

Passover Is Jews' Oldest Festival

Passover, the greatest and most ancient of all the Jewish festivals, will be celebrated by Jews all over the world beginning at sundown, Friday, April 12, this year. It is observed for seven days by Reform Jews, and for eight days by Conservative and Orthodox Jews.

For more than two thousand years Passover (Pesach) has been considered by Jews everywhere to be the great holiday, the festival of redemption. It is also the Jewish festival which is richest in symbolism, for no other holiday in the Jewish calendar abounds in so many ancient and meaningful ritualistic objects, foods, and ceremonies, all of which are intimately bound up with the nomadic origins of the Jewish people.

Jews everywhere celebrate Passover with a ceremonial meal called the "Seder." During the Seder the story of the Exodus is recited, songs and ceremonial prayers are performed and the symbolic foods of passover are eaten. The most important Passover food is "Matzot," unleavened bread, called by the Jews the "Bread of Affliction"; it is unleavened as a reminder of the haste with which the Jewish people fled from Egypt (there was no time to allow the bread to rise). Its thinness, too, is a reminder of the meagerness of the fare distributed, the poor, and the outcome of sojourn.

The Last Supper of the New Testament was probably a Seder meal and the Passover matzot and wine were precursors of the communion wafer and wine.

Temple Beth Am will celebrate its Passover Seder this year on Friday, April 12 at the Raleigh House on Telegraph in Southfield. We welcome those who wish to join in a traditional meal and service conducted by Rabbi David Jessel. Reservations or information may be had by calling Mrs. Alex Colvin, GA 5-1247.



SEDER MEAL BEGINS — Rabbi Martin Gordon, of the Livonia Jewish Congregation, will begin the traditional Jewish Seder meal in his home with the chanting of the Kiddush, a prayer proclaiming the day holy. Then everyone present will dip a green vegetable, representing spring, into salt water, reminiscent of the tears shed in Egypt, and the rabbi will tell the story of the Passover to his family. Rabbi and Mrs. Gordon and daughter Carolyn posed for a model Seder.

Jewish Fund Drive Tops Seven Million

The 1968 Allied Jewish Campaign Emergency Fund has reached \$7,290,000, according to campaign chairman Alfred L. Deutsch and Co-Chairmen

Marwell J. Jospey expressed admiration for Detroit Jewry's spontaneous response and unparalleled generosity to Israel's crucial social service needs and the Campaign-supported social service agencies which assist distressed Jews locally, nationally and in 30 countries around the world.

In June 1967 when the six day war broke out, Detroiters subscribed \$6,300,000 to an Israel Emergency Fund in addition to the \$5,750,000 which was raised in the annual Allied Jewish Campaign.

CAMPAIGN closing date has been set for May 6. Detroiters are urged to renew contributions from the Campaign and Fresh Air Society, Hebrew Free Loan Association, House of Shelter, Jewish Community Center, Jewish Family & Children's Service, Jewish Home for Aged, Jewish Vocational Service—Community Workshop, Midrasha, Resettlement Service, Sinai Hospital and Shulamit Center, United Hebrew Schools and affiliated schools; Combined Jewish Schools of Sholem Aleichem and Arbeiter Ring, Yeshevath Beth Yehudah Afternoon School, and Hayim Greenberg Hebrew Yiddish School.

WITH THE continuing emergency and a continuing need for support of our social welfare program in Israel, Detroit community leaders decided to combine the two appeals into one campaign.

"I cannot think of a better indication of our community's strong sense of Jewish identity," said Rev. Alfred L. Deutsch, chairman of the campaign.

The members of St. Gerald's Women's Council will have its annual craft fair and wine tasting, April 17, at 8 p.m. in the parish hall located at 21300 Farmington Road, north of 8 Mile in Farmington, Mich.

The general chairmen are Mrs. Teresa McLoughlin, Mrs. Helen Braus. For ticket information call 476-1846.

Church Of God Sets Meeting

The Church of God will hold its 79th International Convention in Anderson, Ind., June 17-23 under the theme, "New Life in Christ."

Annually some 25,000 persons from the United States and many foreign countries attend the convention.

Dr. Charles V. Weber, executive secretary of the church's Executive Council, said the week-long program will emphasize the Epistles to the Ephesians.

The Church of God now has a constituency of over 445,000, in 3,193 congregations of 40 geographical entities worldwide. Michigan has 112 congregations, including the Riverside Church of God, Livonia, and the church of God, Garden City.

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Rev. Carl A. Ondrean 444-1334

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2707 Five Mile Road

GA 2-1740

"Evensong Welcome"

Rev. William F. Whitedale

Rev. Arnold Dattell

Rev. Thomas W. Estes

William T. Kroll, Associate Pastor

GARFIELD 4-2094

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ROSEDALE GARDENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Hubard at West Chicago

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Richard C. Dunckerberger, Pastor

Arthur Beutler, Associate Pastor

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NARDIN PARK METHODIST CHURCH

Farmington 476-8370

2987 West 11 Mile Road

GOODWILL SERVICE

"The Last Seven Words"

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunrise Service

9:30 a.m. — Jesus' preaching

10:30 a.m. — Jesus' crucifixion

11:00 a.m. — Jesus' resurrection

11:00 a.m. — Jesus' ascension

11:00 a.m. — Jesus' preaching

"Dawn of Dawns"

Newburg Methodist

23000 Middlebelt, Livonia

9 a.m. — First Worship Service

11:15 a.m. — Second Worship Service

Worship, Church School, Nursery

Eric J. Hammer, Minister

OR 6-0710

Wor. Mrs. Hughes, Asst. Minister

GA 5-2640

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