

Temple Emanu-El Bulletin



CHANGING TIMES AT EMANU-EL

Dr. David Posner comments on the year since our live radio broadcast ceased on WQXR and announces a new change to our Friday evening service. See details on page 3.

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY — THURSDAY

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

FRIDAY EVENING

Temple 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

Temple Sanctuary
(Fifth Avenue at 65th Street)

Organ Recital—10:15 AM
Service Begins—10:30 AM

K. Scott Warren,

Organist/Choir Director

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through the Temple website
at www.emanuelnyc.org.
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Broadcast of Services" link
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Hearing loop in Sanctuary
and Beth-El Chapel; switch
aid to T-coil. Headsets or
neck loops also available.



Using Music to Unite Catholics and Jews

By Cantor Lori Corrsin

ON NOVEMBER 16, 2010, I was
privileged to be part of a historic
Jewish concert, *To God's Ears*, at



the glorious Basilica Santa Maria degli Angeli e dei Martiri in Rome.

The ancient basilica, designed by Michelangelo, rang out with the lush

*Prayers and Song:
The Power of the
Human Voice (Part II)*

Friday, January 14 • 6 PM
(Following the 5:15 PM
worship service)

Learn more on page 2.

sounds of beautiful Jewish vocal music. The repertoire of prayer and biblical text settings covered centuries, ranging from *Adon Olam* by 17th century Italian-Jewish composer Salamone Rossi to *Ma Ashiv Adonai*, using both Hebrew and

Latin texts of Psalm 116, written by New York Cantor Erik Contzius especially for this event. This was a first: Jewish music sung by Jewish clergy for Vatican officials in a Roman church.

In an effort to bridge the differences between Catholics and Jews, 20 Reform cantors from across the U.S. were chosen last summer by the American Conference of Cantors to form a special cantorial ensemble. We learned the music on our own, then went into intensive rehearsal together in Rome. All of us sang the

concert from our hearts, interpreting the prayers and Torah texts passionately and sincerely. Reaching across religious and cultural divides, through the power of the Jewish sacred music echoing through the amazing space, Jewish and Catholic souls touched each other.

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WEEKLY TORAH PORTION

Parashat Va-eira

(Exodus 6:2-9:35)

Read Saturday, January 1

Synopsis: God promises to redeem Israel; Moses and Aaron tell Pharaoh to “let my people go”; Pharaoh refuses; Plagues 1-7: water into blood, frogs, gnats, flies, livestock disease, boils, hail.

Sermon: Rabbi Zeidman

Parashat Bo

(Exodus 10:1-13:16)

Read Saturday, January 8

Synopsis: Plagues 8-10: locusts, darkness, death of first-born; first Passover; 600,000 men leave Egypt with family and livestock and Egyptian riches; laws of Passover.

Sermon: Rabbi Ehrlich

Parashat B’shalach

(Exodus 13:17-17:16)

Read Saturday, January 15

Synopsis: Israelites follow pillar of cloud and fire; Israelites cross Red Sea; Egyptians drown; Moses and Miriam lead victory celebration in song; Moses makes bitter water sweet; manna from Heaven; water from the rock; Amalek attacks and is defeated.

Sermon: Rabbi Posner

Parashat Yitro

(Exodus 18:1-20:23)

Read Saturday, January 22

Synopsis: Jethro advises Moses to delegate responsibility; Israelites reach Mount Sinai; Israelites purify themselves in preparation for the Ten Commandments; God gives the Ten Commandments.

Sermon: Rabbi Posner

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Worship & Spirituality



SHABBAT SHIRA: SERMON IN SONG

Prayers and Song: The Power of the Human Voice (Part II)

Friday, January 14 • 6 PM • Temple Sanctuary (Fifth Avenue)

SHABBAT SHIRA (the Sabbath of Song) is celebrated on the Sabbath of the Torah portion *B’shalach* (read on January 15 this year). Temple Emanu-El celebrates this time of year with a special weekend of Jewish music. Included in this celebration is the chanting of the “Song of the Sea” and a Sermon in Song that explores some of the varied repertoire of our heritage.



