Ground-Breaking Opens Unity's 2nd 10 Years

Unity of West Suburbia, with ground broken for its new church building and its third minister installed, moves this week into its second decade in Livonia.

The congregation that held its first services in Bentley High School July 1, 1962, expects by the first of next year to be worshiping in a new sanctuary to be located on Five Mile between Middle Belt and Inkster.

Gene Sorensen, just arrived from Los Angeles to succeed Marlyn White as minister, was on hand for the ground-breaking Friday, June 23.

So were Livonia Mayor Edward H. McNamara, Tom O'Conner representing William Lindhout & Co., architects, Tom Kowalsky, president of of the church board and quite a few of the members.

THE CHURCH, affiliated with the Unity School of Christianity in Kansas City, Mo., had its beginnings here a little over 10 years ago when Diane Seaman, a Unity minister, started a series of lectures May 1, 1962, in Bentley.

By May 23, an advisory committee to form a new Unity center had been set up, and the first service was held July 1.

Two years later the congregation moved to its first home, located at 30025 Curtis, Livonia. Existing buildings there were remodeled to meet the congregation's needs, and formal dedication took place July 19, 1964.

MISS SEAMAN served as minister to Unity of West Suburbia until July of 1969, when she left for a Unity ministry in Barbados in the West Indies.

In the fall the post was taken over by White, the youngest Unity minister in charge of a full time ministry.

The following year it was decided that the Curtis location did not allow sufficient room to expand the church's program. The 3½ acres on Five Mile were then purchased, and had been paid for completely by the time ground was broken for the new building.

The property on Curtis was sold this year to a Baptist church moving out from Detroit, and the Unity congregation, now numbering about 200, has been holding Sunday worship services and Sunday School in Clarenceville High School until the new building is completed. Midweek classes are located in a home that remains temporarily on the new property.

TEAMWORK gets the first shovelful of earth turned as Unity of West Suburbia breaks ground for its new building on Five Mile between Middle Belt and Inkster in Livonia. Manning the shovel are Gene Sorensen, left, new minister of the congregation, C.V. (Sparky) Sparks, one of the church's charter members, and Livonia Mayor Edward H. McNamara. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)

THE NEW BUILDING will contain over 8,000 square feet of space, with the sanctuary designed to seat more than 250 persons.

A carefully-planned arrangement provides that no seat in the sanctuary will be more than seven rows from the pulpit.

Gene Sorensen, the new minister, accepted the charge after White was called to a ministry in Tampa.

Before coming to Livonia, Sorensen was associate minister of Christ Church, Unity, in Los Angeles, a 5,000 member congregation. He was responsible for youth education and could be heard daily on Unity's Dial-A-Prayer and on Sundays on KLAC radio.

A graduate of Sacramento State College with a degree in philosophy, he was ordained by Unity School of Christianity in 1962 and has served ministries in Fort Worth, Ventura, Calif., and Shreveport, La. He and his wife, Lucille, have three sons.

Sorensen said in his talks he emphasizes "the practical application of the eternal truths taught by Jesus Christ."

Felicians Plan Fair

The Felician Sisters of Livonia will sponsor a one-day fair from 1 to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 2, on the campus of Ladywood High School, Schoolcraft and Newburgh.

Twenty game booths and handwork of retired sisters, including several handmade afghans, will be featured. There also will be square dancing, and chicken dinners will be served in the school cafeteria.

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Proceeds will benefit the retirement fund of the Felician sisters.

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When Is Lord's Day? On Thursday At Pilgrim

For the third summer, Pilgrim United Church of Christ in Livonia has changed its worship time from Sunday morning to 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

The Thursday services began June 29 and will continue through Aug. 31, with the next Sunday worship scheduled Sept. 10.

The church, located at 36075 Seven Mile, tried midweek services replacing those on Sunday for the first time in 1970. The schedule was followed for five weeks that year and for eight weeks in 1971. This year the church council voted to expand the program for 10 weeks.

