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thanks to God.*

– Hallel

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Michael Marmur

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Saturday, November 15**

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SHABBAT SCHEDULE
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Shabbat is a taste of paradise. Talmud, Berachot 57a

Shabbat Evening Services
6:00 pm | Friday
 Our Shabbat evening service will embrace you. Fresh and familiar music will enable you to give voice to your own spirit. Special occasions in the lives of our congregants, Jewish teachings, sermons from our rabbis, and special music will enhance “Shabbat—our sanctuary in time.”

Torah Study on Shabbat Morning
9:30 am | Saturday
 Start your Saturday with Torah study. Each Shabbat morning before our Shabbat Morning Minyan (10:30 am), you will study *Parashat HaShavua*, the weekly Torah portion. The rabbis will lead a discussion of ancient commentaries and teachings and reveal the Torah’s modern and relevant lessons.

Tot Shabbat
10:00 am | Select Saturdays
 Join us Saturday morning at 10:00 am for a wonderful young family Shabbat experience. This interactive program is geared for families with children up to the age of five years old. Prayer, music, stories, movement, activities, snacks and much more will be featured. Following Tot Shabbat, families stay and enjoy time together in our beautiful playground. This is a great way for you to celebrate Shabbat with other families with young children. tbsmb.school/programs/family

Shabbat Morning Service
10:30 am | Saturday
 Join us Saturday mornings at 10:30 am in our beautiful chapel or sanctuary. Our clergy and members of our congregation help to lead the prayers and read the Torah. Kiddush lunch follows.

jLAB Family Shabbat
 Each Saturday morning, jLAB students in grades K-5 and their parents (and other significant grown-ups) gather together in the chapel from 9:30-10:00 am for a lively Shabbat morning *t’filah* experience. This is a great opportunity to learn the prayers of our liturgy and connect with the words of our prayer service. All those with children in this age group are welcome to join us! For more information or to RSVP contact Kimberly Hyde at kimberly@tbsmb.org.

B-Mitzvah Service
 Our b-mitzvah services are at 10:30 am and 4:30 pm. These services occur only when a member of the Temple is celebrating the occasion of becoming bar/bat/b-mitzvah. See above (table of contents) or tbsmb.org/calendar for current schedule.

Live Streaming
 Watch Friday night and Saturday morning Shabbat services on your computer at www.tbsmb.org/watch.

Visit TBSMB.ORG
 for up-to-the-minute viewing platforms by service



Sacred Connections

Rabbi Gayle Pomerantz

Forty years ago, when I was a first-year rabbinical student at the Hebrew Union College, I had a British classmate by the name of Michael Marmur, who was brilliant and had a dry and self-deprecating sense of humor. Michael made *aliyah*, so we only studied together that first year. He went on to become a Rabbi and Dean of the Jerusalem campus of the Hebrew Union College and a professor of Jewish Theology there. Rabbi Marmur is not only a passionate educator, but he is also an inciteful author and historian, as well.

This past summer Rabbi Marmur and I were reacquainted in Israel, and aside from some wrinkles and wear on both of us, his brilliance still struck me, and wit still made me laugh out loud. I feel so fortunate that you, too, will have the opportunity to connect with Rabbi Marmur this month when he visits us as our Blaustein Scholar in Residence from **November 14-15**.

Rabbi Marmur will be speaking about a search for meaning, using material from his newest book, *Living the Letters: An Alphabet of Emerging Jewish Thought*. He will address what it means to be a religious Jew in modern life. His expert storytelling will captivate you, as he uses anecdotes and humor to illustrate challenging philosophical ideas.

As the son of two Polish immigrants, Rabbi Marmur understands well the plight of being a stranger. He therefore serves as a board member of Rabbis for Human Rights in Israel and is a tireless advocate for human dignity. His father, Dow Marmur, became a renowned rabbi and similarly witty educator. When he was asked if he came from a distinguished rabbinical family, he would answer, "No, but my children do."

Rabbi Michael Marmur describes himself as "Israel's least significant soldier throughout its entire military history." Having made *aliyah* after the age when most Israeli citizens are required to serve, and with a baby at home, his service lasted just four months. During those four months, he was briefly stationed as a jailor in an infamous location: Megiddo.

It was there, perspiring in that prison, that Marmur

read Rabbi Eugene Borowitz's book of theology, called *Renewing the Covenant*, and decided that he would write his own theological book about how to be a Jew today. The book contains twenty-two chapters, corresponding to the twenty-two letters of the Hebrew alphabet, plus a twenty-third for good measure. The chapters cover material such as Spirituality and Responsibility, Decency and Society, and the Existence and Insistence of God. He calls it "crunchy" theology, meaning it's not designed to "spread evenly or to answer every question systematically." The book is a gem – deep and "crunchy," thought-provoking and stimulating. The book is available on open access and I hope that many of you will consider buying it or reading it on open access.

To whet your appetite and prepare for Marmur's visit, I will be teaching three classes about the book on **Wednesday, November 5, 12 and 19 at 5:00 pm**.

We are so grateful to Dr. Arnold Blaustein, and his wife, Donna, may she rest in peace, for providing our congregation with this rich and salient opportunity for Jewish learning and conversation.

I hope this month is not only a time for learning, but also an opportunity to gather with family and friends for a joyful Thanksgiving celebration!

Israel '26 Trip Introductory Meeting with Rabbi Pomerantz

Interested in the TBS Summer Trip to Israel?
Please join us!

November 17, 6:00-7:00 pm
Chapel/ Welcome Center

Light refreshments will be provided.
RSVP to tbs@tbsmb.org



President's Message

Michael Weinberg
President

Dear Friends,

November always feels like a month of gratitude. The High Holy Days are behind us, our sukkah has come down, and we now move into a season where reflection and thankfulness fill both our Jewish calendar and the national one. Thanksgiving invites us to pause, take stock, and give thanks—for the people in our lives, the blessings we enjoy, and the communities we are privileged to be part of. For me, Temple Beth Shalom is always near the top of that gratitude list.

This fall has already been rich with meaning. Our High Holy Day services were deeply moving and beautifully attended. Together, we created moments of holiness and connection that set the tone for the year ahead. Our schools and jLAB opened their doors to learners of all ages, welcoming them back with joy and inspiration. And, as always, acts of generosity and kindness quietly continue here every single day. None of this is possible without you—our congregants, clergy, staff, board, and volunteers—each of whom brings heart, dedication, and spirit to the life of this synagogue.

I am proud of what we have accomplished together in recent months. Our educational programs continue to thrive, inspiring children and teens to embrace Jewish learning in ways that will shape their lives. Enrollment remains strong in both our school and jLAB, a testament to the vitality and energy of our congregation. Our Social Justice Network is creating meaningful opportunities to live our Jewish values of *tikkun olam*, and our worship continues to be a source of strength, comfort, and connection.