This year’s Sermon in Song—to be delivered immediately following the Friday evening service, which begins at 5:15 PM—will build upon the previous year. **Cantor Lori Corrsin** and the **Temple Emanu-El Choir**, conducted by **K. Scott Warren**, will sing from the *bimah* some of our very special unaccompanied pieces.

Using Music (continued)

This concert, which was part of the Second Conference on Catholic-Jewish Relations, is also the centerpiece of an upcoming documentary film, *To God’s Ears*. It chronicles the changing dynamics of Jewish-Catholic relations over the past 40 years, the people involved in the efforts to maintain relationships, and the use of music to bring sympathy and understanding between different peoples.

The Jewish-Catholic relationship has an unhappy history with long-standing wounds, but this Rome conference demonstrated a sincere outreach from both sides. The New York-based Interreligious Informa-

tion Center coordinated with Cardinal William Keeler, the emeritus archbishop of Baltimore and the basilica’s cardinal priest, to organize four days of religious dialogue and meetings based on using music as a unifying force.

I came to Rome full of excitement and anticipation, and although the Pope could not be with us, nor could Cardinal Keeler because of illness, I left knowing that the cantorial ensemble had created an extraordinary, rich celebration of our Jewish musical heritage.

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Changing Times at Emanu-El

IT WAS AT THE very end of December 2009—a little more than one year ago—that a dramatic change took place in the life of Temple Emanu-El...and to a great degree in the religious life of both the Jewish and non-Jewish communities of New York. The last live radio broadcast of our Sabbath evening service aired.

True, our service continues to be heard on the Internet—in fact, both the Friday evening and Saturday morning services are streamed online. But during the nearly 80 years of its existence, the live Friday evening radio broadcast of our service brought inspiration, comfort and strength to hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers. And even prior to sundown, many Orthodox Jews who could not tune in during the winter months would listen to our service during the dog days of summer. Our own members, the members of the larger Jewish community and even those not of our faith knew that the Sabbath had begun.

Faced with our new reality, we have decided to become responsive and creative. We are now in a better position to take time into our own hands and to hold the Friday evening service at an hour that will be more accessible to our membership. Because of our previous ties to the radio schedule, we had no choice but to begin our Friday evening service precisely at 5:15 PM and to end by 6 PM. Many people wondered why we began the service at such an early time, and there were many who expressed a desire for a later time to accommodate those still in offices.

Beginning in September 2011, our Friday night Sabbath service will begin in the Temple Sanctuary at 6 PM. The 15-minute organ recital, which precedes the service, will commence at 5:45 PM. The lively and social Oneg Shabbat will still follow the service.

It is our fervent hope that this more practical time for the onset of the Friday evening service will help to create and to motivate a new spirit in our Temple community—giving you, our members, a more realistic opportunity to avail yourselves of the spirit of Temple Emanu-El and enabling all of us to extend our hands and our hearts as we wish one another “Good Shabbos.”

— Dr. David M. Posner

Shabbat Kodesh

**Friday, January 21 • 6:30 PM
Beth-El Chapel (Fifth Avenue)**

This month's service will be preceded by a special dinner for families of students in kindergarten through second grade. (See details, page 4.)

**Young Families: Tot Shabbat
Friday, January 28 • 5:45 PM
10 East 66th Street**

Tot Shabbat is a special Sabbath

service geared for our youngest Temple members and their families. Please note our new start time. (See details, page 4.)

Saviv Shabbat

**Friday, January 28 • 7:30 PM
One East 65th Street**

Saviv Shabbat is a unique prayer experience for Temple members and nonmembers in their 20s and 30s. (See details, page 7.)

Parashat Mishpatim

(Exodus 21:1-24:18)

Read Saturday, January 29

Synopsis: Laws concerning slaves, violence, property, restitution, society, religion, universal justice, sabbatical years, Sabbath and annual festivals; God promises military victory; Israelites promise to follow covenant; sealing of covenant with sacrifice; Moses ascends Mount Sinai to get the tablets of the law.

Sermon: Rabbi Ehrlich

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.



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.”



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.

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REMINDER: TZEDAKAH BANKS

Young Families of Emanu-El is overseeing this year's Tikkun Olam Tzedakah Bank program.

