

## Church And Pastor Celebrate Together

A Farmington congregation and its minister—definitely members of a mutual admiration society—have a lot of celebrations going on just now. St. John Lutheran Church is marking the 10th anniversary of its establishment.

The Rev. Charles Fox has his own milestones—10 years in the Lutheran ministry. And overlapping even those events, this week at least, is the Fox family's move into a spacious new parsonage, provided through the gift of an anonymous donor who also has made several other generous contributions to the church.

IN THE MIST of all the excitement, Rev. Fox recently turned down a call to a church in Bowling Green, Ohio.

"I felt it was best to stay here," he said. "This is an intelligent, liberal congregation—the kind that gives the opportunity for trying new forms of worship."

There people are not too bound by tradition, and growth has been tremendous. There's a chemistry operating between me and the congregation that made me decide to stay."

And one parishoner summed up the feelings of all 500-plus after Rev. Fox announced his decision to remain: "We're a fortunate congregation," she said.

THE FOX family, including wife Barbara, currently teaching at Longview School in Farmington, and Brenda 10, Mark, 9, and Bethany, 7, has hadly needed more room than the five rooms plus basement in the old

parsonage next to the church on Gill Road.

That building will be put to use for Sunday school classrooms—also badly needed—now that the pastor's family is in its new two-story home a block away.

BESIDES providing a new parsonage, the church marked its 10 years with a 10-step program that included renovation and redecoration of the church itself. There was an open house at the new parsonage just before the family moved in.

Rev. Fox is a graduate of Capital University in Columbus, Ohio. His internship ministry was in Portland, Ore., and he served a Lutheran church in Ida, Mich., before coming to St. John's.

## New Hillel Has Ground Breaking

Hillel Day School of metropolitan Detroit will hold an Erev Chanukah dedication, marking the beginning of construction of the new school building, at 11 a.m., Dec. 15.

The school building, planned for completion by September, 1969, is to be erected on a beautiful 15-acre site at 32340 Middle Belt, Farmington. The Hillel School, a modern, progressive, Hebrew Day School was founded 10 years ago with 23 children. It now comprises nine full grades with an enrollment of 300 children representing a cross section of the Metropolitan Detroit Jewish Community.

The Chanukah Festival commemorating the rededication of the ancient Temple officially begins Sunday evening, and the ground-breaking dedication ceremony that morning constitutes a dramatic observance of the holiday.

A brief outdoor ceremony will be followed by candle-lighting dedication in the old Mayfair Nursery Building on the premises. Refreshments will be served.

## First Adult Drama Set In Rosedale Church

The sound of the trumpet will herald the third Sunday of Advent and the first adult dramatic production of Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, in Livonia.

As part of the church's special series of Sunday evening services during the Advent season (the four weeks preceding Christmas) members of the congregation will perform "The Other Wise Man" on Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

"Drama has been used in religious services for centuries," Mrs. Doris Purvis, director of the play, said, "but it has not been used extensively since the Renaissance."

THE CAST of 12 members, two choristers, and two speaking choirs of 25 persons will tell the story of the mythical Fourth Wise Man who always arrived "just in time to be late."

Written by Henry Van Dyke, "The Other Wise Man" will begin with a trumpet fanfare, and the opening of the drama. The two vocal choruses, somewhat reminiscent of early Greek drama, will surround the congregation and create images, describe the wise man's travels, trials, tribulations, and inform the congregation of events of which they might not be aware.

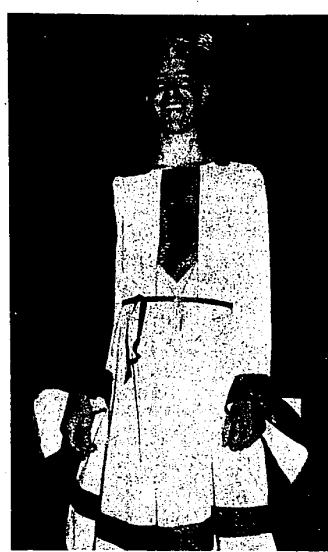
The cast, performing in the inner sanctuary of the church, will tell the story of the mythical fourth Wise Man who sought his life searching for his King.

