

# Extremism and sex confuse the young

Sex and human values, certainly not the only issue confronting the morality of a changing society, does qualify as one of the most volatile.

The rhetoric surrounding its discussion often generates more heat and emotion than it does insight and common sense. As with so many issues, the two extremes which make the most noise prevent the important points from reaching the surface.

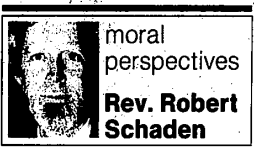
On one hand, we have the proponents of the "If it feels good, do it" philosophy. Their position is touted under the ever-popular flag of freedom.

This camp insists that any restrictions on sexual behavior are an infringement on human rights. Guidelines for responsible sexuality are seen as puritanical nonsense or the result of old-fashioned hangups. Those who oppose this libertine position are written off as prudish and out-moded.

On the other end of the spectrum are those who suggest that sex is the root of all evil. The subject is seldom talked about except by way of condemnation. Sex education is seen as an invention of the devil to be avoided at all costs.

The proponents of this view tell us that sex is beautiful and sacred, but they convey the message that we would be better off without it.

**BOTH POSITIONS** are understandable. We are products of our own time and, as is often the case, one extreme provokes another. So the pendulum



**moral perspectives**

**Rev. Robert Schaden**

swings. But understandable or not, extremism makes it difficult for either side of the issue to hear the other. Each entrenches further to protect its own turf and neither benefits from what the other might have to say.

It is also true that those who hold tight to their polarized positions are not the only losers. There is another group whose welfare is at stake. They are the young people who are truly searching out values for their own lives. For some of them, sexuality is frightening. For some it is overpowering. For most it is confusing. But to whom do they take their questions and their confusions?

The adult world to whom they turn is at times as confused as they are and is more interested in argu-

ing a position than in listening to questions from the heart. So the young seemed to have ceased voicing their questions, and their confusion remains.

**THEY HEAR** their elders fight about whether or not they should be taught about sex in the schools and at the same time they are discouraged from asking questions at home. Those who do opt for sex education in the schools often seem oblivious to the fact that issues of feelings and values are every bit as important as biological facts. They fail to realize that love-based sexual formation is as important as sex information, and the questions that are asked often go unanswered.

In the meantime, the young person watches the sellers of jeans and the producers of soaps peddle the "If it feels good, do it" philosophy. The movie world and the writers of soap promise that doing it will cure loneliness and produce maturity. The kids try it and it doesn't work.

Back on the other end of the spectrum they are told, "Don't do it." So some don't but never really know why; again, confusion remains. Others do it anyway and fight with the guilt they cannot even admit to themselves.

Perhaps, if the adult world could be educated out of its extremism on the one hand and its double messages on the other hand, we could arrive at a sexual morality that is both loving and responsible.



## Danny Thomas to be honored

Entertainer Danny Thomas will be honored Sept. 12 in benefit for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Lorna Zilba, a Middle Eastern concert dancer, will perform at the affair, being held at the Hillcrest Country Club in Mt. Clemens. Chairing the event are V. Reo Campian of Bloomfield Hills, R.E. Horste of Birmingham, George Simon of Grosse Pointe and Joseph Slavik of Orchard Lake. Ticket information is available by calling 843-6720.

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**For Church Directory Information**  
Please Call 644-1100 Ext. 200

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
American Baptist  
Bates and Wells  
Birmingham  
Robert G. Middleton  
Barbara Sinclair  
MINISTERS  
CHURCH SCHOOL  
9:00 AM  
WORSHIP  
10:30 AM  
12:00 AM  
644-0550

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
3600 Telegraph Road 1000 Ft. North of Long Lake Road  
Bloomfield Hills 48301  
Dr. Douglas H. Gallagher, Pastor  
Rev. Jim Lake, Associate Pastor  
Larry Simmons, Director of Church Music  
COFFEE HOUR: 9 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:30 AM  
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:30 AM  
EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE: 7:00 PM  
WEDNESDAY MID-WEEK SERVICE: 7:30 PM  
Nursery Available

**FRANKLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
On the Village Green  
10 AM  
WORSHIP SERVICE  
11:15 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND NURSERY  
Minister  
Dr. Samuel F. Stout