Change-filled banks should be returned to the Temple during **April 2011**.

Funds collected will be donated to the **Lev LaLev (Heart-to-Heart) Fund**.

For questions about how you can participate, call Rabbi Ehrlich's study at (212) 744-1400, ext. 206.



TALKING TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT GOD

January 30 • 11 AM

January 31 • 5:15 PM

"God talk" is an essential component of Jewish life, but when it comes to kids, sometimes it brings up questions that we're not always prepared to answer. Parents of Religious School students are invited to join us for a special class during which we will reflect on some of our kids' big questions and some of our own and think about the best ways to respond when a child wants to know more about God.

RSVP to David Wokin, our coordinator of family and elementary learning, at (212) 744-1400, ext. 334. Enter at 10 East 66th Street.

NOTE: A bibliography of resources about God for preschool children is available on the Temple website.

Click "Learning" → "Stettenheim Library" → "What the Library Offers" → "Bibliographies."



Young People's Programs



Movie Morning ...

Sunday, January 9 • 10 AM • One East 65th Street

DON'T MISS A great Sunday morning at Temple Emanu-El! We will watch cartoons and eat breakfast. PJs are totally acceptable!



... Tot Shabbat

Friday, January 28 • 5:45 PM • 10 East 66th

ALIGHT SNACK will be served before our service, and a light dessert will be served afterward.

Young Families events are for families with children of preschool age through early elementary school age. RSVP to (212) 744-1400, ext. 242.

Parenting at Emanu-El

TEMPLE EMANU-EL IS pleased to offer two new opportunities for parents led by child psychologist **Dr. Juliet Cooper** and **Rabbi Amy Ehrlich**.



Our **Parent-Child Group**, started earlier this year, will begin a new series of weekly guided discussions for families with young children (18 to 36 months old). Sessions are intended to help parents gain insight into their parenting choices, foster independence and healthy separation, promote understanding of their child's unique temperament and explore Jewish identity. Children will engage in a play group with teachers, which will enable you to learn from real-life, unfolding situations.

We also are beginning a **New Mothers Group** for mothers with babies up to 12 months old. (Mothers with older children also are welcome.) Come explore and share helpful parenting skills. Topics to be discussed include establishing bedtime behavior and daily routines, incorporating Jewish ritual, negotiating family roles and finding a healthy balance as a parent. You also can create a lasting circle of friends!

Parent-Child Group will meet Wednesdays starting January 19 from 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM. Cost is \$495 for Temple members, \$575 for nonmembers.

New Mothers will meet Thursdays starting February 17 from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM. Cost is \$395 for Temple members, \$450 for nonmembers.

Each group meets for eight sessions; preregistration is required for both. Send your contact information to parenting@emanuelpc.org, or call Rabbi Ehrlich's study at (212) 744-1400, ext. 206.

Religious School



K-2nd Grade Family Dinner

Friday, January 21 • 5:30 PM • One East 65th Street

WIND DOWN AND create some sacred family time. All Temple families with students in kindergarten through second grade are invited to join us for a special early Shabbat dinner, which includes blessing the wine, challah and many wonderful things in our lives. Afterwards, families are encouraged to participate in song and prayer at our warm and welcoming Shabbat Kodesh service in the Beth-El Chapel.



RSVP to the Religious School office at (212) 744-1400, ext. 226 by January 17.

Shabbat Kodesh Service

Friday, January 21 • 6:30 PM • Beth-El Chapel (Fifth Avenue)

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. Afterwards, we will celebrate at a festive *Oneg Shabbat*.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah Mini-Retreat (for 6th Grade Families)

Sunday, January 23 • 1 PM • One East 65th Street

GATHER WITH FELLOW sixth grade families for the next step of the bar/bat mitzvah learning process. Parents will have the chance to test their Torah knowledge against that of their kids, and all will spend time thinking through goals for making the bar/bat mitzvah celebration as meaningful as possible.

All sixth grade families are encouraged strongly to attend. Babysitting for younger siblings will be available by request. An optional lunch will precede the event at 12:15 PM. RSVP to the Department of Lifelong Learning at (212) 744-1400, ext. 226. Please indicate if you will be joining us for lunch.

