

# The Show for

*of Temple Beth Tzedek*



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# Tales From the Vault

**LISA BLOCH RODWIN**  
SHARES STORIES OF CASES FROM  
THE DA'S OFFICE AND FAMILY COURT

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD**  
**8:00 PM**



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The Covid Task Force has been meeting over the past few days and has come to the decision to temporarily discontinue in-person services in the building. As you are all aware, the surging cases of Omicron are overwhelming and we are doing our best to keep everyone safe. This variant seems to have a lifespan of about eight weeks, and we are already well into this phase, so we do not see this closure as extending for very long. Rabbi Rosenbaum and Cantor Spindler will still lead services on Zoom for weekday minyan and havdalah and the Livestream will be available on Shabbat.

We thank you for your patience and trust.

Marcia Goldstein  
TBT President

Harvey Sanders & Ed Case  
Co-Chairs, Covid Task Force

## From the Rabbi

Groucho Marx once said, "Outside of a dog, a book is a man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read."

Books are certainly some of the best friends of the Jewish community. From the centrality of the Torah to the wealth of wisdom passed on by the rabbis in the Talmud and Midrash, from the intense detail of Jewish law codes to the rich characters and language found in Jewish literature and poetry, a thoughtful Jewish life is filled with books. In our tradition, reading books is not merely a pastime; it is an activity that often asks for intense concentration, and often leads to great reward.

The onset of a new year leads to numerous resolutions, and one that I hear about most commonly is the desire to read more. It's an especially lofty goal, because the very act of reading has changed dramatically in recent years; physical newspapers have given way to apps, while many of our book collections have been digitized into Kindles. Meanwhile, audio and video content seems to grow exponentially, dwarfing the role reading has in informing and entertaining us. But I believe that being well-read is still a key marker of intellectual growth.

In that spirit, I'd like to share some thoughts of a few of the Jewish books that have made a great impact on me (in no particular order).

*The Chosen* by Chaim Potok: It is a novel about two thoughtful boys, brought together by love of tradition and friendship, torn apart by politics and familial rivalry. Potok's prose is both powerful and sensitive.

*The Beginnings of Desire* by Aviva Gottlieb Zornberg: This is a commentary on the book of Genesis that weaves the thoughts of the great medieval Torah commentators with Zornberg's careful literary and sociological analysis of the Torah text. Each page is riveting.

*When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough* by Rabbi Harold Kushner: Arguably the greatest sermon-writer of his generation, Rabbi Kushner's most impressive skill might be his ability to address grandiose subjects – life's "big questions" – in a down-to-earth manner.

*Words That Hurt, Words That Heal* by Rabbi Joseph Telushkin: The Jewish rules about proper speech is one of the favorite subjects for this best-selling author, and he deftly explores how language can move mountains, in both negative and positive ways.

If any of these books sound interesting to you, or if the above descriptions inspires you to pick up a book that you've always wanted to start, I hope that the new year is a good time to begin.

Jews originally were given the title "People of the Book" as a back-handed compliment, but over the centuries, we've turned it into a badge of honor. Let's keep that badge for many years to come.

Now WEEKLY  
on Saturdays  
9:00-9:30 am

## Shabbat Learners' Services

Tune in to learn the TBT Shabbat morning service, page by page! Sessions will be held digitally only at first, and we hope to meet in person sometime in the future.

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/FBK5A3T9](https://tinyurl.com/fbk5a3t9)

January sessions start on  
January 8th with Shahrith,  
beginning on page 107



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## Women's Network

Good News! The Winter Solstice has passed, and the nights are starting to get shorter. Spring is just around the corner, and even though we are still in winter, today the sun is shining brightly, there's no snow or ice on the ground, something we can all be thankful for.

Several weeks ago we enjoyed a very interesting program presented by Lois Silverman, Communications Co-Chair of Women's League, entitled "Jews in TV Comedy". Lois started by giving us a history of television, followed by clips of some of our favorite comedians. It was like taking a walk down memory lane and certainly all of us have needed a good laugh these past 18 or so months. For me I especially enjoyed being entertained without the schmutz and the bad language that many comics use today. A hearty Y'asher Koach to Rusty Zackheim Chair, and Lana Benatovich Co-Chair, for all the hard work in organizing this excellent program. Thank you, Rusty and Lana. By the way it was so great to see so many participants from around the country.

