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# “Advice from a Tree.”

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Sunday evening, February 5th, will mark the Jewish celebration of the trees, Tu B’ Shevat. For our ancestors who lived 2000 years ago in Israel, this holiday served an important function in their agricultural society by enabling farmers to identify the age of trees.

On Tu B’Shevat, like a Jewish Arbor Day, we will acknowledge the importance of trees. Trees are precious in their gifts of fragrance, colors, nourishment, healing essence, foliage, shapes, playfulness, protection, and beauty; trees release oxygen and give us the breath of life.

Yet over the centuries, this holiday was infused with spiritual and mystical meanings because trees symbolize some of the best character traits a person can strive for. It is no surprise that the wisest of all kings, King Solomon compares the Torah to a tree - “it is a tree of life to those who take hold of her; those who hold her fast will be blessed. (Proverbs 3:18)

Not only is the Torah compared to a tree, but throughout the Torah, at least thirty seven different species of trees are mentioned by name. Each tree represents different values and character traits that we are meant to learn from.

Rabbi Shoshana Friedman explains that religion and the natural sciences are not at odds with one another; rather, a deep look at the natural world was what brought us closer to God, the holy force behind it all. We find a beautiful articulation of this idea in a prayer from *Pri Etz Hadar*, a 17th century Kabbalistic treatise on the Tu B’Shevat:

*"God, You caused trees and grass to grow from the earth,*

*so that human beings might gain wisdom and understanding through them."*

In other words, what we observe in nature, in the forms and structures of trees and plants, can teach us deeper spiritual lessons, Torah you might say. So, I want to linger with this familiar and beloved metaphor of Torah as a Tree of Life and flip around the metaphor to ask: What is the Torah of Trees? What life wisdom do the trees have to teach us?

One lesson we can learn is from the flexibility and resiliency we witness in trees. This ability stems from ‘stress wood’, Also known as ‘reaction wood’ this is a special type of wood that trees have that prevents cracking. In 1987, scientists constructed Biosphere 2, a research center in Arizona. Scientists noticed that the trees inside the protective biosphere grew rapidly, more rapidly than they did outside of the dome, but they also fell over before reaching maturation. After looking at the root systems and outer layers of bark, the scientists came to realize that a lack of wind in Biosphere 2 caused a deficiency of stress wood. Stress wood helps a tree position itself for optimal sun absorption and it also helps trees grow more solidly. Without stress wood, a tree can grow quickly, but it cannot support itself fully. It cannot withstand normal wear and tear and survive. In other words, the trees needed some stress in order to thrive in the long run."

Not only do trees teach us to learn to be more flexible, but they remind us that many of our challenges can help us become stronger and more resilient.

The tree’s need for ‘stress wood’ teaches us about:

“the need for productive discomfort, the vitality that is found in the moment we choose not to shut out our (often uncomfortable) inner lives.

Similarly, our ability to stay present and listen to a partner, parent, child, the precise people who trigger us the most... this is standing in the wind. When we really attend to them, giving them awareness and even gratitude, these are the moments not just of gritting our teeth and dealing with it, but of *generative* discomfort.”

On this Tu B'Shevat may we continue to be awed by the beauty and variety of the trees. May we also open our eyes and our hearts to the spiritual lessons we can learn from these magnificent trees. May we be blessed to transform life's discomforts into living with resilience and may we be blessed to stand firm in our values all the while remaining flexible in our approach as we implement and bring to fruition our hopes and our dreams.

In our tradition, trees are so much more than the shade they provide, the fruit they share or the wood they supply. Trees are stunning visual aids to becoming our best selves. But don't just take my advice, take some advice from a tree:

### **Advice from a Tree**

By Ilan Shamir

Dear Friend,  
Stand Tall and Proud  
Sink your roots deeply into the Earth  
Reflect the light of a greater source  
Think long term  
Go out on a limb  
Remember your place among all living beings  
Embrace with joy the changing seasons  
For each yields its own abundance  
The Energy and Birth of Spring  
The Growth and Contentment of Summer  
The Wisdom to let go of leaves in the Fall  
The Rest and Quiet Renewal of Winter  
Feel the wind and the sun  
And delight in their presence  
Look up at the moon that shines down upon you  
And the mystery of the stars at night.  
Seek nourishment from the good things in life  
Simple pleasures  
Earth, fresh air, light  
Be content with your natural beauty  
Drink plenty of water  
Let your limbs sway and dance in the breezes  
Be flexible  
Remember your roots  
Enjoy the view!

*Rabbi Feivel*

Shalom Temple Judea,

It's been almost ten years since my family and I moved to Florida from upstate New York, yet I still don't take our beautiful local beaches for granted. I love experiencing the beach with my family and I am so grateful my daughters have grown up enjoying the ocean. Yet, every time I go to the beach, I can't help but worry that these beaches won't be around for their future children to enjoy. After all, just a year ago, a United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel reported that climate change has already damaged places like Florida permanently and irreversibly, stating, "The scientific evidence is unequivocal: climate change is a threat to human well-being and the health of the planet. Any further delay in concerted global action will miss a brief and rapidly closing window to secure a livable future." Like I imagine so many of you, this report left me feeling even more anxious and defeated about the impact of climate change on our environment. The fact is, to avoid further environmental damage, governments and corporations around the world need to prioritize protecting our planet, and as activists, we can continue putting pressure on them to do so. But in the meantime, how can we as individuals and as a community do our part to make a difference in the wake of this global emergency? Although we can't save the entire world, we can do our part to safeguard our beautiful beaches for the next generation, and in fact our tradition commands us to do just that. After all, as the rabbis teach in Kohelet Rabbah, "When Adonai created the human being, Adonai took him and led him around all the trees of the Garden of Eden and said to him: Behold My works, how beautiful they are. All that I have created is within your domain. Take care, therefore, that you do not destroy My world, for if you do, there will be no one else to set it right after you."

There are many ways we can incorporate this teaching into our lives as we prepare to celebrate Tu B'Shevat on February 5<sup>th</sup>/February 6<sup>th</sup>. Each and every one of us can commit to doing our part in protecting the environment by making at least one positive change this year. That could mean committing to always using reusable shopping bags. It could mean only purchasing biodegradable cleaning products -Target now has an amazing supply, which goes to show what increased demand can do! We can also commit to continue learning how our individual choices can collectively make a significant impact on the world today and the world we are leaving the next generation. For example, I recommend reading books such as "We Are the Weather: Saving the Planet Begins at Breakfast" by fellow member of the tribe Jonathan Safran Foer. You could also invest in a Lomi, an extremely cool and non-smelly home composter that sits on your kitchen countertop and reduces household waste by 80%, while also creating rich soil for your garden. And, as always, you can contact your local and state representatives to let them know that protecting our precious beaches is a priority for you, and to hold them accountable for their actions or lack thereof on this essential issue. It's understandable to feel defeated by this huge and complicated problem, but our tradition teaches us that it's worth the effort if we can do our small part to protect God's beautiful creations and guard them for future generations to cherish. To learn more about the essential and timely topic of Jewish environmentalism, join me for the next class in our Tikkun Olam series on February 1<sup>st</sup> - I look forward to learning with you!

Tu B'Shevat Sameach,

*Rabbi Rose*

**On Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, Rabbi Yaron Kapitulnik was asked to give the sermon at Christ Family Worship Assembly as part of our joint worship in honor and memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This sermon addressed the important work we all must do to fight antisemitism. And while many of you were in attendance, we thought it would be meaningful to share it with the entire congregation. Questions, discussion, or comments – Rabbi Yaron would love to hear from you.**

I grew up not too far from where Amos grew up. It's a beautiful land, roaring desert hills, hidden water springs, flocks of sheep and goats grazing on the mountains.