Thanksgiving also comes as we approach the close of the calendar year, a natural moment to reflect on where we've been and where we are going. This is a time to acknowledge not just milestones or achievements, but also the spirit of belonging that makes this community so special. What I cherish most about Temple Beth Shalom is that, even as one of the largest Reform congregations in the country, it feels personal and intimate. Each of us has a place here. Each of us is part of something larger than ourselves.

Later this month, many of us will gather around Thanksgiving tables with our families and friends. My hope is that you will also take a moment to recognize the blessing of your Temple Beth Shalom family—a community that celebrates your simchas, supports you in times of challenge, and shares in the everyday rhythms of Jewish life.

As we move toward the end of the year, let us continue to act with gratitude, with kindness, and with courage. And let us keep showing up for each other, because together, we are shaping not only a synagogue, but a sacred community of belonging.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M Weinberg". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional but personal style.

Mike



Barb Shimansky, RJE
Senior Director of Judaic Studies



As we enter the heart of autumn in the midst of the Hebrew month of Heshvan, a time traditionally absent of holidays but rich in possibility, we're given the perfect opportunity to focus inward - to learn, reflect, and grow. I'm especially delighted to invite you into one of the most meaningful learning opportunities of our year: welcoming our Blaustein Family Scholar in Residence, Dr. Michael Marmur, to our community on November 14 and 15.

Dr. Marmur is not only a renowned scholar and teacher of Jewish thought - he is also someone I had the privilege to study with during my own graduate years at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion. His approach to Torah and Jewish philosophy is thoughtful, challenging, and deeply rooted in a love for our tradition. Whether unpacking the writings of Abraham Joshua Heschel, probing questions of ethics and theology, or simply teaching a piece of Talmud with nuance and depth, Dr. Marmur has a rare gift: he makes learning both rigorous and deeply personal.

His visit is not just a special event - it's a chance for our entire congregation to engage in what Jewish tradition calls Talmud Torah, the sacred act of learning that connects us to generations past and future. This is the beating heart of Jewish life, and it's even more meaningful when we can experience it together, in community.

I hope you will join us for what promises to be a rich and inspiring two days of study, conversation, and connection. Whether you've known Dr. Marmur's work for years or are just being introduced to him for the first time, I am confident you will walk away with new ideas, new questions, and perhaps even new ways of seeing the world.

Let this Scholar in Residence weekend be a reminder of the enduring power of learning - not just to inform us, but to transform us.

Barb



jLAB Schedule Notices - November

No jLAB - Saturday, November 1
Due to a Professional Development Day, there will be **no jLAB Shabbat on Saturday, November 1.**

No jLAB - Monday, November 3
jLAB Gesher will also be closed on **Monday, November 3** for a Professional Development Day.

No jLAB - Thanksgiving Break
In observance of Thanksgiving, there will be **no jLAB from Saturday, November 22 through Saturday, November 29.**

We wish all our families a joyful and restful holiday!



Innovative School

Stacy Penson
Head Of School



This school year, we joyfully welcomed 306 learners across our early childhood and elementary programs. This continued enrollment strength is a reflection of our school's reputation, strong relationships with families, and deep integration within our temple community.

As we continue to grow, we are proud to share many exciting updates:

Operational Enhancements and Infrastructure Improvements

- We successfully onboarded families and staff to a new school-wide communications platform, which has received very positive feedback and is already improving school-home connections.
- We implemented new dismissal procedures, prioritizing both safety and efficiency, which is something families have noticed and appreciated.
- Over the summer, we completed several key facilities upgrades:
 - o Renovated school office space
 - o Enhanced the playground
 - o Installed new fencing and railing throughout the building
 - o Began a branding initiative for signage and school-wide communications

Faculty Excellence and Staffing Update

Late-summer staffing changes presented a challenge, but we responded by hiring highly qualified lead and assistant teachers. We're proud of the team we've assembled with a total of 60 educators.

We are intentionally moving toward a unified internal structure, one school with three levels, creating a seamless experience from infancy through fifth grade, nurturing long-term relationships with families invested in Reform Jewish education.

- We've created new leadership roles to support this model:

- o Julie Basner was appointed Director of Teaching and Learning for the Elementary Division.
- o Several veteran teachers have been elevated into leadership roles, supporting staff development and continuity across age and grade levels.
- We were selected by the Miami Jewish Federation for the Teacher Proud Miami initiative— designed to support, celebrate, and retain teachers. Miami will serve as a pilot community modeling approaches that other communities will adopt: Showing appreciation and *Kavod*, easing financial pressures and elevating the profession.

Parent Partnerships/Buildings Relationships

- We have a new active PTO board. Our first PTO meeting filled the chapel, and we had our first Parent's night out with over 120 attendees.
- Last May, we created a Nutrition and Wellness Working Group to elevate our food program even more. We've made meals more nutritious, swapped in healthier ingredients, and prioritized safety and inclusion for children with allergies. In the Reggio approach, food is part of the learning environment, a daily act of community and care. This keeps nutrition at the heart of our whole-child commitment.

Community Partnerships and Jewish Values in Action

We're proud to share two new initiatives that reflect both academic innovation and our core Jewish values:

- A grant from the City of Miami Beach is allowing us to partner with the Bass Museum's STEAM outreach program, using Project-Based Learning to explore themes such as memory, identity, belonging, and community which deeply resonate with Jewish tradition and our school's mission.
- Through the *Nefesh* Experience, our oldest

learners are leading the annual diaper drive and preparing for a school-wide partnership with Kasher Food Bank in the lead-up to the High Holy Days. This initiative helps our learners become changemakers, connecting their classroom learning to their *Kehilla* values and the broader community.

Academic Milestones

Our second through fifth graders completed baseline assessments, and even accounting for the typical “summer slide,” they’re performing exceptionally well, with 85% of the learners scoring above 60% of scores produced by other same-grade US students.

Our fifth graders continue to be accepted into the middle schools of their choice, and this year we will be hosting our first-ever middle school panel, inviting representatives from top programs to present to our families and showcasing the strong outcomes our school prepares students for.

Communications and Community Integration

- Our Communications Manager ensures consistent, clear, and value-driven messaging across all school-home communications.
- We’re deepening ties with the temple through intentional collaboration:
 - o Promoting the Sisterhood kickoff event among school families.
 - o Encouraging family participation in the food insecurity initiative through the temple’s Social Justice Network.
 - o Many of our faculty are also deeply engaged in temple life, one of our Kindergarten teachers, Sam Stein, is Co-Chair for TBS RAC-FI.

Enrollment Trends and Strategic Planning

The school continues to be a vital pillar of our synagogue community, offering families a meaningful, high-quality, Reform Jewish education and providing our youngest members with a strong foundation in learning, identity, and Jewish values.

Stacy Penson

Innovative School of Temple Beth Sholom Welcomes Julie Basner to the Team



Inspired and expert educators are one of the single most important factors in a child's learning achievement. When teachers and leaders work together to create a positive, trusting learning environment, their collective impact on a learner's progress is profound.

