



'Grandparents' meet Santa

Southfield residents who work in the Foster Grandparents Program through Catholic Social Services in Oakland County were entertained at a pre-Christmas party by Mrs. Beverly Adams of Livonia. From left are Rella Thompson, Mary Smigielski, Bob Williams as Santa, Eve Workman and Mary O'Brien. (Staff photo by Bob Woodring)

Moral perspectives

Let's close some gaps as new year comes in

There is a time-honored practice of formulating resolutions on the occasion of a New Year, so that this significant boundary of time is approached with a sense of renewed moral purpose.

In keeping with this custom, I suggest that we designate New Year's Day as a time of bridging gaps. In the life of each of us there are cleavages and divisions. We need to heal these breaches, unite the severed, and become more fully whole and integrated.

FIRST, WE SHOULD overcome the distance between what we are and what we can be. Each of us is, as Christopher Morley once said, "a folder of unfinished business," a seed bed of unrealized possibilities. In each of us are more capacities for love, understanding, and service than we have ever expressed. Let us resolve to grasp not the reality of actuality, but the reality of possibility. Second, we should overcome the gap between us and our neighbors.



By RABBI IRWIN GRONER
Congregation Shearay Zedek

We are civil, but are we brotherly? We do not attack, but do we help? Do we use our own imagination to understand the situation of those who differ from us, the poor and the forgotten, the disenfranchised and the embittered, the lonely and the lost? There are people in this world who seem to think that if their own front door is shut, the whole world is warm. May the New Year grant us insight into the lives of others less fortunate, the power to experience what they feel, the blessed capacity of opening our doors onto life.

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FINALLY, WE SHOULD strive to bridge the gap between self and society. When we look at our world and do not enjoy what we see, we know that this will not be changed except as people bring into the world a new spirit.

A community functions according to its structure and purpose, but it is ultimately composed of individuals. Where we live, what face does the community have? Have we accepted our share of responsibility for our community? What are we contributing, not alone in our effort, but by the manner in which we live?

We do not know what 1976 may hold in store for us. The way is hidden in the eternal plan of the divine ruler. But we do know that we can help bridge the gap between what is and what might be by the gracious word, the kindly deed, and the loving act.

Your Invitation To Worship

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

St. Martin's EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The Rev. Robert J. Kline, Pastor
24699 Grand River Avenue
No. Seven Mile Road Detroit
Services: Mondays-8 and 10 a.m.
Sundays, at 10:00 a.m.
Call office for further information 533-3600

Salem United Church of Christ
Oakland and Od. River, Farmington
Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:15 a.m.
Pastor: Rev. J. H. 6-4087
Church Office: 6-4088
Carl H. Schultz, Minister

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

SOUTHFIELD CHURCH OF CHRIST
22255 W. Seven Mile Road
(1/2 mile west of Laborer)
Sunday Meetings of the Church
Bible School 11 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Ministers
Larry F. Turner and Vernon Boyd
Free Bible Correspondence Course
For Information, Call:
356-0694

NORTHBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
14 Mile and Laborer Roads
Morning Worship and Church School
9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Pastors: L. J. Peterson, E. W. Dunn
Phone: 642-4200

Bloomfield Hills Christian Church
The Community House
380 South Bates, Birmingham
Sundays: 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

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
143 E. Square Lake Road
Bloomfield Hills
(1/2 mile east of Woodward) 334-4253
Minister: Dr. Roger Brown
Church School 10:00 A.M.
Worship Service 11:00 A.M.
"SERMON TITLE
"Our Hope For
Years To Come"
Pastor's Class - 10:00 A.M. - Old Testament

UNIVERSITY HILLS CHURCH
Christian Reformed
Worship with Us at
11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
26711 Farmington Rd. at I-496
477-1340 Dr. J. H. Ellens 474-0514

BETHEL BAPTIST TEMPLE
"A Church that is concerned about people"
29475 W. SIX MILE - UPPSALA
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Youth Meeting 4:00 p.m.
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7:30 p.m.
Call for free bus transportation
326-3664 or 533-4569
Rev. H. L. Petty, Pastor
Nurses & toddler care provided at all services

Community Congregational Church
27800 Southfield Road
(1 1/2 Mile Lathrop Village)
Jackson E. Turner, Minister
10:00 A.M. Service

Franklin Community Church
United Methodist
on Franklin's Village Green
Services at 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.
Nurses care at both services
Sunday School at 11:15 a.m.
Junior High at 10:15 a.m.
Adult Education at 10:15 a.m.
Senior Minister, Frank B. Cwick
Associate Minister, Wayne C. Ferrigan

