

THE RENEWAL OF OUR HERITAGE

A REDEDICATION . . . MARKING THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SANCTUARY OF TEMPLE ISRAEL, WESTPORT, CONNECTICUT MAY 22, 1964

The values to which we are rededicated on this anniversary Sabbath have been crucial for us since first we became conscious of ourselves as a people. They go back as far as Abraham who heard God say, "In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed". Perhaps justice and compassion were born even earlier when Cain, knowing all too poignantly the answer to his question, asked, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Justice and compassion speak to the two major needs of our society, equality of opportunity and personal fulfillment. The minorities in our country and the peoples of the new nations seek their share of the spiritual and material bounty of God's universe; they can succeed if we help them establish justice in the world. In the personal realm, we have become increasingly conscious of the anxiety, the loneliness, and the hostility which ebb and surge in the human spirit. What can unite and restore us is our compassion for each other.

Our faith and our congregation will help if they renew in us the drive for justice and the quest for compassion so that we may, as God promised, be a blessing in the lives we touch.

Rabbi Rubenstein

...JUSTICE AND COMPASSION

SABBATH SERVICE OF REDEDICATION

Prelude: Prelude and Fugue in D Minor—Bach

Candlelighting: Mrs. Henry Scharf, President of Sisterhood

Choir: This is the House of God—Clokey

PROCESSIONAL

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Rabbi Byron T. Rubenstein Dan Rodgers

Harvey Alcott Jerome Kaiser Murray Rayden Stanley Beskind Eugene Kane Sidney Reisman Theodore K. Broido Jerome Kapner Dr. Julius M. Rogoff Paul Fink Harvey Koizim Leo J. Sametz Mrs. Elaine Friedman Arthur Lessing William H. Sapiro Milton J. Goodman Edward Lippman Mrs. Henry Scharf Nat L. Greenberg Arthur Mainzer Clifford Steinberg Samuel Greenberg Milton Meyer Louis Stern Joel Greenwald Alan H. Nevas Louis Sternbach Edward Grossman Arthur Nirenberg Jack Tropp Louis Harmel Casper Pinsker David Weston Monroe Hattenbach Morton L. Polk Joseph Wilker Mrs. Monroe Hattenbach Richard Rauh Sol Zuckerman

The congregation rises on signal as the procession reaches the steps of the pulpit.

Rabbi: יָנָ הָעוֹמְדִים בְּבֵית יְיָ בַּלִּיעַרְדִי יְיָ הָעוֹמְדִים בְּבֵית יְיָ בַּלֵּילוֹת:

Congregation: Bless ye the Lord all ye servants of the Lord that stand in the house of the Lord

in the night seasons. Lift up your hands unto the Lord and worship Him in holiness. The Lord who made heaven and earth will bless thee out of Zion. By day the Lord will command His lovingkindness and in the night His song will be with me. I will call unto the Lord with my voice, and He answereth me out of His holy mountain. But as for me in Thy mercy do I trust; my heart will rejoice in Thy salvation. I will sing unto the Lord heaves He half the wife Heaves (Red.)

sing unto the Lord because He hath dealt bountifully with me. (Psalm)

Rabbi: בָּרָכוּ אָת־יִיִ הַמְבֹרָךּ

Praised be the Lord to whom all praise is due.

Congregation: נְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וְעָד:

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

Congregation & Choir:

יְשָׁמַע יִשְּׂרָאֵל יְהֹוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אָחָר:

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

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כִּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעָד:

Praised be His name whose glorious kingdom is forever and ever.

CONGREGATION IS SEATED

Rabbi:

וְאָהַרָּהָ אֵת יִיָ אֶלהֵיךּ בְּכָל־לְבָּרְּךּ וּבְכָל־נַפְּשְׁרּ
וּבְכָל־מְאֹדֶרְ: וְהִיוּ הַוְּבָרִים הָאֵלָה אֲשֶׁר אָנִכִי
מְצַוְּךְ הַיּוֹם עַל־לְבָבֶר: וְשִׁנִּהָם לְבָנֵיף וְדְבָּרְהָּ
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לְמַעֵן הִּוֹבְרֹתְ וַעֲשִׂיתָם אָת־כָּל־כִּצְוֹתִי וְהִיִּיתָם
קְבוֹשׁר אָלהַיכָם:

Congregation & Rabbi:

Thou shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be upon thy heart. Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt speak of them when thou sittest in thy house, when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. Thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thy hand, and they shall be for frontlets between thine eyes. Thou shalt write them upon the doorposts of thy house and upon thy gates: That ye may remember and do all My commandments and be holy unto your God.

