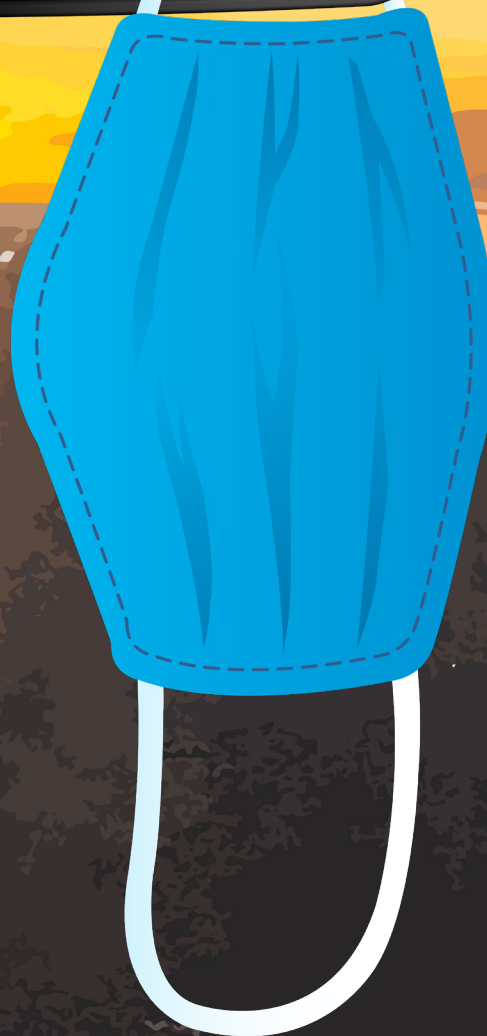




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TORAH PORTIONS

JANUARY

January 2 | 18 Tevet
Torah Study - 9:00 am
 Parashat Vayechi
 Genesis 47:28 - 50:26
 Haftarah: I Kings 2:1 - 2:12

January 7 | 23 Tevet
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

January 9 | 25 Tevet
Torah Study - 9:00 am
 Parashat Shemot
 Exodus 1:1 - 6:1
 Haftarah: Isaiah 27:6 - 28:13;
 29:22 - 29:23

January 14 | 1 Shevat
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

January 16 | 3 Shevat
Torah Study - 9:00 am
 Parashat Vaera
 Exodus 6:2 - 9:35
 Haftarah: Ezekiel
 28:25 - 29:21

January 21 | 8 Shevat
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

January 23 | 10 Shevat
Torah Study - 9:00 am
 Parashat Bo
 Exodus 10:1 - 13:16
 Haftarah: Jeremiah
 46:13 - 46:28

January 28 | 15 Shevat
Tu B'Shvat
Torah Study - 4:00 pm

January 30 | 17 Shevat
Torah Study - 9:00 am
 Parashat Beshalach
 Exodus 13:17 - 17:16
 Haftarah: Judges 4:4 - 5:31



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THE TEMPLE POST



CLERGY CORNER

WITH RABBI ROZ

Ways You Can Cope During COVID 19

*Little darling, it's been a long cold lonely winter
Little darling, it seems like years since it's been here*

Most of us recognize these lyrics from the well-loved Beatles' song, *Here Comes the Sun*. According to Wikipedia, it is "... from their 1969 album *Abbey Road*. It was written by George Harrison and is one of his best-known compositions for the Beatles ... [and] reflect his relief at the arrival of spring and the temporary respite he was experiencing from the band's business affairs. As of September 2019, it was the most streamed Beatles song on Spotify globally, with over 350 million plays."

We can understand the popularity of the song's sentiment. This winter has been uncharacteristically cold, and many of its short days cloudy, rainy and grey. This would cause us to be cooped up and feel isolated under any circumstances, but add to it the resurgence of coronavirus cases and even I, the eternal optimist, have a bad case of the blues.

According to Kendra Cherry, in her article "Understanding Grief in the Age of the COVID-19 Pandemic," in *verywellmind.com*, we may not even realize the extent of the losses we are feeling. There is the obvious not being able to gather with family and friends as we normally do, but particularly during the holiday season. There are changes in daily habits and routines. There are the loss of rituals and traditions as simple as celebrating birthdays and as complex as navigating significant life cycle events like B'nai Mitzvah and weddings often years in the planning. There are financial anxieties, job losses and concerns about how to pay rent and other bills. There are worries about our own safety and those of loved ones (not to mention differences of opinion among family members on how best to keep ourselves and them safe).

There are feelings of sadness of how the pandemic will affect the world and fears for the future, even existential concerns that things might never return to normal. Cherry points out that this experience is known as "anticipatory grief," sadness over an impending loss, fear of what will happen, anger over the situation, and feelings of isolation and

loneliness. It goes without saying that those who have lost loved ones to the pandemic are struggling in myriad ways many of which are exacerbated by the virus: feelings of guilt and regret for being unable to support loved ones in their final moments; a lack of closure caused by an inability to say good-bye; being bereft of the traditions that help us to mourn and the social distancing that deprives us of the healing power of touch. The effects of our loss and grief are truly emotional, physical and spiritual.

Cherry points out many ways we can cope, which I hope to share with you during a gathering for us to process some of these experiences and feelings. Our president, Terri Budman, asked me to facilitate a few conversations on this topic and, in looking at my own daily struggles, I think it is a great idea. So **please join me either Tuesday, January 5 from 12-1:30 pm or Thursday, January 7 from 7-8:30 pm** for a gathering entitled: **Ways You Can Cope During COVID 19**. For confidentiality and management of size, **these gatherings are only open to OST members**. After the first session, we will decide together if we'd like to continue meeting.

Since, in addition to being an optimist, I am also an idealist and I truly believe that we will soon be able to sing, "Here comes the sun, doo-doo-doo-doo, here comes the sun. And I say it's all right."

Wishing you a Happy, Healthy and Brighter 2021,

Rabbi Rosalin Mandelberg



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Chesed and Community at Ohef Sholom

At the conclusion of Shabbat services on Friday, Dec. 11, Cantor Jen remarked, "We do community right at Ohef Sholom."

Moments later, Mark Friedman, chair of Archives and an honorary board member, texted me, "Use that in your next president column."

"Okay!" I responded.

What Cantor Jen was referring to was the outpouring of support, well wishes, meals, and help she had received following her recent surgery. She was talking about *Gemilut Chasidim*, the acts of loving kindness that had been shown her by our Ohef Sholom Temple Family.

Kindness is something that is practiced – it's not a single act. Kindness is within all of our powers to perform, and Ohef Sholom gives us myriad ways to do so. Ohef Sholom offers an inclusive community to be kind *with* and *for*. Ohef Sholom introduces and connects us with the people and communities who need and appreciate our kindness.

A few quick examples of recent acts of kindness performed by our Ohef Sholom Temple Family include: our Caring Committee has organized more meal trains and assistance for congregants than ever; our Soup Kitchen continues to operate, mostly in OST's parking lot, serving hungry people in our area; our NEST committee is helping First Presbyterian Church host those in need of shelter on cold nights for a week this year; and last month, an industrious group built student furniture for *ForKids* families. . . presenting them with desks, chairs, and bookcases adorned with bows, alongside other gifts for the holidays.

