The New Day Fellowship
A Creative Bridge-Building Endeavor

Temple Emanu-El’s Religious School Tefilah curriculum asks students to grapple with big-picture questions about prayer. Recently, we asked the central question of monotheism: What’s so great about having only one God? Theologians and philosophers have wrestled with this question throughout the ages, but perhaps an 8-year-old said it best. “If I had a different god than my friend, we could get in a fight about whose god was better,” one of our enthusiastic Third Grade students explained. “But since we have one God, we’re all connected.”

Our student’s comments are a profound reminder during these dark days of rising intolerance and anti-Semitism that we are part of one human family. After bomb threats to Jewish institutions, cemetery desecrations and a swell of hate crimes, Jonathan Greenblatt, the National Director of the Anti-Defamation League, wrote in November: “The American Jewish community has not seen this level of anti-Semitism in mainstream public and political discourse since the 1930s.”

Bigots who used to spew hate only when wearing a hood or mask now feel emboldened to spread rancor in full view. And we aren’t the only targets. Just as anti-Semitic activities have spiked, hate crimes against the Muslim community have soared. These phenomena are linked closely, both rooted in fear of the other.

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I am proud to share here that a new endeavor at Temple Emanu-El aims to respond to these trends. In April, we co-launched the “New Day Fellowship,” a program for millennial Jews and Muslims, created in partnership with Muslim scholar and educator Dr. Hussein Rashid, Rabbi Benjamin Spratt of Congregation Rodeph Sholom and Rabbi Joshua Stanton of Congregation B’nai Jeshurun in Short Hills, New Jersey. The fellowship equips and supports participants to “stand up to the Pharaohs of our age.” Course sessions utilize Moses as a model, because both Judaism and Islam regard Moses as a prophet and mensch. Participants will explore how Moses inspired and led the people while also learning skills necessary for moral leadership today.

The fellowship seeks to generate fresh and dynamic conversations and uses the arts to structure learning. Participants will tour artistic portrayals of Moses at the Metropolitan Museum of Art and study scripture at houses of worship. They will learn active listening techniques from community-organizing experts and practice hearing nuance in classical music. Participants will work with a dramatist to convey their interfaith learning through performance art and study how museums teach about religion by examining the Children’s Museum of Manhattan’s exhibition on Muslim culture.

To create a peer group, all fellows are under the age of 40. At the end of the fellowship, the cohort will create their own project that responds to shared concerns. Three members of Temple Emanu-El are New Day fellows, and their commitment to building bridges benefits our entire congregation.

“Don’t stand idly by the blood of your neighbor,” the Bible instructs. Our tradition charges us to be “upstanders”—people who stand up and speak out against intolerance and hatred. It’s difficult to truly consider the festering bigotry we have seen in our country, but we cannot anesthetize ourselves to this pain. We need to fully examine these wounds to fuel our ability to stand up and speak out.

“Since we have one God, we’re all connected,” our Religious School student taught us. May we live out this truth.

— Rabbi Allison Tick Brill

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WORSHIP at TEMPLE EMANU-EL

Shir Chadash (“A New Song”)
Friday, May 5 • 7:00 PM • Beth-El Chapel
This periodic service features a contemporary liturgy interspersed with Chasidic tales and other teachings. The music, led by vocalist Hadar Orshalimy and instrumentalists, is informal and participatory. All are welcome to attend.

Shabbat Service Honoring the Department of Lifelong Learning
Friday, May 19 • 6:00 PM • Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
All temple members are invited to join us in celebrating our Department of Lifelong Learning’s 10th anniversary. The service will be followed by a Shabbat dinner for Nursery School, Religious School, Teen and Alumni families, and a dessert reception for our Religious School With Honors participants. Payment is required for dinner; early-bird deadline ends May 15: www.emanuelnyc.org/FamilyDinner.

Saviv Shabbat
Friday, May 19 and Friday, June 9 • 7:00 PM • One East 65th Street
Saviv is a group for young Jewish professionals in their 20s and 30s...singles and couples...to meet, mingle, come together in prayer, learn and celebrate life. Once a month, we bring together beautiful music, contemporary poetry and prose readings, and traditional Reform liturgy for a transformative Kabbalat Shabbat experience. Services are free. We also offer a quick nosh with drinks before the service and a delicious Oneg reception afterward. For more information, log on to www.saviv.org.

