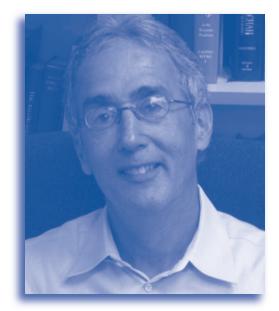
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Rabbi Nathan Perilman Memorial Sermon: Our Guest Preacher

Saturday, February 28 • 10:30 AM • Sanctuary (Fifth at 65th)

ROM 1979 UNTIL 2000, **Dr. Richard S. Chapin** graced our pulpit and blessed our congregation with his wonderful presence, his integrity, his scholarship, his wisdom and his sense of humor. The Psalmists wrote, "Planted in the House of the Lord, may they flourish in the courts of God." Rabbi Chapin was planted at Temple Emanu-El; he flourished here; and we along with him. All of his Emanu-El friends welcome him home.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Mitzvah Corps: Unit 5 Sunday, February 22 ● 9:30 AM and Wednesday, February 25 ● 4 PM 10 East 66th Street

Our Unit 5 subject is *Lechem L'reyvim* (Providing Food for the Hungry). The action component for this unit then will be held on two days: **Monday, March 2** and **Wednesday, March 4**. Students may choose either day. We will work with Hebrew Union College and Yorkville Common Pantry.

Emanu-El Reads: Book Discussion Groups Sunday, February 22 ● 10 AM One East 65th Street

Temple members are encouraged to meet and discuss *The History of Love* with their fellow congregants. Our final session is co-sponsored by the Religious School. Can't make the discussion session?

Then, visit our Emanu-El Reads blog on the Temple Web site. Click "Learning" → "Stettenheim Library" → "Emanu-El Reads."

Sandwiches on Sunday Sunday, February 22 ● 12 PM 10 East 66th Street

A reminder to volunteers: Please support the program by bringing two loaves of sliced bread. Preregistration with the Tikkun Olam Committee is required for participation. Send an e-mail to tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org, or leave a voice mail at (212) 744-1400, ext. 452.

Chanting of the Torah Monday, February 23 and March 2 • 6:30 pm One East 65th Street

Cantor Lori Corrsin concludes her six-part course teaching trop.

DAILY SUNSET SERVICE SUNDAY — THURSDAY 5:30 PM • One E. 65th St.

SABBATH WORSHIP FRIDAY EVENING Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)

Organ Recital—5 PM Service Begins—5:15 PM WQXR Radio (96.3 FM) and Internet (www.wqxr.com) broadcasts—5:30 PM

SATURDAY MORNING Sixth Floor Lounge Torah Study—9:15 AM Sanctuary (Fifth at 65th) Organ Recital—10:15 AM Service Begins—10:30 AM

Services also may be heard at www.emanuelnyc.org.



Hearing loop in Sanctuary and Beth-El Chapel; switch aid to T-coil. Headsets or neck loops also available.

WEEKLY PARASHAH

Saturday, February 28
Torah Portion—T'rumah
Readings—Exodus 25:127:19; I Kings 5:26-6:13
Guest Sermon:
Rabbi Richard S. Chapin

Saturday, March 7
Torah Portion—*T'tzaveh*Readings—Exodus 27:20-30:10; Ezekiel 43:10-27
Sermon: Rabbi Ehrlich

TORAH COMMENTARY

View our weekly Torah commentary on the Emanu-El Web site: www.emanuelnyc.org. Follow the link from the Home Page.

WEEKLY MUSIC

Music programs for Sabbath and holiday services are posted on the Emanu-El Web site. Click "Worship" → "Music at Emanu-El."

BROADCAST OF SERVICES

Worship services can be downloaded from the Emanu-El Web site or listened to through the Emanu-El Audio Player. Click "Worship" → "Broadcast of Services."

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP

Shabbat Shalom
Friday, February 27
6:30 PM ● One East 65th
This month's service will
honor members of the
Tikkun Olam Committee.

Shabbat Kodesh
Friday, February 27
6:30 PM ● Beth-El Chapel
See full event details
on page 4.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS/EVENTS (CONTINUED)

Yorkville Common Pantry:

<u>Dinner Program</u>

Monday, March 2 ● 4 PM

8 East 109th Street

(off Fifth Avenue)

Volunteers are needed to set up and serve dinner to 200 guests at the Pantry and then help clean up after the meal. Sessions run from 4 PM to 6:30 PM. Participation is suitable for adults and high school students. Preregistration with the Tikkun Olam Committee is required. Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 452 and leave a message, or send an e-mail to tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org.

