

## TEMPLE EMANU-EL

# Bulletin

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## WORSHIP SERVICES

## Friday evening, February 22 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.

Saturday morning, February 23 Women's Auxiliary Lounge Torah Study—9:15 A.M.

Temple Sanctuary

Service—10:30 A.M. Torah Portion—*Ki Tisa* 

Readings—Exodus 30:11-34:35

I Kings 18:1-39

Sermon: Rabbi Alfred Gottschalk

#### **SHABBAT KODESH**

Friday, February 29 — 6:30 P.M. Beth-El Chapel (Fifth Avenue)

#### **TOT SHABBAT**

Saturday, March I — I 0 A.M. One East 65th Street (Join us as we try a new format!)

> SHABBAT SHALOM Friday, March 14 — 6:30 p.m. One East 65th Street

Sabbath and holiday services are available for downloading from the Temple Web site (www.emanuelnyc.org) generally within one hour of the conclusion of the live service and for up to one week.



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

CUESTON SERMON

# RABBI NATHAN A. PERILMAN MEMORIAL SERMON-LECTURE

Saturday, February 23 10:30 A.M.

Rabbi Alfred Gottschalk, chan-

cellor emeritus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, who will be this year's guest speaker at the annual Rabbi Nathan A. Perilman Memorial Sermon-Lecture.



Dr. Gottschalk was born in Oberwesel, Germany, in 1930 and came to the United States in 1939 with his mother to flee Nazi oppression. He was ordained at HUC-JIR in 1957 and joined the faculty following his ordination. While serving as dean of HUC-JIR/Los Angeles, he obtained his doctorate in philosophy and the history of religion from the University of Southern California. He served as president of HUC-JIR from 1971 until 1995.

This event is named for Dr. Nathan A. Perilman, who served Emanu-El from 1932 until his retirement in 1973. In 1982, the congregation established this lectureship in honor of the 50th anniversary of Rabbi Perilman's ordination. The lecture is presented each year in the form of a Sabbath morning sermon. Dr. Perilman passed away in 1991.

## B'NEI MITZVAH

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

Samantha Morgan Cohen, daughter of Caryn and Rodney Cohen

Brenna C. Gendelman, daughter of Nina Leighton and David Gendelman

Max Harrison Zagor, son of Shelly and Stephen Zagor

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:

Bettijane and Steven Eisenpreis in loving memory of Alfred Eisenpreis and Carol Hess Long and Clinton Mayer Long

In loving memory of *Rhoda Sidorsky*, from her family

### TO BE NOTED

#### **ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES:**

- The Texts We Love to Quote with Rabbi Howard J. Goldsmith Tuesdays, February 19, March 4 @ 6:30 P.M.
- **Strength, Leadership, Courage, Faith** with Rabbi Amy B. Ehrlich Wednesdays, Feb. 27, March 5, 12 @ 12:30 P.M.

## **REGISTRATION** for the Family Trip to Israel in June ends February 22.

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

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.

AMERICAN RABBIS RESPOND TO THE CHALLENGES OF THE NEW WORLD Sunday, February 24

ome explore
the history of
American Judaism
through a study of
how American rabbis
addressed the complexities of Jewish life
in America. May a
Jewish soldier pray in
a chapel decorated
with a Christmas
tree? Did the



Lecturer: Rabbi Adam Mintz

Reform Movement accept the traditional bar mitzvah ceremony? Might a Holocaust survivor remarry without proof of the demise of her husband? Rabbi Adam Mintz leads us in an examination and discussion of the responsa of three leading American rabbis of the 20th century.

RABBI ADAM MINTZ is a visiting lecturer of Jewish history at Queens College and a doctoral candidate in Modern Jewish History at NYU.

## SKIRBALI









The Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El

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.

## PURIM AT EMANU-EL

Temple Emanu-El is pleased to offer a variety of Purim activities of interest for all age groups. Be sure to visit the Temple Web site (www.emanuelnyc.org) periodically over the next few weeks as we continue to add more Purim-related materials, including recipes for hamantaschen and recommended reading.

