

# Easter Sunday

## Easter Celebration Is Central to Christianity

By Sue Shaughnessy

"Now late in the night of the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the sepulchre.

"And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven, and drawing near rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.

"His countenance was like lightning and his raiment like snow.

"And for fear of him the guards were terrified, and became like dead men.

"But the angel spoke and said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus, who was crucified.'

"He is not here, for he has risen even as he said. Come, see the place where he was laid.

"And go quickly, tell his disciples that he has risen; and behold, he goes before you into Galilee; there you shall see him. Behold I have foretold it to you."

"And they departed quickly from the tomb in fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

"And behold, Jesus met them, saying 'Hail!' And they came and embraced his feet and worshipped him.

"Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go, take word to my brethren that they are to set out for Galilee; there they shall see me.'

(MATTHEW: 28, 1-10)

The above passage from the New Testament recounts the central message of Easter.

Theologians state that Easter is the main and central feast of Christianity. For it is by Christ's resurrection three days after His death that His divine identity was proven for all time.

Thus Easter is a holiday of joy, hope and love.

Throughout the week—beginning with last Sunday's observance of Christ's entry into Jerusalem along the palm spread roadway—Maundy Thursday services, the Good Friday meditation or Tenhour Services and the Easter vigil and Easter services the theme is God's love for man and man's hope for eternal salvation.

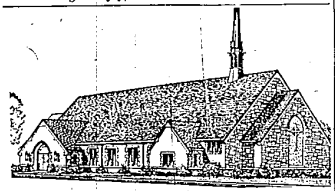
Listed in today's Observer are schedules of many of the Easter services in the area.

One thing about the observance is unique—as is the feast of Christmas—it is world-wide and all Protestant denominations as well as the Catholic Church—both western and eastern—agree upon the importance of the feast and on its meaning to mankind.

Easter signifies—very much as does the season of Spring—a rebirth or renewal of life.

In nature it is a rebirth of trees, plants and the world around us.

In the Christian tradition Easter signifies a time of rebirth and redemption to God and the purpose of fulfilling God's life on earth.



THIS IS an architect's rendering of the new Sanctuary at St. Paul's United Presbyterian Church. Ground ceremonies will be held for this fourth and final unit of the church complex at 12:30 p.m. Sunday.



### 10 Are Confirmed

The Rite of Confirmation was held Palm Sunday at the Salem United Church of Christ during the regular service. After having completed a course of study in preparation, 10 young people were received into membership and full communion with the church. Those confirmed were: Carolyn Bridges, Dawn Clayton, Dianne Clayton, Barbara Currie, Stephen Davis, Jayne Dozer, Lillian Frey, John King, Joanne Sisson and Jane Simpson.



REV. EDWARD R. A. GREEN, will preach at the Three Hour Service of Meditation and Prayer on Good Friday at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Livonia. The service, which will begin at 12 noon, will be divided into nine meditations. Rev. Green is Rector of Christ Church of Dearborn.

### GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

1.00 P.M.

#### GALILEAN BAPTIST CHURCH

28875 W. Seven Mile  
Rev. Herbert Noe, Pastor  
Dr. Hugh Farrell, Speaker

### 1st BAPTIST CHURCH OF LIVONIA

GALILEAN BAPTIST CHURCH

### FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

30000 Five Mile Road — GA 1-7249  
Minister Ronald C. Sterenko, Pastor

Maundy, Thursday Service 7:30 p.m.  
HOLY COMMUNION  
Sermon Topic: "He Loved Them to the End"

Good Friday — 1:30 P.M. Meditation Service  
7:30 p.m. Lord's Supper  
Sermon Topic: "The Man in the Middle"

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES  
7:30-9:30-11:15 a.m.  
Lord's Supper at 7:30 and 11:15 a.m.  
Sermon "The New Creation"

### SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

574 South Sheldon Road, Plymouth  
Rev. David T. Davies — Rev. Peter H. Beckwith

MAUNDY THURSDAY  
6:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.—Holy Communion  
7:30 p.m.—The Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY  
1:00 p.m.—The Way of the Cross and Sermon  
Theme: "A Strange Victory"

EASTER DAY  
6:30 a.m.—Sunrise Choral Communion  
9:00 a.m.—Family Choral Eucharist and Sermon  
11:00 a.m.—Family Choral Eucharist and Sermon

