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HIGH HOLY DAYS

Did you know we're already planning for our High Holy Days? Our calendar is almost complete and should be posted in the next Koleynu. We're so looking forward to seeing our congregation and friends together again for these holy days including at our Dinner & Dancing Simchat Torah celebration with our new torahs! We'll be implementing some new procedures including ticket distribution and a new way to sign-up for aliyot. More information will be sent this summer!



From the Rabbi

Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin

Love Your Neighbor As Yourself – The Real Meaning

Let me show you an exchange of emails between me and Reverend Kevin L. Jones of Historic Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, our partner congregation in West Palm Beach. I dashed it off to him in the wake of the horrific shooting in Buffalo.

Dear Reverend Jones:

Though there are many miles between West Palm Beach and Buffalo, the murderous act of hate that took more than ten lives in that grocery store reverberates across that vast distance.

As you undoubtedly know by now, the killer was a racist and an antisemite, which is the usual combination. Hatred always comes in pairs. Invariably, those who hate your people hate mine – and vice versa.

That is one reason, among many, that Blacks and Jews have sought each other out, and have found common cause. The blood of the dead in Buffalo calls out to me, specifically because I cannot forget that bloody Shabbat morning at Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, when a man with the identical ideology killed Jews at morning prayer. The cries of the victims at Mother Emanuel in Charleston still resonate for me, as well – the same pathetic, angry, hateful ideology.

We at Temple Israel weep with you, and with all African-Americans. Our mutual bonds, shared history, and common purpose conspire to cause me to cherish the relationship that exists between our two communities, and I am ever committed to nurturing and nourishing it.

To which Reverend Jones responded:

Dear Rabbi:

Thank you so much for your thoughts during this time. Unfortunately, the incident in Buffalo and the others cited in your email reminds us that evil and racism is still present among us. Although progress has been made, we have a long way to go.

It is good to know that we have a partner in Temple Israel that walks with us in this journey and is committed to realizing Dr. King's vision of a "Beloved Community".

As I write these words, on the Monday morning after the killings, that event still shakes us. The gunman, Payton S. Gendron, was wearing tactical gear and body armor, with a video camera fixed to his helmet. He was carrying an assault weapon. He had an anti-Black slur written on the barrel of his gun. The 180 pages of invective that he posted online contained anti-Black and antisemitic ideas.

It is one in a series of bloody moments in recent history:

- June 17, 2015, Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, South Carolina. Dylann Roof killed nine African Americans at Bible study.
- October 27, 2018, Tree of Life Congregation in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Eleven people killed, six people wounded.
- April 27, 2019, Chabad in Poway, California. One person killed.

What do all of these bloody events have in common?

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They can all be traced back to the "United The Right" rally in Charlottesville, Virginia in 2017. Recall the tikki-torch wielding hate groups that included neo-fascists, KKK members, neo-Confederates, and white nationalists. Recall the chant that was on their lips: "The Jews will not replace us!"

That is the "great replacement theory" – the conspiracy theory that suggests that Jews are actively recruiting non-whites to enter America in order to replace white people.

It is a conspiracy theory that has become increasingly popular. Fox News host Tucker Carlson has made this theory part of his media arsenal; he has parroted the theory in more than 400 episodes of his show.

Which brings us back to the email exchange between me and Reverend Jones.

Some years ago, I taught a class in Bible at Columbus State University in Columbus, Georgia. I loved my students, and we developed a warm relationship. Most of the students were Black, and most of them were military veterans. At one point in the class, some of the students asked about antisemitism, and whether there was any connection to racism.

This is what I told them: "Anyone who hates you, also hates me. Anyone who hates me, also hates you. Hatred is always a combination platter."

They nodded their heads. They understood.

The killings in Buffalo should do something that even the killings in Charleston and Pittsburgh seemed not to do – and that is to convince American Blacks and Jews that we need to renew, restore, reboot, and re-imagine our relationships.

On local levels, it should lead to increased dialogue, relationships, projects – anything that brings us together.

Which brings us to the event at Historic Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, on Thursday evening, June 16, 6:30 pm – co-sponsored by our Social Action Committee. This will be a sweet follow up to our traditional MLK Shabbat, and it will allow us to share fellowship with our friends and neighbors.

The agenda? Friendship, the building of relationships – and yes, the further envisioning of what Dr. King called "the beloved community."

As the ancient Sages put it: "If not now, when?"

Details to follow. All you have to do now is to prepare your hearts.

