My grandfather was born in Al Diwaniyah, Iraq, and raised in a tight-knit world of Jewish tradition. His friends were other students in his cheder. His music was the chants of his shul, his food, kubbeh selek and tebit. At his bar mitzvah, he became a full member of the community, which remained his world until his death.

My father, who arrived in Israel at the age of 14, never had a bar mitzvah. He went to the occasional seder but never attended shul or found any meaningful connection to Judaism. I might have wound up like my dad if I hadn’t found myself one summer at Camp Ramah. Over many successive years in the hills of Ojai, California, surrounded by my camp community, I discovered the richness of Judaism.

This richness inspires the Temple Emanu-El Streicker Center, as we strive to create a vibrant community in which my grandfather would have felt comfortable, that would have given my father an entry point into Judaism, and that enables all of us to explore the fullness of our tradition.

We offer modern Jewish experiences—for those who love the music of Broadway and those who prefer Israeli folk songs; for those who follow every political tweet and those trying to turn down the noise; and for those who love tradition but also crave shrimp.

So, our curriculum isn’t that of my grandfather’s cheder, which was limited to Hebrew and Torah (although we proudly offer that as well). Our new cheder is designed as an educational, cultural and social community—a destination for all things Jewish.

After all, Judaism is about more than religious practice. It’s about music and ideas, lectures, trips and plays. It’s how familiar it feels when Mel Brooks quips about the Catskills. It’s that extra sense of interest piqued when Colin Powell shares his view on the Middle East. It’s a celebration of Jewish books with dozens of your
favorite authors, a program about New Wave Gefilte Fish, or a museum exhibition about the interaction between Jewish life and chocolate. And, yes, it’s also delving into Torah, exploring the Talmud and experiencing the vibrancy of Israel.

This semester, Torah will come to life in our six-part series *All in the Family*, each session devoted to a different biblical story and taught by a pair of rabbis who are related. And Torah will take on new meaning when the superstar of biblical commentary—Dr. Avivah Zornberg—weaves literature, philosophy and psychoanalysis together with midrash in a pop-up class about Moses.

We will host three of the leading political figures of our day—President Barack Obama, Vice President Dick Cheney and Secretary of State Colin Powell—because we believe that our community deserves, and needs, to hear directly from the people who have shaped our world.

We will offer you a chance to meet an extraordinary French couple who devoted their lives to hunting Nazis and tracked down Klaus Barbie; to listen to the people who made both the film and the Broadway hit musical *The Band’s Visit*—and watch both productions; to enjoy the soundtrack of our people performed by Broadway stars, or by three of the city’s finest cantors; and to participate in critical conversations about anti-Semitism, Israel and the Ten Commandments; and even sample some of New York’s finest cheesecake.

Over the past four years, the number of participants at our Streicker Center events and Skirball Academy classes has grown to more than 40,000 annually. But numbers cannot be our only measure. While we are committed to increasing and widening our reach, our mission is to continue building programs that touch the lives of both members of our shul and members of the wider community.

Connecting Jews to Judaism…and to one another. That is our mission and honor: to build a vibrant 21st century cheder for the shtetl we call New York.

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Dr. Gady Levy  
Executive Director, Temple Emanu-El Streicker Center

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**SERVICE NOTES**

**Shabbat Services**  
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Organ Recital at 5:45 PM  
Service begins at 6:00 PM  
• Fifth Avenue Sanctuary

**Saturday Morning**  
Organ Recital at 10:15 AM  
Service Begins at 10:30 AM  
• Fifth Avenue Sanctuary

**Broadcast of Services**  
All Sabbath and most holiday services are broadcast on our livestream channels:  
• www.emanuelnyc.org/broadcast  
• www.facebook.com/emanuelnyc

**Daily Sunset Services**  
Sunday—Thursday at 5:30 PM  
• Marvin and Elisabeth Cassel Community House, One East 65th Street

**Weekly Torah Study**  
Our Sabbath morning group meets each Saturday, before our worship service, from 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM.

**For the hearing impaired**  
A hearing loop is installed in the Fifth Avenue Sanctuary and the Beth-El Chapel; switch aid to T-coil. Headsets or neck loops also are available.
Remembering Dr. King
Friday, January 12 | 6:00 PM | Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
and Sunday, January 14 | 9:00 AM | 132 West 138th Street
To commemorate the life and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Temple Emanu-El hosts a special worship service on the Sabbath of Dr. King’s birthday. Our guests are the Rev. Dr. Calvin O. Butts III and the Abyssinian Baptist Church Choir. A special Oneg Shabbat reception will follow. Then on Sunday, temple members are encouraged to attend morning services at Abyssinian. Family and friends are welcome, too. The service at Abyssinian will start at 9:00 AM. A courtesy shuttle bus will be provided for members who wish to attend, departing from 10 East 66th Street at 8:15 AM. RSVP for bussing: abyssinian@emanuelnyc.org or 212-507-9513.

Interfaith Dialogue with
Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church
Bible Study: Wednesday, January 17 | 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM | 7 West 55th Street
Worship Service, Dinner and Conversation: Friday, February 9 | 6:00 PM | Fifth Avenue Sanctuary
As part of our ongoing interfaith dialogue with Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church (FAPC), we will host a second joint Bible study with Rabbi Joshua Davidson and the Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston. (The first was in November at Temple Emanu-El.) The January morning session will look at themes and stories from both the Jewish and Christian perspectives. Interested temple members should meet at FAPC.

