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ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE TO FEATURE OUTSTANDING JEWISH AUTHOR

Thanksgiving Day is always a noteworthy occasion for Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun. Our annual service, held in the Main Sanctuary, provides a beautiful blend of American and Jewish traditions which are most appropriate for this American festival.

This year the day will be exceptionally noteworthy by virtue of the presence in our midst of the outstanding Jewish author and commentator, Elie Wiesel. Mr. Wiesel will deliver the annual Thanksgiving Day address from the pulpit of our Main Synagogue on the subject: "Jewry and Judaism — Today and Tomorrow."

Mr. Wiesel is the author of seven works of fiction and non-fiction. He has won numerous national and international awards for his writing. One belletrist wrote about him that he "is a writer on a plane almost entirely uninhabited except by him."

Elie Wiesel is also a frequent contributor to the Jewish Daily Forward and to the Israel newspaper, Yediot Achronot, where his comments on the Jewish scene are read by a wide and fervent audience. His outstanding contribution to Jewish life has been "The Jews of Silence" a personal report on the plight and tragedy of Soviet Jewry.

It is truly a privilege for Kehilath Jeshurun to host this outstanding man of letters whose soft and sensitive voice communicates words that are frequently unforgettable.

A cordial invitation is extended to all our readers to join us on Thanksgiving Day morning in paying tribute to a giant on the world Jewish scene and simultaneously to listen to his message.

CONGREGATION KEHILATH JESHURUN

cordially invites you and your friends
to attend its annual

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER TWENTY EIGHTH

Nineteen Hundred and Sixty-Eight at 11 A.M.

In The Main Synagogue

117 East 85th Street, New York City

Guest Speaker

ELIE WIESEL

Topic: JEWRY AND JUDAISM — TODAY AND TOMORROW

Music by the Seymour Silbermintz Choir

A SPECIAL REQUEST THIS YEAR

Members of the congregation have received Chanukah candles in the mail through the auspices of the Kehilath Jeshurun Benevolent Fund. It is proper that a contribution be made in consideration of these candles.

This year there is a special reason for contributing. We are in a position, through the Benevolent Fund, to furnish badly needed religious supplies, such as prayer books, for Soviet Jewry. One organization has obtained permission to import these supplies

into the Soviet Union. Money is all that is needed right now. Please, therefore, be generous and be prompt.

Candles to Collegiates out-of-Town

We will be more than happy to send Chanukah candles to our college students out-of-town, wherever they may be located. All we need is the information concerning their whereabouts. Please send that information to the synagogue office without delay. We will take care of the rest.

**RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SATURDAY AT 11:00 A.M.
"JACOB AND ESAU—CONTRASTS THAT LEAD TO CONFLICTS"**

THE WEEKLY PORTION

Toledot

"Sensuality and Spirituality"

"And the children struggled within her." With these words, our portion for this week describes the difficult confinement of Rebecca prior to her giving birth to Jacob and Esau. Rashi observes that these words literally "cry out for homiletical interpretation." The medical evaluation of the case could not have been of much interest to the Torah. Clearly, there is a significant spiritual lesson to be derived.

Whatever the historical facts concerning Esau and Jacob may have been, the struggle between them is one which rages *within every human personality*. The twins here represent two extremes which rival each other for supremacy within the human soul. "And one force shall prevail over the other;" in this battle there is no compromise settlement. One of the forces is victorious while the other is defeated.

The nature of these forces was identified for us by Isaac when, perplexed by Jacob's words in the birthrite episode, he said: "The voice is that of Jacob while the hands are those of Esau." It is this dualism of hands and voice which represents the struggle within the human personality.

Esau represents the hands, the external and physical experience. He yearned for the sensual thrill, the exciting aesthetic experience, the drama of the hunt, the satisfaction over "a kill." If this sounds extreme, Esau was, of course, an extremist by the Biblical account. He even sold his birthrite for a sensually satisfying mess of pottage after a day of vigorous physical activity.

Jacob, on the other hand, represents in his formative years the other extreme. Jacob is the "ish tam" — the man of conscience and simple spiritual virtues. "The voice is the voice of Jacob." The symbol for Jacob is the voice, that which comes from within, from the mind and the heart. Jacob represents moral perfection — his misrepresentation to his father was done only upon his mother's insistence. Jacob is the "dweller in tents," the student, the scholar, the philosopher who

CALLING ALL LADIES !!!

THE KEHILATH JESHURUN SISTERHOOD

cordially invites you and your friends to a

LECTURE AND GUIDED TOUR

of the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue

led by Rabbi Harris Guedalia

Date: **Monday, November 25th**

Time: **1:00 P.M.**

Place: **8 West 70th Street**

Come for a memorable and informative afternoon

FATHER AND SON MINYAN

Third Service

Sunday, November 24th, at 9:30

Cantors

Douglas Zippel

Allan Friedman

Norman Chideckel

Joseph Low

Breakfast Sponsor

Eugene Alpert

reflects and who is sensitive about ideas and about people.