SIMPLY ENTERTAINING... SIMPLY ENLIGHTENING... SIMPLY JEWISH!



Our Simply Jewish series has brought us many talented performers and intriguing speakers, and this past year was no exception! Over fifty performers have entertained and enlightened us through the years, among them Mitch Albom, Leonard Nimoy, Ruth Westheimer, Carl Bernstein, Nancy Spielberg, Alan Morinis, Amichai Lau-Lavie, Alana Newhouse, Craig Taubman, Shira Klein, Michael Twitty, Anat Hoffman, Yehonatan Indursky, Sarge, Esther Safran Foer, Kol B'Seder, Dara Horn, and most recently Michelle Azar... how many do you remember here at Temple Israel?

Our committee is already planning our next series to start this autumn with exceptional guests to make our centennial year even more special. Keep your eyes open for our upcoming schedule. We want to dazzle you!



From the Executive Director

Karen Szteinberg, Temple Administrator/Executive Director

I often think of scenes from the Netflix show “Shtisel”, where Talmudic students study day after day and argue over the meaning of different portions in the Torah. But if we are to be guided by the divine wisdom and laws recorded by sages and scribes, then why are these not definitive? Why are they open to interpretation, to debates? And if Judaism preaches that we follow these laws, then how can many people choose what to follow and what to disregard, and yet still survive?

I believe in the lessons within our sacred pages. But I see the Torah not as a directive but as a roadmap which leads to our destination. We can stop along the way to rest or divert our attention and explore, and ultimately we return back on our road. God puts bumps in the road and turbulence in our lives to test us, to make us stronger and to cultivate the intelligence, will and adaptability that the Almighty has given us. And I believe God is forgiving in accepting our faults and our decisions, provided we do no harm to others.

The question of living by Jewish law comes down to the definition of Judaism itself – is it cultural or religious? To Orthodox Jews, *halakha* (traditional Jewish law) is essential. But to Reform Jews, it is more about leading a moral life, promoting social justice, giving Jewishly, promoting a Jewish education, and remembering and sharing our history including the ten plagues, the forty years and the six million slaughtered.

The Reform movement was created to adapt to the changes of our modern world – socially and culturally. Our world continues to change, compelling us to revisit what Reform Judaism means and what stands we should take. To paraphrase Heraclitus, Benjamin Franklin and many other scholars, the only thing constant in life is change. And change can lead to wonderful adventures, innovation, improvement and growth.

Temple Israel is in the epicenter of the West Palm Beach waterfront transformation which compels us to examine and possibly redefine ourselves, to remain a spiritual home, reinvigorate and expand our cultural, social and recreational programs, and attract our growing community. Changes are imminent and we need to decide the next stop on our roadmap. I am honored to be with you on this amazing, exciting journey as together we lead Temple Israel into our next centennial.

DID YOU KNOW – Reform Judaism

Pew Research Center data 2020

- About 37% of all American Jews practice Reform Judaism; Conservative Jews are at 17%, Orthodox at 9%, and 32% are Jews who have no particular branch.
- Of Jews who are not synagogue members, 36% identify as Reform Jews.
- Reform Judaism has a high rate of retention of those who were raised Reform (65%.) Conservative Jews have the lowest retention rate. About 30% of those raised as Conservative are now identifying as Reform Jews; an additional 16% of today’s Reform Jews were raised as other denominations or were unaffiliated.



The *Mussar* Moment

Barry Horowitz, M.D.

In *Parshat Kedoshim*, which was read at the beginning of May, we find one of the most important exhortations in the Torah:

קְדוֹשִׁים תִּהְיוּ כִּי קְדוֹשׁ אֲנִי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם:

You shall be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy. (Lev. 19:2)

The verb, "תהיו" (*tih'yu*), is expressed in the 'imperfect aspect,' a fancy way of describing that which hasn't yet come to pass. God seems to be implying that His listeners – and we, the readers—are not yet holy.

Rabbi Chaim ibn Attar, known as the *Or HaChaim*, teaches us that holiness is less a destination we might someday hope to reach, than a direction in which we choose to grow, right here and now. "This commandment [to be holy]," he says, "applies day in and day out throughout our lifetime." Every moment is an opportunity to "strive for sanctity." It's in the very act of striving that holiness lies. Holy is never what we *are* but always what we may *become*.

