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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

I am writing to share an important update about Reform Jewish engagement with Israel and the critical work that happened at the World Zionist Congress (WZC), where our movement's voice continues to share the future of the Jewish state.

Thanks to dedicated efforts by our synagogue leaders and Reform Jews around the world, our Reform Jewish presence (*Arzenu*) at the World Zionist Congress in November made a significant difference. Every resolution we favored passed, and every resolution we rejected failed.

Here's What We Stand For:

We favored:

- Opening access to the egalitarian extension of the Kotel
- Security for Liberal Jewish communities in Israel who have increasingly been targeted by ultra-Orthodox fringe groups
- A call for the establishment of a state commission of inquiry to investigate the events of October 7th
- Addressing antisemitism and discrimination in sports and culture

We opposed:

- Jewish settlements in Gaza
- Settlements in the E1 corridor of the West Bank
- Extension of sovereignty over the Temple Mount

In large part, our mission was so successful because of the broad coalition our leaders fostered with other like-minded groups. This will be increasingly important as the World Zionist Congress elections become progressively more contentious and, at times, divisive.

Balancing Security and Progressive Values

At the WZC there were powerful moments of connection between delegates from different backgrounds, countries and religious affiliations, particularly in our smaller group sessions. These intimate gatherings allowed for genuine dialogue and learning.

A notable incident underscored the tensions we face. I was asked to speak before the 770 participants of the WZC in favor of the resolution for increased security

around Reform, Conservative and other Liberal Jewish communities. As I stood at the front of the convention hall, a group of ultra-Orthodox men disrupted the proceedings, pulling the microphone from me and verbally attacking Rabbi Lea Muhlstein, International Chair of *Arzenu*, who was presiding over the congress. For a moment, I feared for our safety. The incivility at the WZC itself demonstrated the need for increased security at our Reform congregations.

We have worked tirelessly to promote an Israel that is a place of safety and security for Jews everywhere. Yet even as we continue to promote Israel's security, we must also note that democracy is currently under threat in Israel. Just this week, the Knesset passed a bill expanding rabbinical courts' authority over civil matters. This law was fervently opposed by women's organizations, as civil matters like child support can now be decided by all male rabbinical courts, which will put women at a disadvantage. Matters like this demand our attention. We must continue to ensure that Reform Jews and our children and grandchildren are recognized in Israel and that our values are upheld. **It is possible to work for both security and democracy.** These are not competing priorities but essential partners in building the Israel we envision.

On **Friday, January 23** at Shabbat Services we are honored to welcome **Rabbi Josh Weinberg**, President of ARZA (Association of Reform Zionists) and Union for Reform Judaism VP of the for Israel Reform Zionism, who will share his insights and perspectives on these critical issues facing Progressive Judaism and Israel today. I hope you will join us for this meaningful opportunity to learn and engage.

Thank you for your continued support of our Reform Jewish values and our commitment to a secure, democratic and pluralistic Israel.



President's Message

Michael Weinberg
President

As we begin a new year together at Temple Beth Sholom, I find myself reflecting on the many ways our community continues to show up for one another—with generosity, creativity, and a shared commitment to building something meaningful. January offers a natural moment to pause, take a breath after the fullness of the fall holidays, and look forward with optimism to all that lies ahead.

One of the things I cherish most about TBS is that we are never static. We are always learning, always improving, always asking how we can deepen our culture of belonging and strengthen the connections that bind us. You can feel this energy every day on campus: in our vibrant Shabbat services, in the curiosity and joy within our Innovative School classrooms, in the thoughtful leadership of our clergy, and in the steady dedication of our volunteers, staff, and Board. Every corner of our congregation reflects the countless individuals who bring their talent, time, and heart to our shared home.

This year will be no exception. In the months ahead, we will continue to advance several key initiatives—including expanding engagement opportunities for members of all ages, strengthening our development and stewardship efforts, and supporting the ongoing evolution of our educational and community-building programs. None of this happens in isolation. It happens because our members believe in the purpose and potential of this congregation and because you actively choose to invest in its future.

