Congregation Emanu-El

of the City of New York

Founded 1845

September 18-19, 2015
6 Tishrei 5776
Torah Portion: Vayeilech
Worship Services

Sunday – Thursday
Daily Service-5:30pm
Marvin & Elisabeth Cassell
Community House
One East 65th Street

Friday Evening
Organ Prelude-5:45pm
Service Begins-6pm
Main Sanctuary
5th Avenue at 65th Street

Saturday Morning
Torah Study-9:15am
Rabbinic Intern
Toba Strauss Schaller
Sixth Floor Lounge
One East 65th Street

Saturday Morning
Organ Prelude-10:15am
Service Begins-10:30am
Main Sanctuary
5th Avenue at 65th Street

Friday Evening Service

Daniel Beckwith, Organist

Candle Blessing	A. W. Binder, arr. Charles Davidson
Tov Lehodot (from Psalm 92)	Max Spicker
Bar'chu/Sh'ma	HHD Traditional, arr. Lewandowski/Binder
Mi Chamocho	HHD Traditional, arr. Binder
V'sham'ru	Max Janowski
Adonai, S'fatai Tiftach	Traditional
Mi Shebeirach	Debbie Friedman
May the Words	Janowski/William Sharlin
Shalom Rav	Ben Steinberg
Adoration/Va'anachnu	Sharlin
Hashiveinu	Traditional Round
Kiddush	Moshe Ganchoff, arr. Morris Barash
All the World (Union Hymnal, p. 64)	Binder, English trans. Israel Zangwill

Saturday Morning Service

Ma Tovu	Louis Lewandowski
Bar'chu/Sh'ma	Heinrich Schalit
Mi Chamocha	A. W. Binder, arr. Charles Davidson
Adonai, S'fatai Tiftach	Traditional
K'dushah	Bonia Shur
R'tzei	Stephen Richards
Yih'yu L'ratzon	Mark Rehnstrom
S'u Sh'arim/Sh'ma/L'cha Adonoi/Al Sh'losha D'varim	Max Janowski, arr. Lori Corrsin/Ben Steinberg
Gad'lu/Hodo Al Eretz	Janowski, arr. Corrsin
Etz Chayim	Janowski
Zacharti Lach	Lewandowski, ed. Joshua Jacobson
Va'anachnu/On That Day	Lazare Saminsky
Hashiveinu	Binder
Ein Keloheinu	arr. Matthew Lazar/adapted Steve Cohen

Music and Text

Zochreinu Lachayim
Zochreinu lachayim,
melech chafeitz bachayim,
vechotveinu besefer hachayim
lema'ancha Elohim chayim.

Remember us for life,
King of desire of life,
and inscribe us in the book of life
for Your sake, God of life.

Mi Shebeirach
Mi shebeirach avoteinu m'kor habracha l'imoteinu. May the source of strength, who blessed the ones before us, help us find the courage to make our lives a blessing, and let us say, amen. Mi shebeirach imoteinu m'kor habracha l'avoteinu. Bless those in need of healing with r'fua sh'leima the renewal of body, the renewal of spirit, and let us say, amen.

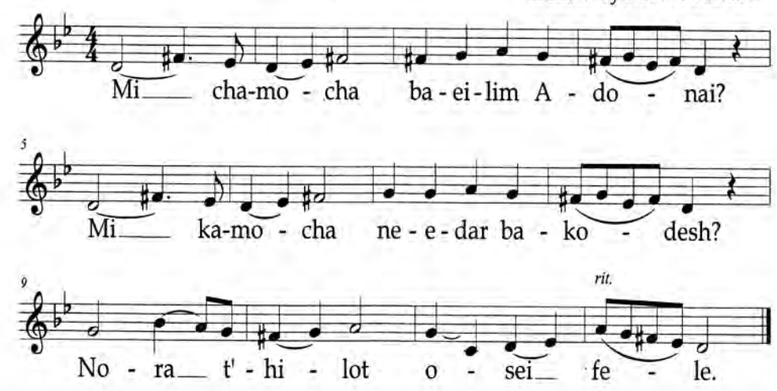
All the World
All the world shall come to serve Thee, and bless Thy glorious name, and Thy righteousness triumphant the islands shall acclaim. Yea, the peoples shall go seeking, who knew Thee not before, and the ends of earth shall praise Thee, and tell thy greatness o'er.

They shall build for Thee their altars, their idols over-thrown, and their graven gods shall shame them as they turn to Thee alone. They shall worship Thee at sunrise and feel Thy kingdom's might and impart Thy understanding, to those astray in night.

With the coming of Thy kingdom the hills will shout with song, and the islands laugh exultant, that they to God belong. And through all Thy congregations, so loud Thy praise shall ring, that the utmost peoples, hearing, shall hail Thee crowned King.

Mi Chamocha

Music by: A. W. Binder

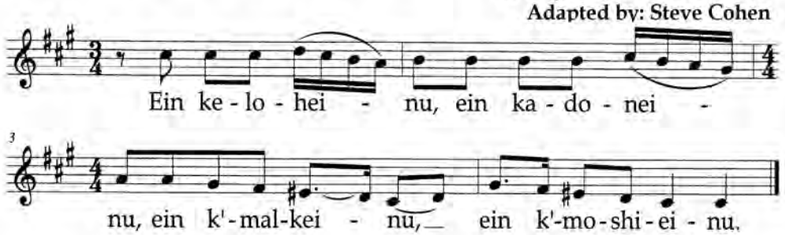


Ein Keloheinu Refrain

Adapted from the Sephardic Melody, "Cuando El Rey Nimrod"

Arranged by: Matthew Lazar

Adapted by: Steve Cohen



For the Ten Days of Repentance

Holy and awesome God, we stand in Your presence filled with regret for our many sins and failings. Though there is greatness in us, and a deep longing for goodness, we have often denied our better selves and refused to hear Your voice within us calling us to rise to the full height of our humanity. For there is weakness in us, as well as strength. At times we choose to walk in darkness, our vision obscured. We do not care to look within, and we are unwilling to look beyond at those who need our help. O God, we are too weak to walk unaided. Be with us as a strong and wise Friend, and teach us to walk by the light of Your truth. When heavy burdens oppress us, and our spirits grow faint, and the gloom of failure settles upon us, help us to see through the darkness to the light beyond.

