
THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE
BULLETIN
CLEVELAND, OHIO

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

December 18th, at 10:30 A. M.

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak on

"TWO WORLDS AGAIN IN CONFLICT"

The sermon will show how two opposing ways of life are locked in a life and death struggle today as they once were in Maccabean times and indicate what grounds there are for hope

(A Chanukah Message)

MOTHER-DAUGHTER DAY

Saturday, December 17th

11:00 A. M. in the Temple
SERVICE AND PAGEANT



12:15 P. M.
in Recreation Hall
LUNCHEON



2:00 P. M.
in the Auditorium
FRANCES HOMER, diseuse

Those not attending the luncheon are invited to the service in the Temple and to the program in the auditorium.

(for further details see page 2)

Dear Members:

It is particularly important in times like these when all sorts of charges are levelled against the Jews, that they demonstrate their fealty to their faith and their loyalty to the temple.

Chanukah this year has a special significance for us. Let us fill the temple to overflowing and in that way manifest our devotion to Judaism.

There will be a special program of Chanukah music rendered by the choir.

I am anxious to see you and the members of your family at the service this Sunday.

Samuel H. Brickner

Friday Evening Twilight Service 5:30 to 6:00 P. M.

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PRESIDENT REPORTS GROWTH

At the Congregational 92nd Annual Meeting attended by about 700 members and guests, Myron Cohen, president, reported that our membership was the largest in our history numbering well over 1300 families. This does not include the membership of the affiliated organizations, the Men's Club, the Sisterhood, the Junior and Senior Alumni, all of which have enjoyed a steady growth as well.

Due to limited space we are unable to reproduce the full report, but extracts will be given in subsequent bulletins during the next few weeks.

After a brilliant piano recital by Boris Goldovsky, the address of the evening was given by James G. McDonald.

Brief talks describing activities of their respective organizations were given by Mrs. Oscar H. Steiner, president of the Sisterhood, Dr. Michael Krall, president of the Men's Club, and Robert Desberg, president of the Alumni Association.

Mr. David Dietz was chairman of the evening.

Re-elected trustees for five-year terms were Myron Cohen and Harry L. Woi-paw. Those elected for the same term were Julius Kahn, I. J. Kabb, Harry S. Warren and Leo B. Seidenfeld.

Re-elected for one-year terms were Mrs. Oscar H. Steiner, president of the Sisterhood; Mrs. J. C. Newman, Mrs. Ida Kornhauser; Dr. Michael Krall, president of the Men's Club and Robert Desberg, president of the Alumni Group.

SISTERHOOD

MOTHER-DAUGHTER DAY

Saturday, December 17th

11:00 A. M.—Chanukah Service in the Temple read by girls of the confirmation class and a pageant "**Light The Way Life**," written by Nathan Brilliant and Libbie Braverman, enacted by young married women, all former confirmants. The High School Choir conducted by Harriet Korach Kohn will sing the service.

12:15 P. M.—Luncheon in the Recreation Hall. Daughters will kindle the Chanukah Lights. A Board of Directors of Daughters will present "**Information Please**," written by Mrs. Leo Bayer.

2:00 P. M.—Frances Homer, renowned diseuse will be presented in "**Ladies of Destiny**"—a historic drama of five women whose influence in the lives of men, have made history.

THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS GROUP will meet under the leadership of Mrs. Ralph Wertheimer at 2:00 P. M., on Tuesday, December 20th in the Sisterhood parlor.

OUT-OF-TOWN COLLEGE STUDENTS, children of members, who will be at home for the winter vacation will be the guests at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner on **Wednesday, December 28th at 2:00 P. M. for the Annual College Tea.**

Any member of our temple who has a son or daughter attending an out-of-town college is urged to send the name and out-of-town address to the temple office immediately.

Every man must live with the man he makes of himself, and the better job he does in moulding his character and improving his mind, the better company he will have.

CHANUKAH RADIO BROADCAST on Monday, December 19th from 6:30 to 6:45 P. M. over Station WTAM presented by the Bureau of Jewish Education.

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ness. But through fanatical Medieval oppression the Jews were forced to keep their lights indoors. They had to be content to set them in the windows. Originally big flames were kindled, but Medieval tyranny reduced them to tiny sparks. However, they were never extinguished by all the violent storms which raged against Judaism throughout the ages.

