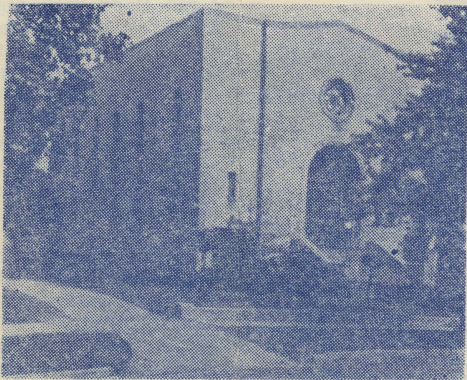


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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

(Eastern Standard Time)

DAILY MORNING SERVICES	7:00 A. M.
DAILY EVENING SERVICES	7:00 P. M.
FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES	7:00 P. M.
LATE FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES	8:15 P. M.
SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES	9:00 A. M.

large measure dependent on the co-operation you are willing to extend.

Our Sunday and Religious School enrollment has risen to 60 students. This is not enough. All youngsters should be afforded every opportunity of enjoying the benefits of a sound and extensive religious training. **To deprive a child of a religious training is to deprive him of his birthright.**

I would like to see our younger members avail themselves of the adult education classes which are being initiated solely for their benefit.

I look forward to well attended late Friday evening services. Our aim is to make these evenings spiritually gratifying as well as intellectually satisfying.

Up to this point our "minyan" has been feeble and spurious. A "shul" without a "minyan" is merely a "shell."

I am prepared to give to the utmost of my time and energies to have these branches of the Tree of Life bear fruit to their fullest. **WHAT ARE YOU PREPARED TO DO???**

SERMON WITHOUT WORDS

A member of the congregation who has been a regular attendant at Sabbath Services suddenly stopped coming. After some weeks, the Rabbi decided to visit this man at his home.

It was a frosty evening when the Rabbi made his call, and the man, alone in his home, was sitting before a blazing fireplace. Aware of the reason for the visit, he welcomed the Rabbi, led him to a big chair before the fire, and awaited the rebuke which was sure to come.

The Rabbi made himself comfortable, but said nothing. In silence he stared at the flames shooting up from the burning logs. After some minutes, the Rabbi suddenly rose and took the long tongs from the stand.

With these he carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and moved it to one side of the ample hearth. He then returned to his chair and still said not a word.

The host watched with fascination as the embers flame gradually died down. There was a momentary glow and it was black and cold.

Not a word had been uttered, but as the Rabbi rose to leave, the host said, "Thank you for your visit, Rabbi, and especially for your fiery sermon. I shall be at the

synagogue next Friday night and Saturday."

SPELLING LESSON

There is only one way of spelling synagogue—

sYnOgogUe

Yes, ladies and gentlemen—"YOU" are three very important letters in your synagogue. We need you and we hope you need and want us, so that your life will be a fuller and richer one.

The synagogue-going habit will put you in touch with the one institution which underlies most of what is best in American life.

CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

Congregational School classes were resumed on Sunday, October 4. Presently we have an enrollment of nearly 60 students. Sunday School classes, consisting of children between the ages of 5 thru 7, meet 10:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon every Sunday.

Mrs. D. Merlin teaches the Kindergarten class, Mrs. L. Doppelt the 6 and 7 year olds. Dr. Hershtman, the Confirmation class. Religious school classes which meet on Sunday 10 to 12 and Monday 4:10 p. m. to 5:30 p. m. are taught by Rabbi Leiter and Rev. Prinz.

There are two classes which meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 4:10-5:30 p. m. Rabbi Leiter and Rev. Prinz instruct these groups.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

The first in a series of Adult Education Classes is being initiated. The course is, "Keeping Up With Your Youngster." This course is an elementary Heb. course intended to teach reading and basic Hebrew conversation. Those who would like to join our Sunday School staff are requested to join this class. You may join by calling 351-R.

LATE FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

Services are held each Friday at 8:15 p. m. sharp. On Friday, October 23, a series called "Books We Live By" was initiated. The first book discussed was one that is extensively used yet very little is commonly known about its history and development. It is the Siddur, the prayer book.

