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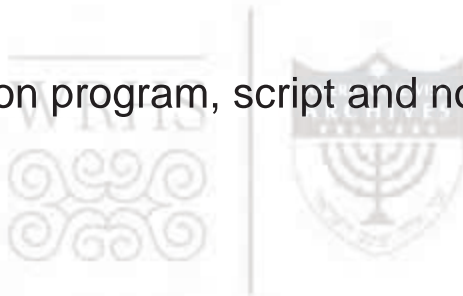
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Confirmation program, script and notes, 1962.



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# The Temple

Congregation Tifereth Israel

Rabbis

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Daniel Jeremy Silber

Milton Matz

1962

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CONFIRMATION SERVICE



## Confirmation Service

Shabuot, Friday, June 8, 1962

Nine-thirty o'clock

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|---|-------------------------------|
| Organ Prelude.....                            | David Gooding                 |
| Shabuot Service—Pages 210-243.....            | Rabbi Milton Matz             |
| Processional—Holy, Holy, Holy (Gounod).....   | Choir                         |
| Hymn—Blessed, O Blessed.....                  | Class                         |
| Welcome.....                                  | Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver      |
| Response—Blessed Be Ye Who Come (Gounod)..... | Choir                         |
| Opening Prayer.....                           | Sally Dee Kulber <i>Sally</i> |
| Hymn—Lord, What Offering Shall We Bring.....  | Class                         |
| The Flower Offering.....                      | Anita Coblitz <i>Anita</i>    |

### The Reading from the Torah

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|---|--|
| Exaltation of the Scrolls.....          | Howard Erwin Herman  |
| The Ten Commandments—In Hebrew....      | { Andrew Joseph Mellman<br>Barry Alan Levin                        |
| The Ten Commandments—In English.....    | { Rita Miriam Rapport<br>Nancy Jean Wolen<br>Barbara Sue Gray      |
| The Haftarah.....                       | { Charles J. Silverman<br>Sharon Gayle Sugarman<br>Patricia Lamm   |
| Prayer for the Household of Israel..... | Nancy Joyce Malevan  |
| The Festival of Shabuot.....            | Beth Ann Tramer  |
| Returning the Scrolls.....              | { Barry Lee Rosenblatt<br>Cary M. Seidman<br>William Lewis Meschan |
| Response—Etz Chayim (Norden).....       | Choir  |
| Sim Sholom (Janowski).....              | Mr. Smith and Choir  |



## **The Faith of the Jew and the Obligations of Jewish Life**

|                                       |                      |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| God.....                              | Marsha Lynn Auerbach |
| Man.....                              | Martin Jay Liff      |
| Israel.....                           | Bonita Lynn Klein    |
| One World.....                        | Jonathan H. Jaffe    |
| Prayer.....                           | Barbara May Rosen    |
| The Synagogue.....                    | Thomas Wise Brock    |
| The School.....                       | Barbara Ann Friedman |
| The Home.....                         | Robin Alan Albert    |
| Solo—Shomer Yisroel (Rosenblatt)..... | Mr. Smith            |

## **The Eternal Pilgrimage**

Barry J. Frankel, Benita Goldstein, Arnold Edward Greitzer, Leslie Anne Friedland, James Edward Heiser, Barbara June Horovitz, Terry Wayne Schnell, Ellen Barbara Kaufman, Eric James Strauss, Alice Borstein, James Kent Fox, Judith Ilana Ferster, Edward Bennett Goldstein, Dale Susan Lazar, Ronald George Heiber, Marc Richard Becker.

## **Our Own Day**

|   |                       |
|---|-----------------------|
| The State of Israel.....                                | Jeffrey Milton Proper |
| The United Nations.....                                 | Vivian Kay Bard       |
| Democracy.....  | Eugene Hanna Asnien   |
| The Privileges and Responsibilities of Citizenship..... | Beverly Brown         |
| Our Temple.....   | Leonard Freed         |
| America.....  | Dianne Lynn Rose      |

## **Confirmation**

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| Address to the Confirmands.....                                   | Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver                               |
| Closing Prayer.....   | Linda Rae Oppenheim                                      |
| Dedication to the Faith.....                                      | Class  |
| The Confirmation Hymn—<br>Father, See Thy Suppliant Children..... | Class  |
| Blessing of the Confirmands.....                                  | { Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver<br>Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver |

Ben Silverberg, Violinist; George Katz, violinist; Edward Crevoi, violist; Frank Grant, cellist, will play during the blessing of the Confirmands

Bibles will be presented by Mrs. Clarence Weidenthal and Mr. Leonard Lichtig, representing The Temple Confirmation Class of 1912.