Amos lived in a village called Tekoa, a beautiful, quiet, and calm life, just as you would expect from a person who is a cattle breeder and a tender of sycamore figs.

And I think that his profession, as a tender of figs is one of the reasons I have always been drawn to Amos.

Figs are my favorite tree – I am even trying to grow a fig tree in my back yard.

I love figs because of their smell, and their taste and because of their role symbolizing peace – like we read in the Book of Kings (1 Kings 5:5)

“All the days of Solomon, Judah, and Israel from Dan to Beer-Sheba dwelt in safety, everyone under his own vine and under his own fig tree.”

Amos lived a nice and quiet life. Under his own vine and under his fig trees.

And he could have kept living that life, but then he heard a voice. The voice of God – calling him to act.

Because Amos did not live in an ideal world, he lived two hundred years after the utopian description in the Book of Kings. Amos lived in the times we call the split kingdom, when after the death of King Solomon, the kingdom of Solomon split into two, the northern kingdom known as Israel, and the southern known as Judea.

And this split, together with a fight over where the spiritual center of the Jewish people belongs, caused the people of Israel to sin, to leave God's ways and to go down the path of evil. And so, God had to send someone to warn the people from the consequences of their behavior. God needed a prophet.

Amos didn't want to be a prophet – no one wants to be a prophet – he says so himself when the king of Israel is threatening him:

“Amos answered Amaziah: “I am not a prophet, and I am not a prophet's disciple. I am a cattle breeder and a tender of sycamore figs. But the LORD took me away from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to My people Israel.” Amos 7:14-15

No one wants to be a prophet. This is one job no one applies for. It's a calling, a true calling. Because no one wants to be the person who must go around town telling people that what they are doing is wrong, no one wants to be the carrier of bad news, no one wants to put themselves, and their families at risk that those you speak against will seek your harm.

Amos did not ask for it, and his life was threatened by his work.

But Amos heard the calling:

A lion has roared,  
Who can but fear?  
My Lord GOD has spoken,  
Who can but prophesy?

Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. did not ask to be a prophet, and he paid with his life for taking the roll on himself.

You see – Dr. King had no ambition to become the leader of a movement. When Rosa Parks was arrested for refusing to give up her seat to a white passenger on a Montgomery city bus, on December 1, 1955, King was only a twenty-six-year-old minister - just a year into his job at the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, in Montgomery, back then – he writes - He imagined that he might one day become a professor. The legendary boycott that followed Park’s arrest was not King’s idea, and, when he was informed of the plan, he did not immediately endorse it. But after some reflection, he did and offered a room in the basement of his church for the organizers to meet.

On December 5th, the boycott organizers met in King’s church basement and voted to call themselves the Montgomery Improvement Association. Then, to his surprise, and probably because he was not well known, and no one else was eager to accept the risk of white reprisal, King was elected the group’s president.

It was a little after six o’clock on that evening. There was a mass meeting scheduled for seven. King rushed home; he had twenty minutes to prepare. Not an easy task for a leader who usually spent 15 hours on every single sermon he gave.

In his autobiography he says that he wasted five of those twenty minutes having a panic attack.

Fifteen minutes later, he was picked up and driven to the Holt Street Church.

I believe that Rosa Parks refusal to get out of her seat on that bus – was a lion of God roaring – and that Dr. King just like Amos –heard the roar and understood that the time had come to act.

That night- with no manuscript and only a few notes, King got up to deliver one of the greatest speeches of his career.

He said:

We are not wrong in what we are doing.

If we are wrong, the Supreme Court of this nation is wrong.

If we are wrong, the Constitution of the United States is wrong.

If we are wrong, God Almighty is wrong.

If we are wrong, Jesus of Nazareth was merely a utopian dreamer that never came down to earth.

If we are wrong, justice is a lie.

We are determined here in Montgomery to work and to fight.

And then he quotes, who other but his brother the prophet -Amos- saying – We are determined to work and fight **“until justice runs down like water” and “righteousness like a mighty stream.”**

I am not surprised that Dr. King chose to quote Amos, and I believe that if we are to understand Dr. King’s message to us, we must better understand Amos’ message.

**Let's begin with this sentence from Dr. King's first speech as a prophet, as a leader of a newly born movement.**

Look at this sentence – what is the difference between justice and righteousness and why is one equal to water and one to a mighty stream?

In Hebrew; justice is “Mishpat” – and this word refers to the law – to the dry letter of the law – the law of God is clear – there is right and wrong, there is good and bad, there is darkness and there is light– and justice, “Mishpat” is implanted within the soul of every human being.

Amos believed, and Dr. King believed knowing that humans seek justice by their very nature, it is an essential ingredient of every moral society. Therefore, justice is compared to a well of water, whose source is internal and whose impact on the surroundings is incredible.

The ability to recognize, pursue and act justice is within each of us and we are meant to radiate that justice outwards.

Righteousness in Hebrew is “Tzedakah” – it's what we do with the law, it's how we apply it to our fellow people – righteousness, in contrast, to justice is not ingrained within every human, rather we nurture and develop that trait through our experience and relationship with God. This is like a stream, whose waters are not internal in nature, righteousness is meant to be developed and expressed as a form of one's personal religious journey.

So, it is our innate sense of justice, through our relationship with God that allow the waters of Justice to emerge from within us and flow like a mighty stream of “Tzedakah”- of DOING what is right not only knowing what is right.

What does Amos teach us? That it's not enough to know what is right – but to do what is right, and the only way to create a mighty stream is to have various sources of water combine. Amos lived in the Judean desert and experienced one of the most unique phenomena in the world – a flash flood in the desert. It has been said and it is well known that “if you have never seen a flash flood in the desert you...have never seen a flash flood in the desert” – but in all seriousness, when one little stream of water joins another and another – in minutes a powerful and unstoppable flush flood is generated, it's an awesome phenomenon.

Only when my waters of justice and yours combine – a flood of righteousness will flow in the desert Amos lived in, a flood of “Tzedakah” will flood the street of the United States of America.

Amos also teaches that justice shall be established in the gate – why?

Justice must be seen; it must be public. I come here today to say to you, just as Pastor Samuel said to my congregation on Friday. We are committed to have justice seen. When a young black man is unjustly killed – it is not enough that I sit in my living room and say – this is wrong – MY VOICE HAS TO BE HEARD, I MUST DEMAND JUSTICE IN THE GATE, when politicians try to restrict our voting rights it is not enough that I sit in my living room and say – this is wrong – MY VOICE HAS TO BE HEARD, when our justice system does not treat every single person in the same way it is not enough that I sit in my living room and say – this is wrong – MY VOICE HAS TO BE HEARD, when children in Riviera Beach go to sleep hungry at night it is not enough that I sit in my living room and say – this is wrong – MY VOICE HAS TO BE HEARD - just as much as I know that when another conspiracy theory is tweeted by a celebrity about my people, it is not enough that you sit in your living room and say – this is wrong – your VOICE HAS TO BE HEARD when someone attacks Israel – and let me be clear, not when someone criticizes Israel with the intent of improving a challenging issue in Israel, but when someone demonizes Israel and refuses to

acknowledge its right to exist, when someone treats Israel with a double standard and call for the destruction of Israel, not for finding a solution to the many challenges it faces – that my friends is modern antisemitism, that is disguising hate of jews as a hate of Zionism, and when that happens it is not enough that you sit in your living room and say – this is wrong – your VOICE HAS TO BE HEARD.

