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As we turn the secular calendar to the last month of 2020, it is reasonable to feel relieved that this year is ending. The year which we had hoped would bring us "2020 Vision," has, instead, brought the opposite in so many ways – darkness and distress personally, nationally and globally. In this last month of 2020, though the challenges of the year continue to surround us, the dancing

flames of the Chanukah candles offer glimmers of light and hope this month.

The last time many of us were physically together at 100 Hauppauge Road was in March. The temple community celebrated Purim at our annual Carnival and Megillah Reading. In the first weeks of quarantine, we learned how to use the technology of Zoom to welcome Shabbat each week. And then we sat together across the internet at Seder tables with our TBD family and our own families. Some of us had Passover meals without all of the traditional food; many of us joined with others miles away, as we realized that technology overrides the limits of geography. As we turned our attention to Rosh HaShana and Yom Kippur, we re-visioned and recreated the High Holiday season of 5781: delivering Gift Bags to homes, hearing the Shofar blasts in the TBD parking lot, worshipping, singing and learning in new ways. For Sukkot, many of our students crafted their own 'lulavs' at home; on Simchat Torah, Cantor Halpern and I unrolled five Torah scrolls, one for each book, at a Live Stream festival Service. Now we will dust off Chanukah menorahs in our own homes; Religious School families will be Zooming to a Chanukah Program with supplies being hand-delivered to our students; it's likely that gifts we will exchange were ordered online and not purchased in the shopping malls. With the celebration of Chanukah this month, we will complete the cycle of major holidays of the Jewish vear.

As I reflect on these many months, I consider this to be the 'miracle' of Chanukah this year. Despite all of the obstacles and challenges, the rhythm of the Jewish year has remained. The essential lessons and rituals of our holidays, observed for generations, have continued to be our guideposts – even in 2020. Our resilience as a people, as a temple community and as individuals supporting one another, has been our light even in the face of darkness. When we kindle the candles on December 10, the first evening of Chanukah, we will recite three

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blessings. This blessing, the third, the *Shehecheyanu*, is included on the first night only while the other two are recited all eight nights; this year, these words are especially poignant and powerful:

Blessed are you, Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has kept us alive, sustained us, and brought us to this season.

From our home to yours, from one Zoom screen to another, may this light and warmth of Chanukah bring us light and hope!

Rabbi Beth H. Klafter

Rabbi Beth H Klafter



Dear Temple Beth David Family,

Temple Beth David's 2020 Thanksgiving Food Drive was a huge success. Thank you for your generosity in providing food for needy families. As the weather gets colder and we have increased COVID cases it's also important to recognize the importance of human contact. The pandemic has reduced our ability to see family and friends in the usual manner. This is even more of a problem for at-risk older adults and people with disabilities. With Thanksgiving, Chanukah, and New Year's on the horizon many people will be increasingly lonely. Reaching out to older adults, people who live alone, and those with disabilities can help people feel less alone. As an occupational therapist and social worker, I know the importance of a simple phone call or email. As a Temple family, we can make a difference for many members and others in our community. Thank you for this opportunity to share my thoughts with you.

Beverly Horowitz Member Isaiah 58 Committee





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Cantorial Notes by Rabbi/Cantor Audrey Halpern

Dear Friends,

It is at times such as this that we do indeed pare away the excesses and find the core. We realize who the friends are who really care, the family who find new and completely imperfect ways to remain connected and the people in our lives whose concern is safety over convenience, life over productivity. These are the essential Jewish values we are taught. They are at their center

of the way we have had to live since March when our world shifted seismically. And though we would never have chosen this path, there are always blessings.

Each day when we arise we are taught to say: *Modeh Ani L'fanecha* – Thank you, God. We have awakened from a night's sleep filled with its mystery and we are grateful for the dawn of a new day.

There are lists of blessings too numerous for this article, but suffice to say that the rabbis of old thought of many reasons to say blessings – even when ill befalls us.