Then, in February, members of the church will join us for Friday evening services, followed by dinner and conversation; Dr. Black Johnston will speak from the pulpit. Temple members interested in attending should contact Jill Weiner at jweiner@emanuelnyc.org or 212-507-9609. 

We also encourage you to save the date of Sunday, April 22. Temple members are invited to attend worship at FAPC at 11:00 AM, followed by lunch and conversation.

Shabbat Kodesh Family Worship Service
Friday, February 9 | 7:00 PM | Beth-El Chapel
All are welcome at this inspirational and uplifting prayer service, which is led by our clergy, Lifelong Learning Director Saul Kaiserman and members of our Religious School faculty and builds upon the curriculum and community of the Religious School. A family dinner precedes the service, and a dessert oneg follows. Reservations and payment are required before the dinner. Learn more on page 8.

Congregational Megillah Reading and Scotch Tasting
Wednesday, February 28 | 5:30 PM | One East 65th Street
Grab your gragger and get ready to cheer on Queen Esther and boo wicked Haman! All are invited to our annual reading of the Megillah, led by our clergy. Our celebration will include a festive scotch tasting and hamantaschen. (Learn more about our Family Purim Celebration on page 6.)

TOT SHABBAT
Saturday, January 6 | 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM
Friday, February 9 | 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM
One East 65th Street
For our preschool and Nursery School families, we offer a creative and age-appropriate service that incorporates singing, movement and storytelling. Grandparents and guests are welcome, too. RSVP to youngfamilies@emanuelnyc.org.
In Psalm 150, we are taught the poetic lyrics sung collectively by thousands of Israelites as they prepared to offer sacrifices to God. Accompanied by string instruments such as the lute and harp, wind instruments such as the flute and trumpet, and percussion instruments such as the timbrel and drums, the Israelites danced as they ascended to the Temple with their offerings in hand.

With the passing of time, the Jewish people replaced sacrificial offerings with liturgical prayers. Depending on the stream of Judaism, musical accompaniment either remained and flourished or became ritualistically forbidden. In the Reform Jewish Movement, choirs have been complemented by the evocative sounds of the organ and other instruments for the past several hundred years.

Temple Emanu-El historically has been, and continues to be, a center of great Jewish music-making. We are positioned uniquely and blessed bountifully with our extraordinary 17-voice choir and gifted organists. For those who have attended services recently, you might have noticed the new cadre of instrumentalists who join us on a semi-regular basis. After many rounds of auditions, K. Scott Warren and I hired classically trained musicians with extraordinary technical abilities. These players, among the finest in New York, are proficient in a variety of musical genres, and their improvisational skills are second to none. They also are deeply spiritual people who express their prayer through their instruments.

On January 26, we will gather all the members of our community, including our young professionals, Religious School families, and new and prospective members, to celebrate Shabbat Shira—the Sabbath of Song. In this musically saturated service, we will offer our new instrumentalists and solo vocalists the opportunity to elevate our prayers through their extraordinary and interpretive musicianship. We will pull inspiration from the secular and the religious, the classical and contemporary, the composed and improvised, as we recall Miriam’s escape from Egypt with a timbrel in her hand, hope in her heart and a song on her lips.

Within the concluding line of Psalm 150, the Psalmist offers, “Let every soul praise God.” This often has been interpreted as, “Let all who hath breath praise God.” Let us accept this ancestral invitation to lift up our voices together in song as our modern offering on this very special Shabbat. I sincerely hope to see you there.

Yours,
Cantor Mo Glazman
EMANU-EL WELCOMES...

Marilyn F. Kohn joined our senior staff in December as Vice President for Development. Marilyn comes to Emanu-El having served with distinction at Columbia University, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and The Jewish Theological Seminary. Under her leadership we will build for our bright future, maximizing our congregation’s exciting potential to redefine synagogue life for generations to come.

During her 24 years of faithful service, Robyn Weinstein Cimbol, our Senior Director of Development and Philanthropy, has successfully stewarded The Heritage Society and will continue to grow legacy giving. We are delighted by the team now assembled, including Assistant Director of Development Wendy Glick and Gila Drazen, Development Assistant.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Harris Diamond Nominated to Serve as Next President of Temple Emanu-El

This spring marks the close of John Harrison Streicker’s term as Temple Emanu-El’s president. Our congregation’s accomplishments under his visionary leadership have been legion, high among them a renewed growth in synagogue membership and vitality, and thanks to his family’s extraordinary generosity, the emergence of the Streicker Center as New York’s finest Jewish educational and cultural program. We will celebrate and thank John at a special Sabbath service in his honor on Friday, May 11.

At our Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 24, we will elect our next president. To fill this role our Nominating Committee has proposed, and our Board of Trustees has seconded, Harris Diamond. Harris, his wife, Amy, and their three children (Alexandra, Michael and Samantha) are devoted members of our congregation.

During his tenure on the board, Harris has chaired the temple’s Communications Committee, to which he brings his considerable expertise in the field as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of McCann Worldgroup, a marketing organization that creates communications solutions and strategies for many companies and brands around the world. Recognized widely for his achievements, Harris was named by Advertising Age as its 2015 “Executive of the Year,” and by PR Week as one of the “100 Most Influential PR People in the 20th Century.”

Harris’ civic involvements have encompassed both health and cultural areas. He serves as chairman of the Ronald McDonald House of New York, which helps provide a home away from home for children being treated for serious illnesses. He is also a board member of New York City Center, the performing arts venue, and is a member of the Columbia University Medical Center board of advisors.