Shavuot Services and Confirmation
Tuesday, May 30 • 6:00 PM and Wednesday, May 31 • 10:30 AM • Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
From the Hebrew word for “weeks,” Shavuot is a reference to the seven weeks it took for the Jews to travel from Egypt to the foot of Mount Sinai and the declaration of the 50th day as a holy convocation (Leviticus 23:21). It is customary on Shavuot to read the section of the Torah that defines the Ten Commandments, which Moses received at Mount Sinai. Shavuot also is the second of the three agricultural festivals.

On May 30, we will celebrate with our high school students as they confirm Torah’s place in their identity during Shavuot services. (Learn more on page 10.) The May 31 service is a Yizkor service, one of four times during the year when we mourn together and recite the memorial prayers in remembrance of those whom we have loved and lost. All are welcome.

WEEKLY TORAH STUDY
The last scheduled session of our Torah study group for the 2016-2017 program year will be Saturday, May 20. Many thanks to Rabbinic Intern Tarlan Rabizadeh for guiding us in discussion this year! Torah study will resume regularly on September 9. All are welcome to attend.
The following are weekly readings for May and June 2017. Read synopses of the Torah portions at emanueltorahataglance. View our clergy preaching schedule at www.emanuelnyc.org/preaching.

Acharei Mot/K’doshim (Read Saturday, May 6)
Leviticus 16:1-20:27

Emor (Read Saturday, May 13)
Leviticus 21:1-24:23

B’har/B’chukotai (Read Saturday, May 20)
Leviticus 25:1-26:2 / 26:3-27:34

B’midbar (Read Saturday, May 27)
Numbers 1:1-4:20

Naso (Read Saturday, June 3)
Numbers 4:21-7:89

B’haalot’cha (Read Saturday, June 10)
Numbers 8:1-12:16

Sh’lach L’cha (Read Saturday, June 17)
Numbers 13:1-15:41

Korach (Read Saturday, June 24)
Numbers 16:1-18:32

As we continue to engage members in new and meaningful ways, it is important that your membership account be complete and accurate. In the coming weeks, the Membership Office will send all temple members a copy of the personal and professional information that you have shared with us in the past and which is stored in your account. We hope you will review the information and make any necessary changes. (Perhaps your family has grown, you have a new job or you set up a new email address?) We also hope to learn more about you and your connection to Emanu-El, and we will invite you to share your interests and the ways in which you already connect with the temple, or hope to in the future, so that we can continue to serve you to the best of our ability. If you have any questions, then please call Jessica Ingram, Director of Member Services, at 212-507-9514.

Please note: Information about the annual meeting will be mailed separately to temple members and will include details on membership dues and seating information for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Additional information will be sent in July.
All temple members are invited to join us for a Shabbat worship service where we will honor Director Saul Kaiserman and the Department of Lifelong Learning on its 10th anniversary on...

**FRIDAY, MAY 19**
**6:00 PM**
**FIFTH AVENUE SANCTUARY**

The service will be followed by a Shabbat dinner for Nursery School, Religious School, Teen and Alumni families, and a dessert reception for our Religious School With Honors participants. Payment is required for dinner; early-bird deadline ends May 15.

**REGISTER AT:**
www.emanuelnyc.org/familydinner
Under the auspices of Temple Emanu-El and the Abyssinian Baptist Church, a select group of teenagers of two different faiths convened on November 11, 2016. Reverend Itang Young and Temple Emanu-El's Program Director of Youth Learning and Education Missy Bell established the Interfaith Ambassadors program as a way of fostering peer empathy between teens of the Jewish and Christian faiths.

For the first of several programs scheduled throughout the course of the year, the elite teen leadership group assembled at Escape the Room, a popular party venue. The teens were locked in a room and provided with a sequence of clues and activities to locate the key to the exit. Miraculously, virtual strangers relinquished any preconceived notions about each other in order work as a coherent unit. This activity required problem-solving and logical reasoning skills, in the context of a
team-building initiative. As such, these assets could not be applied effectively without collaboration and communication. The teens became so absorbed in the activity that any background differences became irrelevant, and they forged instant, profound connections with each other.

Following the introductory activity, members of the Abyssinian Baptist Church eagerly integrated with the Temple Emanu-El congregation during Shabbat Kodesh services. Awaiting the opening prayers, the church members read the Hebrew transliterations in the prayer book, inquiring about the significance of the Hebrew letters. The teens made intuitive and insightful contributions to services, reminding the congregation that despite the breadth of identities in the community, “We are all children of God.” This sentiment about coexistence and tolerance was heartening to the community, particularly in the wake of the divisive presidential election.

