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## Rabbi's Message by Rabbi Beth H. Klafter

Among the great scholars and teachers of our Jewish tradition is Rabbi Akiva who lived in the first and second century. He has a fascinating – and inspiring – biography. Though he would be compared to Moses generations later, he was illiterate into his adulthood. Stories recount that he attended school with his own son just to learn how to read the Hebrew alphabet. He found these studies so difficult; he was tempted to turn away from his studies, despairing that he would never comprehend the Torah.

But something changed his attitude. The Talmud recounts that one day he saw water dripping onto a rock; drop by drop the water had eroded the rock. A verse in the Bible says, “Water wears down rock.” Even great stones are rubbed smooth by the force of water, Avika reasoned. This taught him that he, like the water, could learn, drop by drop, letter by letter, and could become a scholar. According to the legend, he began his studies at age 40 and became a scholar of others at age 80.

On the first Shabbat of this month, we will celebrate the learning and accomplishments of our own “Minyan of Akivas,” ten adults who will become Bar/Bat Mitzvah at Shabbat Services on Friday evening March 5 at 7:30 p.m. on TBD Zoom.

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## *Clergy Reflections by Rabbi Audrey Halpern*



Dear Friends,

At the time I was writing to you we were reading from Parshat Yitro in the Torah. For those of you who don't happen to immediately identify this portion, it contains the recounting of the giving of the Ten Commandments at Sinai. It is an awesome moment – a defining moment in Jewish history. We are now bound to God in a way that is unique among the peoples of the earth. The portion concludes with these words: "In every place where I cause my name to be mentioned I will come to you and I will bless you."

God's name and God's presence becomes synonymous with blessing. In this same portion we are reminded that we are created in that image. We are not only God's partners, responsible for carrying out the mission and the teachings we have been given, but our very beings, our souls, if you will, are reflections of God. We are God's emissaries in the world.

This pandemic has been a test. Stripped of so many of our daily pleasures and comforts, we have had to sacrifice – some of us much more than others. But we have all been affected. We have learned how to laugh at our neglected hair, our pandemic pounds and our limited activities. Our cooking skills, once a fun challenge, have become tedious and irritating. We feel isolated and we are lonely. We crave a handshake and a hug, a kiss from our grandchildren, and a dinner with friends. But we have a mission to carry out in this wilderness – our own Sinai. It is a mission of finding the small kindnesses to offer. They need not cost money or be grandiose. It could be as simple as offering to pick up a prescription, making a call to say hello or dropping off food. In my humble view, this is living Torah and fulfilling our mission of being a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.

I was so fortunate to be able to get my vaccine at Elmhurst hospital because the funeral home told me they have seen me at so many graveside funerals during this pandemic that I qualified. It was a freezing cold day in January and the line stretched out to what seemed like the end of the earth. During the three hours in the shivering cold, I made friends with Roy, a 72 year-old man from Staten Island. We talked about the election, about temples and about grandchildren. His wife and my husband had both been kind enough to drive and wait for us so that we could avoid the hassle of parking in this crazy area of Queens that neither of us knew well. He finally mustered up the courage to ask me if I could please text his wife for him. It seems that his three year-old granddaughter had dropped his phone into the toilet and it was not working anymore. Of course, I was only too happy to help him out and his lovely wife was happy for my periodic updates on our progress throughout the afternoon. And what a crazy time it was. At one point a very aggressive man pushed his way in front of me and I honestly thought the rest of the people were going to tackle him to the ground. He would not relent and I got stuck outside when the pushy man stole my spot and made it as the last one to go in to a warm room. A few minutes later a big nurse with a bellowing voice came out. "Audrey? Is there an Audrey out here?" "Yes, that's me!" She ushered me in and there was Roy. I looked at him and I had to ask, "Did you tell her to get me?" He shyly answered, "Yeah." Thank you, Roy. I will never forget you.

In these days that lead us to our festival of redemption, let us recall the deliverance from narrow places like never before as the haggadah commands – as though we ourselves were slaves in Egypt. Let us rejoice in our freedoms and our families and our kehillah kedosha – our holy community. Let each of our names become a blessing.



