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From the Rabbi

Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin

Plague, or a Celebration?

In 1722, Daniel Defoe wrote his classic book, *A Journal of the Plague Year*. It was his account of the Great Plague of London, the outbreak of bubonic plague that decimated that great city.

I have been thinking about my own journal of this plague year – its beginning, its unfolding, and its almost insurmountable challenges.

I think of those challenges all the time – and I especially think of the challenges that this congregation has faced. I have often mused about how I have met the majority of you as mere “postage stamps on a screen.” But mine is hardly the greatest challenge. I constantly think of you – you, who have known each other in some cases for a half century, and not having had any access to each other.

So, there is bad news, and there is good news.

First, the bad news – or, at the very least, sobering news.

A fascinating essay by Joel Kotkin at <https://quillette.com/2020/12/23/god-and-the-pandemic/> makes the following claim: COVID has brought on a “religious recession” in this United States. COVID-19 restrictions, some research suggests, could eliminate five percent of our nation’s churches, particularly smaller congregations, and particularly in poor, rural, or remote areas.

In addition, the prominent Jewish social entrepreneur Shawn Landres speaks of the “unbundling” of religion. Call it cafeteria religion: the ability to break religion into its component parts – ritual, education, community – and to access those components independently, without any commitment to a religious institution. This, in fact, might be the future of American Judaism, and those trends began long before the virus emerged.

How do we at Temple Israel cope with this sobering forecast?

The good news: we have done very well. Yes, our finances face challenges but our presence with and for each other, our worship, our programs – yes, our membership numbers themselves – bear witness to our stubborn and sacred refusal to accept the bad news. We have remained resilient and relevant.

The more amazing news: Sociologists believe that even though religious institutions might be in trouble, religion itself might actually be in very good shape. The Pew Report says fewer people than ever attend church, but two-thirds of unaffiliated Americans still believe in God or some kind of “universal spirit.” Increasingly, these searchers address their spiritual needs online, at home, and through specific programs.

That will be our challenge, and our opportunity. Can Temple Israel respond to those spiritual challenges?

I am not a betting man, but my money is on us.



From the Executive Director

Karen Szteinberg, Temple Administrator/Executive Director

Driving to work this week, I heard the song “Dust in the Wind” by Kansas and immediately thought of an old high school crush who loved that song; I hadn’t thought of him in years. Sister Sledge’s “We Are Family” came on next and my smile broadened, remembering my friends and I diving onto the dance floor in our college days for “our song”. When Lionel Richie’s “Say You Say Me” came on the radio, synapses of memories filled my mind, from listening to it on my Walkman in the NYC subways to seeing Mikhail Baryshnikov performing in Paris (the song was in *White Nights*, as was Baryshnikov.)

Every song, every photo and every phrase can trigger nostalgia.

Whenever I hear the song “We Are the World”, I think back to an interim rabbi who once sang *Adon Olam* to that tune. At our Friday evening services, familiar prayers and melodies bring me back to my childhood where I would try to follow the Hebrew letters. And when I recently heard Kol B’Seder sing “*Shalom Rav*”, I reminisced about Rabbi Olshein who was the first person I heard who sang this prayer using Kol B’Seder’s composition, and the hand-holding days of our togetherness which seems so long ago.

The artwork in my office depict main cities in Israel, bringing back memories of floating in the Dead Sea... a park in Be’er Sheva where my children played... the calming waterfalls in the Banyias during my honeymoon... or those at Ein Gedi where my daughters splashed around. Souvenirs and artifacts align my shelves, their images reflecting members who have passed and left them behind. And in the corner I see a vintage Barton’s candy tin, just like the one my grandmother always had... which now reminds me of the aroma of roasted chicken and matzah ball soup that filled our home. I always think of my grandparents at the hint of chicken soup simmering.

