
EUCLID AVENUE TEMPLE

BULLETIN

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FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

APRIL 8, 8:15 P. M.

RABBI BRICKNER

will speak

"WHY GOD?"

WHAT IS THE ANSWER TO THE ATHEIST AND AGNOSTIC?

Third in the Series "Questions People Ask About Religion"

Assisted with the Torah Last Week: Lewis Benway and Dr. Albert Breitbart

Sabbath Morning Services in the Chapel, 11 A. M. to 12 Noon

Torah Portion: "ZAV", Leviticus 6.1-8.36; Haftorah, Malachi 3.4-24

Congregational Seder

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 6:30 P. M.

Make Reservations immediately;
Seating Assignments in Order of
Reservations Received.

Adults: \$3.75 Children: \$3.25

Haggadahs on Sale at 75c Each

Passover Service

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 10:45 A. M.

In the Temple

Speakers: Finalists, Bondy Oratorical
Contest.

Rabbi Brickner will Officiate.

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PASSOVER MESSAGE FROM RABBI BRICKNER

Dear Friends:

I hope that all of you will observe the forthcoming festival of Passover fully and joyously. Please don't fail to attend a Passover Seder. If you are not conducting your own or attending a family Seder, or if your family is too small to arrange a Seder at home, then gather your relatives together and come as a group to our Congregational Seder. We will create a homelike atmosphere here.

Parents should note that the attendance of their children at the religious service for the First Day of Passover will serve as a substitute for their attendance of religious school sessions, which are suspended for April 15, 16, and 17.

The Yizkor Service will take place on the final day of Passover, Wednesday, April 20th, 10:45 A. M.

With kindest holiday greetings,

BARNETT R. BRICKNER.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Dr. and Mrs. Gustave Picard on the birth of a daughter, Ellen Gertrude.

To Mrs. Gene Davis on the marriage of her daughter, Doris Lou, to Glen Ferrell.

To Alice B. Cohen on her marriage to Joseph Morgenstern.

To Mr. Leo Rohrheimer on his 80th birthday.

IN MEMORIAM

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved families of Jennie Licker and Lillian Rippner.

MEN'S CLUB EVENING IS EXTRA PASSOVER CELEBRATION

An additional opportunity for the congregation to gather in celebration of Passover is offered by the Men's Club. The club is sponsoring the service and a holiday Oneg Shabbat on **FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 8:15 p. m.** Attraction of the evening is **Blix Ruskay**, popular actress who will present *Miss Blix Ruskay* Passover entertainment after the service. A reception will follow.



YPC AND PTA MOTHERS TO HEAR MRS. BRICKNER ON PASSOVER

"How to Observe Passover in the Home" will be explained by Mrs. Brickner at a mothers' seminar **SATURDAY, APRIL 9th, 2 p. m.** in the Sisterhood Parlor. The talk will include a brief Seder demonstration. Members of the YPC and mothers of the children of the first three grades are welcome. Mrs. Irwin Haiman, of the YPC, is in charge of this event. A kindergartner will be on hand to take care of pre-school children.

FIRST WEEK OF NISSAN JEWISH FAMILY WEEK

Our complex, worried, unstable world of today spells trouble and uncertainty to both individuals and families, and particularly to Jewish people.

Recognizing that the strength and vigor of Jewish community life is closely related to harmonious family life, the Jewish Family Service Association sponsored Jewish Family Week from April 1 to April 8. The first week of Nissan (April) was chosen because it precedes the traditional family celebration of Passover.

Because of their common goal of happy Jewish family life, many Jewish organizations are cooperating with the agency in observance of Jewish Family Week.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT PASSOVER

By Rabbi Samuel M. Silver and Marquerite J. Paelke

MJP. I certainly didn't feel like coming into work today.

SMS. Why not?

MJP. Spring fever.

SMS. That reminds me. Passover is coming.

Q. What does Passover have to do with Spring?

A. That's what Passover was originally, the welcoming of Spring.

Q. I thought it was the celebration of the deliverance from slavery in Egypt.

A. Yes, that's what Passover became. But its earliest form was an agricultural celebration of Spring's arrival.

Q. But does the name of the holiday indicate that?

A. The Hebrew name for the holiday is Pesach, which, literally, means to frisk about like a lamb. That is how we feel even today when Spring comes.

Q. But Passover has other meanings, doesn't it?

A. Yes, the second chapter in the history of Passover connects it with the deliverance from Egypt. And the word refers to the fact that the Angel of Death "passed over" the Jewish homes. You can read about that in the Bible where the Tenth Plague is described.

Q. What is the purpose of the Seder?

A. The Seder is the home celebration of Passover where the story of the liberation is told.

Q. Does Seder mean supper?

A. No. The word "seder" means "the order of service."

Q. And what does Haggadah mean?

A. It means "the story."

Q. That's the holiday when Matzoh is eaten instead of bread, isn't it?

A. Yes. The Matzoh commemorates the unleavened bread which the Israelites baked in a hurry before their departure from Egypt.