These two extreme patterns of behavior reflect entirely different levels of thought and they are worlds apart in values. According to our sages, "Esau establishes princships or presidencies; Jacob produces prophets, professors and priests. The one cherishes politics and power. The other is immersed in truth and morality. The one charms the old, sightless and enfeebled Isaac; the other is appreciated by a bright and sensitive Rebecca.

Both of these forces strive for supremacy within each human being. In this struggle one will emerge supreme. They will both be manifested but one will clearly be dominant. Either the sensual drives of man will stifle the soul's creative capacity, or the spirituality of the soul will refine and elevate the physical dimension of man's life.

Our sages put it this way: "Rome and Jerusalem can never exist as equals. One will always be dominant. So in every man, either the voice of Jacob or the hands of Esau will prevail. Which shall it be for us?"

H. L.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION

Due to the unavailability of space, we did not have an opportunity to announce the participants in last Sabbath's service.

The cantors were:

Robert Riederman

Alex Okun

Jeffrey Haber

The sermonette was delivered by Richard Deutsch. The Torah reader was Douglas Zippel.

The participants in this coming Sabbath's service will be as follows: The cantors will be:

Henry Zimet

Kenneth Barany

Peter Kassover

The sermonette will be delivered by Joel Moskowitz. The Torah reader will be Samuel Friedman.

The Officers elected for the month of Kislev are:

PresidentKenneth Barany
Vice PresidentJonathan Medwin
GabbaiDaniel Fink
HostessDina Markson

SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH HOSTESSES

Saturday, November 23rd

Mrs. Albert H. Bernstein

Mrs. Arthur T. Bernstein

Mrs. Florence Cooper

Mrs. Joseph Perlman

Mrs. George Jacobs

Mrs. Haskel Lookstein

**RONALD WARREN DEUTSCH
BAR MITZVAH**



We extend a hearty Mazel Tov to our devoted member, Mrs. Doris J. Deutsch, upon the Bar Mitzvah of her son Ronald. Special congratulations also to the proud grandmother of the Bar Mitzvah, Mrs. Joseph S. Greenberg.

Ronald, a student in Form II at the Ramaz Upper School, is an alumnus of our Junior Congregation, an active member of the Father and Son Minyan and a loyal member of Boy Scout Troop 613. He will read the entire Torah portion and Prophetic reading at our regular service this coming Sabbath.

The congregation will be the guests of the Bar Mitzvah family at kiddush following the services.

— REMINDER —

Sunday evening, December 8th, is the Annual Chanukah Dinner of Yeshiva University. It will be held at the Waldorf-Astoria.

The highlight of the affair from the point of view of Kehilath Jeshurun members, will be the presentations made to the guests of honor. Two of the guests are stalwart and honored sons of our congregation, Samuel A. Marcus and Hermann Merkin.

We invite the members of the congregation to join their friends in honoring these two fine Jewish gentlemen. Tickets for the dinner are moderately priced at \$20.00 per person and may be obtained by calling the synagogue office.

PLEASE NOTE

This Bulletin covers a two week period. Kindly retain it for reference until our next issue which is scheduled to appear on Friday, December 6th.

You and Your Family are cordially invited
to worship with us on

COLLEGIATE SABBATH

which will take place on

Saturday morning, November 30th, at 9:00 A.M.

The following young adults of the congregation will read the Torah on that Sabbath:

Steven Davenport
Richard Etra
Steven Gross
Aaron Hostyk
David Kahn
Steven Lorch
Martin Rosenberg
Steven Schacter

A special Kiddush in honor of our homecoming students will be held following services.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Week of November 23-29

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Meyer A. Gross, Mrs. Max Sadinoff, Mrs. Joseph Schlang.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Max Dattner, Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Kalischer, Mr. and Mrs. Hermann Merkin, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Perlman, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Schimel and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott W. Siegel.

Week of Nov. 30th — Dec. 6th

Birthdays—

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. John Addison, Mrs. Joseph Aizer, Sidney A. Block, Max Dattner, Mrs. Leo Davenport, Mrs. Theodore R. Fink, Mrs. Jacob Freezer, A. Phillip Gold-

smith, Benjamin Gottesman, Mrs. Benjamin Gottesman, Mrs. Joseph Grossman, Mrs. Joseph Hostyk, Mrs. Bernard Podell, Mrs. Max Scheidt, Mrs. Meyer Shapiro, Herman Smilow, Dr. Judah Zizmor.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Dr. and Mrs. Irwin Chabon, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Greenberg and Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Levy.

Births—

Hearty congratulations to Dr. Max Som who last week became the grandfather of a little baby girl. Dr. Som's first grandchild, Jamie Elizabeth, was born to Dr. and Mrs. Peter Som. May the blessed arrival bring much happiness to the family.

HEADLINES OF JEWISH INTEREST

How Israel Carried Out the Commando Raid

In a recent issue, the London Daily Telegraph reported in a copyrighted story from Paris that Israel used helicopters, jeeps and three small naval craft to carry out its recent surprise commando raid into Egypt.