In the first chapter of Alan Morinis' *Everyday Holiness* we read:

"The starting point for understanding Mussar is the verse in the Torah that tells us: "You shall be holy." The Torah here reveals in no uncertain terms what a human being's job description is. In essence, we are here on earth for no other purpose than to grow and blossom spiritually – to become holy. Our potential and therefore our goal should be to become as spiritually refined and elevated as is possible."

If nothing else, the writings of the *Or HaChaim* allow us to more deeply appreciate the wisdom in Alan Morinis' words. The call to *be* holy is indeed the "starting point" for the spiritual path of Mussar, because wherever we may be along the path marks the beginning of the progress we have yet to make. The endeavor to *become* holy is in truth our human "job description" and our divine mission, to live through us the dynamic perfection of God. Biblical Hebrew primers aside, Torah itself comes to teach us a most profound grammar lesson: "holy" is a verb – and we have our lifetimes to parse it.

Excerpts taken from Torah from a Mussar Perspective, The Mussar Institute

Special Thanks Go Out to Members of Temple Israel's Greeting Corps and all of our volunteers who assisted in our office in May:



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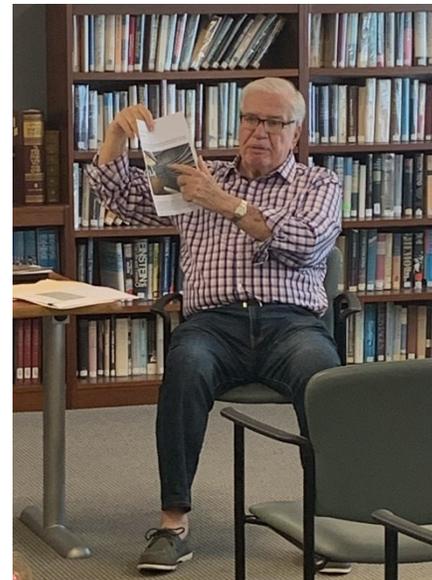
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Religious School



GUEST SPEAKER: ALEX METZGER, HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR

In May, our Religious School students and parents were moved by a very special guest, Alex Metzger, who spoke of his experiences and the atrocities of the Holocaust. It is so important that we share these horrific stories so that “never forget” and “never again” will forever remain our mantra.



We thank Jackie Klein and Tamekia Graham for organizing this meaningful event, Rabbi Jeffrey Salkin for assisting with the interview, and Marla Topiol (Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County), Mindy Hanken (Mandel JCC) and Philip Gaitelband (Alpert Jewish Family Services) for securing our guest and coordinating the day.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL – 2022/2023

Religious School Registration is already underway for our classes which start in August. Please help us spread the word of our religious school which incorporates the acclaimed Shalom Learning curriculum and our monthly social action projects. Our smaller class sizes allow for more personal attention and one-on-one bnai mitzvah tutoring, with dedicated and knowledgeable teachers who truly care. Our exceptional madrichim program includes special training, programs and trips, plus our Youth Group activities are always fun! Early Bird pricing is in effect through June 24th. For more info, check out our website or contact our Temple Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com.



EDUCATION SHABBAT & CONFIRMATION

We are so proud of our students and teachers! Our Education Shabbat in May honored their dedication and hard work, and we loved watching them beam on our bimah as they recited and sang prayers and songs at this very special service. We congratulate our confirmands – Sophia Feuer, Maya Green, Delia Hartley and Jordan Matias – on the affirmation of their commitment to Judaism and wish all of our students much continuing success!



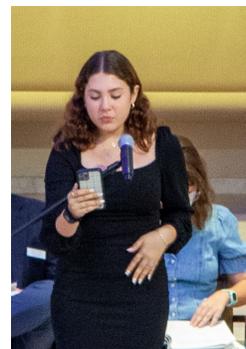
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Sisterhood Corner

Deborah Hirsch, Communications Vice President

Sisterhood kicked off its new year on Sunday, May 22, with our Annual Election and Installation of Officers at 4 p.m. via Zoom. Here is the full list of our dynamic 2022-23 board:

President Valerie Eaton
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| Lori Ackerman | Michell Escobar | Ruth Salkin |
| Lisa Rubin Caplan | Ann Kritzer | Kristine Thurston |

Thanks to the following who served on our Nominating Committee:

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| Lisa Rubin Caplan | | |

With Rabbi Salkin leading services, we celebrated the Sisterhood and all it does for Temple Israel at our Sisterhood Shabbat on May 13. Sisterhood members, as well as current and past Sisterhood leadership, participated in special readings and presentations. Thanks to chairs Karen List and Sammy Alzofon for all their hard work, and to Brotherhood for supplying the beverages (especially the wine!) at the Oneg.

