
THE EUCLID AVE. TEMPLE
BULLETIN
CLEVELAND, OHIO

A Service of Rededication

*To the Ideals of Judaism
On the occasion of Chanukah*

RABBI BRICKNER WILL SPEAK

The Chanukah Service will include:

THE REDEDICATION CEREMONY, with the following participants: James H. Miller, President of the Temple; Mrs. J. C. Newman, President of the Sisterhood; Martin N. Goulder, President of the Men's Club; Richard Bernon, President of the Alumni and Adolph Salsburg, narrator.

A CHANUKAH CANDLE PARADE OF THE NATIONS, prepared by Mr. Brilliant and Mrs. Braverman, in which the following pupils of the Religious School will participate: Nancy Eisenberg, Marjorie Quint, Judith Matlin, Martin Gal, Malcolm, Elsoffer, Phyllis Gilbert, Edward Hirsch, Joanne Katz and Vivian Darnovsky.

SPECIAL CHANUKAH MUSIC sung from the pulpit our augmented choir of 40 voices under the direction of Edwin Jospe, with Norman Roman chanting the blessings. Mr. A. R. Willard will be guest organist.

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AN ONEG SHABBAT IN ALUMNI HALL WILL FOLLOW THE SERVICE.

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The beautiful Chanukah service held last year is well remembered by our congregation. All the family should attend this heart-warming service, as it is a "must" of our temple life. Don't allow gas rationing to interfere with your family's attendance.

Sabbath morning service 11 to 12 noon.

Rabbi Rosenbaum will preach

RABBI BRICKNER'S NEW WAR DUTIES

Our Temple notes with pride the election of Rabbi Brickner as Associate Chairman of the National Committee on Army and Navy Religious Activities of the Jewish Welfare Board with Dr. David De Sola Pool of New York, at its last meeting held in New York City. This Committee which is composed of representatives of the three rabbinical bodies, Reform, Conservative and Orthodox, is national in character, and is the body which grants ecclesiastical endorsements to rabbis who are candidates for chaplaincy in the armed forces. It also assists them in their work once they are commissioned.

In this new position, Rabbi Brickner will supervise the executive and administrative work of the Committee in its relation with Jewish army and navy chaplains on active duty. Rabbi Philip Bernstein of Rochester will act as Executive Director of this Committee.

Rabbi Brickner will continue as Chairman of the Committee on Chaplains of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, charged with the procurement of Reform rabbis to serve as chaplains with the armed services. His new responsibilities will take him frequently out of the city on this war effort. Shortly, he will make a tour of a number of camps in the Middle West and South.

Rabbi Rosenbaum, who has received ecclesiastical endorsement for the chaplaincy, has been temporarily deferred in order to release Rabbi Brickner for his new duties.

AID FOR RUSSIA

Russian War Relief Inc, has received an urgent appeal from Russia for all types of warm clothing for the men, women and children of the suffering civilian population of our Soviet Allies.

Men's suits and overcoats, women's coats, suits and dresses, clothing for children, infants' garments, and shoes for all are particularly needed immediately.

The Cleveland office of Russian War Relief will send for any donations which are available and a call to MAin 1507 or MAin 1517 will receive prompt attention.

TEACHERS' CHANUKAH DINNER

Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner will be hosts to our religious school teachers and club leaders at a Chanukah Dinner Party at their home on Sunday evening, December 6.

HOW WE CELEBRATE CHANUKAH

We should make the most of Chanukah in our homes, for it represents a great victory over tyranny and for religious liberty. Families are urged to light candles on each night of Chanukah (for the ceremonial, see page 3). Gifts should be exchanged among the family and friends the first night of Chanukah and, if possible, every subsequent evening of the festival, even though these gifts be inexpensive.

In answer to your Chanukah gift problem, take advantage of the Chanukah Gift Shop in the lobby of the temple, operated jointly by the Sisterhood and the Religious School. Menorahs, games, books, (this is Jewish Book Week) and other gifts, amassed from all over the country and from Palestine, are available. Many lovely things which have been produced in Sisterhood Sewing are also for sale.

Chanukah candles will be lit in the temple lobby every afternoon at 5:15 P. M. with appropriate ceremony.

Chanukah week will be celebrated in special Religious School assemblies and with parties in classes, clubs and homes of the children. Typical of these parties will be that of our Girl Scout Troop which will prepare potato pancakes and traditional Chanukah delicacies.

Religious School children have received gifts of Chanukah candles and dreidels from the Sisterhood.

All Children in the Religious School are being asked to make a special contribution to Keren Ami, the school's philanthropic fund, on this happy occasion. Chanukah gift envelopes were distributed to the children last weekend and are to be returned this weekend.

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HOME SERVICE FOR CHANUKAH

Chanukah week begins Friday, December 4th, and the first candle will be lit Thursday evening, December 3rd. Light one additional candle each evening until eight are lit on Thursday evening, December 10th.

