CHURCH

New York Teen Choir To Sing In Holy Cross

The Lutheran Folk Choir of New York City will present a concert in Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 4.

The 45-voice choir of teens from Lutheran church in New York will sing folk music as "Go Tell It on the Mountain," "Were You There?" "Amazing Grace," and "He Was a Friend of Mine" in a program that follows the church year marked by the birth, life and death of Jesus.

The choir is visiting Holy Cross as part of its tour through New York, Canada, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Members of the church will have a chance to get acquainted with the visitors, since they are staying overnight in area homes and the Lutheran Church Women will serve a dinner for them when they arrive.

The Rev. Edward W. Voosen is director of the choir, which originated from the Pinecrest Lutheran Leadership School in New York. A music teacher and professional musician, he has written some of the music the group sings and made special arrangements of other numbers.

The public is invited to hear the concert, the Rev. William C. Lindholm, Holy Cross pastor, said. There is no admission charge, but a free will offering will be received.

Calvary Concert Is On Easter

The 50-voice senior choir of Calvary Baptist Church of Plymouth, 43067 Joy Road, will be featured in the church's annual Easter concert at 7 p.m., Sunday, April 2.

The choir will present John W. Peterson's well-known cantata, "No Greater Love."

The choir is under the direction of Tom Hovermale, minister of music. Ken Evans, minister of youth, will read the narration.

The soloists will be Peggy Williams, Pat Williams and Gayle Kine, sopranos; and Edgar Cummins, Rick Williams and Kevin Renas, baritones.

FIVE MEMBERS of the North Farmington Baptist Church youth group are shown here in the costumes they wore to act out the rock opera "Jesus Christ-Superstar" to the recorded music. They had their first performance at Easter, 1971, took the show to churches all over the area and put it on for a final time in their church sanctuary on Palm Sunday. At the top, from left, are Curt Holmes, Rick Hearn and Ann Hundley. Below are Sue Kull (left) and Janine Russell.

ECUMENICAL REFLECTIONS

BY THE REV. JAMES W. SCHAEFER
Pilgrim United Church of Christ

Some years ago it was believed in some circles that the faith problem for people resulted from ministers stressing the humanity of Christ. The suggestion was that we ought to devote more time to stressing the divinity of Christ. A researcher decided to find the facts.

In talking with church members, he found that most people talked about the divinity of Christ but were fuzzy about Jesus' humanity. In fact, it proved opposite from what was supposed to be true.

Church members seemed more worried and concerned about divinity than about humanity in speaking of the Lord of the Church. Discussions about Jesus Christ tended to worry about his birth and/or about when he became divine.

THE BIBLE is not clear on this matter. The earliest gospel, Mark, seems to assert that Jesus became Christ through God's mighty act in the resurrection. It could also be said that Mark believed that Jesus became the Messiah of God at the time of his baptism by John.

Next Gospels to be written, Matthew and Luke, included birth stories and seem to assert that divinity or Messiahship began at birth. The last Gospel to be written, John, begins with a theological concept of pre-existence – "When all things began, the Word already was. The Word dwelt with God, and what God was, and the Word was. The Word, then, was with God at the beginning ... So the Word became flesh; he came to dwell among us."

This seems to indicate that the longer the time since Jesus, the earlier his divinity or Messiahship was believed to be true.

I TEND to believe that Jesus can be seen only through the insight of the resurrection experience. Easter Celebrates God's approval and certification of Jesus as Messiah. This also suggests that Jesus can be an example and model for our lives because he was man and not "God in disguise."

Many Christians will assert that Jesus was God. For me, this would mean that we should worship and honor Christ, but could not follow his earthly example because he was not human like you and me. I reject that argument. This theological debate has continued in the church since earliest days. Each of us has to decide what he believes.

In Holy Week as we observe the final events in Jesus' life, I believe it is important to realize that we are remembering human events. Under intense pressure from friends and foes alike, Jesus remained steadfast, firm, unswerving in his obedience to God, accepting the consequences of his faithfulness.

