

Temple Emanu-El Bulletin



IMPORTANT REMINDER: ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of Congregation Emanu-El will be held on **Thursday, May 27 at 6 PM**, after the Sunset Service. We will honor **Dr. Mark Weisstuch** on the occasion of his 25th anniversary of extraordinary dedication to the Temple. Enter at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY — THURSDAY
5:30 PM • Marvin & Elisabeth
Cassell Community House
(One East 65th Street)

FRIDAY EVENING

**Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at
65th Street)**

Organ Recital—5 PM
Service Begins—5:15 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

Sixth Floor Lounge
(One East 65th Street)

Torah Study—9:15 AM
Sanctuary (Fifth Ave. at 65th)
Organ Recital—10:15 AM
Service Begins—10:30 AM

Services may be heard
through the Temple Web site
at www.emanuelnyc.org.

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



Bringing God's Presence into the World

By Rabbi Howard J. Goldsmith

THERE IS A BEAUTIFUL VERSE from the Torah that is written above the entrance to our Sanctuary in the 65th Street lobby: *V'asu li mikdash v'shochanti*

b'tocham, "Make for Me a sanctuary that I may dwell among you." Taken in its historical context, the verse tells us about the very nature of the ancient Israelites and God. At the time this verse was written at least 3,500 years ago, humans built sanctuaries exclusively to honor their gods. The idea that a god of any sort would dwell among the people was unheard of—a truly radical statement about the people Israel and about our God.

What does the verse teach us about our God? While God is in the heavens and eternal, God also wants to be on earth with His people. God does not wish to remain remote and far away. Transcendence is important, but this verse teaches that God also seeks an intimate relationship, a relationship that reveals God's accessibility, God's nearness and God's support for us through all the trials and joys of our short time on earth.

And what does this verse teach us about the Jewish people? We have the ability to bring God's presence into the world. By building a sanc-

tuary in the desert so many thousands of years ago, we made it possible for God to dwell among us. Without our efforts, God presumably would have remained in the heavens above. Instead, God and all of God's holiness became accessible to the ancient Israelite priests and, through them, the ancient Israelites themselves.

What an inspirational thing! Imagine living in the desert, uprooted from the life you knew in Egypt, the promise of new life in a new land ringing in your ears, and then this—an invitation to bring God's pres-



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WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

Parashat Emor

(Leviticus 21:1-24:23)

Read Saturday, May 1

Synopsis: Marriage, sexuality, disability, dietary and mourning laws for priests; acceptability of various sacrifices; establishment of holy days and festivals; eternal light; penalty for blasphemy.

Sermon: Rabbi Goldsmith

Parashat B'har-B'chukotai

(Leviticus 25:1-26:2;

26:3-27:34)

Read Saturday, May 8

Synopsis: Laws of Jubilee; real estate laws; command to provide for others; slavery laws; rewards and punishments for following or spurning God's laws; providing for the Temple.

Sermon: Rabbi Ehrlich

Parashat B'midbar

(Numbers 1:1-4:20)

Read Saturday, May 15

Synopsis: Census of Israelite men; marching formation; genealogy of priests; responsibility for transporting *Mishkan*; redemption of first born; transporting ritual objects.

Sermon: Rabbi Posner

Parashat Naso

(Numbers 4:21-7:89)

Read Saturday, May 22

Synopsis: More responsibility for transporting parts of *Mishkan*; laws of purity; laws about accused adulterers; laws about sacrifice.

Sermon: Rabbi Goldsmith

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Worship & Spirituality



Shabbat Kodesh Service & Mitzvah Corps Dinner

Friday, May 14 • 6:30 PM • Beth-El Chapel

DON'T MISS OUR FINAL Shabbat Kodesh service of the year! Join the clergy of Temple Emanu-El, along with Lifelong Learning Director Saul Kaiserman and members of our Religious School faculty for an inspirational and uplifting prayer service. At Shabbat Kodesh, Hebrew prayers are sung with lively melodies, and the weekly Torah reading is made meaningful through creative storytelling.