Join us on May 11 to pay tribute to our wonderful president of these last six years and at our Annual Meeting on May 24 to elect our congregation’s next great leadership team.

• Shabbat service to honor John H. Streicker — Friday, May 11
• Annual Meeting — Thursday, May 24
TORAH AT A GLANCE

The following are weekly readings for January and February 2018. Read synopses of the Torah portions at emanuelnyc.org/torahataglance. View our clergy preaching schedule at emanuelnyc.org/preaching.

**Sh’mot** (Read Saturday, January 6)
Exodus 1:1-6:1

**Va-eira** (Read Saturday, January 13)
Exodus 6:2-9:35

**Bo** (Read Saturday, January 20)
Exodus 10:1-13:16

**B’shalach** (Read Saturday, January 27)
Exodus 13:17-17:16

**Yitro** (Read Saturday, February 3)
Exodus 18:1-20:23

**Mishpatim** (Read Saturday, February 10)
Exodus 21:1-24:18

**Trumah** (Read Saturday, February 17)
Exodus 25:1-27:19

**T’tzaveh** (Read Saturday, February 24)
Exodus 27:20-30:10

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**Emanu-El on the Road**

Again this year, we are planning a special reception in Palm Beach for Emanu-El members with Rabbi Joshua M. Davidson and Senior Director of Development and Philanthropy Robyn Cimbol. This gathering will take place on Sunday, February 25 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Invitations will be mailed in January. We want to be sure to share the specific details with all who will be in the vicinity at that time. Please be in touch with Gila Drazen, Development Associate, by telephone (212-507-9525) or email (gdrazen@emanuelnyc.org) if you have a Florida address of which we may not be aware.

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**Security Info: Large Bags/Backpacks**

To Temple Emanu-El Members and Visitors: If you are joining us for Sabbath services, attending Streicker Center events, or touring our sanctuaries and museum, please note that for safety purposes all large bags, briefcases and backpacks will be secured in our lobbies rather than allowed access with you. Please make every attempt to leave large parcels at home. After inspection, our security team will require the checking of these items, which then will be monitored while you are with us. Thank you for your understanding.

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**FAMILY PURIM CELEBRATION AND CARNIVAL**

**Sunday, March 4 | 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM | Enter at One East 65th Street**

All temple families and friends are invited to join us first in the Fifth Avenue Sanctuary for our Purim extravaganza, including a rollicking worship service and hilarious retelling of the story of Esther led by our clergy and Department of Lifelong Learning. View highlights from last year’s festivities at https://vimeo.com/user57047987/purim5777.

Then, at noon, we will gather in I.M. Wise Hall for games, music, crafts, prizes and food at our Purim Carnival. NOTE: A special Mini-Carnival will be open to Young Families and Nursery School students only from 11:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Interested in volunteering? Contact Rachel Brumberg at rbrumberg@emanuelnyc.org or 212-507-9526.
Fifth- and Sixth-Grade Bar/Bat Mitzvah Retreat  
**Sunday, January 21 | 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM | One East 65th Street**  
Join with our clergy and lifelong-learning team for our annual family gathering of study, worship and celebration for families on the journey of bar and bat mitzvah. You will leave feeling inspired, excited and prepared for the “big day” and beyond, as part of a community raising a new generation of responsible Jewish adults. All fifth- and sixth-grade families are encouraged to attend. Babysitting for younger siblings is available by request. An optional lunch will precede the session, beginning at noon. Attendance is FREE, but reservations are requested. RSVP to emanuelnyc.org/mini-retreat. QUESTIONS? Contact Jackie Schreiber, Program Director of Faculty and Family Engagement: jschreiber@emanuelnyc.org or 212-507-9534.

**Shabbat Shira Family Dinner**  
**Friday, January 26 | 7:15 PM | One East 65th Street**  
Immediately following the Shabbat Shira (Sabbath of Song) service in the Fifth Avenue Sanctuary, Religious School families and teens are invited to a Sabbath dinner where we will be honoring our Religious School faculty. Activities for children will be offered. The price for dinner is $55 per family (up to two adults, any number of children) for reservations made by Monday, January 22; $75 per family after January 22; $15 for teens (eighth-grade through 12th-grade) attending without an adult; and $20 for each additional adult. Register and pay online at www.shabbatshira.org. (Read Cantor Glazman’s invitation to Shabbat Shira on page 4. Also, please help with our annual Midnight Run clothing drive. See page 14.)

**The Story of Prayer (Fourth-Grade Family Program)**  
**Sunday, January 28 | 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM  
and Monday, January 29 | 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM | Both sessions meet at 10 East 66th Street**  
Tefilah (prayer) plays an important role within the Religious School and the Emanu-El community. This program offers Fourth Grade families an opportunity to think and talk about what it means to participate in regular Jewish prayer, to ask big questions, to engage in some “God Talk” and to get connected to worship at Emanu-El. Register at emanuelnyc.org/StoryOfPrayer. Note: Parent-Teacher Curriculum Meetings will be held as part of this program.