After the service, the group of teens reconvened over dinner. As the group was composed predominantly of women, conversations about gender roles emanated from the topics of religion, race and intersecting identities. The Abyssinian Baptist Church members admired the number of women clergy at Temple Emanu-El.

As one of the Church members marveled at the prominent role of women in the temple community, different gender dynamics of the church and temple emerged. The current political situation in the county was a recurring theme throughout the conversation, as it took place three days after the general election.

In January, the ambassadors gathered again as Temple Emanu-El teens joined the Abyssinian congregation to commemorate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The teen leadership group listened intently as their keynote speaker delivered a rousing, eloquent speech on the legacy of Dr. King and his pivotal role in the American Civil Rights movement.

Throughout the Interfaith Ambassadors programs, it became evident that the coexistence of all ethnic groups is optimal, but it cannot be perpetuated without initiatives for engaging dialogue and interaction. In our society, various ethnic groups and populations have the propensity for viewing other groups through a personalized, ethnocentric lens. These distorted perceptions are a result of a lack of knowledge of or the reluctance to enlighten ourselves about other groups and cultures. As such, it is imperative to first initiate these dialogues, as in the Interfaith Ambassadors Program, to cultivate tolerance, empathy and knowledge.

As members of the Jewish faith, it is incumbent upon us as teenagers to continue initiating these dialogues and translate these discussions into both academic and social environments.
Are you looking for a great camp experience for your preschooler? Temple Emanu-El’s program provides:

- Groups led by experienced Temple Emanu-El Nursery School teachers
- Exciting activities within the structure of a preschool classroom
- Two large, sunny outdoor play spaces where children can enjoy wading pools, bubble tables and sprinklers
- Weekly music and yoga instruction
- Air-conditioned rooms that provide a bright, welcoming environment for campers

A typical Summer Group day includes an arts-and-crafts project, music and movement, free play in the classroom and lots of outdoor time. Campers bring their own lunches.

**SUMMER GROUP 2017 sessions are as follows:**

1. June 6 through June 22 (3 weeks)
2. June 26 through July 20 (4 weeks)
3. June 6 through July 20 (7 weeks)

Hours are 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. Children must be 2 years, 9 months by June 30, 2017, to enroll.

If you wish to enroll your child, please email sfischer@emanuelnyc.org, and we will email you an application. Any additional questions? Please call 212-507-9531.

Spaces are limited, and enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis. Your child does not need to be a student in our Nursery School to enroll.
LIFELONG LEARNING

Fifth Grade Trip to Eldridge Street Synagogue
Sunday, May 7 • 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM • Departure from 10 East 66th Street
Fifth Grade Religious School families are invited to join our Lifelong Learning staff for a unique experience about Jewish immigration to America when we visit Eldridge Street Synagogue, a breath-taking National Historic Landmark located on New York City’s Lower East Side. The synagogue opened its doors at 12 Eldridge Street on September 4, 1887, just in time for the Jewish High Holidays. Hundreds of newly arrived immigrants from Russia and Poland gathered here to pray, socialize and build a community. It was the first time in America that Jews of Eastern Europe had built a synagogue from the ground up.

Participation in this event is FREE, but parents must complete our online permission slip. Log on to www.emanuelnyc.org/rs-eldridgestreet. QUESTIONS? Contact Jackie Schreiber at 212-507-9534 or jschreiber@emanuelnyc.org.

Religious School Open House
Sunday, May 7 • 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM and Monday, May 8 • 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM • 10 East 66th Street
Discover what makes Temple Emanu-El’s Religious School a great place for families to learn and grow. Temple member families and nonmembers are invited to join us for a session of our innovative and dynamic weekly program for children in Pre-K through Third Grade, and experience the liveliness and warmth of our Religious School first hand. While prospective students visit the classroom, parents will have the opportunity to meet with Saul Kaiserman, our director of Lifelong Learning, to learn more about our school curriculum and programs. Please let us know on which day you plan to attend. RSVP to www.emanuelnyc.org/rs-openhouse.

Rosé on the Rooftop
Wednesday, May 10 • 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM • One East 65th Street
For Religious School and Teen parents...Come celebrate the end of the school year with rosé, beer and other refreshments. See old friends and make new ones. RSVP to Missy Bell (mbell@emanuelnyc.org).