**CHRIST CHURCH GRANBROOK**  
Episcopal  
One Lone Pine at Cranbrook  
8:00 AM  
HOLY COMMUNION  
10:00 AM  
HOLY COMMUNION & SERMON  
(1st & 3rd Sundays)  
WORSHIP, PRAYER & SERMON  
(Other Sundays)  
Tuesday 10 am: Holy Communion  
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6:30 PM: EVENING SERVICE  
Dr. William F. Kevener, Pastor; Rev. Leonard A. Luby, Assoc. Pastor  
Rev. Judith A. Davis, Minister of C.E.  
5000 W. Maple Road • W. Bloomfield, MI 48033  
1 mile West of Orchard Lake Rd. • 855-9191

**FAITH COVENANT CHURCH**  
Pastor  
Michael A. Halleen  
Associate Pastor  
Mary Miller-Vikander  
Minister to Youth  
David A. Rose  
35415 W. 14 Mile Road  
661-9191  
Summer Worship Service: 10:00 AM

**THE SALVATION ARMY**  
27500 Shawwassee  
(at Inlander Road)  
SUNDAY SCHEDULE:  
10 AM - Sunday School  
11 AM - Morning Worship  
6 PM - Evening Bible Study  
Call 477-1553 for more information.

**SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Oakland at Grand River Farm  
CHURCH SCHOOL AND DIVINE WORSHIP: 9:30 AM  
Lee W. Tyler, Pastor  
Church Office: 474-6880  
Parsonage: 477-6478

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
3312 Grand River  
Farmington: 474-6573  
WORSHIP: 10 AM  
CHURCH SCHOOL: 10 AM  
Nursery Provided  
Minister: Charles H. Beynon

**UNIVERSITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
1385 S. Adams • Rochester  
375-5400  
Pastors: David S. Beckshar, Richard W. Todd & Joy Malone Todd  
WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 AM  
Nursery Provided

**SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
16360 Hubbard Road  
Livonia, Michigan 48154  
421-8451  
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES: 9 AM  
HOLY EUCHARIST: 10 AM  
WEDNESDAY HOLY EUCHARIST: 9:30 AM  
Nursery Care Available Sunday Morning

**The Congregational Church of Birmingham**  
U.C.C.  
Woodward at Cranbrook  
Bloomfield Hills  
WORSHIP: 10 AM  
Nursery Provided  
Minister:  
Charles O. Erickson  
Earl A. Esbhart

**PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN**  
Missouri Synod  
17 Mile and Farmington Road  
Behind Oakdale's  
WORSHIP SERVICE: 8:00 & 10:15 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:00 AM  
Church Phone: 553-3380

**GRACE EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**  
Birmingham  
Community House  
390 S. Gates, Birmingham  
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:30  
WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:45  
RICK HARTSELL  
334-0165

**NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
29587 West Eleven Mile Road  
Farmington Hills  
476-8880  
Just West of Middlebelt  
SUMMER HOURS  
Worship Service 10:00 AM  
"LOVE BECOMES WORK!"  
Dr. William Ritter  
Rev. William E. Miller, Pastor  
Mrs. Dorette Miller, D.C.E.  
Mr. Melvin Rogers, Dr. Music

**Orchard United Methodist**  
20450 FARMINGTON ROAD  
between 17 and 14 Mile Road  
676-3250  
MORNING WORSHIP:  
9:20 AM & 11 AM  
CHURCH SCHOOL & NURSERY  
9:20 AM & 11 AM  
MINISTERS:  
Robert L.S. Brown  
James C. Thomas

**FAITH FELLOWSHIP OF TROY**  
Meeting at  
Boulan Park Junior High  
1970 South Troy  
Enter Northfield Parkway  
Off Wallies (17 Mile Rd.)  
Tel. 288-0516

**FARMINGTON HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
28301 Middlebelt Road • 1/4 mile N. of 12 Mile  
GRADED BIBLE SCHOOL 9:45 AM  
WORSHIP SERVICES 11 AM and 5 PM  
CHURCH SCHOOL 11 AM  
WEDNESDAY BROWN NIGHT 7:00 PM  
Douglas B. Brown, Pastor  
851-0910  
Nursery provided at All Services  
C.B.A. Affiliated No Steps  
Ample Parking

**ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
6555 Telegraph, Birmingham  
Room 4040  
9:15 AM Sunday Church School  
10:30 AM Sunday Worship  
448-5207 • 644-6119