**Havdalah Pajama Party**  
**(Pre-K through Second-Grade Program)**  
**Saturday, February 3 | 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM | One East 65th Street**  
Put on your pajamas, bring the family and join your friends as we say farewell to Shabbat through songs, stories and hands-on crafts activities. Experience a modern take on ancient Jewish rituals filled with joy, gratitude and love. Participation is open to member and nonmember families. Wearing pajamas is encouraged but not required. A light dinner will be served. Register at emanuelnyc.org/pajama. QUESTIONS? Contact Jackie Schreiber, Program Director of Faculty and Family Engagement: jschreiber@emanuelnyc.org or 212-507-9534.

**Tribal Cup Competition and Lunch**  
**Sunday, February 4 | 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM | 10 East 66th Street**  
Some people look forward to Super Bowl Sunday for the game, some for the halftime show. Not us! We’re looking forward to the pre-game competition! Open to all Sunday Religious School students in third-grade through fifth-grade and Tribes alumni. Lunch is included. Registration is required. RSVP to emanuelnyc.org/tribes.
Mini-Mitzvah Day
Monday, February 5 | 5:15 PM to 6:00 PM | One East 65th Street
Congregation Emanu-El has a long history of helping others, and we are pleased to be able to offer this tikkun olam opportunity for our Monday Religious School families. Activities include making sandwiches for the homeless, packaging gifts for elderly Jews and assembling “Nighttime Fun” bags for hospitalized children. Students in grades Pre-K through fourth-grade will participate as part of their regular Religious School day. Students should arrive at school by 4:00 PM, per usual, and attend their regularly scheduled classes for the first portion of the day. Parents and other temple members are welcome to join us in I.M. Wise Hall at 5:15 PM. Dismissal for students will be from 10 East 66th Street at 6:00 PM, not One East 65th Street.

Family Dinner and Shabbat Kodesh Worship Service
Friday, February 9 | Dinner at 6:00 PM at One East 65th Street | Worship Service at 7:15 PM in the Beth-El Chapel
At Shabbat Kodesh, we sing Hebrew prayers with lively melodies and experience the weekly Torah reading through interpretation and storytelling. The service is preceded by a family dinner at 6:00 PM, for which a reservation is required. A delicious dessert
Oneg Shabbat follows. The charge for dinner is $55 per family (up to two adults, any number of children) for reservations made by February 5, $75 after February 5. Teens (eighth-12th graders), if unaccompanied by an adult: $15 each. Additional adults: $20 each. Make your dinner reservation at emanuelnyc.org/familydinner. After February 5, cancellations cannot be refunded.

Tasting Tour of Scotland:
From the Lowlands to the Highlands
Wednesday, January 31 | 6:30 PM | One East 65th Street
Religious School parents are invited to join the Men’s Club to experience scotch from the Lowlands to the Highlands. Single malts and light snacks will be served. Our “guide” and “spiritual advisor” on this journey will be Matthew Sheinberg. Participation is FREE, but reservations are required because space is limited: 212-744-1400, ext. 235 or mensclub@emanuelnyc.org.

Emanu-El After Dark
SAVE THE DATE: Friday, March 9!
Religious School students are invited to spend the night at Emanu-El for a sleepover with friends, fun, food, movies and games. Go on a “behind-the-scenes” tour and see what it’s like to be at Emanu-El after dark.

MIDNIGHT RUN – TEENS AND TWEENS
Friday, January 26 | 5:45 PM | One East 65th Street
Emanu-El teens in grades nine through 12 are invited to participate in our eighth annual Midnight Run, a volunteer program dedicated to gaining perspective on homelessness. The evening begins with our congregational service for Shabbat Shira, followed by a Family Dinner for Religious School families and teens. Then, teens will prepare meals and sort clothing donations before distributing them directly to those in need. Students will earn six community-service hours.

Teens must register with Emma Kate Lindsay, our coordinator of Youth Learning and Engagement: 212-507-9529 or elindsay@emanuelnyc.org. NOTE: This activity is completely safe and accredited. Teens from schools, youth groups, churches and synagogues perform this activity every weekend.

Note: donations can be dropped off at either temple entrance.
THE TEMPLE EMANU-EL STREICKER CENTER IS CREATING NEW JEWISH EXPERIENCES
JANUARY 24
PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA
Conversations with the most influential people of the 21st century

JANUARY 29
THE FILM | FEBRUARY 11
THE BAND’S VISIT: FROM SCREEN TO STAGE
The misadventures of an Egyptian band stranded in small-town Israel — in a film, a conversation and a matinee of the Broadway musical hit

FEBRUARY 5
THE GREAT (JEWISH) AMERICAN SONGBOOK
From Gershwin to Berlin and Sondheim . . . Broadway stars perform classics by Jewish American composers

FEBRUARY 8
DAN RATHER ON PATRIOTISM
The beloved news anchor insists that Americans are more united than we tend, or want, to believe

FEBRUARY 12–15
POP-UP CLASS WITH DR. AVIVAH ZORNBERG
The rock star of Torah-teaching leads us on a week-long exploration of the man who was Moses

FEBRUARY 20
ALL IN THE FAMILY: THE CLASS
Six pairs of related rabbis delve into biblical tales for universal lessons about relationships

FEBRUARY 22
THE MEDICI ARCHIVE PROJECT
Love and death in Italian ghettos during the time of the plague

FEBRUARY 26
THE MENTALIST
Lior Suchard, master mentalist, bends a few objects — and blows even the most skeptical minds

MARCH 7
VICE PRESIDENT DICK CHENEY
Conversations with the most influential people of the 21st century

MARCH 20
THE UNLIKELY NAZI HUNTERS
A rare conversation with Serge and Beate Klarsfeld, who defied death threats, deportations and beatings to track down Klaus Barbie and clinch the convictions of Nazi collaborators

MARCH 21
BEING JEWISH IN AMERICA IN THE AGE OF TRUMP
The target of a tweet storm of anti-Semitism, the New York Times reporter Jonathan Weisman reflects on the resurgence of hate
The Bernard Museum of Judaica at Temple Emanu-El has partnered with the American Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) for this exhibition, partially underwritten by Elizabeth and William Kahane.

