

Holiday of Chanukah Being Celebrated

By SUE SHAUGHNESSY

On Nov. 29 the Jewish Festival of Lights or Chanukah (sometimes spelled Hanukkah) began.

This eight day holiday has been observed by Jews all over the world for two thousand years. The events which Chanukah commemorates are factual.

Its origins are closely linked with the history of the Greek Near Eastern Empire, which under Alexander the Great extended from Western Asia to Northern Africa. Following Alexander's death the kingdom was split into four parts.

During a portion of this time Palestine was a battlefield with both the Syrian and Egyptian armies battling for control. Syria finally established its rule over the country.

In 175 B.C. Antiochus Epiphanes came to the throne to rule Persia. In 165 B.C. in an attempt to fuse his realm into a homogeneous kingdom, Antiochus demanded total political and religious loyalty to Greek culture from all the national and religious groups under his dominion.

Jews were forbidden to observe any of the precepts of Judaism under penalty of death. They defied Antiochus, and from this rebellion emerged the first martyrs for freedom of conscience in recorded history.

Chanukah thus celebrates the victory of the army of the Maccabees, led by Judah Maccabee and his brothers, over the Syrian army.

After the recapture of the Temple in Jerusalem, which had been looted and defiled by the Syrians, it was cleansed and rededicated to God. According to legend, a cuse of oil which contained only enough fuel to light the Menorah (candelabrum) of the newly-recovered Temple for one night, lasted for eight days.

Thus comes the name "Festival of Lights." Jews everywhere commemorate the Maccabees' victory by lighting candles for eight days.

Candles are lit every night of the holiday, beginning with one on the first night, two on the second, and so on; until on the



THIS SCENE will be re-enacted in Jewish Homes throughout the community on Saturday as the close of Chanukah is celebrated. Lighting the eighth candle in the Menorah is 10-year-old Eric Clark, while Debra Finkelstein (7), Bradley Kagen (6), Ronda Finkelstein (4) and Candy Henry J. Blank from the Livonia Jewish Congregation look on.

eight night, eight candles are lit in a special Chanukah Menorah.

In synagogues throughout the world this last night is celebrated with special services, songs and music.

At Livonia's reform synagogue, Temple Beth Am, Rabbi David Jessel and the children of the religious school will celebrate a Chanukah Family Service on Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. at the United Hebrew School Building.

On Dec. 6 the Temple will hold a Chanukah Fun Carnival at the Grandview Elementary School, 19814 Louise, of Middlebelt. Clarenceville. The Carnival, which will feature booths and serving of lunch, will be from 12 noon to 3 p.m.

The conservative Livonia Jewish Congregation will meet for an evening of celebration on Dec. 5 at St. Matthew's Church in Livonia.

This church is to be the congregation's new building. The singing of both Hebrew and English songs and the lighting of the Menorah will be highlights of the evening.

In addition to the services in the synagogues Chanukah

Detroit Round Table Discussion Scheduled Dec. 9

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, Friends of the Round Table will be the guests of the annual Holiday Meeting of the Women's Division of the Detroit Round Table.

A traditional affair commemorating both Hanukkah and Christmas, the program will feature a panel discussion on our Judeo-Christian Heritage, the ways in which our religious faiths may differ and those aspects we may find to be in common.

Participating members of the panel will be Miss Ruth Gerbig of St. Gregory the Great Church, Mrs. Eliot Higgins of Christ Church Cranbrook, Mrs. Nathan Spewak of Congregation Shaare Zedek, with Mrs. Philip Bernstein as moderator. If time allows, the panel will answer written questions from the audience.

Members and their friends will share coffee and cake at 12:15 p.m. The program will begin at 1 p.m.

Following the panel presentation, The Reverend Mr. Louis Johnson, Pastor of the Friends of the Round Table, has invited the assembly to tour his new and recently dedicated church and hear an explanation of the Baptist faith and its religious symbols.

The church is located at 3900 Beaubien at the corner of Alexander. The entrance to the parking lot, adjacent to the church, can be reached off of Illinois, which is one block south of Alexander.

Farmington Methodist Church To Celebrate 135th Anniversary

Sunday, December 6, marks a milestone for Methodism in Farmington. Bishop Dwight E. Loder will speak at both morning services, 9:15 a.m. and 10:40 a.m. at the Farmington Methodist Church.