But more important – Amos asks the question: “Can two walk together without having met?”

If we are to walk together then we must meet. We must spend time with each other – we must learn about each other’s community’s fears, pain, hurt, we must realize that when hate and evil become accepted, when discrimination and violence lift their head in the streets – we all suffer, it hurts us all.

I can’t teach everything that Amos and Dr. King taught, some of it you know very well. As Amos teaches: Do not defraud the poor nor rob the needy. Do not sell for silver those whose cause was just, and the needy for a pair of sandals. Hate evil and love good.

But I do want to focus on one teaching that I believe is most important to us:

In the beginning of his book, Amos tells the people of Israel that God is a forgiving God, that God is a compassionate and loving God – BUT – that even God has limits.

And there are things that even God will not forgive us about – God will not forgive us if we do not meet and walk together.

Amos 11: “This is what God said: For three sins of Edom [I could pardon], but for four, I will not pardon them: Because he pursued his brother [the Jewish people] with the sword and **repressed all pity**, because his anger raged forever, and his fury stormed eternally.”

God does not forgive those who pursue their brothers and sisters.

Amos 6: This is what God said: For three sins of Gaza [I could pardon], but for four, I will not pardon them: Because they handed over an entire population [of Jewish people] trying to escape and they delivered them back to Edom.

God does not forgive those who abandon their brothers and sisters.

Amos 9: This is what God said: For three sins of Tyre [I could pardon], but for four, I will not pardon them: Because they handed over an entire population [of Jewish people] trying to escape and they delivered them back to Edom, **ignoring the covenant of brotherhood**.

**The sin that God will not forgive us for is if we ignore the covenant of brotherhood and sisterhood.**

For my dear friends – we are brothers and sisters, and we have a covenant to fight together side by side any form of discrimination, any form of hatred, any form of oppression. We have a covenant to uproot stereotypes, conspiracy theories, demonizing people just because of their religion, color of skin or sexual orientation.

Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel, who marched with Reverend King in Selma knew this and Reverend King knew this well. Today most of the world is focusing and remembering the work Dr. King did as the leader of the civil rights movement, but I want to highlight another part of his work and words that was tremendously important.

Dr. King was a uniquely important ally in the fight against antisemitism and for a secure Israel.

Today, Dr. King's close bond with the Jewish community is treated only as a small footnote of his life and work. But, toward the end of his life, Dr. King devoted significant time and energy to strengthening what are becoming increasingly strained ties between Black Americans and U.S. Jews.

One issue Dr. King is known for is his fight against racism, but few people today talk about his opposition to the growing mischaracterization, in his time, of Zionism being declared to be a form of racism.

In 1967, he sent a letter to Adolph Held, then president of the Jewish Labor Committee.

"Israel's right to exist as a state is incontestable,".

Referring to the stake U.S. oil companies have in the Middle East; Dr. King went on to note that "some Arab feudal rulers are no less concerned for oil wealth and neglect the plight of their own peoples. The solution will have to be found in statesmanship by Israel and progressive Arab forces who in concert with the great powers recognize fair and peaceful solutions are the concern of all humanity and must be found."

In a March 25, 1968, speech to the Rabbinical Assembly, Dr. King said: "Peace for Israel means security, and we must stand with all our might to protect its right to exist, its territorial integrity. I see Israel as one of the great outposts of democracy in the world, and a marvelous example of what can be done, how desert land can be transformed into an oasis of brotherhood and democracy. Peace for Israel means security and that security must be a reality." Less than two weeks later, on April 4<sup>th</sup>, Dr. King was murdered while organizing support for striking sanitation workers in Memphis, TN.

We can only speculate how, had he lived, Dr. King might have helped Jewish and Black communities foster better understanding of one another's lived experiences and commonalities and fight collectively for liberation.

What we do know is that Dr. King's vision of a secure Israel and a peaceful Middle East is as relevant today as it was in the 1960s. We know something else, too: that it's up to each of us to help make it a reality.

Amos says the day will come when:

A time is coming  
—declares the LORD—  
When the plowman shall meet the reaper,  
And the treader of grapes  
Him who holds the [bag of] seed;  
When the mountains shall drip wine  
And all the hills shall wave [with grain].

The time to meet again is now, it's here, because only when we fight together – side by side, be it against any attempt to oppress voting rights or against antisemitism. Only when we do will the prophecy of Amos, and the words of Dr. King come true.

Only then will justice run down like water" (Yes!) and righteousness like a mighty stream."

# From Morli Josza, Executive Director

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Dear TJ Family,

As you know, Temple Judea is really “one of a kind” and we are so blessed to be a healthy, growing, and successful temple. And it isn’t often that I give “business updates” in our monthly newsletter. However, occasionally, there are special events that I feel compelled to highlight.

The first is a very generous gift the temple received from Rita and Burt Tansky to allow us to spruce up the temple. If you have been to the temple in the past few weeks, you have probably noticed that we are currently undergoing a complete exterior transformation with replacing our 15+ year old landscaping and repainting the exterior of both the main building and the school building. We hope to complete this work by early February. I’m particularly excited about a new tree we will be planting in front of the building. This tree is aptly called, “Yesterday Today Tomorrow.” As soon as we heard the name, we said – we must have this tree at TJ. The romantic name of yesterday today and tomorrow comes from the flowers that open purple, fade to lavender and then white - with all colors present at the same time on this beautiful shrub. The Tanskys, like so many of you, know that as Jews we must not only remember yesterday, and enjoy our lives today, but we must also plant for tomorrow.

I also want to thank Beryl and Bob Schneider who have literally committed to “keeping a roof over our heads.” The roof at Temple Judea is original and it is time to replace it. In thanks to Beryl and Bob, we will be able to do just that. As you are aware, Temple Judea does not have a building fund. So, when major capital projects are needed, we are only able to do them without an assessment in thanks to the generosity of a donor. We are currently getting quotes and determining the right timing to replace the roof to coordinate with hurricane season. More information on the roof replacement in the coming months.

We are so grateful to the Tanskys and the Schneiders, and to all of our members, for their commitment to Temple Judea’s future!

In next month’s Voice, I will give an update on Cantor Abbie’s concert but I want to thank ALL of you who have committed to sponsor, attend, and support her and the temple! We look forward to seeing you and singing with you on February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Finally, I have recently attended a few events where I was asked “Who is Rabbi Rose?” Rabbi Rose Durbin joined our team this past September in a part-time capacity. She is a seasoned rabbi who held a pulpit in upstate New York, has run religious schools, and most recently was the rabbi at FAU’s Hillel. Rabbi Rose is helping us build our connection with 20 and 30 year olds in our community, is our main liaison for our social action/social justice outreach, and is also working with us at Sunday school. She is teaching a monthly class on “Tikkun Olam” at TJ as well. Rabbi Rose is a graduate of Hebrew Union College and Brown University. If you haven’t had the opportunity to meet Rabbi Rose, I encourage you to attend one of her classes or volunteer at one of the many outreach events we have scheduled!

Respectfully,

*Morli*

# TJ PRAYS

## *Shabbat Worship*

**Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, February 10<sup>th</sup>,  
February 17<sup>th</sup>, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

**at 7:30 p.m. at TJ in the sanctuary**

**Worship is followed by dessert oneg**

**ALL services are also available by Livestream at  
<https://venue.streamspot.com/5795f45a>**

## *Beach Havdalah*

**Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at Carlin Park in Jupiter**

## *Minyan*

**Mondays at 9:30 a.m. via ZOOM with  
Cantor Abbie**

**Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in person at TJ or via Livestream  
with Rabbi Feivel and Cantor Abbie**



Want to meet some new friends?

