

# Maundy Thursday Services Set

Maundy Thursday communion services, symbolic of Christ's last meal with his disciples, will highlight Holy Week observances in this area on April 19.

Perhaps the most dramatic will be a tableau of the famed Da Vinci painting of that event.

In Grand River Baptist Church, Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, members will take their places at a long table as a narration of the Last Supper is read.

When the narration is completed and they all are assembled, the finished tableau will show the disciples and Jesus much as Da Vinci painted them.

The presentation begins at 8 p.m.

Other services planned include:

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH**, Middle Belt at Eight Mile, Farmington, will have explanations by the Rev. Thomas A. Scherger, assistant pastor, as the service proceeds. The congregation will gather at 7:30 p.m.

**PILGRIM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST AND LUTHERAN CHRISTIAN CHURCH** will gather at 8 p.m. in the meeting house they share on Seven Mile west of Farmington Road.

The sacrament will be conducted by candlelight, while members of the two church councils read scripture passages and the choir responds with appropriate hymns.

The candles will be extinguished one by one, until the end of the service, when the Bible is slammed shut and the Christ candle extinguished symbolizing

the removal of the word of God from the world. Finally, the Christ candle will be relit as a prophecy of Easter.

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE RISEN CHRIST**, 4620 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, will have evening services with holy communion both Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Both will be at 7:30 p.m.

**WARD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**, Farmington Road and Six Mile, Livonia, will have a communion service at 7:30 p.m. with the Rev. Franklin Williams, associate pastor, preaching on the theme "Glorious in the Midst of Darkness."

**LOLA VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, Delaware and Puritan, Redford Township, plans a communion and service of the Vigil at 7 p.m.

**ST. DAVID EPISCOPAL CHURCH**, 16200 W. 12 Mile, Southfield, will serve communion in three Maundy Thursday services, at 6 and 9:30 a.m. and at 7:30 p.m.

**SWORD OF THE SPIRIT LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 34563 W. Seven Mile, Livonia, plans a 7:30 p.m. communion service using a contemporary setting.

**NORTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**, 26275 Northwestern, Southfield, has scheduled a 7:30 p.m. service. Dr. Robert Freche will preach, and there will be selections by the church choir and solos by Greg Williams and Melvin Thompson.

**TRINITY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN**, 27350 W. Chicago, Redford Township, plans a dramatic reenactment of the last supper at 7 p.m.

## ECUMENICAL REFLECTIONS

By THE REV. JAMES W. SCHAEFER  
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Many of us remember sunrise services and Easter breakfasts when we were young. The idea of greeting Easter early in the morning is a good one. For all Christians, the Resurrection of Jesus as the Christ is absolutely essential to our faith. It is the greatest moment in history with a significance that crosses all times and places. Easter is a time of joy!

Prior to the Resurrection, the sabbath was Saturday the last day of the week. But with the Resurrection, the early "followers of the way" were not content with the old sabbath. The day of rest, the day of worship, was moved to the first day of the week, the anniversary of the resurrection. Each Sunday is considered another "little Easter."

When we say the Resurrection is a mystery, we do not mean that it is meaningless. To the contrary, the event is so filled with meaning that it can only be described as a mystery because it speaks so loudly to all.

The Biblical account begins with several persons going to the tomb where Jesus' body had been placed after the

crucifixion. They found an empty tomb and were told "He is not here."

We begin our worship with the ancient liturgy "Christ is Risen," and the response "He is Risen, Indeed." Sin and death are overcome. "He lives!"

What is so extraordinary is that a band of followers had become totally disillusioned and defeated. As far as they knew, the tragic events of the preceding week and ended with ignoble death on a cross. Their leader had been executed by the authorities with the encouragement of the religious establishment. All hopes and dreams were shattered. In dejection and deep sorrow, all faded away in their own lives.

Without the deep despair that preceded it, Easter could not have happened. Despite all that he had done or said, Jesus could not break through the barrier of ancient beliefs and firm expectations.

Despite all of his appeals in words, signs and wonders and interpretation of the faith, he could not shake the expectation of a victorious nationalistic leader.

What does it take to convince people? Will a miracle work? Will appeals to reason and good sense cause change? Will the promise of

### St. Peter Home Gets Addition

St. Peter Home for Boys has announced plans to build a new learning center, which will permit the home to offer supplemental education to the 25 boys who live there.