Quality teachers foster a positive classroom atmosphere that boosts a learner's growth and achievement.

This year, Innovative School hired six new educators. We will be spotlighting our staff throughout the year. This month, please meet **Julie Basner, our newly-hired Director of Teaching and Learning for grades K-2.**

Julie joined Innovative School in the summer of 2025 but has been involved in the advent and growth of the elementary level since its inception in 2016. Julie served as co-chair of the Education Committee as a long-standing member of the temple's Board of Trustees and given her background knowledge and experience, has helped advocate for and guide policy decisions for the school. She holds a Master of Arts in Teaching from Monmouth University and a Bachelor of Arts in Communication from Indiana University.

In 2002, she began teaching in New York City devoted specifically to students with learning differences. When she moved to Miami Beach in 2007, she became certified by the state of Florida to teach K-6 and later English 5-9. After several years in the classroom she became a reading coach, supporting school administrators, teachers and students in their respective approaches to achieving literacy success. All the while, she has held various leadership roles within the community, including at Temple Beth Sholom, the City of Miami Beach and countless PTAs. She is raising her three grown children, Gavin, Owen and Emme, with her husband, Elliot, who lovingly encourage her always to take risks and grow personally and professionally.

Welcome Julie!

SEPTEMBER RESIDENCY WITH THE BASS MUSEUM



This fall, learners at the Innovative School engaged in a rich partnership with The Bass Museum, exploring how art connects to place, identity, and imagination. Beginning with a virtual visit to Ugo Rondinone's Miami Mountain, learners reflected on how public art transforms community spaces, asking questions about balance, scale, and symbolism that showed the beginnings of critical analysis. Inspired by this, they created mobiles, sculptures, and detailed observational studies of natural objects, discovering how "small things can hold big details." Meanwhile, younger learners explored identity through mask-making, practicing sorting and shape recognition while expressing emotions through color and form. Sharing their work allowed them to reflect on choices and proudly communicate aspects of who they are.

The partnership expanded into invention and storytelling, as learners designed imaginative creatures with Model Magic and original constellations inspired by the night sky. These ideas evolved into collaborative stop-motion animation, blending art, technology, and teamwork while deepening narrative and symbolic thinking.

Across all projects, learners strengthened their academic and social-emotional skills—from connections in math and science to literacy, creativity, and collaboration. Above all, this partnership showed how art can serve as a powerful lens for understanding ourselves and our world. Collaborating with The Bass, one of Miami Beach's celebrated cultural institutions, is truly special for our community, and we look forward to many more opportunities for growth and creativity together.



THE BASS



Ugo Rondinone's *Miami Mountain*, 2016.
Permanent collection at The Bass Museum

BLAUSTEIN FAMILY

Scholar-in-Residence

At Temple Beth Shalom



**Friday, November 14 -
Saturday, November 15**

Blaustein Family Scholar in Residence

Michael Marmur

Living The Letters:

An Alphabet of Emerging Jewish Thought



Michael Marmur is Associate Professor of Jewish Theology at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion/Jerusalem. Until July 2018 he served as the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Provost at Hebrew Union College, having previously been Dean of the Jerusalem campus. After some 20 years in administrative capacities, he now concentrates his energies on teaching and writing.

Born and raised in England, Rabbi Marmur completed a B.A. Degree in Modern History at the University of Oxford before moving to Israel in 1984. While studying for an M.A. in Ancient Jewish History at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, he completed his studies in the Israel Rabbinic Program of Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem, and was ordained in 1992. For six years following his ordination, he worked as rabbi and teacher at the Leo Baeck Education Center in Haifa. He has been an employee of HUC-JIR since 1997.

Michael Marmur served for three years as Chair of the Board of Rabbis for Human Rights, and is still a member of its Board. He has lectured and taught courses in several countries around the world.

Friday, November 14

6:00 pm | (during Shabbat Services) “Anxiety and Hope: Two Engines of Jewish Creativity”

Drawing on the introduction to Professor Marmur’s New book *Living the Letters*

7:00 pm | Shabbat Dinner <https://tbs.shulcloud.com/event/scholar-in-residence-shabbat-dinner1.html>

8:00 pm | Dessert and Salon-Style Discussion “Israel: A Struggle for Decency”

At a dramatic time in Israel’s history, this session offers a framework which may help think through some of the most crucial and the most difficult issues playing out in Israel at the moment. From the perspective of an Israeli Reform Rabbi engaged in the field of human rights, Michael Marmur will suggest a paradigm which may be of interest to people far to the right of me in their politics, as well as to those way to my left. Beyond those categories, Israel faces extreme challenges, and we will try to think through some of them together.

Saturday, November 15

9:30 am | Torah Study – “Impossible Camels. Unique Words and Absent Patriarchs”: A Reading of Genesis 24

In this session we will look at Genesis 24, part of this week’s Torah portion. Among other points to be discussed, we will ask: how we should understand words which appear only once in the Bible. What is strange about the appearance of camels in the story? And where does Abraham go after the beginning of the chapter?

10:30 am | Program with JLab Families – “Humor as a Religious Category”

Usually when we talk about Jewish humor we think about famous standups and classic sitcoms. In this session, we will show how Jewish humor has a much longer pedigree, and how it is central to Jewish culture. When humor is more than distraction or entertainment, it has a profound purpose.

12:00 pm | Lunch and Learn- “What Binds Me? On Jewish Commitments”

Drawing on two chapters from *Living the Letters*, we will ask: how should a Reform Jew think about duty and commandment? What binds me? How should my commitments be formed?



Cost: \$25 Adult | \$15 Child (under 13)

RSVP for dinner using the QR code

For more information please contact

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Social Justice

Jeff Agron

Social Justice Director

This year, our Social Justice Network is working on food insecurity. Did you know that:

- In Miami-Dade County, approximately 10% of the population (over 14% of children) experiences food insecurity. This translates to over 290,000 people.
- In Florida, 2.9 million residents struggle to put food on their tables.
- In Florida, 73% of food-assisted households had to choose between food and paying their utilities each month.
- Miami-Dade County has over 600,000 SNAP (food supplement) recipients. These benefits will be drastically cut over the coming years.

We already have numerous projects, including Blessings in a Backpack, Bags of Happiness, Lentils and Love, and the work of our schools throughout the year in collaboration with the Kosher Food Bank. We are exploring other programs and considering how we can serve as advocates at the federal, state, and local levels to support our community.

One of the main areas of work is our Mazon Project. Below is an article from our Mazon chairs, **Adam Snitzer** and **Carolyn West**. If you would like to donate to the Mazon Fund, you can do so on our website under general funds, or use the QR code on page 13.

Join Mazon's Feeding Programs

Carolyn West and Adam Snitzer

During the High Holy Days we heard the Prophet Isaiah's uplifting words: "If you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness and your gloom be as the noonday."