Or mingle with old ones?

Stay after services for our amazing dessert oneg!

# Hawaiian Shabbat Dinner

Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 PM

Menu:

Pineapple Teriyaki Chicken, Maple Soy  
Glazed Salmon\*, Basmati Coconut Rice,  
Vegetable & Salad

\*(Salmon without nut topping is  
available upon request)

\$22 Adults \$12 Kids 5-10 Under 5 Free

RSVP to Randi at [randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org) or  
561-624-4633



**Calling all kids 0-6 and the parents and grandparents who love them! Join Cantor Abbie for TJ Tots!**

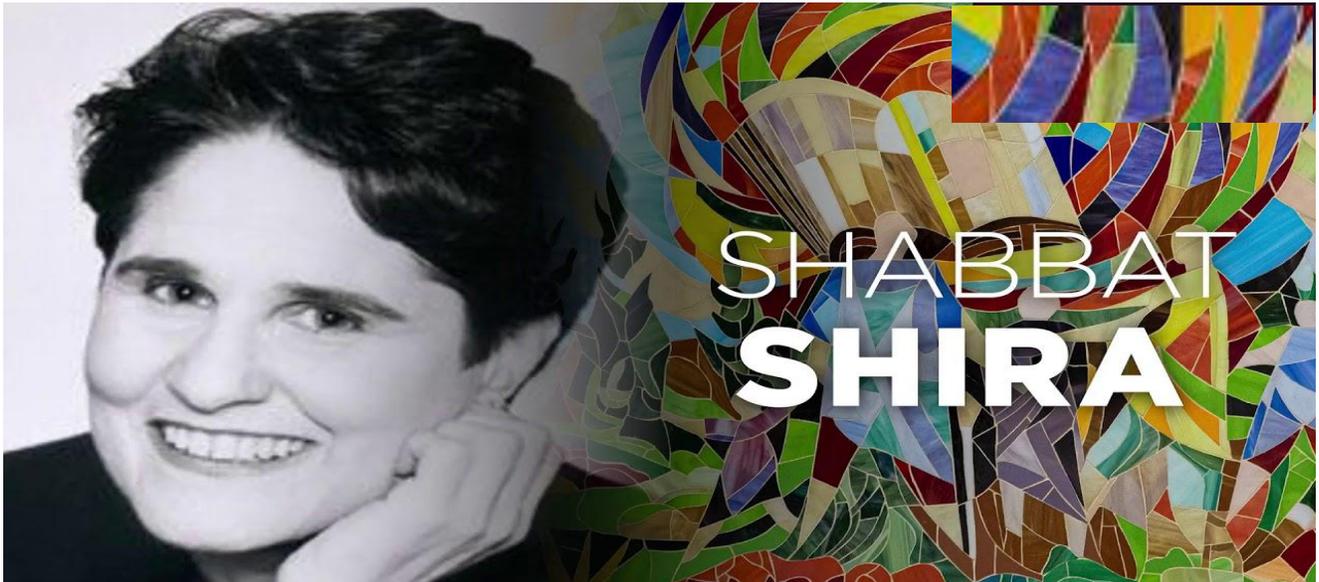
**Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:45 p.m.**

**Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:45 p.m.**

**Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> ONE BIG PURIM at the JCC at 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**



Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>  
at 7:30 p.m.

Join us for Shabbat Shira featuring the music of  
Debbie Friedman



Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>  
at 5:00 p.m.

(Carlin Park, 400 State Rd. AIA, Jupiter)

Don't Forget Your Beach Chair!

**We are grateful for YOU!**

**Calling all TJ Members of 10+ years ....  
please join us for this special Shabbat so we can  
honor you!**

**Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.**



**MEMBERSHIP**

## **SHABBAT DINNER**

*Dinner*

*March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.*

*Salad, Mediterranean Salmon,  
Honey Garlic Mustard Baked  
Chicken, Jeweled Rice with Dried  
Fruit, Chickpeas and Almonds,  
Vegetable Medley*

*Adults \$22; Kids 5-12 years old \$12;  
Under 5 Free*

*RSVP by February 24<sup>th</sup> to 561-624-  
4633*





## Sisterhood Shabbat

*Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m.*

*Join us for this special worship co-led by our amazing  
Sisterhood women!*



Join our clergy on Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> to celebrate  
Purim!

5:15 p.m. Drinks, snacks, and merriment

5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Purim Seudah – more drinks,  
food, Megillah, music, hamantaschen, discussion, and  
more

**COME IN COSTUME!**



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 BIG  
 PURIM**

Purim  
 Costumes  
 Optional

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Mandel JCC  
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**PRESCHOOL  
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9:30 - 10:30 am  
 (for preschool-aged children  
 and their siblings)

**CARNIVAL  
 (all ages)**

10:30 am - 12:30 pm

**Save time at the door by RSVPing in advance: [JCCOnline.com/purim](http://JCCOnline.com/purim)**

For more info contact Summer at 561-712-5214 or [SummerS@JCCOnline.com](mailto:SummerS@JCCOnline.com).

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# SAVE THE DATE

Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Worship with Special Guest

Dr. Andrew Rehfeld

President of Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion

Andrew Rehfeld, Ph.D. is the 10th President of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR). A leading political scientist and distinguished Jewish communal leader, Dr. Rehfeld's career has bridged both the academic and professional worlds as Associate Professor of Political Science at Washington University (2001 to 2019) and as President and CEO of the Jewish Federation of St. Louis (2012 to 2019)



## Inaugural **RECOVERY SEDER**

*Reflect • Reconnect • Rejoice*

Thursday, March 16, 2023, 5:30 pm

The Recovery Seder is a spiritual, musical and alcohol-free program celebrating the ancient story of redemption from slavery to freedom, as well as current themes of recovery and hope.

This meaningful program is designed for people in the recovery community and their loved ones.

**Cost: \$36 per person (includes a pescatarian Seder dinner and customized Recovery Haggadah)**

**Temple Judea, 4311 Hood Road,  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410**

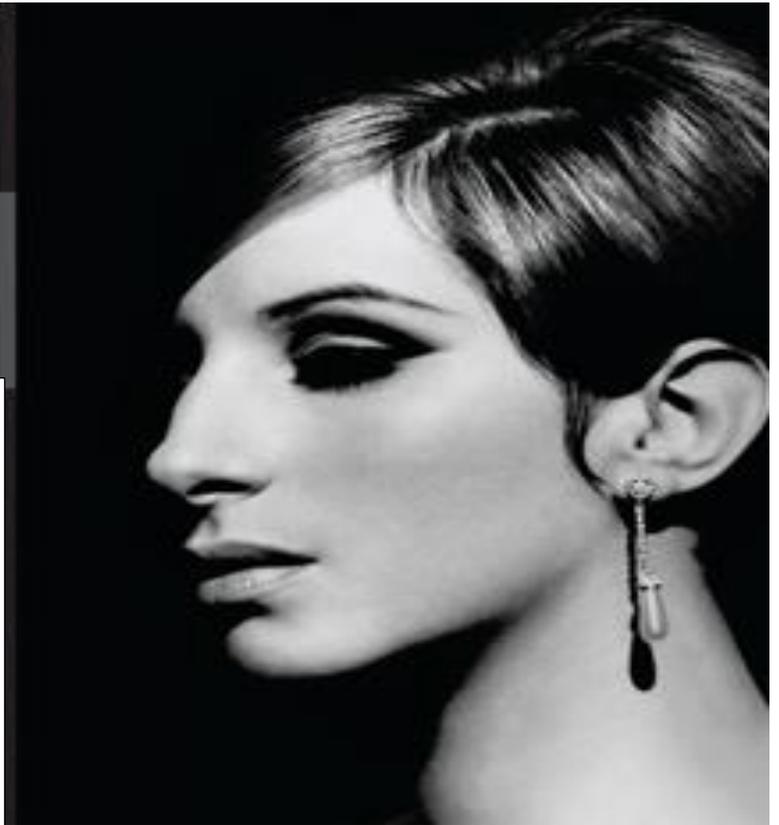
**Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Please call Carolyn Yasuna at (561) 762-9707.**