In Ohef Sholom fashion, during the isolation of the COVID-19 pandemic, our congregants continue to find innovative and safe ways to perform acts of loving kindness and caring that have turned for some, darkness and solitude into hope.

There are many ways to participate in these endeavors, including from the safety of your home. If you are interested, contact Dorianne Villani and Carol Brum who head up our Caring, Soup Kitchen, and Love Thy Neighbor committees; Andy Fox and Sharon Ross who spearhead NEST; and Nina Kruger, OST's Engagement & Programming Associate. Whether it's help with a meal train, stuffing packages (as volunteers did to mail Chanukah candles to every congregant to assure we could all experience the holiday's light), or a donation of a DoorDash for a meal train or a warm coat for a NEST guest, they'll welcome your support.

Let's seize the day as a community, as our Ohef Sholom Temple Family, and start the year sharing even more acts of kindness, which are ultimately, rewarding for everyone. It is how Ohef Sholom does 'community right' and how we care for each other.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, I wish you a healthy, happy, safe, and kind 2021!

L'Shalom,

Terri Denison Budman



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mazel Tov to **Sandi & Jack Levi**, on the marriage of their son **Ben Levi** to **Kately Bennet**.

Mazel Tov to **Benjamin Orloff**, who was recently promoted to Aviation Commander (VFA-83).

CONDOLENCES

Ohel Sholom offers heartfelt condolences to the following members & friends:

To family and friends on the loss of **Sheila Emanuel**.

Barbara Pributsky on the loss of her husband, and **Beth Diamonstein (Richard)** and **Lisa Schulwolf (Neal)** on the loss of their father, **Gerald Pributsky**.

Matthew Galumbeck on the loss of his wife, and **Alix and Bryn Galumbeck** on the loss of their mother, **Cindy Galumbeck**.

Robert Bensink (Lauren) on the loss of his mother, **Janice Bensink**.

Norman and Sherry Hecht on the loss of their granddaughter, **Naomi Hecht**.

To family and friends on the loss of **Fred Swartz**.

Stuart Katz (Cynthia) on the loss of his mother, **Regina S. Katz**.

Susan Scholsohn and Steve Perlman (Sharon) on the loss of their father, **Jerome Perlman**.

Ted Kaufman, David Kaufman on the loss of their cousin, and **Linda H. Kaufman** and **Clay Barr** on the loss of their nephew, **Peter Rosenwald**.

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR COMMUNITY DESK PROJECT

Our Love Thy Neighbor initiative, along with the Men's Club and volunteers recently came together to participate in the Community Desk Project, benefitting ForKids. The results are nothing short of awesome.



Love Thy Neighbor
with OST





JEWISH LIFE

JANUARY

UPCOMING PROGRAMMING JANUARY



Tuesday, January 5 | 12 pm
Thursday, January 7 | 7 pm

Ways You Can Cope During COVID-19

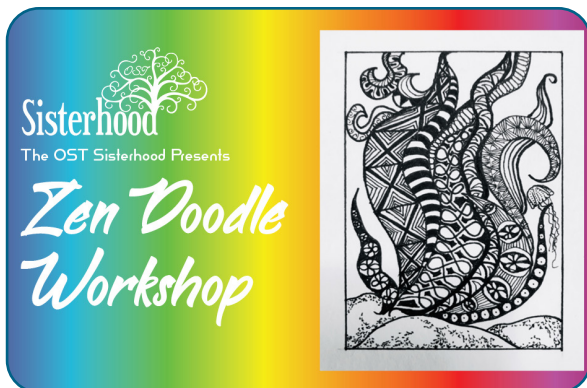
Please join Rabbi Roz for a gathering of **OST Members only** as she facilitates a few conversations on ways to cope with daily struggles, processing experiences and emotions, and discussing life in general during the coronavirus pandemic. To join, please contact the Temple office at 757-625-4295 or RSVP at reservations@ohefsholom.org for the Zoom link.



January 12 | 6:30 pm (Optional Film Screening)
7:15 pm - Discussion with the Director

The Memphis 13

In honor of MLK Day, please join Rabbi Roz, OST's Adult Education Committee, and film director/University of Memphis law professor Daniel Kiel for a screening of *The Memphis 13*, a short documentary on the 13 African American first graders who made history in October 1961 when they desegregated Memphis City Schools. RSVP to reservations@ohefsholom.org or call 757-625-4295.



January 13 | 7 pm

Zen Doodle Workshop with Ellie Cesario and the OST Sisterhood

Zen Doodles are created with Zentangles. These are easy to learn, relaxing and fun. Because they are repetitive patterns, the only requirement is a willingness to experiment and try something new. Please do not worry if you feel you lack the ability to draw - everyone can doodle!

To participate in the workshop, please RSVP to reservations@ohefsholom.org.



January 16 & February 20 | 7 - 9 pm

Havdalah Hootenanny with Jeanne & Bob Zentz

On the third Saturday of the month from 7-9 pm, join Jeanne and Bob Zentz on Zoom for a "Zing-along." Bring your own song, request a song, read a poem, tell a story, play an instrument, share some pictures... whatever you like! Everyone takes a turn and participates as they wish, in the style of good ol' community singing and sharing. **All ages and all folks are welcome!**

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86705155820>

ECOJUDAISM

Around the Grounds

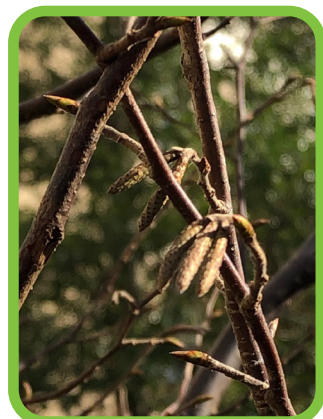
We have a new street tree on the Redgate side of Ohel

Sholom Temple outside the Sanctuary. This tree - along with several others - were planted in the Stockley Gardens area in November by Norfolk City Forrester Steve Traylor, the Ghent Neighborhood Association, and the Norfolk Master Gardeners.

The new addition is an *Ostrya virginiana* which is also called the Hophornbeam, or Ironwood, and is a native tree. (You may have noticed that the first 3 letters of the Latin name are "OST.") One of the common names, Hophornbeam, comes from the shape of the fruit which resembles the hops that are used to make beer. The name Ironwood evolved because the hardness of the tree's wood makes it suitable for tool handles.



The Hophornbeam tree has temporary support until the roots get established.



Signs of new growth on the Ironwood tree.

This deciduous tree has oblong-shaped leaves which turn yellow gold before they drop in the fall revealing the tree's structure and bark. The leaf edge is finely serrated. The bark starts out smooth but becomes rough with age.

The City of Norfolk has committed to increasing tree coverage throughout the city by giving away,

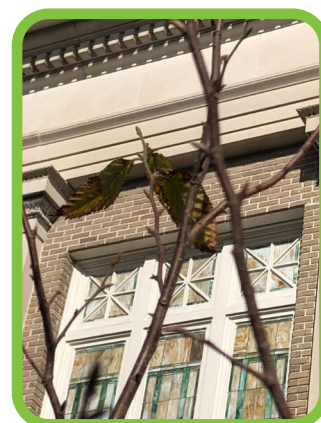
This tree is a member of the birch family. It is a slow-growing understory tree that can get to be as tall as 30 feet. The species can live in sun or partial sun. It has both male and female blossoms. Female blossoms are not very noticeable, but the catkins or male blossoms hang down in long clusters in the early spring.