"He follows his King from the first guiding star through the 33 years leading to his crucifixion. In the end, although he never sees his Christ, he realizes that he has been doing His work all along," Mrs. Purvis explained.

MEMBERS of the cast include: Mahlon Kiscaden, Stephen Peterson, Gerald Hopp, Ed Vennema, Lee Davis, Pat Conway, Cary Allen, and Mrs. Purvis.

Other cast members include: Dick Pierce, Lynn Peterson, Michael Johnston, Curt Johnston, and Bruce Hamilton. Scott Buckley and Charles Will be the first and second choristers.

MRS. PURVIS and her staff



PRIESTLY ROLE — Gary Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allen, of Livonia, takes the part of a young priest in "The Other Wise Man" to be performed Sunday in Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church.

"This is the first time we have ever done this type of thing. We've had Sunday School and youth productions before, but never an adult cast," Mrs. Purvis said.

"We (the church) are now re-examining other forms of worship such as music, art, literature, and drama as part of today's church in order to keep it abreast of the times."

MRS. PURVIS and her staff

of 16 have been busy working on the production for several weeks. Costumes they'll be beautiful, Mrs. Purvis said, have been made, publicity arranged, and rehearsals held.

"I'm a little nervous that everything will go well," she said in director-like fashion. "The unusual worship service is open to the public. Following the service, a reception will be held in the church's fellowship hall."

A Christmas tree is planned by the woman's fellowship of Rosedale Gardens, 25925 Grand River, at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 18.

L.P. Murphy will provide decorations and the girls' vocal ensemble of Rosedale High School will entertain. Circle No. 5 of the fellowship will give devotions in Livonia.



LOTS OF ROOM — Rev. Charles Fox holds up a tape measure to show his family there will be plenty of space in the new St. John Lutheran Church parsonage in Farmington. From left are Mark, Mrs. Barbara Fox, Rev. Fox, Brenda and Bethany. (Evert photo)

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Pastor Residence: 25762 Killebrew Farmington, Michigan

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30330 Schoellkopf Road — 425-7390

Sunday Services at 10:30 a.m. Worship and Church School

Minister  
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Directors of Music

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
2449 Grand River Ave. — 323-3400  
Sunday Services 10:00 a.m.  
Worship School 10:30 a.m.  
Rev. Robert Miller, Pastor  
Rev. Robert M. Williams, Assistant

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574 S. Shaker Road, Plymouth  
423-0190

Sunday Services  
7:45, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
Church School and Nursery  
9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

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**REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA**

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28100 Five Mile Road  
Church School 9:30 a.m.  
Divine Service 10:30 a.m.  
Vesper Service 7:00 p.m.  
464-1062 Rev. Luther Rattmeyer, Pastor

**DISCIPLES OF CHRIST**

**LIVONIA CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
(Disciples of Christ) Regular Hours: Sunday School - 9:30  
Church Service - 10:30 in the Morning  
Emily Dickinson Jr. High - 18000 Newland Road, Livonia  
Contact: Rev. Laird Allen Thompson, 425-7365 for information

**NON-AFFILIATED**

**UNITY OF WEST SUBURBIA**  
30025 Curtis Road  
(West of Middlebelt)  
Livonia 421-1760  
DIAL-A-PRAYER 261-2440

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28100 Five Mile Road  
Church School 9:30 a.m.  
Divine Service 10:30 a.m.  
Vesper Service 7:00 p.m.  
464-1062 Rev. Luther Rattmeyer, Pastor

**BAPTIST**

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
43065 JOY ROAD  
(Two blocks east of South Main)

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**First Baptist Church of Livonia**  
17725 Inkster Road  
Glenn H. Kelly, Pastor, GA-16910

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**Grace Baptist Church of Livonia**  
28440 Lyndon  
Between Middlebelt and Inkster