To You, O God, we turn for light; turn to us and help us.

When we come to doubt the value of life because suffering blinds us to life's goodness, give us the understanding to bear pain without despair.

To You, we turn for understanding; turn to us and help us.

When we are tempted to suppress the voice of conscience, to call evil good and good evil, turn our hearts to the rights of others, and make us more responsive to their needs.

To You, we turn for guidance; turn to us and help us.

And when we become immersed in material cares and worldly pleasures, forgetting You, may we find that all things bear witness to You, O God, and let them lead us back into Your presence.

To You, we turn for meaning; turn to us and help us.

The Eternal, the Eternal God is merciful and gracious, endlessly patient, loving, and true, showing mercy to thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin, and granting pardon.

Shabbat Shuvah 5776

1. *Shuvah Yisrael*, **Return**, O Israel, to Adonai your God, for you have fallen because of your sin.[1]

Yashuv yirachamenu, God will take us back in love.[2]

2. Israel of Rhizin possessed [a] quality that made him [especially] appealing to his people: a sense of humor.

A man once said to him: "Rebbe, I so wish to repent, but I don't know what to do."

The Rhiziner Rebbe answered: "And to sin, you knew what to do?"

"Yes, but that was easy. First I sinned, then I knew."

"Exactly. Now do the same the other way around. Start by repenting: You'll know later."[3]

3. They asked Rabbi Baruch: "Why do we say, 'Blessed be the One who spoke and the world existed' and not, 'Blessed be the One who created the world'?"

He replied: "We praise God because he created our world with the word, and not with the thought....God judges the *tzaddikim* (those who are without sin) for an evil thought they nurse within them. But how could the rank and file of the people survive if God were to judge them in this way, and not – as God does – only for an evil thought they have expressed in words."[4]

4. Rabbi Leib, son of Sarah, said: "I did not go to the *Maggid* in order to hear Torah from him, but to see how he unlaces his shoes and laces them up again."[5]

5. The *Maggid* of *Mezeritch* said: Nothing in the world can change from one reality into another, unless it first turns into nothing, that is, into the reality of the between stage. In that stage it is nothing and no one can grasp it, for it has reached the rung of nothingness, just as before creation. And then it is made into a new creature, from the egg to the chick. The moment when the egg is no more and the chick is not yet, is nothingness. And philosophy terms this the primal state which no one can grasp because it is a force which precedes creation; it is called chaos. It is the same with the sprouting seed. It does not begin to sprout until the seed disintegrates in the earth and the quality of seed-dom is destroyed in order that it may attain nothingness which is the rung before creation. And this rung is called wisdom, that is to say, a thought which cannot be made manifest. Then this thought gives rise to creation, as it is written: "In wisdom hast thou made them all."[6]

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[1] Hosea 14:2.
[2] Micah 7:19.
[3] Elie Wiesel, *Souls on Fire*, p. 153
[4] Martin Buber, *Tales of the Hasidim; The Early Masters*, p. 89
[5] Martin Buber, *Tales of the Hasidim; The Early Masters*, p. 107
[6] Martin Buber, *Tales of the Hasidim; The Early Masters*, p. 104

High Holy Days 5776

Eve of Yom Kippur
Kol Nidre: Tuesday, September 22

5:30PM - *Shir Chadash*
Prayer service featuring participatory music and contemporary liturgy. For adults; children welcome.
Lowenstein Sanctuary (Tickets upon request; open seating)

8PM - Evening Service
Fifth Avenue Sanctuary & Lowenstein Sanctuary
(Reserved seating, both locations)

Yom Kippur Day
Wednesday, September 23

9AM - Pre-Readers Service
A brief, introductory service for toddlers through kindergarten students and their parents.
Greenwald Chapel (Tickets upon request)

9:45AM - Morning Service
Fifth Avenue Sanctuary & Lowenstein Sanctuary
(Reserved seating, both locations)

12:30PM - Yom Kippur Study Session
(Various locations, no reservation required)

12:30PM - Teen Service
A service for our teens; teen friends and parents welcome.
Beth-El Chapel (No tickets required)

2:00PM - Family Worship Service
A service for Religious School-age families and their guests, followed by a family museum visit.
Fifth Avenue Sanctuary (Tickets upon request, open seating)

2:15PM - Avodah Service
Lowenstein Sanctuary (No tickets required)

3:30PM - Afternoon Memorial and Neilah Services
Fifth Avenue Sanctuary & Lowenstein Sanctuary
(Reserved seating, both locations)

Joshua M. Davidson, Senior Rabbi
Amy B. Ehrlich, Rabbi
Allison H. Tick, Assistant Rabbi
Lance D. Rhodes, Interim Cantor
Dr. Ronald B. Sobel, Senior Rabbi Emeritus
Dr. David M. Posner, Senior Rabbi Emeritus
Lori A. Corrsin, Cantor Emerita
Stephanie Crawley, Rabbinic Intern Toba Strauss Schaller, Rabbinic Intern
Richard Newman, Cantorial Intern
K. Scott Warren, Organist/Choir Director
Dr. Andrew Henderson, Associate Organist Daniel Beckwith, Assistant Organist
Margery Daley, Choral Contractor
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