



moral perspectives

Rev. David Strong

We must oppose death penalty

Oakland County's prosecutor, L. Brooks Patterson, is pushing to reinstate the death penalty in Michigan.

Such a drive has been stopped before. However, more frustration and resentment has built up with in people due to recent international events and a corresponding desire to "get tough".

A further development may have ominous consequences regarding the death penalty decision. A method of execution has been devised which the U.S. Supreme Court may find more difficult to rule as "cruel and unusual punishment."

This method, which has been adopted by four states, Texas, Idaho, Oklahoma and New Mexico, is a drug-induced death which would only make the victim drowsy before death.

The plan is that the executioners will be dressed

in white gowns. From behind a partition they would inject lethal drugs into the victim's veins. The drugs would make the person drowsy and he or she will die quickly and painlessly. Someone has called this method of execution "the ultimate high."

WE NEED to remind ourselves that death, no matter how nicely executed, is still punishment that is both unusual and violent.

Michigan was the first state in this country to abolish the death penalty. It was done away with because of moral revolution.

A public hanging was held in downtown Detroit in 1830. Many had come to see the event. After the hanging, distaste and horror swept through the crowd. Many stormed down Woodward Avenue, ripped down a flagpole and threw it into the Detroit river.

Out of this experience came the first organized efforts to rid Michigan of the death penalty. Seventeen years later Michigan became a leader in abolishing this evil.

THIS SAME question continues to return. Each time it is dressed in a prettier costume. It is the same reality even though painless drugs would seem to hide the violence.

We need to oppose the death penalty whether it is to be carried out in Iran or in Michigan. We need to recognize that execution by drugs would suggest that the state itself is using drugs to cover up reality.

We must see that death by any means is cruel and unusual punishment. We must continue to be morally sickened and horrified by a drive to give our state the right to kill any human being.

Learn how to manage time, stress, packing

Six personal development workshops dealing with communications, adjustment, stress management and one-day vacation packing have been scheduled during March and April at Schoolcraft College.

The College's Women's Resource Center, 591-6400, ext. 430, is accepting registrations.

A communication workshop "Between Parents and Teens" is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 8.

Facilitator Betty Wagner said the workshop is designed to help parents and teens learn how to enhance good relationships and confront conflicts through more effective communication.

A \$15 fee is charged. Another Saturday workshop, "The Art of Coupling," is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on March 15. Jack Bradford, a marriage and family counselor, will help couples enrich their relationships by giving special attention to improving communication, shared feelings, negotiating differences and enhancing intimacy.

The fee is \$20 per couple and participants should bring a bag lunch.

"Between Marriages: Sexual Readjustment after Divorce" will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 1. Facilitated by Livonia psychologist Dr. Wayne Fisk, this evening workshop is designed to help recently divorced persons cope

with a new range of sexual relationships and intimate lifestyles. The fee is \$10.

Two seminars for coping with daily life problems will be offered: An all-day seminar on "Time Management" is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4. Facilitator Alice Belfie will help participants determine priorities and deadlines and examine habits and skills.

On Tuesday, March 18, Ms. Belfie will facilitate a seminar on "Stress Management" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Participants will attempt to understand the physiology of stress and to assess their own stress load. The fee for

both seminars is \$20 and participants should bring a bag lunch.

A final workshop designed to help develop personal skills is entitled "I Love Luggage - Will Travel," and is scheduled from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4. Facilitator Jan Brock will give potential travelers demonstrations and show them how to pack for a weekend or two months of travel using only one bag. The fee is \$10.

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road in Livonia and the Women's Resource Center is located in the second house from the south parking lot.

volunteers

The Oakland County Volunteer Bureau, a program of the Volunteer Action Center of United Community Services, has weekly listings of volunteer opportunities. Further information about these and other volunteer needs at over 200 agencies may be obtained by calling the bureau at 642-7272. Any non-profit organization needing volunteer assistance may also call the bureau.

NEWSLETTER ASSISTANTS - The committee for children's TV is recruiting volunteers who have a concern for the effects of television on children and some journalism experience to develop and produce a newsletter. Volunteers will work with the Newsletter Editor but should be able to handle writing, typing, layout and mailing duties. Time commitment is five hours a month.

HORTICULTURAL ASSISTANT - Volunteers with some experience with plants are needed at Clinton Valley Center in Pontiac. Duties include assisting patients in flower arranging and greenhouse work in the winter and in planting and maintaining outdoor beds in the summer. Time commitment is two hours a week.

REALITY ORIENTATION INSTRUCTORS - Volunteers who have an interest in helping the elderly become more aware of the present surroundings are needed by a Pontiac Convalescent Center. The program involves meeting on a regular basis with a small group of residents to help them focus on their lives in terms of who they are and where they are and what is going on. Training is provided.

Workplace harassment book available

A conference report on "Sexual Harassment in the Workplace," a meeting which drew some 600 participants in Detroit last Oct. 27, is now available. The report includes summaries of the major addresses by Lyn Farley, author of "Sexual Shakedown," and Gloria Steinem, editor of Ms. Magazine.

