

Temple Emanu-El Bulletin



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

The Annual Meeting will be held **Thursday, June 7** at **6 PM** in Greenwald Hall, after the Sunset Service. Enter at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street.

WORSHIP SERVICES

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

FRIDAY EVENING

Main Sanctuary
(Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)
Organ Recital—5:45 PM
Service Begins—6 PM

SATURDAY MORNING

Sixth Floor Lounge
(One East 65th Street)
Torah Study—9:15 AM
Main Sanctuary
(Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)
Organ Recital—10:15 AM
Service Begins—10:30 AM

K. Scott Warren,

Organist/Choir Director

Services may be heard live or via podcast through the Temple website at www.emanuelnyc.org. Follow the "Listen to the Broadcast of Services" link from the Home Page.

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



The Chichester Psalms: Poems of the Heart (Part 2)

By Cantor Lori Corrsin

"I am pleased with the work and hope you will be, too; it is quite popular in feeling (even a hint, as you suggested, of *West Side Story*), and it has an old-fashioned sweetness along with its more violent moments."



L EONARD BERNSTEIN WROTE these words in a letter to the Very Reverend Walter Hussey, the dean of the Chichester Cathedral in Sussex, England, who commissioned the 1965 piece *Chichester Psalms*. Why is this work so loved, by Jews and non-Jews alike?

You will have a chance to hear for yourself! After services on Friday, May 18, our glorious Emanu-El Choir, with Conductor K. Scott Warren and Dr. Andrew Henderson on the organ, will perform Bernstein's expressive *Chichester Psalms* with boy soprano, harp and percussion. This 20-minute choral composition in Hebrew is by turns exciting, serene and optimistic. It is one of the most beloved choral works of the 20th century.

Bernstein's choice of six psalms (108 and 100, 23 and 2, 131 and 133) let him compose music expressing themes of praise, war, humility, comfort and peace. Music, he believed, should be accessible. He embraced the Romantic style but wrote with American jazzy rhythms as well, with Jewish motifs appearing throughout his works.

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WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

Acharei Mot-K'doshim

(Leviticus 16:1-20:27)

Read Saturday, May 5

Synopsis: Priestly responsibilities on the Day of Atonement; scapegoats; sacrificial instructions; prohibition on drinking blood; rules for sexual relations. Holiness code concerning ritual and moral behaviors; penalties for violating various laws; love your fellow as yourself.

Sermon: Rabbi Zeidman

Emor

(Leviticus 21:1-24:23)

Read Saturday, May 12

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 Ehrlich

B'har-B'chukotai

(Leviticus 25:1-27:34)

Read Saturday, May 19

Synopsis: Laws of the sabbatical year and 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 Posner

B'midbar

(Numbers 1:1-4:20)

Read Saturday, May 26

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

Sermon: Rabbi Zeidman

Worship & Spirituality



Young Families: Tot Shabbat

Friday, May 4 • 3:30 PM - 5 PM* • One East 65th Street

*Note special event time and location

FOR OUR PRESCHOOL through kindergarten families we offer a creative and age-appropriate service that incorporates singing, movement and storytelling. Guests are welcome; reservations required.



RSVP by Thursday, May 3: youngfamilies@emanuelnyc.org or (212) 744-1400, ext. 242.

Sermon in Psalms, Part 2: Chichester Psalms

Friday, May 18 • Immediately following the 6 PM service
Main Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)



JOIN US AS Cantor Lori Corrsin and the Temple Emanu-El Choir sing Leonard Bernstein's *Chichester Psalms* from the *bimah*, conducted by K. Scott Warren and accompanied by Dr. Andrew Henderson on the organ. One of Bernstein's most glorious works, the *Chichester Psalms* is an uplifting and moving experience featuring harp, percussion and organ. The work was commissioned for the 1965 Southern Cathedrals' Festival at Chichester Cathedral (England).

NOTE: This event is our final SHABBAT @ EMANU-EL SERVICE of the year. Shabbat @ Emanu-El is a way to focus on Shabbat and encourage your participation. Bring your family; meet your friends here; leave refreshed and continue the conversation over Shabbat dinner.