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**First Baptist Church of Plymouth**  
N. Hill at Spring St.  
Rev. Paul J. Thompson, Pastor

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**Alpha Baptist Church**  
2801 West Chalmers  
5 Blocks West of Inkster Road  
Pastor: W. Carlton Younge  
GA-16300

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**Westland Baptist Church**  
33375 Ann Arbor Trail  
(Between Wayne and Newburg)

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**NEWBURG BAPTIST CHURCH**  
27853 Jay Road  
Between Wayne and Newburg Roads

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**TRINITY CHURCH**  
"A Fellowship with Urban and Suburban Outreach"  
14800 Middlebelt Road, Livonia

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
41500 E. Ann Arbor Trail  
"The Church Where All Are Welcome"

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**NORTHWEST CHURCH**  
Chaplain and Missionary Alliance  
28111 West Tam Mills Road — 476-7673

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

**EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH**  
24331 W. Eight Mile Road  
Rev. E. J. Cline, Pastor

SUNDAY SERVICES  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
Training Hour 5:30 p.m.  
Gospel Service 7:00 p.m.

## 91st Psalm Is Science Topic

"For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." This verse from the 91st Psalm will be the topic of the Christmas Science Lesson in the First Christian Science Church of Farmington, 33825 Grand River, at 11 a.m., in the First Christian Science Church of Farmington, 33825 Grand River, at 11 a.m., in the First Christian Science Church of Farmington, 33825 Grand River, at 11 a.m.

Related passages to be read from the denominational textbook include the following: "Whoever is governed by God is never for an instant deprived of the light and might of intelligence and life."

Sunday church services will be held at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. in the First Christian Science Church, 33825 Grand River, at 11 a.m., in the First Christian Science Church of Farmington, 33825 Grand River, at 11 a.m.

Church of Garden City, 33111 Ford Road, and at 10:30 a.m. in the First Christian Science Church of Plymouth, 1100 West Ann Arbor Trail.

**St. Mel Holiday Fair Coming**

St. Mel's Christmas Fair will be held Sunday, Dec. 14, from noon to 9 p.m. in the activities building, Inkster Road just north of Warren in Dearborn Heights. Santa Claus will be on hand and a wide assortment of games and booths will be offered.

**SPECIAL-ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CHURCH PAGES**

Wednesday, December 18 and Sunday, December 22

Deadline: Friday, December 13

Contact: Mrs. James Halton  
Special Religious Coordinator  
13984 Archdale, Detroit 48227

or Call: VE-6598 before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m.  
or leave message at GA-2-3175

## Ladywood To Present Holiday Music Show

Ladywood High School's music department will present "The Lights and Sounds of Christmas" on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the high school, 14650 Newburg.

During the program the Concert Choir, the Junior Choir, and the Sophomore Choir will sing "Do You Hear What I Hear," "Meaning of Christmas," "The Hallelujah Chorus," "O Holy Night," "Illumination," "The Nutcracker Suite," and "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers."

The play, which will begin in the home of a typical American family on Christmas Eve, will unfold the story of the various aspects of Christmas from Santa and his reindeer through the dreams of Marie and her guttacher. The birth of the Christ Child will highlight the narration.

BALLET NUMBERS will be performed during the musical presentations of the "Waltz of the Flowers," "Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy," and "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers."

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Sister M. Francine, head of the LHS Music Department,

## Redford Baptists Schedules Tea

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## OBITUARIES

MRS. LOUISE G. MCNULTY, 68, of Livonia, died Sunday at St. Joseph's Hospital, following a short illness. She was born in Livonia, Mich., and was a member of the First Christian Science Church of Farmington, 33825 Grand River, at 11 a.m.

She is survived by her husband, Mr. McNulty, and two daughters, Mrs. Margaret McNulty and Mrs. Dorothy McNulty. She was a member of the First Christian Science Church of Farmington, 33825 Grand River, at 11 a.m.

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