He became the Christ because of his personal integrity and complete obedience. He sweat blood as he faced the final confrontation on Good Friday. He made a last, final plea to his followers at the Last Supper. He suffered the indignity of superficial public acclaim on Palm Sunday.

Finally, for his followers, on Easter morning came the realization of the full meaning, the total commitment, the ageless meaning of Jesus' life, teachings and death.

WE OBSERVE the events of Holy Week more deeply than as just a memorial to Jesus. We seek to comprehend to the core of our being the human capacity seen in his life that permitted the tragic ending of his earthly life.

Rev. Lester Kinsolving's

Religion Update

Kinsolving Addresses Conference

The Rev. Lester Kinsolving, the Observer Newspaper's weekly syndicated religion columnist, has been invited to address the annual conference of the Southeran Baptist Public Relations Association on April 6, in San Antonio.

Rev. Kinsolving, whose weekly column is now published by more than 200 newspapers in 47 states and overseas, will speak on "The Morals of the Press," before an audience of 150 Southern Baptist public relations officials from 35 states.

The columnist has sometimes written critically of some of the actions of the Southern Baptist Conference, which with its membership of 11.8 million is America's largest Protestant denomination.

"I regard this invitation as an example of commendable cheek-turning!" said Kinsolving. "In addition, the Southern Baptists have the best public relations director of all denominations – a delightful man whose name is equally delightful, the Rev. W. C. Fields!"

The majority of the world's nearly one billion Christians observed on Friday of this week the most notable case of capital punishment in world history.

A few conservative denominations such as the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod are still resolved in favor of the death penalty, because it is justified in the Old Testament (along with execution of witches and stoning of adulterers).

Yet a considerable number of the larger denominations have resolved against the death penalty – such as Pope Paul VI, whose abolition of the Vatican City's death penalty law in 1969 was explained by Archbishop Giovanni Benelli as: "The thought of His Holiness on the matter is clearly expressed in this action."

MOST OF THE leading Protestant denominations have also gone on record as opposing capital punishment. Several of them, such as Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopal, United Church of Christ, Disciples of Christ, Unitarian - Universalist and Quakers, have filed briefs in the current hearings before the U.S. Supreme Court. Similar briefs have been filed by the Synagogue Council of America, as well as the American Jewish Congress.

In 1966, United Press asked: "Do moral pronouncements by churches have any real impact on public opinion?"

The UP column went on to note: "Solid evidence is at hand that religious teaching can help bring about a major change in the attitudes of the American people. About 15 years ago, Protestant denominations began a campaign for abolition of capital punishment, which the public opinion polls showed that more than two - thirds of the people approved."

IN THE EARLY 1950s however, few of these denominations had resolved the issue of the death penalty. The campaign mentioned by UP was waged by just a few dedicated clergy, many of them prison chaplains, who touched the consciences of the denominations, as well as those of a number of state legislators.

One of these clergy is the Rev. William Gilbert of Ventura, Calif., who recently retired as rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

For five years, while rector of St. Paul's Church in Walla Walla, Washington, he had ministered to condemned men in the nearby Washington State Penitentiary.

Father Gilbert was acutely aware of the ferocious manner in which Washington State demonstrated how much it opposed killing in cold blood (by killing in cold blood). He knew of the large white sheet which hung from the gallows to the floor in the prison's death house – because witnesses had been sprayed with the blood of men whose heads had nearly been torn off when hanged.

Father Gilbert was also aware of the existence of a sort of sled, with arm and leg straps, for use when the victim was either too paralyzed with fright – or was crippled – so that he was unable to stand up on the gallows trap door.

Area Deaths

JOHN T. ARCHER -- Services for Mr. Archer, 61, of 20792 Randall, Farmington Township, were held in Covington, Tenn. through arrangements with Thayer Funeral Home.

Mr. Archer died March 16 in Botsford Hospital. He came to Farmington 22 years ago and worked as an automobile mechanic.

