



SIGNING SERMON -- The Rev. Kenneth Davis conducts a service for the deaf in St. Andrew Episcopal Church, Livonia.



SIGN OF CROSS -- Mrs. Marilyn Davis shows three children how to make the word "cross" in sign language.

# Deaf Worshipers Have Own Chapel In Livonia

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Church Editor

St. Andrew Episcopal Church in Livonia is now a major center in Michigan for bringing the message of Christianity into the soundless lives of the deaf.

Between 20 and 30 deaf people worship at 10 a.m. each Sunday in a chapel especially arranged for them in the church at 16500 Hubbard.

Actually, the congregation followed the Rev. Kenneth Davis to the church, and the Livonia congregation was quick to extend a warm welcome.

FATHER DAVIS had begun a deaf mission several years ago at Christ Episcopal Church in Dearborn while he was serving as assistant rector there. Called this year to St. Andrew, he found his deaf parishioners wanted to continue worshipping under his leadership and the Livonia church was glad to have them come.

Each Sunday, Father Davis conducts a complete service for the deaf in sign language.

"I speak as well as use sign language," he said. "A hearing person can come and get the same message and the deaf can lip-read as well as follow the signs."

Beginning in September, there will be Sunday school for deaf children with Davis wife, Marilyn, in charge. A teacher of the deaf she is trained in oral communication, since that is the way deaf children learn in school.

PEOPLE COME from as far as Ann Arbor and Mt. Clemens for the regular weekly services. Once a month, St. Andrew hosts a potluck dinner for the deaf, and worshippers travel from points as far distant as Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids.

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"It's the only deaf college in the world," Fr. Davis said, adding that their study was financed by the home department of the executive council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan, Christ Church where he was then serving and Delta Zeta sorority.

"Basically, it was like learning a new language," the clergyman said. "We had workshops in the morning and spent the afternoons working with deaf students. And then we put in four or five hours a day practicing the sign language."

"The mission at Christ Church, named the Mission of St. John of Beverly, was instituted after that summer."

IN ST. ANDREW, Fr. Davis has done the work in setting up a part of the education building as a chapel where about 50 can worship. His deaf congregations have numbered as many as 30 up to now.

Fr. Davis' mission to the deaf includes more than just conducting services and the church school classes.

He also helps the church serve as a social center for the deaf, both adults and children.

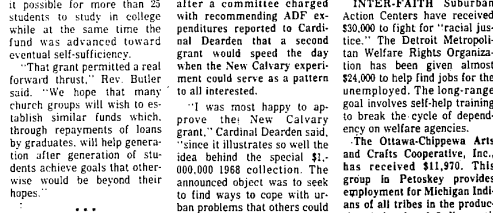
On some evenings, movies are shown, with subtitles so the deaf can follow. The church also helps serve the potluck dinners on communion Sundays, when many of the deaf travel long distances to attend.

COUNSELING is another area of service for Fr. Davis. He works with parents of children who are deaf to help the two generations solve their mutual problems, and also helps secure jobs for both adult and teen deaf.

And he tries to find solutions to problems like the need for more interpreters in courts.

In this work, he often cooperates with social service agencies like the Lafayette Clinic.

His work also includes cooperation with other groups that minister to the deaf. He is a member of the Motor City Deaf Association and the Michigan Association for the Deaf and the Conference of Church Workers Among the Deaf, an Episcopalian group that will hold its 1970 meeting on the Albion College campus July 18 to 24.



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# Plymouth Gets Orthodox Church

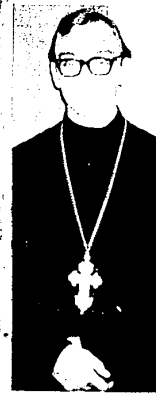
A new Autocephalous Orthodox Catholic church, the first of its kind in the United States, is being established in the Plymouth community. The church, named St. Alexis Orthodox, is under the jurisdiction of the Rev. Father Gabriel and will serve Orthodox Catholics in the Oakland, Wayne and Washtenaw county areas.