Concluding Service—Pages 274-277

Benediction



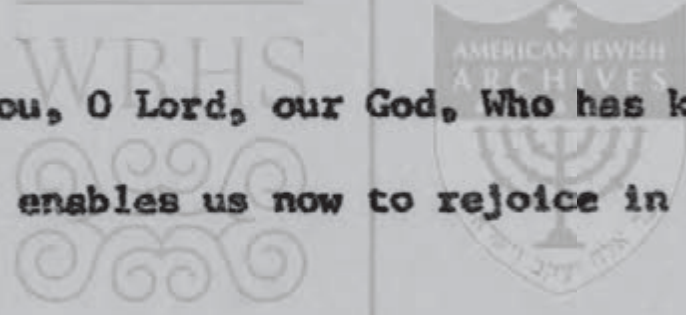
*Sally Fisher*

# OPENING PRAYER

O Lord our God, as we enter this sanctuary to confirm our faith we are deeply conscious of the duties and obligations we assume. This day commemorates the covenant of Sinai. There, centuries ago, our forefathers accepted the responsibilities of God and Judaism. Here we accept the same responsibilities and happily confirm their heritage and ours.

Conscious of the duties we now assume, we turn to Thee, O Lord, for encouragement and inspiration. We ask Thy light and Thy truth to make clear our way. We pray for Thy guidance and continuing support. Strengthen us in our desire to know Thee, and to effect Thy hopes for mankind. Sustain us, O Lord, that we may establish this, our confirmation through our lives.

Praised be Thou, O Lord, our God, Who has kept us in life and sustained us, and Who enables us now to rejoice in the beauty of this service.





FLOWER OFFERING

On this day in olden times our forefathers dedicated to God the first fruits of their fields. They brought their offerings to the Temple as a token of their gratitude for God's generous bounty. We, their descendants, continue this practice. These blossoms are a symbol of our gratitude for the blessings of life, of health, of talent, and of promise.

These flowers which we bring are visible signs of the beauty that blossoms in the heart, the fair blossoms of affection, of kindness, and of truthfulness. As we place these blooms before this alter, so we place before God the promise of a dedicated life. As the loveliness of nature brings joy to man, so may our deeds bring happiness into the lives of our families and friends and joy even to the heart of God.

Accept these, our offerings, Heavenly Father. Our prayers, our love, and our deepest hopes go with them.



(HEBREW)

EXALTATION OF THE SCROLLS

The Lord, the Lord God, is merciful and gracious, long-suffering and abundant in goodness and ever true; keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin.

(Choir) - Adonoi, Adonoi

TAKE SCROLLS FROM ARK:

This is the Torah which God gave through Moses. It is the heritage of the House of Israel. Come ye and let us walk in the light of the Lord, saying:

Sh'ma Yisroel Adonoi Eloheinu Adonoi Echod.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

(Choir) Sh'ma . . .

(Class) Sh'ma . . .

(Choir) Ischo Adonoi





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Ten Commandments in Hebrew.

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Bany Levin 57-10-6

# Ten Commandments In Hebrew

1. I am the Lord <sup>4/ Though 10</sup> I brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

2. Thou shalt not have any other gods before Me. Thou shalt not take unto thyself any graven image nor any manner of likeness of anything that is in the heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down unto them, nor serve them: for I, the Lord Thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me; and shew mercy unto the thousandth generation of them that love Me and keep My commandments.





# COMMANDMENTS

1. I am the Lord Thy God, Who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
2. Thou shalt not have any other gods before Me. Thou shalt not take unto thyself any graven image nor any manner of likeness of anything that is in the heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down unto them, nor serve them: for I, the Lord Thy God, am a zealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me; and showing mercy unto the thousandth generation of them that love Me and keep My commandments.





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# COMMANDMENTS

3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord Thy God in vain;  
for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His  
name in vain.

4. Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy. Six days shalt  
thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is a  
Sabbath unto the Lord, Thy God. In it thou shalt do no  
manner of work--thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor  
thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle,  
nor the stranger that is within thy gates; for in six  
days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that  
is in them, and rested on the seventh day, wherefore the  
Lord blessed the Sabbath Day and hallowed it.





COMMANDMENTS

5. Honor thy father and thy mother that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
6. Thou shalt not murder.
7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
8. Thou shalt not steal.
9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house; thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.





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# HAFTARAH

The Haftarah for today is taken from the 42nd Chapter of the  
Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

(42:1-4)

Behold My servant, whom I uphold;

Mine elect, in whom My soul delighteth;

I have put My spirit upon him,

He shall make the right to go forth to the nations.

He shall not cry, nor lift up,

Nor cause his voice to be heard in the street.

A bruised reed shall he not break,

And the dimly burning wick shall he not quench;

He shall make the right to go forth according to the truth.

He shall not fail nor be crushed,

Till he have set the right in the earth;

And the isles shall wait for his teaching.





HAFTARAH

(Isaiah, 42: 5-8)

Thus saith God the Lord,  
He that created the heavens, and stretched them forth,  
He that spread forth the earth and that which cometh out of it,  
He that giveth breath unto the people upon it,  
And spirit to them that walk therein:  
I the Lord have called thee in righteousness,  
And have taken hold of thy hand,  
And kept thee, and set thee for a covenant of the people,  
For a light of the nations;  
To open the blind eyes,  
To bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
And them that sit in darkness out of the prison-house.  
I am the Lord, that is My name;  
And My glory will I not give to another,  
Neither My praise to graven images.