**March  
B'nai Mitzvah**



**March 6  
March 13**

**Chase Sokolowski  
Lindsay Goldman  
Jacob Abzug  
Sam Bloch  
Riley Cohen**

**March 20**

B'shalom,  
Rabbi Audrey B. Halpern





## News from Isaiah 58

**F**ood, glorious food! How wondrous to be able to smell and taste our food! Now imagine savory food aromas emanating from the kitchen at Passover. Whether brisket, green vegetables or potatoes, we know we will have a feast. Sharing food together, even with a smaller gathering than normal, brings a satisfying feeling of contentment and fulfillment. Sometimes food is love. Now imagine a person in need of food. Especially at holiday time, we reach out to those in need providing comfort and well-being, bags of food and normalcy. Please consider making donations of Kosher for Passover food for Isaiah 58's annual Passover food drive.

On Sunday, March 14 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. we will collect bags of food in the temple parking lot, rain or shine. We partner with the JCC to deliver food in time for Passover. KNOWING how to be generous is different from BEING generous. Taking action is what Isaiah 58 members do best. If you are interested in driving food donations to community members, please contact Beverly Horowitz or Tina Block at the JCC directly. Many thanks to Beverly for organizing our event and Dr. Gursky and Jodi Kaplan for inspiring the children of the Religious School to participate and demonstrate their generosity.

The Isaiah 58 Committee wishes everyone a healthy, happy Passover!

—Jane Oberwager Gaines

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**I** am a participant in RAC NY (the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism). This year the Committee's decision was to support racial justice and the NYS bill "Less is More" in support of parole reform. This year the Campaign seeks to reduce re-incarceration of people on parole for what are called technical violations. Many states across the U.S. have already instituted reforms as a way to both promote public safety, racial justice, and reduce taxpayer cost. RACNY states that "A major driver of mass incarceration in our State of New York is that parole officers can and do re-incarcerate people for missing an appointment, staying out beyond a curfew, or testing positive for alcohol after their release from prison. New York State reincarcerates more people for minor transgressions like these – known as "technical" or "supervision" violations - than any state in our country except Illinois. Forty percent of all people sent to prison in New York State are sent for technical violations.

If you want to join me representing our Temple contact Lee Winkelman at [lwinkelman@rac.org](mailto:lwinkelman@rac.org) or Sophie Raim at [sraim@rac.org](mailto:sraim@rac.org). There is a kick off with a rally on the steps of the virtual Capitol on March 1 and the concluding rally is on April 6 from 5:30 to 6:00 pm. I am happy to answer questions as best I can. Email Beverly Horowitz at [bhorowit@optonline.net](mailto:bhorowit@optonline.net). Feel free to share this information. Stay safe.

—Beverly Horowitz

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## Get ready! Our 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Mitzvah Day is May 2, 2021 at Temple Beth David.

This is a day of service to others and a cherished tradition of Isaiah 58, the temple's Social Action Committee.

Contactless collections will include: shelf stable food donations, pet supplies, school supplies, eyeglasses, clothing, grocery gift cards and monetary donations to be used for our local food pantry.

Please bring all donations to the temple on Mitzvah Day and join our effort to help those in need.

Feel the lift and joy that comes from giving and join us in our mission!

Thank you for showing continued support,



## Message from President Craig Cooper

### The Light at the End of the Tunnel

I guess if you're going to be teased about something, there are worse things than being "too wordy." The inside joke between Beverly Wolcott and me is that anything I need 50 words to say she can say in ten or less.

It's a trait I inherited from my father. Growing up on the Air Force bases my father was stationed at, he would usually answer simple, youthful queries from my sisters and me (quick – name the song) with more words than you'd expect from a career military officer.

If the answer was "maybe", he'd say "We'll have to see."

"No" became "I think not." To be fair, "Yes" was usually "Yes", which is a relief, since an Air Force brat might expect the answer to be "That's" affirmative."

As a new temple President, I didn't anticipate how often you need to respond to questions of one kind or another. And the "URJ President's Field Guide and Pandemic Handbook" doesn't cover the questions no temple President has ever been asked before, including:

- 1) Since we won't be using the sanctuary for the rest of the winter, should we lower the thermostat?
- 2) If I stop by the temple to sign checks, how long should the other signer wait before they go to the temple and touch them?
- 3) If people are arriving for a B'nai Mitzvah, and I can't get the digital thermometer to work, what do I do?
- 4) Who knows how to create a link for a Zoom Shabbat service?
- 5) What is Zoom?
- 6) What can I use to barricade my office doorway so people stay at least six feet away?
- 7) Where can we find enough masked people to deliver Hanukkah gift bags to every temple member's home?
- 8) What on earth is a "Virtual Mitzvah Day?"