This deciduous tree has oblong-shaped leaves



replacing, and adding new trees. They are also trying to create more diversity within the tree canopy, which currently is dominated by oak trees.

Our Temple has committed to be an environmentally conscious congregation. Planting trees like our new Ironwood is good for the environment, is part of *tikkun olam*, and will help the city to reach their goal. If you are interested in planting trees and don't know how, there is a short demonstration with Steve Traylor on the Norfolk Master Gardener Facebook page. It is said that planting a tree is a gift to future generations, so let's get planting!



A few leaves are still hanging on the new tree.

Jackie Haywood

EcoJudaism Chair

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On Sunday,
January 24, 2021,
beginning at **10:30am,**
the Religious School
will have a special
drive-thru
celebration of
Tu B'Shvat -
The New Year
of the Trees.
Tu B'Shvat Celebration
kits including special
family activities,
a family seder
booklet and a
tree seedling
will be given
to each family.

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SISTERHOOD

It's hard to believe we are now in a new secular year. So many things have changed and yet so many things have remained the same. As we continue mask wearing, social distancing and Zoom meetings, we look for ways to connect with one another.

During December, Sisterhood was happy to support several programs for the Temple and the community. We provided funds for the Religious School Chanukah Happening. We supported the Caring Committee's ForKids project by funding gift cards to purchase turkeys. Several Sisterhood Members shopped to provide happy holidays for some ForKids families. We also, along with the Men's Club, contributed to sending Chanukah packages to the entire congregation.

We are currently planning a few future projects. Look for information on our Zen Tangle, led by Ellie Cesario, during this month. We will be hosting a special Book Club, open to the entire congregation in February so please watch for news on this event. Additionally, there will be a Passover project in March.

As our Sisterhood Board continues monthly meetings exploring ways to support each other, our Temple and the community, we welcome your thoughts and ideas so please contact me, through email, text or phone.

Yours in Sisterhood,

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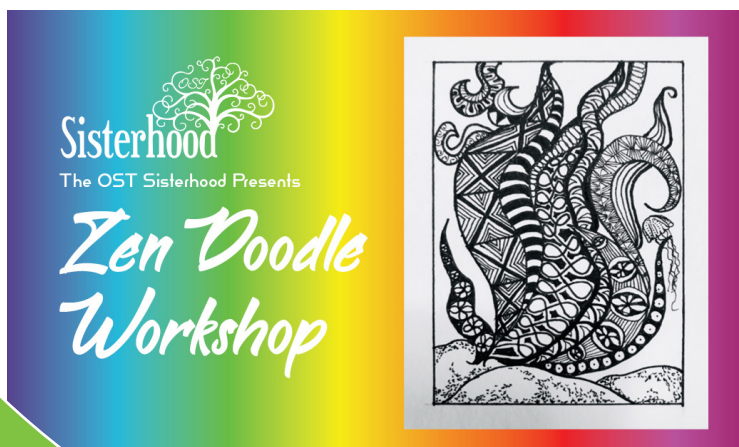



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Our mission, as stated on the website:

"OST Sisterhood is a community of welcoming women from all walks of life who meet for spiritual, educational, and social growth through Judaism. Our diverse members are all ages and come from varying backgrounds, allowing us to join together to serve the needs of our congregation and community, while cultivating life-long friendships."

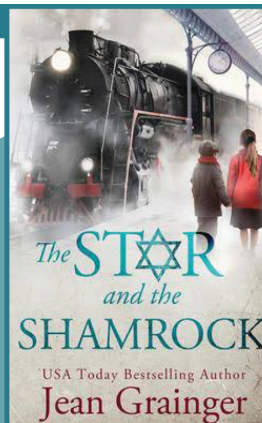
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Sisterhood Book Club

Sunday, February 7



2 pm Sisterhood Book Club

All are invited to join Sisterhood and author Jean Grainger for a relaxed conversation about her book *The Star and the Shamrock*. Jean will be joining us in conversation from Cork, Ireland.

The Star and the Shamrock is part of a series of 4 books. The series traces the history of the Kindertransport, a rescue operation that brought 10,000 unaccompanied Jewish children from Germany to the United Kingdom just before World War II.

It is a story of hope in desperate times. A story of hope for the future and what can happen when people come together for a greater good.

The zoom link will be sent to you before 2/7/2021!

RSVP to
757-625-4295 or
reservations@ohefsholom.org
Zoom link will be sent by
2/7/2021

MEN'S CLUB

I am writing this month's article from a different perspective. Programs that we are used to doing are now done differently. The new normal is a zoom meeting as we see each other on a computer screen. Although this is a different type of year than any of us expected, we are still able to do things for Temple. So far this year, the Men's Club contributed, along with the Sisterhood, to sending Chanukah packages to the entire congregation. Also, several members of our Men's Club participated in the Chanukah LIVE candle lighting ceremony.

Be on the lookout for the email that lets you know about our next Zoom meeting so you can share any ideas you might have.

Sincerely,

Tom
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NEXT MEETING:
Wednesday,
January 6 at 7:00 pm

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MEMBER ONLINE:**

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TZEDAKAH QUILTING GROUP



When Temple closed its doors back in March 2020 due to the coronavirus pandemic, quilter Marsha Moody was keen to grab fabrics, tools, supplies and some of the halfway completed projects the Tzedakah Quilting Group had been working on. She and a

few other quilters have been continuing their craft at home throughout the pandemic.

In the past, our Tzedakah Quilting Group donated their quilts to Jewish Family Service of Tidewater, but due to the pandemic, JFS was no longer accepting items. Ohef Sholom's own Sharon Nusbaum offered another alternative for donation: Virginia Supportive Housing (VSH), whose mission is to end homelessness in Virginia by providing permanent supportive housing for homeless single adults. The results? The Tzedakah Quilting Group finished 10 beautiful quilts that were donated to VSH occupants.





COPING WITH COVID-19

HOW OHEF SHOLOM IS TRAVERSING THE PANDEMIC THROUGH 2021

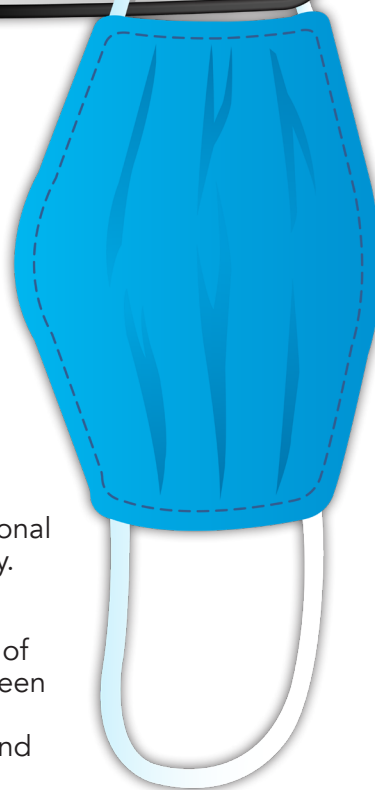
TOUGH. That's one word to describe the atmosphere and lingering impact of 2020. Other words to describe what we're globally enduring through the COVID-19 pandemic: loneliness, depression, anxiety, worry, longing, difficulty, loss, grief, illness, and frustration, to name a few. Though these words define the fallout of our current pandemic, they certainly do not define Ohef Sholom.