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TZEDAKAH COLLECTIONS



To our Friends at Yorkville Common Pantry,

At Congregation Emanu-El of New York City, each week our Religious School students bring a small amount of money to go as *tzedakah* ("righteous giving") toward a worthy cause. As in previous years, during the 11 weeks prior to Thanksgiving, the money we have raised has been in support of your efforts to feed the hungry. Additionally, our 7th and 8th graders had the opportunity to participate hands-on in your Dignity Meal Program.

We have raised **\$1,885.29** from our students of all ages and their families. Please accept this gift, so you can continue to fulfill the mitzvah of feeding the hungry.

Sincerely,
Saul Kaiserman
Director of Lifelong Learning
(On behalf of the students and families of Congregation Emanu-El)

NOTE: In an effort to aid persons affected by the recent fires in northern Israel, Temple Emanu-El's Religious School students collected emergency funds totaling **\$544.32** to be sent to the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

Learn more about the Religious School's Tzedakah Program on the Temple website. Click "Learning" → "Religious School" → "Tzedakah."





TEEN PROGRAMS

MITZVAH CORPS

Unit 4 learning sessions will be held January 9 and 12. Our action session will be held at the **Association to Benefit Children** (1841 Park Ave. at 126th Street) on January 19. Reflection sessions will be held January 23 and 26.

LIRDOF TZEDEK

Teaching sessions will be held at Emanu-El on January 5, 9 and 12; Volunteer Session 4 will be held at the **Association to Benefit Children** on January 19; a Sunday Seminar will be held at Emanu-El on January 30.

HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION

Step 5 ("What Are Your Responsibilities as a Jewish Teen?") will be held on January 9.



TIKKUN OLAM JANUARY EVENTS

STITCH'N TIME

January 16 • 11 AM

Temple adults and youth are invited to participate. Sessions meet until 2 PM. Volunteers must bring their own knitting needles (#8). Light refreshments are served. Enter at One East 65th Street.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE DINNER

January 27 • 5 PM

All potential volunteers (Temple members only) must preregister with the **Women's Auxiliary**; call (212) 744-1400, ext. 235. Must be at least 18 years old and in good health.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL (continued)

Bar/Bat Mitzvah Mini-Retreat (for 5th Grade Families)

Sunday, January 30 • 1 PM • One East 65th Street

THE CEREMONY MAY BE a couple of years away, but the journey already has begun! This is the first of three annual mini-retreats led by clergy, Lifelong Learning staff and families to help make becoming a bar or bat mitzvah a relevant and powerful experience. Join with other fifth grade families to gain a deeper understanding of the Jewish values underlying this powerful life-cycle event.

All fifth grade families are encouraged strongly to attend. Babysitting for younger siblings will be available by request. An optional lunch will precede the event at 12:15 PM. RSVP to the Department of Lifelong Learning at (212) 744-1400, ext. 226. Please indicate if you will be joining us for lunch.

Community • Volunteering



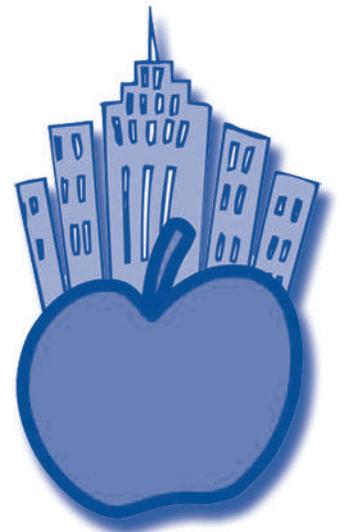
"A Taste of New York" at Hope Lodge

**Monday, January 17 • 4:15 PM •
Hope Lodge, 132 West 32nd Street**

TEMPLE EMANU-EL WILL CREATE a special dinner at the American Cancer Society's **Hope Lodge**, featuring foods for which New York City is famous. A day off from work or school...this is the perfect day to volunteer.

Hope Lodge offers free, temporary housing for cancer patients undergoing treatment and their families. More than a place to stay, Hope Lodge is a home-away-from-home, offering a comfortable and supportive environment for encouragement and healing.