I’m not the only one who is triggered into nostalgia by a song, scent or words. At Friday evening services, I watch our worshippers’ faces. The slow swaying when Noah Aronson is singing. The sing-a-long to familiar songs with Peri Smilow strumming her guitar. The serenity felt as David Block plays his ebones and ivories. And being mesmerized by Rabbi Salkin’s deeply meaningful sermons. I often wonder what memories each congregant is thinking as they sway, sing and dwell. So much of the words and lyrics bring us all to a different home, a different place and a different time in our lives.

This is something innate in all of us; even those with diminished mental aptitude respond to music, evoking either a memory or a feeling. We are truly blessed with this ability and its power to elicit the warmth of memories, the positivity of getting through past challenges, and the ability to put things into perspectives. What music, words, fragrances and tastes trigger your nostalgia?



CELEBRATE PURIM WITH MISHLOACH MANOT FROM YOUR TI FAMILY!

Join us on Sun., February 21st from 2-3:30pm at the TI parking lot to pick up your complimentary Purim basket containing hamantaschen, fruit and other treats. A few will even have gift cards! Keep your eyes open for our eblasts or email karen@temple-israel.com by February 15th and say “Yes, I want to be included!” If you’re unable to drive by, email ellengoldenson@gmail.com and we’ll do our best to deliver a basket to you. Sponsored by the TI Sisterhood and Brotherhood.



President's Circle

Michael and Amy Jonas, Co-chairs

On **Wednesday, April 14th**, there will be another **Virtual Wine Reception** for members of the President's Circle. We are excited to announce that Rebecca Fineman, the master sommelier everyone thoroughly enjoyed at the event held this past November, will again be with us. Those attending this special reception will have the opportunity to learn from Rebecca's expertise as she discusses white wine and guides us in tasting the white selection she chooses for us to explore together. As previously done, we will be hand delivering the featured wine to all our PC members at their homes in Florida.

The wine reception will precede the 7pm virtual Temple program that has already been scheduled for that night – A Chat with the Stars of the Hit Television Show "Fauda". We hope that our President's Circle members will be able to join us for this pre-event with Master Sommelier Rebecca Fineman. As it gets closer, we will be sending out invitations with all the details about the reception. In the meantime, please mark the date on your calendar. We are confident that you will find the entire evening an enjoyable way to spend time with your Temple friends.

The year is only a month old and already several of our members have committed to a higher PC giving level in 2021. We hope that these increases are just the beginning of a trend and that many more will decide to move up to the next level. We also hope that this year will see growth in terms of the overall number of President's Circle members. We are pleased to welcome Joanne and Gerald Kagan, our newest PC members, into this very vital group of TI members who have committed to support our Temple beyond their annual commitment. Remember, membership in the President's Circle is inclusive of, and not in addition to, your annual commitment. The recognition plaque in the List Lobby of the social hall will be updated to reflect current members. Please consider adding your name to this plaque.

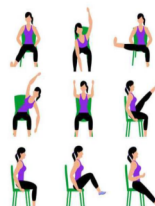
We hope you will be able to join us at the Winetasting Reception on April 14th. We look forward to raising a glass with you and together toasting Temple Israel's future.



CHAIR YOGA

Wednesdays at 10:30am via Zoom

Facilitated by Ellen Goldenson



A wonderfully relaxing experience, both physically and mentally, with gentle stretching and balance postures to strengthen your body through the use of a simple chair.

Contact the Temple Office for Zoom access information:
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Religious School

Jackie Klein, Religious School & Youth Programming Director

I write this as I finish a professional development online conference with ARJE (Association of Reform Jewish Educators). We have spent the last few days learning from each other as well as being a support system during this unprecedented year, through prayer, song and conversation. I've come out of the experience excited for the next few months, our spring semester.

As we continue into spring, we are excited to partner with our camp programs for both STEM and Art activities. We will nourish our bodies with exercise each month. Our teens will be working individually and as a group to plan a community program for the end of the year with our mentor Rayna. Last, our families will be helping to host open house programs to share the love they have for our youth program with others. If you are interested in any of the above, please reach out to me to learn more.