We have all seen the sun rise and set and been moved by the majesty of our world. Even this pandemic has a power that is impressive. Tragic and worrisome to be sure, and we each have our own list of the many ways our lives have been impacted from the smallest annoyances to the deepest losses, but what we have seen is our own agency amidst the chaos and enormity. We can take action. Once again, we see that we are God's partners. If we cannot change the outcome, we can change the journey. We can help ourselves in this crisis by wearing a mask, by being consistent and considerate, by creating distance and not making others feel they are imposing upon us if we show concern for our health and the health of those we love. Our agency is where our sacred acts begin as God's partners. That is the Jewish way. We are not passive worshippers who bow like reeds. We are a holy people who are taught that our mitzvot and our deeds count. Our treatment of one another and the kindness we demonstrate when we respect the health and safety of others is sacred.

We will have just celebrated Thanksgiving (in whatever ways we can) when you read this, but our prayers and our teachings remind us that every day is a time to give thanks. Amidst our greatest challenges as well as our deepest joy, we must add our words of blessings.

Modeh Ani L'fanecha – I offer thanks to You, ever-living Sovereign,

That You have restored my soul to me in mercy:

How great is Your trust.

With my blessings for a Chan Chanukah Sameach – may God's miracles reveal themselves once again!

Canter Ludrey Helpera B'shalom,

Rabbi/Cantor Audrey B. Halpern

December B'nai Mitzvah

December 5

Addison Kaplan
Lily Kaplan

December 12

Marley Silberman



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Message from President Craig Cooper

"Yasher Koach!"

WARNING: The end of this month's article includes a request for donations. It's still a nice article. But you will be asked for money at the end. There's also some stuff about tax deductions.

A couple of weeks ago, I got a much-needed pick-me-up email from our Temple Administrator, Robin Kain. It was very short - just seven words, followed by a single string of numbers. And then she ended the email with the Hebrew words, "Yasher Koach!"

What could possibly have brightened my day so simply, yet so completely? You'll have to work a bit for the answer by solving this equation:

$$C = \underline{30,183 - 25,441}$$

$$25,441$$

If you're any good at math (calculators are allowed for this quiz) you'll find that C = 18.64.

18.64 what, you may ask? 18.64 percent would be my reply.

18.64 percent of what, you would ask? An 18.64 percent increase, would be the reply.

At this point you might become annoyed, and impatiently ask, "Okay, an 18.64 percent increase in what?"

And with that, I would answer (with a little grin) "An 18.64 percent increase vs 2019 in donations to Temple Beth David's 2020 Kol Nidre Appeal." And with a second grin, I would add, "...and more TBD families donated this year than last year!"

Go figure. Literally.

In this time of the COVID-19 pandemic, with its tremendous financial and personal uncertainty, who could have imagined? If you and I had been sitting across from each other at a restaurant (socially distanced and masked, of course) and someone asked us each to predict the difference between last year's donations and this year's donations, I suspect we both would have taken a pessimistic approach. Hoping for donations to increase? A bit pie-in-the-sky, no?

And therein lies Robin's "Yasher Koach!" A shoutout to the entire Temple Beth David community.

For those (like me) who aren't familiar with the expression, I learned that "Yasher Koach!" might be said after someone reads from the Torah, but in a more general sense, you can say it anytime a person does a deed that benefits others in a holy way. And that's what happened this High Holiday season. Against many people's assumptions, nearly 140 temple members donated more to our Kol Nidre appeal than in any of the past several years. Truly "a deed that benefits others in a holy way."

The literal translation of Yasher Koach is "May your strength be enriched." Thanks to so many TBD members, our strength has been enriched (temporarily, at least). But the more colloquial interpretation of the expression is "More power to you!" or my favorite, "Way to go!" And in that spirit, we can allow ourselves a moment to bask in the glow of a collective "Way to go!"

As I wrote in last month's Hakol, November began with the presidential election, when each of us had the opportunity to vote. But I'd like to think that TBD's voting season actually began during the summer, when Chairperson (and

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past President) Beverly Wolcott announced this year's Kol Nidre Appeal. I'd like to think that every donation we received was a vote of confidence in Temple Beth David, and I hope you agree.

In closing, here's a little more math for you to ponder. Two word problems:

- 1) Billy donated to his favorite temple in 2019 and already made a donation to the 2020 Kol Nidre Appeal. *Yasher Koach!* After reading the December "Hakol", he learned there might be a reason to make another donation before December 31. If Billy could claim a bigger tax deduction in 2020 vs 2019, how much more should Billy donate?
- 2) Susie owns a corporation. Last year she donated to her favorite temple and took at 10% tax deduction. *Yasher Koach!* This year, she made a generous Kol Nidre donation, but she just found out she can take a 25% deduction, but only this year. So, she's contemplating a second donation. How much should Susie donate?

