

Addition For Ward Starts Despite Protest

Despite a protesting voice from inner city Detroit, work is underway on construction that will make Ward United Presbyterian Church the largest in Livonia and the denomination's largest in the metropolitan area.

The church will make it official with a groundbreaking scheduled at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, May 16.

The \$550,000 addition to the church at Farmington Road and Six Mile - designed to provide a sanctuary that seats 1,000 worshippers and 80 choir members - was subject of controversy in the Detroit Presbytery meeting in March.

Dr. Bartlett L. Hess, Ward's senior minister, said that there were motions from Dr. Horace L. Thomas, pastor of the inner-city Woodward Avenue Presbyterian Church, that the Livonia church request for a loan of \$1,100,000 be denied or delayed. The moves were voted down 3-1.

"His point was that money of that amount should not be invested in church buildings, but rather used for the poor and to finance social action programs," Dr. Hess said.

He added that the minister, whose church numbers 456 members, had told the Presbytery that "if we needed more facilities, we should rent a hall or have several services on Sunday."

But, Dr. Hess said, Ward church has a membership approaching 1,600, and between two-thirds and three-fourths attend each Sunday. That means about 1,100 worshippers as well about 1,000 in church school.

"We already have three services every week," he went on, "and we had tried without success to find a nearby place that had the capacity we need."

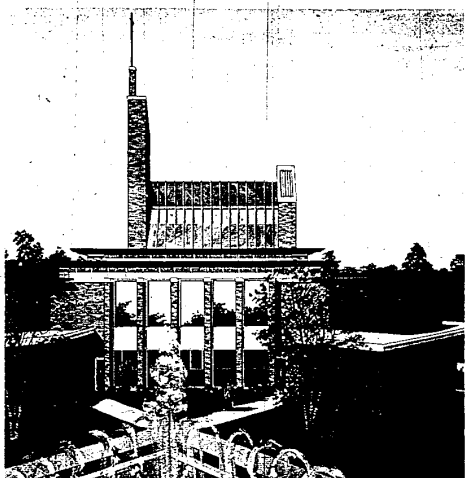
"High school auditoriums seat about 800, and our present sanctuary seats 600."

DR. HESS said he could sympathize with the feeling behind the objections, because he realizes that the growth Ward is experiencing "comes from many churches are standing still or going back."

"But when you have a lot of people in the area who want to come to church, you have to provide for them," he added.

"I've heard members of this congregation say they never would have believed they'd have to stand in line to go to church, but that's about the case."

Dr. Hess also pointed out that the church's benevolence



WARD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of Livonia will have a plaza and fountain at the center of its building when the addition now begun is completed in about a year. The addition is to house a large new sanctuary and new offices and classrooms.

budget is between \$55,000 and \$90,000 a year - "much in excess of the average church."

Part of that money, he added, goes to support the Rev. and Mrs. Haman Cross, who head an evangelistic mission in the inner city, offering athletic activities and homemaking courses as well as church services.

"If this new building were just a memorial to Bartlett Hess, I'd say skip it," the clergyman said. "But it's badly needed by a fast-growing congregation."

IN THE LAST two years, while membership was growing from about 1,000 to more than 1,500 the annual giving has increased from \$153,000 to \$304,000, Dr. Hess said.

"That's more than \$200 a year per member," he added, "and the calls include many teen aged members, he added."

"I believe we continue to grow because we preach and teach the Bible and historic Christianity and apply it to people's lives today," Dr. Hess said.

"When I hear other ministers say people are not interested in church, I don't know what they are talking about. There's a great spiritual need in this area, the realization of the presence of God as it relates to people's needs."

The clergyman added that part of the new addition already has been paid for and "we have commitments from \$200,000 and \$200,000 a year."

WARD DOES NOT ask its members to pledge regularly, Dr. Hess said, and there is no financial obligation. "But we offer an extensive program for all ages, with emphasis on the needs of the younger members," he said.

"We have dinners every Wednesday night, attended by our School of Christian Education, and always the attendance is at least 200. There also is a very active youth group, and the Rev. Franklin Williams recently was installed in that post."

WARD BEGAN in May 1956, when 57 people gathered in the Lincoln School in Livonia. Dr. Hess, then pastor of Ward Memorial Presbyterian Church of Detroit, conducted the service.

The new congregation purchased its land a month later with assistance of the National Missions Committee of the Presbytery of Detroit, and completed its first chapel in March 1960.

Six years later the education wings were completed. The Livonia congregation was organized as a separate congregation in December 1968, with a membership of 1,000 and a church school enrollment of 900. Dr. Hess, who had been preaching on service in Livonia and continuing as minister of Ward Memorial in Detroit, at that time assumed full responsibility here and was installed as the first pastor of the Livonia congregation.