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH
335 W. Maple
Birmingham
SERVICES SUNDAYS
9:15 A.M. Morning Prayer
10:00 A.M. Holy Communion
11:00 A.M. Church School
11:15 A.M. Holy Communion
WEDNESDAYS
7:00 and 11:30 A.M. Holy Communion

HOLY CROSS Greek Orthodox Church
25125 Middlebelt Rd.
Farmington Hills, 477-1677
Rev. S. J. Anthony, Th. B. Priest
Temporary Chapel Services
21575 W. 10 Mile, Southfield
11:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy
English Sermon
Members Expected Visitors Welcome

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
24800 LaVista North of 11 Mile
between Orchard Lake & Middlebelt
at 11 Mile 6-4090 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 A.M. Family Worship
8:15-10:00 a.m. Holy Communion
Call office for further information
571-2800

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

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
A.L.C.
5631 North Adams Road
1/2 Mile North of E. Long Lake Rd.
SUNDAY
9:15 A.M. Matins
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship Service
Fred W. MacLean, Pastor
Duane F. Schafer, Pastor
MI 6-5041 MI 6-5124

NATIVITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE JOYFUL CHURCH
21270 W. 14 Mile Rd.
1/2 MILE EAST OF LANSING
SUNDAY WORSHIP
9:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.
Sitter and Church School at 10:30
PHONE 646-4100
RECTOR JOHN C. FREDENBURGH

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.
Family Night - Wed. 7:30 p.m.
Rev. Fred G. Ferris - Pastor 851-0310
A CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST
20300 Middlebelt, Livonia
Pastor: Gerald Fisher 474-3444
9:30 a.m. Holy Communion
10:15 a.m. Church School
11:15 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Youth Group
7:30 p.m. Holy Communion
No Confession
Nurses Provided at All Services

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 D. Erickson
Minister of Education:
Rev. Verne E. Arns, Jr.

Birk in the Hills
1240 W. Long Lake Rd.
MINISTERS
James F. Anderson
Frank J. Irvine
Ross H. Gooch
Worship Services and Church School
Sundays at 9:30 and 11:30 A.M.

Christ Church Cranbrook
Cranbrook at Lone Pine Road
Bloomfield Hills
7:45 a.m. Holy Communion
9:45 and 11 a.m. Festival of Gifts
11:15 Communion and Service
on 1st Sunday of the month
Church School and Nursery at 9 and 11 a.m.
Holy Communion
Tuesdays at 10 a.m.
Phone: 644-2210

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1589 West Maple at Pleasant
Ministers: James W. Wright, G. Bryn Evans
John H. Bunce, Thomas H. Beaven
Worship Services 8:30, 9:30 & 11 a.m.
Church School 9:30 and 11 a.m.
Nursery Care provided

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
1669 WEST MAPLE at CHESTERFIELD (644-3040)
BIRMINGHAM
The Reverend F. Morgan Roberts, Pastor
Associates: D. King Kerr, Charles A. Sommers,
Edward E. Craxton, Gerald S. Crawford
Worship and Church School
9:30 and 11:15 A.M.

Christian Science Churches
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST BIRMINGHAM
191 Chester at Willis
SUNDAY SERVICES 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 A.M.
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING 8:00 P.M.
CHILD CARE ROOM Sunday 10:15 A.M. - Wed. 7:45 P.M.
READING ROOM 355 East Maple 644-7935
Open Mon. & Tues. 9:30-5:30 & 7:9:30 Wed. & Sat. 9:30-5:30
Thurs. & Fri. 9:30-9:00
except Sunday and holidays
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST FRANKLIN-MEADOWLAKE
Maple at Inlander
SUNDAY SERVICES 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 A.M.
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING 8:15 P.M.
CHILD CARE ROOM Sunday 10:15 A.M. - Wed. 8:00 P.M.
READING ROOM 355 East Maple 644-7935
Orchard Lake Rd. at Lone Pine Rd.
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All are welcome at our Church Services and the Reading Rooms

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Richard Duncan, Pastor - Phone 474-0350
33400 SHIWAASSEE
FARMINGTON ROAD
WITH A HEART FOR FARMINGTON SINCE 1826
SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 a.m.
MORNING WORSHIP 11:00 a.m.
EVENING SERVICE 8:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 p.m.

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18700 Jan. Comm. Service Drive
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Morning Worship 9:30 A.M.
Church School 11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening 6:30 P.M.
Wed. Evening 7:30 P.M.
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