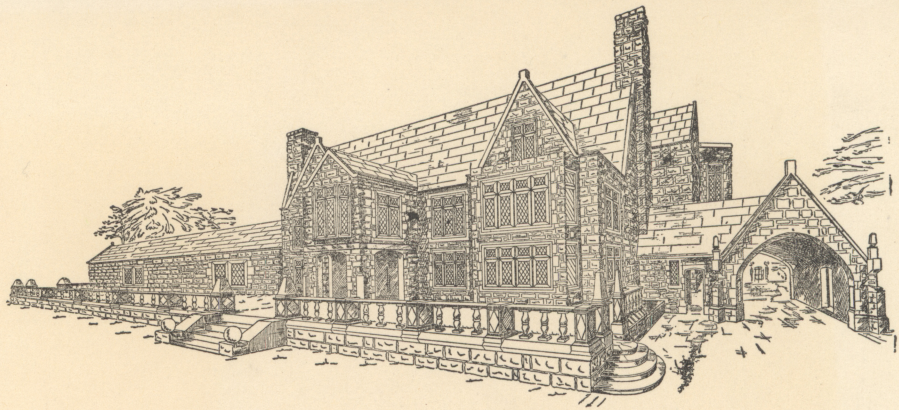


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August 11, 1955

Dear Friends,

In accordance with the provisions of our By-Laws, you are hereby notified that a Special Meeting of the congregation will be held on Tuesday, August 23, 1955, at 8:00 P.M., at the Temple, for the express purpose of securing congregational approval of the choice of a new Rabbi.

Upon the recommendation of our Pulpit Committee, your Board of Trustees by unanimous vote recommends to the congregation the selection of Rabbi Aaron E. Ilson as our spiritual leader, as of September 1, 1955. Rabbi Ilson, a native New Yorker, is forty years old, a graduate of Columbia University where he received his Masters Degree in Educational Psychology, and where he has been studying for his doctorate--he is in the midst of his thesis. He received his rabbinical training at the Jewish Institute of Religion, which for the past fifteen years has been merged with the Hebrew Union College. He served for four years at Temple Beth Jacob at Concord, New Hampshire, where he was a pioneer in Liberal Judaism, ministering to the needs of Reform Jews in Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire. For the past five years Rabbi Ilson has been associate rabbi at Rodef Shalom Congregation in New York City with Rabbi Louis Newman. He and his charming wife, Sylvia, are the proud parents of three daughters, among them fifteen-year-old twins.

Rabbi Ilson will be here on August 23 to meet you. We hope that many of our members will join us to make this momentous decision in the life of Temple Sinai. The meeting will be brief; there will be no other subject of business. If we convene promptly, we should be able to adjourn by nine o'clock, so that you may make other plans for the evening.

Cordially,

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