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## Summer Worship Services

**T**HIS YEAR, Sabbath worship services will be held in the Beth-El Chapel (Fifth Avenue at 65th Street) from Friday, July 3 through Saturday, August 29. We will return to the Sanctuary on Friday, September 4. Our Sunset Service, conducted Sunday through Thursday at 5:30 PM under the auspices of the Men's Club, will continue to be held in Greenwald Hall. Enter at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS/UPCOMING EVENTS

**Ronald McDonald House**  
**Thursday, June 18**  
**and August 20 • 5 PM**  
**405 East 73rd Street**

Those interested in volunteering must preregister with the Women's Auxiliary, which oversees this project. (Please, no walk-ins!) This activity is suitable for adults over 18 years only. (212) 744-1400, ext. 235

**Tikkun Olam: Stitch'n Time**  
**Sunday, June 21, July 19**  
**and August 16 • 11 AM**  
**One East 65th Street**

Participants must bring their own needles (#8). Yarn and patterns will be provided. No prior knitting experience is necessary; we have a professional knitting instructor to assist us. Please note: Summer sessions run from 11 AM to 1 PM. Light refreshments are served. (212) 744-1400, ext. 452

### **Nursery School Applications**

Applications for the **2010-2011** school year will be available for request from **Tuesday, September 8 through Friday, September 25**. Parents should call the Nursery School Office during this period only. Although it is our policy to give priority to members of the congregation and siblings, acceptance is not automatic. (212) 744-1400, ext. 230

### **Sunday Lunch Program**

Calling all Summer Angels! The Sunday Lunch Program is compiling a list of volunteers who can be called on short notice to help out in the kitchen during the months of July and August. Volunteers must be Temple members. Call (212) 744-1400, ext. 215 to have your name added to the list.

**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](http://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](http://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, June 6**

Torah Portion—*Naso*

Readings—Numbers 4:21-7:89; Judges 13:2-25

**Sermon: Rabbinic Intern  
Ariana Silverman**

**Saturday, June 13**

Torah Portion—*B'haalot'cha*

Readings—Numbers 8:1-12:16; Zechariah 2:14-4:7

**Sermon: Rabbi Ehrlich**

## TORAH COMMENTARY

View our weekly Torah commentary on the Emanu-El Web site: [www.emanuelnyc.org](http://www.emanuelnyc.org). Follow the link from the Home Page. Previous commentaries can be viewed through the archive.

## WEEKLY MUSIC

Music programs for Sabbath and holiday services, complete with song titles and composer names, 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, June 5**

**6:30 PM • One East 65th**

Our final service of the year will honor our Sunday Lunch Program volunteers and organizers.

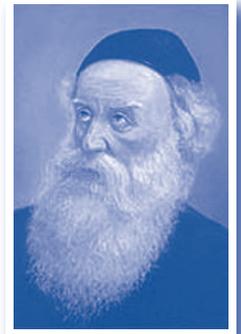
## SKIRBALL SEMINARS

# *Souls on Fire: The Agony and the Ecstasy of the Great Chasidic Masters*

**Sunday, June 7 • 10 AM TO 2 PM • One East 65th Street**

**Lecture led by Rabbi David Kalb**

**S**PEND AN EXCITING SUNDAY getting a theological introduction to, as well as a historical overview of, the Chasidic Movement. Engage in a textual analysis of some fascinating and deeply powerful Chasidic writings that are bound to engage anyone willing to embark on a spiritual journey. Learn why liberal Judaism and Chasidism are not exclusive of each other, and gain an entirely new way of looking at Judaism, God and Torah. Cost: \$60 per person. (212) 507-9580



# *Three Weeks of Distress, Three Weeks of Hope: Coping With the Aftermath of Disaster*

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday June 22, 23, 24**

**6:30 PM TO 8:30 PM • One East 65th Street**

**Seminar led by Moti Arad, visiting assistant professor  
in Talmud at the Jewish Theological Seminary**

**E**XPLORE THREE CATASTROPHIC EVENTS in the history of the Jewish people—the destruction of the First Temple, the destruction of the Second Temple and the Bar Kochba revolt. Could a repetitive pattern in our national behavior have contributed to these cataclysmic events? How did these events shape Jewish texts, liturgy and political attitudes in the generations directly affected by them? How do they still affect Jewish attitudes in modern times?

Cost is \$145 per person. Register with the Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El. (212) 507-9580

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, June 6**

*Benjamin David Gross,*  
son of Ronda Pomerantz  
Gross and Michael Lee Gross

*Tabytha Ruben,*  
daughter of Karyn Ruben

**Saturday, June 13**

*Jacob M. Plottel,* son of  
Daniella and Michael Plottel

*Annie Skoczylas,* daughter  
of Madelyn Miller and  
Stephen Skoczylas

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

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

**For the Sabbath of  
June 5 and 6**

Carol, Carl, Alexandra and  
Robert Hess in honor of  
*Peter Zachary Hess and  
the Confirmation Class*

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

Jerome Tarnoff in loving  
memory of his mother,  
*Anna Tarnoff*

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



## Family Mission to Israel

TEMPLE EMANU-EL ONCE AGAIN will be organizing a family excursion to Israel. From December 23, 2009, to January 3, 2010, we will explore all that Israel has to offer: not only stunning scenery, fascinating history and delicious food but endless possibilities for exploring Jewish identity and connecting with our roots. No other vacation will offer your family the same opportunity to connect with each other as well as to connect with what's really important.

