

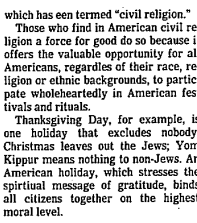
Traditional and civil religions can co-exist

The American people have established certain holidays which give expression to the concepts and values emerging out of the American experience. All of us share, in one form or another, in the observance of Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, Columbus Day, and the like.

In the course of the last 200 years, traditions have grown up which impart to these days unique and distinctive rituals. For instance, on Memorial Day the graves of fallen soldiers are visited and decorated. On Nov. 11, the president places a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. On Thanksgiving, we relive the saga of the pilgrim fathers as we consume the ceremonial fowl identified with that heroic past.

Certain places have become virtual shrines. The Lincoln Memorial, for example, is visited by Americans in the same spirit of awe and solemnity that animates the faithful who stand before the holy sites of Judaism or Rome or Mecca.

THUS WE SEE how the American people, in preserving the principles of American democracy, have created holidays and observances which convey a powerful sense of identification with the history and ideals which that people cherishes. It is this development



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which has been termed "civil religion." Those who find in American civil religion a force for good do so because it offers the valuable opportunity for all Americans, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background, to participate wholeheartedly in American festivals and rituals.

Thanksgiving Day, for example, is one holiday that excludes nobody. Christmas leaves out the Jews; Yom Kippur means nothing to non-Jews. An American holiday, which stresses the spiritual message of gratitude, binds all citizens together on the highest moral level.

THE MAJOR OBJECTION to civil religion involve the ideas that it might threaten to supplant the traditional religions, and that civil religion could deteriorate into blind patriotism, and a deification of the state.

While these fears are not to be ignored, they can be allayed. Traditional religions, whose roots go back thousands of years to other parts of the world, possess a vitality, strength and endurance which are formidable. The recent visit of Pope John Paul to the United States gave additional witness to the profound loyalty traditional religion evokes in the hearts of its followers. In addition, civil religion of the right kind would deliberately encourage the expression of traditional religions whose ideals inspire the vision of America.

Finally, traditional religions would sit in judgment upon the civil religion whenever the latter would show signs of deviation from high ethical standards. The co-existence of traditional religions and civil religion, a unique American phenomenon, can be an harmonious and mutually strengthening relationship.



ALON BEN-MEIR

Journalist to talk to Pioneer Women

Alon Ben-Meir, journalist, will speak on international politics at the 54th anniversary luncheon of the Pioneer Women set for noon Wednesday, Oct. 24 in Congregation Shaarey Zedek, Southfield.

He is author of "The Middle East: Imperative and Choices" and "Israel: The Challenge of the Four Decades." Funds raised from this luncheon will be used to aid child care centers, vocational training programs, community centers, agricultural schools and consumer education in Israel. The Pioneer Women organization is dedicated to improving the status of women.

Those wishing information or reservations may call Ida Cornbein, 851-0750.

Kimball to attend meeting

Spencer Kimball, president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, will preside over an area Mormon conference to be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 20-22 in Crisler Arena in Ann Arbor.

About 14,000 church members from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Pennsylvania are expected to attend.

Also attending the meeting will be George Romney, former Michigan governor and regional representative of the church, and Ezra Taft Benson, president of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles and a secretary of agriculture under President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Other Mormon leaders expected are Dean Larson and Burton Howard of the

First Quorum of the Seventy; Barbara Smith, president of the Women's Relief Society; and Robert Backman, executive administrator of the north central area.

The two-day conference will be in four sessions. The first is for women 12 years and older, and will take place from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Members of the priesthood groups will meet at 7 p.m. the same day.

General sessions will be held at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday. Kimball will not be present at this meeting. The public is invited to all sessions. For more information call the Michigan Dearborn Mission, 478-8588 or the Ann Arbor Stake, 434-0699.

WSU schedules sexuality workshop

A two-weekend workshop on human sexuality will be offered Oct. 19-21 and 26-28 at the Wayne State University Angling Center, 27800 Franklin, Southfield.

Designed by WSU professor, Dr. John Pietrofesa, the workshop will provide teachers, counselors and other professionals with an interdisciplinary approach to the understanding of human sexuality.

Guest experts will cover such topics as sex education in the schools; venereal disease and contraception; sex and culture; developmental sexuality; social pressure and sexual pressure; and female sexual response.

Speakers include Joseph Albini, WSU professor of sociology; Lawrence Freedman, assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction of the Ingardva school district; and Ingardva Hanson, associate professor

of psychiatric nursing at WSU School of Nursing.

Also involved are Paul Pearsall, chief of the Problems of Daily Living Clinic at Sinai Hospital; Jeannette Poindexter, associate professor at the WSU College of Nursing; Susan Shapiro, consulting psychologist; Jerry Tobias, professor of the University of Detroit; and Dr. Charles Vincent, associate dean of the WSU School of Medicine.

Hours of the workshop are from 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, and from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays Oct. 20, 21, 27, and 28. Hours on Thursday Oct. 28 are from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The workshop is open to graduates and undergraduates, or may be taken on a non-credit basis.

For more information contact the Angling Center, 358-2104.

President's day to be observed

Two women who work in television will be the guest speakers on "All Presidents' Day" to be celebrated by the League of Jewish Women's Organizations of Greater Detroit on Thursday, Oct. 25. The noon meeting will

be at Young Israel of Oak Woods, 24061 Cooldge, Oak Park.