Habitat for Humanity
Sunday, March 8 ● 9:15 AM
Atlantic Avenue (Brooklyn)

Temple Emanu-El's Tikkun Olam Committee has teamed up with Habitat for Humanity to provide a great opportunity for Temple members: building homes for low-income families. No experience is necessary, but volunteers must be at least 16 years old. The build runs until approximately 4:30 PM. Preregistration with the Tikkun Olam Committee is required: tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org or (212) 744-1400, ext. 452.

For more information about all Emanu-El events, log on to www.emanuelnyc.org. Click "Calendar."

Prayer and the community: Its place and importance

Tuesday, February 24 ● 6 PM One East 65th Street

THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY cordially invites all Temple members to a special lecture led by **Rabbi David Posner**. Refreshments will be served.



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.

Charles S. Salomon
The Universal
Funeral Chapel

1076 Madison Avenue (212) 753-5300

Our service is available in the Temple, home or our Chapel.

The following students of our Religious School will become *B'NEI MITZVAH*:

Saturday, February 28

Daniel Ross Baudoin, son of Ellen Breslow and Jean-Yves Baudoin

Leah Alexandra Sorkin, daughter of Susan A. Meisel and David J. Sorkin

Jamie Moross, son of Cindy and David Moross

Saturday, March 7

Henry Joseph Frankenthaler Iseman, son of Frederick Joseph Iseman and Marguerite Nougué-Sans

Marshall Harris Myerson, son of Rosalind and Toby Myerson

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

PULPIT FLOWERS at Sabbath services have been donated generously by our congregants:

For the Sabbath of February 27 and 28

Tina and Jeffrey Bolton in loving memory of *Meyer Mike Weinberg*

Rosalind Pretzfelder in loving memory of *George Pretzfelder*

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Sundays at Skirball...

SUNDAY SEMINARS sponsored by the Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El are open to the public. Sessions are held in the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House (One East 65th Street) from 10 AM to 2 PM. Cost is \$60 per person. Coffee and bagels are served. For more information, call Skirball at (212) 507-9580.

The Ten Commandments in the Bible and in American Life Sunday, March 1 Lecturer: Dr. Marc Brettler

The Ten Commandments often are considered to be the most important part of the Hebrew Bible, and many Americans believe that they are everlasting moral rules that should help guide American society. We will look carefully at the text and context of the commandments, with the goal of understanding what they meant and what function they might play in broader American life. Do they prohibit murder or killing? How should we understand "for I [...] am an impassioned God, visiting the guilt of the parents upon the children, upon the third and upon the fourth generations"? Should these words have a place in our courthouses?

What's God Got to Do With It? Sunday, March 8 Lecturer: Dr. Neil Gillman

That God commands us to observe the Passover rituals is clear from the Bible. But how do we know that God commands us to read the Scroll of Esther on Purim? We recite prayers that praise God for rescuing our ancestors in Esther and Mordechai's time, but the book makes no such mention. Where is it written that God commands us to light Chanukah candles? To recite prayers thanking God for having rescued our ancestors in the time of the Maccabees or for having helped create the modern State of Israel? Those events, after all, took place after the close of the Bible. How do we know that God works in shaping historical events? What do we do when God doesn't?

Deferral and prevention: The future of public safety

Sunday, March 1 • 10 AM • One East 65th Street

THE MEN'S CLUB cordially invites all Temple members to attend Sunday brunch with guest speaker **Charles J. Hynes**, district attorney of Kings County (Brooklyn). A graduate of St. John's University School of Law, Mr. Hynes' public service career is extensive—beginning in 1963 as an associate attorney for the Legal Aid Society and as a King's County assistant district attorney in 1969. The cost for this event is \$30 for Men's Club members, \$40 for all others. Make checks payable to the Men's Club. RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 250. (*This event was rescheduled from October* 2008.)



For the Sabbath of March 6 and 7

Jane G. Rittmaster in memory of my beloved mother, *Hilda K. Goldstone*

Marjorie R. and Lawrence Bukzin in loving memory of Pauline and Harry Millman

Carol L. Klapper in loving memory of her mother, Frances Klapper

To sponsor pulpit flowers or an *Oneg Shabbat*, call Sherry Nehmer at (212) 744-1400, ext. 312.

NOISEMAKERS WANTED! MEGILLAH READING

On Monday, March 9 at 6:30 PM, in the Lowenstein



Sanctuary, you will have the opportunity to be heard! The Jewish tradition commands us to "blot out the memory of Amalek," the inveterate enemy of the Jewish people. It is the custom, therefore, that when the name of Haman, a descendant of the notorious Amalakites, is mentioned during the Megillah reading, those assembled will respond with torrents of noise. Graggers, traditional noisemakers, will be available, but you are invited to bring your own creations—the noisier, the better! A hamantaschen reception will follow.