If that inspires you to action, join the Mazon Team and help us serve dinner to residents at the Chapman Partnership for the Homeless on the third Monday of every month, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. The Temple sponsors a special menu with a yummy dessert and treats for the kids. Our warm, friendly presence fills stomachs and feeds souls, letting the residents know that a whole bunch of people care about them.

In addition to our longstanding monthly commitment at Chapman, we're also working with The Village (Free)dge & Pantry in Liberty City to expand their grocery bag distribution

from two times per week to three times per week. That makes a huge difference to people living in deep poverty. You can join us there on Tuesdays from 8:30 to 11:00 am. We also have special **TBS dates at The Village (Free)dge on Saturday, November 8, Saturday, January 10, and Saturday, April 18 at 8:30 am**. Check the Social Justice Network website for more information and to register.

And, we'll also be joining the Salvation Army of Allapattah's new "Meals That Matter" mobile feeding program which will deliver hearty, hot meals right out into the community. Stay tuned for more details.

To join the Mazon Team, contact Carolyn West: west.carolyn@gmail.com, or Adam Snitzer: asnitzer@gmail.com.



Pictured above: Members of Mazon at Chapman Partnership; Below: Project Isaiah volunteers pack boxes.

Thanks to all of you, Project Isaiah collected over a ton (about 2400 lbs) of food over the High Holy Day!





the tribe



GIVE
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DAY

11.20.25

This Give Miami Day, support The Tribe and help us reach a new Chai!
Your tax-deductible donation helps create programs and outreach into
the young Miami Jewish community.

11.20.25. Early giving begins on November 15.

KRISTALLNACHT

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9
6:00 PM
AT
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17TH ANNUAL EVERYTHING *but the Turkey:*

**JOIN US FOR A BELOVED
HOLIDAY TRADITION!**

This Thanksgiving season, come together with the Federation's Jewish Volunteer Center (JVC) to make a real impact. At our 17th Annual Everything but the Turkey, you'll help create Thanksgiving meal kits that will serve more than 7,000 hearty helpings for families in need this holiday.

MIAMI BEACH – EVERYTHING BUT THE TURKEY

Sunday, November 16 | 2 PM
Temple Beth Shalom
 4144 Chase Ave, Miami Beach

Chairs: Ava Paresky, Parker Schimel, Quinn Schimel and Sydney Schimel

SAVE THE DATE Shabanukah

Friday, December 19, 2026

Fun for the whole famliy!
 Join us for a beautiful
 Shabbat service,
 followed by games,
 dinner, and delicious
 soufganiyot.
 Stay tuned for details.

NOW ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS

Help us replenish the

Mazon Fund

Focusing on Food Insecurity

This year, the Social Justice Network has dedicated half of its focus to addressing food insecurity in our community.

Our efforts began with Project Isaiah, an annual initiative that takes place during the ten days between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur—an inspirational way to launch our campaign.

Throughout the year, we continue this vital work through:

- Ongoing support of the Village (Free)dge
- A strong partnership with the Jewish Community Services (JCS) Food Bank
- The Mazon Fund, which provides meals to unhoused individuals at Chapman Partnership one Monday a month

Additionally, on the first Tuesday of every month at 4:00 pm, Temple Beth Sholom distributes Publix gift cards outside the temple to anyone in need.

Together, these initiatives embody our commitment to justice, compassion, and care.

- We invite you to contribute to the Mazon Fund and help us expand the resources necessary to continue and grow these life-changing services for our community.

The current cost of the Mazon meals is \$400. We anticipate the cost increasing this year and we are grateful for any and all donations so we may continue this good work in our community.



Donate Today!

Contribute & sponsor in honor of a friend or family member.



Your contribution is greatly appreciated!



Bioethics: What Do I Do?

Join with our former Rabbinic Intern, Rabbi Dr. Claudio J. Kogan, MD, MBE, MEd, who is now the Director of the Bioethics Program at Baptist Health South Florida. Rabbi Kogan will lead a study and discussion of Bioethics from a medical, religious, and ethical perspective. He will be focusing primarily on the Bioethics of Transplant and Genetic Engineering.

Saturday, November 1; December 13, following services (lunch will be available), ~12:15 pm

In-person only | Registration: Noemi, noemi@tbsmb.org

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Unveiling the Beauty of *Piyut*: Exploring Jewish Liturgical Poetry

Discover the captivating world of the *piyut*, the ancient art of Jewish liturgical poetry, its rich history, intricate structures, and profound themes. No prior knowledge of Hebrew or poetry is required – join Cantor Porat in this journey to uncover the beauty and wisdom of *piyut*.

Mondays, November 3, 10, 17, 12:00-1:00 pm | Zoom | Registration: Ariane, ariane@tbsmb.org

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Reform Jewish Theology: through the lens of *Living the Letters*

Explore the foundations and future of Reform Jewish theology through *Living the Letters*, the groundbreaking new book by Blaustein Scholar Rabbi Michael Marmur, Associate Professor of Theology at Hebrew Union College–Jewish Institute of Religion in Jerusalem. Rabbi Marmur will visit Temple Beth Sholom on November 14–15. Guided by Rabbi Gayle Pomerantz, participants will read and discuss selected chapters in advance, delving into themes such as spirituality and responsibility, community and prophecy, and pluralism. This course invites deep dialogue and reflection on key ideas shaping Reform Judaism today.

Wednesdays, 5:00 pm, November 5, 12, 19

In-Person and Zoom | Registration: Noemi, noemi@tbsmb.org

November
5, 12, 19

Confronting Antisemitism: A Special Film Series

We will look at the disturbing rise of Antisemitism through the eyes of cinema. Join Mark Baranek for these Palm Plaza outdoor screenings (featuring popcorn, of course) followed by a discussion.

- ***Gentleman's Agreement***, Monday, November 17, 7:00 pm

November
17

The Madwoman in the Rabbi's Attic: Rereading the Women of the Talmud

Join Rabbi Glickstein as we explore *The Women of the Talmud*, a provocative and eye-opening work by Gila Fine, lecturer at the Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies. In this class, we will delve into six remarkable women from the Talmud as reinterpreted by Fine, uncovering profound insights not only about these female figures, but also about the rabbis who shaped their stories—and about ourselves. Along the way, we will encounter classic folk tales, stereotypes, and myths about women, including the Prima Donna, the Femme Fatale, and the Madonna/Whore. Shabbat following lunch ~ 12:15 pm, November 22; December 6; January 24, 31; March 14, 21.

In-Person and Zoom | Registration: Noemi, noemi@tbsmb.org

November
22

The Pursuit of Hebrew Happiness: *Sameach, Asher, Gil & Rinah*

Join Rabbi Loiben to explore what Judaism teaches us about happiness. In this four-session course, we'll explore ancient Hebrew words for happiness and the rich spiritual ideas behind them. From the joy of celebration (*sameach*), to the deep contentment of being *me'ushar*, to the uplift of *gil* and the quiet gratitude of *rinah*, we'll uncover timeless Jewish wisdom and ask what it means for our lives today.