## PURIM "FOR THE TROOPS"

A popular Purim tradition is to give gifts to the poor and needy in our communities and around the world. This is one of the traditions that Mordecai instituted when he established the holiday:

They were to observe them as days of feasting and merrymaking, and as an occasion for sending gifts to one another and presents to the poor.

(Esther 9:22)

When Haman requests permission of King Ahasuerus to destroy the Jewish people, Haman describes the Jews as "a certain people, scattered and dispersed among the other peoples..." (Esther 3:8) The Rabbis of the Talmud interpreted this to mean that the Jews were scattered and not unified. By sending gifts to one another, we strengthen the bonds

PURIM: It's Not Just for Kids Anymore Sunday, March 2 10 a.m.

among Jews everywhere.

Costumes, noisemakers and playful parody: What kind of holy day is that? Is Purim only a children's holiday, or is it something more? In fact, Purim is the last holiday in the liturgical year, and as such, marks the culmination of all our spiritual strivings. Explore the theology and spirituality of laughter. We'll also discuss how Purim is simultaneously the silliest and most seriously adult holiday of the year.

This lecture is part of the "Sundays at Skirball" series. Cost is \$50. Call (212) 507-9580 to register.

Temple Emanu-El members are invited to reach out to Jewish troops stationed in Iraq by creating *mishlo-ach manot* — gifts of sweets and fruits that are shared bountifully with others. Participation is easy:

- **1.** Create a small assortment of nonperishable food items, such as individually packaged nuts, dried fruits, hard candies and gum. **ALL ITEMS SHOULD BEAR A KOSHER SYMBOL.**
- **2.** Place items in a small box or plastic bag.
- **3.** Drop your *mishlo-ach manot* package at the Temple **NO LATER THAN NOON ON SUNDAY, MARCH 9**, as all packages will be shipped on Monday, March 10.

Questions? Leave a message on the *Tikkun* Olam voicemail— (212) 744-1400, ext. 452— and someone will get back to you.

## YOUNG FAMILIES PURIM PARTY:

Sunday, March 9 10:30 A.M.

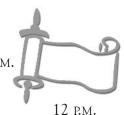


Sunday, March 9

#### RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FAMILY SERVICES:

Sunday, March 9	10:45 а.м.
Monday, March 10	5 P.M.
Wednesday, March 12	5 P.M.

The congregational reading of the M'gillah (Book of Esther) will be held on the eve of Purim (Thursday, March 20) at 5:30 P.M. in Greenwald Hall as part of our Daily Sunset Service.



## AROUND THE TEMPLE

#### TIKKUN OLAM: Stitch'n Time Sunday, February 24 II A.M.

Our volunteers are making blanket squares, baby sweaters and caps to be donated to the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services and to Beth Israel Hospital. Yarn, needles and patterns provided. (212) 744-1400, ext. 452

# **EDUCATING OUR CHILDREN: Realities, Responsibilities, Challenges**Tuesday, February 26 6 P.M.

The Women's Auxiliary cordially invites all Temple members to a reception and lecture with Rabbi David Posner, who will discuss the issues that make Jewish education distinctive. RSVP by Thursday, February 21. (212) 744-1400, ext. 235

# **PANEL DISCUSSION: Exploring U.S.-Israeli Relations**Sunday, March 2 10 A.M.

The Men's Club invites all Temple members and their guests to their annual foreign affairs brunch. The panel will consider the benefits and drawbacks of the close diplomatic and security relationships between the United States and Israel. Particularly at issue is the question of whether the U.S. support of Israel interferes with multinational efforts to achieve a lasting peace in the Middle East. Other factors to be analyzed include cultural, religious and political elements that influence those binational ties. The cost, which includes brunch, is \$30 for Men's Club members, \$40 for all other Temple members and their guests. (212) 744-1400, ext. 250

NOTE: All of these events will be held in the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street.

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