Topics of the eight workshops included "economic and emotional results of sexual harassment," "union grievance procedures," and "personal strategies," selected workshops handouts, and a complete text of the conference resolutions.

The statewide event, believed to be one of the first of its kind in the country, was sponsored by the Michigan Task Force on Sexual Harassment in the Workplace and the Program on Women and Work of the U-M/Wayne State University Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations (ILIR).

Copies of the 70-page report (\$3.25 a copy) are available from the U-M Program on Women and Work, ILIR, 108 Museums Annex, Ann Arbor, 48109 or call (313) 764-0492 for further information.

Bible College invites visitors

Detroit Bible College, 35700 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, will hold its spring college preview 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday. The college will provide an overview of courses offered with special assemblies and a chance to talk with the students, faculty and staff. The day will include lunch and there is no charge.

Your Invitation to Worship

For Church Directory Information Please Call 644-1100 Ext. 200

FARMINGTON HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH
28301 Middlebelt Road, 1/2 Mile N. of 12 Mile
A FULL-SERVICE CHURCH
SUNDAY
GRADED BIBLE SCHOOL 9:45 AM
WORSHIP SERVICES 11 AM and 6 PM
CHILDREN'S CHURCH 9:45 AM
WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT 7:00 PM
Dorothy B. Brown, Pastor
Nursery provided at All Services
Ample Parking C.B.A. Affiliated

UNIVERSITY HILLS CHURCH
Christian Reformed
28711 Farmington Rd. #14490
Farmington Hills 477-4351
(Church Nursery Available)
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 AM
ADULTS' BIBLE EDUCATION 10:00 AM
with discussion: 10 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE 11 AM
"You have a friend"

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON
Richard Duncan Pastor - Phone 474-0350
33400 SHIAWASSEE
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 a.m.
MORNING WORSHIP 11:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 p.m.

FAITH COVENANT CHURCH
Pastor Michael A. Halleen
35415 W. 14 Mile Road 661-9191
Sunday School 9:30 AM
Adult Study Groups 9:30 AM
Sunday Worship Service 10:45 AM

COVENANT BAPTIST
Covenant is a church with a fully graded Christian Education program for the entire family. Come and grow with us.
SUNDAYS
9:45 A.M. Church School
11:00 A.M. Gospel Song Fest
6:30 P.M. Evening Service
Dr. William K. Keucher, Pastor; Rev. Edward A. Libby, Assoc. Pastor; Rev. Judith A. Daniels, Minister of C.E.
5800 W. Maple Road • W. Bloomfield, MI 48103
* 1/2 Mile west of Orchard Lake Rd. • 855-9191

NORTHBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
14 Mile and Lahser Roads
Worship 9:30 11:00 a.m.
Pastors
M.L. Dunkelberger
E.W. Dunn
Phone 642-2200

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST
20300 Middlebelt Livonia 474-3444
Pastor Gerald Fisher
9 a.m. First Worship Service
10:15 a.m. The 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. West-Town Meetings
Nursery Provided at All Services

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
35300 Eight Mile Road
Farmington Hills
Lowell Anderson, Pastor
478-5520
Sunday: 9:15 AM - Nursery Provided

NORTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
26275 Northwestern Highway near Lahser
Southfield Mich. Phone 356-1660
United for the worship of God
and service to humanity
focus on their lives in terms of who they are and where they are and what is going on. Training is provided.
Rev. Mark P. Jensen, Senior Minister
Rev. David W. Howell, Jr., of Christian Education
Dr. Harry Langford, Jr., of Music
Adult Study 10 AM
Youth Fellowship 10 AM
Sunday School 11 AM
Morning Worship 11 AM
No Stairs
Nursery Provided

SHERBORN OF THE HILLS
LUTHERAN CHURCH
22800 AVON RD. BRIVE
ROBINSON HEIGHTS
(Cross & 55 acres from
Lanes R. Jennings, Pastor
824-2326 473-5504
Sunday School and
Adult Education
at 9:00 a.m.
Worship at 10:00 a.m.
Everyone Welcome!

Kirk in the Hills PRESBYTERIAN
1340 W. Long Lake Rd
MINISTERS
James L. Anderson
Robert L. Lindsey
Worship Services and
Church School
SUNDAYS
9:30 and 11:30 AM

CENTRAL WOODWARD CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)
3855 W. BIG BEAVER RD.,
TROY (at Adams)
CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30
WORSHIP 11:00 AM
Minister
ROBERT H. BOYTE
644-0512

St. John American Lutheran Church
22725 Gill Road Farmington
Charles Fox - Pastor
Worship at 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Nursery at 11:00 a.m.
474-0584

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER
Episcopal
18140 Corner Rd
Southfield
589-4418
Sunday Services 8 & 10:30 AM
1928 Prayer Book
Services Only