O Lord, our God, we turn to Thee in hope, as did our fathers. May Thy mercy descend upon our people in all their habitations. Extend Thy protection and help unto our brothers who struggle in lands of darkness as victims of oppression and persecution. Fill the hearts of all men with a love of freedom and justice, that tyranny may vanish and the reign of righteousness be established everywhere on earth. Uphold also the hands of our brothers who toil to rebuild Zion. In their pilgrimage among the nations, Thy people have always turned in love to the land where Israel was born, where our prophets taught their imperishable message of justice and brotherhood, and where our psalmists sang their deathless songs of love for Thee and of Thy love for us and all humanity. Ever enshrined in the hearts of Israel was the hope that Zion might be restored, not for their own pride or vainglory, but as a living witness to the truth of Thy word which shall lead the nations to the reign of peace. Grant us strength that with Thy help we may bring a new light to shine upon Zion. Imbue us who live in lands of freedom with a sense of Israel's spiritual unity that we may share joyously in the work of redemption.



FESTIVAL OF SHABUOT

With joy, O our God, we come before Thee in this gladsome season of the year, when nature sings Thy praise, when field and forest, hill and valley proclaim Thy goodness. Yet holier joy fills our hearts as we remember the day of Sinai, when Israel entered into covenant with Thee to become a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

Through the ages Israel has been faithful to Thee. Israel found strength in trouble, light in darkness, hope in adversity, remembering Thy promise: I, the Lord, change not, and ye, O sons of Jacobs, shall not be consumed. In the same faith we hold fast to Thy covenant and renew the vow of our fathers. Grant, O god, that this covenant may be forever sealed upon our hearts as a covenant of life and peace. May Thy spirit which rested upon our fathers and Thy word which Thou didst put into their mouths not depart from us. Grant that the truths revealed to Israel may become the possession of all men, and that the time be not distant when all the children of earth shall recognize Thee as their God and Father. Amen.



RETURNING THE SCROLLS - I

Oh God, our Father and our Protector, we invoke Thy blessings on the House of Israel. Whatever be our portion in the countries of the earth, may we remain true to our heritage. Bestow Thy favor on this blessed land. Prosper our nation in all its industries and its commerce, on land and on sea, so that there may be no want nor scarcity anywhere. Grant that they whom the people have placed in authority may be filled with Thy spirit, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of Thee. May Thy blessing rest upon our free institutions, that this land remain forever the home of liberty. May peace abide within its borders and righteousness among its inhabitants. Be Thou with us now and ever. Help Thou us in all our ways.

Amen.



## RETURNING THE SCROLLS - II

The Bible is the product of the prophetic genius of the people of Israel. It represents Israel's major contribution to mankind. It is a book, not for one age only, but for eternity; not for one people only, but for the whole of mankind.

We who are about to be confirmed will become the bearers of the great traditions of this immortal book. The stream of its inspiration and influence must continue through us. We must therefore learn it and teach it, in order to fulfill the ancient charge: "This Book of the Law shall not depart out of thy mouth, and thou shalt meditate therein day and night."





## RETURNING THE SCROLLS - III

Proudly we lift this Torah aloft - (pause) - Israel is symbol of our faith, our hope and our mission.

"The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; the judgments of the Lord are true; they are righteous altogether. Behold, a good doctrine has been given unto you; forsake it not."

It is a tree of life to them that lay hold of it, and the supporters thereof are happy. Its ways are ways of pleasantness, and all its paths are peace."

and Him alone. Israel worships God's anointed. Israel trusts in God's goodness. Israel seeks to find happiness in a life of goodness. As God is holy, so must we sanctify our lives.

O Lord, our God, how glorious is Thy name in all the earth.



# GOD

"And thou shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might." Israel is united in the worship of God. All our cherished ideals draw their inspiration and strength from our belief in God. God is One. "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One."

Israel gave mankind the worship of one God, and our people have always insisted that God is above any representation. God is pure spirit. God is the Creator of the Universe. If we ascend the heavens or mark the furthestmost parts of the earth, or separate the minutest particle of life, there is God, the all powerful, all pervading, eternal power.

The people of Israel have always served and revered God and Him alone. Israel worships God's majesty. Israel trusts in God's goodness. Israel seeks to find happiness in a life of goodness. As God is holy, so must we sanctify our lives.

O Lord, our God, how glorious is Thy name in all the earth.

Man is the child of God. We enjoy the capacity to achieve greatly. We enjoy the freedom to choose the right and reject the evil. Our lives can be infinitely significant if we wish them so and diligently work to make them so.

Man is the child of God. It is our task to become men of God.



# MAN

Man is the child of God. There is an element of God's spirit in every man. "God created man in His image; in the image of God created He him."

The body is subject to the natural processes of growth and decay. "In the morning we flourish and we grow up. In the evening we are cut down and we wither." What then is the divine element in man? It is our soul. Our creative talents, our conscience, our powers of reason -- these are God-like qualities and place man at the very summit of creation. Thus, the poetry of the psalmist:

"When I behold Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars which Thou hast established; what is man that Thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that Thou thinkest of him?"