Kol Hakavod to Social Action Vice Presidents Jane Herring & Janice Rosenberg, who attended the Union for Reform Judaism's "Leading Change" three-day workshop in May. They learned how to smoothly integrate social action components into Sisterhood's programs.

Stay tuned to this space for ways in which Sisterhood is working to enhance the temple's upcoming Centennial Celebration!

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. Simply send your check (indicating Sisterhood in the memo line) to the temple office or include it with your upcoming statement payment.



Sisterhood Shabbat





Brotherhood

Howard Solomon, President

Wow! I am so happy to be the next President of Temple Israel's Brotherhood! I look forward to working with all the men of the Temple, so feel free to send me your ideas or concerns: hoso1946@gmail.com. The past two years have been very difficult for everyone but I am optimistic that *Shana Habaa* (the coming year) will be better. This summer the Brotherhood will meet to plan our calendar, beginning with a Shababaque in late August. I hope to see everyone there. Have a great summer!

All male members of Temple Israel are automatically members of our Brotherhood. However, our Supporting Members help to expand our programming even further, including our generous support of Religious School endeavors. Please consider becoming a Supporting Member for only \$36 by sending your check to the temple office (indicating Brotherhood in the memo line). Thank you!

Our Annual Brotherhood Meeting & Dinner was a success which included dinner in our courtyard, congregational information presented, and the election of Howard Solomon as our new Brotherhood President! Congratulations!



FROM BAGHDAD TO BROOKLYN TO TEMPLE ISRAEL: MICHELLE AZAR

We were delighted to have Michelle Azar perform her one-woman Broadway show at Temple Israel, "From Baghdad to Brooklyn". Michelle entertained us with familiar and new songs, wit and humor, creatively transforming herself from one generation to another with incredible energy. At the Shabbat Oneg, she chatted with our congregation and guests, delighting us with even more stories and accents. What a wonderful Simply Jewish performance, with credit to Zelda Mason and Rabbi Howard Shapiro for guiding and funding the evening through the Kraft Cultural Fund and The Next Person I Want You to Meet Fund.



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President's Circle Dinner and Informational Meeting

While we joined together for dinner, Marty List shared with the President's Circle Members the development in our West Palm Beach area as well as its opportunities for Temple Israel and our members.





RELIGIOUS SCHOOL BRUNCH & PRESENTATION

Our last day of Religious School was a wonderful celebration of our accomplishments, and we are so proud of our students, parents and staff! Many attended our brunch and presentation where our students and staff were honored with gifts and well wishes. The presentation was even more poignant as this was the last school day for Jackie Klein at Temple Israel. (We of course wished her well in her new position in Clearwater!) Special acknowledgement and deep appreciation also went to Ron Goldenson who created a stunning mosaic to be hung on our campus in honor of our centennial. The mosaic was designed by our madrichim with the word “Kehilla” which translates to a congregation or community – and what better way to exemplify *kehilla* than through the teamwork, respect and love we have shown for each other this year at school and with this gift to Temple Israel. THANK YOU, ALL.







EREV SHAVUOT STUDY SESSION WITH RABBI JEFFREY SALKIN AND SPECIAL GUEST RABBI MARC GELLMAN



“ARE THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OVERRATED?” Saturday, June 4th at 7pm (only via Zoom)



Shavuot marks the giving of the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai, and what better way to celebrate this sacred moment than to ask the questions: Are those teachings and laws still relevant? Who cares about idolatry, anyway? What kind of honor do our parents deserve? Is it really “Thou shalt not kill,” or did we get the wording wrong?

Join us for a study session that your friends will covet (sorry!) as Rabbi Salkin welcomes Rabbi Marc Gellman – author, columnist, media star and former co-host of “The God Squad” (with the late Msgr. Tom Hartman) – as his study partner.

Check your emails or contact our Temple Office for Zoom access information.

**Also Save the Date for our YIZKOR Service of Remembrance in-person at
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INFORMATION IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS

In May we had several meetings with members to discuss the vibrant development in our West Palm Beach area as well as its opportunities for Temple Israel and our members. We thank all those who listened, learned, gave input and inquired further. Our president, Marty List, is always available if you have questions before our congregational meeting to vote on these opportunities. Please refer to your member directory or ask our office to put you in touch with Marty.