All Jewish women's organizations in the area have been invited to hear Jennifer Moore, news broadcaster on television station

WDIV, Channel 4, and Wendy Robbins, special projects producer for WJLB, Channel 2, speak on "Today's President in the Business World."

Arrangements chairman is Mrs. Henry Shore. The invocation will be given by Mrs. Seymour Ribiat, president of the Sisterhood of Young Israel Center. Vice-president of the program is Mrs. Alan Wehner. President of the league is Mrs. Stanley Bar.

Singles party

Singles Unlimited will sponsor a disco party at 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21, at Tapperoony's (formerly Alvaro's), 1824 W. Fourteen Mile, Royal Oak.

"Disco with Carter, Sound and Sights" is the theme, and admission is \$3.50.

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For Church Directory Info: Call 644-1100 ext. 230

<p>BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH A.L.C. 5631 North Adams Road N. of E. Long Lake Rd. WINTER SCHEDULE 8:15 AM Mattins Service Communion 3rd Sunday 9:30 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Morning Worship Communion 1st Sunday Fred W. MacLean, Pastor Diane F. Schaller, Pastor MI 6-5241</p>	<p>CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia Pastor Gerald Fisher 474-3454 9 a.m. First Worship Service 10:15 a.m. Church School 11:15 a.m. Second Service of Worship 6:30 p.m. Youth Meetings 7 p.m. Sunday Evening Service 7:30 p.m. Week-End Midweek Service Nursery Provided at All Services</p>	<p>Crown of Life Lutheran Church meets in the High on Adams Rd., Rochester Worship Service 8:30 A.M. Worship Service 10:30 A.M. Adult Bible Study 7:30 P.M. Gary H. Bar, Pastor 391-240</p>	<p>Beverly Hills United Methodist Church 20000 W. Middlebelt 848-9777 Worship 10:00 am Church School 10:00 am Thursday through High School Minister: John W. Bray</p>	<p>Greek Orthodox Church HOLY CROSS 25225 Middlebelt Rd. Farmington Hills Priest Rev. S.J. Anthony 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>COVENANT BAPTIST 24000 Middlebelt Rd. at Westpark Church School 9:45 am - 11:00 am Evening Worship 6:30 pm 3800 W. Maple Rd. W. Bloomfield 30-1603 Pastor: M. W. of Oakwood Lake Rd. 855-9193 Dr. William F. Knecher - Senior Pastor Rev. Edward A. Luby - Assoc. Pastor Rev. Judith A. Daniels - Minister of Education Miss Tracy - Director of Music Robert Delany - Organist</p>						
<p>NATIVITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH THE JOYFUL CHURCH 2722 W. 14 Mile Rd. Beverly Hills and Crisler Sisterhood 9:30 AM 9:30 AM & 10:30 AM Sister and Church School at 10:30 Pastor John C. Fritschberg</p>	<p>Salem United Church of Christ WJLB, Channel 2, speak on "Today's President in the Business World." Arrangements chairman is Mrs. Henry Shore. The invocation will be given by Mrs. Seymour Ribiat, president of the Sisterhood of Young Israel Center. Vice-president of the program is Mrs. Alan Wehner. President of the league is Mrs. Stanley Bar.</p>	<p>Bethlehem Lutheran Church 35300 Eight Mile Road Farmington Hills ENID M. TUORIL, PASTOR Church Office GR 4-4880 Gladys at CE West, Farmington Mrs. James A. Reiss, Music Parish Office 474-2264</p>	<p>FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH "on the Village Green" Services 9:15 AM - 11:15 AM. Frank B. Cowick Jack Stubbs Ministers</p>	<p>St. Andrew Lutheran Church 4255 Telegraph Rd. Birmingham N. of Maple WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 AM Charles William Richter 646-5207</p>	<p>DETROIT FIRST Church of the Nazarene 30623 W. Twelve Mile Farmington Hills 477-2525 Services Sunday 9:45 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 6:30 p.m. Praise & Worship 7:00 Family Night The Orchard United Methodist Church 30450 Elmwood Road Farmington Hills 9:30 am and 11:00 am Church School & Nursery 9:30 am and 11:00 am Special Program for Exceptional Youth & Young Adults 10:00 Ministers Robert L. Brown James F. Thomas</p>	<p>RICE MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST 20803 Beech Daily So. of Eight Mile 534-4907 WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 Rev. John Clair Ferris, Pastor Nursery Provided</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS CHRISTIAN CENTER Drake Rd. at Freedom Phone 478-1511 Rev. Edward Lottor, Pastor SUNDAY 8:45 AM-Sunday School 10:45 AM - Worship 7:00 PM - Revival Party Thursday 7:30 PM Affiliated with the Assemblies of God</p>	<p>GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH 2600 Pontiac Rd. Farmington Township 9:30 & 11:00 am Rev. Robert A. Gilman - Pastor Worship 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Church Phone 373-5222</p>	<p>St. John American Lutheran Church 23225 Gull Road - Farmington Charles Fox - Pastor Nursery 9:30-11:00 am Sunday School 9:30 am Nursery at 11:00 am. 474-5264</p>	<p>St. Paul United Methodist Church 185 E. Square Lake Road Bloomfield Hills 12 mi East of Woodward 338-8233 9:45 am Church School 11:00 am Worship Nursery Provided</p>	<p>EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 2242 Lusher Road Farmington Hills (get N. of 9 Mile) Phone 357-1841 Church School The Service The Rev. L. Allen Etanson 644-6850</p>

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