SPECIAL SISTERHOOD SHABBAT

Fri, February 12th at 6:30pm

Join us as we honor our TI Sisterhood and all that our "Sisters" do for us! This heartwarming multi-generational celebration will include special readings and prayers. For more information, contact Judy Preefer at jpreefer@aol.com.

COMING IN APRIL! A TEMPLE ISRAEL SPECIAL ONLINE EVENT! A Chat with the Stars of the Hit Television Show "Fauda"



SAVE THE DATE:
Wednesday, April 14th at 7pm

Meet the stars of Fauda – Boaz Konforty and Yaakov Zada Daniel – for an unforgettable talk about their journeys, how Jews and Arabs collaborate in the name of art, and the impact of this show on Arabs, Israelis and Jews.

Event details are forthcoming but in the interim, catch this mesmerizing drama on TV which Netflix describes as "a top Israeli agent comes out of retirement to hunt for a Palestinian fighter he thought he'd killed, setting a chaotic chain of events into motion." You won't want to miss this show... or this event!

Kol B'Seder

What a wonderful treat we had on January 23rd with a concert by Kol B'Seder, sponsored by our Simply Jewish series. This talented duo of Jeff Klepper and Dan Freeland performed some of their favorite songs – which are our favorites too – with their smooth melodies and harmony. Combining soft Rock and Roll, Motown and even Israeli and Chassidic music, this delightful evening brought us together as we sang and smiled online. We thank Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin for facilitating our virtual Meet & Greet, both Zelda Mason and Rabbi Howard Shapiro for underwriting our Simply Jewish series, and Linda Solomon for helping us coordinate these wonderful performances.



Daniel Freeland & Jeff Klepper

Interfaith Freedom Service

What an inspiring service we had on January 15th as we honored the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. with our community.

Our neighbors at the historic Tabernacle Baptist Church joined us with special salutations by Reverend Gerald D. Kisner and Reverend Kevin L. Jones. The Church's choir sang so beautifully and our artist-in-residence Peri Smilow complemented them, singing traditional Shabbat prayers as well as "Lift Every Voice and Sing" (often referred to as the Black National Anthem.) Our guest speaker, Khalil Gilbran Muhammad, spoke eloquently and meaningfully, captivating and inspiring everyone. We are thrilled to have had this special moment together.

Special thanks go to Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin and Terry Resk (Social Action Committee Co-Chair) for organizing this heartwarming evening!



Peri Smilow



Baptist Tabernacle Church Choir



Khalil Gibran Muhammad



Reverend Kevin L. Jones



Reverend Gerald D. Kisner



The *Mussar* Moment

Rabbi Emeritus Howard Shapiro

Mussar Moment & A Spoiler Alert – The Soul

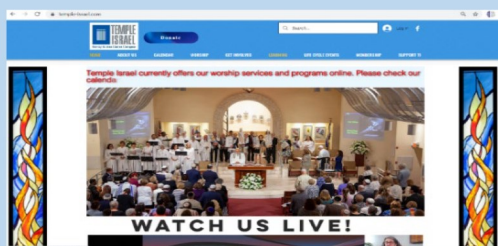
I've said this or taught this many times. So, I am sorry if you have read or heard this before. Maybe I'm just running out of new things to say. You know the engine gets tired and needs to be lubricated once in a while. Oil does it for machines; food does it for the body and so they say does exercise, but what does it for the soul? (Maybe Vodka?)

One of the foundational beliefs in our Mussar tradition is that each of us has a soul. Each of us has a spark of the Divine that is our true essence. The body is a garment or a house for that which is truly us. Disney's movie "SOUL" cleverly illustrates that. (By the way, if you "attended" Shabbat services on January 8, 2021 when Rabbi Salkin invited me to fill in for him, some of these thoughts will sound familiar.)

The movie follows the last few days of a Jazz musician, named Joe, who gets his big musical break on the same day that he dies. He finds himself on a "stairway" to some unknown place that is filled with light – you can visualize it as an escalator to heaven. He realizes it is too soon; he is not ready. He has more to do and basically it is just unfair that he can't get to live his dream. And so, he turns around and bucks the upward movement to find himself in a different place – a place he thinks is Hell but turns out to be "The Great Before" where souls wait to be born – endeavoring to discover what sparks them; what animates them so they can be born with a piece of their life purpose embedded and embodied within them. "Soul" tells us how Joe finds his mojo by giving it away.