**REMEMBERING THE PAST**
**REJOICING IN THE PRESENT**
**PEOPLE OF THE BOOK, MEET YOUR MATCH!**
A DAY FILLED WITH JEWISH STORYTELLING AND STORYTELLERS, MORE THAN 50 IN ALL - SOME YOU ALREADY LOVE, OTHERS YOU’LL BE THRILLED TO DISCOVER

**EINSTEIN’S BRAIN: A (GRAY) MATTER OF DISPUTE**
FEBRUARY 6
CHRIS MATTHEWS ON BOBBY KENNEDY
The man who might have been president revealed by the award-winning anchor and author

**BEN GURION’S EPILOGUE**
FEBRUARY 21
EINSTEIN’S BRAIN: A (GRAY) MATTER OF DISPUTE
The most famous brain on the planet was stolen, hidden and smuggled into Canada; learn the intriguing details

**MARCH 11**
A CELEBRATION OF JEWISH BOOKS
A day-long literary feast for the People of the Book

**MARCH 14**
BEN GURION: EPILOGUE
A lost interview with Israel’s Founding Father resurfaces — and the interviewer and Ben Gurion’s grandson join us

**MARCH 15**
ALL ABOUT GEFILTE FISH
Discover a modern spin on your grandmother’s old-fashioned classic

**MARCH 18**
SUNDAY SEMINAR WITH DANIEL GOLDFARB
Unconventional insights into the dysfunctional families of our forebears

**MARCH 21**
BEING JEWISH IN AMERICA IN THE AGE OF TRUMP

**MARCH 26**
RED BEANS, RICE AND HUMMUS?
Alon Shaya dishes about his past while dishing out his New Orleans–inspired Israeli delights

**APRIL 9**
FROM POLAND TO ISRAEL
A 12-day journey of remembrance and celebration, from Poland to Israel, as part of the March of the Living

**APRIL 10**
DAVID GROSSMAN
The acclaimed author, peace activist and reviled prophet reflects on the land he lovingly calls home

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THREE JEWISH MOVEMENTS, THREE FAMED CANTORS

APRIL 18
3 JEWISH MOVEMENTS, 3 FAMED CANTORS, 1 VOICE
Orthodox, Conservative and Reform cantors harmonize in celebration of Israel’s 70th birthday

APRIL 24
HOME: LENS ON ISRAEL – THE EXHIBITION
A photo tour of Israel rotating monthly through seven diverse communities living side by side

APRIL 30
SISTERHOOD OF PAIN, SISTERHOOD OF HOPE
Twelve Israeli and Palestinian mothers are forging the pain of their children’s murders into a common passion for peace

APRIL 18
MAKE TROUBLE: CECILE RICHARDS
The president of Planned Parenthood on the future of women’s reproductive rights...and making trouble

APRIL 23
AN EVENING WITH CECILE RICHARDS
ON STANDING UP AND SPEAKING OUT
ON REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS AND BEYOND

THE TEMPLE EMANU-EL
STREICKER CENTER

MAY 1
MAKING PEACE IN THE KITCHEN
A Jam session

MAY 5
MR. GAGA
Ohad Naharin, the renowned choreographer of Batsheva Dance Company, appears on our stage — and our screen in the hit documentary

MAY 10
COMPOSING FOR PEACE
Mira Awad, David Broza and Achinoam Nini raise their voices for a better world

MAY 14
ST. LUKE’S CHAMBER ENSEMBLE
A string serenade of Mozart, Mendelssohn and Tchaikovsky

MAY 15
EAT. PRAY. LEARN.
Rediscover the Ten Commandments with ten rabbis and ten flavors of cheesecake

JUNE 4
GENERAL COLIN POWELL
Conversations with the most influential people of the 21st century

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TEMPLE EMANU-EL YOUNG FAMILIES

PARENT & CHILD PROGRAMS
Winter/Spring 2018

NEW PARENTS GROUP
Group 1: Children 9 months to 16 months
JANUARY 22 — MAY 21 (14 weeks)
Mondays — 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM

Group 2: Children 2 months to 9 months
JANUARY 26 — MAY 18 (13 weeks)
Fridays — 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

TODDLERS GROUP — SOLD OUT!
To have your name added to a waiting list, please send an email to Parenting@emanuelnyc.org.

THE TWOS GROUP
Children 24 months to 30 months
JANUARY 24 — MAY 25 (14 weeks)
Wednesdays and Fridays
9:15 AM to 10:45 AM

BIG KIDS BOP
Children 18 months to 2.5 years
JANUARY 23, 2018 – MAY 22, 2018
Tuesdays — 10 AM to 10:45 AM

BABY BOP
Children 6 months to 20 months old
JANUARY 23, 2018 – MAY 22, 2018
Tuesday — 11 AM to 11:45 AM

LEARN MORE and REGISTER NOW!
emanuelnyc.org/parenting
youngfamilies@emanuelnyc.org
212-507-9603

MEN’S CLUB BOOK GROUP
Organized by the Men’s Club, this monthly reading group is open to all members of the congregation. Sessions meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 8:30 AM in the Marvin and Elisabeth Cassell Community House (One East 65th Street).