For more information or to volunteer, contact the Tikkun Olam Committee: (212) 744-1400, ext. 452 or tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org. Please include "Taste of New York" as your e-mail subject.



Saviv Shabbat

Friday, January 28 • 7:30 PM • One East 65th Street

SAVIV SHABBAT EXPLORES the cutting edge of experimental Jewish ritual and Jewish music at Shabbat “services” like you’ve never seen them before. Through a combination of traditional prayers, popular songs, new Jewish rock, silent prayer and learning, we push the limits of prayer as we strive to connect with God and one another. The worship experience is followed by dinner.

Saviv is a community for those in their 20s and 30s. Don’t miss a wonderful chance to celebrate Shabbat with new friends and old. Attendance is free, but dinner reservations are required. RSVP to info@saviv.org.

A Very Special Chanukah Note

THE FOLLOWING E-MAIL *was received shortly after the start of our recent Chanukah season from a former Emanu-El Religious School student now stationed in Afghanistan. As Rabbi Posner said in his response, “May the Holy One always be a shield about you, protecting you from harm’s way. [May] you and all those with you return to their homes, to rejoin the embrace of all who love you. Happy Chanukah and love from Temple Emanu-El.” Much appreciation to our Tikkun Olam Committee for sending these care packages.*



Dear Rabbi Posner,

I attended Hebrew School at Temple Emanu-El for three years, roughly from 1991-1994 (up until my bat mitzvah). I am now a Captain in the U.S. Marine Corps, deployed to Camp Leatherneck in Afghanistan.

Tonight, for Chanukah and for Shabbat (forgive me typing out an e-mail on Shabbat!), we had a little service. There was a small group of us, and a Navy rabbi flew in for the occasion. As everyone was sharing where they were from, I mentioned New York and the congregation at Temple Emanu-El (jokingly noting the difference in size of the congregation!). Little did I know that you had been sending packages out here! Everyone immediately recognized the name.

The rabbi and the group of Marines, Sailors and Soldiers asked me to pass along thanks. It means so much to us when we are remembered by those back home, especially during this Thanksgiving/Chanukah season. We all miss our families, and these gestures really do warm our hearts and remind us that we are part of a much larger family.

Thank you very much for supporting us, and especially for supporting my Marines. Semper Fidelis, Happy Chanukah and Shabbat Shalom!

— Captain Lindsay L. Rodman, U.S. Marine Corps



**EMANU-EL
EATS**

Food always has been an important part of Jewish life and culture, nourishing the soul as well as the body. In recognition of this and of the diversity that is the Emanu-El community today, work continues on the **Emanu-El Eats** cookbook, which will pay tribute to the comforting foods of the past and the excitement of modern Jewish cooking. We hope that as many of you as possible will volunteer to share favorite recipes, be recipe testers and contribute in other ways as this exciting project evolves.

Participating is easy! Simply complete our online **Recipe Form**.  **(Click “Community” → “Emanu-El Eats.”)** Include your name, contact information, and a brief explanation of how you devised or came to the recipe and why it is special to you. If it is based on a recipe you found in a cookbook or magazine but you have tinkered with it to make it your own, then please include the original source of the recipe, and tell us how you changed it. **Recipes also may be mailed to Emanu-El Eats, Temple Emanu-El, One E. 65th St., NY, NY 10065.**

View articles and recipes on the Temple website.  **Click “Community” → “Emanu-El Eats.”**

**BOOK
DISCUSSION
GROUPS**



WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

January 4 • 12:30 PM

Rabbi Alfredo Borodowski will lead our discussion of ***The Prophet's Wife*** by **Milton Steinberg**, a stirring portrait of the biblical prophet Hosea, his passionate and free-spirited wife, Gomer, and a people seduced by the lures of power and idolatry to betray their faith. (Source: *Publisher's website*)

MEN'S CLUB

January 19 • 9 AM

Our January selection is ***Super Sad Love Story***. In his hilarious and heartfelt new novel, author **Gary Shteyngart** envisions a deliciously dark tale of America's dysfunctional coming years—and the timeless and tender feelings that just might bring us back from the brink. (Source: *Publisher's website*)

