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An active evening of square dancing is being planned for the monthly pot luck dinner of the Birmingham Unitarian church, to

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REV. RUSSELL LINCOLN, minister of the Unitarian church of Birmingham, types his own sermons in the birch-lined study of his home in Franklin.

**How He Writes His Sermons:**

**Typing Fingers Don't Keep up with Thoughts**  
By JULIE CANDLER

His secretary laughed when she read a phrase which the Rev. Russell L. Lincoln had typed. It was an instance of the way his mind sometimes runs ahead of his typing fingers as he writes.

"Chilwell" was the phrase the Birmingham Unitarian church's minister had set down on the page before, his secretary, Mrs. Nelson Carpenter, knew what the string typist had meant to write was, "Children are welcome."

When Mr. Lincoln sits down at his typewriter Thursday mornings to write out his sermons, "somehow or other," he says, "it seems to go."

IT'S BECAUSE IT goes so well, he admits with an amiable grin, that old expressions like "chilwell" sometimes appear on the typewritten page.

Working in the birch-lined study of his home at 2445 Lambsourne place, Franklin, he spends about three hours typing out his sermon. But before the typing begins, many hours of reading and thinking through an idea precedes it.

"You want it to express what you feel so strongly," says the gentle-mannered minister, "that the whole idea behind the sermon becomes a part of you."

So much a part that "you find yourself waking up in the night and thinking of a phrase or an illustration, and you have to get up and write it down," he says.

SUNDAY MORNINGS he gets up at 5:30 (Saturday night is one time he says no to invitations) to go over his sermon carefully.

Most Sunday mornings he merely makes last-minute revisions. But occasionally he decides the sermon "isn't saying what I wanted to say." In that case he rewrites the sermon completely.

Many ideas about what he wants to say stem from his reading, with emphasis on philosophy and history. Subject matter itself might be anything from a series on the development of the Unitarian Christian church to social, international or personality problems.

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**Rev. Wigle Ordained By Bishop**

In the small former schoolhouse where the church's services are now held, the Rev. John Wigle, minister of the Episcopal Church of the Advent, was ordained Saturday by the Rt. Rev. Richard S. M. Emrich, bishop of the diocese of Michigan.

The Rev. Robert L. DeWitt, rector of Christ Church Cranbrook, presented the candidate for the holy orders. Church of the Advent, located at W. Long Lake and Middlebelt roads, became a mission of Christ Church several weeks ago.

The Very Rev. John J. Weaver, dean of St. Paul's cathedral, Detroit, preached the ordination service.

Mr. Wigle, who lives at 1222 W. Long Lake road, Bloomfield township, has been associated with the Church of the Advent since his graduation from Virginia Theological seminary last June. He was ordained to the diaconate in July.

He and his wife, the former Barbara Bevington, are natives of Windsor, Canada. They have a five-year-old daughter, Janis. Membership of the mission church which has a seating capacity of about 75, has swelled to the point where it recently became necessary to hold services at both 9:30 and 11 a.m.

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