 464-7777 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Worship through School) Mother's Blessing Service

Christian Science Churches FARMINGTON HILLS CHRISTIAN CENTER Dr. Dale Reed at Freedom Farmington Hills, MI, 48024 Phone: 478-2911 Rev. Edmund Lofner, Pastor Rev. John Walataryk, Associate Pastor Sunday, June 11, 1978 9:45 A.M. Sunday School - sessions continue all summer 10:45 AM "THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH REVEALED" - The Pastor Ministers Special music by THE LUTHER TRIO 7:00 PM "THREE IN THE BUSH" - sound, color, motion film revealing the events at the Baptism of the church. Thursday 7:30 PM ALL FAMILY BIBLE STUDY A church moving ahead with the Word of God.

WARD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA Farmington Road & Six Mile Road Worship & Sunday School 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. 422-1150 Youth Day & Recognition of Graduates "Did You Pass Or Flunk?" Dr. Bartlett L. Hess 7:00 p.m. Holy Communion and Recognition of New Members "Is God Sufficient to Meet All My Needs?" Rev. William C. Moore 8:15 p.m. Reception for new members in Knox Hall Wednesday 7:30 p.m. HOUR OF POWER 9:30 Sunday Service Broadcast WMUZ-FM 103.5 Air Conditioned Sanctuary Nursery Provided at All Services

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON Richard Duncan, Pastor Phone 474-0350 32400 SHAWASSEE, FARMINGTON ROAD GRAND RIVER SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP 11:00 a.m. EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 a.m.

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