And to no one's surprise, the real question on everyone's mind is some variation of "When can we come back to our temple?"

This is where Philip L. Cooper, MAJ USAF, Ret. would know exactly how to respond. Me? Not so much. There's an expression:

"All the right words are in the dictionary. You just have to put them in the correct order."

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## Strategies to support the overall needs of older adults during COVID

Led by Beverly P. Horowitz, PhD, LMSW, OTR/L, FAOTA, FGSA

Wednesday, March 10, 2021 @7:00pm

**TBD ZOOM** Meeting ID: 922 491 4570/Passcode: 11725

Topics of discussion will include:

1. Strategies to support physical, emotional health, and quality life needs of community living older adults during COVID
2. Strategies to support the overall health and well-being of families & caregivers who care for older family members
3. Supporting the emotional challenges and needs of older adults to maximize autonomy during COVID
4. Strategies to support community living frail and/or disabled adults during the pandemic
5. COVID safety in the home and community (for non-immunized and immunized adults), including working with agencies.

Dr. Beverly Horowitz is a NYS licensed social worker, occupational therapist, professional geriatric care manager, and Fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association and Gerontological Society of America. She is a Stony Brook University alumnus, has a master's degree in Occupational Therapy from Columbia University, and doctorate from Fordham University's Graduate School of Social Service. Her care management business Care Specialists: Supporting Aging with Dignity ([www.carespecialists.net](http://www.carespecialists.net)) provides services to support the needs of families, care givers and older adults to promote health and quality of life for older adults. She is an occupational therapy and gerontology educator with experience in geriatric rehabilitation, long-term care, home health, and community practice. Dr. Horowitz's research has addressed gerontology practice, fall prevention, ageism, rehabilitation, cultural competence, occupational therapy education and practice, and workforce issues.

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Our Tuesday evening class began months before the pandemic with 15 adult learners. (Some of them will become Bar/Bat Mitzvah or participate in services in different ways at a later date.) Dr. Margie Gursky taught the Hebrew alphabet, letter by letter. I have had the pleasure of teaching Hebrew and various topics. Cantor Halpern has taught them traditional chants and liturgy. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, the class has continued and persevered with their studies. In recent months, Cantor Halpern and I have tutored each student on Zoom. Each began the class with different backgrounds and motivations; some women did not have this opportunity as girls growing up; some have joined the Jewish community as adults in recent years. They have become a community of learners and friends, especially during the pandemic.

Please join them on March 5 as they share this milestone with their TBD family! Mazel Tov!

*Rabbi Beth H. Klafter*

Rabbi Beth H. Klafter



## Margie Gursky Religious School News

During Covid I have been looking for silver linings. Here are some that I have found. We have more time with our families than ever before. We make more of an effort to stay in touch with our relatives and friends who don't live with us. We can have some doctors' appointments virtually. This was particularly helpful during the blizzard, and it was good for the doctors too! We can have late meetings virtually, and then commute home down the stairs! In Religious School, our families have found it easier to attend classes and family programs. We've had great attendance at most of our all-grade events, PACT programs, and multi-grade programs.

At the end of January, during the week of International Holocaust Day, we were honored to have our TBD member and Holocaust survivor, Werner Reich, speak with our seventh grade families. Of course, it had to occur on Zoom, and I had no idea how it would go. I had attended this event twice before, but in-person. Not only did we have almost perfect attendance by students and parents, but we also had so many insightful questions at the end of the presentation. The program was more successful in many ways than when it was in-person! Below is some of the amazing feedback we received from parents who were able to attend Werner's presentation.