At this month's service, we will honor and say farewell to **Rabbi Howard Goldsmith**.

An extended celebratory *Oneg Shabbat* will follow. We also will honor the **seventh and eighth grade students** who have participated in our **Mitzvah Corps** program this past year. A dinner for Mitzvah Corps participants and their families will follow the service.



The cost for dinner is:

- \$35 per family (including two adults) for reservations made by Monday, May 10.
- \$50 per family after May 10.
- \$10 for each additional adult.

Charges will be billed to your Emanu-El account. Fees will appear on your next Emanu-El statement. After May 10, no refunds will be allowed.

Reservations for dinner are required. RSVP to the Religious School at (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 or school@emanuelnyc.org.

Prayers and blessings used in the Shabbat Kodesh service have been posted to the Temple Web site as a resource for preparing for the service. (Click "Learning" → "Religious School" → "Shabbat Kodesh" → "Prayers & Blessings.")



The Glorious Music of Emanu-El
Friday, May 7 • 5:15 PM
Sanctuary (Fifth at 65th)

Maestro Matthew Lazar will conduct the Temple Emanu-El Choir from the bimah at a special Shabbat evening service highlighting the music of Classical Reform Judaism and celebrating the 200th anniversary of Reform Judaism.



Young Families: Tot Shabbat
Friday, May 7 • 6:15 PM
10 East 66th Street

Tot Shabbat is for our preschool through second grade families. We offer a creative and age-appropriate service that incorporates singing, movement and storytelling. Guests are welcome; reservations required.

Parents: Please feed your children dinner before you come. We'll have delicious desserts for them and light refreshments for adults.

We ask that you please be prompt so that we can begin on time; there is ample opportunity to socialize before or after. Also, encourage your children to sit quietly, especially during the story.

RSVP to Young Families by Thursday, May 6; call (212) 744-1400, ext. 242.

Shavuot Service & Confirmation

Tuesday, May 18 • 6:30 PM • Sanctuary
Wednesday, May 19 • 10:30 AM • Sanctuary

FROM THE HEBREW WORD for “weeks,” Shavuot is a reference to the seven weeks it took for the Jews to travel from Egypt to the foot of Mount Sinai and the declaration of the 50th day as a holy convocation (Leviticus 23:21). It is customary on Shavuot to read the section of the Torah that defines the Ten Commandments.

The Eve of Shavuot service will be led by students who have completed our High School Confirmation Program. In America, it became traditional for Reform congregations to hold confirmation on the festival of Shavuot as a renewal of the commitment by our people at Sinai. One of the earliest ceremonies was held on Shavuot 1847 at our own Temple Emanu-El. From that day to this, confirmation has become a major milestone. All are invited to join us as we celebrate the confirmation class of 2010.

Worship on Shavuot (Wednesday morning) includes a *Yizkor* service.

Parashat B'haalot'cha
(Numbers 8:1-12:16)
Read Saturday, May 29

Synopsis: Lighting of menorah; Levites inaugurated for Temple service; celebration of second Passover since Egypt; pillar of cloud directs Israelites after they break camp; silver trumpets used to herald movement of Israelites; Israelites leave Sinai desert; Israelites complain about desert travel conditions; Moses complains to God; God promises to send quail for food; Moses institutes *Sanhedrin* to govern people; prophesy that Joshua will succeed Moses as leader.
Sermon: Rabbi Ehrlich

WEEKLY TORAH STUDY

Our Sabbath morning Torah study explores the weekly *parashah* through thoughtful conversation and lively debate. Rabbinic student **Ariana Silverman** will lead our discussions on **Saturday, May 8** and **Saturday, May 15**. Sessions meet from 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House.