A perfect example of that spirit is our upcoming 30th Annual Mitzvah Day, a milestone that speaks volumes about who we are. For three decades, TBS has mobilized hundreds of volunteers each year to make a tangible difference across Miami. What began as a simple idea—to devote one day to acts of service—has grown into one of our most beloved community traditions. This year, as we celebrate the 30th anniversary, we have an extraordinary opportunity

not only to honor that legacy but also to imagine how our impact can continue to expand. I want to thank our co-chairs, Shelby Kempler and Ashley Gilboa, and committee for their hard work already underway, and I encourage every member—individuals, families, and friends—to participate. Whether you lead or join a project, help spread the word, or bring someone new along, your presence strengthens the ripple effect of goodness we create together.

As we turn the page into 2026, my hope for each of us is that we continue to find purpose, joy, and connection through our shared life at Temple Beth Sholom. Thank you for being part of this remarkable community and for the countless ways you support, uplift, and inspire one another. I look forward to all we will build together in the year ahead.

Wishing you and your families a year filled with health, peace, and possibility.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Weinberg". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Mike Weinberg, President



Cantor's Message

Cantor Juval Porat

Shabbat Shira: Celebrating the Song of the Sea

Shabbat Shira, the Sabbath of Song, celebrates the pivotal moment in the Torah when Moses and Miriam led the Israelites across the Sea of Reeds and out of Egypt, concluding with **Shirat Hayam – the Song of the Sea**. This is one of my favorite moments on our calendar—a sacred time when music and spirit intertwine beautifully to uplift us all.

I am especially excited to welcome my esteemed colleague and friend, **Cantor Josh Breitzer**, President of the American Conference of Cantors and renowned leader of Congregation Beth Elohim in Brooklyn, for *Shabbat Shira*. Cantor Breitzer is widely recognized for his innovative approach to worship and music, blending traditional melodies with contemporary sounds to create uplifting and meaningful prayer experiences.

While the Cantor is primarily known as our **musical leader and cultural curator**, the role has evolved to meet the dynamic needs of the Jewish community. The modern Cantorate is defined by collaboration, working in **close partnership with our Rabbis and professional team** to offer holistic spiritual care.

Cantor Breitzer will not only lead us in spirited song, but will also share insights on “The Many Roles of the Modern Cantor.” He will explore how these diverse responsibilities intersect to strengthen Jewish identity and enrich community life:

Spiritual Guide and Partner: Leading worship, creating sacred moments, and collaborating with Rabbis to provide guidance and vision.

Educator and Trainer: Teaching Hebrew, prayer, and Torah chanting, as well as empowering congregants to take active roles as service and Torah readers.

Pastoral and Lifecycle Officiant: Offering comfort and guidance during times of joy and challenge, and bringing meaning to life's milestones—from B'nai Mitzvah to weddings.

Cultural and Creative Curator: Preserving the richness of Jewish musical heritage while pioneering visual worship and introducing inspiring new compositions.

His presentation will beautifully illustrate how, even as many Cantors serve as the sole spiritual leader in smaller or emerging congregations, the foundation of the Cantorate remains rooted in spiritual partnership and service to the community.

In addition to Cantor Breitzer's presence, we'll celebrate our 4th and 5th graders—so be prepared to hear and join voices across generations!

More January Highlights

These are just two offerings in a packed January! A week before Cantor Breitzer joins us, Vice President of the URJ for Israel & Reform Zionism, and Executive Director of ARZA **Rabbi Josh Weinberg** will also speak to our community. To learn more about that exciting program, check out **Rabbi Pomerantz's** article in this issue.

Special Concert Invitation!

We invite you to experience the Cantorial arts on an even larger scale at an extraordinary concert on **January 25 at 6:00 pm at Temple Beth Shira** presented by the Cantors Assembly, and featuring friends from the American Conference of Cantors. I am honored to take part in this event alongside many wonderful colleagues, including Cantor Breitzer.