Back to Mussar: I am not convinced that Mussar teaches that we have one and only one unique talent that we are called upon to live out. I am convinced that the Mussar masters believed that we have a spiritual curriculum to learn and actualize through various opportunities and challenges. Every day we are tested (don't read that theologically) by people, by situations, by missed opportunities, by life. In Joe's (jazz musician in "Soul") case, it can be the music students he is teaching who play off key. Or the assumptions he makes about the barber who cuts his hair or his impatience with the arc of his career. In our case, it can be how we respond to the challenges of Covid and staying safe by limiting our contacts with others. It can be our frustration with the phone tree at someone's office or even our anger at the vaccination response our County is fumbling with in early January. Mussar does not suggest we negate these feelings but rather that we learn from them and act in such a way that elevates our soul as we seek to make the world a better place.

The Rabbis and Pixar agree: We are a soul. It lives within us and lives beyond us. There is a strand in Judaism that posits a place where souls wait out their placement on earth and there is a thread in our tradition that teaches that the soul keeps learning lessons until it finds its place in perfection and learns and learns through multiple lives. It is an intriguing idea. And I believe it as I believe in words that become poems and brush strokes that become abstract art. But now we are on a different topic for another time.



JOIN US AT SERVICES WHEN NEAR OR FAR!

Access us through Zoom or watch us livestreamed (and saved) on our website temple-israel.com and later to our Facebook page (Temple Israel, West Palm Beach).

Temple Israel Sisterhood

Deborah Hirsch, Communications Vice President

Join us for a special Sisterhood Shabbat service at 6:30 p.m. on February 12. Led by Rabbi Salkin, our multi-generational celebration of women will include special readings and prayers. If you have any questions or need more information, contact Judy Preefer at jpreefer@aol.com.

Save the Date: On Sunday, February 21 at 10:30 a.m., temple member Ibby Lucas will share her family's famous rugelach recipe and teach us how to make these delicious pastries via Zoom. Participants will receive a list of ingredients and utensils needed ahead of time. Be sure to wear your TI Sisterhood apron for the baking demonstration. If you haven't purchased an apron already, they are only \$10 through Sisterhood. For more information and to RSVP, contact Michell Escobar at beanerymom@yahoo.com.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, Sisterhood decided to postpone January's New Member/ Supporting Member brunch. The outdoor event was to include a craft project and recipe sharing. Thanks to Karen List for volunteering to host and lead the activities. We hope to reschedule when it is safe to do so.

All female members of Temple Israel are automatically Sisterhood members. However, our Supporting Members go the extra mile in helping to expand our programming. If you aren't already, please consider becoming a Supporting Member for only \$36. It's a great way to start 2021, and we would love to have you join us. Simply send your check (indicating Sisterhood in the memo line) to the temple office or include it with your upcoming statement payment.

It's never too late to give to a Temple Israel campaign! This past month, we have received the below donations for which we are so appreciative.

Brotherhood Chanukah Candles
Hope Baros
Elliot Edelman

Annual Appeal
Elliot Edelman



Temple Israel Brotherhood

Mike Strauss, Brotherhood President

A new year brings new opportunities, and there are many more opportunities this year than in years past. The TI Brotherhood is monitoring everything going on with Covid, and once it's safe and comfortable to do so, we'll have in-person events. Until then we'll continue to provide events virtually.

Stay safe and stay tuned for fun Brotherhood updates.



Social Action

Mary Arpe and Terry Resk, Co-Chairs

DO SOMETHING FOR YOURSELF!

Make 2021 the year to treat yourself. Want something better than a day at the spa or tickets at the 50 yard line? I promise you the best way to feel that good is to **do something for someone else!**

I experienced this phenomenon first hand in December when TI members jumped on short notice and made 250 boxed meals to be delivered on Christmas Day to those who otherwise may not have had a holiday meal. Not only were they delivered to the church where people could pick them up, but our members then delivered some to county parks where homeless people did not hesitate to show their appreciation.