As a matter of fact, the resilience, love, support, adaptability, concern, compassion, determination, thoughtfulness, leadership, programming and faith of our Ohef Sholom Temple congregation has come to exemplify the very definition of *community*. If hindsight is 2020, then our past year has proven that *We of Ohef Sholom* are also **TOUGH**. We are united. We are here for each other. We are family.

We endure. Together.

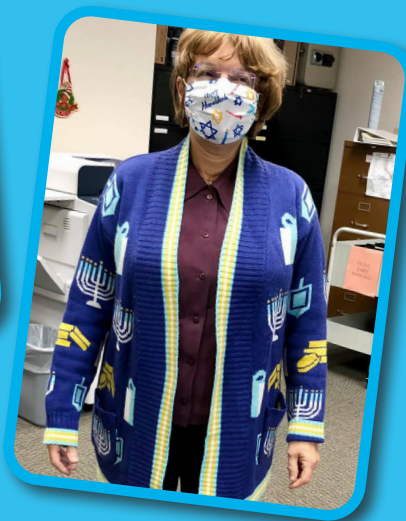
As our daily interactions at Temple have taken a virtual turn during COVID-19, we've been working tirelessly behind the scenes, discovering new technologies and adapting different ways to safely and effectively worship, celebrate, volunteer, learn, and interact "together." That hard work has paid off this year, and will continue into 2021. We look forward to bringing you the best of Ohef Sholom Temple in the new year and beyond, continuing our mission "to provide a spiritual, cultural and educational environment inspired by the highest Reform Jewish values," whatever comes our way.

Thank you for being part of our community. Thank you for your love and support. Thank you for making Ohef Sholom Temple more than a place, but rather a paragon of what it means to be a light in darkness and to keep faith, even when our world has been upended. So here's to *you*, our Ohef Sholom family, for maintaining grace under fire and sticking together during 2020 to ensure that our 2021 will be brighter, happier and healthier for one and all.



LOOKING BACK ON OHEF SHOLOM IN 2020

Masking Up



Shabbat Services & Programming



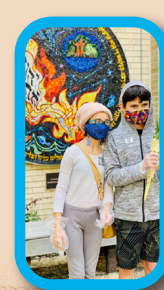
Passover



High Holidays



Sukkot & Chanukah



Love Thy Neighbor



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TESHUVAH STORIES SERIES (3 OF 3)

JOURNEYS TO JUDAISM: Doug Lynch

I am a native of Norfolk and grew up on Cape Henry Avenue in Fox Hall just a half-mile's walk up the railroad tracks from the old Met Park. My parents brought me home from Norfolk General Hospital after birth directly to the nursery of Virginia Heights Baptist Church over by Lake Taylor Hospital on Kempsville Rd. We were regular members attending on Sunday mornings as well as many Sunday and Wednesday nights. My mother sang in the choir and my father was a deacon and Sunday school teacher. The Reverend Linwood Peterson and his wife, Mary Margaret (both of blessed memory) were our pastors and those of you who are acquainted with the family know them to be wonderful, genuinely caring people. In fact, that entire congregation was made up of authentic, loving people of faith who were like extended family to me and are still dear to me to this day.

At the age of eight, I was fortunate to have been able to study piano and music theory at The Marsh School of Music over on 35th Street under Romaine Hardy, another gem in our community. I absolutely loved music theory but was not so big on practicing the piano. I attended Norfolk Christian on Thole Street from kindergarten through eighth grade and once again, found myself surrounded by people of substance: teachers whose lives were dedicated to the Lord with a desire to instill knowledge and truth into us students. Joining the choir in the fifth grade led to an audition with the VOA's Children's Opera Workshop where I spent several seasons under the direction of Louise Evans honing my singing skills, along with our own Bonnie Lambert-Baxter. These institutions molded me into a student of scripture and a lover of God's word and introduced me to the rich classical and liturgical musical traditions of the past.

But I was always.... let's say.... a rascal, to put it nicely. I knew the difference between right and wrong, and felt the hand of God in my life, but was always itching to upset the status quo, to challenge authority, and to just be a prankster. A high school friend's mother referred to me and my best friend as, "that conniving Scott Davis and that schemer Doug Lynch." I have also tended to be a very critical person which deteriorates into cynicism very quickly and I've always wrestled with these attributes because, quite frankly, I was born this

way. In my late teens I began to question my faith, in that I was asking myself, "Did I actually have faith or was I just a product of my environment? Was I merely practicing my parents' faith or simply suspending my disbelief?" And being born into the church I felt as if I was already in the "club." I made a profession of faith and was baptized at the age of twelve, but possibly just because it was expected of me. People talked about getting "saved" but deep down I thought, "Saved from what?" So, I began to dismantle my faith in order to reassemble it on my own terms and in the past thirty years or so, I have been through this process many times.

I question everything and I have many questions about this life that we're living. I'm asking David Metzger *all* the hard questions just prior to services on Friday nights. One day I was considering the similarities between Greek and Roman mythology and Judaism. Hercules/Samson, Hades/Satan, Zeus/Yahweh and I asked David, "Is Zeus Yahweh?"

He quickly chortled, "No." And then he patted me on the head and said, "bless your heart" or something like that. But Temple is a safe place to ask the hard questions.

I want to speak to you openly tonight in the true sense of *Teshuvah*. For some unknown reason, I have been quite dead inside for some time now. My family has had its share of ups and downs over the past several years, but for all intents and purposes, things are good. We're good... but I had lost the ability to experience the deeper emotions of love or empathy, true joy or profound faith. I haven't been able to mourn the loss of loved ones or really



This is an abridged version of Doug's original speech. To read his full Teshuvah Story, please go online to ohefsholom.org/teshuvah-stories/.

celebrate the accomplishments of others. At the first of this year, I began to question the need for regular worship attendance, and what I felt to be the “dog and pony show” into which so much money and effort is spent to convince us of what we should already believe. I wanted the providential experience of Abraham or Moses. I mean, they had no Bible, no church, no law and God met them both out in the pasture tending sheep. Why couldn’t God meet me where I was without so much assistance?

Then the pandemic hit, and worship services were kabashed. Online services were already a thing for our church, but just didn’t feel the same. I continued to read scripture, pray, and seek God but was not getting any vibes at all and was beginning to feel the pressure of an existential and faith crisis. I began to yearn for any sense of hope beyond what I could naturally see. And then it crossed my mind one day that perhaps God cracked himself open at the big bang and that we’re all existing within the fallout of that as it expands. Then I wondered if anyone else had had this thought and sure enough, Pandeism. I’m only a couple of centuries late on that brainstorm. Nihilism was next on the hit parade. This madhouse that we’re living in certainly seems to be devoid of any purpose or meaning and morals have gone out the window in every camp. So, I’m a Christian Nihilist. Bring on the Armageddon! And I suddenly found myself on this very slippery slope that undermined everything that I consider truth.