Q. How did a spring festival get mixed up with a holiday of liberation?

A. Passover came to be regarded as the

springtime of Jewish history. Just as nature is liberated from winter, so on this holiday the Israelites emerged from slavery.

Q. When did these events take place?

A. About 3500 years ago.

Q. There are special foods served at the Seder, aren't there? What do they signify?

A. Well the "moror" or bitter herbs are a reminder of the bitterness of slavery.

Q. What about the parsley?

A. That's the touch of spring. Then there's the shank bone.

Q. What's that for?

A. That symbolizes the lamb which was used as a Passover sacrifice in the days of the Temple.

Q. What does the hard boiled egg signify?

A. The egg is a symbol of new life and it recalls the renewal of freedom for the former slaves. The use of the egg is continued in the Christian Easter observance.

Q. There is some relationship between Easter and Passover, isn't there?

A. Yes. Both were originally Spring festivals and the time of Easter is connected with the time of Passover, since the Christian holiday is reckoned by the Last Supper which is supposed to have been a Seder.

Q. What about the other foods used at the Seder?

A. You can find the meanings for all of them, Marquerite, in any Haggadah.

Q. When does Passover begin this year?

A. On the evening of Wednesday, April 13th.

Q. How long does it last?

A. The Bible stipulates seven days; later it became an eight-day holiday outside of Palestine; and Reform Judaism has reverted back to a seven-day observance.

MJP. Thank you, and a happy Passover to you.

SMS. You are welcome, and a happy Easter to you.

ALUMNI SPRING FROLIC, APRIL 23

The Annual Spring Frolic of the Alumni Association will take place at the beautiful ballroom of the Mid-Day Club, SATURDAY, APRIL 23rd, 9 p. m. The theme of the informal dance will be a greeting to the Cleveland Baseball Team which will have opened up its local season on the day before.

Tickets at \$1.75 per member couple and \$2.75 per non-member couple are available at the Temple Office.

SISTERHOOD ANNUAL MEETING AND TEA TUESDAY, APRIL 19th

The Sisterhood announces its Annual Meeting and Election of Officers for TUESDAY, APRIL 19th, 1:30 p. m. ANN BIRK KUPER, famous solo actress, will entertain after the business meeting over which Mrs. Martin E. Blum will preside. Tea will be served in Alumni Hall.

FUNDS

The following contributions have been received during the past week:

ARTHUR E. FRANKEL FUND: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frankel in memory of their son, Arthur; Elaine Platt and Margery Tatar in memory of their brother, Arthur E. Frankel.

MEMORIAL FUND: J. J. Hülligan, G. S. Gerspacher, W. A. Hülligan, H. W. Pearce in memory of Joseph Passov; Mrs. J. A. Wolfson and Mrs. B. G. Bramson in memory of their mother, Sarah Bleiweiss; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Korach in memory of Asher and Beck Cohn.

PRAYER BOOK FUND: Mrs. William Greenbaum and Mrs. Albert T. Fischer in memory of Joseph, Fanny, Nathan and Dr. Myron Metzenbaum.

SISTERHOOD SEWING

If you haven't seen the beautiful quilts on the looms being stitched diligently by our faithful quilters, you've missed a real treat.

Exquisite blue and pink satin baby quilts is this group's specialty. Mrs. M. S. Freiburger and Mrs. M. H. Bondy are in charge.

Do you have an appliqued quilt top that needs filling and quilting? Bring it to the Temple on Tuesday or call Mrs. Morris Schuster, FA. 7814.

HAVE YOU DONE JUSTLY BY THE MOTHER INSTITUTION IN ISRAEL?

By Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein, Chicago, Ill.

From time to time it is my unhappy duty to listen to the complaints of older folks who feel that they are being neglected by their children. On rare occasions the complaint is that the children, having grown prosperous, have even failed to share their prosperity by making the old folks a little more comfortable. You can well understand that there are few tasks amidst the variety that come to me in my calling that are more repugnant than this of having to remind sons and daughters of their obligations to their parents.

In a less personal, though no less poignant way; the Synagogue — the mother institution in Israel — makes the same complaint. She sees her daughter institutions — the charities, the welfare funds, the defense organizations — richly, sometimes lavishly maintained, while she is fed on strict economy rations. These daughter institutions take capital reserves, unemployment insurance, sickness benefits, severance pays, retirement funds, in their stride.

The Synagogue still, for the most part, finds itself outside the circle of these modern safeguards against catastrophe. I have heard of instances where certain individuals have given \$25,000 to the Combined Jewish Appeal and \$100 to their Synagogue.

Even if the Synagogue were only the source and inspiration of the good works of our society, it would on sentimental grounds alone deserve better treatment from our people. But the fact is that the Synagogue is still the central identifying agency for the Jewish people.

I am convinced that it is just thoughtlessness that accounts for this neglect. Once one thinks about it, one must admit that the Synagogue must maintain itself as the most meaningful and vital institution in Jewish life. Ask yourself, in all sincerity, if you have done justly by your Synagogue — the source of your spiritual being, the seal and sanction of your dignity, the guardian of your hopes.