“WHOLE SELF” TI’S NEW PROGRAM FOR YOUNG JEWISH LGBTQ & ALLIES

Temple Israel has created a Jewish Teens LGBTQ and Allies Safe Space on Sunday afternoons. The program is open to the larger Jewish teen population (outside of Temple Israel) and is facilitated by Kodi Laskin and planned by a teen committee. Community service hours are available for the teen committee involvement.

This “Whole Self” program will include some social and informal afternoons while other days will have planned programs and educators joining for learning with the teens. This incredible program has been made possible by a grant awarded by the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County’s Jewish Teen Impact Program.

Our inaugural event was amazing with a fun kick-off Masquerade Party at the end of May, with additional support by Tamekia Graham, Jackie Klein and Nicole Laskin.



A Bit of ResTORAH History

Barbara Thrasher with a scribe at a previous Torah restoration years ago.

Do you have any old photos taken at Temple Israel? We’d love to see them, especially as we reminisce while planning our centennial celebrations!



WHAT A VIEW!

What better way to share a special occasion than with the beauty and serenity of the Intracoastal waterway as your backdrop? Whether for an intimate wedding ceremony, memorializing a loved one, or having a lively cocktail party, consider Temple Israel for your next event. Our social hall can accommodate



larger meetings and parties, our courtyards can be setup for dinner, buffet or cocktails, and our media center has stunning views of the Intracoastal as well. For more information, contact Karen at (561) 833-8421 or karen@temple-israel.com.

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

We thought you might enjoy some of this history. We reached out to our members several years ago, asking why they joined Temple Israel, and we still cherish what Carole & Paul Klein had to say!



“You might say we were born into TI membership – or at least Carole was. Her family had been members since the early 50s. And, in fact, her mom, Ceceil Tishman, was the first woman to serve as Board president and she also had a term as director of the religious school. So, our lives have been a passage through Temple Israel for all of our family milestones. We were married here – having become childhood sweethearts when we met in West Palm at Jewish Federation’s Camp Shalom day camp in 1966. We celebrated our three girls’ *b’not mitzvahs* here, their confirmations, and two of them were also married here.

We’ve been a part of the synagogue’s growth and its challenges, had our own waves of full-on to dialed-back involvement, but can never imagine our Jewish home anywhere other than TI. It’s a precious legacy for us.”

Carole & Paul Klein, members since 1975



TEMPLE ISRAEL’S JUDAICA SHOP Run by the TI Sisterhood

Our Judaica Shop is available whenever the Temple Office is open. A *mezuzah* makes a perfect housewarming and a *Seder* plate will help newlyweds start their lifelong family traditions. For a wedding gift, perhaps a tallit or a special collectible glass to break! You can even place orders for one-of-a-kind necklaces and bracelets! If there’s something we don’t have in stock, let us know and we’ll order it for you.

To browse our wonderful selection of jewelry and Judaica merchandise, stop by our office or speak with Karen Sztainberg at (561) 833-8421 or our Judaica Shop Maven Lynn Levy at (561) 632-1877. All proceeds support our amazing Sisterhood and all that they do for Temple Israel.

If you would like to volunteer to assist with our Judaica Shop, please contact Lynn Levy.

Where in the Temple

The three items below reside somewhere in our Temple. Do you know where? If so, your knowledge could be profitable! The first person to email Karen Szteinberg at Karen@temple-israel.com with the exact location of each of the three items will be awarded a prize. Be very specific! General answers will not be accepted. Happy hunting!



AARP
Driver Safety

Temple Israel will be hosting the

AARP Smart Driver™ course

Instructor: Sydelle Neustein

Wednesday, July 13th, 9:45am - 4:30pm

- You could save money on your car insurance
- Refresh your driving skills and knowledge of the rules of the road
- Discover proven driving methods and techniques to help keep you and your loved ones safe on the road

\$20 for AARP members, \$25 for non-AARP members (checks payable to "AARP")
Bring your Driver's License, AARP Card and lunch

You **MUST REGISTER** by July 6th to Sydelle Neustein (561) 641-3859



Our Food Pantry Collection is Back!

Please drop off your donations of unperishable food in our Temple Lobby Collection Bin to be brought to the Food Pantry and distributed to those in need. Thank you!



BIMAH FLOWERS

Our Sanctuary is stunning and flowers can add to its beauty! Whether in honor of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, consider sponsoring a floral arrangement for our *bimah* (\$175). You can specify the Erev Shabbat date or consider contributing to the Vineberg Floral Fund for our ongoing floral décor needs. For more information contact the Office at (561) 833-8421 or tioffice@temple-israel.com



THURSDAY, JUNE 16th at 6:30pm
at the
HISTORICAL TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH
801 Eighth Street, West Palm Beach

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Yizkor
Service of Remembrance

Sunday, June 5 at 11:45am



Remembering those we have loved and lost ...