Department of Lifelong Learning 10th Anniversary Celebration
Friday, May 19 • 6:00 PM • Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
All Religious School families are invited to join us first for Sabbath services where we will honor the Department of Lifelong Learning as it celebrates 10 years of innovation and community. The service will be led by Cantor Mo Glazman and Lifelong Learning Director Saul Kaiserman and will feature the Emanu-El Choir, organ and a three-piece band. After the service, Nursery School, Religious School, Teen and Alumni families are invited to a family dinner, where we will honor Missy Bell, our departing director of Youth Learning and Education, as she takes the next exciting step in her career. The evening will conclude with a dessert reception for our Religious School With Honors participants. Payment is required for dinner; early-bird deadline ends May 15. Register at www.emanuelnyc.org/FamilyDinner.

End-of-Year Assemblies
Sunday, May 21 • 11:00 AM and Monday, May 22 • 5:00 PM • 10 East 66th Street
During the final days of Religious School, parents are invited to join with their children as we come together for one last time to celebrate the achievements of our students.
Save the date!
Berkshire Bus Tour —
Sunday, July 9
Families are invited to join us for a summer day in the Berkshires full of food, fun and friends. We will visit two amazing Union for Reform Judaism summer camps (Eisner and Crane Lake) and learn how a summer can last a lifetime. Stay tuned for more information!

Fourth Grade Family Giving Circle
This year, the Department of Lifelong Learning piloted a Family Giving Circle with our Fourth Grade families. Five families participated in this program, meeting four times over the winter and spring to learn together about tzedakah and philanthropy. The families chose to focus on underprivileged youth as their area of need and explored different NYC organizations working to help this population. Thanks to a matching gift from Temple Emanu-El’s Philanthropic Fund, the Family Giving Circle will donate $3,600 to the organization they find most worthy of funding.

Log on to www.emanuelnyc.org/familygivingcircle after May 10 to see what organization they chose. If you are a Religious School family interested in joining a Family Giving Circle next year, then contact Jackie Schreiber, Program Director of Faculty and Family Engagement, at 212-507-9534 or jschreiber@emanuelnyc.org.

Confirmation/Eve of Shavuot Services
Tuesday, May 30 • 6:00 PM •
Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
All are invited to join in celebrating with our high school students as they confirm Torah’s place in their identity during Eve of Shavuot services. Throughout the year, our Confirmation students have been traveling alongside the Israelites in a journey from Egypt to Mount Sinai and from childhood to adolescence. They will stand before our congregation, ready to accept the responsibilities of Jewish adulthood. They will lead those in attendance in study and worship, teaching about their chosen issue for the year: Responding to Addiction. Our 2016-2017 confirmands are Jarett Goldstein, Brandon Hetu and Ethan Hetu. Congratulations to all! The service will be followed by a festive oneg.

Eighth Grade Trip to New Orleans—
Twenty-one Emanu-El teens had a blast on our three teen trips in 2017—our Eighth Grade Trip to New Orleans, our Ninth Grade Civil Rights Trip to Georgia and Alabama, and our High School Volunteer Weekend in Memphis, Tennessee. Registration now is open for next year’s trips!

Eighth Grade Trip to New Orleans—
Eighth graders from Emanu-El, Temple Israel and Temple Shaaray Tefila will travel together to help rebuild the city of New Orleans and explore the delicious food and unique culture of the city.

Ninth Grade Civil Rights Trip—February 8-11, 2018.
Ninth graders from Emanu-El, Temple Israel and Temple Shaaray Tefila will travel together to cities in Alabama and Georgia to learn about this crucial period in American history and the involvement of the Jewish community.

High School Trip to Barcelona, Spain—
High school students from Emanu-El, Temple Shaaray Tefila and Stephen Wise Free Synagogue will travel together to Barcelona to learn about Jewish history and Spain, meet with Spanish Reform Jewish teenagers, and enjoy the delicious food and unique architecture of the city.

Reserve your space and make a deposit (or pay in full) at www.emanuelnyc.org/teentrips.
Our vibrant and caring Religious School community is a fun way for children and their families to learn, celebrate and worship together. At our school, which meets one day a week, Jewish learning is always meaningful, relevant and empowering.

We are delighted to speak with you and to answer your questions. Please contact Associate Director of Lifelong Learning Rachel Brumberg at 212-507-9526 or rbrumberg@emanuelnyc.org. Registration forms are available on our website at www.emanuelnyc.org/RSforms or through the school office.

**The first sessions of school for 2017-2018** are as follows:
- Sunday, September 10  Pre-Kindergarten – Seventh Grade
- Monday, September 11 Pre-Kindergarten – Seventh Grade

For registration information about our teen programs, contact Missy Bell, director of Youth Learning and Engagement, at 212-507-9529 or mbell@emanuelnyc.org.