Survivng are his wife, Mabel; one brother, Dan Archer Jr. of Memphis, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. Inez Nunamaker of Royal Oak, and Mrs. Florence Dutton of Memphis, Tenn.; and three grandchildren.

GEORGE H. MILZ -- Services for Mr. Milz, 71, of 26780 Joy, Redford Township, were held in Evergreen Lutheran Church and Harry J. Will Funeral Home with Rev. A. E. Haumann officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery.

Mr. Milz died March 23. He came to Redford 19 years ago and was a retired warehouse foreman for Grinnell Bros.

Survivors are his wife, Esther; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Lois) Rinnas of Redford and Mrs. Ralph (Doris) Reiher of Livonia; a son, David Milz of Detroit; two brothers, Walter Milz of Detroit and Albert Milz of Redford; and nine grandchildren.

ALVIN C. ATKINSON -- Services for Mr. Atkinson, 46, of 14116 W. Outer Drive, Detroit, were held in Harry J. Will Funeral Home with Rev. Lewey Hanner officiating.

Mr. Atkinson was an experimental template maker and die model checker for Ford Motor Co. engineering office and a member of Fundamental Baptist Temple of Detroit. He died March 22.

Survivors are: his wife, Effie, his mother, Mrs. Ermon Atkinson of Detroit, a son, Mark, three brothers, Gerald Atkinson of Plymouth, Wallace Atkinson of Redford, Donald Atkinson of Oak Park, and a sister, Mrs. Terry (Dorothy) Nelson of Detroit.

JOSEPH A. PERKINS -- Services for Mr. Perkins, 68, of 12075 Leverne, Redford Township, were held in St. John Bosco Catholic Church and Harry J. Will Funeral Home with the Rev. Leo A. Shehreau officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mr. Perkins, a long time resident, was a retired tire repairman at Chrysler Corp. Lynch Road plant.

Survivors are: his wife, Irma; six sons, Leonard Perkins of Farmington, Joseph Perkins of Redford, Roger Perkins of Redford, Terry Perkins of Detroit, Roy Perkins of California, Floyd Perkins of Detroit; three daughters, Mrs. Roy (Joan) Fifer of California, Mrs. Jack (Patricia) Heady of Detroit, Mrs. Richard (Veronica) Sweet of Sterling Heights; five brothers, Clarence Perkins of Allen Park, Elmer Perkins of Taylor, Howard Perkins of Southfield, Vincent Perkins of Wixom, Harold Perkins of Westland; and 24 grandchildren.

MOWRY ALDRICH ARNOLD -- Services for Mr. Arnold, 75, of 15415 Northville Forest Dr., Northville, were held in Shrader Funeral Home, Inc. with The Rev. Lewis S. Brown Jr. officiating.

Mr. Arnold came to Northville in 1937 from Bay City and was a retired manufacturing engineer.

Survivors are: his wife, Dorothy, one daughter, Mrs. Patricia A. Robinson of Plymouth, two sons, John T. Arnold of Illinois and Larry L. Arnold of Florida, one sister, Mrs. Alene Loomis of Canada, and four grandchildren.

LEILLIA L. HUEBLER -- Services for Mrs. Huebler, 71, of 3945 Berry Rd., Superior Township (Plymouth), were held in Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Philip Rodger Magee officiating. Burial was in Forest Hill Cemetery, Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Huebler died March 28. She came to Plymouth in 1937 from Detroit and was a member of the First United Presbyterian Church in Plymouth.

Surviving are: her husband, Charles; two daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Joan) Kohler of New York and Mrs. William (Dawn) Park of Rockford, three sons, Mr. Douglas Huebler of Bradford, Mass., Mr. Donald Huebler of Ann Arbor and Mr. William Huebler of Allen Park; four sisters, Mrs. Ruth Eaton of Wolverhampton, Miss Lois Nowland of Ann Arbor, Mrs. Bessie Zahn of Dearborn and Mrs. Edna Koch of Ann Arbor, and four grandchildren.

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