FAREWELL TO RABBI GOLDSMITH

All Temple members are invited to a special Sabbath morning service as we wish **Assistant Rabbi Howard Goldsmith** best wishes on his assuming the position of senior rabbi of Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester: **Saturday, May 22 at 10:30 AM**. Kiddush follows.

**HIGH SCHOOL
CONFIRMATION
DINNER AND
REHEARSAL**

**Sunday, May 16
6 PM • One East 65th**



Families of confirmation students are invited to join us for a festive and intimate dinner to honor the commitment of our confirmation students. The family dinner will be held from 6 PM to 7:30 PM. Rehearsal and the class picture in the Sanctuary will be held from 7:30 PM to 9 PM. **RSVP by Thursday, May 6 to the Department of Lifelong Learning: (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 or school@emanuelnyc.org.** Please remember to include your family name and the number of family members (adults and children) joining us for dinner.

**RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
END-OF-YEAR
FAMILY ASSEMBLIES**
**Sunday, May 23
11:15 AM**
**Monday, May 24
5:15 PM**
**Wednesday, May 26
5:15 PM**
10 East 66th Street

Closing assemblies for our 2009-2010 school year also will serve as our final worship sessions of the year. Families are encouraged to attend. Each assembly will feature our annual end-of-the-year slide show.

Religious School



Beyond Nursery School

Thursday, April 29 • 9:15 AM • One East 65th Street

PLAN FOR THE NEXT STEP in your child's Jewish education. Learn how the Religious School and its family programs provide opportunities for staying close with friends made in the Nursery School and Young Families programs, as well as for making new friends.



Rabbi Amy Ehrlich, Susanne Fischer and **Dara Krauss** will describe the experiences of families in the Religious School and the transition from Nursery School.

Saul Kaiserman, director of Lifelong Learning, will share his vision and philosophy of Jewish education as well as the structure and curriculum of our Kindergarten, First Grade and Second Grade.

RSVP to the Religious School at (212) 744-1400, ext. 226.

Susanne Fischer and Dara Krauss are former parents in the Emanu-El Nursery School who attended Tot Shabbat regularly over the years. Susanne's eldest son recently became a bar mitzvah at Temple Emanu-El and is a member of the Seventh Grade Mitzvah Corps. Dara serves on the Parents Association Steering Committee for the Religious School. Susanne serves on the congregation's Tikkun Olam Committee.

**B'nei Mitzvah Meetings
for Third Grade Parents**
Monday, May 3 • 5:15 PM
One East 65th Street
Sunday, May 16 • 11:15 AM
10 East 66th Street

Join **Rabbi Amy Ehrlich, Lifelong Learning Director Saul Kaiserman** and **Parents Association Co-chair Sarah Janover** for a brief informational meeting over a cup of coffee prior to the end of the school day. Learn about the different types of worship services and spaces at Temple Emanu-El where children become *b'nei mitzvah*. Parents are encouraged to attend one of these meetings prior to scheduling a date for their child's service in the fall.

Bring-a-Friend Days
Monday, May 10 • 4 PM
Sunday, May 16 • 9:30 AM
10 East 66th Street

Parents are invited to experience the liveliness and warmth of our Religious School first hand by joining a typical school session and discovering what makes our congregation a great place for Jewish families to learn and grow.

RSVP to the Religious School, or arrange a school visit at an alternate time: (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 or school@emanuelnyc.org.

Questions? (212) 744-1400, ext. 226



Why Did Sarah Laugh?

Thursday, May 13 • 8 PM • One East 65th Street

THE SKIRBALL CENTER for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El sponsors this special lecture with **Dr. Avivah Gottlieb Zornberg**. An internationally renowned Bible interpreter and teacher, Dr. Zornberg draws extensively on classical commentaries, Midrash, and modern insights from literature and philosophy. Her widely read and studied books, *Genesis: The Beginning of Desire*, *The Particulars of Rapture* and *The Murmuring Deep: Reflections on the Biblical Unconscious*, have become classics among readers of all religions. She is considered one of today's most compelling interpreters of biblical and Rabbinic traditions.

