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COMMUNITY MESSENGER

Community Messenger features announcements from Oakland County religious institutions. Write: Community Messenger, c/o Beliefs and Values Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspaper, 805 E. Maple,

CHOIR/WINDS

Music by the Kirk Chancel Choir and Detroit Chamber Winds will be presented at 9 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 West Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills.

LATTE AND LEARNING

"The Third Temple" will be the topic of the 10 a.m. Monday, Nov. 23, Latte and Learning series offered by Eilu v Eilu at Borders Books & Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills.

Eilu v Eilu is the metro-wide adult Jewish learning project of the Detroit Conservative movement. The series, entitled "Six Ideas that Saved Judaism," is led by Rabbi Aaron Bergman.

The study group meets at 10 a.m. Mondays through Dec. 21. New students are welcome. Tuition is $7 per session ($5 per session for members of organizations that sponsor Eilu v Eilu: Adat Shalom, Beth Abraham Hillel Moses, Beth Shalom, B'nai Moshe, Hillel Day School, Shaarey Zedek and Women's League for Conservative Judaism- Michigan Branch.)

JEWISH EDUCATION SERIES

"How Can God Allow Suffering?" is the subject of an 8-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25 Beit Midrash, an interactive text study series for adult learners, co-sponsored by Eilu v Eilu (the cooperative adult Jewish learning project of the Detroit Conservative Movement), and the Limud Program of Congregation Shaarey Zedek. The session, led by Rabbi Stephen Weiss, will be in the Beit Midrash (House of Study) at the Laker Complex of Congregation Shaarey Zedek, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield. The free, drop-in series runs Wednesday nights through Dec. 16. For more information, call (248)737-1931.

MT ZION

The Mt. Zion Theatre Co. presents "The Tinker," at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 at Mt. Zion, 4900 Maybee Road, Clarkston. Tickets are $8 in advance; $10 at the door; $7 for groups of 10 or more. Ticket prices include play admission, dessert and gourmet coffee. For reservations, call (248)391-6166 and ask for Debbie McClure.

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

A Thanksgiving Day church service will be *10:30 a.m. Thursday*, Nov. 26, at First Church of Christ, Scientist, 191 North Chester Street, Birmingham, and First Church of Christ, Scientist, Maple and Inkster in Bloomfield Township. Visitors are welcome.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHRISTMAS CONCERT

An evening of ethnic and "American" choral and dance, along with traditional Christmas carols, will be presented at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, at Faith Lutheran Church, 37635 Dequindre Road, near 16 Mile Road, Troy. Rina Singha, a classical East Indian dancer, will tell the story of Jesus through dance. Choral groups featured will be the Detroit Urban Lutheran School Children's Choir and Faith Lutheran Church Praise Team. All proceeds will benefit event sponsor, People of the Book Lutheran Outreach. Ticket donation is $5. A reception will follow. For ticket reservations or more information call (734) 467-6256.

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Congregational Church of Birmingham will present a free Christmas Concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6.

The concert features vocal and handbell choirs as well as soprano soloists. The church is at 1000 Cranbrook Road, at Woodward, in Bloomfield Hills. For more information call (248)646-4511.

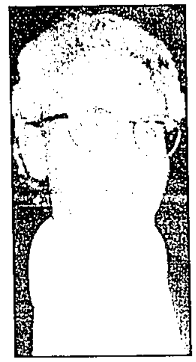
NORTH HILLS

A woman's interfaith Bible study meets from 9:30-11 a.m., Wednesdays at North Hills Church, 3150 N. Adams Road, Troy. A nursery for infants and a story hour for children 3-5 years of age is available. (248)645-1990.

SUNDAY ROSARY

The Sunday Rosary group at St. Anastasia Catholic Church, 4571 John R in Troy, meets at 7 p.m. every Sunday to pray for world peace, the unborn and intentions of all in attendance. It lasts about a half hour. (248)689-8380.

Nativity Episcopal names new pastor



Rev. John Keydel

The Rev. John Keydel — former assistant pastor at St. James in Birmingham — will take over the helm at Nativity Episcopal Church in Bloomfield Township on Nov.22 after what has been an extensive search for a new rector.

"John has a special Spirit he wants to share with people and I think he will help Nativity live its mission with renewed enthusiasm," said Search Committee member Mary Marling.

At 9:30 a.m. Nov. 22, a special Sunday service is planned to welcome the new rector.

Festivities include the Tartar Sauce Traditional Jazz Band to accompany the workshop service and music by the new organist and music director, Marilyn McCallum. There will be a reception immediately following the service.

Nativity's regular schedule for Sunday services is 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

In addition to children's Sunday School, nursery care is provided at 10:30 a.m.

Nativity Episcopal Church is at 21220 West 14 Mile Road (between Lahser and Evergreen) in Bloomfield Township.

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