"Yet Thou hast made him but little lower than the angels and hast crowned him with glory and honor."

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## ISRAEL

Our ancestors were the first to recognize the existence of the One God, Creator of the Universe and source not only of physical but also of moral law. Consecrated by this vision, Israel undertook a unique responsibility. "Ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."

Israel is God's priest people. Our mission is to make clear the importance of God's teachings to the world. As God's priest people, we must set a high example. The task of religious leadership confers duties, not special favors.

Israel is God's priest people. The glory of our people's history is that our fathers never faltered in their allegiance. Despite persecution and suffering, our leaders championed justice and charity and peace. May their example be our inspiration.

must destroy the barriers of bigotry and misunderstanding that separate the children of the One God. There is no greater or more urgent responsibility than the work of peace.



ONE WORLD

Israel worships the One God, the Father of all men.

Before God all men are equal; in His sight all men are brothers.

Unfortunately, our world is sadly divided by suspicion, discord, and hate. Brother speaks ill of brother. Brother battles brother. It is Israel's hope that men will one day "beat their swords into plowshares" and establish a world rich in peace, where all men enjoy equal justice and opportunity.

This hope will not be realized easily. Greed and violence stalk our world. Willful men rejoice in ill-gotten and ill-used power. There is even talk of a third world war. If our generation is to be saved from such horror, it must turn its mind from thoughts of war and preparation for war, to the work of peace. We must engineer reconciliation between nations and between peoples. We must destroy the barriers of bigotry and misunderstanding that separate the children of the One God. There is no greater or more urgent responsibility than the work of peace.

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## THE SYNAGOGUE

"How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, thy dwelling places, O Israel." In every age it is the synagogue which has given meaning and direction to our communities.

The synagogue was founded during the first exile in Babylonia. The Temple had been destroyed, so in their captivity our ancestors met in improvised places of worship, where they studied the sacred law, listened to the instruction of their teachers and prophets, and offered up their prayers to God.

Today, wherever Jews dwell, even in the most distant places of the earth, synagogues humble or magnificent in style and architecture are to be found. There the prayers of Israel are offered. There the voice of the Rabbi, preaching the word of God, is heard. There all may learn of the faith and moral principles of Judaism, and there the great traditions of our people are conserved.

The synagogue is Israel's religious home. May we encourage its work and wisely return to it throughout our lives for instruction and inspiration.

It is of these qualities that our tradition speaks when it says, "Thou shalt teach them diligently to thy children". May we be diligent in our search for God and the good life.



## THE SCHOOL

"Hear, my son, the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the teaching of thy mother, for they shall be a chaplet of grace upon thy head and a pendant about thy neck." Judaism rejects superstition. Judaism is impatient with ignorance. Judaism insists upon knowledge and understanding. Our people was the first to establish a universal school system where all children, rich and poor alike, might receive instruction. Our faith was to be broad, not blind, obedient to the Will of God and wise in the wisdom of the world.

In our day learning has become largely the province of the public school, the high school and the university. But secular education is not enough. Knowledge must be coupled with character. We need not only learning, which is power, but wisdom, which is control. We need not only truth, which is light, but understanding, which is warmth. We need not only definition, but direction. We need faith and high ideals, integrity and self-restraint, and it is to develop these qualities that religious education is directed. It is of these qualities that our tradition speaks when it says, "Thou shalt teach them diligently to thy children". May we be diligent in our search for God and the good life.



# THE HOME

"Look well to the ways of thy household". Nowhere is the beauty and nobility of Judaism so much in evidence as in the home. The home has been for our people from time immemorial a "Mikdash me-at" -- a small sanctuary. Our homes were to be filled with love and understanding, with purity and with reverence. The father brought to the home knowledge and direction. The mother brought tenderness, and in the home she taught her children fine standards of character and conduct. Here children were trained into a life-long discipline of honor and goodness and charity.

Such a home is an ideal, one to which we must dedicate our lives, for such a home enriches the personalities of its members and is the foundation of a stable, happy society.

Many of the religious customs of our people are intended for the home. Practicing these, the family rejoiced in a united dedication to God. We are conscious that Jewish life cannot be preserved unless the home remains a citadel of dignity and devotion. It will be our responsibility to establish our homes in love and purity.



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## THE ETERNAL PILGRIMAGE

All: I belong to an immortal band, dear and precious to me--consecrated men and women who love freedom, justice, truth and God. Their work inspires my life; their hopes are mine.

(1) With Abraham I stood in lonely, night vigil, gazing at the mighty heavens. I found myself drawn close to the one Creator, God. I read the destiny of my people in the far-scattering stars. With Abraham I built the altar of a patriarch's stern faith and ultimate sacrifice. I learned of faith's power and its sacrificial price.