*Thank you so much....it was fabulous. So informative but in a way that was absorbable. So remarkable to speak in a way that was so concrete and descriptive and somehow without being too morbid to soak in (perhaps because he was so relaxed). It was more heavy than I expected; but 'B' and I both really appreciated it. The Ted Talk was also very nice.*

*Thank you, his presentation and inspiring story were wonderful. His sincerity and warmth for the children was palpable and I think 'C' really enjoyed it. We all felt lucky to have this opportunity and meet Mr. Reich.*

*Thank you. Our family really enjoyed the presentation. Although it was on zoom, it felt very personal and we learned a lot.*

*'L' and I both thought it was an incredible experience. Truly amazing to hear a first-line account. Thank you for the experience.*

*Thank you for including the parents in this program. We really enjoyed hearing his story and all sat together to listen. He was powerful and insightful.*

*I had the opportunity to hear Werner speak 5 years ago in person with my daughter's Hebrew class. I actually found last night better. It was easier to understand him and follow his story. He was engaging and funny and having others on mute was helpful to hear him. I also think more students were apt to ask questions in the chat, where they might have been unwilling to raise their hands. I'm so grateful to him for sharing and for you hosting him. I'm glad my children have gotten the opportunity to hear from survivors.*

We are planning a lot of new, fun and meaningful events coming up this spring for our seventh grade as they prepare for their bar/bat mitzvahs. In the months ahead I will tell you more about these programs!



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Annual Religious School BINGO**  
**Fundraiser Event!**  
**March 14, 2021**  
**4:00-5:00 PM, RS Zoom**  
**Check emails for more details!**



## Sisterhood



As I am writing this article, we just had three more inches of snow. Let's hope that when you read this in *Hakol* it has warmed up and we feel spring in the air! We recently enjoyed a fun evening of baking Hamantaschen with Deborah Faust. The Hamantaschen Workshop was a multigenerational program, attended by Chai Club and Sisterhood members plus Religious School students. We thank her and hope next year we can do it again in person! The Sisterhood is hoping to put together a virtual Bingo night on March 18, so look for more information on this event in an upcoming Whole Megillah. Sisterhood wishes you and your families a happy and healthy Passover!



—Karin Brandsdorfer

## Spotlight on Brotherhood



In March last year, we had to cancel most of our scheduled events, since we could no longer meet in person. Little did we know at the time that we still would not be back to normal a year later! Throughout this entire time, Brotherhood continues to plan occasions for learning opportunities, online special events and socially acceptable programs to help let us know that TBD is still here for us.

As we write this article, Brotherhood is preparing for an online evening with comedian Brian Schiller on Sunday night February 21. We truly hope everyone who attended enjoyed themselves in the midst of all this snow, a pandemic and political challenges. We need to find a few moments to smile and laugh with one another, even if it is on a Zoom broadcast. All profits from any donations go directly to TBD and the St Anthony de Padua Food Bank!

In addition, on March 12 Brotherhood will lead our Friday night Shabbat services. This is an annual event and will take place online this year. We hope to provide some elements of engagement, some nuance and some gratifying moments to what has become our new Shabbat norm.

In April Brotherhood will be hosting a very special Yom HaShoah event. Mehnaz Afridi, a Professor of Religious Studies and Director of the Holocaust, Genocide and Tolerance Center in Glen Cove, will be joining us for an online discussion on Sunday morning April 11. Look for details on our temple website and in The Megillah.

As we continue to plan for the Spring, we look forward to once again engaging in more "socially distanced" get-togethers with activities ranging from biking, tennis, golf and perhaps even paintball. Thank you to all our members and leadership at TBD for your efforts in keeping our community strong. We look forward to "seeing" you in the near future.

All our best!  
Steve and Adam



**At last it is Friday**

just breaths from the Sabbath  
 the promise of peace, restoration  
 resolve on your personal journey.  
 Evening, with family, friends  
 you join in prayer, familiar traditions  
 refreshing your waking to Saturday  
 day of rest, love, self-recognition—  
 perhaps a renewed acquaintance with God.



--Sandy Wicker

## Chai Club

We are in touch with Chai Club members via email and during chat time before services on Friday evenings. The most frequent comments are about when we will be able to get together again in person. Thank you, Temple Beth David for giving us these minutes to 'see' one another and to catch up on news and family events. Lucky snow bird members in Florida! Boy! it's been cold here!

New Chai Club members are always welcome.

For more information, contact Sheila Eisinger at [seising2@gmail.com](mailto:seising2@gmail.com).

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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or Suffolk County: 631.462.9800



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First, a (not so) brief history.

