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**A Finding Aid to the
Joseph L. Ginsberg Papers**

Manuscript Collection No. 622



Collection Summary

Title	Joseph L. Ginsberg Papers
Dates	1939-1979
Collection Number	MS-622
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator	Ginsberg, Joseph L., 1911-1990
Extent	2.4 linear feet (6 Hollinger boxes)
Language of the Material	English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch	<p>Joseph Lewis Ginsberg was born in Louisville, Kentucky in 1911. He graduated from the University of Louisville in 1932 and was ordained as a rabbi at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati in 1937.</p> <p>From 1937-1940 Ginsberg was a graduate instructor at HUC. In 1940 he became Assistant Rabbi at Temple Emanu-El in Dallas, Texas. During this time, from 1943 to 1946, Ginsberg served as a chaplain in the U.S. Army. In 1947 Ginsberg was elected Rabbi at Temple Anshai Emeth in Peoria, Illinois. He remained in Peoria until 1963 when he moved to Highland Park, Illinois to become Rabbi at the Lakeside Congregation for Reform Judaism. Ginsberg retired from this position in 1973 and was named Rabbi Emeritus.</p> <p>After his retirement, Ginsberg was invited to fill the pulpit at Touro Synagogue in New Orleans during the illness of Rabbi Leo Bergman. After this, Ginsberg served as part-time Rabbi of Temple Adas Israel, Sag Harbor, Long Island from 1975 to 1982. He also served as Dean and faculty member for the School for Prospective Converts to Judaism for the Long Island Association of Reform Rabbis from 1976 to 1982.</p> <p>Ginsberg was involved in numerous communal organizations and activities throughout his career. He was a member of the Executive Committee of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. In 1962 he received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.</p> <p>Joseph L. Ginsberg died in 1990.</p>
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Scope and Content	Collection documenting the rabbinic career of Joseph L. Ginsberg. Consists primarily of sermons, together with scattered correspondence and some prayers.
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Arrangement	The collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.
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Terms of Access	The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.
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Preferred Citation	<p>Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Joseph L. Ginsberg Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:</p> <p>[Description], [Date], Box #, Folder #. MS-622. Joseph L. Ginsberg Papers. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.</p>
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Index Terms

Subjects	Rabbis
Personal Names	Ginsberg, Joseph L. (Joseph Lewis), 1911-1990
Corporate Names	Lakeside Congregation for Reform Judaism (Highland Park, Ill.) / Temple Anshai Emeth (Peoria, Ill.)
Media	Sermons

Series A. General, 1939-1979

Arrangement As much as possible, effort was made to retain the original order of the materials as created and maintained by Rabbi Ginsberg.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. High Holiday sermons, 1939-1944

Box 1. Folder 2. High Holiday sermons, 1948-1954

Box 1. Folder 3. High Holiday sermons, 1955-1959

Box 1. Folder 4. High Holiday sermons, 1960-1963

Box 2. Folder 1. High Holiday sermons, 1965-1969

Box 2. Folder 2. High Holiday sermons, 1970-1975

Box 2. Folder 3. High Holiday sermons, 1976-1979

Box 2. Folder 4. Sermons [intermarriage], undated

Box 2. Folder 5. Sermons [Passover], undated

Box 3. Folder 1. Sermons [Reform Judaism], undated

Box 3. Folder 2. Sermons, 1946-1948

Box 3. Folder 3. Sermons, 1949-1950

Box 3. Folder 4. Sermons, 1951-1952

Box 4. Folder 1. Sermons, 1953-1955

Box 4. Folder 2. Sermons, 1955-1957

Box 4. Folder 3. Sermons, 1958-1959

Box 4. Folder 4. Sermons, 1960-1962

Box 5. Folder 1. Sermons, 1963-1965

Box 5. Folder 2. Sermons, 1970-1975

Box 5. Folder 3. Sermons, 1970-1975

Box 6. Folder 1. Sermons, 1970-1975

Box 6. Folder 2. Sermons, 1970-1975

Box 6. Folder 3. Prayers, undated

Box 6. Folder 4. Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion [Doctor of Divinity degree], 1962