ST. ALEXIS is the first parish in the country to be organized since complete autocephaly was granted to the former Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church in America last April 13 by the late Patriarch Alexios of Moscow.

The granting of autocephaly gives unequalled autonomy and independence to the church, now known as the Autocephalous Orthodox Catholic Church in America, and places it under the exclusive leadership of the Metropolitan in New York rather than the Patriarch in Moscow.

The church, which was established in Siberia and Alaska under Russian ownership, has been regarded as a mission of American soil for the past 175 years. Under autocephaly, the Church has attained independent status as an American religious institution.

THE CONGREGATION, numbering 10 to 15 persons, has been holding liturgical services each Sunday at 10 a.m. in the home of parishioners Mr. and Mrs. Douglas



FATHER GABRIEL  
Hautlund, 341 Ann St., Plymouth.

According to Father Gabriel, the growing number of parishioners makes the necessity of locating a permanent church facility imperative. "Any small building for sale or rent in this area would be perfect for our needs," said the young pastor.

Anyone wishing to join St. Alexis may contact Father Gabriel at P.O. Box 199, Plymouth, or phone 455-4210.



# 4 Livonia Churches Unite Bible Schools

"This is Life" is the theme of the summer backyard Bible program, believed to be the first Bible program co-sponsored by Protestant and Catholic Churches.

The program will have two sessions, one beginning July 20 and the other July 27, with the second week a repeat of the first, and will take place in about 20 backyards donated by families of the churches involved.

Each backyard will be open to any child between four and 11 years of age. Each day will have a theme of Faith, Hope, Love, Joy or Peace. A Bible story will be told relating to the theme and a craft will be done by the children developing that theme.

The idea for the program was conceived by members of the Livonia Ministerial Association, and was developed by lay members of their religion departments.

Responsible for beginning the program are the Rev. L. Rameyer, Church of the Savior; the Rev. John VanAntwerp and the Rev. Daniel Murphy, St. Edith Catholic

Church, the Rev. Carl Gundersen, St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Laird Thomason, Church of the Disciples.

Assisting in co-ordination of the program are Edmund Verbeke and Theresa Price of St. Edith's and the Director of the Church of the Savior.

## Minister Gives Last Sermon

The Rev. Donald A. Drew will deliver his last sermons at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, July 12, in St. Paul United Presbyterian Church, Livonia after accepting an assignment in Ann Arbor.

Rev. Drew will begin his duties as associate pastor at the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor after a study leave and vacation during the last half of July.

As associate minister for 14 months in Livonia he led the adult education program. In his new work he will concentrate on social issues and university youth.

### Attend Church This Sunday

At The Church Of Your Choice With Your Family

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
St. Mark's Presbyterian Church  
26701 Jay Road  
Worship and Church School 10 a.m.  
Church Office: CR 8-9340

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
ST. PAUL'S Presbyterian Church  
27475 Five Mile Road  
GA 2-1470  
"Everyone Welcome"  
Rev. William F. Whitelegg  
Rev. Arnold S. Datzell  
Donald A. Drew, Ministers  
Worship and Church School 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
Holy Communion "Back to Bethel"  
Dr. Bartlett Hess 7 p.m.  
"Why Doesn't God Do Something?"  
Dr. Bartlett Hess  
Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.  
Mid-Week Service  
Nursery Provided  
261-4864 464-1354 AIR CONDITIONED SANCTUARY

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
WARD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA  
Farmington and Six Mile Road 421-1150  
Worship and Bible School 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.  
Holy Communion  
Dr. Bartlett Hess  
Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.  
Mid-Week Service  
Nursery Provided  
261-4864 464-1354 AIR CONDITIONED SANCTUARY

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
ROSEDALE GARDENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
Hubbard at West Chicago  
Worship 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
CHURCH SCHOOL 10 a.m.  
Richard C. Dunkelberger, Pastor  
Arthur Beumler, Jr., Associate Pastor  
William T. Lovick, Associate Pastor  
GARFIELD 2-0494

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
Riverside Park Church of God  
11771 Newburgh Road at Plymouth Road  
Livonia Phone 464-0590