The answer to both questions is the same: If you've got a little left to give, this is the year to do it. Here's why:

I'm sure most of you know that your donations to TBD are tax deductible. Depending on how much (or if) you donate, this can really help when it's time to file your tax returns in early 2021. But not so many of us are aware that the CARES Act, which was passed in March in response to the coronavirus pandemic allows individuals to claim a much higher tax deduction for 2020 than in previous years – as much as 100% of your adjusted gross income. Corporations can claim up to 25% of their taxable income, vs 10% last year. But these higher deduction benefits expire at the end of this year.

So, in addition to possibly taking a higher deduction (Note: I am a video producer, not a tax advisor), your temple will guarantee you the most wonderful year-end greeting.

Yasher Koach!

The administrative staff has returned to the building. However the building remains closed except for prearranged appointments. Please call the Temple Office \times 310 or \times 312 to arrange to come to the temple for any matter. Please be advised that anyone in the building must enter from the back parking lot only, sign-in and wear a mask at all times in the building.

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Margie Gursky Religious School News

We have almost made it to the end of a semester of remote schooling. While it has been difficult for many families, it is working well for most of our school community. Our staff of dedicated teachers is constantly learning new ways of using technology and online teaching strategies to fully engage our students. They recognize the stress the students are under and have made many accommodations to help our students learn.

My Great-Aunt Muriel always said and reminded me before she passed away at 90 years old, "Look for reasons to celebrate." So instead of bemoaning the difficulties that the pandemic has brought to our lives, let's look for reasons to celebrate – even if our celebrations look a little different. Chanukah is right around the corner. Watching the candles burn each night will remind us that miracles do happen. And hopefully, the Covid vaccine will be our modern day miracle.

On December 13, Rabbi Klafter and I are holding a fun, if virtual, Chanukah Happening. We will have fun games, a craft and a STEM activity for kids of all ages. This will be a great way for your family to celebrate with other TBD families. You probably received your Chanukah bag. Don't forget to save the brown bag that is inside the blue bag as that is a special surprise for our Chanukah event. So hang in there a little longer as we all work together to get through these tough times. Let's celebrate our lives together, the small moments and the big moments, and of course, the many Jewish holidays of our people!

Happy Chanukah and Happy New Year!



Bpotlight on Brotherhood

You may have heard that there was an important election this year. No, not that one. We're referring to the one in May when the Brotherhood elected us as co-Presidents. Neither of us campaigned for the position and, in all honesty, neither of us envisioned being president. However, we willingly stepped up and assumed this leadership role. After years of enjoying the benefits of the

Brotherhood, we recognized that it was our time to serve our fellow brothers as leaders of this organization. It was – and is – important to us that Brotherhood continue and thrive, if possible, especially in these trying times.

Judging by our last event, Brotherhood is indeed thriving! Approximately twenty of us unleashed our inner Vikings and gathered at Molly Hatchets Urban Axe-Throwing in Ronkonkoma to throw axes. There were plenty of masks worn, plenty of good times had and not a single injury. Kudos to Elliot Kaplan who won the Tag Team title along with (non-member) Steve Axman (who also took home the Singles Title).

Already this year, we have played tennis and golf, ridden bikes, paddled canoes and kayaks and thrown axes. All this activity is exhausting us so we're going to slow down. The next event will be a Movie Night. The Temple's protocols still do not permit non-religious gatherings so we will be renting an entire movie theater for a night or afternoon and will socially distance while watching a movie and making fun of any sports team that is not from New York.

It's not too late for you to get involved with Brotherhood. If you want to join, please contact one of us or our Corresponding Secretary, Jay Bart (dribart@gmail.com).

Adam Browser and Stephen Swarz, Co-Presidents Page 7 HaKol

Spotlight on Sisterhood

As we say goodbye to 2020 with all of its inconveniences, let us have a positive outlook for 2021. Let's remember as it gets cold and dark this time of year that this too shall pass. Maybe perform a random act of kindness to brighten up someone's day.