**STETTENHEIM
LITERARY CIRCLE**

January 19 • 6:30 PM

The incomparable **Alice Munro's** bestselling and rapturously acclaimed ***Runaway*** is a book of extraordinary stories about love and its infinite betrayals and surprises, from the title story about a young woman who, although she thinks she wants to, is incapable of leaving her husband, to three stories about a woman named Juliet and the emotions that complicate the luster of her intimate relationships. (Source: *Publisher's website*)

Meetings



Meet Our Clergy

Wednesday, January 12 • 6 PM • One East 65th Street

THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY invites all Temple members to a wine and cheese reception to meet **Rabbi Benjamin Zeidman**, our recently appointed assistant rabbi. All Temple members are invited to attend. Rabbi Zeidman will discuss "Reform Judaism's Answers to Modern Dilemmas."



Rabbi Zeidman was ordained at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati. He received his bachelor's degree in international relations from James Madison College at Michigan State University, with a specialization in Jewish studies. In June 2009 he received HUC's Fourth Year Sermon Award for Outstanding Sermon.

RSVP to the Women's Auxiliary at (212) 744-1400, ext. 235 by January 10.

Morgenthau: A Legacy of Service

Tuesday, January 25 • 12:30 PM • One East 65th Street

MELISSA MARTENS, senior curator for exhibitions at the Museum of Jewish Heritage, will tell the story of three generations of the **Morgenthau** family and explore the fascinating ways in which their service to others changed the course of world events, American politics and Jewish history. The Morgenthau family have embraced the promise of

America since their arrival in 1866. Wanting to contribute to their country and their communities, they dedicated themselves to public service.



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This event is co-sponsored by the Herbert & Eileen Bernard Museum and the Women's Auxiliary; all Temple members are invited to attend. A light lunch will be served. Cost is \$18 per person. RSVP to the Women's Auxiliary at womaux@emanuelnyc.org or (212) 744-1400, ext. 235.

Musical Events



Young Artists Concert

Sunday, January 23 • 3 PM • One East 65th Street

SPONSORED WITH THE Stecher & Horowitz Foundation, this annual series presents the prize winners of the biennial New York International Piano Competition. Admission is free and open to the public. Our second performer of the year is pianist **Yen Yu Chen**, 16, who will present a program of works by Beethoven and Liszt.



Admission to this program is free and open to the public. Enter at the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House, One East 65th Street.

Using Music (continued)

U.S. Ambassador to the Vatican Miguel Humberto Diaz called the concert a wonderful opportunity. "Any kind of art, especially music, is a way to bring people together," he said.

It was an honor to be part of this groundbreaking, well-received event. I hope that many more voices will sing together, building a friendship between Catholics and Jews.

Following is an excerpt from *Earth Song* by Frank Ticheli, which will be sung on Shabbat Shira, as part of this year's Sermon in Song (see page 2 for details):

Sing, Be, Live, See...

*O war and power,
You blind and blur.*

*The torn heart
cries out in pain.
But music and singing
Have been my refuge,
And music and singing
Shall be my light.*

*A light of song
Shining strong: Alleluia!
Through darkness, pain and strife,
I'll Sing, Be, Live, See...*

Peace.

Songs can inspire, uplift and enlighten, and prayers, expressed in song, can touch us deeply. Whether heard in Rome or in our own Sanctuary, the songs of our heritage can move us, transform us, and connect us together through the beauty and universality of music.

What do you think? Share your thoughts on our blog. Click "About Us" → "Publications."



To see footage of the Rome concert, go to <http://www.youtube.com/user/cantorialconcert>. Each musical selection is on a separate track.

CHANTING OF THE HAFTARAH



January 19 through February 23 • 12 PM

Trop is the musical language of the Torah and Haftarah, the weekly supplemental readings from Prophets and Writings. Every word, sung with different melodies but the same underlying structure, has a musical/grammatical symbol that helps us chant, punctuate and interpret the text.