Through last fall, we held around a dozen in-person B'nai Mitzvah services. Based on the strict COVID policies implemented by our incredible Reopening Committee, Friday evening attendance was limited to the immediate B'nai Mitzvah family, and on Saturday each family could have up to 25 people attend. Without going into detail, there were moments when we second-guessed the wisdom of our hospitality.



Undaunted, in December, the committee agreed to invite temple members observing a Yahrzeit to attend Friday evening services. Temple Beth David was one of only a few Reform congregations that dared to open its doors to worshipers. It didn't last very long.

Almost as soon as we invited more temple members to worship under our sanctuary's roof, the COVID case numbers went through the roof. And with no B'nai Mitzvah services scheduled in January or February, we made the painful decision to take a step back, resume our popular Zoom Shabbat services, and focus on springtime.

Weeks after the predicted holiday COVID surge, the numbers began to stabilize, and have trended downward. As I write this in mid-February, many regions – including ours – are reporting the lowest new case statistics since November. Sadly, nearly 300,000 Long Islanders (including yours truly) have now had the virus, implying some level of immunity. On the brighter side, almost 250,000 have received at least their first dose of the COVID vaccine – a fraction of what's needed, but it's a start.

These developments are encouraging, and the timing couldn't be better. In early March, subject to NY State regulations and Temple Beth David's policies, we're taking our first "baby steps" by resuming our in-person B'nai Mitzvah services. Our first catered functions in the social hall are on the spring calendar, and Brotherhood is working on a safe plan to host our first in-person temple program on April 11 – in observance of Yom Hashoah. No promises yet, but that's the goal, and we should all be proud of everyone involved.

So, when will we open our sanctuary for everyone to attend services? When can our social groups, Religious School classes and temple events resume at 100 Hauppauge Road?

My father's answer? "We'll have to see."

My answer? "Not soon enough."

There's light at the end of the tunnel, and as corny as it may sound, I'm asking each of you to hang in there a little longer. Keep your guard up, your hopes higher and pay close attention to "The Whole Megillah" and the next couple of Hakol mailings. Be assured your temple leadership is keenly focused on announcing a smart, safe reopening plan.

In the meantime, our Clergy, Religious School and auxiliary leaders are continuing to develop innovative, virtual activities and events. Please let us know if there's anything we can do for you or any member of the Temple Beth David family.

Finally, whether you celebrate in person or on Zoom, I want to wish you and your family a happy & safe Passover holiday!



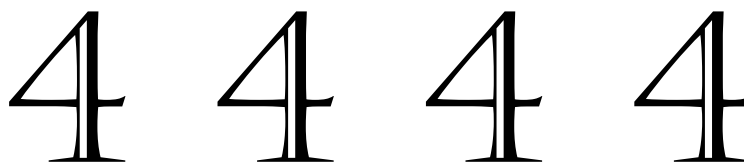
The Festival of Passover begins at the end of this month. First Seder is on Saturday evening, March 27<sup>th</sup>. Last year, Passover was the first holiday we celebrated during the pandemic. We learned how to conduct Zoom Seders; our computers sat on dining room tables; and some Seder plates were missing ritual food because we were not able to shop for them in time for the holiday. This year Passover will still not be ‘normal’ for us. However, in whatever format, it will still include the ancient story, the symbols and the message of freedom.

We all recall that the Seder includes the number **FOUR** several times:

- Four names of the holiday: Festival of Passover; Festival of Matza; Festival of Spring and Festival of Freedom
- Four kiddush blessings over four cups of juice or wine
- Four questions posed
- Four children taught
- Four times the Torah commands us to tell the story of the Exodus to our children (Exodus 12:26, 13:8, 13:14 and Deuteronomy 6:20)
- Four times God promises to bring us out of Egypt: God will *free* the Israelites; God will *deliver* from bondage; God will *redeem* with an outstretched arm; and God will *take* the Israelites as God’s people

This Passover, perhaps we can add FOUR of our own FOURS to the Seder story:

- Let us recall FOUR moments of kindness we experienced this year
- Let us consider FOUR acts of Tzedakah we can perform in the days ahead
- Let us share FOUR lessons we have learned from this shared experience
- Let us reach out to (at least) FOUR others to wish them a “Happy Passover!”