Sisterhood raised and donated \$2000 to Long Island Breast Cancer. Our book discussion on the book *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett was well attended and led to a spirited conversation. Many thanks to Holly Dornfeld.

Sisterhood wants to wish everyone a Happy Chanukah! May the secular New Year bring health and happiness to all!

Karin Brandsdorfer, Sisterhood President





News from Isaiah 58



For Isaiah 58, ending this year and entering 2021 comes with mixed emotions for many of us. Ranging from crushing worry regarding the coronavirus to relief and hope planning for the future, Isaiah 58 members continue to focus on our charitable good works in the community. The positive vibes we feel when helping others less fortunate than ourselves contribute to OUR mental health as well as the welfare of those in need. At a time like this, we really need that boost! As you know, food instability on Long Island has worsened due to the pandemic and the resulting loss of jobs and wages. We accept and renew our commitment to our mission once again.

With the efforts of TBD's Social Action Committee, our year was filled with donations of food and funds for our local pantries, gloves and face shields for essential workers,

baby blankets, grocery gift cards, hand-loomed hats, school supplies, books, eyeglasses, pet supplies and monetary donations from the generous congregation. We thank you all for participating!

Whether or not we can gather in the synagogue is yet to be determined. Regardless, hunger has no season. Isaiah 58 invites anyone who has a calling for social action, social justice or simply a curiosity to know about us to join us in 2021. We look forward to another year of coordinating our passion and talents and we welcome new members age 13 and above.

The members of Isaiah 58 warmly thank the Rabbi, Cantor and TBD staff for their support and help throughout the year and we wish everyone a Happy Hanukkah and a Happy New Year!

AIC Long Island

The State of Antisemitism in America 2020

A Conversation with Eric Post American Jewish Committee (AJC) Long Island Regional Director

Thursday, December 3, 7:00—8:00 PM via Zoom REGISTER HERE

American Jewish Committee (AJC) recently released a report, *The State of Antisemitism in America 2020* that showed a disturbing lack of awareness among the general public about antisemitism. While the Jewish community's concerns are high, most Americans don't believe the Jewish community has the right to define antisemitism or that it has increased over the past five years.

Join Eric Post, AJC Long Island Regional Director, in conversation with Rabbi Howard Buechler of Dix Hills Jewish Center to discuss the survey results and the safety of Jews on Long Island.















Eric Post is the AJC Long Island Regional Director, having worked for AJC since 2016. As Long Island Director, Post oversees all aspects of AJC's advocacy, leadership, and fundraising on Long Island. Alongside the AJC Long Island leadership team, he holds advocacy meetings with elected officials, diplomats, and interfaith and intergroup leaders.

Before serving as Long Island Regional Director, Post oversaw AJC NY's Interfaith and Intergroup outreach to New York City's diverse communities, which included overseeing the Latino-Jewish Coalition and Muslim-Jewish Advisory Council. He helped advocate for the New York City Office of Hate Crime Prevention and advocated on local, state, and federal levels for legislation that protects New York's most vulnerable communities. Post received his B.A. and M.A. In International Relations from The George Washington University.







Nobody asks

"What's with the mask?"

It's become
part of me
part of you—
the new milieu

No need for make-up
coiffure
a close shave

Just grab gloves, mask
smile
feign brave.

Covid's transformed us
Once boring routine
morphed from daily
to never—whenever
Forget haute cuisine
Now we socially distance
dismiss casual touch
Giggles and whispers
go scornfully hushed.

But, we're forging new pathways
Possibilities loom
There's virtual, pod sharing
the new normal...Zoom!
We pray for tomorrows
our next week
our next year
plan outings, adventures
try to stifle our fear.