Please note that you must be a member of Congregation Emanu-El to enroll your child in the Religious School. 

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Jessica Ingram, director of Member Services, at 212-507-9514 or jingham@emanuelnyc.org.
THE TEMPLE EMANU-EL STREICKER CENTER
MAY | JUNE 2017
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Monday, May 1 | 7:00 PM
JNF Israel Independence Day Community Celebration

Thursday, May 4 | 7:00 PM
GUN CONTROL
A hot-button issue that keeps getting hotter, gun control will make for a riveting evening with two professors who’re immersed themselves in the topic.

Monday, May 8 | 6:30 PM
Orchestra of St. Luke’s
Join us for a little night music! O.Eine Klaine Nachtmusik. If you prefer Between this magical Mozart serenade and a beloved Mendelssohn octet, the evening promises to be epic.

Tuesday, May 9 | 7:00 PM
ILL SOLOWAY TRANSPARENT
An evening with the creator of the Golden-Globe-winner series Transparent.

Wednesday, May 17 | 7:00 PM
THE MOVIE
Gila Almagor
THE SUMMER OF AVIYA
A tale (based on an autobiographical book by Gila Almagor) dealing with the aftermath of the Holocaust.

Sunday, May 21 | 4:00 PM
THE PLAY
SUNDAY, MAY 21
GILA ALMAJOR
THE SUMMER OF AVIYA
A tale (based on an autobiographical book by Gila Almagor) dealing with the aftermath of the Holocaust.

Thursday, May 18 | 7:30 PM
HOW THE SIX-DAY WAR CHANGED THE JEWISH PEOPLE:
YOSSI KLEIN HALEVI & MICHAEL OREN IN CONVERSATION

Monday, May 22 - Sunday, May 28
The Medici Archive Project
Trip to Italy

Tuesday, May 23 | 7:00 PM
AVIVAH ZORNBERG
IS REDEMPTION POSSIBLE? OF WOMEN AND MIRRORS
One of the most inquisitive and beloved modern Torah commentators offers fresh perspective on the story of Exodus.

Saturday, June 10 | SOLD OUT
Jazz on 5th
IN CONCERT “LIVE FROM JERUSALEM”
DUDU FISHER

Sunday, June 11 | 5:00 PM
MONDAY, JUNE 11
Jazz on 5th
IN CONCERT “LIVE FROM JERUSALEM”
DUDU FISHER

Monday, Dec 25 - Monday January 1
A MAGICAL TRIP TO JEWISH MOROCCO
LOOKING BACK MOVING FORWARD

THE BERNARD MUSEUM OF JUDAICA 20TH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION

Special preview for Temple members: Friday, May 12th at 6:00 PM (after services)

Our Museum is turning 20!

How better to celebrate two decades’ worth of acclaimed exhibitions than with a best-of retrospective? Taken as a whole, it’s also a powerful reminder of the sheer safety of our exhibitions.

While certain items will be back on loan, many come from our own collection. Named “one of the best synagogues in the country,” by the New York Times, “it gives a lively chronicle not only of the temple and its congregation but of the broader reach of Jewish culture as well.”

Exhibition open to the public May 14-September 3, 2017.

THE SHOWS WE WILL BE REVISITING:

2016
- Bol Kalah, Here Comes the Bride: Wedding Gowns Embroidering the Story of the Jewish People
- Visualizing the Bible: Works by David Wander

2015
- Justify Your Existence: Graphic Posters from the Moldovan Family Collection

2014
- The Writing on the Wall: Early Modern Broadside from the Valmadonna Trust Library

2013
- Bezalel: Art, Craft & Jewish National Identity

2012
- Past Perfect: The Jewish Experience in Early 20th Century Postcards

2008
- Houses of Life: Jewish Cemeteries of Europe

2007
- Sanctuary Revealed: The Restoration of an Architectural Icon
- Woven Abstraction: Milton Avery, Paul Jenkins and Jack Youngerman in the Tapestries of Gloria F. Ross

2006
- Costume and Courtly: Depictions of Jewish Dress across Five Centuries
- Scattered Among the Nations: Jewish Communities of India, Ghana, Zimbabwe, Peru and Uzbekistan
- Traveling the Holy Land through the Stereoscope

2005
- Kabbalah: Mysticism in Jewish Life

2004
- Roman Vishniac: Remember the Days of Old
- Works on Paper: Israel Prize Winners from the Burston Graphics Center