Saturday, January 15, 2022 has been set aside for Sisterhood Shabbat. I am very pleased to announce that we have been blessed in having Rabbi Sara Rich talk to us about the history of Hillel as they celebrate their 75th anniversary in the New Year. We have a nice line up of participants from the very, very young to the not so very

young. We hope that you can join in person or on livestream.



Sunday January 16, 2022, Women's Network is holding a Tu B'Shevat Seder chaired by Leona Spindler and Myra Werbow. You can participate in this event from the comfort of your home as this program will come to you via Zoom. Watch for your mail, Leona and Myra will let you know the items that you need to acquire in order to fully participate in the Seder, and all other pertinent information about the program.

On Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at 9:00 am please join us for a Rosh Chodesh Service brought to you by your sisters of The Women's Network. Rabbi Sara Rich will leyn Torah for us. As part of the service, Rabbi Rosenbaum will teach us with words of wisdom from Torah. As women we are honored by this holiday as a reward for refusing to donate our jewelry to the men for the making of the Golden Calf. Kabbalistic teachings tell us that women have a special relationship with the moon and as such have a special reason to celebrate Rosh Chodesh (the holiday of the new moon). On this day women are relinquished of boring household labor. So, ladies, come and celebrate this unique holiday with your "sisters" and forget about the housework.

Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful secular New Year and "Chinese Dinner and Movie Day"

*Rachel Anderson, President*

### *Service Times*

#### **WEEKDAY**

Sunday Shaharit 8:30 am  
Mon-Fri Shaharit 7:30 am  
Daily Minha/Maariv 6:00 pm

#### **SHABBAT**

Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm  
Shaharit 9:30 am

#### **GATHERING TIMES FOR MA'ARIV & HAVDALAH**

January 8 5:35 pm  
January 15 5:45 pm  
January 22 5:50 pm  
January 29 6:00 pm  
February 5 6:00 pm  
February 12 6:10 pm  
February 19 6:20 pm  
February 26 6:30 pm

# TBT ADULT EDUCATION IN DECEMBER/JANUARY

Rabbi Rosenbaum will continue two of his classes and begin a new course in as we move from 2021 to 2022! All are welcome for sessions on:

- Zoom - One-Time Pre-Registration REQUIRED (follow the links below) - OR
- Facebook Live - Rabbi Rosenbaum's feed



## CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENT INNOVATIONS (NEW!)

We pick up from where we left off in our previous class, and ask: How has Conservative Judaism evolved in terms of ritual?

Wednesdays, December 15th & 22nd and January 12th, 19th, and 26th, 6:30-7:30p.m.

Pre-register: <https://tinyurl.com/vz3vr8hk>

## PSCINTILLATING PSALMS IN P SERVICES

The book of Psalms is the main source of our daily prayers. We're working our way through every one of these majestic poems, discovering the timelessness of their messages.

Thursdays, 9:00-10:00a.m.

Pre-register: <https://tinyurl.com/y3agulae>



## A TOUCH OF THE BAVLI: LUNCHTIME TALMUD

We're done with Chapter 3 of Sukkah, but we're moving forward with Chapter 7 of the tractate of Berakhot — highlighted by guidelines for the Birkat HaMazon, the Grace After Meals.

Tuesdays, 12:00-1:00p.m.

Pre-register: <https://tinyurl.com/y55k35p9>

## *From the President*

January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 begins our new program in collaboration with Jewish Family Services of WNY. Right now, this program is only being tested at TBT and Hillel at the University of Buffalo. Matt Stewart and his staff in coordination with our Keshet Committee and Eileen Markzon will help our members in many ways:

- Assist with the needs of TBT that are associated with mental/emotional health and wellbeing.
- Talk privately with TBT members to make connections with appropriate JFS programs.
- Social and public services navigation (Medicaid/Medicare/BlueCard navigation), & Food pantry creation.
- Addressing Mental Health Concerns (Group Counseling / work group, Mental Health First Aid Trainings)
- Information, referral, and advocacy for congregants to address concerns in areas ranging from mental health and financial crisis to housing instability, food insecurity, and behavioral /social concerns, domestic violence, medical concerns, grief, illness, infertility, and relationships issues.
- Education/prevention and support programming on such topics as; abuse, addiction, grief/loss, mental health, Mental Health First Aid, parenting, career services & counseling, volunteer opportunities, development of support groups, and more.

