

Moral perspectives

Who decides morality — God or man?

Recently I read an essay in moral theology that posed the question "Who decides morality: God or man?" The question intrigued me because of three recent events...



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Much to my surprise, there was an instant reaction in the movie audience, clapping and cheering to demonstrate their approval of this merry libretto.

THE CONTROVERSY about public smoking in the Pontiac stadium added an additional nuance to the morality issue of deciding right from wrong.

There was a time in history that it was considered a virtue and a pleasure to the eye to be overweight...

There comes our century that maintains that overweight is socially unacceptable. Consequently it became wrong to be fat.

THE PROPOSED human life amendment suggested for the United States Constitution to preserve the rights of unborn poses another interesting nuance into the question of who decides morality.

These THREE incidents raise the question: Is morality based on man's interpretation or feelings? Is that what approaches "morality"?

Lenten series offer wide variety

Two Lenten events, a personal enrichment series on Sunday evenings under sponsorship of the Farmington Larger Parish Council and Wednesday morning lectures...

United Methodist, Grand River at Warner, Farmington, and the topic will be "Raising an Emotionally-Healthy Child."

The Wednesday morning lectures to be held at Nardin Park church will offer a choice of two speakers at 10 and 11 a.m.

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Jewish men's clubs plan joint dinner

A tradition of four decades will be renewed Tuesday, March 2 when the Inter-Congregational Men's Club Dinner takes place at Temple Israel.

The 43rd annual event involving the men's clubs of orthodox, conservative and reform congregations from throughout metropolitan Detroit will be hosted by the Temple Israel Brotherhood.

Guest speaker will be Albert Vignone vice president and director of social action for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Born and educated in St. Paul, he attended the University of Minnesota and graduated from New York University. His graduate work was done at the New School for Social Research in New York.

For reservations call Temple Israel

Let Roy J. Linnig, member of The Christian Science Board of Lectureship, tell you why "You're a Freeman" on Saturday, February 28th at 10:30 a.m.

Your Invitation to Worship

First Baptist Church, 945 Church School, 11:00 Worship Service

St. Martin's EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2469 Grand River Avenue, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

Salem United Church of Christ, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

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CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST, 7020 Middlefield Avenue, Pastor Donald Fisher

St. John American Lutheran Church, 22225 Oak Road, Farmington, Pastor Charles E. Peterson

Bloomfield Hills Christian Church, 280 South Bates, Birmingham, 10:00 A.M. Bible School

APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CONGREGATION OF DETROIT, 2025 Halsted Road, Farmington Hills, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 145 E. Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

UNIVERSITY HILLS CHURCH, 26711 Farmington Rd., at 4-496, 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. Worship with Us

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD, Farmington Hills, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

Franklin Community Church, United Methodist on Franklin's Village Green, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 333 W. Maple, Birmingham, SERVICES SUNDAYS

Beverly Hills United Methodist Church, 20000 W. 13 Mile at Evergreen, 646-9777, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 2000 LaSalle, North of 11 Mile, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 6255 Telegraph Road, Birmingham, North of Maple, 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5631 North Adams Road, 1 Mile North of Long Lake Rd., 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

NATIVITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 21228 N. 11 Mile Rd., 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

FARMINGTON HILLS BAPTIST, On Middlebelt Road Between 12 & 13 Mile Rds., 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Bible School

NORTHBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 14 Mile and Lusher Roads, 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship and Church School

The Congregational Church of Birmingham, U.C.C., Woodward at Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills, MI 6-4511, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Birk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Rd., 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

Christ Church Cranbrook, 7:45 a.m. Holy Communion, 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer and Service

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 1589 West Maple at Pleasant, Ministers: James W. Wright, G. Bryn Evans, John H. Bunce, Thomas H. Beaven

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN, 1669 WEST MAPLE at CHESTERFIELD (611-2040) BIRMINGHAM, The Reverend F. Morgan Roberts, Pastor

Christian Science Churches, FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST BIRMINGHAM, 191 Chester at White, SUNDAY SERVICE 10:30 A.M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON, Richard Duncan, Pastor - Phone 474-0350, SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 a.m., MORNING WORSHIP 11:00 a.m.

Covenant Baptist, NOW IN TWO LOCATIONS, West Maple Junior High, 12700 Jan. Comm. Service Drive, 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST FRANKLIN-MEADOWLACE, Maple at Inlander, SUNDAY SERVICES 10:30 A.M., SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 A.M.