On top of that, when CROS Ministries contacted us for supplies for the food pantry, we compiled over 200 pounds of provisions on very short notice.

Helping with that effort gave me such a high that I finally remembered to do something that I had been reading about for years – at a few stores, I “paid it forward” and just paid for the people checking out behind me. I wasn’t shopping at Tesla dealerships, and we are talking about nominal sums of money, but when the people behind me then turned around and paid for the people behind them, it is no exaggeration to say that I felt a real sense of euphoria all day.

I share this with you only so that you know that you don’t need to spend a lot of money or do anything over the top (“now you tell me,” say the people who made 60 sandwiches on Christmas Day). But DO SOMETHING – if not for others, then for yourselves. If not just because it will make you feel good, then because it will be exemplifying Jewish values:

The highest level of *tzedakah*, exceeded by none, is that of the person who assists a poor person by providing him with a gift or loan or by accepting him into a business partnership or by helping him to find employment – in a word, by putting him where he can dispense with other people's aid.

Mishnah Torah 10:7-14.

Looking for opportunities? Contact Melissa Hudson at Melissa.hudson@jewishpalmbeach.org; Juanita Goode at CROS Ministries (jgood@crosmministries.org); or Lavette or Rick at St. George (info@saintgeorgecenter.org/818-7161). Tell them Temple Israel sent you! ☺

WEEKLY TORAH STUDY

Saturday mornings* at 9:30am via Zoom

Facilitated by Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin

A group conversation on the weekly Parashah, providing references that provoke thoughtful discussions of the ancient texts and how they can be applied to modern day life.



Contact the Temple Office for Zoom access information:
(561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com

**Except on Holy days*

HELPING HANDS

Our Social Action Committee and volunteers are always ready to help our community. In addition to making approximately 250 meals for those at St. George's Episcopal Church on Christmas Day, we also collected 192 pounds of items for the food pantry – and that was only from one round of deliveries!



Recipe

We had so much fun creating this delicious tart in January! Special thanks to Sarajane Marell for leading us and Patti Abramson for facilitating the Zoom session. We hope you can join us for our next TI Cooking class!

CHEESE & TOMATO TART

- 1 packaged Pillsbury pie crust
- 1 shallot, slice thin
- 2 T olive oil
- 1 tsp. thyme, minced
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 ½ lb. tomatoes, cored, sliced ¼ " thick
- 1 tsp. Kosher salt plus another 1 tsp.
- ¼ tsp. pepper
- 2 tsp. Dijon mustard
- 3 oz. Gruyere cheese (¾ cup), grated
- 2 T parmesan cheese, grated
- 1 large egg, beaten
- 1 T chopped fresh basil or Italian parsley



- Slice tomatoes and sprinkle with 1 tsp. salt and let sit 30 minutes and drain out liquid. Pat dry tomatoes
- Mix together spices, garlic, shallots and olive oil and pour over tomatoes
- Unroll dough and spread with mustard leaving border
- Sprinkle with ¾ of the Gruyere and parmesan cheeses (leave ¼ for the top)
- Place tomatoes around in a circle, then crimp up sides of dough
- Top with the rest of the cheese
- Brush sides of dough with beaten egg and bake on parchment at 375 for 40 minutes
- Cool on rack on tray for 10 minutes, then off tray on a rack for 10 minutes
- Sprinkle on a little chopped parsley
- Cut into wedges and serve

**JOIN OUR VIRTUAL
TI READS
THURS., FEBRUARY 18th at 7pm**



This Month's Selection Is:

THE GUEST BOOK

By Sarah Blake

Facilitated by Elaine Feldmesser



The touching story of a family spanning three generations and their lives within the evolving social and political landscape of their Maine coastal town. Beautifully written, Blake describes the experiences between rich and poor, black and white, Protestant and Jew... exposing both memories and mistakes made and inherited by each generation.