Following are our upcoming reading selections:

February 7 – The Slave
by Isaac Bashevis Singer
March 7 – The Many
Deaths of Jew Suss
by Yair Mintzker
April 4 – Billy Bathgate
by E.L. Doctorow

WOMEN’S AUXILIARY BOOK GROUP
All temple members are invited to attend; light refreshments will be served.
Please let us know if you will be attending! 212-744-1400, ext. 235
or womaux@emanuelnyc.org

Thursday, January 18 | 2:00 PM | One East 65th Street
Rabbi Amy Ehrlich will lead our discussion of The Weight of Ink,
a sophisticated work of historical fiction by Rachel Kadish. RSVP by January 12.

Thursday, February 15 | 1:00 PM | One East 65th Street
Cantor Mo Glazman will lead our discussion of Behind the Baton: An American Icon Talks Music, a memoir by Gerard Schwarz and Maxine Frost. RSVP by February 9.

Young Artists Concert Series

JUN HWI CHO

Sunday, January 14 | 3:00 PM
One East 65th Street
Sponsored with the Stecher & Horowitz Foundation, this annual series presents prize winners of the biennial New York International Piano Competition. Admission is FREE and open to the public. Our third performer of the year is Jun Hwi Cho, 18, who will perform works by Schubert, Beethoven, Schumann and Prokofiev. Born in Seoul, Korea, Jun Hwi began his piano studies at the age of 9. He completed four years in the Preparatory Division of the Korean National University of Arts and attended the Korean National Institute for the Gifted in Arts. He graduated from the Yewon School (Arts Middle School) in 2012 and attended the Pre-College Division of the Juilliard School. He remains at Juilliard, pursuing his Bachelor of Music degree.
Packing of meals for homebound seniors will be held Sunday, March 25, beginning at 9:00 AM. Delivery drivers should report at 9:45 AM. (Enter at 10 East 66th Street; a continental breakfast will be provided.) Second Seder will be served on Saturday, March 31. Please complete and return the Volunteer Registration form below or fill out the form online at http://bit.ly/secondseder, by Sunday, March 17.

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION FORM

( ) Yes, I (we) will be available to pack homebound bags.

( ) Yes, I (we) have a car and will be available for homebound deliveries.

( ) Yes, I (we) will volunteer for Second Seder.

Total Number of Volunteers ________________

Second Seder Job Preference (Please pick one)

( ) Setting Tables (1 PM, all ages welcome)

( ) Kitchen Staff for Meal Preparation (1:30 PM, adults only during cooking)

( ) Bus Escort (3:30 PM, adults only; report to assigned senior center location)

( ) Table Service (4 PM, all ages welcome)

( ) Elevator Service (4:30 PM, ages 14 and older)

( ) Preparation of Bus Bags (6 PM, all ages welcome)

Name of Person Completing Form:

First ____________________________________________

Last ____________________________________________

Preferred Email Address: ___________________________

Preferred Phone Number: ___________________________

( ) I am enclosing a contribution to help defray program costs.

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**Midnight Run Collection**

Now through January 26, Emanu-El teens are collecting items of adult-sized clothing—gently used coats, pants, sweaters, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, shoes, backpacks, and new socks and underwear—for our annual Midnight Run to support the homeless. Items may be dropped off at either temple entrance (One East 65th Street or 10 East 66th Street). Please deliver items in a bag or box marked “Midnight Run.” High school students interested in participating in Midnight Run should contact Emma Kate Lindsay: 212-507-9529 or elindsay@emanuelnyc.org.

**Stitch’n Time**

Sunday, January 7, February 11 and March 11 | 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM | One East 65th Street

Stitch’n Time volunteers knit warm scarves and caps for clients of the Sunday Lunch Program, as well as hats, sweaters and blankets for babies. All skill levels are welcome; instruction is available. Yarn and patterns are provided, but please bring your own #8 needles. Delicious refreshments are served. Please join us! The more the merrier.

**Ronald McDonald House**

Tuesday, January 8, February 20, March 20 | 5:00 PM | 405 East 73rd Street

Once a month, volunteers from Temple Emanu-El prepare and serve dinner for families that are staying at Ronald McDonald House of New York, a “home away from home” for families of seriously ill children undergoing treatment. This activity is suitable only for adults over 18 who are in good health. All volunteers will receive a call back from the Women’s Auxiliary to confirm their volunteer dates. (Please, no walk-ins!) To volunteer, call 212-744-1400, ext. 235 or send an email to womaux@emanuelnyc.org.

To inquire about other upcoming volunteer opportunities, contact the Tikkun Olam Committee of Temple Emanu-El: email tikkunolam@emanuelnyc.org or call 212-744-1400 ext. 452.
CHESS CHALLENGE
On Sunday, December 3, Temple Emanu-El hosted Chess in the Schools for the 2017 Temple Emanu-El Chess Challenge. More than 200 chess participants, their parents and siblings filled I.M. Wise Hall with anticipation, nerves and concentration as each entrant played four rounds of game 45 chess (meaning 45 minutes of play for each person in a match)—for a total of more than 800 matches! Breakfast and lunch were served, as well as snacks throughout the afternoon. Each student was given a commemorative water bottle, and there were none of the fees normally charged for tournament play, as all of our guests came from low-income communities. The day concluded with an awards ceremony. Funding for this event was provided through the Philanthropic Committee. Organization was overseen by our Tikkun Olam Committee. Many thanks to all the volunteers and temple staff who helped make this such a wonderful day!