A pre-lecture hour of text preparation begins at 7 PM; cost is \$20 per person. Admission is open to the public. Questions? Call Skirball at (212) 507-9580.

Judaica Design in Germany

Sunday, May 16 • 10:30 AM • One East 65th Street

ALL TEMPLE MEMBERS are invited to a free lecture sponsored by the **Herbert & Eileen Bernard Museum of Judaica** and the **Harry G. Friedman Society for Judaica Collectors**. **Bernhard Purin**, director of the Juedisches Museum, Munich, will speak on "Judaica Design in Germany Between 1919 and 1933."



Questions? Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 259.

Making the Omer Count: A Spiritual Journey

Monday, May 17 • 12 PM • One East 65th Street

RABBI AMY EHRlich concludes this journey of introspection and spiritual growth through the counting of the **Omer**, the seven weeks between Passover and Shavuot. These 49 days mirror the movement from the slavery of Egypt and the enslavement of the soul to Sinai, which is the ultimate in spiritual liberation. Our ancestors identified seven qualities whose refinement would elevate our spirits and prepare us for receiving the Torah. Through discussion, exercises and personal journals, each attribute—love, power, glory/pride, triumph, beauty, foundation, kingship/authority—will be examined individually and in "overlapping" combinations.

SKIRBALL



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

Skirball Sunday Seminars cost \$60 per person. Register in advance by calling (212) 507-9580. Enter at One East 65th St.

MIZRAHI JEWISH MUSIC: PAST AND PRESENT

Sunday, May 2
12 PM to 4 PM

Led by Dr. Galeet Dardashti

THE TENT, THE FIELD AND THE BATTLEFIELD: THE DYNAMIC FACE OF THE BIBLICAL MOTHERHOOD

Sunday, May 16
10 AM to 2 PM

Led by Judy Klitsner

TOWARD A RENEWAL OF THE ZIONIST IDEA

Sunday, May 23
10 AM to 2 PM

Led by Rabbi Chaim
Seidler-Feller



See full lecture descriptions on the Temple Emanu-El Web site. Click "Learning" → "Skirball Center" → "Sunday Seminars." Or, view Skirball's spring course guide. Call (212) 507-9580 to obtain a print version, or download the PDF.

Can't make it to Skirball? Then enjoy the learning experience another way. Visit the podcast page of the Skirball Web site: adultjewishlearning.org.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS



MEN'S CLUB

Wednesday, May 12 • 9 AM

Selection:

Enemies, A Love Story
by Isaac Bashevis Singer

Wednesday, June 9 • 9 AM

Selection:

Khirbet Khizeh by S. Yizhar

STETTENHEIM LITERARY CIRCLE

Wednesday, May 26 •
6:30 PM

Selection:

The One Facing Us
by Ronit Matalon

Read summaries, reviews and excerpts through the Temple Web site.



Click "Calendar" →
"Choose Category: Book."

ANNUAL MEETINGS



Nominating slates and speaker bios for the Women's Auxiliary and Men's Club meetings may be found on the Temple Web site. Click "Community" → "Women's Auxiliary" → "Officers & Directors" or "Community" → "Men's Club" → "Officers & Directors."

Temple members may access the meeting agenda for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation by clicking "Membership" → "Annual Meeting." **You must sign in with your Web ID or user name and password.**

Film Screening



The Peretzniks

Monday, May 17 • 6:30 PM • One East 65th Street

IN CONJUNCTION WITH Temple Emanu-El, the **American Society for Jewish Heritage in Poland** will sponsor a showing of the film *The Peretzniks*, about the students who attended the Yiddish-language Peretz School in Lodz before the 1968 anti-Semitic campaign in Poland and whose parents were survivors of the Camps or of the migration to Soviet Russia to escape the Nazis. Following the showing of the film, a Q&A session will be held with director **Slawomir Grünberg**, along with **Jan Gross** and **Marek Web**—both of whom were among those who left Poland in 1968 as young scholars.