Cantor Lori Corrsin leads this class, which meets **Wednesdays** as part of our 2011 schedule of adult-education programs. Willingness for home study is essential. The text and an audio recording will be provided. **Prerequisite: A basic reading knowledge of Hebrew and knowledge of Torah cantillation.**

FROM GHETTO TO PALAZZO: THE MUSIC OF SALAMONE ROSSI

January 30 • 4 PM

This special event, presented by the Salon/Sanctuary Concert Series, will feature the **Clarion Music Society** in a concert of music by the Jewish-Italian 17th century composer **Salamone Rossi**. The Clarion Music Society ensemble includes five singers, a harpsichordist and a cellist and is led by **Steven Fox**, the soloist who assists us during the High Holy Days.

Temple members may call (212) 744-1400, ext. 215 to reserve seating. Enter at Fifth Avenue.

Life-Cycle Events



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.

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 at the same time. All contributions are listed in *Window on Emanu-El*, the quarterly publication prepared by Temple Emanu-El's Department of Development. Contact the Women's Auxiliary at (212) 744-1400, ext. 235 or womaux@emanuelnyc.org.

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

Saturday, January 8

Evan Cameron Greene, son of Jennifer Whyman and David Greene

Saturday, January 22

Samuel Alexander Szor, son of Daniel Szor and Nancy Arias

Scarlet Grace Raphaella Walden, daughter of Lisa and David Walden

Saturday, January 29

Max J. Donenfeld, son of Elizabeth and Alan Donenfeld

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 December 31 and January 1

In commemoration of *Vivian Schulte's birthday*

For the Sabbath of January 7 and 8

Frances A. Hess in loving memory of her husband, *Robert L. Hess*

Marne Obernauer, Jr. and Matthew and Michael Obernauer in loving memory of *Marion Gislason Obernauer*

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

Robin, Andrea and Michael Sluchan in loving memory of *Seymour Sluchan*

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.

For the Sabbath of January 14 and 15

In memory of *George and Elsbeth Lust*

Eileen Milloy in loving memory of her aunt *Ida Broz*

Rosalind Pretzfelder in loving memory of her mother, *Tillie Pretzfelder*

For the Sabbath of January 21 and 22

Sandra Gluck in loving memory of her father, *Irving Prusock*

For the Sabbath of January 28 and 29

Elisabeth Cassell in loving memory of her cherished husband, *Marvin Cassell*

Celebrating Family Simchahs in Your Temple

IN A FEW WEEKS, one of our longtime Temple members is going to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the day when he became a bar mitzvah. At the Sabbath morning service close to his birthday, he is going to read the same Torah and Haftarah portions he chanted 50 years ago.

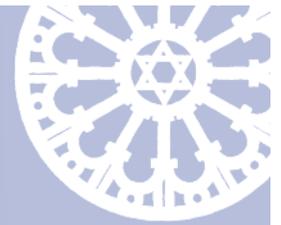
Two years ago, a Temple member celebrated his 99th birthday by requesting to have an *aliyah* to the Torah on the Sabbath closest to his birthday. He did the same thing for his 100th birthday and once again will ascend to the pulpit for his 101st birthday.

Several weeks ago, one of our Temple “children” and her fiancé joined our clergy during the Torah service—also to recite the blessings before and after the Torah reading. The bride herself had become a bat mitzvah at Emanu-El, and she decided to begin her wedding celebration by having an *auftruf* (Yiddish for *aliyah*) at her Temple.

Such participation by our members adds greater joy not only for the families involved but also for the larger congregation. This is what helps to create and sustain and community.

We are hoping to have our first “baby naming” as part of the Sabbath morning Torah service as well—and thus share mutual joys with all our members—from *simchah* to *simchah*.

For more information about scheduling a *simchah*, call Rabbi Posner’s study at (212) 744-1400, ext. 202.



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Object of the Month

A FINE EXAMPLE OF emerald-green glaze famous in southern Morocco, this lamp comes from the Rissani region. The lamp was used for the Sabbath lighting ceremony, the slit holding the wick and the round opening containing the oil. The form of the lamp—a tall columnar shaft set on a round dish with a handle that attaches the lamp to the dish—is seen in early Persian examples, dating as far back as the 14th century.

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Moroccan Sabbath Lamp
*Fez, 18th/19th century; Hand-shaped pottery,
glazed; Height: 9¾ inches (24.8 cm)*