Please take advantage of this free new service. Matt Stewart and his intern will be in our building on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please continue to support our Mishloach Manot Project. It is our largest fundraiser and those involved find much satisfaction in delivering goodies to our members during the cold winter. It is truly a mitzvah, even more so during this time of isolation. I thank you in advance for your participation.

Tu B'Shevat marks the beginning of yet another new year – the new year of the trees. The Talmud explains that Tu B'Shevat delineates between last year's crops and produce that will be assigned to the next year. It is traditionally a time to begin planting, reflect on environmental and personal renewal, and appreciate the beauty of nature.

Tu B'Shevat begins on January 16, 2022. It is a wonderful festival that will help us celebrate in fun and creative ways. Check out "The Big Bold Jewish Climate Fest." This online program is free and offers events throughout the week (January 10-14, 2022). According to their website, these events are being held to position climate change as a central moral issue of the Jewish community and to re-energize Tu B'Shevat as a modern, purpose driven holiday. **With extra time on our hands due to the pandemic, perhaps this is the perfect year to delve further into this important religious endeavor.**

To learn more, visit <https://www.jewishclimatefest.org>. As soon as registration is up, check out the schedule to find unique learning opportunities from some of today's most engaging teachers. There is a wide variety of learning modes, including panels, discussions, performance, presentations, workshops, and rituals. There will certainly be something of interest to everyone.

Or try something new for Tu B'shevat this year:

**Try a new fruit**

**Test your nature knowledge.**

**Have a Tu B'shevat Seder**

**Take a walk**

**Fig out.** Take advantage of the nutritional benefits of the fig.

**Make like a tree and compost**

**Go classic** Plant a tree in someone's honor or in memory of a loved one or gift a tree to be planted.

**Read *The Pagan Rabbi***, Cynthia Ozick's 1971 book of short stories, including the title story, in which a rabbi gets a little too intimate with nature.

**See the film *Tree of Life***. Or don't. For what it's worth, Brad Pitt probably loves nature.

Wishing us all yet another happy New Year. May we find hope in this friendly reminder that spring is on the horizon. I am optimistic and looking forward to a safe and healthy spring with our family all back together.

*Marcia Goldstein*

President

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the following Yahrzeits*

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Isidore Ziller  
Dr. Martin Zimmer



Dear Temple Beth Tzedek family,

It is that time of year again. Chanukah is over and so is the secular New Year and coming swiftly behind is Purim. I know that you are not thinking about it yet, but it is certainly at the back of my mind. Mishloach Manot has been a wonderful fundraiser for our synagogue and many of you have participated in the past and we thank you so much for that. This synagogue will be continuing the tradition of sending Mishloach Manot to each congregant family this year. The giving of gifts to one another helps to create a feeling of closeness and hope in the community at a time of the year when we are still burdened with the bleakness of winter. We know the Rabbinic teaching that we should not only give gifts to friends, but to someone who is new in the community, to those who are needy, and to those whose spirits would be bolstered by knowing that someone cares. The custom comes from the biblical book of Esther where the Purim story is recounted. Esther 9:22 reads: "as days of feasting and gladness, and sending portions of food to one another, and gifts to the poor". This year we are craving connections to our friends, to families, and to our temple family.

The pandemic has left many people isolated and alone and who be thrilled to receive a package and a schmooze at their door for a few minutes. Please have it in your heart to donate to this worthy project. Last year we netted over \$11,000. We would love to be able to beat this record.

We ask you to join us again in this mitzvah. We will be doing the Mishloach Manot Project again this year. You can donate to the whole congregation at an amount of **\$180**.

**Or – you can choose to send a basket to specific family members of our congregation. The cost for the first 5 baskets is \$20. For every basket thereafter the cost for each basket is \$5.00 each.** Remember, each family will only receive one basket with hopefully many members names on the card. If we have your email address in our system you will receive an email with **your own specific URL** to log on to the Project. There, the entire congregation list will be available to you to send a basket. You may also set it up that you reciprocate with anyone who sends you a basket. You will be able to pay online. If you do not have an email address – you will receive a packet in the mail, and I will enter your order. Just a reminder that **your own name will NOT** be on your card when you receive your basket, as you don't donate to yourself.