**JFS**   
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**JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE**  
of Palm Beach County

A PROUD PARTNER OF  
 **Jewish Federation**  
OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

# Becoming BARBRA

**Join us on  
Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup> for a  
special Shabbat featuring  
the sounds of  
Barbra Streisand  
7:30 p.m.  
Dessert Oneg immediately  
following**



## Shabbat Dinner

Friday, March 31st  
6:30 PM

Salad, Lemon Ginger Soy Chicken, Miso Glazed Salmon,  
Vegetable Fried Rice, Vegetable Stir-Fry  
Served Family Style

\$22 Adults \$12 Children (ages 5-12) Under 5 Free  
RSVP to Randi at [randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org) or 624-4633



## PASSOVER SECOND SEDER

Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

at 4:30 p.m. gathering; 5:00 p.m. Seder

Traditional Seder Meal, Festive Seder, Singing, and more...

\$72/adult; \$36/child

RSVP by March 30<sup>th</sup> to Randi at [randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org)

Limited seating. Priority given to members.

## Passover 2023



Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

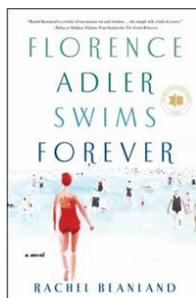
Minyan with Yizkor Prayers

Followed by Yizkor Brunch \$20 / person

RSVP to the office at 561-624-4633

# Adult Education

## TJ's Book Club at 10:30 a.m. at TJ or via Zoom



Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> Florence Adler Swims Forever by Rachel Beanland Maggie Kaufman

Atlantic City, 1934. Every summer, Esther and Joseph rent their house out to vacationers escaping to "America's Playground" and move into the apartment above their bakery. The apartment is where they raised their two daughters despite the cramped quarters, it still feels like home. Now Florence has returned from college, determined to spend the summer training to swim the English Channel, and Fannie, pregnant leaves her young daughter in Esther's care. After Joseph insists that they take in a mysterious young woman whom he recently helped emigrate from Nazi Germany, the apartment is bursting at the seams. Book deals with risky pregnancy, Florence's antisemitic husband, as well as secrets and lies which force long buried tensions. Told with humor and tenderness and based on a true story, Beanland's debut is breathtaking meditation on the lengths we go to in order to keep our families together.

March 6<sup>th</sup> The Stranger in the Lifeboat by Mitch Albom Suzanne Chait

April 3<sup>rd</sup> Dear Mrs. Bird by A.J. Pearce

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**ADULT HEBREW  
LANGUAGE  
CLASSES WITH  
RABBI FEIVEL**

**Mondays at  
2:00 p.m. –  
Beginner**

**Wednesdays at  
2:00 p.m. -  
Intermediate**

**KABBALAH!!!!**

Mondays at 10:30 a.m. at TJ

February 6, February 13, February 27

NO CLASS February 20

Calling all prior students and anyone who might be interested in studying to meet with Ellie Schweitzer for a reunion / gathering / discussion

RSVP to Randi at [randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org).

# LUNCH & LEARN

**with Rabbi Feivel at TJ**

GET TO KNOW THE JEWISH INNOVATORS

The innovators in music, art, science, and culture. \$20/person for lunch.  
RSVP required to [randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org) or 561-624-4633. All begin at NOON!

February 15 – Henrietta Szold

March 8 – Emma Lazarus

April 19 – Saul Lansky

May 17 – Joe Shuster



## **Wednesday Nights with Rabbi Yaron**

Join Rabbi Yaron as he shares with you ten different teachings and texts that have shaped his rabbinate.

Some of these texts are inspiring, some are disturbing, some are enlightening, and some are confusing. Some will be in English and others in Hebrew (translation will be provided). But what they all have in common is that they have the potential to stick with you, challenge you, and even change how you think.

by Zoom at 7:00 p.m.

February 8, March 1, May 3, May 24

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# TIKKUN OLAM SERIES

Join Rabbi Rose on a journey to broaden our understanding  
and commitment to Tikkun Olam

At 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> – Jewish environmentalism: Is believing in  
climate change Jewish?

Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>: Let all who are hungry come and eat – part  
1: Passover and caring for the stranger

Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> : Let all who are hungry come and eat – part 2: In  
partnership with St. Mark's Church; PEACE and our local community –  
a panel on hunger

**BAGELS AND COFFEE** will be served

Register with the office at 561-624-4633 or [randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org)

**JOIN US VIA ZOOM**  
**SATURDAY MORNING TORAH STUDY WITH**  
**RABBI FEIVEL AND RABBI YARON**  
**9:00 A.M. WORSHIP**  
**9:30 A.M. STUDY**





The God Squad: An Honest Conversation About Religion  
**Co-taught by:** Rabbi Yaron Kapitulnik, Pastor Samuel St. Fleur and Reverend James Cook

Tuesday, February 7, 2023, from 12:00-1:30 PM at FAU

\$30 / FAU Members; \$35 / Non-Members Class Code: W1T9

To register: [www.fau.edu/osherjupiter](http://www.fau.edu/osherjupiter)

What happens when three good friends: a reverend, a pastor and a rabbi have an honest discussion about religion? Do we have more in common or are we fundamentally different?



Do you play an instrument? Do you like to sing?

If yes, join Cantor Abbie on Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at TJ to become part of a special musical community. Together you will play and create music. While all levels of experience are welcome, this group will not be lesson based so some level of mastery is needed. Questions: contact Cantor Abbie at [abbie@gotj.org](mailto:abbie@gotj.org).



## Join Rabbi Bruce Warshal

Four lectures with Q & A

Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m.

February 7, 14, 21, 28

### Topic: **Schlepping Through Life Without a Road Map**

Can we find a God who/what we can believe in (not an easy task)?

Why do we go to shul on Friday night, when there are such good things on television?

What's ethical, and how can we find the right answer?

Ok, evil exists, and what can we do about it?

What holds our Jewish community together (we're not quite all together, but we are hanging on)?

Searching for beliefs. I don't like the fancy word "theology." But that's what we will be doing.

Rabbi Warshal is a Reform Rabbi (Hebrew Union College). He earned a law degree and master's in economics from Yale University. He has practiced law, taught economics, been a pulpit rabbi in Ann Arbor, MI, and New Orleans, LA, and Coconut Creek, FL. He was also the founding Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of South County (Boca/Delray) and the CEO of the South Florida Newspaper Network. He is an active member of Temple Judea. He is the author of a forthcoming book entitled "Schlepping Through Life Without a Road Map."

# WHAT IS A GOOD JEW?

by Bob Kanner

Down through the ages, our Jewish ancestors have wrestled with that question. The answer they came up with depended on who asked the question, how that question was defined, and the author's frame of reference.

This is not a lecture since I do not have a better answer to this question than you. It is, instead, a discussion group based on in-class readings.