Dr. Walter Judd Speaks In Area

Dr. Walter H. Judd, former medical missionary and U.S. representative and now an editor and lecturer, will speak at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, in Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, 2225 E. 14 Mile, Birmingham.

Dr. Judd's topic will be "Youth Crisis: Its Challenges and Opportunities." His appearance is sponsored by the Religious Assistance and Protective Association.

Dr. Judd served in the field artillery during World War I and served as a missionary in China from 1925 to 1940, with time out to recuperate from malaria and work at the Mayor Clinic at Rochester, Minn., under a surgery fellowship.



DR. WALTER H. JUDD is a foreign affairs committee. He has received 25 honorary degrees from U.S. universities and colleges.

Dr. Judd is a contributing editor to "Reader's Digest." He also makes television appearances and gives lectures, particularly in college and university communities.

Abortion Panel Topic

A panel discussion on the abortion issue will follow a salad luncheon for the women's association of the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth at 12 noon Wednesday, May 12.

Leaders of the discussion will be the Rev. DuWayne Summers of the Dixboro Methodist Church and Mrs. Robert Irwin of Plymouth, representing a group called People Taking Action Against Abortion.

The public is invited to attend the program.

St. Andrew Shows Films For Deaf

A series of captioned motion pictures for the deaf is being presented in St. Andrew Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia, between now and Aug. 27.

The films, shown in the church dining room on Fridays and Saturdays, are part of the church's continuing program to provide worship and church fellowship experience for the deaf from all over the area.

Special captions are printed on all the films, shown in cooperation with the Bureau of Education for the handicapped, U.S. Department of

Health, Education and Welfare.

The first movie, "Little Women," was shown April 23. A children's matinee is scheduled at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 8.

Another matinee is set May 23, when the film will be "The Long, Long Trailer."

Evening movies planned include "Express File," May 14; "Hans Brinker," May 20; "Miracle Worker," June 11, and "Spencer's Mountain," June 27. All are shown at 8 p.m.

There is no charge for the films.

27 Earn Degrees

Twenty-seven college seniors will receive their degrees Saturday, May 8, during the 82nd commencement exercises of St. Mary's College, Orchard Lake. The event will begin with an academic procession at 2:30 p.m. to the campus auditorium building.

The medal is awarded annually to an outstanding American Catholic Polish background for "fidelity in serving God and Country through the realization of the religious and cultural ideals of our forefathers."

The Very Rev. Walter J. Ziemia, president of the college will confer the bachelor of arts degrees. Degree candidates will be presented by the academic dean, the Rev. Leonard F. Chrobot.

The ceremony will be held Thursday, May 13, at 7:30 p.m., and will consist of a candlelight procession, mass at the shrine, crowning of Our Lady, and refreshments after the parish hall.

Marian Groups Plan Ceremony

All Marian groups in Detroit are invited to participate in the crowning of the Virgin Mary at St. John Bosco Shrine, 1970 Beech Drive, Redford Township.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of the the coronation at Fatima by Pope Pius XII proclaiming Mary "Queen of the World."

The ceremony will be held Thursday, May 13, at 7:30 p.m., and will consist of a candlelight procession, mass at the shrine, crowning of Our Lady, and refreshments after the parish hall.

Seventy nations will take part in coronation ceremony May 13 at main Marian shrines.

Rabbi Wine Plans Review

The Birmingham Temple Women's Group is sponsoring a mid-day book review by Rabbi Sherwin Wine Wednesday, May 12, at 12:30 p.m., in the community room of the

Federal Department Store, 29720 Southfield Rd., Southfield. Rabbi Wine will review "Zelda," by Nancy Mitford. For tickets call the temple.

Witnesses Plan 3-Day Convale

Watchtower Society representatives A.A. Catanzaro and A.G. Stevens will be the keynote speakers at a three-day convale of Jehovah's Witnesses in their Assembly Hall, 10709 Grand River, Detroit, May 14 to 16.

Catanzaro will open the sessions Friday, at 7 p.m., with a discourse on the convention theme "Implanting of the Word."

for the model "ministry school" held weekly in all congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses, and will give a discourse Sunday, at 3 p.m., on the subject "What Is Behind the Spirit of Rebellion?"

The program will consist of morning, afternoon and evening sessions of Bible talks, discussions and plays designed to train and delight in the ministry.

Among the speakers will be Frank H. Himmler Jr., associate minister of the Farmington congregation. He will speak about the "Disgusting Thing," from Daniel's prophecy. Also participating will be Tom Lemanski of Farmington, who will deliver the fifth student talk, and his son Timothy.

B'nai B'rith Lodge Plans Installations

Suburban B'nai B'rith Lodge will install officers at 7 p.m. dinner-dance Tuesday, May 11, in the Town and Country Club, 3033 Southfield Road, Southfield.