THE REV. JAMES W. Schaefer, minister of the church, wrote in a newsletter to the congregation that "we must agree that worship is possible at any time, at any place, on any day of the week," and added:

"The decision of Pilgrim Church has been to move to Thursday, which is just a good a Lord's Day as Sunday for corporate worship during the summer weeks."

WRITING of the tradition of the Sabbath, he stated;

"Old Testament Sabbath was the last day of the week, Saturday. Because the Resurrection occurred on the first day of the week, Sunday, the early church made that day a time of rest and worship.

"But the idea of the day of rest is confused. Our western tradition seems to come from Genesis saying that one should work six days and rest on the seventh. But most people work only a five-day week. Housewives are exempted from such restrictions; they get to work seven days a week.

"But we don't rest on the sixth or seventh days—we have a long list of tasks to do around the house, so we may work harder physically on weekends than we do at our job during the week.

"AS LONG as the day of rest and the sabbath were the same day, it made sense to worship on Sunday.

"Just as the old 'blue laws' have been removed by the courts as discriminatory, so the old custom of relaxation and rest on Sunday has changed. For some people, the long weekend allows time for a journey or visit or some activity that requires more than one day."

Of the previous summers of Thursday worship, Rev. Schaefer added:

"I remember how it felt sort of funny not to get up on Sunday to go to church. Habits aren't easily broken. On the other hand, the atmosphere and attitude of worshiping in the early evening was a pleasant and refreshing feeling."

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2 Festivals For Children Scheduled

Newburg United Methodist Church will hold two festivals for children this summer.

A pre-school festival, "It's a Small World," will be held July 17-21, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., for children who are at least two years old through those who are four but will not be entering kindergarten. Mothers will be required to help on one of the five days.

An elementary festival for children in grades kindergarten through seven will be held weekdays July 31-Aug. 11. It will meet from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m.

With the theme, "It's God's Big Wide Wonderful World," there will be outings, a carnival, a family program and a picnic in addition to classes and crafts.

A staff of 45 persons is preparing for these events under the direction of Jeanine Foltz, Cheryl Grimm and the Rev. Ben Bohnsack.

Brochures and registration forms will be available at the church.

Rev. Hickey's Ordination Set

William Hickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hickey, 26653 Westmeath, Farmington, will be ordained a priest Friday, July 7, in St. Rita Catholic Church, 1000 State Fair, Detroit.

Following the ordination at 7 p.m., Rev. Hickey will be honored by a dinner and reception in the St. Rita parish hall.

The following day he will offer a mass of thanksgiving for parishoners of the Detroit church he has served as deacon since last August.

The new priest will go to Adrian, his home city, for celebration of mass for family and friends there on July 15, and on July 23 he will celebrate another mass of thanksgiving in Our Lady of Sorrows in Farmington, the church attended by his family.

Rev. Hickey graduated from Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit and did his theological studies at the University of Louvain in Belgium.

REV. WILLIAM HICKEY

He was ordained a deacon at Louvain in June of 1970 and served there before going to St. Rita.

California 'Team' Set In Plymouth

"The Team," a group of 20 young people from California, will appear in concert at 6 p.m. Friday, July 7, in the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial.

The group uses both song and testimony to give its messages. Accompanied by piano, guitars and drums, The Team's repertoire includes classics, show tunes, pop, southern gospel and contemporary.

Directed by William Steele, minister of youth and youth music at Bellflower First Baptist Church in California, the group has been well received by both youth and the older generation.

Society Gets New Officers

New officers of St. Genevieve Rosary Altar Society Livonia, were honored at the 12th annual installation dinner held June 6.

The slate included Dorothy Zsalako, president; Marilyn Pachota, first vice-president; Marion Schramm, second vice-president; Rose Volpe, treasurer; Alice Urbanski, corresponding secretary; Margaret Sheldon, recording secretary; and Mary Ann Shensky, program director.

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