Barry  
Frankel

(2) I wandered with Moses, an alien prince among an alien people. Unshod, I knelt with him before the vision in the wilderness, and from within the inextinguishable fires of God, I heard a voice summoning to duty and freedom. With Moses I topped Mt. Sinai and stood between the lightning and the cloud while a covenant everlasting of love and law was sealed between my people and my God.

Bonnie  
Goldstein

(3) I stood with Joshua fighting and heard him counsel my people to be strong, always, and of good courage. The land, our land, flowed with milk and honey, but it was prized by many and required to be won.

Arnold  
Greitzer

(4) I heard Samuel encourage my people to win freedom and plead not to reject God by enslaving themselves to a king, "God alone is King." I sympathized with their fear, yet I approved his fearlessness.

Leslie  
Friedland

(5) I listened as the harp of the shepherd king sang the praises of the Most High and found the harmony of faith even in the valley of the shadows. I saw David, great and majestic, yet humble before the righteous wrath of the prophet and before the majesty of the over-arching law of God.

Jim  
Heiser



- (6) I prayed with Solomon in the Temple which he dedicated as a House of Prayer for all peoples, and I learned of a God whom Heaven and the Heaven of Heavens cannot contain, and Whose compassion extends to all, even to the stranger who comes out of a far country.
- Barbara Horovitz
- (7) I marched with the resolute band of prophets who came to destroy old worlds and to build new ones. I shuddered at the wrath of their spirit as they lashed out against oppression and injustice, against false gods and gilded idols, against blind leaders and lying hypocrites.
- Terry Schnell
- (8) I heard their anger, and I knew their love. I was warmed by the prophets' infinite compassion for the weak, the denied, and the wronged. From them I learned the meaning of obligation and the nature of mission, the joy of singing a song to the Lord--a new song--and the hope of a time when none need be afraid.
- Ellen Kaufman
- (9) I wandered with my people by the slow-moving rivers of Babylon, and I heard their oath of deathless loyalty: "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, may my right hand forget her cunning." I entered the humble and improvised synagogues, and I discovered that prayer and devout study are as meaningful and as acceptable to God as the ritual of the Temple. Above each ark, I read the truth that "God is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth."
- Eric Strauss
- (10) I returned from captivity with the rebuilders of Zion. I raised high the walls of Jerusalem. I sat with the sages and scribes who taught the word of God and molded the people's reverence by gathering their wisdom into a timeless book.
- Alice Borstein
- (11) I took to the mountains of Judea, pulling down the heathen altars with the lion-hearted sons of the Maccabees. I rejoiced in the miracle of the single cruse of spiritual oil as it illumined the Temple rededicated to the ever-living God.
- James Fox



(12) I was companion to the gentle Hillel who knew vast law and yet saw all its wisdom capsuled in a single principle of neighborly love. I walked with Akiba, master of law and lore, who knew how to love and be humble, yet how to inspire a revolution, defy an empire, and die a martyr.

Judy  
Fenster

(13) I wandered with my people into the long, dark exile into many lands over which cross and crescent reigned. I walked with them the weary highways; I was with them when they drank the bitter chalice of pain; and

Eddie

Goldstein I rejoiced as they stood staunch and steadfast for the sanctification of God's Name.

(14) The night was long, but in time I saw the night leave and the dawn break. I marched, exalting in a reborn world with a new light of freedom and justice. I heard the shackles break open. I saw the radiance of emancipated minds and hearts rising to bless the world with matchless gifts in every field of human creation.

Dale

Lazar

(15) And then so soon I saw the night descend again and into the dark and the storm my people wandered forth. Pogroms, scourges, the hatred of ambitious men, terror and death overwhelmed them in the days of the world wars; and millions perished. And in my distress I was with them as they called upon the Name of the Lord.

Ronald  
Heiber

(16) Then came a new dawn. The centuries of homeless wandering; the undefeated few rebuild an ancient state. Hundreds of thousands of the storm-tossed and the weary found refuge and a new life. I thrilled as the rededicated sang the songs of reconsecration and confidence.

Marc  
Becker

ALL: I belong to this immortal band, dear and precious to me. Their work inspires my mind. The urgency of their pilgrimage courses through my blood. Have faith, proclaim freedom, establish justice, love thy neighbor, be thou a blessing (softer) be thou a blessing (whisper) be thou a blessing.



Jeff Proger 25

## THE STATE OF ISRAEL

Fourteen years ago the state of Israel was proclaimed by the Jewish people in Palestine. In so doing they fulfilled a resolution of the United Nations, recognizing the right of our people to reestablish its national homeland.

The state of Israel's short history represents a triumph of accomplishment. Over a million displaced and homeless Jews have found there the security of a new life. Parched desert has been made fertile. Pestilential swamps have been drained and made to flower. Rocky hills have been terraced and made more fertile. A prosperous industrial economy has been established in a land which, only a few years ago, knew nothing of the modern age. Fine cultural institutions have added depth and dimension to this new life. A thriving democracy has grown up in Israel and has come of age.

Much has been accomplished; much remains to be done. The state is young, yet in the management of its affairs it evidences a surprising maturity. With God's help and with the help of men of good will the world over, Israel will be established firmly and will continue to promise opportunity to the dispersed and dispossessed.