When Rabbi Roz asked me in mid-July to speak in this Teshuvah Series, I was stymied. I almost said, “no.” I didn’t feel as if I had anything meaningful to add. After sleeping on it for a couple of nights, I replied to her that my faith was all over the place and that I was up to my eyeballs in cynicism... to which she was not surprised. I agreed to speak, telling Rabbi that preparing for this talk might just keep the proverbial train on the tracks. And almost immediately I felt a change in my disposition. It dawned on me that we do live in God and that God lives in us, but in a much more personal way than Pandeism purports, and that Solomon was a nihilist but his frustration with this meaningless life turned him back to his Creator.

The same is true for us all, regardless of creed, in our faith journeys. Rabbi Forman enlightened me on



the phrase, “God’s chosen people.” He said that “chosen” might be misconstrued as the Jewish nation being God’s “favorites” but squared that by stating “chosen” means “voluntold.” **You** have been chosen to share God’s love and truth with the world and it is my understanding that as a Christian, I have been grafted into this olive tree, this covenant. The heavens and earth bear witness to the covenant to which we are bound. Those outside of our Judeo-Christian circles are listening to our words and watching our actions for an indication that we are invested in what we say we believe. Cartoonist and pundit Scott Adams in his book, *God’s Debris* lays out a theory of Pandeism, in which God blows itself up to see what will happen, which becomes the cause of our universe. In his book, Adams suggests that followers of theistic religions such as Christianity and Judaism are, “inherently subconsciously aware that their religions are false, and that this awareness is reflected in their consistently acting like these religions, and their threats of damnation for sinners, are false.”

Woe to us if that is the impression that we give. We are each representatives of our houses of worship, their leadership and their doctrine. *Torah*, the earth, our loved ones, and life itself are God’s gifts to us. Each of us needs to listen more critically to what the *Torah* and God are saying to us and express that in our lives in a way that reflects the text. We’re handling sacred text and that bears repeating. Shirat Moshe, opens with “‘Ha’azinu,’ listen, O heavens, and I will speak;” but on the repetition of the word, “‘hear,’ O earth” in the next line, the Hebrew word “V’tishma” is used instead, which means – to listen, but to hear with attention or interest, to understand. Then dormant feelings of gratitude well up for all that we have been blessed with; our clergy and their labor of love to continue to bring us together during this difficult time, for Shabbat and Sunday morning services that serve as reminders of the

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EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL UPDATE

The Religious School would like to thank the members of the OST Board, the Religious School Committee and the teachers for their help and support this year. Their involvement has played an important role in the success of our virtual school program.

Our virtual Chanukah Celebration was held on Sunday, December 13, 2020. Families participated in fun, interactive activities and games and a prize drawing. A good time was had by all!

Our school continues to meet virtually on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am. Hebrew classes meet on Sunday as well with special midweek sessions.

We offer classes for children age 3 through 10th grade (Confirmation).

If you are interested, please contact Kitty Wolf at 757-625-4295 or kitty@ohefsholom.org.

UPCOMING DATES

JAN. 3

9:00 am

Hebrew

10:00 am

Intro to Judaism Class

10:30 am

Religious School Wiggles & Giggles

JAN. 10

9:00 am

Hebrew

10:30 am

Religious School

JAN. 17

10:00 am

Intro to Judaism Class

JAN. 24

9:00 am

Hebrew

10:30 am

Tu B'Shvat Drive Thru Religious School Tu B'Shvat Celebration

JAN. 31

9:00 am

Hebrew

10:00 am

Intro to Judaism Class

10:30 am

Religious School

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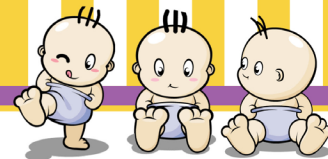
rich heritage to which we have been entrusted, for family and friends whose lives have been such a blessing to us, and for our Creator who has called to us since our birth.

"Take to heart all the words I have solemnly declared to you this day, so that you may command your children to obey carefully all the words of this law." Say, "yes" to Rabbi and say, "yes" to God. When we turn to God, God does not meet us halfway, God meets us right where we are, every Shabbat, every heartbeat, every breath.

I have one last criticism to bring to your attention. The vibe that I get from Ohef Sholom after having spent the last two decades with you is the very same that I experienced as a youth at Virginia Heights and at Norfolk Christian; genuine, caring people with hearts for God, for each other, and for this world. People of substance. I am fortunate to be able to add my voice to that chorus.

The watchword of Judaism is not "Ha'azinu Yisrael," it is "Sh'ma Yisrael, Hear O Israel" – These are not just idle words for you or for me – they are our life!

wiggles & giggles
with a Jewish Twist



January 3 at 10:30 am
Tubishvat

Book: *Tubishvat is Coming!*

February 7 at 10:30 am
Purim

Specifically for young families and children, birth through four years, **Wiggles & Giggles** introduces young children to their Jewish World.

For more info call 757-625-4295 or contact Kitty Wolf at kitty@ohefsholom.org

[ohefsholom.org](mailto:kitty@ohefsholom.org)

or Allena Anglen at

allenahurwitz@gmail.com.

Zoom Meeting ID: 874 1020 5578

Passcode: 469923



A Course for Newcomers and Lifetime Learners

January 3 at 10:00 am

Hebrew as a Way of Thinking

January 17 at 10:00 am

The Same Difference: Tribes, Diasporas and Denominations

January 31 at 10:00 am

Jewling is Doing:

Life as an Active Verb

For more information, contact Kathryn Morton at kathryn@ohefsholom.org



INSIDE OST

A CLOSER LOOK

TEMPLE LIFE DURING COVID

To reduce possible transmission of COVID-19 and therefore protect the health of the congregation, clergy, and staff during the pandemic, the Temple's Board of Directors passed a COVID-19 policy at its December Board meeting.

The entire policy is available on our website at https://ohefsholom.org/policy_covid-19-policy_edit-12-28-2020/

A few highlights include:

The Policy mandates that anyone attending a Temple function, whether in or outside of the building, will adhere to the following:

1. Wear a mask over the mouth and nose (except while alone in one's own office)
2. Adhere to social distancing of 6 feet and not touch others at all times (except with members of one's own household)
3. Answer all COVID-19 screening questions negatively (parents may answer for their young children)
4. Have temperature checked and confirmed to be below 100° upon entry
5. Wash hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer upon entry

Anyone exposed to COVID-19 or traveled outside of Hampton Roads must quarantine until 10 days have passed without any COVID-19 symptoms. Alternatively quarantine may end after Day 7 if no COVID-19 symptoms were reported during Daily Monitoring.

Anyone testing positive for COVID-19 may not enter the building or attend any outdoor lifecycle event without providing evidence of a subsequent negative COVID-19 test.