Saviv Havdalah (Rooftop Event)

Saturday, May 19 • 7:30 PM • One East 65th Street

MAKE YOUR SATURDAY EVENING a little Jewish. Join together to say goodbye to Shabbat. Saviv is a program for Temple members and nonmembers in their 20s and 30s.

RSVP to Rabbi Zeidman at info@saviv.org. Saviv is for 20s and 30s only.

Family Dinner & Shabbat Kodesh

Friday, May 11 • 6 PM (Dinner) • One East 65th Street
and 7 PM (Service)* • Beth-El Chapel (Fifth Avenue garden
entrance) *Note special event time and location

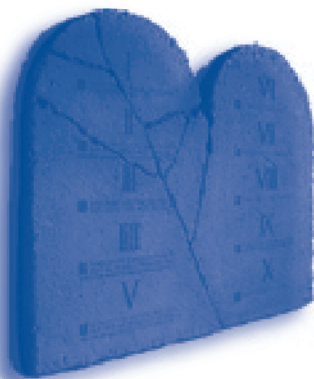
AT SHABBAT KODESH, Hebrew prayers are sung with lively melodies, and the weekly Torah reading is made meaningful through creative storytelling. **All are welcome at this service**, which builds upon the curriculum and community of the Religious School.

This month's service is **preceded** by a family dinner. A delicious dessert *oneg* will **follow** our worship service.

The charge for dinner is \$35 per family for reservations made by Monday, May 7. RSVP to school@emanuelnyc.org or (212) 744-1400, ext. 226.



Photo by Elizabeth Wright Kahane



Shavuot Services

**Saturday, May 26 • 6 PM and
Sunday, May 27 • 10:30 AM
Main Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th)**

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, which Moses received at Mount Sinai.

All are invited to join us for Eve of Shavuot and Shavuot services; no tickets are required. Services also may be heard over the Internet on Emanu-El's website. **Click “Worship” → “Holy Days & Festivals.”**

Confirmation Service

Saturday, June 2 • 7:30 PM • Main Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th)

MEMBERS OF OUR High School Confirmation Program complete their journey with a special *Havdalah* service. All are invited. **(Learn more on page 7 »)**



WORSHIP & SPIRITUALITY

TORAH COMMENTARY


Get more out of the Torah! Read our weekly Torah commentary, written by our clergy and Temple staff, on the Emanu-El website: www.emanuelnyc.org.  **Follow the link from the Home Page.** Previous commentaries can be read through the archive.

BROADCAST OF SERVICES

Sabbath and holiday worship services may be heard live through the Temple website, as well as downloaded and used with a personal audio player. **Follow the “Listen to the Broadcast of Services” link from the Home Page.** 

Launch the Live365 Radio audio player starting at 5:45 PM on Fridays, 10:15 AM on Saturdays and just prior to the start of holiday services. At any other time, launch the Emanu-El audio player, or download the MP3 files. (Right click the links and save the files.) MP3 files and podcasts are available shortly after the completion of the live service and for one week afterward.

WEEKLY MUSIC

Music programs for Sabbath and holiday services are posted on the website. **Click “Worship” → “Music at Emanu-El.”** You also can have the program delivered to your inbox each week. **Click “About Us” → “Publications” → “Electronic Mailing Lists.”** 



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

MEN'S CLUB

Tuesday, May 1

8:30 AM • One East 65th

SELECTION: *Great House*

by Nicole Krauss

"Nicole Krauss' third novel is such an ambitious, disturbing, brave, provocative work, one fears unfairly reducing it in a brief review... Every page vibrates with the tension of something unsolvable insisting on being solved... Krauss' sentences are so beautiful, rendered in such simple, clear language, I had to stop to reread many. Though they often describe inchoate anguish, their clarity and precision exhilarate."

— Joan Frank, *The San Francisco Chronicle*

STETTENHEIM

LITERARY CIRCLE

Wednesday, May 16

6:30 PM • One East 65th

SELECTION: *Room*

by Emma Donoghue

"Narrated by a 5-year-old boy so real you could swear he was sitting right beside you... *Room* has all kinds of emotional wallop. But what makes the emotion possible is that this book is built like a finely crafted instrument that perfectly merges art and function... *Room* is so beautifully contrived that it never once seems contrived. But be warned: Once you enter, you'll be Donoghue's willing prisoner right down to the last page."