WARD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA
Farmington Road 5 1/2 Mile Road 474-1150
Worship & Sunday School 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.
Message by Mr. Don Richardson
Missionary to the Savi people of New Guinea
Author of Peach Child
7:00 PM
Message by Mr. Don Richardson
Wednesday School of Christian Education
Family Dinner 6:00 p.m. Classes & Choirs 7:00 p.m.
Sunday Service Broadcast
9:30 a.m., WMUZ-FM 103.5
Nursery Provided at All Services

The Orchard United Methodist Church
30450 Farmington Road
Livonia 474-1150
Morning Worship
9:30 am and 11:00 am
Church School & Nursery
9:30 am and 11:00 am
Special Program for
Exceptional Youth & Young Adults
11:00 am
105-5265
Ministries:
Robert L. S. Brown
Walter E. Thompson
EMMANUEL CHURCH
25425 Lahser Road
Livonia 474-1150
9:30 AM Church School
10:45 AM Church Service
The Rev. L. Allen Erdman

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Oakland at Grand River, Farm.
9:00 am Church School
10:15 am Divine Worship
Rev. James A. Nelson, Minister
Church Office - 474-5880
Parsonage - 474-2244

Ascension of Christ Lutheran Church
10935 W. 14 Mile
Birmingham
SUNDAY
Family Learning Hour 9:15 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.
644-8890

ST PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
165 E. Square Lake Road
Bloomfield Hills
(2 1/2 miles East of Woodward)
338-8235
9:45 a.m. - Church School
9:45 a.m. - Pastor's Class
11:00 a.m. - Worship
Nursery Provided
Dr. David Truman, Pastor

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
1589 West Maple at Pleasant
Ministries: James W. Wright • G. Bryn Evans
Douglas W. Vernon • Harold E. Weenhoff
Services: 9:30, 9:30
& 11:15 AM
Nursery Care Provided
Nursery School: Mon. thru Fri.
9:00 - 11:30 AM

GLORIA DEI LUTHERAN CHURCH
28200 Pontiac Rd.
Farmington Hills 477-4573
Worship: 10:00 AM
Church School: 10:00 AM
Nursery Provided
Minister - Charles H. Beynon

FARMINGTON HILLS CHRISTIAN CENTER
Drake Road at Freedom
Farmington Hills
Phone 478-1551
Rev. Edmund Lohrer, Pastor
SUNDAY
9:45 am - Sunday School
10:45 am - Worship
11:00 am - Revival Rally
7:30 pm - Thursday
Mid-Week Service
Attended with the
Assemblies of God

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
Christian Center
12 Mile & Farmington Roads
Behind Crowley's
The Rev. R.A. St. Pierre - Pastor
Sunday Worship 8:30 & 10:45 A.M.
Sunday School and Bible Class 9:30 A.M.
Church Phone 553-3380

Christian Science Churches
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST
BIRMINGHAM
191 Chester at Willis
SUNDAY SERVICES 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 A.M.
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING 8:00 P.M.
READING ROOM - 355 East Maple - 644-7935
Mon., Tue. 9:30-5:30 and 7-9; Wed., Sat. 9:30-5:30; Thur., Fri. 9:30-9

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Nursery School: Mon. thru Fri.
9:00 - 11:30 AM

FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH
"On the Village Green"
Services
9:00 AM
11:15 AM
Frank B. Cowick
Minister

The Congregational Church of Birmingham
U.C.C.
Woodward of Cranbrook
Bloomfield Hills
9:30 a.m. - Family Church Worship
11:00 a.m. - Worship & Church School
Nursery Care Both Hours
Ministries:
Charles G. Erickson
Earl R. Eschert

Bloomfield Hills Christian Church
The Community House
380 South Bays, Birmingham
Sunday Services 8:30 AM
Sunday School 10:00 AM
11:00 A.M. Worship
6:00 P.M. Praise Service
Wednesday 7:15 P.M.
Bible Study
645-1202

First Baptist Church
Bates and W. 42nd, Birmingham, Mich.
Robert D. Middleton, Minister
Homer J. Armstrong, Emeritus
Barbara Sinclair, Associate Minister
Church School 9:45 AM
Worship Service 11:00 AM

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST
FRANKLIN-MEADOWLAKE
Maple at Inkster
SUNDAY SERVICES 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 A.M.
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING 8:15 P.M.
READING ROOM - 4361 Orchard Lake Rd. - 851-7740
Mon., Tues., Wed., Sat. 10:50; Thur., Fri. 10-9

Detroit First Church of the Nazarene
30623 W. Twelve Mile
Farmington Hills, Michigan
Phone 477-2925
9:45 A.M. Christian Ed.
11:00 A.M. Worship Service
6:30 P.M. Praise & Worship
Wednesday
7:00 P.M. Family Night Worship
Nursery Facilities Available
Pastor James Conner

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Mon., Tues., Wed., Sat. 10:50; Thur., Fri. 10-9
All are welcome at the above church services and Reading Rooms.
Child care facilities provided Sunday and Wednesday.