Jerry Logan will be installed as president. Leonard Schulz, Dr. Bernard Schmidt and Al Farber are the new vice presidents. Stan Ebling is the financial secretary and Ron Sider, recording secretary. The installing officer will be Bernard Panush, and George Steinberger is the retiring president.

Hal Gordon's Orchestra will provide music for dancing. For reservations, call Arnold Michlin, 31460 E. Stonewood Court, Farmington.

Bach Cantatas To Be Heard At Bushnell

The Bushnell Music Series will present two cantatas by Johann Sebastian Bach at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, May 9, in Bushnell Congregational Church, 15900 Southfield, Detroit.

To be heard are Cantata No. 28, "If Thou Suffer God to Guide Thee" and Cantata No. 31, "I Had Great Heavens of Heaven."

Performing will be a chamber orchestra directed from the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, the Chancel Choir from Bushnell, and soloists Ruth Killien, soprano, Alana Moon, mezzo-soprano, Carmen Cavallaro, tenor, and William DeMaris, baritone.

Area Deaths

CLIFTON FARMER, Funeral services for Mr. Farmer, 59, of 514 E. Oxford, Farmington, in the Ross B. Nohrman & Son Funeral Home in Detroit with burial in Aspark Park Cemetery, Officiating was the Rev. D. Adam Westwood of the Redford Community Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Farmer, who died suddenly April 22 in Detroit General Hospital, was a musical instrument salesman at downtown General's, and had played trombone for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra from 1940-46, for the Detroit Lions and Tigers bands and on radio and television stations (WJLW, WJLW and WJLW). He was born in Detroit, 1912, and lived in Detroit, 1912-46, he played in the Michigan Theatre Orchestra conducted by Edward Warner and his Orchestra, Benny Kane Orchestra, Eddie Schick Orchestra and Jack's Society. He was a member of the Detroit Federation of Musicians for 41 years, since he was 18 years old.

Survivors include wife, Elaine, son, Robert; daughter, Marjorie; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Logan Farmer, Farmington; Mrs. Mary Wright; and four grandchildren.

AUBREY J. WALL - Services for Mr. Wall, 68, of 19652 Drive in Livonia, were held at the R.G. and G.R. Home Funeral Home with the Rev. Stanley Kueck officiating. Burial was in Park View Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mr. Wall died April 22 in Livonia Hospital in Ann Arbor. He was a university teacher and a member of Temple Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Della; two daughters, Mrs. Linda Chapman, Mrs. Shirley Hager, Mrs. Mark Latham and Deborah Wall; one sister, Mrs. Phoebe Stephens; and four grandchildren.

CHARLES TERRIS - Services for Mr. Terris, 78, of 25155 W. Eight Mile Rd., Livonia, were held in St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church with Rev. Father Kueck officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mr. Terris died suddenly on April 24 while a patient at St. Mary Hospital. Employed as a salesman by Rev. Father Kueck officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mr. Terris was a member of St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church. Survivors include his wife, Dolores; daughter, Mrs. Pauline to Betty, Cynthia, Janet, Nancy and Carolyn; sons, Gerald, Richard, Michael, and Robert; brothers, Owen.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

30025 Curtis Road Lesson Topic 421-1760
Dial-A-Prayer 281-2440 Youth Education 3:30 and 11 a.m.
[Helping the Prosperity Habit]

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Detroit
6443 E. Warren Road
Phone: 421-8628
Minister: Rev. Glenn Kueck
SUNDAY SCHOOL
10 a.m.
Infants through 6th grade
11:10 a.m. Adult Young Adults
11:15 a.m. Morning Worship
10 a.m. only

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH of Plymouth
680 Church Street
453-5280
Minister: Rev. W. G. Wadsworth
P. M. 7:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Church School
9:30 a.m. Church School
11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Worship
with Nurses Care Provided

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church
30900 Six Mile Road
422-8328
Pastor: Rev. Paul H. Parker
9:30 a.m. Worship; Nursery Available
Church School (all ages)
11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Worship
with Nurses Care Provided

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ORCHARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
24050 Farmington Road
Between 13 and 14 Mile
426-1820
9:30 and 11 a.m.
Worship. Church School Hours
E. B. 8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
10000 E. Warren Road
422-0145
Minister: Rev. W. G. Wadsworth
P. M. 7:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Church School
9:30 a.m. Church School
11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Worship
with Nurses Care Provided

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Kenwood Church of Christ
20200 Meridian, Livonia
426-4222
L. E. 8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Assembly of God
Parkdale
36516 Parkdale
184 S. E. 10th St. and 10th Ave.
Rev. David H. Kist
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Study 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Bible Study
8:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
425-0450 or 422-0000

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Reformed Church in America
Church of the Savior
Reformed Church
38100 Five Mile Rd.
Livonia
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Study 7:30 p.m.
Nursery Care is Provided at All Morning Worship Services
464-1062
Rev. Ronald McCall, pastor
minister of education
Rev. Moody Day