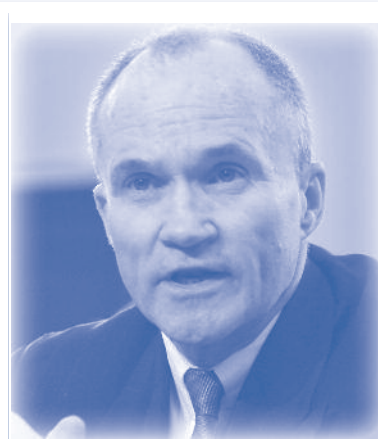
Attendance is free and open to the public. Enter at the **Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street**. The screening will be held in **Greenwald Hall**.

Community • Volunteering



Women's Auxiliary Annual Spring Meeting & Luncheon

Thursday, May 13 • 12:30 PM • One East 65th Street



ALL TEMPLE MEMBERS are invited to join us for our annual meeting and luncheon. This year's guest speaker will be **New York City Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly**. Cost is \$30 for Women's Auxiliary members and \$40 for all others. We also will be hosting a raffle to support Women's Auxiliary programs (one for \$10, three for \$25; winners need not be present to collect prizes).

RSVP by Monday, May 10 to (212) 744-1400, ext. 235 or womaux@emanuelnyc.org. Make checks payable to Women's Auxiliary.

Men's Club Annual Meeting & Samuel Sacks Achievement Award

Thursday, May 20 • 6 PM • One East 65th Street

EACH YEAR SINCE 1977, the Men's Club board of directors has established a committee to recommend deserving individuals to receive the **Samuel Sacks Achievement Award**, which recognizes members of the congregation for their service and support of the Temple. The award is presented each year at the Men's Club annual meeting, which includes the installation of officers and board members. This year's recipient is **Philippe D. Radley**, who was a member of Temple Emanu-El's confirmation class of 1949 and has served ably as a director of the Men's Club for 15 years, including two as president. Cost for this event is \$30 for Men's Club members, \$40 for all others.



RSVP by Monday, May 17 to mensclub@emanuclnyc.org or (212) 744-1400, ext. 250. Make checks payable to Men's Club.

TIKKUN OLAM

Central Park Clean Up

Saturday, May 8 • 10:30 AM • Location to be determined

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to roll up their sleeves to help beautify and preserve our beloved Central Park. Our meeting location is to be determined; details will be provided upon registration. Note: There is no "rain date" for this project.

Preregistration with the Tikkun Olam Committee is required: tikkunolam@emanuclnyc.org or (212) 744-1400, ext. 452. Community-service certificates may be obtained by calling Rabbi Ehrlich's study at (212) 744-1400, ext. 206.

Emergency Blood Drive

Sunday, May 16 • 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM • 10 East 66th Street

UNDER THE LEADERSHIP of Temple President Marcia Waxman, Temple Emanu-El will be hosting an emergency blood drive in partnership with the **NY Blood Center**. Donations will be used locally as well as in Haiti and Chile. Donors must be within the ages of 17 and 72 and in good health. Eligibility to donate based on recent travel will be determined based on FDA guidelines, which change daily.

Appointments can be made by e-mail to tikkunolam@emanuclnyc.org or phone to (212) 744-1400, ext. 452. Walk-ins will be taken as space permits.



SPRING CLEANING MITZVAH DRIVE

Cleaning out your closets and drawers? Tikkun Olam is accepting donations of the following new and gently used items during the month of May. We kindly ask that all donations be clean and in good condition.

EYEGASSES

Plastic or metal eyeglasses and sunglasses in good condition will be donated to **New Eyes for the Needy—Bringing Vision to the U.S. and the World.**

BED SHEETS AND BATH TOWELS

Items will be donated to the **Humane Society of New York**, which cares for animals in need when illness, injury or homelessness strikes. All items must be freshly washed.