In addition, the following apply to all Lifecycle events:

1. Total number of persons in attendance (i.e., including clergy) may not exceed current Virginia limit for indoor gatherings. If at any time no such limit applies to religious services, then the limit shall be 25 persons.
2. No food or beverages may be served in the Temple.
3. Masks must be worn at all times including for any photos with the clergy.
4. ALL attendees at the lifecycle must abide by the strictest of the travel guidelines then issued by a Public Authority or under this Policy and Procedure.
5. A family member will be asked to ensure strict compliance with these rules prior to and during the lifecycle event.



Learn more from Linda

Linda Peck, Executive Director
linda@ohefsholom.org

For out of town family or guests to attend a lifecycle event (b'nai mitzvah, wedding, baby naming, funeral), each such person age 5 or older shall have quarantined for at least **four (4)** days prior to travel to Hampton Roads, and obtained (and brought with them evidence of) a negative result for a rapid COVID-19 test administered within forty-eight (48) hours of the start of the lifecycle event.

The policy was written so that it may be amended as conditions surrounding COVID-19 evolve, knowledge of the virus increases, and Commonwealth of Virginia regulations change.

On a personal note, I wish you all much health in 2021, and I can't wait until we can see each other again - in person - at Temple. Until then, **STAY WELL!**



LIFE & LEGACY

LIFE & LEGACY & Beyond

In January of 2017, Ohef Sholom was accepted into the national LIFE & LEGACY program in partnership with the Tidewater Jewish Foundation and the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. The overall goal of this 4-year campaign was to incentivize Ohef Sholom and other Jewish organizations to build their endowments and help create a culture of philanthropy that will sustain a prosperous Jewish future in our world.

In a little under 4 years, the Tidewater Jewish community has secured 557 new Legacy commitments totaling an estimated \$20.8 million in future and current endowed gifts for our local Jewish organizations.

Ohef Sholom Temple has run an excellent campaign throughout these four years, having secured 78 new commitments totaling an estimated \$3,437,000 in future and current endowed gifts.

A special thanks to everyone who has made a gift and helped Ohef Sholom continue our legacy of a strong and sacred community for living our shared Jewish values. Our permanent donor recognition panels are in the process of being updated to reflect all who have participated in the Life and Legacy initiative. We hope to unveil them, along with a newly created recognition piece for the 175th Anniversary Campaign, in May perhaps at the annual meeting of the congregation and celebrate our successes! .

MOVING FORWARD

While the LIFE & LEGACY program has reached its formal end, our work to secure the future of Ohef Sholom is never done. With this in mind, the Tidewater Jewish Foundation is creating its own incentives to help foster and encourage the work we started. Our partnership with the TJF has been,

and will continue to be, so important in our collective and individual organizations success. We are truly grateful for their support and guidance.

Our goals for going forward are twofold: implement a comprehensive stewardship plan, created with the help of TJF and a professional fundraising consultant, and continue to create opportunities for conversations regarding legacy giving and its critical importance in our present and future, ideally securing a minimum of 4 new gifts annually.

By engaging people of all ages in our community in conversations, we hope to raise awareness and increase understanding of the ways we can all participate in giving back, or paying it forward, to the organizations that are so important in our lives. Philanthropy is learned, and we hope to be able to teach this one conversation at a time.

Legacy gifts and pledges are what allow us to offer so many special programs and help us remain a vibrant Jewish presence in our community and world in both good times and challenging times. In essence, these legacy gifts help perpetuate the values we are called to by our faith.

Leaving a legacy gift is easy to do, and anyone can participate, regardless of age, wealth, or affiliation. To arrange a confidential, no obligation discussion, please reach out to our Ohef Sholom Foundation President, Matt Fine, at matthewfine@cox.net or 757-407-1368.



Important Note To our 175th Anniversary Campaign Donors:

Please review the Printer's Proof inserted in this month's bulletin for accuracy in including your name on our permanent donor recognition panels we are in the process of creating. We want to ensure you are recognized properly. If you have any changes you wish to make, please contact Rachael Nusbaum at lifeandlegacy@ohefsholom.org no later than January 15th.



DONATIONS

*denotes gifts of \$25 or more

WE APPRECIATE THE THOUGHTFULNESS OF THOSE WHO SUPPORT OST

by remembering and honoring their friends and loved ones through their generous contributions.

Please have your donations submitted to the Temple before the beginning of each month.

175TH

In Memory of:

GERALD PRIBUTSKY

*Nancy & Charlie Nusbaum
& Family

MOLLIE AND GEORGE RADIN ARCHIVES FUND

In Memory of:

ALVIN MARGOLIUS

*Marcia & Henry Schwan

BONK-RIVIN HOLOCAUST LIBRARY

In Memory of:

THEODORE "TED" BONK

*Suzi Lerman
& Stanley Levin

CANTOR JENNIFER RUEBEN'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Speedy Recover to:

CANTOR JEN RUEBEN

*Gabriele Jiannas
& Fred Pugh

CARING COMMITTEE FUND

In Memory of:

GERALD PRIBUTSKY

*Pam & Dan Snyder

CARING COMMITTEE FUND - NEST

With Appreciation:

*Joyce & Harry Graber

CARING COMMITTEE FUND - SOUP KITCHEN

In Memory of:

ROBIN KATZ

*Judy & Marty Freedman

*Allan, Helene, Scott

& Lee Frost

Ellen Waranch

& Barbara Gordon

SUSAN KATZ

Harriett & Harvey Eluto

*Jennifer Erickson

Jill & Alan Fischer

*Rita Frank

*Judy & Marty Freedman

*Allan, Helene, Scott
& Lee Frost

Connie & Gerry Golden

*Debbie & Don Keeling

*Robin Lewis Schoner

& Marsha Dubbe

*Frankie & Edward Ostroff

*Arlene Owens

*Jane & John Rosenman

*Pam & Dan Snyder

*Blanche & Micky Spilka

*Dorianne & Dan Villani

Ellen Waranch

& Barbara Gordon

*Karen Wood

NORMAN MANDELBERG

*Shelly Lohmann

*Nancy & Charlie Nusbaum
& Family

*Penny & Ken Powders

GERALD PRIBUTSKY

*Judy & Marty Freedman

Ellen Waranch

& Barbara Gordon

With Appreciation:

*Arleen & Benjamin Cohen

*Rachel Lev

*Marilyn Mendelson

*Shannon & Tarace White

& Family

FINE ARTS FUND

In Memory of:

GERALD PRIBUTSKY

Lorraine Fink

EDWARD J. KESSER RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

In Memory of:

GERALD PRIBUTSKY

*Howard Kesser

& Sharon Laderberg

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

With Appreciation:

*Sally & Steve Kocen

*Elizabeth & Tom Murphy

*Baila & Bruce Waldholtz

RABBI ROSALIN MANDELBERG'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In Memory of:

NORMAN MANDELBERG

*faYe, Tom, Hannah

& Brandon Howe

*Robin & Rickie Kyle

*Sandy & Marty

Mendelsohn

*Elizabeth & Tom Murphy

*Arlene & Jack Rephan

GERALD PRIBUTSKY

*Marilyn Allison & Sid Bass

*Jay Legum

*Cheryl White

With Appreciation:

*Debbie Simon

OHEF SHOLOM FOUNDATION UNERSTRICED FUND

In Memory of:

