



Mitzvah Day 2025
Sunday, March 2
9:00am - 4:00pm

PROGRAMMING DURING RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

9:00 – 9:30 Tefilah

9:30 – 9:50 Prepare bagged lunches for Corona SDA & gift bags for seniors – Grades K-1

9:55 - 10:15 Prepare bagged lunches for Corona SDA & gift bags for seniors – 2nd/3rd Grades

10:00– 10:15 Storytime with Bertie – Grades K-1

10:15 - 10:25 Prepare bagged lunches for Corona SDA & gift bags for seniors – 4th Grade

10:20 – 10:40 Prepare bagged lunches for Corona SDA & gift bags for seniors – 7th Grade

10:30 - 11:00 “Brighten a Child’s Day with Play and Positive Energy” – Facilitated by Andrea Campbell of Corona Family Residence – 2nd/3rd Grades

◇ Donate gently used toys and make motivational display for families living in temporary housing

10:35 - 10:55 Prepare bagged lunches for Corona SDA & gift bags for seniors – 5th Grade

11:00 - 12:00 “Helping the Earth and Kids” – Facilitated by Zoe Cook-Nadel of Second Chance Toys – 4th Grade

◇ Donate gently used toys and learn other ways to care for our planet

“Sharing Warmth and Smiles” – Facilitated by Dominique Fils-Aime and Reyna Balbuena of Variety Boys and Girls Club at PS112Q in Astoria – 5th Grade

◇ Donate clothes, assemble recreation kits, and make cards for immigrant elementary schoolchildren living in temporary housing

“Better Together” Intergenerational Team Program

◇ Prepare bagged lunches for Corona SDA & care packages for financially insecure community college students – LaGuardia CARES – 6th Grade

“Service and Support Dogs in Action” – Facilitated by Temple member Karen Eisenstadt and her dog Julip in conjunction with The Seeing Eye® guide dog school – 7th Grade

MORNING

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS AND TEENS

9:00 – 9:30 Bagels and coffee

9:30 – 3:30 Blood Drive (open to the public)

9:30 - 10:00 “The Mitzvah of Organ Donation” – Rabbi Joshua Rabin of LiveOnNY

10:00 - 12:00 **How Will YOU Bring Torah to Life?**

- ◇ Donate blood – NY Blood Center drive continues until 3:30
- ◇ Donate gently used eyeglasses to give the gift of sight – ReSpectacles
- ◇ Bring gently used or new plastic toys and electronics for less fortunate children and Earth Day – Second Chance Toys
- ◇ Donate and help pack children’s books – Book Fairies
- ◇ Stuff bears and hearts for hospitalized children
- ◇ Crochet/Knit blankets for those in need of warmth and comfort
- ◇ Write cards for our troops – Eagles Up!
- ◇ Assemble personal sanitary items for female immigrant schoolchildren and family members living in temporary housing – PS112Q in Astoria
- ◇ Create cards for immigrant elementary schoolchildren and their families living in temporary housing – PS112Q in Astoria
- ◇ Donate *tzedakah* for LiveOnNY organ donation and The Seeing Eye® guide dog school

AFTERNOON

12:00 - 1:00 Community lunch for volunteers

- ◇ Prepare yoga and mindfulness flashcards for immigrant schoolchildren students living in temporary housing – PS112Q in Astoria
- ◇ Prepare bagged lunches for Corona SDA (ToFHY, 12:00 – 12:30)

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS, TEENS, AND CHILDREN

1:00 - 3:30 ***All morning activities listed above, plus:***

- ◇ Help clean and prep toys for donation – Second Chance Toys (ToFHY/Teens, 1:15 – 2:30)

1:45 Junior Choir leaves to perform at Forest View at 2:15, then Atria at 3:00

2:00 Violin Youth Concert with Karen Davidowitz leaves to perform at Atria at 2:15

3:30 - 4:00 End of day reflections with Rabbi Kaiserman & Cantor Pincus