Mondays, 7:00–8:00 pm, November 24; December 1, 8, 15.

In Person | Registration: Noemi, noemi@tbsmb.org

November
24

ONGOING

Let Me Give a Sermon

This is an open workshop for those who wish to create and write a *Devar Torah* (sermonette). The Rabbis and Sages have methods for teaching the wisdom that flows from our rich texts. A *Devar Torah* is often given at meetings, study sessions, and services. Participants will meet with Rabbi Davis and will create a *Devar Torah* for our regular Shabbat morning service.

Information: Rabbi Davis, rdavis@tbsmb.org

We Are Not Alone: Reform Jewish Courses Online

The Union for Reform Judaism offers a variety of virtual classes. Topics include: Introduction to Judaism; Reading Hebrew Prayers; Learn to Read Hebrew for Adults; Pursuing Justice; Introduction to the Mikveh Ritual.

Information and Registration:
reformjudaism.org/learning/judaism-classes

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Jewish Journey to Berlin

Led by Cantor Juval Porat

March 17 - 23, 2026

From \$4,779 USD - land only
Highlights will include Berlin's Jewish Quarter, Brandenburg Gate and Berlin Wall Memorial, Jewish Museum, Museum of Otto Weidt and Rosenstrasse Sculpture, and Holocaust remembrance sites. The registration deadline is November 17, 2025, which is also the final payment deadline.



Adult March of the Living

With Mark Baranek

April 13 - 19, 2026

An incredible journey to Poland, Hungary, and Israel. Join Mark Baranek in Poland for Yom *Hashoah* (Holocaust Memorial Day) and then Israel for its 78th Independence. There's also an optional Shabbat in Budapest, Hungary. This will be the experience of a lifetime.



Multi-Generational Summer Trip to Israel

Join Rabbi Pomerantz, Cantor Porat, and Mark Baranek

June 11 - 22, 2026

This is a wonderful opportunity for ALL ages to visit Israel with family, friends, or alone. It is a return to our homeland to see first-hand the resilience of the Israeli people. There are so many highlights as we travel across the beautiful land of Israel. Jerusalem, Tel-Aviv, Masada, Caesaria, Galilee Region, and Golan Heights are just some of the places we will visit. We will also have a B-Mitzvah Service and Celebration in Jerusalem overlooking the Old City.





A New Musical on the path to Broadway and beyond.

Get a Special Advance Behind-the-Scenes Look
with Producers Amy Langer and David Schwartz

Written by NEENA BEBER
(Writer and Executive Producer of The Marvelous Mrs. Maise)

Music & Lyrics by JEREMY LLOYD-STYLES & JOCELYN MACKENZIE
(indie-rock band Pearl & the Beard)

JOIN US for a special multimedia event celebrating RUTKA, the powerful new musical based on the true story of 14-year-old Rutka Laskier and her long-hidden diary, written in the Jewish Ghetto of Będzin, Poland in 1943.

It's a story of hope, resilience and resistance. Set to a contemporary indie-rock score, RUTKA has already earned rave reviews in its world premiere, and was named one of The New York Times' top 15 shows to see in the U.S. With a bright future in sight, it's capturing hearts and sparking vital conversations across generations. At this special event, hosted by the show's lead producers, you'll get an inside look at the making of a musical - and why the show matters now more than ever - featuring live song performances, a behind-the-scenes look, and a conversation about the road ahead.



Wednesday, Nov. 19, 7:30pm

Miami Beach JCC, 4221 Pinetree Drive



Cheers to College!

Calling all parents of TBS college-aged young adults!
Come socialize with us at Café Avanti.
November 5, 6:30 pm
Questions? Mark@tbsmb.org



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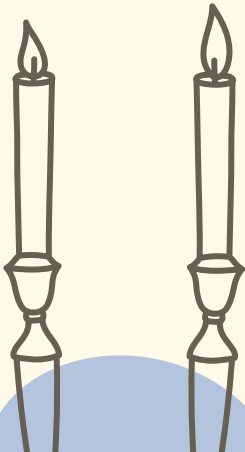


Consult

Please consult with your tax professional to learn how an IRA charitable rollover may benefit you.

Contact Executive Director Jeff Graff at Jeff@tbsmb.org or 305.538.7231 ext 231

SIMPLY SHABBAT



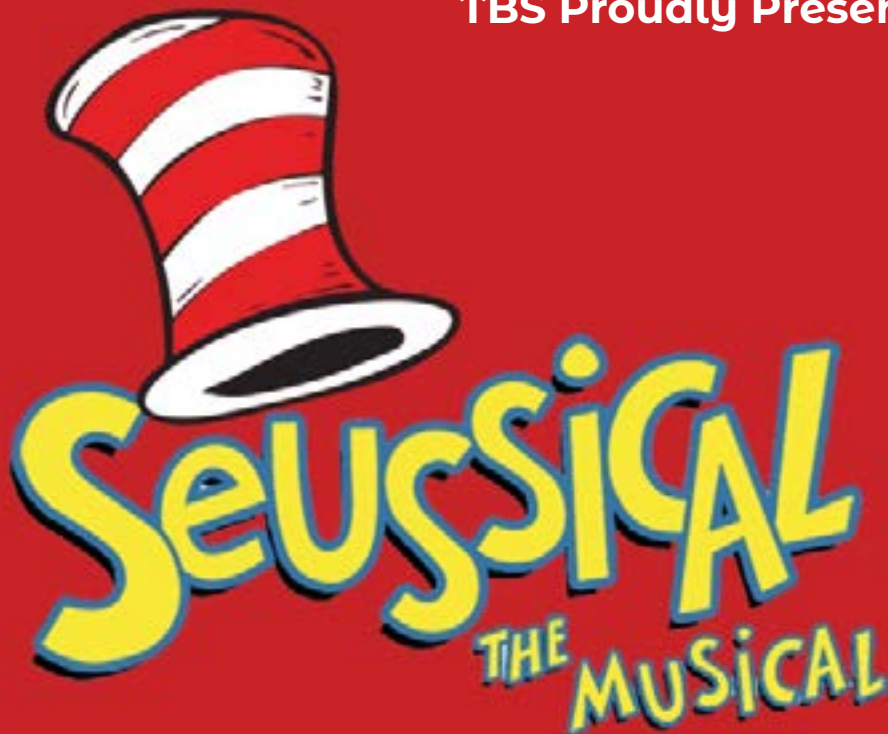
Join us at Temple Beth Sholom as we gather in the round for a spiritual and welcoming Kabbalat Shabbat service. Featuring guest musicians, uplifting melodies (old and new), designed to help us pause, breathe, and reconnect with each other and with Shabbat. All are welcome. Come as you are. Next dates: December 26, February 6, April 3

Save the Date

Friday, December 26 at 6:00 pm

SAVE THE DATE

TBS Proudly Presents



March 14, 2026

7:00 pm

March 15, 2026

2:00 pm

Please join us for this fun, intergenerational show, directed and choreographed by Vanessa Ressler, with musical direction from Alan Caves.