— *Newsweek*

Community



Club 70: A Group for Seniors

Tuesday, May 8 • 11 AM • One East 65th Street



THIS MONTH'S GUEST SPEAKER will be **Assistant Administrator Sherry Nehmer**, whose outgoing personality and sense of humor enriches Emanu-El's daily life. We already know how well she juggles a million details at the Temple, but did you know that Sherry had a 20-year career in the theater? Add in an education that includes Oxford University and a masters from George Washington University, and we'll learn how it all prepared her for life at the world's largest house of Jewish worship!

No fees are involved with this program. The only requirements are that participants be over 70 years of age and members of the congregation. Those interested in participating should contact the Men's Club: (212) 744-1400, ext. 250 or mensclub@emanuelnyc.org. Attendees are invited to bring their own brown-bag lunch.

Men's Club Annual Meeting and Samuel Sacks Award Presentation

Thursday, May 17 • 6 PM • One East 65th Street

ALL TEMPLE MEMBERS are invited to the Men's Club annual meeting, which includes the installation of officers and board members, and presentation of the **Samuel Sacks Achievement Award**. This year's recipient is longtime Temple member **Eve Haberman**.

Eve joined Temple Emanu-El in 1966. By the 1970s, Eve became a member of the Women's Auxiliary. Her first participation was in the "Talking Books" program, and shortly thereafter she was completely committed. She served as president of the Women's Auxiliary from 1994 to 1998 and again from 2000 to 2004. She started "Project Backpack" here at Temple Emanu-El as well as the Women's Auxiliary Book Discussion Group. Eve has been an active participant in the Sunday Lunch Program, Second Seder, the Readers Panel and Skirball.



Wine and cheese will be served prior to the meeting, and a full reception will follow the award presentation. The charge is \$30 for Men's Club and Women's Auxiliary members, \$35 for all others; make checks payable to the Men's Club. RSVP by Monday, May 14. Questions? Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 250, or send an email to mensclub@emanuelnyc.org.

Women's Auxiliary Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 10 • 12:30 PM • One East 65th Street

THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY cordially invites all Temple members and guests to their annual Spring Meeting and Luncheon, which includes the election of board members and officers. This year's guest speaker will be **Rabbi Norman J. Cohen**, a professor of Midrash and former provost of Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion, who will discuss **"What's Under the Fig Leaf? Clothing in the Bible and What It Can Teach Us About Ourselves as Jews and Human Beings."**



The charge is \$30 for Women's Auxiliary and Men's Club members, \$40 for nonmembers. Make checks payable to the Women's Auxiliary. RSVP by Monday, May 7: (212) 744-1400, ext. 235 or womaux@emanuelnyc.org.

Intergenerational Study Session

Sunday, May 20 • 9:30 AM • One East 65th Street

FOR MORE THAN 25 years, volunteers from Temple Emanu-El have been preparing 150 lunches for hungry New Yorkers every Sunday through the **Sunday Lunch Program**. In 2012, we have organized an **Intergenerational Study Session** with **Rabbi Benjamin Zeidman** immediately preceding the Sunday Lunch Program once a month. Participants will enjoy a light breakfast, take a deeper look at our Jewish obligation to feed the hungry and discuss this topic with fellow volunteers.

All members of the Temple community, from teens to grandparents, are invited to join us. Contact Missy Bell, our coordinator of Youth Learning and Engagement, at (212) 744-1400, ext. 329 or youthgroups@emanuelnyc.org.

Family Trip to Israel

THE TIME IS NOW to sign up for Temple Emanu-El's next family trip to Israel...

**December 23, 2012,
through January 3, 2013**

To be led by **Rabbi Benjamin Zeidman** and **Lifelong Learning Director Saul Kaiserman**, our journey is designed to be equally appropriate for all members of the family—grandparents, parents and kids. We will explore Israel from the Negev Desert to the Golan Heights, from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv, and everywhere in between.

For more information, call Rabbi Zeidman at (212) 744-1400, ext. 304, or send an email to israeltrip@emanuelnyc.org.



**EMANU-EL
EATS**

WHAT DO YOU like to eat when the weather turns warm? Chilled soups? Big salads? Cold, spicy noodle dishes?