For those of you who have taken any Melton classes, the format will be familiar. There is no homework. All readings will be done, and discussed, in class. Each week, a different reading, with a different perspective, will be presented. Each reading will provide a different answer to the question.

3/7-Aleinu

3/14-The Prophets

3/21-Rabbi Richard Levy & The Principles of Reform Judaism

3/28-Holiness

4/4-No class due to Passover

4/11-What is a Mensch?

4/18-What is a Good Jew?

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at Temple Judea

What is a Good Jew? I don't have a better answer than you. Let's find out together.

If you have any questions/comments, please feel free to call me on my cell phone at 716-432-4267 or email me at rk207@verizon.net.

## CANDID CONVERSATIONS FOR WOMEN

Join Marcia Grobman, LCSW, and fellow female TJ members for a NEW session of candid conversations regarding various issues we face in our day to day lives – like how birth order affected your life, graceful aging in challenging times, managing stressors, upgrading your coping mechanisms and more! Gain a stronger sense of self, your values, and your priorities. Develop skills to deepen your relationships. Enhance your connection to fellow TJ members. Open to all TJ women.

**THURSDAYS AT 1:00 p.m.**

**2/2; 2/16; 3/2; 3/16; 3/30; 4/20; 5/4**

IN PERSON AT TEMPLE JUDEA

Class size limited

Register with Randi at [randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org) or

561-624-4633

NEW GROUP FORMING....

Bereavement

**"Living with Loss,  
Healing with Hope"**

Led by Marcia Grobman  
using the book by  
Rabbi Earl A. Grollman  
Mondays from 1:00 -2:00 p.m.  
February 6, February 27,  
March 13, March 27

Class size limited

Register with Randi at

[randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org) or 561-624-

4633

Would you like to discuss the stresses of day-to-day life?

Being a caregiver? Bereavement?

TJ is delighted to offer 30-minute one-on-one counseling  
with Marcia Grobman, LCSW

Sessions are free. Members only. 3 sessions max. / person

From 10 a.m. - Noon

Marcia Grobman received her master's degree in social work from Barry University, Miami Shores, Florida and is a licensed clinical social worker in Palm Beach County. Marcia is a certified addiction professional and a certified geriatric clinical social worker. Marcia has worked for the Palm Beach County Commissioners and Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Alpert Jewish Family and ChilDr.en's Services, Morse Geriatric Center.

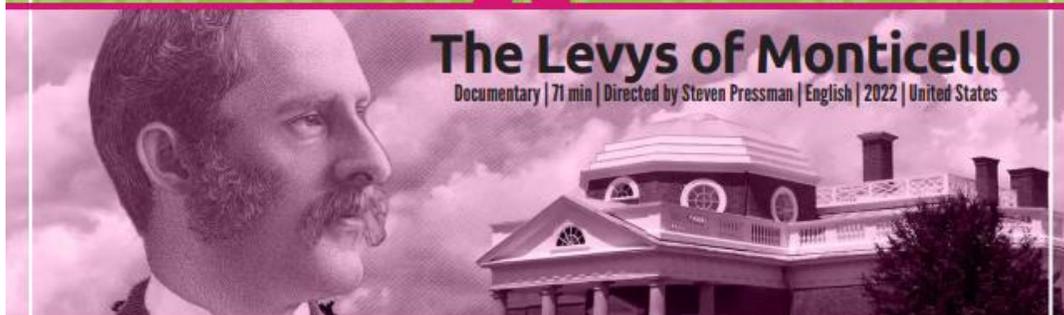
Call Randi to schedule a session at 561-624-4633



JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 18

**PALM BEACH  
JEWISH  
FILM FESTIVAL**

BUY TICKETS AT [PPJFF.ORG](http://PPJFF.ORG)



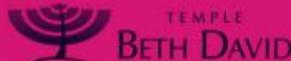
**The Levys of Monticello**  
Documentary | 71 min | Directed by Steven Pressman | English | 2022 | United States

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 | 4 PM | FAU: JUPITER | \$15**

**PALM BEACH COUNTY PREMIERE**

When Thomas Jefferson died in 1826, he left behind a mountain of personal debt, which forced his heirs to sell his beloved Monticello home and all its possessions. The Levys of Monticello tells the little-known story of the Levy Family, which owned and carefully preserved Monticello for nearly a century — far longer than Jefferson or his descendants. The remarkable story of the Levy family also intersects with the rise of anti-Semitism that runs throughout the course of American history.

*Community Partners:*



*Film Partner:*  
**Cyma & Ed Satell**

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TempleJudea2023

To receive a  
discount on  
your ticket for  
this showing

*Don't forget to RSVP!*



*Cantor Abbie's Concert*

*Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.*

*at Benjamin Hall - The Benjamin School*

*Invitations were mailed in December!*

*Co-chaired and underwritten by:*

*Beryl and Bob Schneider*

*and*

*Rita and Burt Tansky*

# TEMPLE JUDEA SISTERHOOD

invites you to our annual

## MAH JONGG & CARD PARTY LUNCHEON



Wednesday, February 22, 2023  
11:30 a.m.



**Couvert: \$36 per person**

**Members & non-members welcome!!**

**Bring your table of friends!**

**Delicious Lunch & Exciting Raffle Prizes**

**Make your reservations with PAT in the Temple office  
@ 561.624.4633**

**Checks payable to: Temple Judea**

**\*\*ALL TABLES/PLAYERS MUST BE PAID IN FULL PRIOR TO EVENT\*\***



**Chairperson:  
Melanie Paulus 561.624.5685**



**Lunch and Dessert catered by Egle's Catering  
Join us for the 2:00 p.m. SPECIAL snack!**

TABLE CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

GAME (CHECK ONE): \_\_\_\_\_ MAH JONGG \_\_\_\_\_ CARDS (PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CARDS)

I WILL BE PLAYING WITH (list names of additional tablemates):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_



Take a tour of TJ with Rabbi Yaron Kapitulnik  
Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.  
Learn about the history, the design, and  
the “secrets” of Temple Judea  
Call PAT at 561-624-4633 to sign up!



Feeding Hope Village  
Faith Deliverance Church & Feeding Hope Village Food Pantry,  
3437 Avenue O., Riviera Beach  
Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>  
9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. to distribute meals  
Call the office to register at 561-624-4633 or [rose@gotj.org](mailto:rose@gotj.org)



Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location will be in Riviera Beach – exact address TBD

Paint your Heart Out Palm Beach County is a volunteer-based nonprofit organization that aids the elderly, disabled and low-income families with children. Paint Your Heart Out paints the exterior of qualifying single-family homes with the SWA's recycled paint at no cost to the homeowner. Volunteers aged 15 and older are welcome to participate but a parent must attend as well. PLEASE CONTACT MORLI JOSZA to VOLUNTEER at [morli@gotj.org](mailto:morli@gotj.org).



**WE NEED YOU!!!**

Please join our clergy to prepare a meal for families with children getting treatment at St. Mary's Children's Hospital Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 p.m. to cook; 4:30 p.m. to serve  
Call the office to register at 561-624-4633



*Blessed are those who are generous,  
because they feed the poor.  
- Proverbs 22:9*

# Food Packing for Haiti

Your two hands are capable of more than you think! When banded together with hundreds of other individuals, in just two hours, your two hands can make a difference.

Join us on **Saturday, March 11, 2023. EXACT TIMES TBD!!**

when we work together to provide over 50,000 meals to the hungry and undernourished children in Haiti.

This is a perfect volunteer opportunity for anyone **ages 5-99!**

The only requirement is that you can stand for two hours.