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*In memory of Joel R. Schwartz*

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*In memory of Nathan Kaplan*

**Beverly & Steven Wolcott**

*In memory of Devin Wolcott*

**Carol & Marc Mankuta**

*In memory of Estelle Chasan*

*In memory of Nathan Chasan*

*In memory of Dorothy Mankuta*

*In memory of Morris Mankuta*

*In memory of Evelyn Rosenberg*

*In memory of Irving Rosenberg*

*In memory of Jeanette Chasan*

*In memory of Edward Chasan*

**Joan & Mel Ettinger**

*In memory of Edythe Neiman*

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*In memory of Louis Altschuler*

**The Chai Club**

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*In memory of Louise Kislovitz*

**Rochelle & Jack Feldman**

*In memory of Lillian Feldman*

*In memory of Benjamin Seidman*

*In memory of Harriet Seidman*

*In memory of Sydel Barfus*

**Sandra Grova**

*In memory of George Grova*

*In memory of Jacob Reiss*

**Debbie & Clyde Friedman**

*In memory of Louis Coren*

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*In memory of Lucille Schechtman*

**Sharon Berlin & Jeremy Scileppi**

*In memory of Joan Greenberg*

**Sydelle & David Metal**

*In memory of Jake Schaffer*

**The Vaimberg Family**

*In memory of Edward Streger*

**Janis Riekstins**

*In memory of Lenny Schnitzer*

**Joyce & Steven Feldman**

*In memory of Jean Plust*

**Linda Gerver**

*In memory of Lenny Schnitzer*

### Isaiah 58

**Jane & David Gaines**

*In memory of Alan Oberwager*

**Lisa Wilks & Bill Gallo**

**Sandy & Hal Wicker**

*In memory of Lenny Schnitzer*

**Anonymous**

**Linda Schwartz**

*In memory of Bernard Mehlman*

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		3/20		3/31	



## What's Happening at TBD — March 2021

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group	2	3	4	5 7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Adult B'nei Mitzvah & Birthday Blessings	6 10:00 am Torah Study & Service  10:00 am Bar Mitzvah Service
7 12:15 pm 4th/5th grade PACT	8 2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group	9 7:30 pm Budget & Finance  8:30 pm Brotherhood Meeting	10 7:00 pm Rabbi Klafter Meeting with May Bar/Bat Mitzvah  7:30 pm Covid Strategies for Older Adults	11 7:30 pm Sisterhood Meeting	12 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Brotherhood	13 10:00 am Torah Study & Service  10:00 am B'nei Mitzvah Service
14 9:00 am Isaiah 58  4:00 pm Religious School BINGO	15 2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group	16	17	18 7:30 pm Sisterhood BINGO	19 8:00 pm Shabbat Service	20 10:00 am Torah Study & Service  10:00 am B'nei Mitzvah Service
21	22 2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group  7:00 pm Executive Board Meeting  8:00 pm TBD Board Meeting	23	24 6:45 pm 6th Grade PACT	25	26 8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary Blessings	27
28 No Religious School	29 2:00 pm Haftorah Study Group  No Religious School	30 No Religious School	31 No Religious School	1	2 Temple Offices Closed  7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings	3 10:00 am Torah Study & Service



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## *Worship Schedule*

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ZOOM*

Friday, March 5

*Shabbat KiTisa*

7:30 pm Shabbat Service with Birthday Blessings

Saturday, March 6

10:00 am Celebrate with us as Chase Sokolowski  
becomes a Bar Mitzvah

10:00 am Torah Study with Service

Friday, March 12

*Shabbat Vayakhel-Pekudei*

8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, March 13

10:00 am Celebrate with us as Lindsay Goldman  
becomes a Bat Mitzvah

11:00 am Celebrate with us as Jacob Abzug  
becomes a Bar Mitzvah

10:00 am Torah Study and Service

Friday, March 19

*Shabbat Vayikra*

8:00 pm Shabbat Service

Saturday, March 20

10:00 am Torah Study and Service

10:00 am Celebrate with us as Sam Bloch and  
Riley Cohen become B'nei Mitzvah

Friday, March 26

*Shabbat Tzav*

8:00 pm Shabbat Service with Anniversary  
Blessings

Saturday, March 27

10:00 am Torah Study with Service

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