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

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר
מְדַשְּׁנֵנוּ, בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוֵּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה:

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.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁעָשָׂה
נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ, בְּיָמִים הָהֵם, בְּזֶמַן הַזֶּה:

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)

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהַחַיֵּינוּ,
וְקִדְּמֵנוּ, וְהַנִּיעֵנוּ לְזֶמַן הַזֶּה:

Praise 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 Thy sword
When our own strength failed us.

(See also Union Prayer Book, Page 351)

THE STORY OF CHANUKAH

In 175 B. C. E. Antiochus Epiphanes (the Illustrious, also known as the Madman) became king of Syria, the land to which Palestine has been annexed. He forced the Jews to renounce their faith and their customs and to worship Greek idols. Heathen altars were erected in every Jewish community; Jewish places of worship were defiled.

Not all the Jews were willing to subject themselves to such oppression nor to witness the desecration of their Temple. The flag of rebellion was raised in Modin by Mattathias and his five sons. He unfurled the banner with the cry, "Mi L'Adonai Elay" (whoever is on the side of God, follow me). He rallied the scattered forces of Israel. With the Jewish religion endangered, the peace-loving Jews were transformed into warriors and heroes. They carried out a successful revolt.

After the death of Mattathias, his sons continued the struggle begun by their father, under the leadership of Judas the Maccabee (a name meaning Hammer) also associated with the motto on his banner: "Mi Kamocha—Baelim Adonai," "Who is like unto Thee among the mighty, O Lord?"). The initial letters in this Hebrew sentence suggested the word MaKaBi.

With a limited army of zealous followers, Judas defeated the overwhelming Syrian legions. After a series of brilliant victories in 165 B.C.E., he regained possession of Jerusalem and proceeded to rededicate the Temple, which the Syrians had polluted.

Thus the Chanukah (Dedication) festival was instituted. The Feast of Dedication is a holiday of which the keynote is happiness. It is a celebration in commemoration of triumphant Jewish loyalty and endurance.

Chanukah is the more significant to us today because it springs from a situation not dissimilar to that of 1942. It is encouraging today when the world is locked in a death struggle; when half of the earth is already in the hands of a new Antiochus, that this story of Chanukah exemplifies a successful revolt against suppression of one of the basic rights of man—freedom of worship. It is important for us to recall today, thousands of years after the revolt, that peace-loving Jews all over the world are again helping to defend the right of man to defend democratic liberty and self-determination of peoples.

—Jewish Welfare Board.

WITH OUR AFFILIATES

Did you know that close to 300 women are attending Sisterhood Sewing on Tuesdays . . . that the Men's Club membership is rapidly approaching the 500 mark . . . that Dr. Louis Bard and his committee are organizing a Forum Discussion Group which will be led by our Rabbis and guest speakers to be held every Sunday morning beginning in the near future . . . that creative activities and enjoyable evenings are in store for Alumni members who come down to Temple on Tuesday evenings.

BIBLE BUSINESS BOOMS

Chicago, (A.P.)—There's a boom in the Bible business—quite convincing proof that a nation at war is seeking solace in prayer.

But the mothers, wives and sweethearts of the men in the armed forces aren't the only buyers of the Bibles, says an authority on the distribution of the testaments and gospels. They're being sold to all classes of people, and sales this year, he said, probably would be 25 per cent more than in 1941.

Dr. Robert Taylor, executive secretary of the Chicago Bible Society and representative of the American Bible Society, termed the condition "an amazing Bible revival," and said that "America is discovering the Bible again.

"It isn't just a flareup caused by the war but is the result of a real spiritual renaissance which has been coming on for some time but has been quickened by the war."

He said that many of the large publishing firms were weeks behind in their orders and that the American Bible Society, which normally distributes 10,000,000 copies annually, is running several days behind schedule.

Demand for the Scriptures for the armed forces, Dr. Taylor said, "has been unparalleled." The American Bible Society has given away 800,000 testaments through chaplains and in addition it has sold 250,000 copies to churches to be given to the men in service.

ATTENTION! MEN'S CLUB MEMBERS

*Round Table
Dinner Meeting*

Wednesday
December 9th, 6:15 P. M.

Upper Dining Room
Tasty Restaurant

\$1.25 per plate

RABBI ROSENBAUM

speaking on

"The Spiritual Basis of Democracy"

Mr. Erwin Jospe at the Piano, presenting
Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue"

Tickets may be secured from the temple office or from any of the following committee: Henry Pasternak, chairman; Mark Barris, vice-chairman; Dr. Joseph Gage, Dr. H. Leavitt, Harry Waxman, Milton Lang, Samuel Moss, Sigmund Ehrens, Samuel Koslen, Jack Portner, Dr. S. Fuerst, Dr. Louis Bard, Martin Friedman, Chester Hess, Louis Moss, Sanford Meyerson, E. M. Asquith, and Leon Roskoph.

