

JEWIS TO CELEBRATE FEAST OF LIGHTS

Interesting Holiday Begins To-
night—Special Service Friday
in Temple Emanuel.

A candle will be lit tonight in all Jewish homes to mark the beginning of Chanukkah, the Feast of Dedication, one of the most interesting Jewish holidays. It lasts eight days and each night one more candle is lighted, so that there are two Chanukkah candles on the second evening, three on the third, and so on.

Chanukkah in a large measure has come to be a children's festival and is eagerly looked forward to. The poor are liberally remembered on this occasion.

The Feast of Dedication, or Feast of Lights as it is also called, commemorates the anniversary of the reclaiming and rededication of the temple at Jerusalem to the service of God, in the year 165 B. C., by Judas Maccabeus, the Jewish hero, three years after its pollution by Antiochus Epiphanes, who had set up in place of God's altar a shrine to his heathen god.

The custom of celebrating this feast by the lighting of candles is the outcome of the legend that when the temple was rededicated only a single cruse of oil was found unpolluted, but through the miraculous intervention of God this oil proved sufficient for eight successive nights and until oil fitted for the service might be prepared.

Special services in celebration of the Feast Chanukkah will be held at the Temple Emanuel Friday evening, at 8 o'clock. There will be a special musical program and Rabbi Lefkovits will preach on "The Significance of Chanukkah." The children's Chanukkah festival, for which elaborate preparations are being made, will be held at the temple Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.