## THE UNITED NATIONS

The United Nations was born in hope -- in the hope that international organization might replace national rivalry. Created at the end of the Second World War, the United Nations was organized to prevent any further world-wide conflict.

The United Nations was born in hope. Its purpose is well stated in the preamble of its charter:

"We, the peoples of the United Nations, determined to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war ..., to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, to establish conditions under which justice can be maintained, and to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom, have resolved to combine our efforts to accomplish these aims."

The United Nations has brought economic opportunity and medical advance, peace and conciliation to many parts of our world. Unfortunately, the selfish interests of many nations has limited its effectiveness. On many an occasion nations have chosen to bypass and flout its moral authority. Some countries use its assembly not to forge the bonds of peace but to display their propaganda and ill feeling. If our world is to have peace the work of the United Nations must be encouraged, for on its success rest the hopes and dreams of mankind.



## DEMOCRACY

"Justice, justice shalt thou pursue." "Proclaim freedom unto the land." So Israel was commanded. In this spirit, too, was our own America founded. Our Constitution represents a happy wedding of the prophetic command and the democratic spirit.

Many ancient injustices have been righted in our country. Much work has been done to establish man's inalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Yet the work of democracy is not yet complete. There are men who cannot vote. There are occupations in which some may not engage. There are residences where some may not live. We cannot rest content until all barriers of caste and class, family and faith have been broken down. The work of building an even better way of life is a noble enterprise. It is one which commands our support.



## THE PRIVILEGES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF CITIZENSHIP

The American way of life has endowed its citizens with many privileges. Too often we take these privileges for granted, accepting them as our birthright. One has only to look at other governments to realize how precious is our democratic way of life.

Our constitution, with its bill of rights, recognizes that every man and woman possesses certain inalienable rights. It guarantees freedom of thought, freedom of speech, freedom of religion, and the opportunity to elect those who will govern us.

But let us beware of taking these privileges for granted. Every privilege which we possess carries with it certain inherent responsibilities. Our constitution acknowledges these rights, but it cannot enforce them without the will of the people. It is, therefore, our responsibility to recognize the implications of American citizenship. We must be enlightened, courageous, and alert to enforce the principles of democracy. The light of liberty must be guarded by every generation as it rededicates itself to the cause of freedom.



In 1850, forty-seven men and women founded this congregation. They chose as its name "Tifereth Israel"--the Glory of Israel. For over eleven decades, dedicated men and women have worked to establish this dream.

The Temple occupies a proud place in our community. Under its guidance many a good cause has been successfully championed. The Temple has assumed a pre-eminent place in the national councils of our faith. Its principles and programs have helped to shape and mold the direction of Jewish life.

The Temple stands high in the hearts of our community. Equally it is dear to the hearts of our congregation. In this sanctuary God has truly been worshipped in the beauty of holiness. In these halls the richness of our heritage has been related to the challenges of modern life. In the school the best of our teachings has been transmitted to each new generation. In moments of sadness and in moments of joy, The Temple has been intimate to the many men and women who form its family.

Reverently and humbly we take our place as loyal sons and daughters of Tifereth Israel, conscious of the glorious heritage and determined to continue it.



AMERICA

God built Him a continent of glory and filled it with treasures untold;  
He carpeted it with soft-rolling prairies and columned it with thundering  
mountains;

He studded it with sweet-flowing fountains and traced it with long-winding  
streams;

He planted it with deep-shadowed forests, and filled them with song.

Then He called unto a thousand peoples and summoned the bravest among them.  
They came from the ends of the earth, each bearing a gift and a hope.  
The glow of adventure was in their eyes, and in their hearts the glory of  
hope.

And out of the bounty of earth and the labor of men,  
Out of the longing of hearts and the prayer of souls,  
Out of the memory of ages and hopes of the world,  
God fashioned a nation in love, blessed it with a purpose sublime -  
And called it AMERICA!



CLOSING PRAYER

O Lord, our God, as these sacred exercises draw to a close there is gratitude in our hearts for this hour's beauty and meaning. We have drawn close to Thee and we will carry that closeness throughout our lives.

We pray, O Lord, for the well-being of our parents. Grant them long life and happiness. May our lives reward them in some small measure for the unfailing love and the many sacrifices which they have bestowed upon us.

We pray, O Lord, for Thy continuing guidance. Guard us from whatever dangers may beset our way. Grant us strength, courageously to meet the challenges of life. Enlighten our understanding, that we do not stray from the right path. Grant us Thy protection and Thy blessing, that we may find happiness in our lives and through our lives bring credit to our parents, our faith, and to Thee. Amen.

(Choir sings "Amen".)

Let us, members of this class, rise together - (pause while class rises) - and in the presence of God and the Congregation of Israel, pronounce our Declaration of Faith.