COLLEGE STUDENTS' TEA

Rabbi and Mrs. Brickner are extending invitations to college students to a Tea at their home on Saturday afternoon, December 26th. Parents of college students are asked to send their names to the temple office and their addresses if they are studying out of town.

FUNDS

To the Prayerbook Fund: Alan Gilman in memory of father, Sidney Gilman.

To the Yahrzeit Fund: Mrs. Betty Zucker in memory of Henry Zucker. Mrs. Esther Forsch in memory of Isaac Forsch.

To the Betty Jane Finkle Fund: Mrs. L. B. Reich in memory of Betty Jane Finkle and Rebecca Gold.

To the Library Fund: Miss Anna Moss in memory of Ernest Moss. Mr. and Mrs. H. Sulka in memory of Sol Baer. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Goldsmith in memory of mother, Louise Goldschmidt. Friends in memory of Frances Sheila Rosenblatt. Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kane and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Kane in memory of Resie Greenbaum.

To the Altar Fund: Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Goldsmith in memory of Louise Goldschmidt. Mrs. I. Wolf and family in memory of Sol Baer. Mrs. Cora Reinthal in memory of brother, Franklin Fuld. Mrs. Sol Friedman in memory of Rose Brown.

PALESTINE STILL A HAVEN

If they can be extricated from France under present occupation conditions and reach Palestine over circuitous wartime routes, 1,000 orphaned Jewish refugee children will be permitted to enter Palestine under the 1939 white paper issued by the British Government, providing for the admission of refugee immigrants.

Provision for these 1,000 orphans is made under an immigration order issued in the latest Palestine Gazette, official publication of the Palestine administration. The same order prescribes a quota of 3,000 Jewish principal immigrants, with their wives and children under the age of 18, and 100 non-Jewish principal immigrants for the quarter ending December 31.

The government points out that under the quota of 75,000 certificates available over five years beginning April 1, 1939, for immigrants and refugees, 38,000 had arrived by Sept. 30, including 19,481 illegal immigrants who were authorized to remain.

—The New York Times.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. Julius Tuteur on his 80th birthday.

MAIMONIDES ON LUXURIES

"All the difficulties and troubles we meet in this respect are due to the desire for superfluous things. For the more of them we desire the harder our task becomes; our strength and possessions are spent in unnecessary things, and are wanting when required for that which is needed.

"Observe how Nature proves the truth of the matter. The more necessary a thing is for life, the more easily it is found and the cheaper it is. Air is the most necessary, for if man is without air even for a short time he dies; while he can be without water a day or two. And air is undoubtedly the more easily found and the cheaper of the two. Water is more necessary than food; for some people can live four or five days without food, if they have water. And in every country water is more plentiful and cheaper than food. The same relation can be observed in the different kinds of food; that which is more necessary in a certain place exists there in larger quantities and cheaper than that which is less necessary. This shows the kindness of God to His creatures."—Temple Beth-El Bulletin, Detroit.

BE NOT AFRAID TO PRAY

Be not afraid to pray!—to pray is right—

Pray (if thou canst) with hope; but ever pray,

Though hope be weak, or sick with long delay;

Pray in the darkness, if there be no light.

Far is the time, remote from human sight,

When war and discord on the earth shall cease;

Yet every prayer for universal peace

Avails the blessed time to expedite;

What'er is good to wish, ask that of heaven.

Though it be what thou canst not hope to see;

Pray to be perfect, though material leaven

Forbid the spirit so on earth to be!

But if for any wish thou dar'st not pray,

Then pray to God to cast that wish away.

—Hartley Coleridge.

Story of the Week

Hitler went to a Berlin theatre to see the latest Nazi drama. The performance had already begun. The head usher bowed Hitler to the royal box, and then leaned over to whisper.

"Has the Herr Reichfuehrer a program as yet . . . ?"

Hitler turned red with indignation.

"Listen here, you cur," he snarled, "I'll have none of your insinuations?"

—From New York Times.

SHALL RELIGION BE RATIONED

Every one of us is experiencing, in more direct manner than ever before, what "total war" means. The lines between combatants and non-combatants are disappearing, for every man, woman and child is today a part of America's defense forces. The sacrifice we are called upon to make we accept cheerfully and willingly. We shall readjust our lives according to the pattern that our leaders set for us.

If because of the limitations of transportation facilities we are asked to conserve gasoline and tires, we must fulfill that requirement without protest. Does this mean, however, that we shall use this as an excuse to ease our conscience if we discontinue our attendance at Divine Services? Let us ask ourselves what sacrifice our fathers were willing to make to worship their God. Can we be satisfied with less devotion than they displayed? As long as there is any physical means available to bring us to our house of worship, we should not deny ourselves that weekly spiritual enrichment that worship can bring. Though we are asked to conserve many of life's commodities, let none of us seek to ration our religion.

—From Eutaw Place Temple,
Baltimore, Md.

IN MEMORIAM

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families of Arthur Schachtel, Leo H. Schoenfeld, and Walter Zinner.