



TEMPLE EMANU-EL Bulletin

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Friday evening, November 2
Temple Sanctuary
Organ Recital—5 P.M.
Sabbath Eve Service—5:15 P.M.
WQXR Radio (96.3 FM) and Internet
(www.wqxr.com) broadcasts—5:30 P.M.

SHABBAT SHALOM!
Our monthly, late worship service meets
Friday, November 2 at 6:30 P.M.
Enter at One East 65th Street.

Saturday morning, November 3
Women's Auxiliary Lounge
Torah Study—9:15 A.M.
Temple Sanctuary
Service—10:30 A.M.
Torah Portion—Chayei Sarah
Readings—Genesis 23:1-25:18
I Kings 1:1-31
Sermon: Rabbi Amy B. Ehrlich

VETERANS DAY
SABBATH BLESSING
A new tradition is about to commence
at Temple Emanu-El. At the Friday
evening service closest to Veterans
Day, we shall call any veterans of the
armed forces in attendance to come up
to the bimah for a special blessing.
The designated service this
year will be on Friday evening,
November 9. We ask veterans who
will be attending to call Rabbi Posner's
study: (212) 744-1400, ext. 202.



Hearing Loop installed in Temple Sanctuary
and Beth-El Chapel; switch aid to T-coil.
Headsets or neck loops also available for use.

BRUNCH
& LECTURE

**IS CHINA RISING
OR FALLING?**
**What Its Course
Means for Us**
Sunday, November 4
10 A.M.

The Men's Club
invites all Temple
members to a timely
and fascinating pro-
gram featuring guest
speaker **Gordon
Chang.**



Everyone believes this is "China's century," and many predict that in a decade or two Beijing will preside over the world's largest economy. If that is the case, Chinese autocrats will be setting the agenda for the world. But what will a Beijing-centric international system look like? In the next half decade—and especially after next year's Olympics in Beijing—we could see great turmoil in Chinese society. So which will it be: a strong China or a weak one? And what should we be doing at this moment to prepare ourselves for a turbulent future?

GORDON CHANG, LLB, Cornell University, is the author of *Nuclear Showdown: North Korea Takes on the World* and *The Coming Collapse of China*. He has lived and worked in China, most recently in Shanghai, as counsel to the American law firm Paul Weiss and earlier in Hong Kong as a partner in the international firm Baker & McKenzie.

Cost: \$30 for Men's Club members, \$40 for non-members. (Make checks payable to the Men's Club.)
RSVP by November 1. (212) 744-1400, ext. 250

B'NEI MITZVAH

The following students of our Religious School will become b'nei mitzvah this weekend:

*Lindsey Bryce Spohler,
Maxwell Alexander Spohler
and Zachary Clyde Spohler,
children of Melissa and Bruce Spohler*

We are grateful for their sponsorship of Friday evening's Oneg Shabbat.

PULPIT FLOWERS

Pulpit flowers at Sabbath services this weekend are the generous donation of our congregants:

Rachel and Joshua Hyman
in honor of the baby naming
for our daughter,
Emily Cate

Jim, Susan and Hannah Baumann
in loving memory of
Jay S. Baumann

Rhoda Weiskopf Cohen
in loving memory of our dearest
Fanny de Margoulies-Rosenak,
today and always

TO BE NOTED

Donations Needed: Do you have or work for a business that can donate products or merchandise to support Mitzvah Day and the other projects of our *Tikkun Olam* Committee? If so, please call (212) 744-1400, ext. 452 or send an e-mail to tetikkunolam@yahoo.com. Your mitzvah definitely will be appreciated!

Charles S. Salomon
The Universal Funeral Chapel
1076 Madison Avenue (212) 753-5300
Our service is available in the Temple, home, or our Chapel.

**SUNDAYS
at SKIRBALL**

Seminars are held
from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M.
Coffee and bagels are served.
Enter at One East 65th Street.
To register, call (212) 507-9580
or log on to our Web site at
www.adultjewishlearning.org.
Cost is \$50 per session.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4
Lecturer: *Dr. Alfred Gottschalk*

WITH EHAD HaAM:
Still at the Crossroads

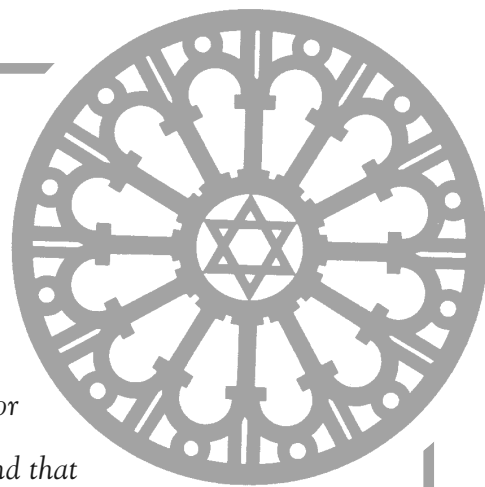
Ehad HaAm, born Asher Hirsch Ginsberg, grew up in a Chasidic home in Skvyra, Russia. Steeped in Jewish traditional learning, he broke from it as he read medieval Jewish philosophers who were forced to defend Judaism in the Islamic world of their day. HaAm developed a philosophy of cultural Zionism opposed, in some ways, to Herzl's political Zionism. HaAm's cultural Zionism furthered such modern Zionist projects as the Hebrew University and the revival of Hebrew as a modern language. We will study HaAm's *At the Crossroads* and *The Supremacy of Reason* to pursue answers to the following questions: Does Zionism have contemporary significance? How has cultural Zionism influenced modern religious movements such as Reform and Reconstructionist Judaism?