Refreshments will be served after the services by the Ladies Auxiliary.

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WITH YOUR RABBI

- Oct. 5—Brief address before the Ladies Auxiliary.
- Oct. 18—Spoke at general membership meeting, on plans and program.
- Oct. 19—Host to Gamma Sigma Gradale of Y. M. C. A.; discussion on synagogue and the service.
- Oct. 29—Address A. Z. A.

MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

As your newly selected spiritual leader, I am filled with ambivalent emotions. I am filled with pride and gratification by your expression of faith and confidence. At the very same time, I feel a deep sense of duty and responsibility towards my new community.

The relationship of Rabbi and community, I have always felt, bears certain marked resemblances to a "shidduch" or marriage. A few of the basic ingredients that make for a successful marriage are, mutual understanding, respect, affection and co-operation. The same holds true to the relationship between the Rabbi and his community. When these factors play a deciding role in their relationship, then it may be said that, the "shidduch" will be "oleh yopeh," will succeed. When such a state of affairs exists, the Rabbi can look forward to a successful and stimulating tenure and the community can enjoy the benefits and results of a spiritually vital program. I am certain that ours will be a happy union, as Uniontown enjoys a distinctive reputation in this respect. Your understanding and co-operation, in the past, has enabled each and every one of my predecessors to advance "me-chayil el chayil," to more prominent roles of leadership in American Jewish life.

On my part, I invoke the Almighty to endow me with a "Lev Sho-may-ah," an understanding and sympathetic heart, that I might comprehend the individual and collective needs of my people, so that I might better serve them.

There are, if we are to be successful during the coming year, a number of concrete goals which shall require your full co-operation and attention. The extent to which these focal points shall succeed is in a

When a man refuses to attend synagogue on any day in the week, he is a seven-day absentist . . .

JUNIOR CONGREGATION SERVICES

All students from the age of 8 on are required to attend Jr. Congregation Services to be held at 10:30 a. m. every Saturday morning.

The youngsters will conduct their own services. From among them shall be selected a cantor, rabbi and gaboim. We hope gradually to introduce a service which will be well conducted and suited to their needs.

We urge all parents to have their youngsters from 8 years of age and up to attend. Absence from services will be recorded and will consist as part of the grade received.

Report Cards

Report cards will be given each month. Parents whose children receive poor marks are requested to appear in person.

Absence

Absence from class will only be excused if the child brings a note stating the reason for absence signed by parents or guardians.

IN BRIEF**Mazletov**

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Koidanov on the recent marriage of their daughter Laeh.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lester Halprin on the birth of a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Margolis on the birth of a son.

Speedy Recovery For:

Harry Gusky, Fanny Frieman, Joe Friedman, Mrs. A. Frieman, Mrs. Sol Sieff, Mrs. L. Nauhausen, Mr. L. Levinson, Mrs. Abe Cohen, Mr. A. Labowitz, and Mr. Oscar Bortz.

Condolences

To Mrs. Morris Lebowitz on the loss of her husband.

To Mr. David Lebowitz on the loss of a brother.

To Mrs. H. Frieman on the loss of her husband.

To Mrs. Harry Geduldig on the loss of her father.

To Mr. Lester Halprin on the loss of a brother.

LADIES AUXILIARY SCHEDULE

Meeting ----- November 4

Food Sale ----- November 24

Mrs. Swimmer and Mrs. Jack Hirsch,
Co-chairmen

Children's Chanukah Party --- December 6

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The annual election of synagogue officers and Board of Trustees was held on October 18th. The new officers for the coming year are:

Abe Weiss ----- President

Joe Friedman ----- Vice President

Morris Samuels ----- Secretary

B. J. Mundel ----- Treasurer

New members to the Board of Trustees, to take the place of those whose terms expired, include James Labowitz, Abe Smith, Erwin Eisen.

A vote of thanks is extended to the past officers for the splendid work of the past term.

Enter to worship—depart to serve . . .