NORMAN MANDELBERG

*Rose Rosenbach

KURT ROSENBAACH

*Janice & Lawrence

Goldrich

RICHARD "DICK" STAUB

*Janice & Lawrence

Goldrich

GAIL WASSERMAN BACHMAN EDUCATIONAL FUND

In Honor of the Bar

Mitzvah of:

ELIJAH MUHLENDORF

*Debbie & Don Keeling

In Honor of the Marriage

of:

BEN LEVI TO

KATELYN BENNETT

*Debbie & Don Keeling

In Memory of:

SHEILA EMANUEL

*Gail & Tom Bachman

NORMAN MANDELBERG

*Gail & Tom Bachman

*Sharon, Bill & Leigh

Nusbaum

GERALD PRIBUTSKY

*Gail & Tom Bachman

TEMPLE FUND

In Honor of the Wedding

Anniversary of:

MERIL AMDURSKY

& JOE HEARST

Myrna Teck

In Memory of:

SUSAN KATZ

Susan Laub-Zatcoff

*Texas Freedom Network

NORMAN MANDELBERG

Carol, Barbara

& Amy Caplan

GERALD PRIBUTSKY

*Marilyn Allison & Sid Bass

*Susan & Sheldon Cohn

*Charlotte Corey

*Aline & Neil Landy

*Bobbie & Bernie Lublin

*Keith Lublin

*Beth & Dennis Manning

Carol & Steven Mansh

*Sandra & Yale Nesson

*Kathy & Eddie Waitzer

*Baila & Bruce Waldholtz

ROBERT SOBLE

*Sheila Borlase

With Appreciation:

*Ilene Richmon

CHUCK WOODWARD MUSIC FUND

In Memory of:

ALVIN MARGOLIUS

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Susan & Alan Nordlinger

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*Marilyn & Stuart Buxbaum

With Appreciation:

*Arleen & Benjamin Cohen

LESLIE LEGUM CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In Memory of:

NORMAN MANDELBERG

*Jay Legum



YAHREZEITS

JANUARY

*denotes memorial plaque

Dec 27 - Jan 2

Mary Adler
Nelson Alper
Tyler Jeffrey Ann
Lillian Beloff
Rose Berger
Rose M. Brown
Jim Byers
William P. Cohen
Isaac Cohen
Esther Colbus*
Sam Dembicer*
Alfred Joseph
Dreyfus*
Richard B. Emanuel
Kathleen Engel
Gabriel Engel*
Ann Feldman
Sylvan Finestone
Sandy Gold
Esther Goldberg
Joseph Goldin*
Rabbi Ronald M.
Goldstein
Howard M.
Goldstein
Sally Gross*
Mollie Gross
Arthur Hainer
Stanley Hirsch*
Isabelle Horne*
Ronald Hurwitz
Hanna Konikoff
Jack Koonan
Paul Laderberg
Joan C. Landauer*
Gertrude Lazier
Adolph Lombart
Barbara K. Lubar
Irving Margulies
Lynn Miles
Sara Miller
Jenya Sheida
Milshtein
Thelma Morrison
Rita Klein Moses
Ben Ami Nemo*
Sidney Leon
Nusbaum*
Lois S. Nusbaum*
Bertram S.
Nusbaum Jr.*
Anne Schloss
Petty*
Abraham Ries*
Goldie N.
Rosenbaum
Martha L. Rubin*
Charles Salzberg
Malcom Schoner
Celia Schonfeld*
Bernie Stein
Oscar L. Steinberg*
Deborah Lee
Stocker
Dr. Irving Tavss*
Nellie B. Waranch*
Bob E. Wolfson*

Jan 3 - 9

Louis Aronson*
Bertha Bangel*
Leonard Belkov
Anna Berger*
June Berk
Ray K. Bloom*
Benjamin Brooke
Freeda Cohen
Frieda Cohn*
Maryjo R. "Jody"
Colbus*
Paula Dinowitz
Jennie Waranch
Feldman
Morris Fuson
Sadye Gifford*
Rita Goldberg
Ella Goldman
Gould
Jonathan L. Harris
Fay Hermes
Solomon Holsveig
Ruth Horlick
Leon J. Hornstein*
Abraham Kaplan
David Robert Katz
Thais S. Kaufmann*
Jerome Kern*
Ann R. Kurtz
Dr. Herman
Laibstein*
Charles Lakamp
Joann G.
Langhaus*
Paul Lasakow
Arlene Lowenthal
Juan Luna
Ralph Margolius*
Rosa B. Marks
Lawrence Mednick*
Jennie Meyer
Fern Miller
Lawrence Morse
Sidney Nusbaum
Sheldon Puritz
Mischa Rafal
Andrew Salzberg
Jack Schugam
Edith Shorr
George Smith
Annette Harris
Sobel*
Robert Soble
Wallace Spigel
Rabbi Malcolm
Stern*
Joyce Strelitz
Ruby B. Van Collom
Goldye Warren
Grace Watkins
Rosalie Wilks*
Evelyn Zacks

Jan 10 - 16

James Kin Abrams
Sarah Allen
Sara Allen
Phil Bernstein
Tessa T. Bland
Sidney Bloom*

Arie I. Blum
Tillie Caplan*
Minnie Z. Clark*
Loretta Cohen
Melvin L. Crockin*
Albert
Diamondstein*
Angela Frasca
Ann Giat
Deborah Ann
Golden
Irwin Goldstein*
Mortimer R.
Gordon*
Tommy Grant
Edna Greenwood*
Taylor Hamilton
Lenore Holsveig
Tillie Ireland*
John S. E. Jannas
William Katzenberg
Sylvia Katzenberg
Sadie Klinghoffer
Jennie Kraus
Jack J. Leterman*
Pete Lucero
Anna Mandel
Benjamin
Mandelkern*
Mary D. Ostroff
Robert Phillimore
Julia D. Pitler
Susan Puckett
Linda Radin
Sidney J. Rosen
Mickey Rosen
Charles Morton
Rosenbaum
Helene S.
Salomonsky*
Martin Sherman*
Harry L. Snyder*
Sona Soltz
Samuel Spearans*
Bennie Speck*
Jennie E. Spigel
Jacob Thompson*
Wyatt Burghardt
Turner
Joel Turner*
Richard M. Waitzer
Irwin Waranch
Dr. Hyman S. Zfass

Jan 17 - 23

Ed Alster
Rabbi Jeffrey Ballon
Philip Bass*
Leslie Benanati
Virginia H. Beskin
Jonny Blondin
Ada Brill
Dr. Harry Clark
Irving Cohen
June Davidson
Ethel G. Emanuel
Lena Frost
Teresa Garcia
Harry B. Gilbert*
Albert Glassman
Murray Goldberg*