--Sandy Wicker



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Gracious Gifts from Thoughtful People

Rabbi Klafter's

Discretionary Fund

Debra & Michael Hollander

In appreciation

Sarah & Stanley Reiff

In honor of Juliet's Bat Mitzvah

The Reiff Family

In honor of Juliet's Bat Mitzvah

The Desjardins Family

In honor of Olivia's Bat Mitzvah

Fran & Scott Mayer

In honor of Scott's Bar Mitzvah

Holly & Dan Dornfeld

In appreciation

Laura Osrow

In appreciation

Rabbi/Cantor Halpern's Discretionary Fund

Debra & Michael Hollander

In appreciation

The Reiff Family

In honor of Juliet's Bat Mitzvah

Sarah & Stanley Reiff

In honor of Juliet's Bat Mitzvah

The Desjardins Family

In memory of Edward Feldman

Capital Improvement Fund Loren & Robert Levine

In memory of Edward Feldman

Economic Crisis Recovery Fund Andrea & David Reich

In memory of Eva Reich

General Fund

Barbara & Leonard Schnitzer

In memory of Jesse Schnitzer

Helene & Bill Sommer

In memory of Joseph Wilichinsky

Joan & Roy Gilbert

In memory of Lucille Gilbert

Sharman & Ed Regensburg

In memory of Dorothy Regensburg

Karen Gillan, Oswald Cruz &

Debra Hollander

Ellen & Rob Linnemann

In memory of Marvin Linnemann

Randi & Joel Schleifer

In memory of Hermine Schleifer In memory of Louis Schleifer

In memory of Fran Wasserspring

Janet & Robert Kohn

In memory of Ada Jacobs
In memory of Louise Kislovitz
In memory of Max Kislovita

Marcia & Howard Ettinger

In memory of Jeannette Miller

Robin & Stan Helfner

In memory of Rae Helfner

Linda & Joel Evans

In memory of Betty Evans

Werner Reich

In memory of Eva Reich

Sheila & Frank Eisinger

In memory of Fay Ehrenreich

Shirley & Charlie Offman

In memory of Lola Offman

Alfred & Joyce Derrow

In memory of Elias Derrow

Maxine & Ronald Alschuler

In memory of Daniel Alschuler

Tobey Rosof-Meistrich

In memory of Joseph Schneider

Alan Haberman

In memory of Mary Haberman

Susan & Alan Brudno

In memory of Fannie Brudno

In memory of Jack Brudno

Sydelle & David Metal

In memory of Sol Reiff

In memory of Nancy D'Giff

Isaiah 58 Fund

Jane & David Gaines

In honor of Allison's graduation

Joan Herman

For Thanksgiving Food Drive

Sandy Wolfson

For Thanksgiving Food Drive

Chai Club

For Thanksgiving Food Drive

Carole Yudin

In memory of Maurice Morley

Lisa Wilks & Bill Gallo

Religious School Fund

Chai Club

For socks for the homeless

Barbara & Susan Stearns

Garden Fund

Iris & Mort Glick

In memory of Max Glick

Nancy Stearns & Rick Davidson

In memory of Bernard Karasic

Sunshine Fund Lori & Erik Gary

In memory of Franklin Gary

There are many ways to honor a loved one's memory, remember a joyous event, celebrate a special day such as a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, a wedding or a baby naming.

Temple Beth David's permanent plaques give lasting remembrance and honor while helping the temple.

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	Chile	dren's butterfly	\$ 36.00
	Four	ndation Stone	\$ 450.00
Sanctuary	One seat		\$ 800.00
·	Two seats		\$1500.00