According to the report, a small Israeli naval vessel left Eilat on the Gulf of Aqaba, ostensibly for routine patrol duties. But she carried a helicopter on deck under a camouflage tarpaulin and six parachutists in her hold, all unseen by observers in the neighboring Jordanian port of Aqaba. The vessel proceeded down the Gulf of Aqaba, rounded the Sinai peninsula and sailed close to the west shores of the Red Sea to test Egyptian radar, the Telegraph's story said.

There was no response from Egyptian shore batteries or aircraft and the first ship was joined Thursday evening by two others from Sharm el Sheikh, also carrying helicopters. The latter took off under cover of darkness and flew at low altitudes to avoid radar detection. Each helicopter carried a jeep and four commandos. One went to the Quena Bridge and another to the Naj Hammadi power station where watchmen were overpowered and plastic explosives and fuses laid. The jeeps then returned to the helicopters and the commandos were safely carried home after cutting down telephone lines in the Nile Valley, the story said.

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Elgin Shulsky Treasurer
Irwin Shapiro Secretary
Mrs. Leon A. Feldman Pres., Sist.
Martin R. Rochlin Pres. Men's Club

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Week of November 22

FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles 4:15
Evening 4:20

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15
Pre-School Service
Dining Hall 11:00

Weekly Portion: Toledot

Genesis 25:19 - 28:9

Haftarah: Malachi 1:1 - 2:7

Evening 4:20
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:05

Week of November 29

FRIDAY

Lighting of Candles 4:10
Evening 4:20

SATURDAY

Morning 9:00
Junior Congregation 10:15
Pre-School Service
Dining Hall 11:00

Weekly Portion: Vayetze

Genesis 28:10 - 32:3

Haftarah: Hosea 12:13 - 14:10

Evening 4:20
Conclusion of Sabbath 5:00

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning 7:30
Sunday Morning 8:30
Father and Son Minyan 9:30
Evening 4:20

Yahrzeits

November

23-SARA SPILKY
23-HARRY HERSKOWITZ
23-HERMAN ENGEL
24-MORRIS BRANDMAN
24-MILDRED JEAN LITWINS
24-SARAH LAX
24-BERTHA BARANY
25-KATHERINE MORRIS
25-MORRIS ZUCKERMAN
25-MORRIS GARFINKEL
25-DAVID M. ALPERT
26-NATHAN HUTKOFF
26-LOUIS LIPPOFF
26-ABRAHAM M. MANN
27-SAMUEL KLEIN
27-SAMUEL LEWIS JR.
27-RIVKA CHODOS
27-CHARLES MILLER
28-FLORENCE LAYE
28-MARGARETE COHN
28-ANNA PROPP
29-SOLOMON BERK
29-MAURICE BRETZFIELD
29-NATHAN ANDREWS
29-HERMAN CUKOR
30-HERBERT KLEIN
30-SAMUEL PALLEY
30-ALBERT ROTHENSTEIN

December

2-JULIUS GOLDSTEIN
2-SADIE MARX
2-SAMUEL SPENCER
2-PHILIP DERSHOWITZ
3-ESTHER GOODMAN
3-IGNATZ SCHLINGER
3-HENRY L. HIMMELSTEIN
4-LEONTINE SCHALL
4-MEYER STEINBERG
4-GITA REM
4-MOSES KINZLER
4-ISAAC GUTMAN
5-HANNA GROSSMAN
5-SARAH KATZ
5-ISIDORE HEIMOWITZ
6-CELIA PERLOW
6-ABRAHAM LOUIS MILLER
6-LOUIS HEFTER
6-LEAH GREENBERG
6-BERTHA DEUTSCH

K. J. CALENDAR

Saturday Night, November 23rd
Men's Club Theatre Party

Monday, November 25th
Sisterhood Lecture and Tour at
Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue

Thursday, November 28th
Thanksgiving Day Service

Saturday, November 30th
Collegiate Sabbath

Saturday Night, December 14th
Sisterhood Movie Night
"THE LION IN WINTER"

Saturday Night, December 21st
Couples Club Slide Show
and Commentary

K. J. ADULT INSTITUTE SCHEDULE OF COURSES

Monday

11:00 A.M.

Studies In Judaism

8:30 P.M.

Talmud Class

Wednesday

8:00 P.M.

Elementary Hebrew

Biblical Literature

9:00 P.M.

Maimonides Code

Thursday

7:30 P.M.

Collegiate Seminar

(No classes Wednesday, November 27th or Thursday, November 28th.)

RIVERSIDE MEMORIAL

CHAPEL

CARL GROSSBERG, Director

76th ST. & AMSTERDAM AVE.

ENdicott 2-6600

THE JEWRY BOX

Served During Week of
November 17-22

Eugene Alpert
William Lebowitz
Dr. H. Harold Gelfand

Will Serve During Week of
November 24-29

Max Reiss
Joseph Waltuch
Jacob Avner
Michael M. Barany

Will Serve During Week of
December 1-6

Milton Berkowitz
Hyman I. Bucher
Adolph Citron
Dr. Eli Goldstein
Meir Goldstein

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to maintain the
Daily Minyan.