Funds for construction and the first year's operation have been donated by Mrs. S. Pinckney Tuck of Grosse Pointe Farms.

St. Peter Home, 16211 Joy Road, Detroit, is a residential treatment center, sponsored by the Episcopal Church, for boys with emotional or behavioral problems which prevent them from living with their parents. The boys attend schools in the area or the state-operated Hawthorn Center in Northville.

The new learning center will be used to help the boys, many of whom are under-achievers, through the Madison School Plan, a structured teaching program that supplements and sometimes replaces regular school classes.



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Matthew 28: 1-9  
Mark 16: 14-20

Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to Jesus' tomb.

Suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and rolled aside the stone and sat on it. His face shone like lightning and his clothing was a brilliant white. The guards shook with fear when they saw him, and fell into a dead faint.

Then the angel spoke to the women. "Don't be frightened," he said, "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified, but he isn't here! For he has come back to life again, just as he said he would. Come in and see where his body was lying. And now go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and that he is going to Galilee to meet them there. That is my message to them."

The women ran from the tomb, badly frightened, but also filled with joy, and rushed to find the disciples to give them the angel's mes-

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sage. And as they were running, suddenly Jesus was there in front of them!

"Good morning!" he said. And they fell to the ground before him, holding his feet and worshipping him.

Still later he appeared to the eleven disciples as they were eating together. He rebuked them for their unbelief - their stubborn refusal to believe those who had seen him alive from the dead.

And then he told them, "You are to go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone, everywhere. Those who believe and are baptized will be saved. But those who refuse to believe will be condemned."

When the Lord Jesus had finished talking with them, he was taken up into heaven and sat down at God's right hand.

And the disciples went everywhere preaching, and the Lord was with them and confirmed what they said by the miracles that followed their messages.



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13542 MERCEDES  
Block 5 of Schaeferpark, 1 block S. of Inquirer Road  
Pastor: Karin J. Kello  
KE 8-2660

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
7:45 p.m. Holy Communion

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
8:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast served by Youth Group  
(Nursery through Kindergarten age)

### Garden City Presbyterian Church

1 Acres from Post Office  
Rev. Henry D. Jones  
Interim Minister  
QA 1-7620

9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
"We Live in Two Worlds"  
with choir  
Concomitantly: Rock Folk  
Easter Service  
blessed at Youth  
with choir, guitars,  
and organ  
1 p.m.  
Bobby and Nursery Care  
at 11 a.m.  
Henry D. Jones

### First United Methodist Church of Plymouth

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near Sheldon

Maundy Thursday, April 19  
7:30 p.m. - Service of Tenebrae  
and Holy Communion

Easter  
7:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service  
9:30 a.m. - "Seeds of the Resurrection"  
Rev. Paul M. Cargo,  
preaching  
11:00 a.m. - "The Resurrection And The Action"  
Rev. Dawn A. Klump,  
preaching

### Livonia Assembly of God

33015 W. Seven Mile Road

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 1:00 p.m.**  
Everyone Welcome  
Child Care Provided

### First Baptist Church of Farmington

**GOOD FRIDAY**  
1-2 p.m. Union Services with Bethel Baptist Church of Farmington at First Baptist

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service  
9:45 a.m. Sunday Bible School  
11 a.m. Morning Worship Service

Easter Message  
by Pastor Walter Ballagh  
6 p.m. Evening Gospel Hour

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### Evangelical Lutheran Church of Our Saviour

Wayne and Farmington Road  
Westland  
J. A. de Ruiter, Pastor  
427-8119

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
7:30 p.m. Holy Communion

**GOOD FRIDAY**  
1:30 p.m. Service

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
10:30 a.m. Service  
Sunday School 9:15  
Everyone Welcome

### Grand River Baptist Church

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** - April 19 - 8:00 p.m.  
Communion Service open to all Christians and featuring a living tableau of The Last Supper.

**Easter Sunday - April 20**  
7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast Served  
8:15 a.m. First Worship Service  
music by folk group,  
"Under New Management"  
10:45 a.m. Second Worship Service  
(Nursery Provided)

### HAVE YOU HEARD THE GOOD NEWS? JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE RISEN CHRIST

**EASTER MORNING SERVICES:**  
7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
With traditional festive Easter music  
EASTER BREAKFAST: 7:30-8:30 a.m.

**GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES:**  
1:00-2:30 p.m.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE:**  
FELLOWSHIP HALL: 7:30 p.m.

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