

RELIGION

Court Preserves 'God' in Pledge

Case struck down on technicality

(AP)—The Supreme Court preserved the phrase "one nation, under God," in the Pledge of Allegiance, ruling Monday that a California atheist could not challenge the patriotic oath but sidestepping the broader question of separation of church and state.

The decision leaves untouched the practice in which millions of schoolchildren around the country begin the day by reciting the pledge.

The court said atheist Michael Newdow could not sue to ban the pledge from his daughter's school



Kindergartners recite the Pledge of Allegiance at Florence Markofer Elementary School in Elk Grove, Calif. (AP photo)

and others because he did not have legal authority to speak for her.

Newdow is in a protracted custody fight with the girl's mother. He

does not have sufficient custody of the child to qualify as her legal representative, the court said.

"When hard questions of do-

mestic relations are sure to affect the outcome, the prudent course is for the federal court to stay its hand rather than reach out to resolve a

weighty question of federal constitutional law," Justice John Paul Stevens wrote for the court.

"I may be the best father in the world," Newdow said shortly after the ruling was announced. "She spends 10 days a month with me. The suggestion that I don't have sufficient custody is just incredible. This is such a blow for parental rights."

The 10-year-old's mother, Sandra Banning, had told the court she has no objection to the pledge.

The ruling came exactly 50 years after Congress added the disputed words "under God" to what had been a secular patriotic oath.

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Church Apologizes for Racist History

(AP) — A Florida church that shunned blacks in 1964 apologized for the racist acts and honored two women who were turned away as children.

"We regret our actions," said Pastor Pat Turner-Sharpston of First United Methodist Church said Sunday at a "service of reconciliation." "We regret the hurt we caused you. We ask your forgiveness."

An elderly white woman had walked Audrey Willis and Janice Boles, both child civil rights activists, to the church in St. Augustine, Fla. in 1964. A church leader told the woman the girls were

not welcome, Boles said.

"The deacon said, 'You can come in, but the little monkeys have to stay outside,'" Boles said.

Willis described being arrested when she tried to enter the church.

"If I had to do it over again, I would," she said.

The church voted to accept all worshippers shortly after the girls' arrests, but the memory of that incident has resurfaced yearly, Turner-Sharpston said.

"If we could, we'd go back and undo it," he said.

Justice Revival

A "Let Justice Roll" revival featuring jazz and gospel music will be held at Augustana Lutheran Church, 2710 N.E. 14th Ave., at 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 27.



Rev. Dr. James Forbes

Rev. Dr. James Forbes, the senior pastor of the Riverside Church in New York City, will serve as guest preacher. Forbes is the first African American to serve as senior minister of one of the largest multicultural congregations in the nation.

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