I consecrate my life to the religion of Israel -  
With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my might,  
I will strive to further the holy purposes of Judaism.  
Unto the end of my life, Israel's watchword shall be my guide.  
Sh'ma Yisroel Adonoi Eloheinu Adonoi Echod.  
Hear, O Israel, the Lord, our God, the Lord is One.



## THE TEMPLE

East 105th & Silver Park

BLESSED, O BLESSED

Blessed, O blessed  
Moment most holy,  
Leading the lowly  
Youth to the Lord.

Sweet are the lessons  
Of this hour's story  
Ne'er may its glory  
Fade from our minds.

Blessed, O blessed  
Moment most holy,  
Leading the lowly  
Youth to the Lord.

LORD WHAT OFF'RING SHALL  
WE BRING?

Lord, what off'ring shall we bring  
At Thine altar when we bow?  
Hearts,—the pure unsullied spring  
Whence the kind affections flow.

Willing hands to lead the blind,  
Heal the wounded, feed the poor;  
Love, embracing all mankind;  
Charity, with lib'ral store.

Teach us, O Thou heavenly King,  
Thus to show our grateful mind,  
This accepted off'ring bring;  
Love to Thee and all mankind.

FATHER, SEE THY SUPPLIANT  
CHILDREN

Father, see Thy suppliant children  
Trembling stand before Thy throne,  
To confirm the vow of Sinai,  
We will serve the Lord alone.

Now that we have studied Thy Torah,  
May its laws eternally  
Guide our thoughts and thus make  
our actions  
Be acceptable unto Thee.

Thou shalt love the Lord, thy Father,  
With thy heart and soul and might,  
Let Him only be thy Guardian  
To guide thy footsteps by day and  
by night.

As we reach this confirmation  
Of our faith in Israel's past,  
May the message of this service  
Be the treasure we hold fast.

Father, hear the vow we offer  
Of our loyalty to Thee,  
May these words we speak have meaning  
That our lives a blessing be.

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

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With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my might,  
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## BLESSINGS AND COMMANDMENTS

Leader: Bor-chu es Adonoi hamvoroch

Praise ye, the Lord, to Whom all praise is due.

Class: Boruch Adonoi Hamvoroch l'o-lom voed.

Praised be the Lord to Whom all praise is due forever  
and ever.

Leader: Boruch atto Adonoi Eloheinu Melech ho-o-lom, asher

bocher bonu mikkol ho-am-mim, v'no-san lonu es toroso.

Boruch atto Adonoi nosan hat-to-ro

Class: Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world

Who has chosen us from among all peoples and hast

given us thy law. Praised be Thou, O Lord, Giver of  
the Law.

### TEN COMMANDMENTS IN HEBREW

Leader: Boruch atto Adonoi Eloheinu, melech ho-o-lom, asher

nosan lonu toras em-es v'chaye olom not b'so-che-nu,

boruch atto Adonoi nosan hatoro.

Class: Praised be Thou, Lord our God, Ruler of the world,

Who hast given us a law of truth and hast implanted

eternal life within us. Praised be Thou, O Lord,

Giver of the Law.



How might you describe the service: beauty, variety, depth - ~~also~~  
as adjectives. But going to read. I found myself the more fully that the  
service had much in common with a grand morning assembly - Each moment  
was sacred - The Proclamation - The Tenth Decree - The Brief History  
of France - but each was intended to be instructive - The whole assembly of  
the service points to the coming of confession - Each segment explains its  
meaning in order to be understood.

Given in coming of this confession you must rise to be bold & before that  
blame, you must speak the simple formula of confession:

I consecrate my life to the religion of Israel  
With all my heart, mind, all my soul, and all my might  
I will strive to fulfill the holy purposes of Judaism.

Since your promise - There are only words, of course, making more -  
~~nothing~~ be learned of the top of the law - a meaningful result - to  
you of peace or forgiveness - on the way can be tried and you heard - the  
anxious promise of an intended pledge - removing anxiety &  
seriously intended. Knowing you - in a humble pledge to know you - then  
part renewed you & to be believe that you shall be a good friend -  
But know you - in a pledge - I can be believe that these in decisions need  
renewal -

This is not to be stated - instructive happens a new new day &  
an - you - in the stated - rule - perhaps a new child &  
an married I'll you in Temple - shall it is - promise  
of certain decisions - the pledge shall contain nothing - the promise  
of certain personal standards - now & on day - you have -

I consecrate my life to the religion of Israel;



What do you mean? You mean just go to guide your activity  
center student of character & conscience. You have descent judgment  
in little else of moment. You renewed the principle conscience  
of just to be just, to love mercy, to unceasingly seek - The  
members on every - police - but no suggest any as difficult to do.