7th ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER
This year’s Thanksgiving Dinner was a huge success. Our thanks to the more than 120 congregants who volunteered to serve and support the 218 guests from various senior homes and shelters in Manhattan. A special thank you to Lynda DeLott, Kim Hartman, Phyllis Hahn and Deb Halperin, who served as event co-chairs for this annual landmark temple mitzvah.

“Our family has been volunteering at the annual Thanksgiving Dinner at Temple Emanu-El for as long as we can remember. It has become just as much of a tradition for us as the holiday itself... a time for us to come together as a family and do something for our community. We can’t think of a more meaningful and personally fulfilling way to begin the Thanksgiving holiday each year.”

The Koeppel family–Adam, Claire, David, Lesley, and Noah. (Norden Hahn pictured second from the left.)
WOMEN’S AUXILIARY
For questions about Women’s Auxiliary events, call 212-744-1400, ext. 235 or email womaux@emanuelnyc.org. To register for events, log on to emanuelnyc.org/wa-cal. To become a Women’s Auxiliary member, log on to emanuelnyc.org/womaux.

Kicking Off a Healthy New Year with Joy Bauer
Tuesday, January 16 | 12:15 PM | One East 65th Street
All temple members are invited to join us in meeting Joy Bauer...Registered Dietician Nutritionist, frequent guest on NBC’s TODAY show, founder of Nourish Snacks, monthly columnist for Woman’s Day magazine and official nutritionist for the New York City Ballet. Ms. Bauer also is the author of 12 New York Times best-selling books. Her latest, From Junk Food to Joy Food, is based on her popular TODAY show series, in which viewers challenge Ms. Bauer to turn fattening favorites into delicious, diet-friendly fare for the honor of the coveted “two carrots up.” The book also is the inspiration behind her latest PBS special. The charge for this event is $35 for Women’s Auxiliary and Men’s Club members, $45 for all other temple members and their guests. Lunch will be served. (We will have a special menu featuring Ms. Bauer’s recipes.) Books also will be available for purchase and signing at the event. Reservations are requested by Friday, January 12.

Eataly NYC Downtown: Cook, Tour, Eat!
Tuesday, February 6 | 10:00 AM | 4 World Trade Center, 101 Liberty Street, Floor 3
Join us at Eataly NYC’s newest location for a guided tour, a cooking class and lunch.
Eataly NYC Downtown is a vibrant Italian market with an array of cafes, to-go counters and sit-down restaurants. While the space hosts a variety of new features, such as a “Ravioli To-Go” counter, the bread-themed branch carries the motto of its predecessors: Eat. Shop. Learn. The charge for this event is $75 for Women’s Auxiliary and Men’s Club members, $85 for all other temple members and their guests. Space is limited. Reservations are requested by Wednesday, January 31.

A Day on Fifth Avenue: Something Old, Something New
Tuesday, March 6 | 10:30 AM
Save the date for this upcoming event, which will include a guided tour of the Onassis Cultural Center and St. Patrick’s Cathedral, followed by lunch.

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

Eat, Drink, Laugh: The Story of the Comic Strip
Sunday, January 28 | 10:00 AM | One East 65th Street
Our special guest this month is Abby Russell, an Emmy-nominated television producer and filmmaker and the founder and CEO of Nuforms Media. She recently was filmmaker-in-residence, executive producer and creative director at Yeshiva University, where she oversaw all multimedia and marketing projects for the university’s online learning initiative—work that earned her multiple Telly Awards for Excellence in Education Media. Ms. Russell will discuss Jewish comics and the 1980s comedy scene in New York, as presented in the film she co-directed. The charge for this event is $30 for Men’s Club and Women’s Auxiliary members, $35 for all other temple members and guests. Brunch will be served. Reservations are requested by Thursday, January 25.
Yad Vashem: A Place of Remembrance
Sunday, February 18 | 10:00 AM | One East 65th Street
Dr. Marlene Yahalom, director of Education at the American Society for Yad Vashem, joins us to discuss the mission and projects of Yad Vashem – The World Holocaust Remembrance Center in Jerusalem.
The charge for this event is $30 for Men’s Club and Women’s Auxiliary members, $35 for all other temple members and guests. All temple members are invited to attend. Brunch will be served. Reservations are requested by Thursday, February 15.

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.

The Spreading of Peril in Iran
Tuesday, January 9 | 11:00 AM | One East 65th Street
Club 65 welcomes Orit Carmiel, who will lead an in-depth discussion on the dangers Iran poses to the Middle East in general and Israel. Ms. Carmiel is associate director of the AIPAC Real Estate Division in New York, where she cultivates relationships with pro-Israel philanthropists. The daughter of a sabra who served in the Mossad and the granddaughter of Haganah soldiers that fought in Israel’s war for independence, Ms. Carmiel has a passion for Israel that has been part of the foundation of her life.

For Adults Only: The Purim Story as It Was Meant to Be Told
Tuesday, February 13 | 11:00 AM | One East 65th Street
Rabbi Sara Sapadin will lead us in exploring the twists and turns of Megillas Esther (The Scroll of Esther) and mine the mysteries hidden within this extraordinary text. Join us as we rediscover this beloved story of our tradition. This is NOT your kids’ or grandkids’ Purim story!