With this system you can donate from as little as \$20.00 to \$180 for the whole congregation. You may also choose the reciprocity option, where you donate to someone who has donated to you. The maximum charge billed for this option is \$36.00.

**If you will be out of town, or choose not to receive a basket, please let us or the office know as soon as possible.**

**Please join us and make your donation no later than March 6, 2022, to ensure that you are included in this fundraiser.**

**If you have any questions, please contact Andy Gewurz at [agewurz@roadrunner.com](mailto:agewurz@roadrunner.com) (716-390-2883) or Marcia Goldstein [cappuccino.marcia@gmail.com](mailto:cappuccino.marcia@gmail.com) (716-432-2963)**

Please find it in your heart to join us in this endeavor. Thank you in advance

Sincerely,  
Andy Gewurz – Mishloach Manot Chair  
Marcia Goldstein - President

## community religious school



We wanted to have a party. We hoped to have a CELEBRATION! The first Hanukkah observed by the new Community Religious School?

It should have been a major event! Alas, as with so many other events and gatherings, COVID had other ideas. No school-wide, lots-of-food, games-to-play, singing-and-dancing, families-included Hanukkah party for the CRS this year. (Boo-hoo...)

So, we did the next best thing! During the two Sunday sessions before the holiday began, all of our classes learned about Hanukkah — its history and its traditions. With that background, each grade was challenged to produce a classroom hanukkiyah for “The Great CRS Hanukkiyah Contest of Kislev 5782” held in early December. Students, teachers, and madrichim planned, drew, painted, and built a big, beautiful, colorful assortment of hanukkiyot — no two the same and all of them terrific!

Because we couldn't bring all of our students together at one time, our students rotated with their Tefila groups (K-2, 3-5, and 6-7) through the social hall to play dreidel and participate in other table activities for fun and learning. All eight (how fitting!) of the hanukkiyot were on display for everyone to vote for their favorite and for the one they thought was most creative. We could offer no latkes or sufganiyot, but everyone was able to enjoy a playful, meaningful celebration, followed by each group enjoying a Tefila in the sanctuary featuring lots of Hanukkah music, courtesy of our “Shira Zack” and Cantor Arlene Frank.

Our next big event will be our Tu B'Shvat Festivities on 1/23. We can't wait to share with all of you how we celebrated The Birthday of the Trees!

*L'shalom,*

**Einav Symons & Beth Steinberg**  
Co-Directors Community Religious School





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In honor of Ezra Rich receiving the 2021 Ann S. & Dr. Meyer H. Riwchun Emerging Leadership Award  
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In honor of Helen & Bernie Weinstein's grandson, Yoav's bar mitzvah  
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In honor of the engagement of Dr. Mark & Barbara Chazen's daughter, Shoshana  
Anita Snyder

In honor of all the good work Janet Gunner and Sharla Bleichfeld do  
Mort & Natalie Abramson

In observance of the yahrzeit of Edward Snyder  
Anita Snyder

In observance of the yahrzeit of Bruce Bronstein  
Anita Snyder

In observance of the yahrzeit of Jay Rudberg  
Sharla & Bruce Bleichfeld



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Ina & Herb Scheer

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In honor of the 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of  
George & Linda Clement  
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In honor of Remy Rabin being admitted to  
the University of Pennsylvania  
Jack & Margie Danziger

In memory of Avrom "Avy" Serman  
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Janet Gunner & Glenn Pincus

**The Temple Fund**

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gratitude for the Misheberach  
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In honor of Karen & Richard Zakalik becoming  
grandparents  
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& Dr. Meyer H. Riwchun Emerging Leadership  
Award

Charlotte Engel Gendler

In memory of Ruth Ross' brother  
Charlotte Engel Gendler

## Congregational Meeting Notice

Dear Member,

Special meetings shall be held at the call of the President. No business shall be transacted at any special meeting other than that for which the meeting was called. Therefore, the President and Board of Trustees are calling a Special Meeting of the Congregation to be held on **Sunday, January 30, 2022, at 7pm. This meeting will be held virtually on Zoom.**

**Purpose:** To consider and vote on the Membership Restructuring of the Shaarey Zedek Housing Fund Development Corporation (the "Corporation") with the Episcopal Community Housing Development Organization, Inc. ("CHODO") whereby CHODO will become the sole not-for-profit corporate member of the Corporation and the members of Temple Beth Tzedek will no longer be the members of the Corporation and as a result the property at 410 Hartford Road, Amherst, NY will be owned and operated by the CHODO as the sole member of the Corporation and Temple Beth Tzedek shall have no further membership and ownership rights therein.