As the **Emanu-El Eats** cookbook committee formats and tests the recipes you've submitted for our congregation's first cookbook, thoughts of the summer ahead have us looking with particular delight for hot-weather dishes that put an emphasis on cool flavors. We'd like to have more of them.

Do you have a favorite, easy-to-make summer dish that you'd like to share... one that gets you out of the kitchen quickly but has friends and family lingering around the table asking for seconds? Perhaps it's something as simple as a special dressing that transforms an everyday salad into one that's extraordinary. Or an icy dessert, like fruit-flavored popsicles, that has the grownups fighting the kids for just one more?

Submission is easy:

Mail your favorite original recipes to *Emanu-El Eats*, c/o Temple Emanu-El, One East 65th St., NY, NY 10065, or email them to emanueleats@emanuelnyc.org. Please include your contact information.

SKIRBALL



SUNDAY SEMINARS

Sessions are open to the public. Enter at One East 65th Street. Charge is \$60 per person; register with the Skirball Center by calling (212) 507-9580.

A HEBREW "MARATHON" Sunday, May 6 •

10 AM - 2 PM

Want to feel more comfortable in the prayer service but feel inhibited because you can't read Hebrew? Have you been meaning to learn the language but somehow never seemed to have the time? This unique seminar is perfect for you. Come for an intensive Hebrew marathon that will leave you wanting more. By the end of the day, you will be reading Hebrew. (Led by Michal Nachmany)

KABBAH OF JERUSALEM: MYSTICAL READINGS ON THE SACRED CITY Sunday, May 20 •

10 AM - 2 PM

"Everywhere I go, I am going to Jerusalem," said Rav Nachman of Breslav. For many, Jerusalem is the holiest place in the world, locus of religious and spiritual yearnings. For others, it is the emblem of idolatry—elevating a piece of land to sacred status. Is Jerusalem the physical beloved City, or is it the ephemeral place where we find God/Spirit, whatever we might be? (Led by Rabbi David Ingber)

Lectures • Classes • Tours



Through the Looking Glass: Women and Redemption

Thursday, May 17 • 7 PM/8 PM • 10 East 66th 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.



Charge is \$20 per person. Attendance is open to the public.

A pre-lecture hour of text preparation begins at 7 PM.

Questions? Call Skirball at (212) 507-9580.

Volunteering



Bagel and Bingo Brunch

Sunday, May 20 • 10 AM - 12:40 PM • One East 65th Street

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to host seniors from the **Carter Burden Center for the Aging** at this popular semi-annual event. Seniors will enjoy brunch, bingo with prizes for the winners, and a performance by the **Emanu-El Junior Choir**.



Volunteers must preregister with the Tikkun Olam Committee. Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 452, or send an email to tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org. Please include the project name in your message subject.

Religious School



Seventh Grade Sleepover

Friday, May 11 • 6 PM - 9 AM • One East 65th Street

FOLLOWING THIS EVENING'S Shabbat Kodesh service and family dinner (« see page 2 for details), as well as the Service Learning Awards Ceremony (see below »), seventh grade students of our Religious School are invited for a special sleepover at the Temple. Have fun with friends, enjoy a late-night snack and see what the Temple is like after hours.

The charge for this event is \$50 for a family attending the dinner prior to a child attending the sleepover or \$25 for the child to attend the dinner and sleepover without his or her family. RSVP to the Religious School: (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 or school@emanuelnyc.org.

Service Learning Awards Ceremony

Friday, May 11 • 8 PM • One East 65th Street



FOLLOWING TONIGHT'S family dinner at 6 PM and Shabbat Kodesh service at 7 PM, **Seventh Grade Mitzvah Corps** and **Eighth Grade Lirdof Tzedek** students, as well as **Eighth Grade New Orleans** participants will be recognized for their outstanding accomplishments during the year and will celebrate the effect they have had on their community. Families are invited to attend.

Questions? Contact Missy Bell, our coordinator of Youth Learning and Education: (212) 744-1400, ext. 329 or youthgroups@emanuelnyc.org.