Location: Temple Beth Sholom

More Info at tbsmb.org/seussical



B-Mitzvah



Eve Shoshanna Sack will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on November 1, 2025, at 10:30 am. She is the daughter of Kaia Calbeck and David Sack and the sister of Joseph Eli Sack. Her grandparents are Debbie and Saul Sack and Elaine and Jack Calbeck. Eve attends Miami Arts Charter School. For her mitzvah project, she is supporting Lotus House, Bags of Happiness, and reproductive rights causes, including donating proceeds from banned book sales and contributing to the National Abortion Rights League. Eve is passionate about free speech, social justice, and helping those in need.

Kai Blittner will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on November 1, 2025, at 4:30 pm. He is the son of Morgan Blittner and Carolina Diaz and the brother of Luca Blittner. Kai's grandparents are Sheldon Alan and Irene Susan Blittner and Miguel J. Diaz and Alicia Barrios, and his great-grandparents are Larry and Anne Blittner, Morris and Estelle Goodgold, Abel and Elvira Diaz, and Obdulio and Alicia Barrios. He attends Miami Country Day School. For his mitzvah project, Kai is teaching baseball to children with disabilities at North Shore Park. He enjoys baseball, surfing, wakeboarding, and country music.



Max Ethan Wagner will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on November 8, 2025, at 4:30 pm. He is the son of Alexis and Scott Wagner and the brother of Teddy Wagner. His grandparents are Marilyn Halpern and the late Theodore Halpern and Dale Wagner and the late Michael Wagner. Max's mitzvah work includes volunteering with Jamie's Rescue, a nonprofit that helps save homeless dogs and puppies, and participating in the Young Lion of Judah Program, where he builds meaningful connections with Holocaust survivors. He enjoys sports, animals, and learning about history.

Joseph Ellis Tchira will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on November 15, 2025, at 10:30 am. He is the son of Paula Douer and Harry Tchira and the brother of Gabrielle Ruth Tchira. His grandparents are Elis Douer and Joe and Ana Tchira. Joseph attends Ransom Everglades School. He has a great love for tinkering, art, and comedy, which fuel his curiosity and creativity.





B-Mitzvah



Mia Rose Shukhman will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on November 15, 2025, at 4:30 pm. She is the daughter of Roman and Rita Shukhman and the sister of Olivia Reese Shukhman. Her grandparents are Vladimir and Jane Shukhman and Gregory and Galina Veygman. Mia attends Ransom Everglades Middle School. She is a dedicated student and a leader on her school's dance team, as well as an avid tennis player. Mia treasures her family, her Ukrainian heritage, and her role as a caring older sister.

Lennox Flynn Gordon will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on November 22, 2025, at 10:30 am. She is the daughter of Rebecca and Aaron Gordon and the sister of Jonas Gordon. Her proud grandparents are Ruth and Ira Gordon and Ellen and Neil Matlins. Lennox attends Miami Country Day School. For her mitzvah project, Lennox is serving as the 2025–26 Pediatric Hero for the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation's South Florida Chapter, helping raise awareness and support for finding a cure. She enjoys theatre, sailing, skiing, and horseback riding.



August David Hirschhorn will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on November 22, 2025 at 4:30 pm. He is the son of Karine Nissim and lovingly remembers his father, Aaron Hirschhorn (z"l). August is the older brother of Joel and Elle Hirschhorn and the grandson of Orah and Sam Nissim (z"l) and Marla Isaacs and Larry Hirschhorn. He is a student at Nautilus Middle School and enjoys basketball, biking, video games, cooking, fishing, and movie nights with family and friends.

Ryan Jake Green will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on November 29, 2025, at 10:30 am. He is the son of Courtney and Daniel Green and the brother of Harper and Katie Green. Ryan is a student at Doctors Charter School in Miami Shores. A talented performer, Ryan has been acting and playing piano since childhood and recently received a Critics' Choice Award at the Florida Thespians State Competition. For his mitzvah project, Ryan is supporting the Cresta Coastal Network, which protects endangered sea turtles and coastal ecosystems. In his free time, he enjoys reading, gaming, fantasy football, collecting sports cards and cookbooks, chess, and cheering for the Philadelphia Eagles and Florida Panthers.





At Temple Beth Shalom, we started the new year with some great Israel programming. I first want to thank our hard-working Israel leadership group, Jonathan Sepsenwol, Marjorie Baron, Shelby Kempler, Jose Fraga, Mark Baranek, and Lee Kaufman. We meet every other week to discuss the many opportunities that are presented to us, deciding what will be most enriching and informative to our community. This group is hard working and thoughtful in their approach to bringing a diverse range of opinions and programs.

On October 10, in commemoration of the terrible events of October 7, 2023, we hosted Israeli author and journalist **Lee Yaron**. Lee is an award-winning Israeli journalist, whose investigative journalism on corruption, social justice, and climate change has prompted the establishment of state-level commissions and has driven changes in Israeli policy and law. Her work earned her the 2022 Yitzhak Livni “Knight” Award for Free Speech in Media. She serves as an elected member-representative on the Executive Committee of the Union of Israeli Journalists. Lee spoke to us about her new book, *10/7: 100 Human Stories*, which won the 2024 National Jewish Book Award, Book of the Year — and the 2025 Natan Notable Books award. We had a great event after Erev Shabbat services, with a beautiful oneg and Lee’s presentation. Here is a picture of the event in the Welcome Center.



On Monday, October 27, we hosted author **Sarah Hurwitz** in a program with the Center for the Advancement of Jewish Education (CAJE). Sarah is an American speechwriter and was a senior speechwriter for President Barack Obama in 2009 and 2010; she was head speechwriter for Michele Obama from 2010 to 2017. She was appointed to serve on the United States Holocaust Memorial Council by President Obama. She was named by *The Forward* in 2016 and 2019 as one of the 50 most

influential Jewish Americans. Sarah spoke to us about her new book *As a Jew: Reclaiming Our Story from Those Who Blame, Shame, and Try to Erase Us*. Sarah discussed her quest to take back her Jewish identity, how she stripped away the layers of antisemitic lies that made her recoil from her own birthright, and unearthed the treasures of Jewish tradition, including Israel. We heard about the importance of Israel to us as Jews and how most anti-Israel views are in fact antisemitism. This was a wonderful event where people came from across our Greater Miami Jewish community to Temple Beth Shalom.

- On October 29 we hosted a screening of “*The Road Between Us: The Ultimate Rescue*,” People’s Choice Award Documentary winner at the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) in September. Combining new interviews with footage from October 7, 2023, Canadian documentarian Barry Avrich recounts how retired general Noam Tibon journeyed from Tel Aviv to the Nahal Oz *kibbutz* seeking to rescue his son and his family from the Hamas attack. The TIFF initially withdrew its offer to screen the film, citing concerns that the filmmakers lacked the rights to use Hamas’ footage of the attacks. After worldwide outcry, the TIFF reversed its decision, and the film was shown on September 10. Temple Beth Shalom and The Miami Jewish Film Festival hosted the film for its first Miami area showing at TBS on October 29.