Rev. J. Clifford Thor, Pastor  
Rev. Robert L. McFarling, Associate  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:30 p.m. Evening Service  
Nursery and Day Care Center Now Open  
Enrollment Limited. Call 464-0590

**NORTHWEST CHURCH**  
Christian and Missionary Alliance  
28111 West Ten Mile Road 476-7673  
Between Middlebelt and Inkster Roads  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Evening Service 7 p.m.  
Worship Service 11 a.m.  
Wednesdays 10 a.m. "The Power"  
Paul D. Bernick, Pastor 476-4347

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Parkdale Assembly of God  
36516 Parkdale  
1. Bk. S. of Plymouth & Levan Rd.  
Rev. David H. King  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, Bible Study 7:30 a.m.  
451-0490 or 452-0000

**EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH**  
24321 W. Eight Mile Road  
Churchs 16 64255 Owen  
Edwin T. Clement, Pastor KE 3-9503  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.  
For information please call  
Miss Kathy Porter 422-3175

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**  
You are cordially invited to attend Sunday School as listed below. Sunday Schools are conducted by all churches, and care is provided for children of pre-Sunday School age.  
Wednesday Testimonial Meetings at 8 p.m.  
Hours of Service  
FOURTH CHURCH, Detroit ..... 11 a.m.  
24400 W. Seven Mile near Telegraph  
FIRST CHURCH, Garden City ..... 11 a.m.  
33111 Ford Road  
FIRST CHURCH, Plymouth ..... 10:30 a.m.  
1100 West Ann Arbor Trail

# Baptists Get Catholic Fund Grant

John Cardinal Dearden, Catholic Archbishop of Detroit, announced a \$10,000 grant to the New Calvary Baptist Church Revolving Scholarship Fund which was established in 1962.

The money came from a special 1968 Archdiocesan Development Fund (ADF) collection which had been carried by its donors two years ago for use only in seeking creative ways to solve urban and poverty problems.

A year ago the New Calvary Fund had received a \$20,000 ADF grant. The pastor of the New Calvary Baptist Church, Stuart at Ford on Detroit's First Side is the Rev. Charles William Butler. He credits the first grant with helping make

Christ Church Sets Services  
Services will be held Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. in Christ Church Cranbrook, 500 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills, throughout the summer.

it possible for more than 25 students to study in college while at the same time the fund was advanced toward eventual self-sufficiency.

"That grant permitted a real forward thrust," Butler said. "We hope that many church groups will wish to establish similar funds which, through repayments of loans by graduates, will help generation after generation of students achieve goals that otherwise would be beyond their hopes."

BLACK STUDENTS who are children of New Calvary members are chiefly the recipients of loans, but there have been loans to others. One went to a young Mexican Catholic who was enabled to enter Oakland University because of the loan and also because housing was offered him by a New Calvary member, who is blind.

The New Calvary fund is now being replenished by repayments of loans.

after a committee charged with recommending ADF expenditures reported to Cardinal Dearden that a second grant would speed the day when the Calvary experiment could serve as a pattern to all interested.

"I was most happy to approve the New Calvary grant," Cardinal Dearden said, "since it illustrates so well the idea behind the special \$1,000,000 1968 collection. The announced object was to seek to find ways to cope with urban problems that others could use as a pattern. We hope that a successful, self-help way of bringing college opportunities to those ordinarily unable to go to college has been demonstrated and that others may be inspired to assist in establishing similar self-help funds in areas where the disadvantaged live."

LESS THAN \$100,000 remains of the 1968 collection. More than 30 earlier grants had aided inner-city groups, including the Black-Polish Conference and tenant associations, and also farm workers and American Indians.

The Rev. Norman P. Thomas is executive secretary of the committee which makes recommendations on grants to Cardinal Dearden.

INTER-FAITH Suburban Action Centers have received \$30,000 to fight for "racial justice." The Detroit Metropolitan Welfare Rights Organization has been given almost \$24,000 to help find jobs for the unemployed. The long-range goal involves self-help training to break the cycle of dependency on welfare agencies.