Confirmation Dinner & Rehearsal

Thursday, May 31 • 6 PM • One East 65th Street

FAMILIES OF OUR High School Confirmation students are invited to join us for a festive and intimate dinner to honor the commitment of these hard-working individuals. The family dinner will be held from 6 PM to 7:30 PM. Rehearsal and the class picture in the Main Sanctuary will be held from 7:30 PM to 9 PM.

RSVP by Thursday, May 24 to the Department of Lifelong Learning: (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 or lifelonglearning@emanuelnyc.org.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION

Saturday, June 2 • 7:30 PM
Main Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)

A special *Havdalah* worship service will be led by students who have completed our High School Confirmation Program. *Havdalah* is the ceremony that separates Shabbat from the rest of the week, the holy from the mundane, and with it we strive to bring a little bit of holiness into our everyday lives. Confirmation students, who are renewing the commitment by our people at Sinai, spend the year learning about bringing Judaism into their lives as adults. The *Havdalah* service is a potent metaphor for the transition from childhood to adolescence and a meaningful way to mark this special occasion. One of the earliest Confirmation 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 2012.

FAMILY TRIP TO WILLIAMSBURG Sunday, June 3

Time/Location TBD

Religious School families are invited to join us for a walking tour of Chasidic and hipster Williamsburg, Brooklyn. The tour will be led by **Marty Shore**, who led last year's family trip to Harlem. Stay tuned for full details...



YOUNG FAMILIES: DOTING DADS

**Saturday, May 12 •
10 AM - 11:30 AM**

10 East 66th Street

Calling all Young Families fathers... Help your kids make cookies for Mother's Day. Young Families events are for families with children of preschool age through kindergarten. **RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 242 or youngfamilies@emanuelnyc.org.**

YOUNG FAMILIES: ROOFTOP PARTY

**Sunday, June 3 • 10 AM
10 East 66th Street**

Save this date for our annual end-of-year rooftop party! As this event coincides with the **Israeli Day Parade**, we ask everyone to wear blue and white. If the weather is nice, then we'll play in the pools. Bring sunscreen, bathing suits, towels, hats and a change of clothes. If it rains, then the party moves to Blumenthal Hall.

PARENTING @ EMANU-EL

Current sessions end in May, but we'll be starting again in the fall! Watch your mail for new registration materials, or log on to the Temple website.

Click "Learning" →
"Early Childhood" →
"Parenting @ Emanu-El."



Another Visit to the Nursery School From the Juilliard School of Music



THE JUILLIARD SCHOOL OF MUSIC returned to our Nursery School for another incredible performance. "Musical opposites" has been the recurring theme taught, and this presentation focused on high and low—treble and bass—sounds.

For the third performance, the children were treated to a lively jazz ensemble. The musicians explained that they were a sextet, a group consisting of six performers. They taught the children the musical symbols for treble and bass clef. Then the musicians demonstrated what type of sound each instrument made.

- Bass Drum—low
- Snare Drum—high
- Bass—low
- Trumpet—high
- Sax—both high and low depending on the size of the instrument
- Piano—low to high

The sextet performed lively renditions of *C Jam Blues* by Duke Ellington and *When the Saints Go Marching In*. The children stood, danced and raised their arms when the music sounded high and crouched down when the music was low. The room was jumping with the sounds of jazz!

Again, we thank Beth and Chris Kojima, Nursery School parents, for bringing this wonderful program to our children. There will be one more performance at the end of the year.

Chichester Psalms (continued)

Bernstein's first real cultural exposure, the first real music he heard, was in his childhood synagogue, Temple Mishkan Tefila in Massachusetts. His father, Samuel, regularly brought him to Temple. There he listened to and absorbed the music of Cantor Solomon Braslavsky, the Jewish prayer modes and Torah cantillation motifs as well as the sounds of Hebrew and Yiddish. These all became part of his soul and infused his compositions and writings throughout his life.

Bernstein found that he had a burning need to communicate his Jewish and American musical ideas to the world.

Bernstein's identification with Judaism was deep and strong, and he found that he had a burning need to communicate his Jewish and American musical ideas to the world. Many of his major works were based on Jewish themes, and even his non-Jewish works have some Jewish connections. His personality strongly shines through his music: vigorous, brilliant, passionate and soulful. Bernstein was a composer, conductor, pianist, author, educator and political activist. Indeed, he was *the* American-Jewish composer par excellence.