Looking forward to seeing you in one or all of these exciting upcoming events.

B'shalom,

Cantor Juval Porat



Innovative School

Stacy Penson
Head Of School



Nurturing Possibility Through 21st-Century Learning

When we begin with learners, we begin from a place of possibility.

This mid-year period is one of the most inspiring moments in our school cycle. As we return from Winter Break, we witness remarkable academic, social, and emotional growth across our learning community.

Our younger learners now feel deeply rooted in their classroom environments. With routines internalized and relationships strengthened, they are confidently meeting milestones and thriving within spaces intentionally designed to support their natural curiosity and developmental rhythms.

Our older learners are fully immersed in their projects, inquiries, and interdisciplinary academic studies. At this point in the year, teachers know each child deeply and can thoughtfully challenge them by activating their creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, and problem-solving skills. These competencies are essential for success in the rapidly evolving world they will inherit.

Operational Enhancements & Infrastructure Improvements

We are currently reimagining our Welcome Center to better reflect our identity as a vibrant learning community. We are exploring how to make our school's presence more visible within the broader Temple community and how to showcase the voices, ideas, and work of our youngest citizens.

Our partnership with Compost for Life, a community organization dedicated to sustainable living, continues to flourish. Each week, learners deliver classroom compost to our outdoor bins, contributing to the 700–800 pounds of compost we divert from landfills weekly. These efforts help replenish local soil and support sustainable agriculture, giving learners a direct role in environmental stewardship and systems thinking which are key dimensions of 21st-century education.

School Excellence

We are proud to share that we have earned permanent accreditation from the Association of Independent Schools of Florida following a comprehensive program audit and site visit.

Additionally, our school has been invited to join a groundbreaking Israel Education Certificate Program designed specifically for Miami Jewish day schools. This initiative reflects a commitment to ensuring that learners of all ages build the knowledge, confidence, and cultural literacy to engage meaningfully, proudly, and thoughtfully with Israel.

Parent Partnerships & Community Engagement

This fall, our Coffee and Conversations series welcomed families into school to engage with administrators, explore curriculum, and connect with our inspiring educators.

Parents also joined an Assessment Webinar with the Learner-Centered Collaborative and school leadership, deepening our shared understanding of how assessment can empower learners and support growth.

Our annual Book Fair, Holiday Bazaar, and first-ever Parent Mahjong Tournament were joyful community moments. Meanwhile, our Nutrition and Wellness Committee surveyed families and faculty to gather input on elevating our lunch and snack program.

Community Partnerships & Jewish Values in Action

Our learners actively partnered with the Miami Diaper Bank, the Bass Museum, and the Kosher Food Bank, engaging in hands-on service rooted in our Jewish values.

Trips throughout the community, including visits to Super Blue, the Miccosukee Village, a Biscayne Bay cleanup, and Art Basel Miami nurtured inquiry, cultural awareness, and environmental consciousness. We continue to build learning around learners' interests, knowing that relevance drives engagement, depth, and authentic understanding.

Academic Milestones & Learner Leadership

Our elementary learners elected representatives to the Kehilla Council, our student leadership body across grades K–5. Their first initiative is to reduce plastic use in our school's food program, collaborating with administration, licensing accreditation, our Temple partners, and the Nutrition and Wellness Committee. They are also working with our school Chef to design a healthier treat for the lunch menu, an authentic exercise in advocacy, design thinking, and civic leadership.

Learners also designed our annual Art Mazel Learning Exhibition, a gallery-style event featuring Studio projects that integrated social studies, science inquiries, and design thinking. These experiences nurture essential 21st-century skills such as creativity, collaboration, communication, and innovation.

Teachers recently shared Progress Reports and Learning Stories and held Parent Conferences to discuss learner growth across academic, social, and emotional domains. When learners are meaningfully challenged and supported, the outcomes speak for themselves.