"The Guest Book is monumental in a way that few novels dare attempt."
— The Washington Post

Look for Zoom information in our "THIS WEEK & NEXT" emails which are sent every Monday morning. For more information, contact Mary Arpe at mearpe@gmail.com or the Temple Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com.

Pray ☆ Connect ☆ Thrive



**ZEN-TANGLE:
YOGA FOR THE BRAIN**

Facilitated by Karen List

**Thursdays at 7:30pm
January 28, February 4 & 11**

Explore the art of Zen-tangle as a fun way to increase your mindfulness and creativity and also reduce your stress! No talent or previous experience needed!

Cost for all 3 sessions: \$18 includes all supplies

Registration Required.

Contact the Temple Office at (561) 833-8421 or
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Three Artists | Three Ways

Thursdays: February 25, March 4, 11 at 7:30pm

Facilitated by Karen List

Join us to learn about a different contemporary artist each week and create a piece of art inspired by their style. No experience or talent needed.

Cost for all 3 sessions:

\$10 – if you've taken Karen's class in the Fall

\$25 – for supplies for newcomers or those from the Fall who need more supplies

Class size is limited. To RSVP or for more information, contact the Temple Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com

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**COFFEE &...
WITH
RABBI SALKIN**

First Tuesday of each month at 9am via Zoom
Feb 2, Mar 2, Apr 6
May 4, Jun 1

Rabbi Salkin loves coffee, so grab your cup and join him in conversation. Let's get together to make sure we're alright!

Check your emails for Zoom access codes or contact the Temple Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com

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Daily Jewish Mindfulness Meditations

Guided by teachers from the Institute for Jewish Spirituality

Mondays – Fridays | 12:30 – 1:00pm



Revitalize Your Jewish Life

Cultivate Mindfulness

**Enrich Your Wisdom,
Clarity & Compassion**

Join us with the Institute for Jewish Spirituality for these free sessions on a drop-in basis. Follow the link to sign-up:

<https://www.jewishspirituality.org/get-started/resources-for-challenging-times>

We ask that you make a donation of \$18 to the Institute of Jewish Spirituality for the use of their resources.



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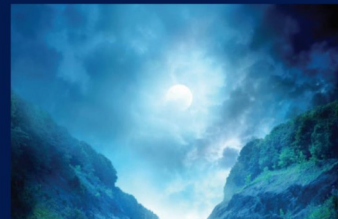
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Black Letters, White Spaces: Learning About Jewish Mysticism

Wednesdays: March 24, 31, April 7 at 7pm

Is *kabbalah* just another spiritual fad or does it have something to teach us about God, history, the world and ourselves?



Join us via Zoom for this user-friendly introduction to Jewish mysticism: ancient, medieval and contemporary. Led by Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin.

Contact the Temple Office to sign-up or for more info and Zoom access: (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com

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TI's Virtual Cooking Series

Prepare delicious treats with our passionately talented members or just watch and schmooze!

Join Dr. Barry Horowitz
on Sun., March 21st at 4pm
for a sweet treat:

Barry's Biscotti



The list of ingredients and the recipe will be sent with Zoom access codes in our Monday eblasts... or contact the Temple Office!

MORE COOKING & BAKING FUN:

Sun., Feb. 21st at 10:30am – Sisterhood's "The Lucas Family Rugelach" with Ibby Lucas
Sun., April 25th at 4pm – "Farfalle with Golden Beets & Pine Nuts" with Pam Wiener and Bill Baker

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3-Part Online Art Appreciation Series

Wednesday evenings at 7pm
Facilitated by Mark Cohen



March 3rd
Picasso – Guernica:
How and Why

March 10th
Christopher Wool: Rollers, Rubber Blocks, Stamps & Silkscreens in dense layers



March 17th
Susan Rothenberg: Horses, Puppets & Barack Obama

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Join Temple Israel Sisterhood for Rugelach From The Heart