He had a "crazy, compulsive urge to say something. ...Love isn't the only way [we can obtain any warmth of communication]. Art is also a way. Communication via Art."¹

When he composed music, he became lost in a different reality:

*The creative act, if it's really creative, is something that seizes you ...you are somehow a slave of it...But I wish I could convey to you the excitement and insane joy of it...Nothing touches the extraordinary, jubilant sensation of being caught up in this thing—so that you're not just inside yourself...It's madness and it's marvelous.*²

He actually used his music as a vehicle for philosophic reflection. What is it that Bernstein wanted to communicate through his setting of these six psalm texts? Bernstein stated: "The work I have been writing all my life is about the struggle that is born of the crisis of our century, a crisis of faith."³

Bernstein suggested in the Second Movement's setting of Psalm 23 that faith might be more easily realized through the vision of a child. Sung by a boy soprano (representing King David and his harp), Psalm 23 takes on this aspect of childlike innocent belief. It is maintained over the violent rage of the warring nations (Psalm 2, vs. 1-4). Indeed, perhaps Bernstein believed that knowledge brings pain as "the people imagine a vain thing."

With the wild and joyful dance of the First Movement (possibly a reference to King David's exuberant dance before the Ark of the Covenant), he wanted us to come before God with joyous singing. The musical beauty of the Third Move-

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CLERGY

Dr. David M. Posner, *Senior Rabbi*
Amy B. Ehrlich, *Associate Rabbi*
Benjamin J. Zeidman,
Assistant Rabbi
Lori A. Corrsin, *Cantor*
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Senior Rabbi Emeritus
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MUSICAL PROGRAMS

Sermon in Psalms, Part 2: Chichester Psalms
Friday, May 18 • 6 PM
Main Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)
Cantor Lori Corrsin and the **Temple Emanu-El Choir**, conducted by **K. Scott Warren** and accompanied by **Dr. Andrew Henderson** on the organ, will perform a Sermon in Song from the *bimah* immediately following the Sabbath evening service. (**« Learn more on page 2.»**)



ORGAN RECITAL
Sunday, June 3 • 4 PM
Main Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)
 Temple Emanu-El's assistant organist, **Dr. Andrew Henderson**, will perform works from the French Romantic tradition: **Cesár Franck's Majestic Choral No. 1 in E major**, **Louis Vierne's Carillon de Westminster**, and **Prelude and Fugue in B major by Marcel Dupré** (who performed the opening recital on our prized organ in 1929). Also included on the program are works by **J. S. Bach**, **Ernest Bloch**, **Herbert Howells** and **Samuel Barber**.

Musical Programs



Trans-European Express

Wednesday, May 16 • 6:30 PM/7:30 PM • One East 65th Street

THE LAUNCH CONCERT of the **Arcos Orchestra's** third European tour highlights a world première of the newly completed *Wind-blown Seeds* (2012) by the exceptional Irish composer and



York composition professor **Nicola LeFanu**. This special program also includes performances of **Alban Berg's** marvelous *Three Pieces From the Lyric Suite*, **Tristan Keuris'** intriguing *Variations for Strings* and the **Shostakovich Chamber Symphony, Op. 110a**.

A pre-concert talk with NICOLA LeFANU will be held at 6:30 PM; concert begins at 7:30 PM. Attendance is free and open to the public.

Chichester Psalms (continued)

ment ("Lord, Lord, My heart is not haughty...") is calming and delicate. It ends with the gorgeous harmonies of Bernstein's setting of Psalm 133, verse 1, enhancing the comforting, familiar words of *Hinei Ma Tov* ("Behold, how good and how pleasant it is when brethren dwell together").

Bernstein struggled with his faith that human beings could evolve into a peaceful community and that we could rise above the violence and destruction of war. He expressed his hopes through this stunningly beautiful conclusion to the psalms. His setting of these psalms was very personal, and his interpretations enrich our lives spiritually as

his music expands our understanding of these powerful, holy texts.

Forty-seven years ago, Bernstein crafted this distinctly fresh and vibrant American piece, in which we hear echoes of our ancient tradition. His primary goal was to communicate with the audience through these psalms, to reach out and have us understand his expressions of beauty and hope.