Frances Golding
Arthur H. Gordon*
Adam Grossman*
Adah G. Grossman*
Beatrice Gurwitz
Goldie N. Hainer
Samuel Ries
Heller, Jr.*
Alexander Herman
Hattie R. Hirschler*
Helga Imberowicz
Betty Isay
Mollie Jason
Marilyn Julius
Morris Kahn
Jeremy Kane
Harriet Kesser
Rossi G. Krauss*
Charles Learned, Sr.
Martha Lederman
Leslie Legum*
Goldie Levy
Benjamin Marks
Frances Nordlinger
Mellen*
Ronald Miller
Sylvia S. Miller*
Eliria "Liddie Mae"
Montoya
Theda Moore
Jean Pattashnick
Rachel Phillimore
Joseph E. Poole, Jr.
Rae Price
Doris Rapoport
Samuel Rosenberg
Hilda Rosner*
Essie T.
Salomonsky*
Rosalind
Scheimberg
Henry Harris
Schewel
Dr. Philip Schub
Max Schulman*
Dr. David Solomon
Samuel Steingold*
Joseph Sternman
Sam Tabet, Sr.
William Tompkins
William Traubel
Charlotte Uthman
Elizabeth Wachtel
Edwin N. Waitzer*
Simon Ben
Whitlock*
Bennie Zedd

Jan 24 - 30

Talia Agler
Harold Amdursky
Eddie Ausch
Paul Balaban
Harry S. Behr*
Dr. Erwin S. Berlin*
Thomas Brill
Win Caskill
Goldie A.
Chernitzer
Susanne Clark
Gesheker Smith*

Ben Cohen*
Leonard Cohen
Benjamin H.
Cohen*
Cecilia Auerbach
Cohen*
Morris Comess
Lisa Relaford
Coston
Goldie Feinberg
Anne A. Friedman*
Bertha G. Friedman
Bernard Glasser*
Clement Harold
Golden
Esther Harr
Alan J. Hofheimer*
Benjamin Hornstein
Oliver Huey
June Joyce Mitchell
Ingram
Jacob Jacobs*
Burton H. Jaffe
Gertrude Kahn
Leah S. Kesser*
Lena Legum
Dora Lester
Samuel Levin
Janie F. Levy*
Harry Lowenthal
William M. Lubar
H. William
Mandelberg
Irene Melick
Linda Mendelsohn
Jean Edith
Rachstein Monat*
Henry Moos
Soledad Orozco
Hugh Owens
Iris Sharples Perkins
Iris Pincus
Jeanne Rabinowitz
Adam Rapoport
Helen Rosenbaum
Blanche S. Samler*
John Shoulta
Helen A. Snyder*
Leroy Spigel
Sarah H. Sterns
Ruth Bader
Stromberg
Scott Sward
Helen Taylor
Blanche Ullman
Maria Vulfovskay
Paul Wainger*
Lee Gerry
Wertheimer
Carl Wisoff
Jack Wolf
Louis Yaffe

Jan 31 - Feb 6

Annie Bachman
Harry Bernstein
Marie Cardet
Stanley Cohen
Bella Cohen
Ben Cohen
Ron Danziger*

Nonye Davidson*
Ida Diamonstein
Maxine Ebert
Isaac Faulkner*
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Grace Schepper
Firing
Honore Shill Fox
Abraham Frumkin
Isaac Giat
Albert Goldman*
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Dave Goldstein*
Ruth Cohen
Goldstein*
Gertrude Goldstein
Solomon L.
Goodman*
Dena Katz
Greenhood
Alfred A.
Greenhood
Mollie Hecht
Albert Heller*
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Betty Kaplan
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Kaufman
James Philip
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Doreen Pogson*
William Reshesky
Fannie Resh
Saunders*
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Betty Siegel
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Benjamin Sobel*
Samuel Solomon
Benjamin Spigel*
Elizabeth S.
Thompson*
Cornelia
Wachsman*
Friederike
Wachsman*



CALENDAR & BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY EVENTS VIA ZOOM (UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED)

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|--|--|---|--|---|
| <p>1 FRIDAY
New Year's Day (Office Closed)
6:30 pm
Shabbat Services* followed by Oneg</p> <p>2 SATURDAY
9:00 am
Virtual Torah Study
10:30 am
Shabbat Services*</p> <p>3 SUNDAY
9:00 am
Hebrew School
10:00 am
Intro to Judaism
10:30 am
Religious School
10:30 am
Wiggles & Giggles</p> <p>5 TUESDAY
12:00 pm
Ways You Can Cope During COVID-19
4:00 pm
House Committee Meeting
9:00 pm
D'Bar Torah</p> <p>6 WEDNESDAY
7:00 pm
Men's Club Meeting</p> | <p>7 THURSDAY
4:00 pm
Virtual Torah Study
5:00 pm
Executive Committee Meeting
7:00 pm
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Hebrew School
10:30 am
Religious School</p> <p>12 TUESDAY
5:00 pm
F&D Meeting</p> <p>13 WEDNESDAY
12:00 pm
Homeless Task Force
6:30 pm
Sisterhood Meeting
7:00 pm
Zen Doodle Workshop</p> | <p>14 THURSDAY
4:00 pm
Virtual Torah Study</p> <p>15 FRIDAY
6:30 pm
Shabbat Services* followed by Oneg</p> <p>16 SATURDAY
9:00 am
Virtual Torah Study
10:30 am
Shabbat Services*
7:00 pm
Havdalah
Hootenanny with Jeanne & Bob Zentz</p> <p>17 SUNDAY
10:00 am
Intro to Judaism</p> <p>18 MONDAY
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</p> <p>19 TUESDAY
9:00 pm
D'Bar Torah</p> <p>20 WEDNESDAY
NEST - Jan. 20-27 (offsite)</p> <p>21 THURSDAY
NEST - Jan. 20-27 (offsite)
4:00 pm
Virtual Torah Study
7:00 pm
Board Meeting</p> | <p>22 FRIDAY
NEST - Jan. 20-27 (offsite)
6:30 pm
Shabbat Services* followed by Oneg</p> <p>23 SATURDAY
NEST - Jan. 20-27 (offsite)
9:00 am
Virtual Torah Study
10:30 am
Shabbat Services*</p> <p>24 SUNDAY
NEST - Jan. 20-27 (offsite)
9:00 am
Hebrew School
10:30 am
Religious School
Tu B'Shvat Celebration & Drive-thru</p> <p>25 MONDAY
NEST - Jan. 20-27 (offsite)
9:30 am
Soup Kitchen</p> <p>26 TUESDAY
NEST - Jan. 20-27 (offsite)</p> <p>27 WEDNESDAY
NEST - Jan. 20-27 (offsite)</p> | <p>28 THURSDAY
Tu B'Shvat
4:00 pm
Virtual Torah Study</p> <p>29 FRIDAY
6:30 pm
Shabbat Services* followed by Oneg</p> <p>30 SATURDAY
9:00 am
Virtual Torah Study
10:30 am
Shabbat Services*</p> <p>31 SUNDAY
9:00 am
Hebrew School
10:30 am
Religious School
4:30 pm
Paper Midrash Golem Workshop</p> |
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January 8
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January 11
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January 12
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January 15
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January 16
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Britt Simon
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January 17
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January 19
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January 20
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January 21
Aaron Scolnick

January 22
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Janice Ganderson

January 23
Ken Powders

January 24
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January 25
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Reid Rapoport
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January 26
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January 27
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June Saks
Jonathan Smith

January 28
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January 30
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Our NEST dates are January 20-27, 2021 - and we need your help more than ever!

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To sign up, go to our website at ohefsholom.org or call 757-625-4295.



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