There are many ways to visit Israel, but traveling as a family with Congregation Emanu-El is an incomparable opportunity to deepen a child's connection to Reform Jewish values and community. Our tour mixes visits to archeological and historical sites with time to play and relax. We volunteer and celebrate Shabbat together with Israeli Reform Jewish families. With special pre- and post-trip events exclusively for trip participants, this is an experience that will last longer than the 12 days abroad. After this trip, every experience you have at Emanu-El will bring you back to your time as a family in Israel.

For more information, contact **Rabbi Howard Goldsmith**. He also can refer you to participants from the last trip who can discuss what it's like traveling to Israel with Emanu-El. If you're going to take just one trip this year...join us in Israel!

**Learn more on the Temple Web site. Click "Learning" → "Youth & Young Adults" → "Family Trip to Israel."**

## Challah Program for Nursery School Families

YOUNG FAMILIES of Emanu-El once again will help to bring the traditions of the Sabbath into the homes of our Nursery School families. Each Friday when the Nursery School is in session, a fresh challah will be placed in your child's Nursery School cubby prior to dismissal for him or her to bring home. Cost is \$96 for the school year (\$4 per challah). Your child must be in class on Friday in order to receive the challah.

Any challah that is not taken home will be given to our Sunday Lunch Program. Questions should be directed to Young Families only; do **not** call the Nursery School. (212) 744-1400, ext. 242

**YOUNG FAMILIES  
ROOFTOP PARTY  
Sunday, June 7  
10:30 AM • 10 East 66th**

If the weather is nice, we'll play in the pools—so bring sunscreen, bathing suits, towels, hats and a change of clothes.

If it rains, we'll play inside. RSVP to Young Families at (212) 744-1400, ext. 242.



## **For the Sabbath of June 12 and 13**

The Maidman Family in honor of "Harry" Maidman becoming a bar mitzvah

Herbert C. Bernard  
in loving memory of *Eileen*

Lee and Roger Strong  
and Family in loving  
memory of his mother,  
*Marguerite G. Strong*

## **For the Sabbath of June 19 and 20**

In loving memory of *Harriet  
Heilbrunn* from her family

Mrs. A. Coleman Poll  
in loving memory of  
her parents, *Mildred and  
Jacques G. Coleman*

Susan and David Rahm in  
loving memory of David's  
brother, *Carl Michael Rahm*

### **MEMBERSHIP DUES**

The minimum membership contribution for the fiscal year beginning June 2009 will remain at \$1,050. This amount is the same whether your membership is for an individual, a family or a senior adult. The only exception to the basic minimum dues is for Junior Members, individuals under the age of 35. Should you wish seating for the High Holy Days, your dues will be based on the contribution per seat. To learn more, log on to the Temple Web site at [www.emanuelnyc.org](http://www.emanuelnyc.org). Click "Membership" → "How to Become a Member."

## *Pen Pal Exchange*

**I**N A WONDERFUL SCHOOL PROJECT, students from Emanu-El's Religious School have been corresponding with crew members of the USS WASP, the lead ship of an all-new class of multipurpose amphibious assault ships, about life on board, including the celebration of recent holidays. The exchange is an outgrowth of a relationship created by Temple Emanu-El's Tikkun Olam community since the inception of Mitzvah Day. Questions were submitted by e-mail to Lieutenant Junior Grade Rebecca Wolf, a member of the WASP's navigation department and a former student of Temple Emanu-El's nursery school. Active in Jewish life while attending the U.S. Naval Academy, LTJG Wolf has continued her involvement since being on the WASP, serving as lay leader for the Jewish members on board. Following are a few of the questions submitted and answers received from LTJG Wolf and her fellow Jewish crew members. More can be read on the Temple Web site. Click "Learning" → "Religious School" → "Pen Pal Exchange." Enjoy!

### **How do you fight for freedom? — Zack CW, 2nd Grade**

Zack, our mission on the USS Wasp is to deliver Marine Expeditionary Units, or groups of Marine infantry, into a battle zone so that they can fight in the global war on terrorism. You could think of this ship as a very big bus that takes Marine fighters and the equipment they need, like Humvee trucks and guns, to the areas in the world where they are needed. I am an avionics technician, which means that I fix the electronic equipment that is used on the different types of jets and helicopters that are used by the Navy and Marines on this ship. My job is to make sure that when other sailors fix something that is used in these aircraft, they do it right. I make sure that mistakes are corrected. In this way, the Navy and Marine pilots will fly aircraft that are in great shape and will be able to fight our enemies.