2003
- Borders and Boundaries: Maps of the Holy Land, 15th to 19th Centuries

2002
- To Have and To Hold: Decorated Jewish Marriage Contracts

2001
- Building a Vision: Louis Marshall Temple Emanuel in New York City, 1929

1999
- Inaugural Exhibition: A Temple Treasury
And the Award Goes to…

Congratulations to Ivan M. Stettenheim Librarian Marjorie Shuster, recently appointed to the Sydney Taylor Book Award Committee—a prestigious honor awarded by the Association of Jewish Libraries. The Sydney Taylor Book Award is given to outstanding children and teen books each year that recognize Jewish values and Judaic literature. The award started in 1968, is named for the author of the classic “All-of-a-kind” family books.

Young Families
Year-End Rooftop Party

Sunday, May 21 • 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM • 10 East 66th Street

Young Families ends its program year with an annual rooftop party. 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, the party moves inside to Blumenthal Hall. (Please note: This event is for preschool/Nursery School children.) RSVP to youngfamilies@emanuelnyc.org.

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WOMEN’S AUXILIARY
For questions about Women’s Auxiliary events, call 212-744-1400, ext. 235, or send an email to womaux@emanuelnyc.org. To become a member, log on to www.emanuelnyc.org/womaux.

Book Discussion Group with Rabbi Davidson
Wednesday, May 8 • 11:00 AM • One East 65th Street
Rabbi Joshua Davidson will lead our discussion of My Jewish Year: 18 Holidays, One Wondering Jew by Abigail Pogrebin. All temple members are invited to attend. Coffee and cake will be served.

Annual Spring Meeting and Luncheon
Thursday, May 11 • 12:00 PM • One East 65th Street
All temple members and their guests are invited to attend. Coffee and cake will be served. The charge for this event is $35 for Women’s Auxiliary and Men’s Club members, $45 for all other temple members and guests. Reservations must be received by May 8. Register online at www.emanuelnyc.org/wa-springmeeting.

MEN’S CLUB
For questions about Men’s Club events, call 212-744-1400, ext. 250, or send an email to mensclub@emanuelnyc.org. To become a member, log on to www.emanuelnyc.org/mensclub.

Annual Meeting and Presentation of the Samuel Sacks Achievement Award
Thursday, May 25 • 6:00 PM • One East 65th Street
The Men’s Club cordially invites all temple members and their guests to attend its annual meeting, which includes the election of officers and presentation of the Samuel Sacks Achievement Award, which was started in 1977 to recognize members of the congregation for their service and support of the temple. This year’s recipients are Marlene Yokel and Mark Willner.

In addition to reviewing books and interviewing authors, Mr. Goldstein serves as curator of public programs at Roosevelt House, the Public Policy Institute of Hunter College, located in the former townhouse of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt, on East 65th Street. He also is the founding editor of the “Books” section of The New York Times website. Mr. Goldstein received a doctorate in English from City University of New York Graduate Center in 2010. His forthcoming book, The World Broke in Two: T. S. Eliot, E. M. Forster, D. H. Lawrence and Virginia Woolf and the Year that Changed Literature, will be published by Henry Holt in May 2017.
MEN’S CLUB/Sacks Award continued...

Mark is the recipient of an award from New York State for “Outstanding Contributions to Teaching about the Holocaust and Other Violations of Human Rights,” a “Spirit of Anne Frank Outstanding Educator Award” and a grant to study how German schools were teaching the Holocaust 50 years after Kristallnacht. He also is the lead author of the only global history textbook for secondary school in the U.S. that includes a detailed, 45-page history of the Holocaust. In 2000, Mark was named “Outstanding Social Studies Supervisor in the United States.” He retired from NYC Public Schools in 2005 and is currently an adjunct lecturer at Brooklyn College.

The charge for this event is $45 for Men’s Club and Women’s Auxiliary members, $55 for all other temple members and guests. Register online at www.emanuelnyc.org/sacks.

CLUB 65
Club 65 is a monthly social group and educational program for senior members of the temple, both men and women. Attendees are invited to bring their lunch. Participation is free of charge. QUESTIONS? Call 212-744-1400.