The Ottawa-Chippewa Arts and Crafts Cooperative, Inc., has received \$11,970. This group in Petoskey provides employment for Michigan Indians of all tribes in the production and sale of Indian artifacts. The cooperative grew out of movement to keep alive traditional Indian skills.

The Positive Neighborhood Action Committee is a group of citizens who banded together in the summer of 1969 to fight against the causes of racial tension, which they saw reaching an alarming state.

Families of St. Paul United Presbyterian Church in Livonia will do a weekend of camping at Paradise Beach near Holly. Swimming and rowboating will be available the weekend of July 17 to 19. The cost will be \$2.50 per night. For reservations call Lydie Mayo at 555-4912.

**UNITED METHODIST**

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
6443 Meridian Road  
Phone: 421-8424  
Minister: Rev. Glen Matthews  
SUNDAY SCHOOL  
10 a.m.  
Infants through 6th grade  
Adults, Young Adults, Sr. High and Jr. High  
and youth 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

**NEWBURGH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
36500 Ann Arbor Trail  
Livonia Phone: 422-0149  
Rev. Ben Bernick  
Pastor  
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Church School  
Nursery provided in all services

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Plymouth**  
480 Church Street  
453-5280  
Ministers: Paul M. Cripps and Ronald K. Carl  
9:30 a.m. - Summer Worship Service  
Church School  
Nursery thru 6th grade

**NARDIN PARK METHODIST CHURCH**  
Farmington 175-8980  
29887 West 11 Mile Road  
William C. Meyer, Senior Minister  
Margaret T. Mansour, Minister  
Robert C. Looney, Minister of Youth  
John B. Pappas, Minister of Music  
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
"Dilemma of Man" Church School 10 a.m.  
Nursery through 2nd grade, ready on condition

**CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH**  
20300 Middlebelt, Livonia 425-6260  
9:00 a.m. First Worship Service  
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Second Service  
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Church School  
6:30 p.m. Youth Meetings  
7:30 p.m. Wednesdays - The Mid Week Service  
Nursery provided in all services  
Ella A. Johns, Minister

**ALDRERGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
(Reformed Township)  
10000 Beach Blvd. / Between Plymouth and West 233-7000  
Ministry: Wm. G. Weger and Wm. M. Smith  
Dir. of Education, Wm. The Wright  
9:30 and 11 a.m. Church School  
11:30 a.m. Bible class provided for all services

**St. Matthew's United Methodist Church**  
30900 Six Mile Road  
122-5639  
Pastor: Rev. Merrill Foster  
Helson Fern, Associate Pastor  
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
Church School thru 1st grade  
7:30 p.m. Church School  
Nursery thru 6th grade  
8:30 p.m. Church School

**Rice Memorial United Methodist Church**  
20601 Beach Blvd.  
Rev. James R. Barnes, Pastor  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 10 a.m.  
Church School 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery thru 6th grade  
7:30 p.m. Church School

**ST. LUKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
3981 Five Mile Road  
Ernest L. Otter, Minister  
Church School 10 a.m.  
Worship Service 11 a.m.  
Nursery Provided  
Phone 452-9491

**ORCHARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
30450 Farmington Road  
Between 13 and 14 Mile Rd. 464-6420  
Worship, Church School, Nursery 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Church School  
1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Church School  
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Church School  
Rev. S. Hamner  
Wm. M. Hughes, Asst. Minister

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Farmington**  
33112 Grand River  
GR 4-8373  
Worship, Church School and Nursery 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Church School  
Rev. Hugh L. White  
Rev. B. Bryce Swiler

**EPISCOPAL THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WELCOMES YOU**

Saint John's, Westland  
555 S. Wayne Road  
721-5023  
Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Saint Andrew's, Livonia  
16360 Hubbard Road  
421-8481  
Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
Sunday, Deaf Worship: 9 a.m.

Saint John's, Plymouth  
574 S. Shadel Road  
453-0190  
Sunday Worship: 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Holy Spirit, Livonia  
421-8481  
8850 Newburgh Road  
261-4640  
Sunday Worship: 8 and 11:45 a.m.

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