



Join us for a Selichot Program: “The Curious Case of Kol Nidrei”
Saturday, August 28: *Oneg at 7:30p.m., followed by this program at 8:00p.m., and services at 9:15p.m.*

There are few moments in the Jewish liturgy more well-known, more solemn, or more anticipated than the chanting of Kol Nidrei each Yom Kippur Eve. Yet, over the centuries, there are few parts of the liturgy that have been more controversial. **Lester Seigel**, Professor of Music at Birmingham-Southern College and a lifelong member of our congregation, will discuss the fascinating history and resiliency of Kol Nidrei in Jewish worship as part of our preparation for the High Holy Days. Lester spent the spring term 2010 on sabbatical leave from teaching to research choral music and hymnody in the American Reform temple of the late 19th century. As part of this research, he was awarded the Davis Fellowship by the Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives, part of the campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati, where he spent a month’s residency, and presented a lecture on his work.

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