### ANNUAL UNION

#### GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

The Evangelical Covenant Church  
The Clarenceville Methodist Church  
The Southfield Community Church

In Combined Service at  
The Rice Memorial Methodist Church

Beech Road just South of Eight Mile  
12:30 to 2:30

Music and Speakers from Each Church  
Come when you can—Leave when you must

SPEAKERS: Pastors Gordon Ackerman, Raymond Bayne, Edwin Clements, Elsie Johns

### CLARENCEVILLE METHODIST CHURCH

28312 Grand River, Corner of Collingham  
Rev. Elsie A. Johns GR 4-6902

MAUNDY THURSDAY  
7:30 p.m. Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY  
12:30-2:30 p.m. Good Friday Services in cooperation with Evangelical Covenant Church, Rice Memorial Methodist and Southfield Community Church Services at Rice Memorial Methodist (Beech Rd. at Eight Mile Rd.)

EASTER SUNDAY  
6:00 a.m. Sunrise Services followed by Breakfast sponsored by Youth Groups  
8:45 and 11:15 a.m. Morning Worship  
Sermon—"THE DIVINE FACE"  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
6:30 p.m. Youth Group  
7:30 p.m. All Churches combined for an Easter Musical.

### WARD MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LIVONIA CHAPEL  
Farmington and Six Mile Road

MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 15  
7:45 p.m.—SERVICE OF MUSIC AND HOLY COMMUNION  
"The Light That Darkness Never Dimis"  
Rev. Hugh P. Gowman

GOOD FRIDAY  
7:45 p.m.—Message "THE DEATH OF DEATHS"  
Dr. Evon D. Welsh

EASTER SUNDAY  
April 18, 1965  
7:30 a.m.—EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE  
"A NEW DAY'S DAWNING"  
Rev. Hugh P. Gowman, preaching  
9:15 a.m.—"BLISS BEYOND COMPARE"  
Dr. Evon D. Welsh  
Chaplain of Wheaton College  
Wheaton, Illinois  
10:30 a.m.—BIBLE SCHOOL  
"WALKING WITH THE LIVING CHRIST"  
11:30 a.m.—"PAID IN FULL"  
Rev. Hugh P. Gowman, preaching

### ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Midfield at 8 Mile  
EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE—7 A.M.  
\*EASTER FILM 9:40 a.m.  
\*EASTER SERVICE 11 a.m.  
W. H. H. Communicant  
Pastor W. Rulowikow  
Speaker  
All Welcome

### EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor William E. Nelson

Maundy Thursday  
7:30 p.m. Worship service with Nankin United Baptist Church at Emmanuel Baptist

Easter Sunday  
7:00 a.m. Early morning worship  
8:00 a.m. Church Breakfast  
10:00 a.m. Worship  
(No Sunday school Easter Sunday only)

You are welcome to the

### FIRST METHODIST CHURCH OF GARDEN CITY

6443 Merrimon Road  
(between Ford & Warren)

EASTER SUNDAY  
8:00 a.m.—SUNRISE SERVICE  
Speakers: Rev. Kendall Cowling of First Methodist, Ann Arbor.

8:00 a.m.—Easter Service  
Musical: Solo and Girls' Choir, Sunday School, Devotions  
9:30 & 11:15 a.m.—Easter Services.  
Musical: Sanctuary and Children's Sunday School, Sun Day Grade.

8:00-9:30-11:15—Sermon by the Pastor  
"Our Faithful Father in Heaven"  
Supervision of Infants & toddlers at all three sermons.

### St. Elizabeth's EPISCOPAL CHURCH

26431 W. Chicago, Detroit  
Rev. R. L. Morrill, Vicar  
KE 7-7182

MAUNDY THURSDAY  
7:30 a.m. Holy Communion in Commemoration of the Last Supper

GOOD FRIDAY  
1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Good Friday Devotions  
EASTER EVEN  
7:30 p.m. Holy Baptism

EASTER SUNDAY  
8:00 a.m. Festal Choral Communion  
11:30 a.m. Festal Choral Communion  
11:00 a.m. Church School Easter Service in Children's Chapel  
Movie—"The Story of the Resurrection"  
7:00 p.m. Family night  
Movie—"The Power of His Resurrection"  
11:00 a.m. Children's Easter Mile Box Ordering in the Children's Folders

### CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

9300 FARMINGTON RD. LIVONIA, MICHIGAN  
Pastor, Rev. Kenneth D. Larkins GA 1-0749

MAUNDY THURSDAY  
7:30 p.m. Holy Communion

GOOD FRIDAY  
1:00 p.m.—Worship Service  
7:30 p.m.—Holy Communion

EASTER SUNDAY  
8:30 a.m. Sunrise Service  
8:30 a.m. Youth Service  
8:30 a.m. Festal Service  
11:00 a.m. Festal Service

### COVENANT BAPTIST CHURCH

18700 James Couzens (John Lodge) near Seven Mile Rd.  
Horn A. Weber, D.D. Lester H. Case Leland M. Brimhall

GOOD FRIDAY  
7:45 p.m.—Community Candlelight Service  
Pastorite Music by Chancel Choir  
Meditation—"The Twelve"—Dr. Weber

EASTER SUNDAY  
8:30 and 11:30 a.m.—Two Worship Services  
Joyous Choir Music  
Sermon—"The Sunday after Easter"—Dr. Weber  
11:00 a.m.—Church School Session  
7:00 p.m.—"Anticipation"—Dr. Weber

Nursery Care Provided for all Services. Come and Bring the Family

### HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Missouri Synod)

Rev. W. Koenig, Pastor 464-0211

Maundy Thursday  
7:30 P.M. Worship Service, Holy Communion.

Good Friday  
7:30 P.M. Devotional Service of song and prayer.

Easter Sunday  
6:30 A.M. Easter Sunrise Service.  
9:30 A.M. Sunday School.  
11:00 A.M. Festal Service with Holy Communion.

### CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

14350 Worman at Acacia KE 4-8744  
(Just West of Telegraph)

Rev. C. Beireis, Pastor  
Maundy Thursday, April 15th

7:45 p.m.—Vespers, Holy Communion  
Good Friday, April 16th  
1:00 until 2:00 p.m.—Solenne Devotions. (Fixed for work schedule.)  
Glorious Easter Festival Services, April 18th

7:30 a.m.—Sunrise Services  
8:30 a.m.—Coffee, Breakfast by L.L.  
9:45 a.m.—Easter in Sunday School. (Picture) "The Prince of Peace"  
11:00 a.m.—Easter Festival of Worship.

### St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

27475 Five Mile Road GA 2-1470  
Rev. Thomas W. Estes Rev. Arnold S. Dalziel  
Rev. William F. Whitledge

MAUNDY THURSDAY  
8:00 P.M.—Communion Service

GOOD FRIDAY  
1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Services  
8:00 P.M. Evening Communion

EASTER SUNDAY  
6:30 A.M. Dawn Service  
7:30 A.M. Easter Breakfast  
8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 Worship Services  
12:30 P.M. Ground Breaking for New Sanctuary

No Youth Meeting This Day  
EVERYONE WELCOME

### St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

16360 Hubbard Road, Livonia  
(Between 5 and 6 Mile)

Maundy Thursday (April 15th)  
6:45 A.M. Holy Communion.  
8:00 P.M. Holy Communion and Preparation of the Sanctuary for Good Friday.

Good Friday (April 16th)  
12 Noon to 3:00 P.M. Three hour Service.  
(The Service will be divided into nine meditations of about 20 minutes duration. Those who have to may come and go at the end of any period.)  
(Nursery provided.)

Easter Day (April 18th)  
7:00 A.M. Holy Communion (music by Boys' Choir).  
8:45 A.M. Festival Eucharist (music by the Chorists and Youth Choir).  
11:15 A.M. Festival Eucharist (music by the Chancel Choir). Church School for youngsters through 5th grade at 8:45 and 11:15. Older youngsters should attend Church with their parents.  
"He was crucified dead and buried . . . The third day He arose again from the dead." Worship the crucified and risen Lord.

### THREE HOUR GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

April 16, 1965, 12:00-3:00 P.M.

#### REDFORD BAPTIST CHURCH

Grand River and Seven Mile  
Use 7-Grand Parking Lot

#### REDFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

17226 Redford Ave.  
Use Church Parking Lot

Sponsored by the Redford Council of Churches

Redford Baptist Church  
Coronado Baptist Church  
Calvary Methodist Church  
Redford Presbyterian Church  
Redford Free Methodist Church  
St. Matthews Methodist Church  
Village United Presbyterian Church  
Trinity Evangelical United Brethren Church