Bernstein's transmission of Jewish tradition through an American lens speaks to us, resonates with us and inspires us through the greatness of his vision. Join us on Friday, May 18, for an unforgettable, uplifting and emotional experience.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Join the conversation and post your thoughts on the Temple website. Click "About Us" → "Publications" → "Bulletin Blog."



¹ "Something to Say," from *The Infinite Variety of Music*, Leonard Bernstein, p. 272-273.

² "Something to Say," from *The Infinite Variety of Music*, Leonard Bernstein, p. 283.

³ *Working With Bernstein*, Jack Gottlieb, p. 254.

Life-Cycle Events



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

Saturday, April 14

Maya Patricia Gemson, daughter of Lesley Field and the late Donald Gemson

Saturday, May 12

Sophie Eva Landes, daughter of Andrea and Jeffrey Landes

Liza Juliet Byrne, daughter of Martha and Richard Byrne

Saturday, May 19

Caroline Levy, daughter of Ellen and Joseph Levy

Zoe N. Schwartzman, daughter of Julie Nives and Daniel A. Schwartzman

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 4 and 5

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

Marilyn Schiller in loving memory of my parents, *Margaret and Harry Schiller*

For the Sabbath of May 11 and 12

Richard and Gail Maidman in celebration of the birth of their grandson, Starr's son *Sterling Merritt Haymes Kempin*

(continued)

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.



LIFE-CYCLE EVENTS

BAR/BAT MITZVAH PREPARATION

Children must be enrolled in Religious School in order to celebrate 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.

Families are encouraged to make use of bar/bat mitzvah resources available on the Temple website.

Click "Learning" → "Religious School" → "Bar & Bat Mitzvah Program."



A REMINDER ABOUT SPONSORSHIPS

Because the *Emanu-El Bulletin* is 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.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TRIBUTE FUND

Commemorate significant life-cycle events in a meaningful way **and** support the activities of the Women's Auxiliary.

All contributions are listed in *Window on Emanu-El*.

Contact the Women's Auxiliary at womaux@emanuelnyc.org or (212) 744-1400, ext. 235.



LIFE-CYCLE EVENTS

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.

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES

Now that Temple Emanu-El broadcasts its own services over the Internet, we are able to accommodate all congregants who wish to share Sabbath services and have the name of a loved one read during *Kaddish*. If you wish to have a name read, then please call one of the rabbis during the week of *yahrzeit* observance.

WEDDING MUSIC

Planning a wedding at Emanu-El? Well, don't forget about the music! Music can set a memorable tone at your wedding. Listen to potential musical selections performed by Temple organist K. Scott Warren. All links are MP3 files that may be downloaded to a personal listening device.

Click "Worship" →
"Ceremonies & Practices"
→ "Life-Cycle Events"
→ "Weddings"
→ "Wedding Music." 

PULPIT FLOWERS (continued)

For the Sabbath of May 18 and 19

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

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

For the Sabbath of May 25 and 26

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

In loving memory of *Frances and Ralph DeJur*
and *Sandra DeJur Berkley* from their family

For Shavuot (May 26 and 27)

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

There's Still Time...

TEMPLE EMANU-EL'S ANNUAL FUND reflects the essential partnership between our members and friends and Congregation Emanu-El. It provides important revenue to augment income from membership dues and supports the Temple's annual operating budget. By bridging the gap between dues and expenses, the Annual Fund helps to provide relief from the financial challenges we now confront. All aspects of Temple Emanu-El depend on a successful Annual Fund. Gifts to the Annual Fund enhance our Temple and benefit all members. Your support makes an important difference.

If you have not yet made your gift to the **2011-2012 Annual Fund** or would like to make an additional contribution, then please don't miss the opportunity to do so before the end of May. Please be aware that Annual Fund donations now may be made by credit card on the Temple website.

Click "Donations" → "How to Donate: Annual Fund." 
(All transactions are handled with secure encryption.)

You also may download a form for completion and fax it with your credit card information to (212) 570-0826. Or, send the completed form by mail, with your check, to: Office of Development and Philanthropy, Congregation Emanu-El of the City of New York, One East 65th Street, New York, NY 10065.