DR. ALFRED GOTTSCHALK is the chancellor emeritus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. He holds a doctorate in philosophy and the history of religion. His books include *To Learn and to Teach*.

The Cemeteries of Congregation Emanu-El
Salem Fields and Beth-El

A limited number of above-ground crypts are available in our community mausoleum. For information, please call Dr. Mark W. Weisstuch at the Temple Office, (212) 744-1400.

EMANU-EL STUDIES: ADULT EDUCATION PREVIEW



WE AT CONGREGATION EMANU-EL believe that Reform Judaism encourages an ongoing search for meaning, that it brings us together as a community, and that

it inspires a journey of learning and living. To this end, we offer a growing selection of educational programs for our congregants. Classes are free, and no registration is required. Show up whenever it is convenient for you. Following is a sampling of some of the classes and lectures happening soon.

Full program brochures will be sent in the mail. Questions? Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 214.

THE CHANTING OF THE TORAH: TROP, CANTILLATION, TA'AMEI MIKRAH

Lecturer: Cantor Lori Corrsin
Mondays: November 12, 19, 26;
December 3, 10, 17 — 1 P.M. to 2 P.M.
One East 65th Street (Leventritt Room)

BARNEY ROSS: CHAMPION BOXER AND MARINE HERO, OR HOW A FRUM BOY BECAME "AMERICAN"

Lecturer: Douglas Century
Wednesday, December 5 — 6:30 P.M.
One East 65th Street (Room 402)
*This event is part of our
Library/Museum Lecture Series
and is co-sponsored by the Men's Club.*

PSALMS, PROVERBS AND ECCLESIASTES: THREE CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES ON THE MEANING OF LIFE

Lecturer: Saul Kaiserman,
Director of Lifelong Learning
Tuesdays: January 15, 22, 29 —
6:30 P.M. to 7:45 P.M.
One East 65th Street (Room 602)

THE LIFE OF DAVID BY ROBERT PINSKY

Lecturer: Rabbi Amy B. Ehrlich
Wednesdays: January 16, 23, 30 —
12:30 P.M. to 1:30 P.M.
One East 65th Street (Leventritt Room)



ARE JEWS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WHOLE WORLD?

Lecturer: Rabbi Neil Gillman
Wednesday, January 23 — 6:30 P.M.
One East 65th Street (Leventritt Room)

Heschel's *The Sabbath* struggles to find a balance between Jewish ritual demands and moral/social responsibility. Rabbi Gillman will examine the implied tensions in the book and how they inform the contours of Jewish responsibility to the Jewish community on the one hand and to the world on the other.

DO YOU BELIEVE? CONVERSATIONS ON GOD AND RELIGION

Thursday, January 24 — 7 P.M.
10 East 66th Street
(Lowenstein Auditorium)

Focusing on personal belief in faith and God, this panel discussion features special guests Daniel Libeskind, Jonathan Safran Foer and Gay Talese and will be moderated by cultural critic Antonio Monda. Co-sponsored with *The Jewish Week*, the program will be followed by a reception and book signing by Antonio Monda, whose new book *Do You Believe?* will be published on November 13 by Vintage Books.

AROUND THE TEMPLE

RHAPSODY ON A HEBREW LOVE SONG

Tuesday, November 6

6 P.M.

All Temple members are invited to a musical program, lecture and reception sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary. The lecture portion of our program will highlight sacred Jewish music that explores the many facets of love. Musical selections will include Jewish tunes from Corfu, Djerba, Crete, Israel and Poland in the Sephardic, Bukharan and Ladino traditions. A reception with wine and hors d'oeuvres will precede the program.

Enter at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell
Community House, One East 65th Street.

RSVP by Friday, November 2
to (212) 744-1400, ext. 235 or
womaux@emanuelnyc.org.

Lecturer and Featured Artist: Dr. Jasmin Cowin

A trained German harpist, Dr. Cowin has served as principal harpist for several orchestras, including The New York Symphonic Arts Ensemble. She received her doctorate in education from Columbia University and is on the faculty of Hunter College. She also is a member of Temple Emanu-El's music committee.



Renée Jolles, Violin

Hailed as a "real star" by *The New York Times* for her New York concerto debut at Alice Tully Hall, Ms. Jolles has enjoyed a career as both a solo artist and chamber musician.

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