



Timothy Installs New Pastor

George A. Fleischer was installed as pastor of Timothy Lutheran Church of Livonia on Sunday, Jan. 18.

Participants in the service included the Rev. Arnold H. Jan of Assumption Lutheran Church of Livonia; the Rev. Dale Krueger of All Saints Lutheran Church of Livonia;



REV. GEORGE A. FLEISCHER

the Rev. Donald H. Grandahl of Christ Lutheran Church of Redford Township; the Rev. Charles Fox of St. John Lutheran Church of Farmington; and the Rev. William T. Wolfe of Sword of the Spirit Lutheran Church of Livonia.

Prior to accepting the post at Timothy, Rev. Fleischer served as pastor of Puritan Heights Lutheran Church of Detroit for 18 years.

A graduate of the theological seminary of Capital University, he also has been director of education for St. Paul Lutheran Church of Farmington and personnel director in the youth department of the American Lutheran Conference.

He is past president of the Detroit Conference, Michigan District and Project Equality of Michigan.

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Holy Cross To Install Lindholm

The Rev. William C. Lindholm will be installed Sunday, Feb. 8, as pastor of Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 West Six Mile, Livonia.

He will succeed the Rev. James Miller, who has received a call from All Saints Lutheran Church at Mt. Carmel, Ohio, a suburb of Cincinnati.

Dr. Frank P. Madson, president of the Michigan Synod of Evangelical Lutheran Churches, will conduct the installation service and preach the sermon at both worship hours, at 9:30 and 11 a.m.



REV. WILLIAM C. LINDHOLM

Also on the day's program is the seventh annual Holy Cross congregational meeting at 7 p.m.

THE CHURCH also plans a reception from 3 to 5 p.m. to honor the new pastor, his wife, Patricia, and their three children, Jonell, Jane and William.

Bishop To Install Council For St. Priscilla Church

Twenty-two newly-elected members of the first Parish Council of St. Priscilla Catholic Church, 1100 Purlingbrook, Livonia, will be installed by the Most Rev. Thomas Gumbelton auxiliary bishop of Detroit, during 10 a.m. Mass Sunday, Feb. 1.

Council members were chosen for two-year and one-year terms in a recent parish election, and they later picked officers in a joint meeting of the

council and the church's steering committee.

DAN MORRISON, insurance adjuster and father of eight, was named president for the current year, and Patrick J. McCourt, a stockbroker and father of three sons, is president-elect.

The council secretary is Michael McGarry, a systems analyst for the Ford Motor Co. and father of eight. The officers were elected



ANCIENT GREECE IN PLYMOUTH -- After long preparation, the youth group of St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church in Plymouth staged their sixth annual Country Night banquet Jan. 24 under the theme "A Night in Ancient Greece." The church's fellowship hall was decorated with a fountain-pillar scene, chalk murals depicting characters in Greek mythology and murals of scenes in ancient Greece, and youth in appropriate costume served the dinner the group had prepared. Pictured from left are Lynne Elett, George Wisman, Beth Slabough, Vicar Jeff Hoft, advisor to the group, Sharon Uekert and Ruth Slabough.

(Observer photo)

ECUMENICAL REFLECTIONS

"Ecumenical Reflections" is a column in which Observerland clergymen and lay leaders are invited to present their ideas on church and religious topics of general interest. Anyone interested is invited to participate. Contributions should be one to two pages of double-spaced typewriting and may be mailed to the Church Editor, Observer Newspapers, 271 S. Main, Plymouth 48170. Today's "Reflections" are written by the Rev. William A. Ritter, pastor of the Newburg United Methodist Church, Livonia.

By the Rev. William A. Ritter
Newburg United Methodist Church

Almost without trying, churches find newer and faster ways of landing in centers of controversy. The most recent step into worldly frying pans has come with the action of the National Council of Churches leading support and pastoral aid to draft-age U.S. immigrants in Canada.

Rare is the religious leader who has not heard the phrase "None of our money better be going to support those young men (draft dodgers) going to Canada." If letters to my own denominational offices and personal response shared directly are any indication of the ground swell of negative opinion on this issue, it would seem miraculous that such a resolution caused no real stir in the nursing Sisters, Mercy High School novitiate, Marillac Hall, Sara Fisher Home and the Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament.

It is the belief of religious leaders closer to the scene than myself, that there are nearly 60,000 draft-age Americans in Canada, and that the single most compelling reason for their presence there is "age of consent" or support. We are all of them have personal sacrifices unknown to most of us.

Many have seen parents and loved ones down there. Reentry into the country involves still prison terms as a response. None can be gainfully employed without having immigrant status. A handful of such cases several months ago.