Rabbi:

Our God and Father, we speak of our love for Thee and of our devotion to Thy command with easy and accustomed words. Usually we do not, perhaps we cannot sense the great content of the word "Love", the word "God", the word "Command"; yet as Jews these words are our universe. We confess that for many of us they form a universe from which we are estranged. Who among us feels that he is commanded? Who feels that he is commanded by Thee? And who of us loves as though the urge to love comes from his God? Thou hast taught us, O God, that Thy commandment is not too hard for us; that it is not in heaven high above us, nor across the seas, far distant, but in our hearts to do. Give to each of us at this season of our rededication the will to look into his heart, to hear its prompting and to find there evidence testifying to Thy presence and Thy concern. Thou hast promised us "Return again unto Me and I will return to you." As we inwardly face toward Thee at this service, may we be conscious of Thy radiance turning to meet our own.

Choir: Turn us again to Thee, O Lord, that we may be restored; renew our life as in the days of yore.

As we began our history among the rough tribes of the desert, the genius of Moses understood that law and justice were the gentling influences which would make a kingdom of priests and a holy nation out of the people newly freed from Egypt. God, we thank You that our prophets established justice as the right hand of our spiritual strength, and that since the experience at Sinai our people in all its best moments have called again to each other with Moses, "Justice, justice, shalt thou pursue". At this moment in our lives, O God, we would reclaim for ourselves the mission of justice. We know where injustice reigns in our land, and who its victims are and how great the pain of their suffering. We name in our hearts all peoples who are victims of injustice and in whose afflictions we are afflicted: The Negro, the American Indian, the Puerto Rican, all whose race or faith or national origin, or economic situation, or age have denied them the justice which our country promises and can provide.

RESPONSIVE READING

Rabbi: Justice, justice, shalt Thou pursue, that Thou mayest live

Congregation: The work of justice shall be peace and the effect of justice quietness and confi-

dence forever.

Rabbi:

Rabbi: Let justice well up as waters and righteousness as a mighty stream.

Congregation: Seek justice, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

Rabbi: One law shall there be for the native and for the stranger.

Congregation: Hate evil and love the good and establish justice in your gates.

Rabbi: To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.

Congregation: Consider what ye do, for ye judge not for men but for the Lord and He is with

you in rendering justice.

Choir: Prepare to meet thy God, O Israel! Seek ye the Lord and ye shall live. Let Justice

flow forth as water, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

Rabbi: O God, You have taught us that not only righteousness and justice form the foundation of Your throne, but compassion also. From the prophet, we have learned that You desire of us not only to do justly but to love mercy. We would add this

compassion you have asked of us to the justice you have commanded.

Not because justice is always stern, but because compassion is always tender; not because justice is always impartial, but because compassion is always personal

would we open our hearts to that gentle virtue.

Compassion brings us very near our neighbor who suffers. Justice urges us to seek equality for the Negro; compassion helps us feel for him and moves us to acts of

sacrifice and love when justice is thwarted.

אַתָּה גָּבּוֹר לְעוֹלֶם אֲדֹנָי. רַב לְהוֹשְׁיעַ. מְכַלְכֵּל אַנִּים בְּחֶסֶד. מְחֵיָה הַכּּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים. סוֹמֵךְ תַּיִּים בְּחֶסֶד. מְחֵיָה הַכּּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים. וּמְקַיֵם נוֹפְלִים וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים. וּמְקַיֵם אֵמוּנָתוֹ לִישֵּׁנֵי עָפָּר. מִי כָמְוֹךְ בְּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת. וּמִי דְמָה־לֶּךְ. מֵלֶךְ מַמִית וּמְחָיָה. וּמִצְמִיחַ יִשׁוּעָה:

Congregation & Rabbi:

Eternal is Thy power, O Lord, Thou art mighty to save. In lovingkindness Thou sustainest the living; in the multitude of Thy mercies Thou preservest all. Thou upholdest the falling and healest the sick; freest the captives and keepest faith with Thy children in death as in life. Who is like unto Thee, Almighty God, Author of life and death. Source of salvation? Praised be Thou, O Lord, who hast implanted within us eternal life.

בָרוּך אַתַּה יִי נטֵע בָּתוֹכֵנוּ חַיֵּי עוֹלָם:

SILENT PRAYER

O God of mercy, may my compassion keep me from thinking of people in the mass. Help me to identify with those who suffer and to experience their suffering as an individual. Help me to know that every human being whose life touches mine, the person who sits at my right hand or my left, the men and women I work with, the dear ones I live with, each has his hope, his need, and his hurt. May my love accept the fact of their anxiety without rejection and may my compassion move me to respond to them in accepting and helping ways. Keep me from quick criticism and hasty judgment. Help me to be gentle. Diminish my urge to strike out and strike back. There are many helpful people in the world. May I be among them. May the knowledge that each human being is beloved of Thee endear him to me. And help me to bear the joy which my compassion will bring me.

