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Jewish Braille Institute Memorial Concert for Brotherhood in memory of Marc H. Tanenbaum and Francis Mugavero [1]. 1995.

Bruce Goldwasser:

Side one, JBI concert series, Fall 1995. A Memorial Concert for Brotherhood in memory of Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, and Bishop Francis J. Mugavero, produced exclusively for the blind and visually handicapped by the Jewish Braille Institute of America, 110 East 30th St, New York, New York, 10016. Welcome. I'm Rabbi Bruce Goldwasser, spiritual leader of Temple Beth Sholom in Flushing, New York, and it is my pleasure to be your host for this memorial concert commemorating two outstanding leaders in Jewish-Catholic relations. The choirs of Temple Beth Sholom and St. Andrew Avellino Church join their voices in song, [01:00] requiring in the reconciliation of diverse sounds to produce a harmonious whole that beautifully symbolizes the work of Rabbi Tanenbaum and Bishop Mugavero. Bishop Francis J. Mugavero, 1914 to 1991, was the fifth bishop of the Brooklyn-Queen Diocese, serving from 1968 to 1990, and was the only native son of Brooklyn to hold this position. Bishop Mugavero, whose Episcopal motto was "love one another," was known as a champion of the poor, an opponent of racism, and a leader in Catholic-Jewish relations. Bishop Mugavero was active for over 20 years in

Catholic-Jewish relations. In 1969, he was appointed the Episcopal moderator of the secretariat for Catholic-Jewish relations of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. In the same year, he became chair of the United States Bishop's Committee on Catholic-Jewish relations, a position he held for many years. For his work in Catholic-Jewish relations [02:00], Bishop Mugavero received many honors. In 1973, he received the Human Relations Award of the Anti-Defamation League of B'Nai B'rith. Later, the ADL gave him the Torch of Liberty award, and the Cardinal [Bia?] Interfaith Award. In 1988, Bishop Mugavero received the Edith Stein Guild Award for "Untiring Efforts and Faithful Service to Better Understanding Between Catholics and Jews." Also in 1988, the American Jewish Committee honored him as a seeker of understanding and peace between Christians and Jews. Bishop Mugavero was a true shepherd who recognized his commitment to his flock. "A true shepherd," he said, "is not a hired hand, but someone who would lay down his life for his flock." Rabbi Dr. Marc H. Tanenbaum, 1925-1992, was the International Relations consultant of the American Jewish Committee. He also served from 1983 to 1989 as a Director of International Relations for the American Jewish Committee [03:00], and was formerly the AJC's National Interreligious Affairs Director. In 1987, Rabbi Tanenbaum was elected, unanimously, as chairman of the International Jewish committee

for Interreligious Consultations, which represents world Jewry in relations with the Vatican and other world religious bodies. He was the founder and co-chairman of the National Interreligious Task Force on Soviet Jewry, which aids oppressed Jews and Christians in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. Rabbi Tanenbaum's council was sought by world leaders. President Jimmy Carter invited Rabbi Tanenbaum in 1979 as the American Jewish leader among 10 national religious and academic spokesmen to discuss the state of the nation at Camp David summit meetings. He also appointed Rabbi Tanenbaum as a member of the advisory committee of the President's Commission on the Holocaust. Catholic-Jewish relations, for which we are honoring Rabbi Tanenbaum, was an important part of his work. Rabbi Tanenbaum was the founder and leading member of the joint liaison committee of the [04:00] Vatican Secretariat on Catholic-Jewish relations, and International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Consultations. And of a similar body with the World Council of Churches. He was the only rabbi at Vatican Council II, and participated in the first official audience of world Jewish leaders with Pope John Paul II at Vatican City. Additionally, he was also the first Jewish leader to address 4,000 delegates attending the sixth assembly of the World Council of Churches in Vancouver in July 1983. And in 1988, Rabbi Tanenbaum was awarded the Interfaith Medallion of the

International Council of Christians and Jews for his historic contributions to advancing interreligious understanding over the previous 25 years. And now we go to the beautiful sanctuary of Temple Beth Sholom, as the choirs of St. Andrew Avellino Church, directed by Margaret Joyce, and the Temple Beth Sholom, directed by our cantor, Hilda Abrevaya, join together for the opening processionals. "*Dona Nobis Pacem*" / "*Sim Shalom*," based on different liturgy, are brought together by the music of the Italian composer, Palestrina. And "Come, Let Us Sing" by [Chupones?].

Choirs:

["*Dona Nobis Pacem*" / "*Sim Shalom*"] [05:17]-[08:09]

["Come, Let Us Sing"] [08:11]-[10:53]

Bruce Goldwasser:

Next, the choir of St. Andrew Avellino Church presents "Grant to Us, O Lord" by Deiss. "Micah, Chapter Six" by [Rille?], and "Hosea" by Norbert.

Choir:

["Grant to Us, O Lord"] [11:13]-[13:00]

["Micah, Chapter Six"] [13:03]-[17:45]

["Hosea"] [17:45]-[22:38]

M1:

Our next selections are performed by the Temple Beth Sholom Choir. They open with two versions of "*Hine Ma Tov*," first an Israeli version by Jacobson, and then the traditional version. Then then the haunting "Sabbath Song" from *Fiddler on the Roof* by Bock and Harnick. Next comes "Miriam's Song" by Friedman. [23:00] And they conclude this section with a work made popular by Bette Midler, "From a Distance" by Gold.

Choir:

["*Hine Ma Tov*"] [23:09]-[26:08]

["Sabbath Song"] [26:11]-[28:55]

["Miriam's Song"] [28:56]-[31:14]

["From a Distance"] [31:16]-[36:09]

M1:

Cantor Hilda Abrevaya, with soprano Anna [Schumaite?] and mezzosoprano [Jay Ann Lee?] perform a trio setting of the 23rd Psalm by Fromm.

["23rd Psalm"] [36:26]-[40:37]

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