Emanu-El Cares is pleased to present four “Wellness Sundays” for the body and soul. Each 90-minute class will be taught by a wellness professional and will include light refreshments; all sessions begin at 10:00 AM. Participation is open to temple members. QUESTIONS? Call the Membership Office at 212-507-9515.

Sunday, January 21 — First, take an exercise class for all ages, with Asphalt Green, designed to improve balance, flexibility and agility. Then join a representative from Juice Press for a presentation on the merits of juicing—and enjoy a sample of their products!

Sunday, February 25 — Jackie Tepper, a Registered Yoga Teacher and master’s candidate in Jewish studies at Hebrew College, will lead us in Neshama Yoga,™ her unique fusion of yoga with Jewish learning and spirituality. Jackie will take participants on a journey through the physical and meditative practice that is guided by insights from the week’s Torah reading, as well as Kabbalah and other Jewish teachings. No prior yoga or Jewish learning experience is necessary. Wear comfortable clothes, and please bring a yoga mat if you have one.

Sunday, March 25 — Carly Hunter of Pure Yoga will lead us in synchronized breath and movement that produces an internal heat to purify the body, followed by a session with trainer and nutritionist Rachael Pearl, who will discuss the current “trend foods,” and bring healthy snacking recipes.

Sunday, April 22 — Nike + NYC experts will lead a running class designed for all skill and preference levels, followed by a fun Central Park run.
Wednesday, January 31 | 6:30 PM | One East 65th Street
Temple members are invited to experience scotch from the Lowlands to the Highlands. Our “guide” and “spiritual advisor” on this journey will be Matthew Sheinberg. Participation is FREE, but space is limited and reservations are requested: 212-744-1400, ext. 235 or mensclub@emanuelnyc.org.

NOTE: This event is sponsored by the Men’s Club in cooperation with the Religious School Parents Association.

Now in its fourth season, “Community as Family” is a group for temple members age 48 and forward who are without adult children. We meet monthly to create stronger ties within the Emanu-El family and the greater community, as well as to discover ways to become more informed self-advocates on a variety of topics, including finance, health, housing and home care. Light refreshments are served, and there are no commercial endorsements. Our next meetings will be Monday, January 22 and Monday, February 26 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Temple members only.

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Marjorie Shuster, Librarian, Ivan M. Stettenheim Library

Nursery School
Ellen Davis, Director, Nursery School

Funerals
Charles S. Salomon, Funeral Director
The following students of our Religious School will become b’nei mitzvah in January and February.

Saturday, January 20
- Luciana Kaplan, daughter of Laurie Fischer and Jacob Kaplan
- Stella Walden, daughter of Lisa and David Walden
- Isabelle Arbeitman, daughter of Angelika Shein and Keith Arbeitman

Saturday, January 27
- Oliver Carneal, son of Allison and Erik Carneal

Saturday, February 3
- Jacqueline and Zachary Snyder, children of Ipek and Alexander Snyder
- Claire Markstein, daughter of Emily Baller and William Markstein
- Ella Bikoff, daughter of Jill and J. Darius Bikoff

Saturday, February 24
- Jeremy Hartman-Chait, son of Hedy Hartman and Andrew Chait

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

For the Sabbath of January 5 and 6:
- Edward Fleur, in loving memory of his father, Leo Yale Fleur
- Mary Louise Fleur, in loving memory of her mother, Mary Cisterna Schwartz
- 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

For the Sabbath of January 12 and 13:
- In memory of George and Elsbeth Lust
- Myrna Fischman in loving memory of my parents, Sally and Isidore Fischman
- Carl, Carol, Alexandra, Robert and Peter Hess in loving memory of Robert Lee Hess

For the Sabbath of January 19 and 20:
- Patricia Berkule and Family in loving memory of Barry Michael Berkule
- Rosalind Pretzfelder in loving memory of her mother, Tillie Pretzfelder
- Eileen Milloy in loving memory of her aunt, Ida Broz

For the Sabbath of January 26 and 27:
- Howard Kleinman and Elizabeth Albert, in loving memory of Gerald Kleinman

For the Sabbath of February 2 and 3:
- Rabbi Howard I. Bogot and the late Mary K. Bogot in loving memory of Maxine Livingston Elbaum

For the Sabbath of February 9 and 10:
- Rabbi Howard I. Bogot and the late Mary K. Bogot in loving memory of Maxine Livingston Elbaum

For the Sabbath of February 16 and 17:
- Bettijane and Steven Eisenpreis in loving memory of Alfred Eisenpreis, and Carol Hess Long and Clinton Mayer Long
- Edward Fleur, in loving memory of his sister, Joette Stephanie Fleur

For the Sabbath of February 23 and 24:
- Rosalind Pretzfelder in loving memory of George Pretzfelder
- Alan and Simone Hartman, in honor of the bar mitzvah of our grandson, Jeremy Hartman Chait
All in the Family: The Class

All sessions on Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:00 PM
$99 series | $25 individual class

So a rabbi and a rabbi walk into a room. And it turns out, the two are related.

No, this isn’t the setup to a joke but the premise behind one of our most illuminating Torah courses to date.

Our teachers? Six pairs of related rabbis—from a father and son-in-law to a wife and wife—spanning the denominational spectrum. And each duo will team-teach a Bible story that touches not only on their own relationships but on human relations at large.