

# Purim 5781 at CAA

*Matanot L'Evyonim*, giving money to those in need, is one of the four *mitzvot* of Purim. From Rosh Hodesh Adar (Friday 12 February) through Taanit Esther (Thursday 25 February) at 3:00p, all donations made out to Congregation Agudat Achim with the memo **RDF-matanot l'evyonim**, including checks dropped off at the Mask-Car-Aid on Sunday, will be collected and recorded by the office, and Rabbi Spitzer will make a donation to local, national, and international food relief organizations on behalf of the congregation on Purim Day itself, which will fulfill the Purim *mitzvah* of *matanot l'evyonim* on Purim Day itself. Last year, we raised nearly \$600 for this Purim giving opportunity, and the need is greater this year.

Sunday 21 February from 1:00-2:00p

[Mask-Car-Aid and Mishloach Manot Pick Up at CAA](#)

Wednesday 24 February from 5:00-5:30p

[Purim Storytime for Tots with Rebecca Stashower](#)

Thursday 25 February at 7:15a

[Taanit Esther Morning Shacharit Service](#)

Thursday 25 February at 12pm

CAA's Adult Education Committee is thrilled to cosponsor

[A Year of Life Turned Upside Down Ta'anit Esther with Hadar: A Day of Learning, Prayer, Service, and Ritual](#)

in recognition that Purim marks one year since the COVID-19 pandemic upended our lives. [Learn more and register for free](#)

Thursday 25 February at 4:30p

[Community Purim Celebration](#)

[Who is your hero? Family Megillah Reading and Virtual Costume Parade](#)

Thursday 25 February at 6:30p

[CAA Watch Party of the Jewish Theological Seminary's Purim Eve Off Broadway](#)

[Maariv and Full Megillah Reading](#)

The [CAA Purim Spiel](#) has been pre-recorded, and on Purim will be available on our website!

Friday 26 February at 7:15a

[Purim Shacharit Service and Full Megillah Reading](#) jointly with Temple Israel of Scranton, PA

The four *mitzvot* of Purim (1—hearing the *megillah*/scroll of Esther; 2—giving *matanot l'evyonim*/money to those in need, 3—sending *mishloach manot*/food packages to friends; and 4—eating a *Se'udat Purim*, a festive meal) are all obligatory on the **day of Purim** itself (Friday 26 February), and should be completed before Shabbat comes in at 5:19p.