Let me be specific: The Constitution is left as to be self conscience. -  
The call for oneself not to lead and unyielding values. The  
adult community has it strong will is strong attitude  
toward honor and generosity - You will hear often - 'Don't be  
so straight laced - make your money the big way - because  
good time -

It is easy to compromise principle

It is easy to reluctantly selfishness

There is nothing and in left - the one ever under principle is  
not never told - make it and tempted to do as some  
say the way of question show - no will but have seen  
some will spoke to confusion never precisely will struck  
easy & more imposed to the confusion & challenge of life -

~~To be just - to spend and be with  
to and out the large fraction  
to conscience as others will lead  
to struggle unimportant low  
to accept the revelation of justice is no easy task~~

to love



I consecrate my life to the religion of Israel

Soon you will speak your words - say as you should of affirmation - your  
confirmation of faith - The words are, of course, no more than a memory of  
promise - But all these phrases they can be spoken since we live in  
truth - endless - from the beginning of the world -

I consecrate my life to the religion of Israel

What do you promise? You promise faith of love of certain values of  
character & conscience - We call these ethical principles - The  
principle involved here is being good, being true, & being kind  
and just - By consecrating yourself to the religion of Israel, you promise to  
make a code of law & honor - of kindness & respect for others - of  
civil conversation with all your life

You will find as you grow older that these are the most valuable and useful  
accomplishments may make your life and help you live with others in peace and harmony  
for the best interests of all people and the world at large and the future of our race  
again with a good intention in your mind to see that you are not in any way in any way  
of the world and there are many ways in which you will be able to live with others in peace and harmony  
just as the world is and there will be all kinds of friendships and good people and peace and harmony  
and as an expression of life as the most valuable and useful and valuable and valuable  
character and morality

It is a right to improve oneself

It is a right to attain self-fulfillment

It is a right to become familiar with ourselves and our own  
purpose -

To-day as you stand you know you promise to stand as

standing and as given and as upheld life - You do not say no



do me work 'I will never be unkind - I will never be cruel - You  
will - To love is to make mistakes, to misjudge, to be cruel - but would  
you do precisely so to keep always <sup>before</sup> you the ~~image of~~ <sup>image of</sup> ~~your~~ <sup>your</sup>  
ideal our people conceived at least 4 millions ago.

I have made my life to be a reflection of Jesus

What do you propose? You mean to describe you best, your talent  
of hands, mind - judgment and so on - and - on a ~~man~~ <sup>man</sup> for  
being - on an admission of your own qualifications, by under men  
be much needed & so under as it be made suitable, proper,  
or free.

2. You - whether you have been told by some religious leader that  
leaving that synagogue is a place of safety or a matter of security -  
That is not a safe place - a safe place - a safe place - a safe place -  
safe place to members.

Total ~~value~~ <sup>cost</sup> - means full & present - value being - P.O.  
to give the ~~cost~~ <sup>value</sup> and, least & be equal to expenditure as known  
P.O. to be equal to the expenditure & present of ~~cost~~ <sup>value</sup> must be  
known based on ~~expenditure~~ <sup>value</sup>, ~~present~~ <sup>value</sup> ~~value~~ <sup>value</sup> based  
against the ~~value~~ <sup>cost</sup> of the ~~cost~~ <sup>value</sup>

+ real main play - all day for just a few of the - it is  
 dressed like a ~~child~~ - The intention to see, awake from  
awake is a really unusual in our go with a figure  
 number, 000

OK Order deep, 020 minutes on minutes, 020  
minutes on minutes. To be corrected again you will  
 be well referred. To be corrected again you will have  
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of our life - you must know the rules & be guided.

With everything coming to a head, no more holidays, no more the wonder  
into a public library & seeing the scene of your house - more  
books, publications in a small room now under the roof of a  
lecture - but the scene is not pleasant as far as being receptive  
& permitted - as the knowledge that the world is unchangeable  
fast law of unchangeable in that the scene is not  
adjusted to the environment as we are permitted - That the  
mind alone permits us to adjust - That experience is a  
kind of experience and opportunities.

2 words to the life & the religion of Israel -

What do you promise? You promise to love your best world  
where you will you should be permitted of being of Israel -  
Faith is based on rules of law of God & loyalty to other rules  
show your faith & faith

Separate not away from the community - as a part of  
our people - Faith is to build - social institutions -  
unique institutions - that all need & God cannot  
be built on - Faith is to build - life is a world of  
- build - Many law & rules but under law goes other -  
ready help.

Separate not away from the community - it is a part of  
your - Faith is to build - faith is to build  
on a public - m



These promises can & ought to be extended - Your country -  
Your home, as well, as family of all your kind - Do  
not be one who live in but a net - helpful days of  
your life - Be of the same kind - Conscience of person  
gives life to the meeting from with all who will be there  
the bridge of possibilities, the will of power, the bridge of  
hopes & dreams, the will of power & purpose & freedom

I understand you to be religious & moral

Would you agree? You promise to send your best &  
to be loyal to him. Just as not a religion of man but  
of man and his world - as well as the world as it is  
presently is

There must be unity in your life - unity of purpose -  
The unity of purpose is the unity of purpose - unity of purpose is the unity of purpose -  
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You must not always be certain - no one is not perfect -  
It is the will of God not to be perfect of God  
in the world as it is now - Perfection  
is the will of God not to be perfect of God



And as the demand for your committee is so great we  
must - first of all - set up a committee - and then - make  
arrangements for the family which is the object of the -