Our Kindergarteners also took on the cleanup and revitalization of our school garden, a project that brought together families, educators, and learners to co-create a living learning space (see cover).

Enrollment & Strategic Planning

We have completed all Retention and New Family Tours and are now enrolling for the 2026–2027 school year.

At the Innovative School, we remain guided by a steadfast belief: a learner-centered approach is the foundation of a thriving educational community. To prepare children for a rapidly changing world, we must continue to design learning that is personalized, inquiry-driven, interdisciplinary, and responsive to the whole child.

Together, families, educators, and community partners, we are building a school where every learner is empowered to shape their future with confidence, compassion, and creativity.

Stacy Penson

Innovative School of Temple Beth Sholom Welcomes Darryl Alhadeff to the Team



Darryl Alhadeff
Literacy Coach

Darryl and I met in our Welcome Center one morning as she dropped her grandchild off at school. We got to talking about literacy, a passion of mine and hers. Too often schools focus on the standardization of literacy through high stakes testing rather than through

beautiful literature backed by the Science of Reading. Over time Darryl and I continued to discuss literacy, and she eventually joined our team as a Literacy Coach. Darryl works with teachers and learners to support the literacy curriculum at Innovative School.

Darryl began her career in Manhattan as a second-grade teacher. Darryl retired as Superintendent of District 2 35 years later. In between, Darryl worked as a Staff Developer, Principal, and Deputy Superintendent. As a staff developer, Darryl trained groups of teachers, led staff for district wide development, and developed classroom libraries in all schools. Darryl's expertise includes PreK-High School. Darryl led PS158, a Blue Ribbon School, for more than 10 years. PS 158 became a model school in both mathematics and literacy with visitors from the State Education Department and from schools all over the country and world.

When Pre-K expanded in the district, Darryl created a developmentally appropriate literacy program followed by all. Darryl holds a Master's Degree in Teaching and Learning from City College and a Master's Degree in Education from Teachers College in Curriculum and Instruction. In addition, Darryl holds state certification in reading/special education. After retiring from the Department of Education, Darryl continued to work as an Education Consultant for school leaders, teachers and schools in New York City. She moved to Miami Beach with her husband Joe to be close to her family.

We are grateful that Darryl is a part of our incredible teaching team!

Stacy Penson

Art | Mazel

INNOVATIVE SCHOOL
TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM

Art Mazel is one of three of the Learning Exhibitions for grades K-5 at the Innovative School. Learning Exhibitions provide ongoing, authentic evidence of each child's progress and also guide the next steps in the learning process. Projects for Art Mazel are created in the Studio and are showcased at this gallery-style event. Learners co-constructed an understanding of their social studies and science curriculum this term through their project-based work.

Learning Exhibitions are an essential opportunity for learners to demonstrate evidence of what they know and can do. We believe that learning is driven by cycles of instruction, assessment, and feedback. We strive for a balanced yet rigorous assessment system based on progress toward desired knowledge, skills, and dispositions. A learner-centered approach is the foundation of a thriving educational community. To prepare children for a rapidly changing world, we must continue to design meaningful, authentic learning grounded in real-world challenges and applications for authentic audiences.



This year's projects by class:

Kindergarten Room 201 Magnolias - Growing from My Roots

Kindergarten Room 202 Mangroves - Impressions of Me

First Grade Orange Blossoms - Our Community, Close-Up and Far Out

Second Grade Live Oaks - Florida's Living Landscapes-A Tapestry of Life

Third Grade Royal Palms - The Marks We Make

Fourth Grade Hibiscuses -The Art of Sustainability - Harvesting Sunshine

Fifth Grade Gumbo Limbos - Symphony of Senses



Barb Shimansky, RJE
Senior Director of Judaic Studies



Discover the Joy of Jewish Summer Camp

Summer camp is more than just a place to have fun - it's a transformative experience where Jewish values, friendships, and lifelong memories are cultivated. At Temple Beth Sholom, we are proud to partner with the URJ (Union for Reform Judaism) to offer families incredible opportunities for their children to engage with their Jewish identity in meaningful and exciting ways.

