

Moral perspectives

Interfaith dialogue needs planning, study, imagination

I recently received a special supplement to the Michigan Catholic which marks the 10th Anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's Declaration on Non-Christian Religions.

On Oct. 28, 1965, Pope Paul VI, together with the Fathers of Vatican II, made explicit the nature of a special relationship between Christianity and Judaism. They said that the Church acknowledged that "the beginnings of her faith and her election are found already among the Patriarchs, Moses and the prophets."



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They further stated that "since the spiritual patrimony common to Christians and Jews is so great, this Sacred Synod wants to foster and recommend that mutual understanding and respect which is the fruit, above all of biblical and theological studies as well as of fraternal dialogue."

ON THIS SIGNIFICANT anniversary,

quies planning, effort, study and imagination.

Several years ago, Robert McFie Brown, outlined ground rules for fruitful conversations between Catholics and Protestants that actually apply to all forms of interfaith dialogue.

These are the rules as suggested by Dr. Brown:

- Each partner must believe that the other is speaking in good faith.
- Each partner must have a clear understanding of his own faith.
- Each partner must strive for a clear understanding of the faith of the other.
- Each partner must accept responsibility in humility and persistence for what his group has done, and is doing, to foster and perpetuate division.
- Each partner must forthrightly face the issues which cause separation as well as those which create unity.
- Each partner must recognize that

all that can be done with the dialogue is to offer it up to God.

SOMEONE ONCE pointed out we have acquired enough religion to hate each other, but not quite enough to love each other.

When dialogue takes place in a spirit of mutual caring and respect, the possibility of human brotherhood is brought closer to realization.

We live in a world darkened by want, fear, prejudice and violence. How desperate is our need for the lights of justice and compassion to be kindled by those who bear witness to God's teaching.

Because he is the Father of all, we are responsible for another. That responsibility is properly undertaken when we fulfill the words of the prophet: "Come now, and let us reason together."

Interfaith service set

An interfaith celebration of Thanksgiving will be held Sunday, Nov. 23, at 4 p.m. in the Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward, Detroit just north of the Fisher Building.

The service has been planned by the religious task force of the Bicentennial Commission which is working cooperatively with the Detroit Round Table of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Rabbi Moses Lehrman, spiritual leader of Bnai Moshe and chairman of the special planning committee, said the demonstration of togetherness is a first of its kind to include Islamic.

Others participating in the service include the Rev. Gene McCormack, pastor of Mayflower Congregational Church, Detroit, and chairman of the religious task force, and Mrs. Joyce F. Garrett, executive director of the Bicentennial Commission.

The offering will be donated to the Hunger Fund which is administered locally by an interfaith committee.

Service is ecumenical

Two churches and a temple will join in the Franklin area's first Service of Thanksgiving, scheduled Sunday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m. in Temple Beth-El, 7400 Telegraph, Bloomfield Township.

Cooperating churches are St. Owen Catholic and the Franklin Community United Methodist.

The Rev. Frank B. Gwack, senior minister of the UMC church will preach the sermon, and the Rev. Joseph Ryder and Rabbi Richard Hertz will assist in the service. Musical numbers will be presented by groups from each of the congregations.

A social hour and a tour of the temple will follow the service. All in the community are invited to attend.

Your Invitation To Worship

St. John
American Lutheran Church
23225 Old Road Farmington
Pastor: Charles Fox 474-0044 or 474-1179
Worship 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Sunday School 9:40 A.M.
Nursery Provided

Beverly Hills
United Methodist Church
20000 W. 13 Mile at Evergreen 646-9777
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Church School 10:10 a.m.
Nursery through High School
Minister: William Vernehl

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD
Farmington Hills
23277 Powers Road
Walter M. Kirby, Pastor
Parsonage 474-5418
Church School 9:45
Morning Worship 11:00
Evening Service 7:00
Sundays Prayer 5:30

St. Martin's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The Rev. Robert L. Miller, Pastor
24699 Grand River Avenue
No. Seven Mile Road Detroit
Services Sundays—8 and 10 a.m.
Nursery at 10:00 a.m.
Call office for further information: 333-3021

First Baptist Church
Bates and Willis
Birmingham, Mich.
Dr. Robert G. Middleton, Minister
Rev. David W. Smith
Dr. Homer J. Armstrong, Associate
9:45 Church School
11:00 Worship Service

FARMINGTON HILLS BAPTIST
On Middlebelt Road Between 12 & 13 Mile Rds.
Worship 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Bible School 9:45 a.m.
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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1589 West Maple at Pleasant
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SUNDAY SCHOOL.....9:45 a.m.
MORNING WORSHIP.....11:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE.....6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY.....7:00 p.m.