### **Is it fun to celebrate Passover with other sailors? — Aurora, 3rd Grade**

Aurora, it is very special to be able to celebrate and observe Jewish holidays and traditions with other sailors. We hold Shabbat services



As part of Pen Pal Exchange, students in kindergarten through third grade created drawings illustrating concepts of "freedom" that were sent to members of the USS WASP. Images also can be viewed on the Temple Web site.

every Friday night that we are out to sea. Last year we were out to sea for Yom Kippur, Rosh Hashanah and Chanukah. We opened up our services to the whole crew so non-Jewish sailors could participate as well.

### **Does being a Jew change the things you are doing? — Sixth Grade Class**

Being Jewish does not change anything that we do. In the Navy, religion does not matter as long as you are tolerant and treat everybody with respect. We do have to make

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## IMPORTANT REMINDERS/EVENTS (CONTINUED)

### Fall Mitzvah Day 2009

Mitzvah Day was started in 2005 as a way to increase awareness and create a greater sense of community among Temple members. Because of its overwhelming success, Mitzvah Day has become one of our most popular activities—drawing hundreds of volunteers of all ages. Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, November 8**. Volunteer materials will be forthcoming in the mail to all Temple members. Questions? Call our Tikkun Olam Committee. (212) 744-1400, ext. 452

**For information about all Emanu-El events, log on to [www.emanuelnyc.org](http://www.emanuelnyc.org). Click "Calendar."**

## Pen Pal Exchange (continued)

special requests for some holidays such as Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah, but most commands are very willing to help us out. If we are out to sea, we will hold services for the High Holidays, and if we are in port, [then] we usually are allowed to attend services at our local congregations. We are still fighting for freedom and defending our country against terrorists.

### **OTHER MESSAGES FROM OVERSEAS...**

As part of our efforts to support troops overseas, Temple Emanu-El's Tikkun Olam Committee prepared and sent *mishloach manot* at Purim. The following note was received from Seth Phillips of the U.S. Navy:

Rabbi Amy,

Congregation Emanu-El has been most generous in supporting mem-

### Religious School 5770

Parents are reminded to please return their children's Religious School registration forms to the Religious School office. Those interested in signing up their children for the first time may download forms from the Temple Web site. Click "Learning" → "Religious School." Note: Children must be enrolled in Religious School in order to become a bar or bat mitzvah at Temple Emanu-El. Classes begin **Sunday, Monday 13, 14** and **Wednesday, September 16**. A full calendar will be sent at the end of the summer. (212) 744-1400, ext. 226

bers of the Armed Forces, in this case, B'nai Napoli at the Naval Support Activity, Naples, Italy. I am sad/glad to say that [because of] the vagaries of the U.S. mail, we will have a Purim *sheni* this year. While smaller boxes from you made it before Purim, the four large boxes sent parcel post on 23 February arrived just before Pesach. While the hamantaschen are kaput, I know what our first *chameitz* will be. You have gauged the tastes of 18- to 25-year-olds perfectly and sent enough to share with our non-Jewish shipmates. And, I will be taking some of the chewy granola bars as nourishment in a particularly harsh and challenging environment—the Boston Marathon.

Again mille grazie, *Todah Rabbah* and *Chag Sameach*. We in the Navy couldn't do what we do without YOU.



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## See You in September!

As this is our last Bulletin of the year, we wish you a safe and happy summer. Be sure to check the Temple Web site ([www.emanuelnyc.org](http://www.emanuelnyc.org)) for new features and content updates, including our weekly Torah commentary written by Temple staff. Or, sign up for our weekly electronic publications that get delivered directly to your inbox. Click “About Us” → “Publications” → “Electronic Mailing Lists.”



Please note that in the fall, we will be changing the frequency of the Bulletin from biweekly to monthly. As we will be relying increasingly on e-communications, we encourage Temple members to call the Temple Office at (212) 744-1400, ext. 215 and provide us with a current e-mail address. And, if you prefer to receive our weekly electronic publications to the monthly print Bulletin, then we ask that you call the Temple Office to have your name removed from the print mailing list. Your efforts to help us “go green” and conserve costs are greatly appreciated!

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### High Holy Days Worship Schedule:

Selichot—Saturday, September 12 • 8 PM  
Rosh Hashanah—Friday, September 18 • 5:30 PM  
Saturday, September 19 • 10 AM  
Yom Kippur—Sunday, September 27 (*Kol Nidrei*) • 8 PM  
Monday, September 28 • 9:45 AM and 3:45 PM

Special notices about reserving seats for the High Holy Days are being enclosed with the 2009-2010 membership dues statements. Renewal of seating is not automatic; renewal forms MUST be returned to the Temple Office by the date specified.

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