PSALM FOR ALL MEN

O Lord, how infinite are Thy created blessings:
Wonders without number awaiting our daily discovery.
To walk upon this earth,
Learning joyously, to look in each man's face straight,
Without fear, without shame.
Knowing, gratefully, that in winning each man's freedom
We help to gain our own.
Feeling, finally, the need to take our brother's hand
And walk together in search of our God.
Oh Lord, our thanks for Thine everlasting patience
As we so late discover Thine eternal blessings. Amen.

Choir: May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable to Thee, my Rock and my Redeemer. Amen.

TORAH SERVICE (RESPONSIVE READING)

Rabbi: In the third month after the children of Israel were gone forth out of Egypt, they

came into the wilderness of Sinai and Israel encamped by the mountain. And Moses went up to God and the Lord called to him saying: "Thus shalt thou say to

the house of Jacob and tell the Children of Israel:

Congregation: "Ye have seen how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now

if you will hearken unto my voice, indeed, and keep my covenant

Rabbi: "Then ye shall be mine own treasure from among all peoples for all the earth is

mine;

Congregation: "And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."

Rabbi: And Moses came and called for the elders of the people and set before them all

these matters which the Lord had commanded him.

Congregation: And all the people answered together and said, "All that the Lord hath spoken

we will do."

THE CONGREGATION RISES

Choir: .וְיָבֹא מֵלֶךְ הַכָּבוֹד. וְשְׁאוּ פִּתְחֵי עוֹלֶם. וְיָבֹא מֵלֶךְ הַכָּבוֹד.

מִי הוּא זֶה מֶלֶךְ הַכָּבוֹד. יִי צְבָאוֹת. הוּא מֱלֶךְ הַכָּבוֹד סֵלָה.

RESPONSIVE READING

Rabbi: It came to pass on the third day when it was morning, Moses brought forth the

people out of the camp to meet God. And God came down upon Mt. Sinai and

God spoke all these words saying:

Congregation: "I am the Lord, thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the

house of bondage.

Rabbi: "Thou shalt have no other God before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven

image.

Congregation: "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord, thy God, in vain.

Rabbi: "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do thy

work but the seventh is a Sabbath unto the Lord, thy God.

Congregation: "Honor thy father and thy mother.

Rabbi: "Thou shalt not murder.

Congregation: "Thou shalt not steal.

Rabbi: "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Congregation: "Thou shalt not covet anything that is thy neighbor's."

צַלב לְכוּ וְנַלְכָה בְּאוֹר יְהוָה: תּוֹרָה צִּוָּה לֵנוּ משָה. מוֹרָשָׁה קְהִלַּת יַעַלְב: בַּית

The Torah which God gave through Moses is the heritage of the congregation of Jacob. O House of Jacob, come let us walk in the light of the Lord proclaiming in joy the watchword of our faith:

יִשְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהֹנָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יִהֹנָה אַחַר:

Congregation & Choir: Hear, O Israel, the Lord, our God, the Lord is one.

CONGREGATION IS SEATED

THE READING OF THE TORAH:

Dan Rodgers, President,

Jerome Kapner, Stanley Beskind Vice-Presidents of Temple Israel

RETURNING THE TORAH TO THE ARK

CONGREGATION RISES

Choir: תַל אֶרָץ וְשָׁמֵיִם: וַיֵּרֶם מֶרֶן לְעַמּוֹ הְהָלָּה לָכָל־חַסִידִיו לִבְנֵי יִשְּׂרָאֵל עַם קְרֹבוֹ הַלֲלוּיָה:

Rabbi: And now, Israel, what doth the Lord, thy God, require of Thee but to hold the Lord, thy God, in awe, to walk in all His ways and to love Him and to serve Him, with all thy heart and with all thy soul; to keep for thy good the commandments of the Lord and His statutes which I command thee this day. For the Lord, your God, He is a God of gods and a Lord of lords, the great, the mighty and the awesome. He doth execute justice for the fatherless and the widow and loveth the stranger in giving him food and raiment. Love ye, therefore, the stranger for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. Thou shalt fear the Lord, thy God, Him shalt thou serve, and to Him thou shalt cleave, and by His name thou shalt swear. He is thy glory and He is thy God. (Deuteronomy X)

עץ חַיִּים הִיא לַמַּחֲזִיקִים בָּהּ וְתוֹמְכֵיהָ מְאָשָּׁר: דָרַכֵיהַ דַרְכֵיהַנִעם וְכֵל־ נָתִיבוֹתֵיהַ שֵּׁלוֹם:

CONGREGATION IS SEATED

SERMON

REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Choir: "HALLELUJAH"

KIDDUSH (CONGREGATION RISES)