Upcoming events:

On November 14 and 15, we will be welcoming as our Blaustein Scholar in Residence, Rabbi Michael Marmur. Rabbi Marmur is Associate Professor of Jewish Theology at Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem. Until July 2018, he served as the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Provost at Hebrew Union College, having previously been Dean of the Jerusalem campus. After over 20 years in administrative capacities, he now concentrates his energies on teaching and writing. **Rabbi Marmur** will be speaking on several issues, at least one of which will be about Israel. Look for more information on page 17. **Rabbi Pomerantz** will be guiding learning in advance of this event; refer to page 14 for details (*Reform Jewish Theology*).

Happy Anniversary

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE TIME YOU HAVE SHARED TOGETHER

November 1

Ginette and Steven Simon

November 2

Diane and Marc Breslow
Gwen and Peter Levine

November 5

Susana and David Hurtado
Samantha Ruiz Cohen and
Stuart Cohen

November 7

Lana and Michael Bernstein
Selma and Joshua Laurence

November 8

Ryann and Andrew Goldberg
Branka and Jose Vargas

November 9

Andrea Wagner and Seth Alhadeff
Ashley and Alexander Holland
Dana and Julian Kasdin

November 10

Sue and Steve Rosenthal
Lydia and Alberto Slezzynger

November 11

Ada and Zalman Bacheikov
Melissa and Max Rappaport
Diana and Gerald Rosen
Karen and Jonathan Sepsenwol

November 12

Christine and Jonathan Friedman
Susie and Ben London
Brielle and Etan Mark
Mindi and Jeremy Norkin
Avivit and Jason Pyle

November 13

Hillary and Brian Benson

November 14

Cindy and Michael Balan
Alison and Michael Fryd
Laurie and Brad Kinder
Adrienne and Stevan Pardo

November 15

Dana and Daniel Dietch
Robyn Weisman and Gary Danton

November 16

Jessica and Javier Benitez

November 17

Shelly and James Orlowsky
Jane and Steven Siegel

November 18

Marisue and Jonathan Beloff
Cathy and John Tighe

November 21

Julie and Aaron Davis
Stacey and Julie Quittner
Sarah and Lee Schor
Chris and Michael Weinberg

November 22

Erica and Aaron Nahmad

November 23

Eileen and Jay Bloom
Zena and Jeffrey Dickstein
Maria and Morey Moss

November 24

Alyssa and Jonathon Ende

November 25

Deborah and Saul Burk
Lynn and Steven Neifeld
Kaia and Dave Sack
Deede and Mark Weithorn

November 26

Carolina and John Blumenthal
Terry and Fred Jove

November 27

Andrea and Jonathan Lieberman

November 28

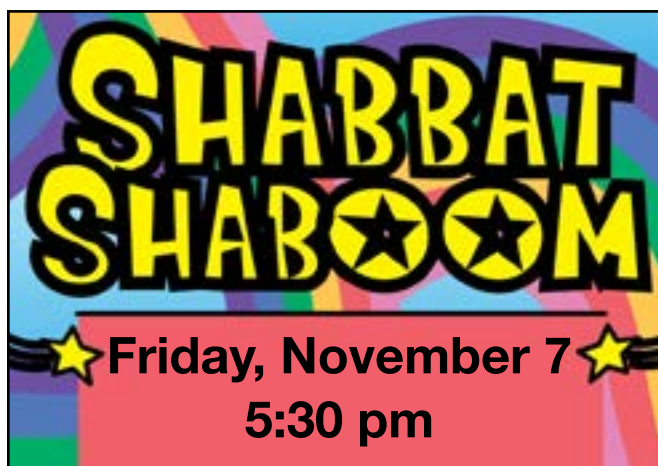
Amy and Barry Wax

November 29

Jennifer and Justin Elegant
Carla and Christopher Sloan

November 30

Zoe and Scott Jove



Happy Birthday

November 1

Joanne Aronson
Jeffrey Dagowitz
Leo Fox
Ann Marie Lilenbaum
Peggy Mandel

November 2

Dora Adrabi
Lisa Austin
Judith Chestler
Jordan Glick
Shelly Orlowsky
Ryann Peisach
David Stein
Noah Wyler

November 3

Iyla Alhadeff
Craig Berko
Miriam Bussel-Alonso
Stuart Ellman
Caroline Hartley
Elisa Jackson
Olivia Newman
Yudisleidy Perez Orta
Michael Saiger
Roberto Schaechter
Brielle Zaitz

November 4

Judith Broad
Theo Dadon
Caroline Fabrikant
Jacqui Friedman
Rose Jove
Scott Jove
Marian Kane
Laura Kruter
Robert Mass
Larry Pimentel
Betty Pollak
Ella Rubell
Harrison Schlecker
Hilary Weisburd

November 5

Nicole Ayzen

Myles Chefetz
Jack Greenberg
Elias Grinfeld
Margaret Halpern
Irene Juran
Helena Kristol
Kylie Ostroff

Andrew Richardson
Lili Strulovic

November 6

Joshua Laufer
Levi Lease
Cindy Lieber
Allen London
Judith Schaffer
Ori Tamuz
Oliver Zel

November 7

Izzy Diamond
Blake Dickstein
Mason Lawrence
Peggy Olin
Frank Tamen

November 8

Vicki Petruzzelli
Jack Rattner
Linda Rosenberg
Joseph Sack
Jonathan Sepsenwol

November 9

Soleil Altman
Gavin Basner
Marla Dumas
Ezra Elkiner
Macarena Ferreira
Eric Goldfarb
Ashley Holland
Myles Holland
James Kreisberg
Suzanne Meltzer
Jonathan Schenirer
Joseph Tchira

November 10

Brittany Adler
John Barker
Leslie Chasser
Delilah Kasdin
Michael Kimel
Caden Koonin
Valeria Lease
Ariel Okhah
Amanda Perwin

November 11

Jacob Abess
Julia Bernstein
Albert Bisconcini
Aiden Cohen
Alexandra Goldberg
Zoe Grief
Leo Troy

Nikki Weisburd
Scott Weisburd

November 12

Jonathan Brumer
Brett Burstein
John Bussel
Julia Cohen
Stuart Cohen
Joseph Cotton
Kaia Goodleser
Maddie Greenberg
Sammie Ichak
Scarlet Mizener
Holly Pennington Wood
Ella Simon
Ellie Stokes
Lisa Warren
Barry Wax
Patricia Zacroisky

November 13

Marc Chaneles
David DeVos
Judith Frankel
Sloan Gonsalves
Miriam Klein-Kassenoff
Rheta Lastinger
Lauren Louis