Please call the office to obtain paper copies of the resolution if you do not have email capability and want to pick up the documents at the office.

ALL PERSONS IN THE HOUSEHOLD 18 AND OVER

WILL BE ABLE TO VOTE

Any member who is in arrears for more than one year is not eligible to vote.

The Special Congregational Meeting will be adjourned

Marcia Goldstein - President

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**We have two collection barrels near the coat room.**

**One will continue to collect non-perishable food to be donated to local food pantries. There is always a need.**

**The second barrel will be used to collect items for our new Afghan neighbors. With our new partnership with Jewish Family Service, items will be collected regularly. Gift cards are valued, but please leave those with a member of the office staff, not in the barrel.**



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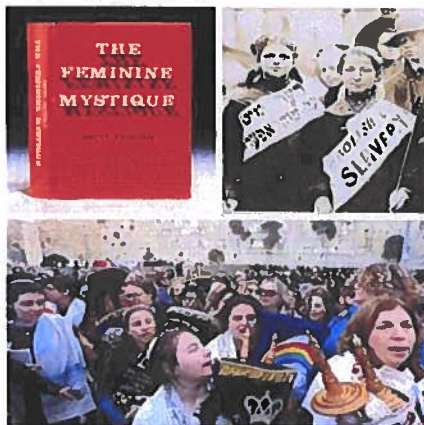
**WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR  
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the five Conservative/Masorti  
Seminaries  
around the world

**Lisa Ellison** (formerly Kogen),  
past Director of Education and  
Programs at Women's League for  
Conservative Judaism (2003-2018),  
will present a program on the role  
Jewish women played in the world of  
activism in the United States and  
Canada. The presentation will  
include photos and documents  
highlighting stories about community  
activists, suffragists and human  
rights advocates, some women  
whose names are familiar but many  
who have been only recently  
reclaimed by Jewish feminists and  
historians.

## **IN SEARCH OF SOCIAL JUSTICE**

**Wednesday,  
January 12, 2022  
7:30 pm**



Theirs are stories of inspiration and  
courage, women undaunted by  
social, cultural and religious  
marginalization in both the Jewish  
and non-Jewish worlds.

**We appreciate all who have made a gift  
to the 2021-22 Torah Fund Campaign.  
For others, an \$18 minimum donation is  
encouraged. Please contribute through  
your local Torah Fund Chair.**

**Need help? Contact Linda Boxer:  
[INRTorahFund@gmail.com](mailto:INRTorahFund@gmail.com)**

**For your reservation and to  
receive Zoom link, email Adele  
Weinstein: [adelew@rogers.com](mailto:adelew@rogers.com)**

## **Women's Network of Temple Beth Tzedek**

**Tu B'Shevat Seder  
Sunday, January 16**

**11:00 am**

**On Zoom**

Things you will need to  
have or buy to participate:

- ◇ Bottle of white & red grape  
juice or wine
- ◇ 2 or 3 fruits of each level:  
*Assiyah*—walnuts,  
almonds, pomegranate,  
pistachio, banana  
*Yetzirah*—dates, olives,  
avocados, cherries  
*Briyah*—figs, seedless grapes,  
blueberries, raisins, strawberries
- ◇ Tu B'Shevat Seeds of Hope  
Haggadah
- ◇ A light meal you wish to  
make and eat

**RSVP by January 9th so we  
can email or mail the  
haggadah in which to follow  
as well as the Zoom Link**

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## Barukh Dayan Haemet — May Their Memory Be a Blessing

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 Father of Steven Cohan  
 Father of David Cohan  
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### Temple Beth Tzedek Judaica Shop



The Women's Network Judaica Shop wants to thank all of our customers and synagogue personnel for making this Chanukah season a big success. The selections of merchandise were outstanding and the special sale prices a great buy. We had varied hours so everyone had a chance to shop. We are receiving new merchandise on a regular basis. Come in and browse our new items. Looking forward to helping you pick out that special gift. Call for an appointment.