The lights are lit in the Synagogue as well as in each private home. Starting with one light on the first evening, the number is increased by one each evening until on the eighth night there are eight lights. This progression is a symbol of Judaism's belief in the gradual, constant increase of intellectual light and of the slow but steady victory of spiritual enlightenment. Lovingly and beautifully has Jewish art molded and ornamented the Chanukah lamp or candelabra.

At the kindling of the lights special benedictions are recited for the miracles which God showed to our forefathers at this season. Then the hymn "Mooz tzur" or "Rock of Ages," the English adaptation thereof, is sung, according to a melody popular among the German Jews since the 16th century. Though the elements of this tune are German, the melody is not found in this form in the German folksong.

With the strengthening of Jewish self-consciousness in the last few decades, Chanukah has assumed an importance in the Jewish calendar commensurate with its historical and religious significance. This festival buoys up the Jew's spirit that he may withstand the waves of assimilation; that his eyes may not be blinded by the gilded splendor or false gods; that, being a small minority in an overwhelming majority, he be not made timid, that he may not underestimate his own spiritual culture in the face of that vast culture surrounding and engulfing him. Inspired by the message of this festival the Jew must champion the truth of his religion, that which made the

MEN'S CLUB

Chanukah Party

dedicated to the

PAST PRESIDENTS

of the Men's Club

Tues., Dec. 20th—8:30 P. M.

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Program

Kindling of Chanukah Lights

Cantor Glinkovsky

Remarks by past presidents giving high points of their respective administrations.

Synagogue and folk songs

Cantor Glinkovsky

Chanukah address

Rabbi Brickner

Refreshments

Committee on Arrangements

S. David Spizel, Chairman

Myron Stanford, Co-Chairman

Harry L. Wolpaw Jack Grodin

Max Fanger Leo Newman

Milton Halle Martin Goulder

Open only to members of the Men's Club and their ladies

PAY YOUR DUES NOW!

Maccabees conquer Syrianized Hellenism, and which, ever since, has kindled in the hearts of millions of the human race the eternal light of the Jewish faith.

—A. Z. Idelson, The Ceremonies of Judaism.

HOME SERVICE FOR CHANUKAH

Chanukah week begins December 18th and the first candle will be lit Saturday evening, December 17th. Light one additional candle each evening until eight are lit on Saturday evening, December 24th.

Before kindling the lights, hold the lighted Shammas in your hand and pronounce the following blessings:

ברוך אתה יי, אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר
מךשנו, במצותיו, וצונו להדליק נר של חנוכה:

Praise be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, who hast sanctified us by Thy commandments and bidden us kindle the Chanukah lights.

ברוך אתה יי, אלהינו מלך העולם, שעשה
נסים לאבותינו, בימים ההם, בזמן הזה:

Praise be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, who didst wondrous things for our fathers at this season in those days.

(For the first night only).

ברוך אתה יי, אלהינו מלך העולם, שהחיינו,
וקיימנו, והניענו לזמן הזה:

Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, who hast granted us life, sustained us and permitted us to celebrate this joyous festival.



MO-OZ TSUR

Mo-oz tsur y'shu-o-si,
L'cho no-eh l'sha-be-ach
Tik-kon bes t'-fil-lo-si,
V'shom todoh n'-za-be-ach
L'es tochin mat-be-ach
Mits-tsor ham-m'na-be-ach
Oz eg'mor
B'shir miz-mor,
Cha-nu-kas ham-miz-be-ach.

ROCK OF AGES

Rock of ages, let our song
Praise Thy saving power;
Thou amidst the raging foes,
Wast our shelt'ring tower.
Furious they assailed us,
But Thine arm availed us.
And Thy word
Broke their sword
When our own strength failed us.

WHY WE CELEBRATE CHANUKAH

Chanukah commemorates the victory of an ideal over brutality, spiritual independence over despotism, light over darkness. A handful of Jews, conscious of the high value of their spiritual culture, their religion, dared open fight against the overwhelming power of the Syrian King, Antiochus Epiphanes, who aimed to crush their faith in the one God, and to suppress the ritual and ceremonies created by the Jewish people to give voice to its beliefs.

In the year 162 B. C. E., King Antiochus Epiphanes ordered that a pagan altar be set up in the Temple in Jerusalem and that sacrifices be offered to the Greek idol Zeus Olympus. After hard struggle and bitter battles, in which many Jewish heroes lost their lives on the battlefield, the pious ones under the leadership of Judas the Hasmonean, or Maccabeus, achieved victory after victory, until he reconquered Jerusalem, drove out the Syrians and their Jewish sympathizers, and purified the Temple from the Zeus cult.

