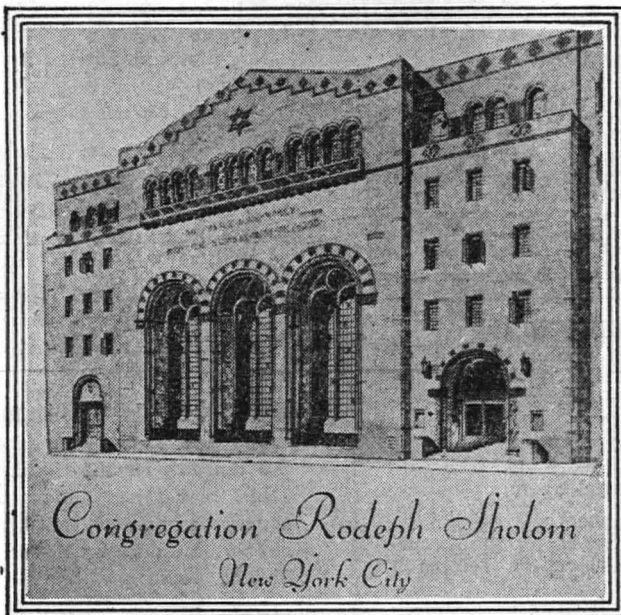


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SABBATH SERVICES

This Friday Evening, October 1st, at 5:30

Saturday Morning, October 2nd, at 10:15

RABBI SOLTES

will preach on

"DO YOU CHOOSE TO LIVE?"

(Nitzavim; Deut. 29:9-30:20)

ROSH HA-SHANAH SERVICES

This Sunday Evening, October 3rd, at 5:30

RABBI NEWMAN

will preach on

"LIFE CAN BE GOOD: LIFE CAN BE JOYOUS"

RABBI SOLTES

will preach on

"THE NEW YEAR: TWILIGHT OR DAWN?"

Monday Morning, October 4th, at 10:00

RABBI NEWMAN

will preach on

"SATAN IN THE SHOFAR"

RABBI SOLTES

will preach on

"YOUTH IS NOT COUNTED IN DAYS"

LE-SHANAH TOVAH!

We are pleased to express to our Congregants and friends the traditional Hebrew greeting: "Le-Shanah Tovah Tikaseivul" "May you be inscribed for a good year!" Let us unite our prayers on behalf of a good year, not only for the people of Israel, but for all peoples! May blessings attend the members of our family, and may they also be the portion of all the Children of the Living God! May prosperity continue to attend our nation, and may it become the possession of every country on earth! May the State of Israel remain secure against all attack, and may its boundaries be ample! May our Congregation flourish, and may its activities of service in philanthropic causes be generously supported! May we remember the injunction: "come and let us reason together", and may we always heed the words: "Behold, how good and how pleasing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

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IN MEMORIAM

Congregation Rodeph Sholom extends heartfelt sympathy to the families of

SAMUEL LITT
ROBERT ADOLF MOSBACHER
DR. RUDOLPH E. PICK

who have passed away.

Memorial Lights will be kindled at the Nameplates on the Bronze Memorial Tablets in the Temple in memory of

TILLY FLATTO
DAVID ROSENHEIM

The Yahrzeits of the following departed will also be observed and the Kaddish recited in their memory at the coming Sabbath Services:

EMANUEL BIEL
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May the Memory of the Righteous ever be a Benediction!

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We gratefully acknowledge the following generous donations:

CONGREGATION RODEPH SHOLOM

The Frisch and Rinzler Families in memory of Caroline F. Rosenheim;

Mrs. Theodore Kempe in memory of Lydia Katz;

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gerstein in honor of the birth of their granddaughter Nancy Rose Gerstein;

Mrs. Ely Sobel in memory of her husband;

Mrs. Herman Strauss in memory of her husband;

Mrs. Sig Norton in memory of her husband;

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MEMORIAL MILK FUND

Miss Ruth Asch in memory of Annie Blum;

Mrs. Jack Goldberg, Miss Hattie Helborn, Mrs. Sarah Oppenheimer and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Morgenstern in memory of Caroline F. Rosenheim;

RODEPH SHOLOM SISTERHOOD:

Mrs. Lee K. Levy in honor of her son's Bar Mitzvah for the Judaica Shop;

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Vorhaus in commemoration of the birthday of their mother, Matilda L. Meyer for the Friday Sewing Group;

PULPIT FLOWER FUND

Miss Sadie Brill and Mr. Julius Brill in memory of their mother, Pauline Brill;

Mrs. Alfred D. Lind in memory of Pauline Brill;

Mrs. Max Frank in memory of Clara Berg;

Miss Clara Hahn in memory of her parents;

MEN'S ASSOCIATION

Mr. and Mrs. Jack A. Kerner and Dr. and Mrs. Bernhardt S. Gottlieb in memory of Milton Sam for the Charity Fund.

OUR CONGRATULATIONS

We extend hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Myron Grayson on the occasion of their marriage in Munich, Germany. Mr. Grayson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas R. Goldberg of our Temple Staff, and has been Town Major in Munich for the American government for the past two years.

We also congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Murray Abel on the occasion of the birth of their daughter Nancy Louise. Mrs. Abel is a member of the Board of our P.T.A.