בָּרוּך אַתָּה יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֵלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קּדְשֵׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיו וְרֵצָה בֵנוּ. וְשֵׁבַּת לֶּדְשׁוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הָּנְחִילֵנוּ. וִבָּרוֹן לְמַצְשֵׁה בְרַאשִׁית. כִּי הוּא יוֹם הְּחִלֶּה לְמִקְרָאֵי־קְּדָשׁ וֵכֶר לִיצִיאַת מִצְרֵיִם. כִּי בֵנוּ בָּחַרְתָּ וְאוֹתֵנוּ קִדְשְׁתָ. וְשַׁבַּת קָדְשְׁךְ בְּאַהָּרִים. וְשַׁבַּת וּבְרָצוֹן הִנְחַלְתֵנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָ. מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשֵּׁבָּת:

Let us praise God with this symbol of joy, and thank Him for the blessings of the past week, for life and strength, for home and love and friendship, for the discipline of our trials and temptations, for the happiness that has come to us out of our labors. Thou hast ennobled us, O God, by the blessings of work, and in love hast sanctified us by Sabbath rest and worship as ordained in the Torah; Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath to be hallowed unto the Lord, thy God.

בָּרוּך אַתָּה יָיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַגָּפָן:

ADORATION

Congregation & Rabbi:

Let us adore the ever-living God, and render praise unto Him who spread out the heavens and established the earth, whose glory is revealed in the heavens above and whose greatness is manifest throughout the world. He is our God; there is none else.

We bow the head in reverence, and worship the King of Kings, the Holy One, praised be He.

Choir:

וְאָנַחְנוּ כּּרְעִים וּמִשְּׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לְפְנֵי מֵלֶךְ מַלְכֵי הַמָּלַכִים הַקָּדוֹשׁ בַּרוּדְ הוּא:

CONGREGATION IS SEATED

Rabbi:

May the time not be distant, O God, when Thy name shall be worshiped in all the earth, when unbelief shall disappear and error be no more. We fervently pray that the day may come when all men shall invoke Thy name, when corruption and evil shall give way to purity and goodness, when superstition shall no longer enslave the mind, nor idolatry blind the eye, when all who dwell on earth shall know that to Thee alone every knee must bend and every tongue give homage. O may all, created in Thine image, recognize that they are brethren, so that, one in spirit and one in fellowship, they may be forever united before Thee. Then shall Thy kingdom be established on earth and the word of Thine ancient seer be fulfilled: The Lord will reign forever and ever.

Choir: On that day the Lord shall be one and His name shall be One.

KADDISH

יִתְנַדֵּל וְיִתְקַדָּשׁ שְּׁמֵה רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כִּרְעוּתֵה. וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵה, בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל-בֵּית יִשְּׂרָאֵל. בַּעַנָלָא וּבְוְמֵן קָרִיב. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יָהַא שְׁמֵה רַבָּא מְבָרַךְ לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמי עָלְמֵיָא:

יִתְבָּרַךּ וְיִשְׁתַבָּח וְיִתְבָּעֵּל שְׁמֵה דְּקוּדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְּ וְיִתְהַדִּר וְיִתְעֵלֶּה וְיִתְהַלֵּל שְׁמֵה דְּקוּדְשָׁא. בְּרִיךְ הוּא. לְעֵלֶּא מִן כָּל-בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא. תְּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחָמָתָא. דַאַמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִרְשְׁמֵיָא וְחַיִּים. עָלֵינוּ וְעַל־ בַּל-יִשְׂרָאֵל. וָאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

עשה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמָיו. הוּא יַצַשָּׁה שָׁלוֹם עָלַינוּ וְעַל־כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל. וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Fugue in E Flat Major — Bach

Musical Director

and Organist Nelson Close

Soprano Patricia Close

Alto Yolanda Risko

Tenor George Schofield

D 71 D

Bass Elmar Burrows

MORNING SERVICE OF REDEDICATION

SATURDAY, MAY 23, 10:30

Religious School Closing Exercises

THE REDEDICATION PROGRAM

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 22

9:00 p.m.

SABBATH EVE SERVICE OF REDEDICATION

Rabbi Byron Rubenstein officiating

Service and Processional

Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr., guest speaker

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 23 10:30 a.m.

SABBATH MORNING SERVICE OF REDEDICATION

Rabbi Byron Rubenstein officiating

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 23 6:30 p.m.

BANQUET OF REDEDICATION

RECEPTION 6:30 P.M.

Banquet 7:30 p.m.

Speaker of the evening

Honorable Eugene J. McCarthy

A CHRONOLOGY

Founding of the Temple						1	1948
The Dedication of the Temple.							
Installation of Rabbi Rubenstein							
Religious School Wing completed							
The Rededication						-	

ENROLLMENTS

The Membership 350 families
The Religious School . . . 382 students
The Hebrew School 70 students

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