URJ camps provide a welcoming, inclusive environment where our youth can explore their passions while deepening their connection to Judaism. Each camp has its own unique focus, ensuring there is a perfect fit for every camper:

- **URJ Camp Coleman** - Nestled in the beautiful North Georgia mountains, Coleman offers a traditional sleepaway camp experience with swimming, hiking, and arts. It's a place where campers build independence, resilience, and strong friendships - all rooted in Jewish values.
- **URJ 6 Points Sports Academy** - For campers passionate about athletics, 6 Points Sports combines expert coaching with Jewish learning. Campers hone their skills, develop teamwork, and explore leadership - all while celebrating Shabbat and Jewish community.
- **URJ 6 Points Sci-Tech Academy** - Perfect for budding scientists, engineers, and innovators, 6 Points Sci-Tech blends STEM exploration with Jewish learning. Campers engage in workshops such as robotics, programming & coding, game design, and more, fostering creativity and problem-solving in a Jewish environment.
- **URJ 6 Points Creative Arts Academy** - Campers who love music, theater, dance, or visual arts thrive at 6 Points Creative Arts. Here, artistic expression and Jewish learning come together, giving campers the chance to create, perform, and collaborate in a vibrant, supportive setting.

Beyond activities, URJ camps are communities where youth practice values like *chesed* (kindness), *tikkun olam* (repairing the world), and *kavod* (respect) in daily life. Campers develop leadership, empathy,

and confidence, and often return home inspired to bring these lessons into their families, schools, and synagogue communities.

Whether your child is discovering new interests, building lifelong friendships, or deepening their Jewish identity, URJ summer camps offer an unparalleled opportunity to grow in mind, body, and spirit. If you'd like more information about registration, scholarships, or camper experiences, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Summer may feel far away in January, but it's never too early to start imagining the adventures that await your camper!

L'shalom,

Barb

jLAB Winter Break: jLAB is on Winter Break through **January 4**. Classes resume beginning **Monday, January 5**.

Gesher Presentations: Parents are warmly invited to attend the final presentations of our 6th and 7th grade Judaic Studies unit on Judaism from Around the World on **Monday, January 12** from 5:45-6:30 pm. Take this opportunity to see our learning in action!

MLK Weekend: No jLAB on **Saturday, January 17** or **Monday, January 19** in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day weekend.

Olim Shabbat: Our jLAB and Innovative School 4th and 5th graders will help lead our Friday evening Shabbat experience on **Friday, January 30** at 6:00 pm. Please join us to celebrate their leadership and learning!



Membership

Craig Berko

Director of Membership

We are immensely grateful for your continued support of our more than 80-year-old temple. As I share in each monthly message, your annual commitment supports Jewish life to remain vibrant, not only for us, but for our children and our children's children. Your generosity is not simply appreciated; it truly makes a difference. It is the heartbeat of Temple Beth Sholom, the place where we gather to celebrate, to reflect, and to find comfort, strength, and belonging...in community.

Today, supporting your synagogue matters more than ever. In a world that often feels uncertain, our temple stands as a steady source of meaning, connection, and Jewish identity. Your commitment ensures that we can continue to offer spiritual guidance, educational opportunities, acts of compassion, and a warm, welcoming home for every person who walks through our doors.

Our clergy are here for your family in moments of joy, during holidays, and in times of need and healing. We draw strength from one another...in community. Supporting your temple is far more than a financial contribution. It is an affirmation that Jewish tradition matters, today, tomorrow, and for the generations who will follow us, yours and mine.

Temple Beth Sholom is a home where every individual is welcomed, valued, and embraced. Each contribution and every renewal help us care for the vulnerable, nurture lifelong Jewish learning, and create moments of meaning, connection, and joy that sustain us throughout the year.