Salem United Church of Christ
Oakland at Od River Farmington
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:15 A.M.
Parsonage 474-0487
Church Office 474-1240
Carl H. Schutte, Minister

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
165 E. Square Lake Road
Bloomfield Hills
232-7700 735-8233
Minister: Dr. Roger Brown

United Methodist
Farmington
West Bloomfield
Larger Parish

In Farmington
First United Methodist
24122 Grand River Ave. Rd. 474-7171
Pastor: John N. Howell
Assoc. Pastor: Howard P. Steg
Worship Service 10 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

In Farmington Hills
Nardin Park United Methodist
28647 W. Evergreen Rd. 474-2500
Pastor: William J. Meyer
Assoc. Pastor: Meredith T. Mahoney
Minister Education: James F. Thomas
Worship Services 9:15 and 11:00 a.m.
Church School 9:15 and 11:00 a.m.
Overhead United Methodist
30400 Farmington Rd. MA 46202
Pastor: Eric S. Jamison
Minister Education: James F. Thomas
Worship Services 9:30 and 11 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 and 11 a.m.

In West Bloomfield
West Bloomfield United Methodist
1100 Walnut Lake Rd. 851-2330
Pastor: Leiford E. Perzan
Worship Service 10:15 a.m.
Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

For Church Directory
Information
Please Call
644-1100 Ext. 224

UNIVERSITY HILLS CHURCH
Christian Reformed
Worship with Us at
11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
26711 Farmington Rd. at I-696
474-1510 Dr. J. H. Eklund 474-0314

BETHEL BAPTIST TEMPLE
A Church that is second only to God
29475 W. SIX MILE—LIVONIA
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Youth Meeting 6:00 p.m.
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
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525-3664 or 533-4550
Rev. H. L. Pettis, Pastor
& other services provided at all services

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
335 W. Maple
Birmingham
SERVICES SUNDAYS
8:00 A.M. Holy Communion
9:30 A.M. Morning Prayer
11:00 A.M. Holy Communion
7:00 P.M. Evening Prayer
WEDNESDAYS
7:00 and 11:30 A.M. Holy Communion

Bloomfield Hills
Christian Church
The Community House
380 South Bates, Birmingham
Sunday 10:00 A.M. Bible School
11:00 A.M. Worship
7:00 P.M. Praise Service
Wednesday 7:15 P.M. Bible Study
Joseph P. Lukowski, Pastor
851-8516

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
1669 WEST MAPLE at CHESTERFIELD (644-3040)
BIRMINGHAM
The Reverend F. Morgan Roberts, Pastor
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9:30 and 11:15 A.M.

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Church School 9:45 A.M.
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Church School 11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening 6:30 P.M.
Wed. Evening 7:30 P.M.
Dr. Wm. F. Kessler—Pastor Edward A. Libby
Call UN 4-7878

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
24000 LaVerna North of 13 Mile
between Grand Lakes & Middlebelt
9:30 A.M. Holy Communion
10:30 A.M. Family Worship
11:30 A.M. Holy Communion
1:15 P.M. Holy Communion
Call office for a home to home information
474-0300

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST
20300 Middlebelt, Livonia
Pastor: Donald Fisher 474-3444
9:30 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Church School
11:30 a.m. Second Session of Worship
7:00 p.m. Youth Meeting
7:30 p.m. Bible Study
For Confirmation & All Services
Nursery Provided at All Services

St. Andrew
Lutheran Church
LCA
6255 Telegraph Road
Birmingham, North of Maple
WORSHIP SERVICE
10:30 a.m.
Sunday Church School
10:30 A.M.
Thursday Church School
4:45 P.M.
Charles William Richter 646-5207

The Congregational
Church of
Birmingham, U.C.C.
Woodward at Cranbrook
Bloomfield Hills MI 6-4511
Worship and Church School
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Minister: Rev. Charles O. Erickson
Minister of Education:
Rev. Verne E. Jones, Jr.

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Greek Orthodox
Church
25123 Middlebelt Rd.
Farmington Hills, 477-1677
Rev. S. J. Anthony, T.S.B. Priest
Temporary Chapel Services
21575 W. 10 Mile, Southfield
11:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy
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Sunday Meetings of the Church
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Church
27800 Southfield Road
North of I-696 at I-75
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9:30 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Morning Church Service
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Services at 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.
Nursery care at both Services
Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.
January 11th at 10:15 a.m.
7:30 a.m. Grades
Adult Education at 10:15 a.m.
Senior Minister, Frank B. Gwack
Associate Minister,
Wayne C. Ferrigan

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CHURCH
THE JOYFUL CHURCH
21220 W. 14 Mile Rd.
1/2 MILE EAST OF LAKEVIEW
SUNDAY WORSHIP
8:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.
Sitter and Church School at 10:30
PHONE 646-4100
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Cranbrook at Long Lake Road
Cranbrook and Oak Hills
7:45 a.m. Holy Communion
9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon
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on 1st Sunday of the month
Church School and Nursery at 9 and 11 a.m.
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Thanksgiving Service
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Holy Communion and Sermon
Phone: 644-5210

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191 Chester at Willis
SUNDAY SERVICES 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 A.M.
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING 8:00 P.M.
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CHILD CARE ROOM Sunday 10:15 A.M. Wed. 8:00 P.M.
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