BOOKS

Children's books (paperback and hardcover) and adult books (paperbacks only, please) will be distributed through the **"Reach Out and Read"** program at Mt. Sinai Hospital and through **Emanu-El's Sunday Lunch Program.**

Donations may be dropped off at either the 65th Street entrance seven days a week until 6 PM or at the 66th Street entrance during Nursery and Religious School hours. Questions? Call the Tikkun Olam Committee at (212) 744-1400, ext. 452.

BAR/BAT MITZVAH PREPARATION

Children must be enrolled in Religious School in order to become a bar or bat mitzvah at Emanu-El. A date can be scheduled when a child is in fourth grade or is 10 years old. To register your child for Religious School, call (212) 744-1400, ext. 226. To schedule a date, call Sherry Nehmer at (212) 744-1400, ext. 312.

Parents of third grade students should attend one of two bar/bat mitzvah information sessions, sponsored by the Religious School and to be held in May. See details on page 4.

Families are encouraged to make use of bar/bat mitzvah resources available on the Temple Web site. Click "Learning" → "Religious School" → "Bar & Bat Mitzvah Program."



OF BLESSED MEMORY

At the time of death, as well as during a period of illness, family members need the comfort, support and caring of a community. Temple Emanu-El's clergy and staff always are available to help soothe these difficult hours. Because there are many ways to honor a loved one, the rabbis and cantor can provide guidance that is suited to your family's personal philosophy. Call (212) 744-1400.

Life-Cycle Events



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

Saturday, May 1

Daniel Frier, son of Ronald and Sherry Frier

Danielle E. Kramer, daughter of Ronald and Stephanie Kramer

Saturday, May 8

Olivia Klein, daughter of Steven and Elisa Klein

Julia Eve Katz, daughter of Gregory and Kimberly Katz

Kara Rosenblum, daughter of Daniel and Sheila Rosenblum

Saturday, May 15

Cameron Koffman, son of Jeffrey and Allison Koffman

Emma Holzer, daughter of Charles and Ashley Holzer

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

PULPIT FLOWERS at worship services have been donated by the following congregants:

For the Sabbath of May 1

Stephanie and Ron Kramer *in honor of their daughter Danielle Elizabeth becoming a bat mitzvah*

Jane and Paul Rittmaster *in honor of their grandson Davis Robert Rittmaster becoming a bar mitzvah*

For the Sabbath of May 7 and 8

Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. M. Maidman *in honor of the marriage of Gail's daughter, Starr Elizabeth Haymes, and Jacques-Laurent Kempin*

Mrs. Burton Kossoff *in loving memory of Burton and Stephanie Lynn Kossoff*

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For the Sabbath of May 14 and 15

Rabbi Stanley T. and Ivy R. Relkin *in loving memory of Leonard Jay Reade*

Faith and Martin Wright *in memory of our loving son Jordan*

For Shavuot services on May 18 and 19

Elisabeth Cassell *in loving memory of her brothers and sisters
Emil, Eugene, Alice, Piri, Magda and Viola*

For the Sabbath of May 21 and 22

William Fruhauf *in loving memory of my parents,
Frankye and Henry Fruhauf, and my aunt, Sara Fruhauf Beekman*

For the Sabbath of May 28 and 29

Susan and David Rahm *in loving memory of Susan's father, Allen H. Berkman*

Museum



OBJECT OF THE MONTH

CONFIRMATION CERTIFICATE New York, 1915

THIS CERTIFICATE was issued by Temple Beth-El to Samuel Berliner Jr. and attests that the child was “instructed in the tenets of the Jewish faith” and confirmed on the holiday of Shavuot. Temple Beth-El, located at 76th Street and Fifth Avenue, merged with Emanu-El in 1926. Samuel Berliner Jr. went on to serve in the Corps of Engineers and eventually became Emanu-El’s associate controller and funeral director.