THE RABBI'S COLUMN

With the approach of the High Holydays—the Days of Awe, as tradition terms them—many of us turn for a brief spell to thoughts of religion. In the course of the year, we generally carry on our numerous activities without giving much consideration to the foundations and fundamentals of our life. Yet few of us are so mechanized that we do not, at some time, whether it be 'neath a star-studded sky during August, or on entering a daisy-field in May, or upon experiencing a personal loss, ponder the nature of this universe in which we find ourselves.

Many of our friends tell us that such periods of meditation are unnecessary, that it is possible to be a good and moral person without being "religious." During the days ahead, we will have occasion to discuss some of the implications of our religion in greater detail, but at this time it will suffice to point out that without religion and the sense of purpose and meaning which it imparts to an otherwise senseless universe, there is no basis for morals. If our moral laws do not derive from something in the nature of the cosmos that makes for goodness, then morals become a mere reflection of personal taste, and the sense of values disappears. As the English philosopher Hobbes once wrote.

"Good and evil are the names that signify our appetites and aversions; which in different tempers, customs, and doctrines of men are different. . . . Every man calleth that which pleaseth him, good; and that which displeaseth him, evil."

The spread of this very shallow doctrine, in the wake of the "scientific" support it has garnered in the fields of anthropology and psychology, has brought us to the brink of disaster in personal relations reflected in a recent best-selling study, and to the anarchy and the repudiation of principle manifested in our public affairs, especially on the international scene. This is the inevitable development of a world which has "outgrown" religion.

Can we afford to be casual, "sophisticated" regarding these basic matters? Not if we are genuinely concerned with the future of our children and grandchildren. "See you in the Temple!"

—RABBI AVRAHAM SOLTES

OUR BAR MITZVAH

We are pleased to congratulate Dr. and Mrs. Morris Heller the parents, and Mrs. Isaac Heller the grandmother on the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah ceremony of their son and grandson, John, which takes place this Saturday morning. We also felicitate our new son of the Commandment. We hope that he will manifest the same interest in Jewish causes and in the Temple which has been shown by the four generations of his family before him who were always affiliated with Rodeph Sholom and who have played such an important part in its growth and development.

HIGH HOLYDAY SERVICES

We respectively urge our Congregants to try to be present at the opening of each Service at the time indicated on their tickets. These tickets are to be presented at the door and to the Ushers within the Temple.

Because of the large demand for seats on the part of out-of-town guests and college students, may we request our Congregants who do not plan to occupy their seats on certain of the High Holydays to make them available to the Temple Office for redistribution.

Those who do not have their own Prayer Books are requested to purchase them at the Temple Office prior to the Services at \$1.25 each. The Temple Office will be open each evening and on Sunday morning until Rosh Hashanah.

We have been fortunate to engage as the cellist for the Kol Nidrei Services Miss Freda Gronowetter, noted Toronto musician. Miss Gronowetter has played in concerts throughout the country and has been the winner of special awards of the Emanuel Feuermann Foundation and the New York Women's Club.

MEN'S ASSOCIATION

We invite men of the Congregation who are interested in the work of our Brotherhood, to attend the next meeting of our Men's Association which will take place on Tuesday evening, October 5th. The evening will be devoted to sociability and games and will be preceded by a short business meeting. Important amendments to the Constitution will be considered on that night.

On Tuesday evening, October 19th, a Membership Supper will be held to honor those who have joined the Association in recent months and to officially open a campaign to reach the goal of 500 members, set for this year. Each member is invited to bring a guest to the Supper which will feature as the principal speaker, Harry Hershfield, noted humorist and radio entertainer. Mr. Murray Apfelbaum is in charge of the arrangements for the evening and Mr. Leo Keiser is in charge of refreshments.

The Men's Association invites contributions from our Congregants to its Charity Fund, primarily to the work of the East Side Settlement House. Recently, Mr. Irving J. Nethe, Chairman of the Fund, announced that our Men's Association has received the Distinguished Service award from the American Cancer Assn. for the gifts obtained through this Fund towards this important project.

With this issue of the "Chronicle" a copy of the year's program of the Men's Association is enclosed. We urge our Congregants to take advantage of these splendid activities of our Brotherhood, and to lend their support by joining the Association.

SISTERHOOD JUDAICA SHOP

Gift articles and books suitable for all types of gifts for any occasion such as Birthdays, Anniversaries, Bar Mitzvahs, Graduations, Baby Gifts, etc. may be purchased at all times in the Temple. The price range

ADULT EDUCATION COURSES — 1948-49

From present indications, registrations for courses in our Adult Education Program will exceed all previous years. Particularly enthusiastic has been the comment on the series "Psychiatry and the Individual."

These 15 weekly lectures will examine the troubles and problems of the individual and the family in modern society. Lectures will be given by recognized authorities on psychiatry and are designed to explain and explore typical problems of life today . . . to translate psychiatry into the language of the average person . . . to focus its knowledge on the solving of difficulties inherent in everyday living.

From the first lecture, on Monday October 25th, right up to the last, the subjects are full of interest for all of us. Send in your application today. The fee, to help defray expenses, is \$2.50.

**SEATS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR
THE HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES**

At Our

AUXILIARY SERVICES

in the

MARCUS LOEW AUDITORIUM

Rabbi Avraham Soltes will officiate.

Cantor Loth will conduct the musical Services.

Adult Reservations \$15.

Youth \$10.

is from Fifty cents up and the proceeds are used for Sisterhood projects. Either a member of the JUDAICA SHOP Committee or Mrs. Stern in the Temple office will be happy to serve you at all times.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PATRONIZE THE JUDAICA SHOP!