

TEMPLE EMANU-EL Bulletin

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WORSHIP SERVICES

**Friday evening, May 30
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, May 31
Women's Auxiliary Lounge**

*(Please note, there will be no
Torah study this week.)*

Temple Sanctuary

Service—10:30 A.M.

Torah Portion—B'midbar

Readings—Numbers 1:1-4:20

Hosea 2:1-22

Sermon: Rabbi Howard Goldsmith

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Web site (www.emanuelnyc.org):**

**Read our weekly Torah
Commentary available online
or browse the archive. Click
“Learning → Adult Education.”**

**View the weekly music program.
Click “Worship → Synagogue
Music at Emanu-El.”**

**Sabbath and holiday services
are available for downloading
from the Temple Web site
generally within one hour of
the conclusion of the live
service and for 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL MEETING of the CONGREGATION

Thursday, May 29
5:30 P.M.

Congregants should enter at the
Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Com-
munity House, One East 65th Street.
Refreshments will be served afterwards.
Questions? Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 215

OUR RABBINIC INTERNS

Since 2004, our spiritual life at Tem-
ple Emanu-El has been enriched by
the presence in our midst of student
rabbis, rabbinic interns from the semi-
nary of the Reform Movement, Hebrew
Union College. **Adam**

Rosenwasser has
been with us for two
years and has become
part of the family of our
clergy. He is about to
enter his fifth and final
year at HUC and has



decided to serve as rabbi in a small con-
gregation in New Hampshire, an oppor-
tunity that will give him a new and dif-
ferent experience. We thank him for his
service and wish him well.

Our rabbinic intern next year will be
Ariana Silverman, who is about to
enter her fourth year at HUC. A cum
laude graduate from Harvard, Ariana
will use her multifaceted talents to
share in all our endeavors. We shall wel-
come her officially at the annual meet-
ing of the congregation on May 29.

B'NEI MITZVAH

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

Madeline Rose Finkel,
daughter of Karen and James Finkel

Jake Ryan Seaton,
son of Debra and Simon Seaton

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:

Edythe, William and John Heyman
in loving memory of *George H. Heyman Jr.*

Dr. Gerald Leinwand in loving memory of
Brenda Rediker Leinwand

TO BE NOTED

Temple Emanu-El's *Tikkun Olam* Committee is asking congregants to sponsor a **PHONE CARD FOR THE TROOPS**. Thanks to an overwhelming response to the Phone Cards project held in conjunction with Mitzvah Weekend in April, the committee will purchase additional cards to send to the troops in Iraq for Father's Day, Rosh Hashanah and Chanukah.

Committee members also wish to thank all who participated in the *Tzedakah* Bank program. Temple members contributed \$1,440—in pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters—that will benefit **American Friends of Magen David Adom**. (212) 744-1400, ext. 452

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

STUDY
at SKIRBALL

Applications are available for *IYUN*, the Skirball Center's three-year certificate program in Jewish studies. Covering biblical, rabbinic, medieval and modern Jewish texts, *Iyun* is a comprehensive and intense introduction to Judaism's key texts.

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Classes begin September 28, 2008, and meet Wednesdays from 6:30 P.M. to 9:30 P.M.

For more information, call (212) 507-9580 or log on to www.adultjewishlearning.org/study_iyun.html.

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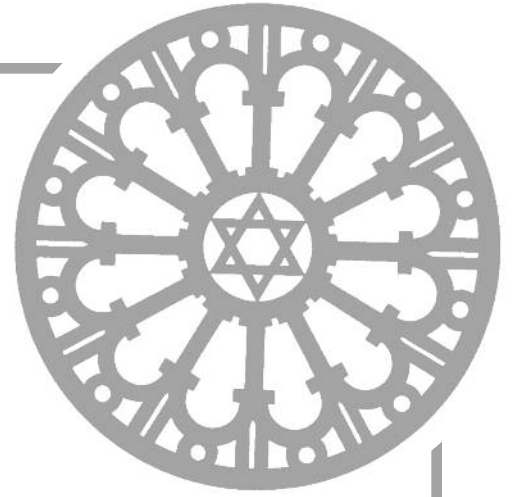
The Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El

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.

A LESSON IN APPRECIATION

On May 15, 2008, Temple Administrator Mark Heutlinger was inducted as this year's recipient of the Samuel Sacks Achievement Award, presented by the Men's Club of Congregation Emanu-El in recognition of distinguished service to the Temple. In addition to his congratulatory praise of Mark, Senior Rabbi David Posner offered the following Hebrew lesson for all. Read the full introduction on the Emanu-El Web. Click "Community" → "Men's Club."



WWE HAVE COME to wish [Mark Heutlinger] a *mazal tov*. [Yet,] the Hebrew word "mazal," which today we translate as "luck," does not mean "luck" in the Bible. Instead, "mazal" means a "star" or a "constellation."

But let's go back further than the Bible. In Akkadian, the word "mazal" is really "manzal." What does that mean? It means the abode of the gods. It's where the gods live, and this makes absolute sense because in Arabic, that same root—n-z-l—can mean divine revelation. Revelation, "nuzul," comes from "manzal," the place where the gods dwell.

In wishing Mark a *mazal tov*, we are saying more to him than "mazal tov." We are acknowledging that he is, in his way, a revelation of the Holy One, sent to us by the *Kadosh Baruch Hu* (The Holy One Blessed Be He) as a person touched by the divine spirit, as a person dedicated to this House of God. The Holy One reveals part of his nature in the character of Mark: a love and a care for His chosen people.

Twenty years ago, Mark chose to make Temple Emanu-El his home. His spirit has grown here. It fills the entire Temple. Most of all, it fills our hearts. And for that, we are all very happy. *Mazal tov*, Mark.

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CELEBRATING ISRAEL

Temple Emanu-El will be marching with the **Union for Reform Judaism on Sunday, June 1** in the **Salute to Israel Parade**, celebrating Israel's 60th year of independence.

We will meet at Emanu-El's Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House (One East 65th Street) for a pre-parade brunch at 10:30 A.M., which will begin with a light and festive meal and include a brief, inspirational program for all URJ delegates. After brunch, at 11:45 A.M., we will walk to Fifth Avenue and 57th Street, the beginning of the parade route, and march together to 79th Street.

Everyone, regardless of age, is welcome to participate. Bring your friends and family.

Help to make this a multigenerational event, but please note the following:

- Young children and students, fourth grade and younger, must be accompanied by an adult.
- Fifth – 12th graders may march with their families or as part of Emanu-El's youth groups, under the supervision of our youth director and his staff.



All must reserve a spot to participate by calling our Director of Youth Activities at (212) 744-1400, ext. 329

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