Norma Ross
Craig Slass

November 14

Lisa Akin
Talia Andris
Max Balan
Arnold Blaustein
Anthony Ciampitti
Naomi Davis
Kimberly Haber
Emma Kurry
Wolfe Lewis
Sophia Rosen
Brandon Rotbart
Lisa Sharf
Zachary Zimmerman

November 15

Jack Fisher
Wendi Gittler
Neha Kapila
Natalie Klinger
Fernanda Lanes

November 16

Norys Figuera
Alax Gittler
Devin Grief
Jamie Jerome
Tali Lease
Brian Lombardi
Brynn Lorber
Sabrina Lubow
Corey Narson
Steven Neifeld
Gary Twist

November 17

Lia Alexander
Juliet Feld
Molly Tiroche

November 18

Jacqueline Bernstein
Heidi Cooper
Kim Feinberg
Marcia Green

Daniel Green
Andrea Hartley
Natalie Lawrence
Hillel Meyers
Nathan Naylor
Amy Wax

November 19

Gylian Amdur
Hannah Fabian
Richard Jackson
Neisen Kasdin
Abigail Warshofsky
Emmanuela Wolloch

November 20

Alexa Altman
Cindy Balan
Rudy Ellenbogen
Maggie Nahmad
Eden Rosenthal
Sunnery "Sunni"
Sidman

November 21

Micah Bast
Jessica Benitez
Penelope Fein
Jeffrey Fisher
David Foster
Dolores Hirsh
Linda Schrank

November 22

Lillian Bickman
Crosby Goldman
Macy Landsman
Joshua Laurence
Lily Levenson
Selma Levine
Brielle Mark
Isabelle Mayer
Hannan Rhodes
Andi Russin
Harry Tchira

Happy Birthday

November 23

Denise Courshon
Anita Grossman
Julie Kirby
Poppy Pardes
Gerald Rosen
Sierra Rosen
Joyce Rosenbaum
Barb Shimansky
Noah Snitzer
Tracey Stein
Tatiana Yankelevich

November 24

Robert Baumann
Gal Bitton
Ben Bush
Jacklyn Hazan
Lisa Kauffman
Allan Land

Lisa Raijman
Murray Rubin

November 25

Maxim Damiani
Julius Elliott Dubiner
Dylan Edell
Roxana Warren
Tatsiana Yarashevich

November 26

Daniel Gelber
Andrew Hirschl
Alex Orlofsky
Ethan Orlowsky
Tyler Witkin

November 27

Karli Breslow
Terri Krasnoff

Samantha Narson
David Rogg
Emily Torban

November 28

Viola Bruck
James Chouraqui
Sandra Friedwald
Rafael Hyken
Michelle Kahn
Josephine Kenin
Ira Lelchuk
Dylan Quittner
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Yael Steinhart Shai
Manuel Zaiac

November 29

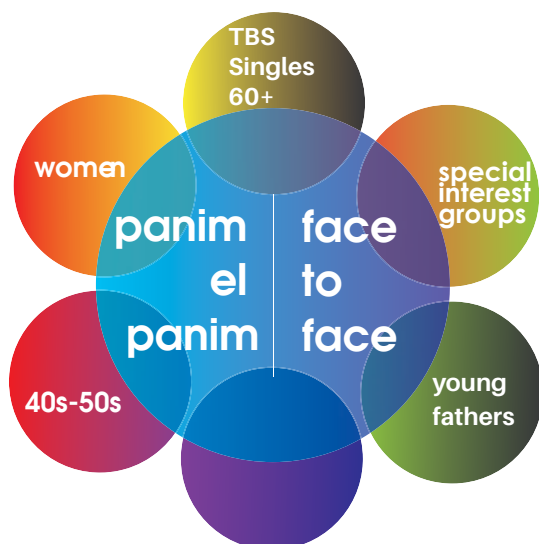
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Rachel Benmeir

Lauren Cantor
Tommy Greenberg
Evan Mendelson
Jill Multack
Marcel Nobel
Brian Schultz
Bruce Starr
Michael Svayg
Mark Vogel

November 30

Kevin Abrams
Daniel Assraf
Jonah Bernstein
Joseph Bilstein
Arthur Bisconcini
Ayla Cordeiro Rivo
Ryan Green
Lyle Stern
Chris Weinberg

Panim el Panim



As we approach Thanksgiving—a time to reflect on gratitude and togetherness—our Panim Groups offer a meaningful way to celebrate the blessings of community. Just as Thanksgiving invites us to gather around the table and share what we're thankful for, Panim invites us to gather around shared interests, ideas, and experiences within our synagogue family.

This season is a chance to deepen friendships, explore passions, and build new connections that enrich our Jewish lives. As Panim Groups continue to expand throughout the fall, there's no better time to join or create a group that brings warmth, purpose, and joy. Come be part of something small—and deeply connected.

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Questions?**

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In Memory Of

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Florence Lechuk

by Darcee Siegel and Ira Lechuk

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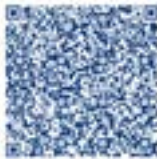
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Their Memory is a Blessing

Shirley Caves, mother of Temple Beth Sholom Music Director Alan Caves and Charles Caves.

Dr. Marvin Karson, father of our Temple Beth Sholom Past President Jack (Arden) Karson; grandfather of Jared (Elizabeth) Karson, Micah (Jillian) Karson and Lily Karson; great-grandfather of Blake, Sophie and Sylvie; and husband of Kitty Karson.

Zichronam Livracha.

"For everything there is a season."

Kohelet 3:1.

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MITZVAH DAY 30 YEARS

**Sunday,
February 22, 2026**



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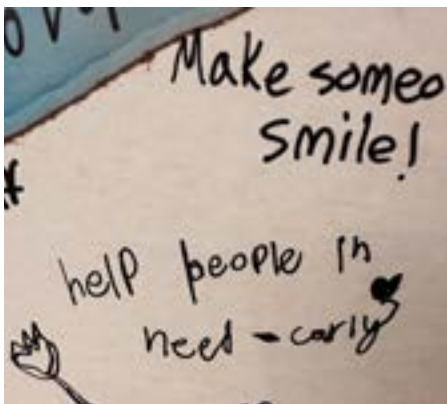


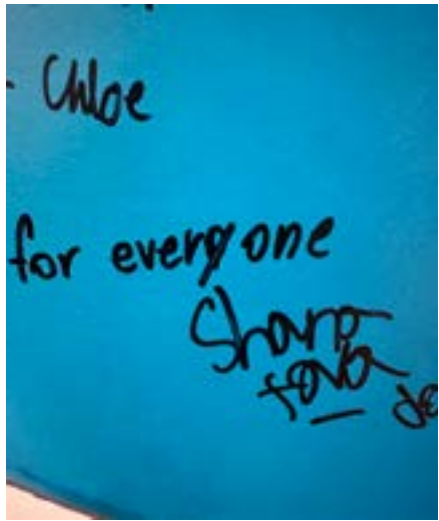
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