The NCC will not give direct money handouts to these men; a welfare basis. The money will provide a ministry to them. Perhaps a pastoral counselor, half-way house, medical clinic, etc. Such action is the direct request of the Canadian Council of Churches.

I personally have always had a struggle in resolving the question "How complete must my agreement be with a total budget of a group to merit my support?"

For example, I know that were it not for Council of Churches' money, there would have been months with absolutely no arrival of food and medicine to Biafra, supplies that have cut the daily death and starvation rate by 90%. I know that war began. Should I jeopardize that very needed work by reacting to a more controversial program they support?

I hope I have been helpful. I am certain only of the fact that if a young man feels that a light across the bridge is the only way he can be true to his convictions and make a Christian witness to his country, I would find him worthy of my respect and support. We are 19 years younger and stripped of my ministerial ordination. I wonder what I would be told.

Rev. Lester Kinsolving's

Religion Update

The national headquarters of the 3.4 million-member Episcopal Church, the nation's fifth largest denomination, is in serious trouble. Presiding Bishop John E. Hines of New York has written all Episcopal bishops a letter which California's Bishop C. Kilian Myers told his Diocese Council "sounds as if he's pushed the panic button."

Bishop Hines' letter cites "the tenuous future of some of the (denominational's) national current programs" and notes that "at no time within the past five years have the prospects for carrying out projected programs appeared quite so uncertain." The letter also pleaded for a "realistic estimate" of financial support from each diocese.

TWO OF the denomination's ablest bishops, Group Barret of Rochester and Robert Hatch of Western Massachusetts, have recently resigned their offices, well in advance of retirement age. And Hines' first assistant and deputy for program, Bishop Stephen Bayne, certainly resigned his office.

What has deeply disturbed Arms and Gates, and other Episcopalians as well, is that the National Committee of Black Churches has endorsed the Black Manifesto, which is full of violence. This apparently was of little concern

to Bishop Hines as his own acknowledgment that the manifesto is also anti-Semitic. (The manifesto is signed by Roger Blumhardt, who said that he does not expect any black to repudiate the manifesto even though it has anti-Semitic overtones.)

IN A SOMEWHAT parallel case, the executive council which runs the church through sessions of the General Convention, voted in December to allocate \$60,000 of the Aidan Federal de Mexico, headed by Rev. Mercedes Reis, to the Episcopal Diocese of New Mexico and Texas.

Episcopalians have been assured that no money would be given to any violent organization, were outraged, since they were well aware of Tijerina's activities, including a June 2, 1967, raid on the courthouse at Tierra Amarilla, 65 miles north of Santa Fe, in which 29 of his armed followers shot two police officers.

When asked to comment on this reasoning, Bishop C.J. Kinsolving, of the Episcopal Diocese of New Mexico and Northwest Texas, replied: "Episcopalians have been assured that no money would be given to any violent organization, were outraged, since they were well aware of Tijerina's activities, including a June 2, 1967, raid on the courthouse at Tierra Amarilla, 65 miles north of Santa Fe, in which 29 of his armed followers shot two police officers."

Moreover, he has informed Episcopal Church headquarters that his diocese is withdrawing all financial support (\$87,000).

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Workshops Consider Changes
A three-session workshop on liturgical changes in the Catholic church is under way for lay, priests and religious in the Southfield-Farmington Vicariate of the Detroit Archdiocese.

The first workshop was held Jan. 29 and the others are scheduled at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, and Tuesday, Feb. 17. They will deal with the new Mass and new forms for baptisms, funerals and weddings.

The Rev. Patrick Cooney, director of the Archdiocesan Liturgical Commission, is leading the workshops, and question-and-answer sessions are included. The changes are going into effect on Palm Sunday, March 22.

The vicariate is made up of Catholic parishes in Farmington, Southfield and South Lyon - St. Alexander, St. Clare, St. Columban, St. Fabian, St. Gerald and Our Lady of Sorrows.

Also included are institutions located in the area, the Berardine Sisters, Mercy High School novitiate, Marillac Hall, Sara Fisher Home and the Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament.

Crusade Set By Baptists
Evangelist Billy Walker will conduct a "New Life Crusade" in the Faith Baptist Church, 23845 Middlebelt, Farmington, for a week beginning Sunday, Feb. 1.

Meetings will be held each evening at 7:30 p.m. The evangelist, now 31 years of age, has spoken to tens of thousands of people in crusades and rallies.

Dave Edwards will be soloist and singing leader; The Rev. Orville Thomer is pastor of the church.

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