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Open to the entire community.

**Our Virtual
TI READS**

Thurs., June 23rd at 7pm

Facilitator: **Judy Goodman**

**The House of
Fragile Things:
Jewish Art Collectors
and the Fall of France**

by James McAuley



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+ Dinner



+ Dancing

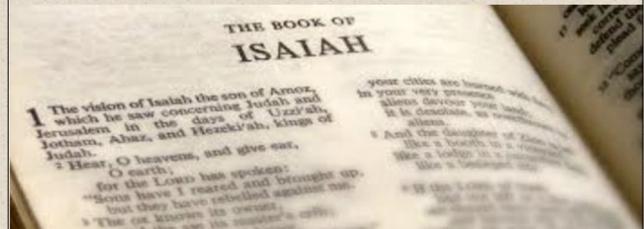


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To Ukraine, With Love

as of May 18, 2022

So many caring individuals gave from their heart to support our friends and families in Ukraine through Rabbi Salkin's Hineini Trip. In addition to donations of much-needed supplies from our members and greater community, the following also contributed financial support:

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| 11 Jill & Sandy Sirulnick |
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☆ Ann Kritzer on the marriage of her nephew Kevin Kirstein to Svetlana Kastoun on April 30, 2022 in New Jersey. Ann & her mother Lynn Kritzer attended the wedding virtually.

☆ Marlene Ganz Bogard on the upcoming marriage of her granddaughter Skyler Nicole Ganz to Connor James Kalantari.

Wishing you all many more simchas and mazel!



ResTORAH Project

as of May 16, 2022

We sincerely thank the following individuals for their kindhearted generosity in supporting our ResTORAH project. If you haven't yet joined in this amazing opportunity, please contact our Temple Office or check your emails or our website for the ResTORAH donation form. We'd love to add your name in our next Koleynu and hope to see all of our donors at our brunch celebration to have an honor of filling in the final letters with our scribe (September 11th.)

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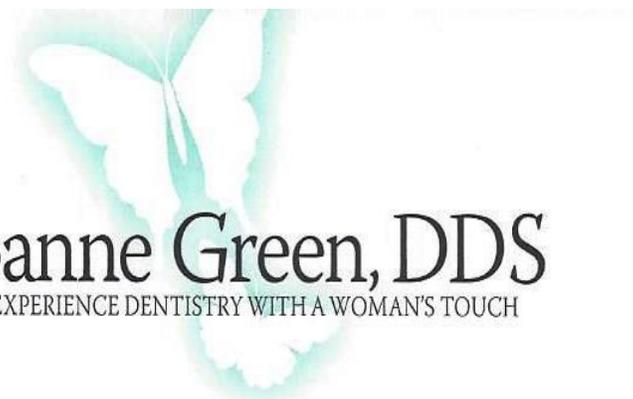
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 29 | 30 | 31 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 |
| Shavuot 11:45am Yizkor Service of Remembrance | | | 9:00am Mat Yoga 10:30am Chair Yoga | | 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service | Erev Shavuot No Torah Study Today 7:00pm Shavuot Study Session: "Are the Ten Commandments Overrated?" (only via Zoom) |
| 05 | 06 | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 |
| | 10:00am Beginning Hebrew for Adults | 10:00am Beginning Hebrew for Adults | 9:00am Mat Yoga 10:30am Chair Yoga | | 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service | 9:30am Torah Study - Haftarah Will Travel (via Zoom) |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| | | 10:00am Beginning Hebrew for Adults | 9:00am Mat Yoga 10:30am Chair Yoga | 6:30pm "Fellowship, Compassion, Solidarity" joint program at Historic Tabernacle Baptist Church | 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service | 9:30am Torah Study - Haftarah Will Travel (via Zoom) |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| | | 10:00am Beginning Hebrew for Adults | 9:00am Mat Yoga 10:30am Chair Yoga | 7:00pm TI Reads Book Club | 6:30pm <i>Erev Shabbat</i> worship service | 9:30am Torah Study - Haftarah Will Travel (via Zoom) |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 01 | 02 |
| | | 10:00am Beginning Hebrew for Adults | 9:00am Mat Yoga 10:30am Chair Yoga | | | |



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