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST**  
1589 West Maple at Pleasant  
Ministers: James W. Wright • Douglas W. Vernon  
Church Oper.: Evans C. Bentley  
Monday-Friday  
8:30 am - Noon & 1:00 pm - 4 pm  
SUMMER SERVICES:  
Services: 8:30 & 10 am  
Crib & Toddlers: 8:30 am  
Nursery-Grade 12: 10 am

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BIRMINGHAM**  
1669 West Maple Road  
CHURCH OPER.: Evans C. Bentley  
F. Morgan Roberts  
Charles A. Sommers  
Denits F. Barber  
D. William McIvor  
Gerald S. Crawford  
Morning Worship and Church School 10 AM  
Nursery Provided

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10:00 am. The Church School 7:00 pm. West. The Masters  
11:15 am. Second Service of Worship 7:00 pm. West. The Masters

**Kit in the Hills**  
PRESBYTERIAN  
1340 W. Long Lake Rd.  
MINISTERS:  
James F. Anderson  
Robert L. Lindsey  
Worship Service  
and Church School  
9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

**NORTHBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
14 Mile and Lahar Roads  
WORSHIP SERVICE: 10 AM  
Pastors:  
M.L. Duckenberger  
Peter Moore

**St. Paul's Lutheran**  
14000 Seward  
20805 Middlebelt at 8 Mile  
Farmington Hills - 474-0975  
The Rev. Robert E. Unger, Pastor  
SATURDAY WORSHIP: 6 PM  
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 8:30 & 11 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE CLASSES: 10 AM  
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, Grades K-8  
Wayne C. Bernick, Principal  
474-2488

**FAITH FELLOWSHIP OF TROY**  
Meeting at  
Boulan Park Junior High  
1970 South Troy  
Enter Northfield Parkway  
Off Wallies (17 Mile Rd.)  
Tel. 288-0516

**Christian Science Churches**  
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST  
BIRMINGHAM  
191 Chester at Wallies  
SUNDAY SERVICES: 10:30 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:30 AM  
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING: 8:00 PM  
355 East Maple • 644-7935  
Monday 9:30-10:30 AM • Tuesday 9:30-10:30 AM • Wednesday 9:30-10:30 AM • Thursday 9:30-10:30 AM • Friday 9:30-10:30 AM • Saturday 9:30-10:30 AM  
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST  
FRANKLIN MEADOW LAKE  
Maple at minister  
SUNDAY SERVICES: 10:30 AM  
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:30 AM  
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING: 8:15 PM

**HOPE LUTHERAN**  
39200 W. 12 Mile Road  
Farmington Hills  
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:15 AM  
WORSHIP: 10:30 AM  
V.H. Messenbring, Pastor

**DETROIT FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
21260 HAGGERTY RD.  
I-275 at 8 Mile Rd.  
FARMINGTON HILLS  
348-7600  
REV. JAMES D. CONNER  
PASTOR

**Orchard United Methodist**  
20450 FARMINGTON ROAD  
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676-3250  
MORNING WORSHIP:  
9:20 AM & 11 AM  
CHURCH SCHOOL & NURSERY  
9:20 AM & 11 AM  
MINISTERS:  
Robert L.S. Brown  
James C. Thomas

**CENTRAL WOODWARD CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
(Disciples of Christ)  
3355 W. Big Beaver at Adams, TROY  
CHURCH SCHOOL: 9:30 AM  
WORSHIP: 11:00 AM  
Minister  
Robert H. Boyle  
644-0512

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15-SUBSTANCE  
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION  
11:00 AM  
WORSHIP SERVICE  
"A FATHER PROVIDES"  
6:30 PM  
PRAISE & WORSHIP  
WEDNESDAY  
7:00 PM  
PRAYER & SHARE  
NURSERY FACILITIES AVAILABLE

**United Methodist Church**  
2000 W. 13 Mile at Evergreen  
484-9171  
WORSHIP: 10 AM  
CHURCH SCHOOL: 10 AM  
(Nursery thru High School)  
Minister: John W. Bray

**CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER**  
Episcopal  
10140 Cornwell Rd.  
Southfield  
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**WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA**  
Farmington and Six Mile Roads  
422-1150  
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HOLY COMMUNION  
"Am I My Brother's Keeper?"  
Dr. Bartlett L. Hess  
7:00 PM  
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Charles Fox - Pastor  
Mark Radloff - Pastor  
SUNDAY WORSHIP  
8:30 AM  
474-0584