Yahrzeits December 2020



12/1	Stanley Appollo	12/13	Florence Solomon	12/23	Harry Nathan Cohen
	Harvey Finkelstein		Frieda Wolk		Pearl Feldman
	Berdie Kasman	12/14	Julius Hahn	12/24	Sandra Baron
	Stuart Streit		Ruth Harris		Sylvia Kaufman
12/2	Oscar Brandsdorfer		Lewis Troupp	12/24	Morris Ettinger
	Barbara Fields		Ira Cohen		Morris Gross
	Bertha Paul		Saul Shapiro		Charlotte Niederman
	Adrienne Stern		Max Dicker		Denise Ross
12/3	Fay Ehrenreich	12/15	Jenessa Shapiro	12/25	Milton Jaffe
	Faye Marenus		Joseph Welson		Judith E. Feldman
	Morris Greene		Fanny Strumpf		Ray Rosen
	Abraham Tobias		Kathleen Hollander		Rose Kaufman
12/4	Paul Eichler		Charles Levy		Simon Schwartzman
	Mary Haberman		Murray Schwartz		Sam Spielman
	Nathan Bender		Samuel Ury	12/26	Ruth Hoffenberg
12/5	Hy Mandel	12/16	Arthur Ziff		Bess Faust
12/6	Jack Laifer		Hattie Decker		Benjamin Juman
	Selma Bender		Robert Herman		Fay Schlesinger
	Zoltan Weisz		David Katz		Leon Schneider
12/7	Franklin Gary		Julius Freedman		Harry B. Siegel
	Henry Cutler		Richard Loman	12/27	Sarah Arav
	Philip Janicola		Anita Sunshine		Sol Drucker
	Sander Cohen	12/17	Doris Fink		Rose Weinberger
	Rebecca Leonard		Victoria Hollander		Sol Drucker
12/8	Dorothy Rothberg	12/18	Geraldine Janicola		Hilda Rosen
	Louise Scheuer		David Merritt		Jerome Freedman
	Werner Grave		Moe Steinberg		Abraham Solomon
	Pearl Tobias	12/19	Harry Adelman	12/28	Rose Tobin
12/9	Leonard Troupp		Lucille Grabois		Ethel Bieber
	Joseph Schneider		Benjamin Hallman		Freida Levy
	Morton Ross		Beatrice Horowitz		Bertram Olshever
12/10			Lewis Kravette		Mollie Drucker
	Carolyn Coen Aizenman		Paul Rosenberg	12/29	Edward Joseph Hardman
	Dorothy Selcov	12/20	Gloria Bixhorn		Pearl Donshik
12/11	Cele Goldfarb		Dora Forbstein		Helen Savitzky
	Ida Glanzberg		Ira Rosof	12/30	Pearl Meistrich
	Harvey Kravis		Saul Meistrich		Leon Piskorz
	Ben Goldstein		Minnie Moroff		Morris Galanty
	Rose Ritigstein		Sonia Reiff	12/31	Gladys Zeichner
12/12	Raphael Diamond		Muriel Elfring		George Stern
	David Millman	12/22	Neil Blatt		Josef Rubin
	Bernard Rothstein		Sarah Durkin		Shimon Lazar
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	Albert Klinger		Jeffrey Stuart Ettinger		Abe Grumet
	Betty Manley	12/23	Sam Horowitz		Louis Wolfson

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What's Happening at TBD — December 2020

Please note all services and activities are remote unless otherwise noted.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 8:00 pm Brotherhood Meeting	2 6:45 pm PACT 6th Grade	3	4 7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings	5 10:00 am B'nai Mitzvah Service* 10:00 am Torah Study & Service
6	7 2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group 6:30 pm Hebrew High School	8 7:30 pm Budget & Finance 8:30 pm Sisterhood Meeting	9	10 Chanukah begins at sundown	8:00 pm Shabbat Service	12 10:00 am Bat Mitzvah Service* 10:00 am Torah Study & Service
12:15 pm Religious School All Grades Remote Chanukah Happening	2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group 6:30 pm Hebrew High School	15	16	17	8:00 pm Shabbat Service	19 10:00 am Torah Study & Service
20	21 2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group 7:00 pm Executive Board Meeting 8:00 pm TBD Board Meeting	22 7:30 pm Isaiah 58 Meeting	23	24 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED	25 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary Blessings	26 10:00 am Torah Study & Service
27 No Religious School	28 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED No Religious School	29 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED No Religious School	30 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED No Religious School	31 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED	1 TEMPLE OFFICES CLOSED 7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings	2 10:00 am Torah Study & Service

^{*}Private Service by invitation only due to Covid-19.



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Worship Schedule

Please note all services are viewable via Live Stream.

Friday, December 4
Shabbat Vayishlach
7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings

Saturday, December 5
10:00 am *Celebrate with us as Addison Kaplan
& Lily Kaplan become B'not Mitzvah
10:00 am Torah Study with Service

Friday, December 11 Shabbat Veyeshev 8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 12 10:00 am *Celebrate with us as Marley Silberman becomes Bat Mitzvah 10:00 am Torah Study and Service

Friday, December 18 Shabbat Miketz 8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, December 19 10:00 am Torah Study and Service

Friday, December 25
Shabbat Vayigash
8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary
Blessings

Saturday, December 26 10:00 am Torah Study with Service

*Private Service by invitation only due to Covid-19.

Shabbat Services on Live Stream

Live Stream

Find the link at TBDCommack.org

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