Ibby Lucas will teach us to
bake her Family Recipe for
AMAZING Rugelach

Sunday, February 21, 2021
10:30 am via Zoom

Put on your Sisterhood apron and
let's roll out some Rugelach



Ask how you can
support Sisterhood
by purchasing an
apron for only \$10



RSVP to Michell Escobar by 2/19/21
for your ingredients list:
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MUSSAR IN A TIME OF CRISIS

via Zoom

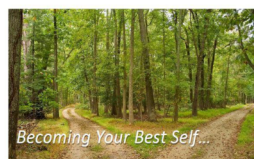


Facilitators: Rabbi Emeritus Howard Shapiro & Dr. Barry Horowitz

Cost: \$54, payable to the Mussar Institute for the use of their
materials and guidance with this course

6 Sessions: Tuesday evenings 7:00pm-8:30pm
Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, Mar. 9

A student of Mussar is someone who wants to change, to become
the best possible version of the individual he or she already is.



Given the current extraordinary times,
we will focus on teachings that help us
to better manage the inevitable times
of crisis that come into our lives. In the
Mussar view, life is a curriculum with
lessons that teach us who we are and
who we may become. We will study *middot* (soul traits) such as
Sadness, Equanimity, Gratitude, Patience, Faith and Trust to assist us
in navigating this journey. This class is open to all who are willing to
study themselves in light of our spiritual traditions.

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- 1 Irv Silver
- 2 Lisa Caplan
- 2 Liam Fine
- 3 Keren Eckstein
- 3 Adrienne Weissman
- 4 Drew Lederman
- 4 Ella Preefer
- 6 Stanley Althof
- 6 Jeffrey Mullens
- 6 Gregg Weiss
- 6 Linda Yosinoff
- 7 Aden Bentolila
- 7 Noah De Chalambert
- 7 Theodore Leopold
- 10 Judith Kanter
- 12 Erica Maltz
- 15 Ann Small
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- 22 Carole Klein
- 24 Rick Baer
- 25 Marcie Gorman-Althof
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- 26 Olivia Buhler-Lieberman
- 26 Alvin Jagoda
- 26 Irma Morris
- 27 Melissa Duncan
- 28 Marty List
- 28 Zelda Mason



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Amy Fromer & Don Carter on their marriage on January 12th, recognizing their longstanding love for each other.

Amy & Don Carter on the birth of Don's first grandchild, Ashwin David Basu on December 27th, born to Lauren and Protik Basu.

Debbie & Brian Haft on the marriage of their son and to the new happy couple Cori & Scott Haft, on December 5th.

Mary Arpe & Michael Gelfand on the marriage of their daughter Sarah Gelfand to Scott Schilson on January 16th.

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- 14 Fred & Sandy Fine
- 18 Ray & Linda Golden
- 20 Michael & Cherri Alexander
- 21 Seth Schwartz & Melissa Duncan



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	01	02	03	04	05	06
		Hebrew School 9:00am Coffee and... with Rabbi Salkin	Hebrew School Community Jewish HS 10:30am Chair Yoga 7:00pm Hartman Institute - Together & Apart: The Future of Jewish Peoplehood	7:30pm Zen-Tangles: Yoga for the Brain	6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service	9:30am Torah Study
07	08	09	10	11	12	13
Religious School		Hebrew School 7:00pm Mussar in a Time of Crisis	Hebrew School Community Jewish HS 10:30am Chair Yoga 7:00pm Hartman Institute - Together & Apart: The Future of Jewish Peoplehood	7:30pm Zen-Tangles: Yoga for the Brain	6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service - honoring Sisterhood	9:30am Torah Study
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Religious School Madrichim Training 10:30am Sisterhood's Rugelach Baking		5:30pm Teen Confirmation Class 7:00pm Board Meeting	10:30am Chair Yoga 7:00pm Hartman Institute - Together & Apart: The Future of Jewish Peoplehood	Purim 7:30pm Three Artists Three Ways	4:30pm Family Shabbat on Facebook 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service on Shushan Purim with a special event & Megillah reading	9:30am Torah Study
28	01	02	03	04	05	06

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