

on the MOVE



Greg Francis/Staff photographer
 Frederika Eilers, as Mary, right, weeps over Scott Bowens, as Jesus after he is taken down from the cross at the 13th station. At left is angel dancer Christina Chin.



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 Scott Bowens (Jesus) leans upon the shoulder of Frederika Eilers (Mary) during the Living Stations dress rehearsal at Church of the Good Shepherd. The actual performance by the youth ministry group will be on Good Friday, April 2.

A Living Stations of the Cross — with a twist — will take place Friday, April 2, at Henrietta's Church of the Good Shepherd.

The 7:30 p.m. performance will feature approximately 20 youths in grades six-11. On these pages, several of the actors are shown during a March 28 dress rehearsal.

According to Lori Dolan, Good Shepherd youth minister, this depiction of the Living Stations will focus on modern times, rather than biblical.

"The idea came from last year's senior high youth group," Dolan said. "They were like, 'Instead of sandals and robes, if you really want people to relate to it, why don't we depict the people as they would look today.'"

For instance, Dolan noted, Jesus Christ is being presented in the form of a homeless person.

"We thought that was the person in society Jesus was most similar to — the way he lived, the type of clothes he wore compared to other people. He roamed from town to town, and people thought he was crazy," Dolan explained.

In addition, Pontius Pilate is dressed as a courtroom judge and his centurions are depicted as prison guards. The women Jesus encounters while carrying the cross (the eighth station) include a grandmother, a mother with a child and a businesswoman. And, when Jesus is taken down from the cross after he dies (the 13th station), paramedics appear.



Scott Bowens, as Jesus, rises from his third station. He will be crucified.

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