At 12:00, immediately following the second service, a church wide Anniversary Dinner will be served in the Farmington Junior High School. At 2:30 p.m., the Bishop will officiate in the ceremony burning church's mortgage for the educational unit. The Reverend Dr. Russell Suraw will be the speaker at the special 7:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Service.

Methodism began its work in Farmington 135 years ago when Rev. J. A. Baughman, a circuit rider, stopped at a small group of houses on Grand River Avenue, about 15 miles west of Detroit, to speak to the neighbors in the community. At that time Farmington was a small village in the beginning of its development and among its earliest institutions was the Methodist Church.

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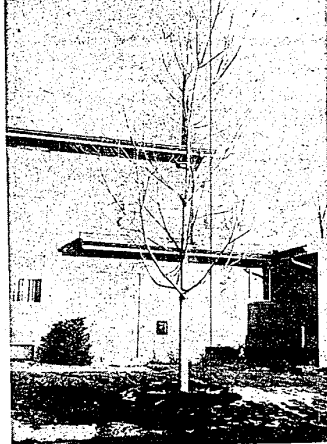
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A RED MAPLE TREE was dedicated and blessed in the memory of John Fitzgerald Kennedy at St. Aidan's Roman Catholic Church last Sunday. The Rev. J. Edward Seifen, Pastor, conducted the ceremony. Donated to the church grounds by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Costello of Merriman Rd., the tree is the largest ever moved by the Thomas Nursery. In his remarks Fr. Seifen pointed out that the tree will "remind us for years to come of President Kennedy."

New Church and Parsonage To Be Built On Schoolcraft

The Mt. Hope Congregational Church will build a new church and parsonage at Schoolcraft and Henry Ruff Roads. Until completion of the new church, worship services are held at the Roosevelt Elementary School at Livonia at Henry Ruff Rd. each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Minister of the new church is the Rev. Robert F. Simpson. Mr. Thomas Clark is the Director of Music.

Mt. Hope Congregational Church was founded in 1883. The church building stood at

Fort and 25th Streets where worship services were held until 1927.

A new church was then built at Schoolcraft and Livonia in Detroit. The new location was chosen because of the need for a more central location for many of the church members.

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FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST 1100 West Ann Arbor Trail 10:30 a.m. Church and Sunday School 8:00 p.m. Wednesday Eve. Meeting Reading Room 873 West Ann Arbor Trail Plymouth

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 16340 Hubbard Rd. 8:00 A.M. -Holy Communion 9:00 A.M. -Morning Prayer (Holy Communion, 2nd and 4th Sundays) 11:00 A.M. -Morning Prayer (Holy Communion, 1st Sunday) Church School, all ages, 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. The Rev. Joy P. Coulton-Minister-The Rev. Douglas T. Smith GA 14034 Church Office GA 14031 GA 5064

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH Methodist 29475 SIX MILE ROAD (1 block west of Middlebelt) Worship Services at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 (Nursery thru 4th Grade) 11:00 a.m. (Nursery thru Kindergarten, 5th thru 12th Grades and Adults) Rev. John Grenfell, Jr. - Pastors - Rev. James A. Lange 427-2586 Church Office 422-4038 421-7404

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 39020 Five Mile East of Eastland Road Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 11:00 Early 8:30 - Late 1:00 Rev. W. Koenig, Pastor Office Phone 464-0211

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 36075 W. SEVEN MILE RD. LIVONIA Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Church School 10:30 a.m. James W. Schofer, Minister GR 6-2070

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL 15218 Farmington Rd. just south of 5 Mile Rd. "Livonia's first Lutheran Church - standing since the year 1829" Worship Services 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. Rev. Winifred A. Koppin, Pastor Church Office 611-0223 Christian Day School, Grades K-6

ST. LUKE'S METHODIST CHURCH 5 Mile at Haggerty Worship Service 11:00 Nursery and S. S. Classes Rev. Sherman Richards Pastor Phone 453-9491 Residence Howell 76 W.