**Location:** Good Shepherd Church in Tequesta

**INTERESTED? Please call RANDI TO SIGN UP at [randi@gotj.org](mailto:randi@gotj.org)**



## Join us as we knit or crochet blankets to help those in need

You can bring your own yarn and pattern - must be machine washable, dryable, and hypoallergenic.

The blankets will be donated to our recipient organizations:

St. Mary's Children's Hospital, Harmony House, Home Safe and Family Promise

Thursdays 2/9; 3/9; 5/11

from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

at Temple Judea

Questions: Contact Isabel Berg at [izzyberg2@gmail.com](mailto:izzyberg2@gmail.com)



## Volunteers needed!

Practice English with ESL students, tutor  
Jupiter High students, mentoring etc.

El Sol is a local non-profit that works to  
support the quality of life for day laborers and  
their families. It is in Jupiter and needs  
volunteers to work one-on-one with its  
members.

## Interested?

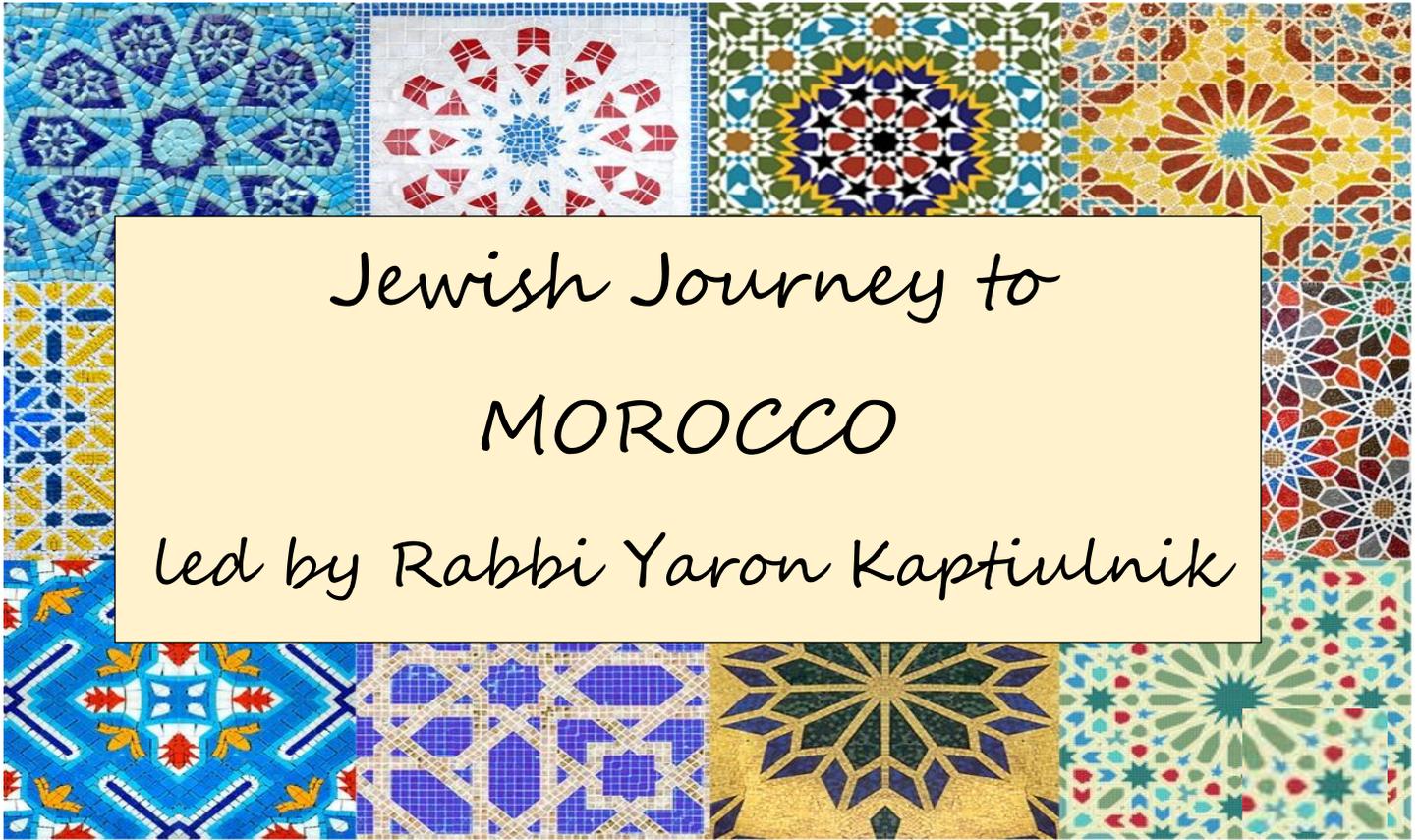
Contact Rabbi Rose at [rose@gotj.org](mailto:rose@gotj.org)



## **Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> - HELP FEED THE HUNGRY**

To benefit St. George's Food Kitchen. PLEASE  
CONSIDER making sandwiches at home - on white,  
whole wheat, or whatever bread with PEANUT  
BUTTER AND JELLY or TURKEY AND CHEESE or 3  
slices of ANY CHEESE and small amount of  
mustard. No need to cut the sandwiches. Put each  
one in a baggie. One loaf of bread makes 10  
sandwiches. They distribute 300 sandwiches a day  
- so any amount is greatly appreciated. DR.OP  
OFF YOUR SANDWICHES AT TEMPLE - MAIN  
DOOR on February 14th any time from 9:30 a.m. -  
11:00 a.m.

Questions? Call the office at (561)624-  
4633



*Jewish Journey to*  
**MOROCCO**

*led by Rabbi Yaron Kaptiulnik*

*November 5 – November 14, 2023*

*Adults Only*

*Price from \$5,595/person – Land Only*

**Itinerary:**

**Casablanca:** Welcome dinner, Giant Mosques and Ancient Ruins, Mosque of Hassan II, Beth El Synagogue, Museum of the Jews of Morocco

**Fes:** Group dinner, Borj Sud Fortress, Ibn Danan Synagogue, El Fassiyyin Synagogue, Fes Jewish Cemetery, Medina, Madrasa Bou Inania – one of the few Islamic sites open to non-Muslims, Nejjarine Museum of Wooden Arts and Crafts, University of Al-Karaouine, Chouara Tannery

**Rabat:** Royal Palace, Mausoleum of Mohammad V and of Hassan II, Markets, Stores, Kasbah des Udayas, Meet the members of Association Mimouna – an organization that promotes Jewish-Muslim friendships, Group dinner

**Marrakech:** Majorelle Garden, Berber Museum, Yves St. Laurent Museum, Kabbalat Shabbat at Beth El Synagogue, Shabbat Dinner, Shabbat services, Tour Medina, Bahia Palace, Madrasa

Ben Youssef, Marketplace free time, Djemaa El Fna Square, Havdalah, meet with an Imam, Mellah – the Jewish Quarter, Slat el Azama Synagogue, Jewish Cemetery, Cooking workshop  
Atlas mountains: Ourika Valley, Village of Agounsane and the Berber people and their way of life – including the pre-school, the farmed terraces, Make your own ceramics, Make your own ancient bread, Traditional Tajine Lunch

What's included:

8 nights accommodations; 8 days of touring with an educator and local guide in a luxury bus, transfer from airport, daily breakfasts, 4 lunches and 5 dinners, all entrances and program fees

What's excluded:

Credit card fees, flights, travel insurance, gratuities

Cost:

Price for double room \$5,595\* per person, \$6,945\* per person single occupancy

Please note that the prices are approximate and will be determined once we lock in the trip.