If you prefer to make your credit card donation over the phone, then call Robyn Weinstein Cimbol, Senior Director of Development and Philanthropy, at (212) 507-9524.

At a Glance: May 2012



May 1
Tuesday, 8:30 AM
Men's Club Book Group
 One East 65th Street



May 4
Friday, 3:30 PM - 5 PM
*Young Families:
 Tot Shabbat*
 One East 65th Street



May 6
Sunday, 10 AM - 2 PM
A Hebrew "Marathon"
 One East 65th Street



May 6
Sunday, 11 AM
Stitch'n Time
 One East 65th Street



May 8
Tuesday, 11 AM
Club 70
 One East 65th Street



May 10
Thursday, 12:30 PM
*Women's Auxiliary
 Annual Meeting*
 One East 65th Street



May 11
Friday, 6 PM/7 PM
*Family Dinner and
 Shabbat Kodesh Service*
 One East 65th Street/
 Beth-El Chapel (Fifth Avenue)



May 11
Friday, 6 PM - 9 AM
*Seventh Grade
 Sleepover*
 One East 65th Street



May 11
Friday, 8 PM
*Service Learning
 Awards Ceremony*
 One East 65th Street



May 12
Saturday, 10 AM
*Young Families:
 Doting Dads*
 10 East 66th Street



May 15
Tuesday, 5 PM
Ronald McDonald House
 405 East 73rd Street



May 16
Wednesday, 6:30 PM
*Stettenheim
 Literary Circle*
 One East 65th Street



May 16
**Wednesday,
 6:30 PM/7:30 PM**
*Arcos Orchestra:
 Trans-European Express*
 One East 65th Street



May 17
Thursday, 6 PM
*Men's Club Annual Meeting
 and Samuel Sacks Award
 Presentation*
 One East 65th Street



May 17
Thursday, 7 PM/8 PM
*Avivah Zornberg Lecture:
 "Through the Looking
 Glass: Women and
 Redemption"*
 10 East 66th Street



May 18
Friday, 6 PM
*Sermon in Psalms,
 Part 2: Chichester Psalms*
 Main Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue)



May 19
Saturday, 7:30 PM
*Saviv Havdalah
 (Rooftop Event)*
 One East 65th Street



May 20
Sunday, 9:30 AM
*Intergenerational
 Study Session*
 One East 65th Street



May 20
Sunday, 10 AM
Bagel and Bingo Brunch
 One East 65th Street



May 20
Sunday, 10 AM - 2 PM
Kabbalah of Jerusalem
 One East 65th Street



May 20, 21, 23
Sunday, 11 AM
Monday, 5 PM
Wednesday, 5 PM
*Religious School
 Family Assemblies*
 10 East 66th Street



May 26, 27
Saturday, 6 PM
Sunday, 10:30 AM
Shavuot Services
 Main Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue)



May 31
Thursday, 6 PM
*Confirmation Dinner
 and Rehearsal*
 One East 65th Street



Book Discussion



Community



Lecture • Class • Tour



Musical Program



Religious School Event



Volunteering



Worship & Spirituality



Young People's Program

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Bezalel: Art, Craft & Jewish National Identity

ON VIEW AT THE HERBERT & EILEEN BERNARD MUSEUM THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2012



Pioneers

Keramika Workshop

Bezalel School of Arts and Crafts

Glazed ceramic tile; Jerusalem, ca. 1925

From the collection of Ira and Brigitte Rezak

THE CERAMIC TILES produced by the **Bezalel School of Arts and Crafts** proved to be quite popular among tourists and locals alike. Their imagery drew upon recognizable landmarks of the Holy Land, such as Rachel's Tomb, and silhouettes of contemporary *halutzim* (pioneers). In 1924, Boris Schatz, the founder of the Bezalel School, approached the Tel Aviv municipality and offered to produce ceramic street signs, as well as house plaques with addresses and owners' names. Although the city never responded formally, several important architects made use of Bezalel ceramics, some of which may still be seen today on the façades of older buildings in Tel Aviv.

Learn more on the Temple website: 

www.emanuelnyc.org/bezalel

Exhibit Hours: Sunday — Thursday, 10 AM - 4:30 PM,
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send an email to museum@emanuelnyc.org.