WEST POINT CHURCH OF CHRIST 3200 W. 7 Mile Road Livonia Paul S. Knight, Pastor 444-0232 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship and Communion 11:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Sunday 7:30 p.m. Wednesday 7:30 p.m. "Repeat Year for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand" 447

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NEWBURG BAPTIST CHURCH 37055 JOY ROAD Between Wayne and Newburg Rds. SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 a.m. MORNING SERVICE 11:00 a.m. EVENING SERVICE 7:30 p.m. Nursery available at all services Reverend Wardford GA 7-1037 GA 5-0466

ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH 35301 Five Mile Road (Between Gary Ln. and Yale Ave.) Rev. Arnold H. Johr, Pastor Office 14847 Yoe Phone 425-4319 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH of Plymouth Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 11:00 Services in Masonic Temple Bldg. - 730 Pennington C. R. Nichols - Pastor GL 3-0279

RIVERSIDE PARK CHURCH OF GOD Plymouth & Newburg Roads Livonia, Mich. -464-0990 Rev. J. Clifford Thor, Pastor

"Church of the Christian Brotherhood Hour" 9:45 a.m. Morning Service "We Believe in the Holy Spirit" 11 a.m. Church School 6:30 p.m. Baptismal Service "Christmas Preparedness" Rev. Thor preaching at both services

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOR Reformed Church in America Daniel Webster Elementary School 37555 Livonia Church School - 9:30 A.M. Divine Worship - 11:00 A.M. Vesper Service - 7:00 P.M. Rev. Luther Ralmer, Pastor 427-0122

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PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH (Missouri Synod) 12 Mile of Farmington Rd. 474-0210 The Reverend Carl E. Mehl, Pastor Worship Service 8 & 10:30 a.m. (Nursery Provided) Sunday School and Bible Classes 9:15 a.m.

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH OF LIVONIA 28440 Lynden 425-6215 Sunday School, 10 a.m. Morning, 11 a.m. Youth, 7 p.m. Evening Service, 7 p.m. REV. TROY B. HULL, Pastor

WESTLAND BAPTIST CHURCH 35375 Ann Arbor Trail (Between Wayne and Newburg) Reverend R. F. DeRenzo, Pastor Pastorage 427-0139 Church Phone 453-8485 Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Evening Service at 7:00 Wednesday Worship 7:30 p.m.

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE RISEN-CHRIST 41233 E. Ann Arbor Trail Pastor David P. Bernberg CR 3-3522 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST American Baptist Convention 14300 Merriman Rd. Westland Pastor Services Worship Service 10 a.m. Church School, 11:15 a.m. Reverend William E. Natas Pastor Home phone LI 6-2560

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL (Missouri Synod) 30005 Five Mile Road West of Middlebelt Pastor The Rev. Ronald C. Steneken, Pastor Sunday Services 8:15 and 11:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Parish School Principal Mr. Bernard J. Geyer GA 7-2549 The church of "The Lutheran Hour" and "This is the Life"

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Universalist-Unitarian Church of Farmington The Church of the Inspiring Mind Warner Thomas in Farmington The Rev. Robert Miles Eddy Church Service 10 a.m. Discussion Groups 11 a.m. Church School 10 to 12 TOPIC Dec. 6 - "THE CHRISTIAN MYTH; THE PRE-EXISTENCE THOUGHT"

ROSEDALE GARDENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Hubbard at West Chicago Worship and Sunday School 9 and 11 Richard C. Dunkerberger, D.D., Sr. Pastor Arthur Beumler, Jr., Associate Pastor Garfield 2-0494

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH of Farmington 33112 Grand River GR 44573 Worship Church School, and Nursery 9:15 and 10:40 a.m. Rev. Richard T. Markham Rev. David R. Stone

LIVONIA BAPTIST CHURCH Affiliated with Southern Baptist Convention 32940 Schoolcraft, 2 block E. of Farmington Rd. -422-0122 WILLARD MARTIN, Pastor Early Worship Service, 8:45 a.m. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Evening Service, 7:00 p.m. Baptist Training Union, 8:30 p.m. Worship Hours - 9:45 a.m.

TRINITY CHURCH BAPTIST 14800 Middlebelt just south of 5 Mile Road 9:30 a.m. - Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m. - Bible School. 6:00 p.m. - Family Vesper Hour, 7:15 p.m. - Youth Fellowship. "Nursery at all services." Rev. Lyle M. Adams, Pastor Mr. Jerry Smith, Organist

Christian Scientists Set Topic As God As Cause

"God the Only Cause and Creator" is the subject of the Bible lesson to be read in all Christian-Science churches this Sunday.

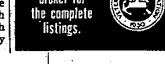
Golden Text: "Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us?" (Mal. 2:10).

Selected from the demonstration textbook will include: "The great I AM made all that was made." Hence man and the spiritual universe coexist with God" (Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy, p. 267).

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