## **INTERESTED?**

Contact Morli Josza at [morli@gotj.org](mailto:morli@gotj.org) by March 1, 2023

**After we have secured an “interest list” we will schedule a zoom call to review details and then request a non-refundable deposit to secure your spot!**



## Save the Date



*Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.*

*Shabbat Morning Worship*

*honoring*

*Rabbi Yaron Kapitulnik's 13 years at Tj*

*Rabbi Joel Levine's 50 years in the  
rabbinate*



SO VERY

# Grateful

FOR YOU

A special event for all  
our \$500+ donors  
above full dues  
commitment

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at  
4:00 p.m.

Join us for a good laugh with  
comedian, Joel Chasnoff –  
featuring comedy from his  
new book – *Israel 75* –  
introducing 75 aspects of  
Israeli life you probably don't  
know about.

Invitations will be mailed mid-  
February.

It is our philosophy to never  
allow finances to be a barrier  
for membership – but this is  
only possible because of the  
generosity of our \$500+  
donors – so we want to thank  
them for supporting our vision  
and our continued open-door  
policy!

Contact Morli Josza if you  
have any questions!

## *Tj Members*

Temple Judea just secured a very limited number of  
spots in the new section of UPRIGHT PLOTS in the  
Garden of Miriam and FLAT PLOTS in the Garden of  
Israel at

### *Star of David Cemetery*

Choose how you will be remembered

Make it easier for your loved ones

Secure your rates at SPECIAL congregational pricing

Call today to learn more

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ask for Ellen Lint or [ellen@gotj.org](mailto:ellen@gotj.org)



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1	Elizabeth Baker	10	Hallie Rosenthal	21	Patricia L. Dunsky
1	Harrison Dell	10	Janet Steinger	21	Joan Hoffman
1	Rommel Francisco	11	Howard Pashman	21	Zev Rothman
1	Lois Frieder	11	Jacob Reitman	21	Samuel Schneider
1	Joel Penick	11	Neil Roberts	21	G. Mark Shalloway
2	Nancy Lanard	12	Jayne Cohan	23	Sari Buczyner
2	Andrew Reitman	12	Leni Densen	23	Lily Feiner
2	Stephen Tuber	12	Marisa Shilling	23	Eleanor Schweitzer
2	Donna Wenger	12	Mia Sternberg	23	Steven Shain
3	Gerry Frankel	13	Carolyn Bonheim	23	Susan Ungar
3	Miles Goldstein	13	Jeffrey Feldman	24	Elaine Ann McKay
3	Richard Gurevitz	13	Steven Loevner	24	Jeff Miller
3	Carisa Pearce-Rafael	13	Sharon Ross	24	Julie Simons
3	Avery Saft	14	Averell Eisner	24	Lucy Wolowitz
3	Skylar Saft	14	Victor Ellins	24	Jason Zwart
4	Benjamin Anderson	14	Cody Garrison	24	Joel Hinderstein
4	Penny Fierstein	14	Susan Handler	25	Linden Lazarus
4	Karen Karmazin	14	Mollie Hoffman	25	Alan LeRoy
4	Derrick Martin	14	Gemma Lehman	25	Julia Rubin
4	Michael Stapler	14	Robert Schaefer	25	Leonard Zysman
5	Susan Cole	14	Judy Walk	25	Roger Rosenthal
5	Lorraine Hoffinger	14	Diane Wells	26	Judy Winer
5	Fali Rubinstein	15	Zachary Fenster	26	Rachel Anderson
5	Stephen Shapiro	15	Rosalie Kurland	27	Connie Blacher
5	Roberta Spivak	15	Gary Walk	27	Piper Segalowitz
6	Mindy Hanken	15	Steven Walk	27	Wendy Tulman
6	Jeff Mullens	16	Mila Budnick	27	Jacqueline Buchsbaum
6	Lara Wanuck	16	Barbara Scheinberg	28	David Quartell
6	Michelle Zwart	17	Naami Davis		
7	Milton Hermann	17	Perri Davis		
7	Sheila Leventhal	18	AlexanDr.e Martin		
8	John Gruen	18	Sydelle Shaw		
8	Susan Gudin	19	Eliana Kaufman		
8	Zena Hafetz	19	Marlene Nussbaum		
8	Susan Silverman	19	Mark Pinsky		
8	Max Stolzberg	19	Lorraine Reiss		
9	Andrew Brock	19	Jacqueline Tawil		
9	Bella Feldman Garaj	20	Justin Goldberg		
9	Alan Levine	20	Bobbie Miller		
9	Samuel Saland	20	Sol Oks		
9	Harriet Sue Wasserman	20	Robert Silber		
9	Emily Zwart	20	Evan Silverman		
10	Saul Barton	20	Robert Stelzer		
10	Sheri Brooks	20	Emma Wayne		
10	Sharon Goodman	20	Harriet Zysman		

# ♥ happy ♥ anniversary

1	Richard & Joan Barovick	14	Dick & Marsha Kuhr
2	Paul & Hannah Axelband	14	Andrew & Jody Levy
4	Mark & Nancy Sims	21	Robert & Beryl Schneider
6	Mike & Robin Bernstein	21	Howard Wallen & Marjorie Lesser-Wallen
7	Mel & Judi Diamond	22	Joel & Nancy Hart
10	Justin & Rachel Wolowitz	22	Marvin & Toby Solomon
12	Michael & Julie Tannenbaum	24	Richard & Clare Lesser
13	Andrew & Julie Schneider	27	Jeffrey & Nancy Alperstein
14	Herb & Randi Denmark	28	Herbert & Linda Frank
14	Daniel & Amy Goldstein		

## *Welcome our newest members...*

Bruce Arons  
Carole and Norman Barham  
Carolyn and Nelson Bonheim  
Malka Jacobson and Martin Greene  
Chris and Brett Handler  
Allan Huss  
Toby Meyer and Bernard Rothman  
Carol and Ira Robbin  
Marisa and Matthew Shilling & Family  
Wendy and Justin Tulman

## **MAZEL TOV!**



Jacob "Jack" Benjamin Baker will become a Bar Mitzvah on February 18, 2023, at Temple Judea. Jack is the son of Elizabeth and Craig Baker and the grandson of Linda and Nathaniel Baker of Providence RI, Joan and George Sabato of Jupiter, FL and the late Charles Slutsky of Ellenville, NY.

Jack is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader at The Benjamin School where he is on the soccer and baseball teams. Jack is a kinetic young man who loves comedy, especially The Office, and Mel Brooks' movies. In between smiles and laughter, Jack cheers for the Celtics, Patriots and Red Sox.

# TJ GIVES

## **General Fund**

### **Anonymous**

*thank you for your donation*

### **Joan and Richard Barovick**

*in loving memory of Selma Blackman, mother of Joan*

### **Mona Bartos**

*in loving memory of Michael Cohen*

### **Judy Bernstein**

*in loving memory of my mother, Doris Shoenthal*

### **Julie and David Buckner**

*in honor of Sybil Michelson's birthday*

### **Vaughn Cohan**

*in loving memory of my grandmother, Lillian Cohan*

### **Roger Coron**

*in loving memory of my father, Mark Coron*

### **Carol and Morton Corwin**

*in loving memory of Donald Schilling, husband of Annette*

### **Lilly and Harold Felsen**

*in loving memory of Irene Felsen*

### **Mimi and Ken Heyman**

*in loving memory of Judy Heyman*

### **Abby and Eric Jablin**

*in loving memory of Roberta Elfus*

*in loving memory of Rosalie Fox*

*in loving memory of Ellen Burke*

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