What Is Jewish About Jewish Education?
Tuesday, May 9 • 11:00 AM • One East 65th Street
For the past two years, Temple Emanu-El’s Lifelong Learning Director Saul Kaiserman has been teaching an introductory course in education to the rabbinical, cantorial and education students at Hebrew Union College — Jewish Institute of Religion, the Reform Jewish seminary. In developing his course, Saul interviewed colleagues at other schools of Jewish education and examined their syllabi. This research has become the foundation of his doctoral dissertation on how rabbinical schools train their students to become educators. In this session, Saul will focus on what distinguishes such courses from those at secular institutions...in other words, what is it about these courses that make them “Jewish”? He will share five questions that he believes all training of Jewish educators must address.

From Bible to Broadway: A Journey Through Jewish Music
Tuesday, June 13 • 11:00 AM • One East 65th Street
In this session, Cantor Mo Glazman will talk and sing us through the history of Jewish music. He will draw from both ancient chant and modern melody in a celebration of Jewish music from around the world.

COMMUNITY AS FAMILY
Community as Family (CAF) is a monthly gathering of temple members age 48 and forward who are without adult children. Our goal is to create stronger ties within the Emanu-El family and the greater community, as well as to discover ways of becoming more informed self-advocates on a variety of topics, including finance, health, housing and home care. We serve light refreshments, and there are no commercial endorsements. Our final session of the program year will be Monday, May 22 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. RSVP to Rabbi Amy Ehrlich at CommunityasFamily@emanuelnyc.org or 212-507-9603. Please note: This program is for Temple Emanu-El members only.

MOM’S THE WORD
Wednesday, May 3 • 6:00 PM – Cocktails • 7:00 PM – Showtime • One East 65th Street
Written and performed by three moms—Dana Covey, Amy Mandelbaum and Erika Radin—Mom’s the Word is a cabaret-style show featuring musical parodies about the challenges of motherhood. Together, Covey, Mandelbaum and Radin turn a comic eye on the things that drive us all crazy about motherhood, like temper tantrums, over-scheduling, puberty, clueless spouses and much more...as well as the joy our children bring us. Tickets are $18 for temple members, $23 for nonmembers (plus processing fees). Purchase tickets at www.emanuelnyc.org/momstheword.
Project Prom 2017 was an enormous success, exceeding our committee's expectations. This annual event, hosted with our partners from Central Synagogue and Park Avenue Synagogue, provides dresses, shoes, handbags, makeup and jewelry to young women, giving them the formal attire to wear to their high school proms or graduation ceremonies.

This year, 250 young women visited our two-day event. There were so many smiling faces as our caring volunteers assisted our guests in trying on dresses that made them look and feel so pretty, so radiant and so confident! All the girls shopped till they dropped and left with a special tote bag for carrying their merchandise home. Temple Emanu-El also provided snacks and a water bottle for the girls before they left.

More than 500 new dresses were donated by Bari Jay, B. Darlin, Blake & Company, Faviana, Jasmine Enterprises, Jovani, Mori Lee, Pride & Joys/Olivia Matthews, Vera Wang and ZAC Zac Posen. Shoes were donated by Beacon's Closet, Crossroads Trading, Qupid and Shoes for All/SFA, and 100 handbags were donated by Steve Madden. We received donations of jewelry from Miriam Haskell, Isaac Mizrahi and the Vetta Group. Cosmetics were donated by Beauty editors from Harper's Bazaar, Seventeen and Town & Country magazines, as well as Cosmetic Executive Women, Elf Cosmetics, Floss Gloss and Tru Fragrance. Our Project Prom committee is extremely grateful for these vendors and to the people who worked so hard in obtaining these donations.

My sincerest thanks to Debbie Halperin, Jodi Isman, Dana Covey and Eileen Melniker; Project Prom would not have been a success without their commitment, devotion and love. My thanks, also, to all our volunteers, who helped set up, assist as stylists and clean up, and who were so kind and compassionate to our guests. In addition, all of this would not have been possible without the support of our temple staff; we are so grateful for their help.

It is rewarding to know that we can touch these girls lives by helping to make their upcoming proms and graduations a memory they will cherish. Project Prom is a perfect example of how our efforts provide meaningful and fulfilling mitzvot through the Tikkun Olam Committee of Temple Emanu-El, expressing our compassion and caring for our community through social action that is intended to make life better for others.

~ Susan Kaufman, Tikkun Olam Chair

Project Prom is a part of the Tikkun Olam Program which receives all of its annual program funding through donations made by our members to Temple Emanu-El's Philanthropic Fund.
From birth to death, the act of consciously marking the major milestones in one’s life is an important element of both personal and religious development. Similarly important are the rituals associated with these life-cycle events.