On view at the Herbert & Eileen Bernard Museum and on the Temple Web site.

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 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.

DAILY SUNSET SERVICE

Have the name of a loved one recited during our daily *Kaddish*. Temple Emanu-El’s Sunset Service is held Sunday through Thursday in Greenwald Hall of the Marvin and Elizabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street. Participation is open to the public.

All congregants are invited to become members of the Sunset Service Readers Panel, which is overseen by the Men’s Club. Persons who are interested should call the Temple office at (212) 744-1400, ext. 215. Assistance from the rabbis is available by request for those who may need to brush up on their Hebrew.

WOMEN’S AUXILIARY TRIBUTE FUND

Commemorate significant life-cycle events in a meaningful way and support the activities of the Women’s Auxiliary at the same time. All contributions are listed in *Window on Emanu-El*, the quarterly publication prepared by the Department of Development. Contact the Women’s Auxiliary at (212) 744-1400, ext. 235.

A REMINDER ABOUT SPONSORSHIPS

Because the Emanu-El *Bulletin* is now a monthly publication, please be advised that we need one month’s notice for Pulpit Flower dedications and *Oneg Shabbat* sponsorships. Call Sherry Nehmer at (212) 744-1400, ext. 312.

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God's Presence (continued)

ence into the world. This was an opportunity unparalleled in the history of the world, an honor hard to imagine, a joyful task and a real responsibility. And 3,500 years later, we are reminded whenever we enter our community house at One East 65th Street that God still calls to us through this verse:

“MAKE FOR ME A
SANCTUARY THAT I MAY
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While we already have a beautiful sanctuary, we still have the responsibility, honor, joy and opportunity to find ways to bring God into our midst. We do not have priests to offer sacrifices on our behalf. Today clergy only lead the worship; Jews are responsible for their own prayers, for their own acts of holiness.

This is my last month at Temple Emanu-El, and over the past three years, I have seen this congregation take responsibility for acts of holiness. We have prayed together, mourned together, celebrated to-

gether, traveled together and learned together. We have explored new territory for Emanu-El including travel to Israel, varied worship opportunities, innovative religious school programs and engaging programming for those in their 20s and 30s—all this in addition to the honor I've had leading our regular Sanctuary worship and conducting life-cycle events for so many of our members. As you have shared your lives with me, you not only helped to make this community more holy; you also brought an enduring holiness into my life, and for that I will be forever grateful.

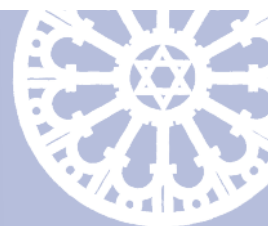
Emanu-El today is a place where the beauty of our Sanctuary is enhanced by the activities of our membership. As I transition from this congregation to the next, I pray that the diverse, engaging programming, worship and volunteer activities will continue to flourish so that even more holiness enters our world. In this way, Emanu-El always will fulfill the promise of the verse from Torah, “Make for Me a sanctuary that I may dwell among you.”

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FAREWELL TO RABBI GOLDSMITH

ALL TEMPLE MEMBERS are invited to a special Sabbath morning service as we wish **Assistant Rabbi Howard Goldsmith** best wishes on his assuming the position of senior rabbi of Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester. Join us on **Saturday, May 22 at 10:30 AM.** Kiddush follows.



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The Glorious Music of Emanu-El

**Friday, May 7 • Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th)
Organ Preludes: 5 PM • Service: 5:15 PM**

PLEASE JOIN US for a beautiful musical service honoring the bicentennial anniversary of Reform Judaism, featuring the **Emanu-El Choir** on the bimah, **Scott Warren** on the organ and guest conductor **Matthew Lazar**. We welcome Maestro Lazar, one of the foremost conductors of Jewish music, to direct us in the works of Bernstein, Bloch, Helfman, Weill and more.