This purification occurred on the 25th of the Jewish month Kislev. The altar was sanctified and dedicated anew, lamps and torches kindled as a symbol of spiritual light and freedom, and a celebration of eight days ordained, during which the illumination continued amid sacrifices and songs. This feast was decreed by Judas Maccabeus and the elders of Israel to be celebrated annually, and was called **Chanukah**—"Feast of Dedication," also "Festival of Lights." There is a Talmudic legend that all the oil in the Temple was polluted by the pagan worshipers, and that upon investigation only one cruse of consecrated oil was found by the Hasmoneans, untouched, sealed and hidden away. This cruse was used to illuminate the Temple. Its oil lasted, by miracle, for eight days.

In the evening oil lamps or waxen candles are lit. Ordinarily these lights used to be set outdoors as a manifestation of the victory of light over dark-

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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

DREIDEL AND MENORAH CONTEST PARTICIPANTS must bring their dreidels and menorahs to Room 200 this Saturday, and Sunday, December 17th and 18th. Prizes will be awarded in each department of the Religious School.

THE SISTERHOOD presented every child in the Religious School with a box of Chanukah Candles.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER DAY EVENTS will enlist the services of more than 100 children of the Religious School. They will read the service, sing in the High School Choir, usher, participate in the pageant and kindle the Chanukah Lights at the luncheon.

THE HIGH SCHOOL DEPT. and THE JUNIOR ALUMNI will give a special Chanukah Service this Sunday morning, December 18th at 10:45 A. M. The High School Chorus will sing the service which will be read by Miriam Licht, Aaron Fleck, and Daniel Krall, seniors.

Mr. I. L. Kenen, of the Cleveland News will speak.

THE BEAUTIFUL CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY will be conducted daily at 5:20 P. M. during Chanukah Week in our Temple Lobby. It has been the custom for many years now to gather the children from class and club around our large menorah to chant the blessings and sing Chanukah songs.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Max Lev on the marriage of their son Manuel to Bessie Abrams. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mandelker on the engagement of their daughter Martha to Mr. Walter Fishel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Fishel. Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester G. Miller on the engagement of their daughter Marjorie to Herbert Laronge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Laronge.

Alumni Reunion Dinner

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26th, at 6:30 P. M.

An opportunity to meet again with old friends

Dancing to Hal Lynn's Nine-Piece Orchestra

Reservations must be made by Friday, December 23rd

Call: Rosalind Korach, YELlowstone 9405 or Temple Office CEdar 0862

Members, 35c

Non-Members, 75c

A JEW COMES TO CHURCH

"Being a lover of freedom, when the revolution came in Germany, I looked to the universities to defend it, knowing that they had always boasted of their devotion to the cause of truth; but, no, the universities immediately were silenced. Then I looked to the great editors of the newspapers whose flaming editorials in days gone by had proclaimed their love of freedom; but they, like the universities, were silenced in a few short weeks. Then I looked to the individual writers, who, as literary guides of Germany, had written much and often concerning the place of freedom in modern life; but they, too, were mute. Only the Church stood squarely across the path of Hitler's campaign for suppressing truth. I never had any special interest in the Church before, but now I feel a great affection and admiration because the Church alone has had the courage and persistence to stand for intellectual truth and moral freedom. I am forced to confess that what I once despised I now praise unreservedly."

—Albert Einstein.

A L U M N I

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP meeting Tuesday, December 20th in the Library will review "The Importance of Living" by Lin Yu Tang.

THE DISCUSSION GROUP will hear Raymond Metzner describe B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation work, Friday evening, December 16th, in the Library.

BASKETBALL FANS interested in forming an Alumni team call Dick Kichler, FAirmount 2271.

BOOKS

HEARKEN UNTO THE VOICE

By Franz V. Werfel

Two tourists stand on the steps of the Temple of Omar in Jerusalem, one of them a woman journalist, the other Reeves, a writer, of mixed English and Jewish ancestry, apathetic over the death of his wife. As they stand there the man is stricken with a kind of epilepsy, and he finds himself back in the days of the prophets. In effect he relives the whole mature life of the prophet Jeremiah, as it is told in the Bible, but with infinitely more detail. After what seems many years Reeves revives, a changed man, ready to take up his work once more.