The following students of our Religious School will become b’nei mitzvah:

**Saturday, May 6**  
Carly Geneen, daughter of Leslie and Lawrence Geneen  
Olivia Mae Kramer, daughter of Jeffrey and Kathy Kramer

**Saturday, May 13**  
Maya Smith, daughter of Magali and Mitchell Smith  
Julia Sidorsky, daughter of Hilary Peck Sidorsky and Robert Sidorsky

**Saturday, May 20**  
Jason Titunik, son of Dr. Ira R. Titunik

**Saturday, May 27**  
Liliana Greyf, daughter of Jane and Arthur Greyf

**Saturday, June 3**  
Ashley Curwin, daughter of Roxanne and Gary Curwin  
Jack Maguire, son of Sharon Maguire

*Bimah* flowers at worship services have been donated by the following congregants:

**For the Sabbath of May 5 and 6**  
Mrs. Burton Kossoff in loving memory of Burton and Stephanie Lynn Kossoff

**For the Sabbath of May 12 and 13**  
Carol, Carl, Alexandra, Robert and Peter Hess in loving memory of mother and grandmother, Frances Aaron Hess  
Linda, Gilbert and Jennifer Snyder in loving memory of Stephanie Lynne Snyder’s birthday

**For the Sabbath of May 19 and 20**  
William Fruhauf in loving memory of my parents, Frankye and Henry Fruhauf, and of my aunt, Sara Fruhauf Beekman

**For the Sabbath of May 26 and 27**  
Susan and David Rahm in loving memory of Susan’s father, Allen H. Berkman

**For the Sabbath of June 2 and 3**  
Edythe, William and John Heyman in loving memory of George H. Heyman, Jr.

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LIFE-CYCLE EVENTS/Bimah Flowers

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Joseph Lesser in loving memory of Samene Webber Lesser and in celebration of the bar mitzvah or our grandson John ("Jack") Webber Maguire

For the Sabbath of June 9 and 10
Dr. Sandra P. Gluck in loving memory of her aunt, Mildred Hammer

For the Sabbath of June 16 and 17
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

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

For the Sabbath of June 23 and 24
Barbara W. Kummel and Family in loving memory of Eugene H. Kummel

MUSIC

Orchestra of St. Luke’s
Monday, May 8 • 6:30 PM •
Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
After the resounding success of last winter’s concert, the St. Luke’s Chamber Ensemble returns to Temple Emanu-El, performing works by Mozart (Eine Kleine Nachtmusik) and Mendelssohn (Octet in E-flat Major, Op. 20). This event is made possible by the generous support of Temple Emanu-El members Robert B. Menschel and Richard Menschel. VIP admission is FREE for temple members; enter at One East 65th Street. Register at www.emanuelnyc.org/st-luke.

STITCH’N TIME
Sunday, June 4 • 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM •
One East 65th Street
All temple members are invited to participate in our monthly knitting group. Stitch’N Time volunteers knit warm scarves and caps for clients of the Sunday Lunch Program, as well as knitted goods for children and adults in other venues. All skill levels are welcome; instruction is available for those who need assistance. Yarn and patterns are provided, but you must bring your own needles (#8). Light refreshments are served. If you are unable to join us at the temple, then we can arrange for you to be part of the Stitch’N Time team at home. Just let us know! Contact stitchntime@emanuelnyc.org.

Summer Angels
The Sunday Lunch Program needs temple members who can be called on short notice to help during July and August. Call 212-507-9513 to have your name added to the list. Thank you!

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THE SOUL OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT:
AN EVENING WITH FLOYD ABRAMS

Monday, June 5 | 7:00PM | Free

With the White House chief strategist bluntly telling the media to “keep its mouth shut” and President Donald Trump accusing the New York Times of printing “fake news,” America’s most celebrated First Amendment attorney is warning that our most precious liberty, freedom of speech, is under attack.

The Temple Emanu-El Streicker Center is honored to host Floyd Abrams in a discussion of such dangers - from the Left as well as the Right - and his upcoming book, The Soul of the First Amendment.

For more than half a century, Floyd Abrams has been America’s staunchest defender of the First Amendment. “He is to the First Amendment what Muhammad Ali was to boxing...,” said the Dean of the Delaware Law School. The award-winning lawyer has litigated landmark cases like the Pentagon Papers and Citizens United. Yale University’s Institute for Freedom of Expression is named after him.

For Abrams, the law is a family affair. So on our stage, he will be introduced by his daughter, Ronnie, a judge appointed to the federal bench by President Obama, and interviewed by his son, Dan, chief legal affairs anchor for ABC News.

Book signing to follow