Shabbat Kodesh and family dinner

Friday, February 27 • 6:30 PM • Beth-El Chapel

AT SHABBAT KODESH, Hebrew prayers are sung with lively melodies, and the weekly Torah reading is made meaningful through storytelling. Join Rabbinic Intern Ariana Silverman, Cantorial Intern Josh Breitzer and Director of Lifelong Learning Saul Kaiserman for an inspirational prayer service that builds upon Religious School curriculum.

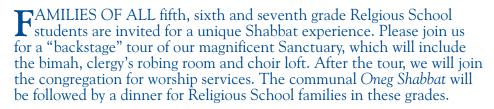
This month's service will feature singing led by the Emanu-El Junior Choir. It will be followed by a Religious School dinner with activities for kids of all ages led by Danny Mishkin and our guest storyteller, Jake Goodman, as well as an opportunity for thought-provoking adult study on the week's Torah portion led by David Wolkin and our education intern, Lisa Kingston. Reservations for the dinner are required.

The charge for dinner is \$35 per family (including two adults) for reservations made by February 22; \$50 per family after February 22; \$10 for each additional adult.

Charges will be billed to each family's Emanu-El account. Fees will appear on your next Emanu-El statement. After February 22, cancellations cannot be refunded. RSVP to the Office of Lifelong Learning at (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 or school@emanuelnyc.org.

All-access pass: Behind-the-scenes tour

Friday, March 6 ● 4:30 PM
One East 65th Street ● Tour will be followed by worship at 5:15 PM and dinner



Reservations for both the tour and the dinner are required. Space is limited. There is no better way to familiarize your family with our Sanctuary and our distinctive mode of worship than by attending this very special event.

The charge for dinner is \$35 per family (including two adults) for reservations made by March 2; \$50 per family after March 2; \$10 for each additional adult.

Charges will be billed to each family's Emanu-El account. Fees will appear on your next Emanu-El statement. No refunds after March 2. RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 or school@emanuelnyc.org.

Passover at Emanu-El

POR MORE THAN three decades, our congregants have given generously of their time, hard work and dedication in volunteering to make major successes of both our Passover Homebound Delivery and our Second Seder for the Elderly. In this our 37th year, we again are asking for assistance with these projects that have become wonderful traditions.

Packing and delivery of Passover meals for the homebound will occur on Sunday, April 5. Second Seder will be Thursday, April 9.

If you are interested in volunteering, please complete the following form, indicating which assignment you prefer. We will make every effort to accommodate preferences. Return your form to the Temple Office [One East 65th Street, 7th Floor or fax to (212) 570-0826] no later than Monday, March 16. Confirmation of your assignment and instructions will be mailed to you shortly thereafter. Our Second Seder Committee co-chairs thank you and look forward to celebrating Passover with you.



Homebound Delivery/Second Seder Volunteer Form (Please return before March, 16, 2009)

Name(s) (Please print)	Evening Phone
Mailing Address	E-mail Address
I/My family will be available on Sunday, April 5 at 9 AM to pack homebound bags.	
I have/My family has a car and will be available for homebound deliveries on Sunday, April 5, beginning at 9 AM.	
Yes, I/we will volunteer for Second Seder on Thursday, April 9.	
My job preference is:	Report time:
(Check one) Setting tables Kitchen staff (meal preparation) Bus escort (from senior centers) Table service Elevator service Preparation of bus bags	1 PM (All ages welcome) 1:30 PM (Adults only) 3:30 PM (Adults only) 4 PM (All ages welcome) 4:30 PM (Age 14 and older) 6 PM (All ages welcome)
I am enclosing a voluntary contribution to help defray the cost of this program. (Make checks payable to Temple Emanu-El; indicate "Second Seder" on the memo line.)	

Because of the nature of our work and strict timetable, this program is limited to adults and youth in grades 5 through 12. All volunteers must be Temple members. Questions? Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 215.

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From kugel to Kellogg's: The creation of an American Jewish appetite

Monday, March 16 • 10:30 AM • One East 65th Street

In the 1930s, advertising in the Yiddish press served as a force for Americanization and helped introduce a mass consumer culture to first- and second-generation American Jews. Seeking to create a loyal base of consumers who purchased
their products, advertisers exploited the unique concerns of urban Jewish women,
many of whom controlled their household economy. The promise of these advertisements offered resolution to a dilemma with which many second-generation Jews grappled: Remaining Jewish meant preserving old ways, be they religious, cultural or
political; becoming modern and American meant adopting new ways. It appears that
Jewish women were expected to embody both.

RABBI SHIRLEY IDELSON, dean of the HUC-JIR New York campus, will lead this lecture on behalf of the Women's Auxiliary. Attendance is free and open to all Temple members. Refreshments will be served. RSVP to the Women's Auxiliary at (212) 744-1400, by Thursday, March 12.

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