A very special Todah Rabah to our wonderful volunteers.  
 Carolyn Kershanbaum, Myra Werbow, Joanie Cohen, Linda Linsky  
 Looking forward to a fabulous 2022 for the Judaica Shop. Stay well.



Myra 839-0962 Carolyn 818-8637 Linda 400-5394

# Jewish Community Partnership Program

Jewish Family Services of Western New York (JFS) and Temple Beth Tzedek (TBT) are partnering to support the needs of the Jewish Community. The Jewish Community Partnership Program (JCPP) aims to enhance the wellbeing of the Jewish community through improved access to needed services. It addresses the social service and mental health needs of the Buffalo Jewish community. By working together, JFS and TBT will promote equity and increase people's control over their health leading to positive health outcomes.

JFS on site at TBT on Tuesdays (12 p.m.-2 p.m.) and Thursdays (9 a.m. - 11 a.m.)



## Program offerings:

- Private & confidential conversations
- Needs assessments
- Connections & referrals to JFS services
- Advocacy for congregants and others
- Education & prevention workshops
- Parenting & career support



## Concerns addressed:

- Mental & behavioral health
- Housing stability
- Financial wellness
- Food security
- Illness, loss, & grief
- Relationship support
- And so much more!



## For information contact:

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We're happy to announce that you can now log in to your account on our website. To login for the first time and set up your account, go to [btzbuffalo.org](http://btzbuffalo.org) and click on the log in button in the top right corner then click on forgot password. Follow the instructions from that point on.

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**Wednesdays, 10 to noon**  
Contact Beth Kassirer



## Join us for morning and/ evening minyan

The zoom link for weekday minyan Morning and Evening and Havdalah

Saturday night:  
<https://zoom.us/j/7316333673>

Meeting ID: 731 633 3673

SHABBAT SERVICES WILL BE ON TBT LIVESTREAM

<https://player2.streamspot.com/?playerId=f8214582>

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### CANDLE LIGHTING MINCHA/HAVDALAH

January 7	4:39pm	January 8	5:35pm
January 14	4:47pm	January 15	5:45pm
January 21	4:55pm	January 22	5:50pm
January 28	5:04pm	January 29	6:00pm
February 4	5:15pm	February 5	6:00pm
February 11	5:23pm	February 12	6:10pm
February 18	5:32pm	February 19	6:20pm
February 25	5:41pm	February 26	6:30pm

## CALENDAR

(Subject to change)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 9 7 shevat	10 8 shevat	11 9 shevat Noon Rabbi's class 1pm Sist. Board 7pm Board	12 10 shevat 6:30 Rabbi's class 7:30 Membership Comm.	13 11 shevat 9:00 Rabbi's class 7:00 Keshet Comm	14 12 shevat	15 13 shevat Sisterhood Shabbat
16 14 shevat 11:00 Sisterhood Tu B'Shevat Seder	17 15 shevat TU B'SHEVAT	18 16 shevat Noon Rabbi's class	19 17 shevat 6:30 Rabbi's class 7:30 Finance Comm	20 18 shevat 9:00 Rabbi's class 7:30 Adult Ed Comm	21 19 shevat	22 20 shevat
23 21 shevat 9:00 school in ses- sion	24 22 shevat 7:30 Art Committee	25 23 shevat Noon Rabbi's class 7:00 Officers	26 24 shevat 6:30 Rabbi's class 7:30 House Comm.	27 25 shevat 9:00 Rabbi's class 7:30 Youth/Ed Comm	28 26 shevat	29 27 shevat
30 28 shevat 9:00 school in ses- sion	31 29 shevat	Feb 1 30 shevat 7:30 Ritual Comm.	2 1 adar	3 2 adar 8:00 Tales From the Vault Program	4 3 adar	5 4 adar
6 5 adar 9:00 school in Session	7 6 adar	8 7 adar 7:00 Board	9 8 adar 7:30 Membership Comm.	10 9 adar 7:00 Keshet Comm.	11 10 adar	12 11 adar