Our clergy, staff, and lay leaders are here for you, and we want you to feel at home in every aspect of Temple life. As I shared last month—and wish to share again—we invite you to deepen your connection through the many opportunities available to you:

Brotherhood and Sisterhood

Sisterhood Contact: Rabbi Joanne Loiben – rabbiloiben@tbsmb.org

Brotherhood Contact: Mark Baranek – mark@tbsmb.org

Social Justice Network (SJN) & Israel Committee

Contact: Jeff Agron – jagron@tbsmb.org

Shabbat Services

Friday at 6:00 pm

Saturday at 10:30 am

Panim El Panim Small Conversation Circles

Deepen relationships and build community.

Contact: Jaleh Bast – jaleh@tbsmb.org

Meet with Our Clergy

If you would like to connect personally, please let me know.

Ultimately, we are the guardians of a precious Jewish legacy. The responsibility to pass on our traditions, values, and stories rests with us. Our children are watching, and they learn what it means to show up, to give back, to support one another, and to live with Jewish purpose by witnessing our choices. The commitments we make today will shape the Jewish future they inherit.

With appreciation and warm regards for your continued support,

Craig

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Social Justice

Jeff Agron

Social Justice Director

SAVE THE DATE!

TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM

MITZVAH DAY 30 YEARS

**Sunday,
February 22, 2026**



OUR 30th ANNUAL MITZVAH DAY IS COMING!

It's hard to believe, but it's been 30 years since Rabbi Pomerantz first dreamed of Mitzvah Day. It has been evolving and growing ever since, thanks to the leadership of many lay leaders, Rabbi Pomerantz and now Rabbi Jacobs. Save the date for **Sunday, February 22, 2026. Our Mitzvah Day Co-Chairs are Ashely Gilboa and Shelby Kempler.**

This year, we will have some exciting new projects and initiatives. First, we are seeking individuals interested in becoming a new **Mitzvah Day Project Captain**. It is not too late. This is a great opportunity to take a step forward and lead one of our amazing projects while giving back to our community. Please email Jeff Agron jagron@tbsmb.org, if you are interested in learning more about this opportunity.

This year for the first time we are offering Mitzvah Day sponsorship opportunities in addition to our Soup Contest Sponsorships. We want this 30th year to be the **best** Mitzvah Day ever.

Your sponsorship or donation helps power our **2026 Mitzvah Day**. Whether you choose to sponsor a specific initiative or support the overall Mitzvah Day Fund, your generosity directly fuels real change in our community. Please consider becoming a sponsor.

Mitzvah Day Sponsorship Opportunities

*Sponsorships begin at \$54
scan the code to access the donation form*

Welcome Breakfast
Lunch Food Truck
Captains' Shirts
Maison Valentine Coffee Cart
Mitzvah Day Fund for Projects

Soup Contest Sponsorship Levels

Grand Tastemaker \$1000
Silver Spoon \$500
Stock Pot \$250
Soup Ladle \$100



Our Soup Contest this year will benefit our food insecurity initiative, led by Rachel Umlas and Amanda Greenfield. See last month's *HaKOL* for more information on this initiative. On Friday, February 20, we will welcome a speaker on Food Insecurity.

Finally, we are putting together a way to honor our past. If you have any pictures or other memorabilia from past Mitzvah Days, please upload them to this folder using the QR code.



We are looking forward to honoring three decades of making a real difference together!



Temple Beth Sholom Welcomes New Director of Philanthropy



The Temple Beth Sholom Board is pleased to announce that Madeleine Novack has been appointed Director of Philanthropy at Temple Beth Sholom and we welcome her as she joins the executive team on January 12, 2026.

Madeleine brings to our community more than 15 years of proven success in fundraising and development—building meaningful, high-impact relationships to secure the resources that fuel organizational missions. She honed her development skills at leading nonprofits and institutions including Rainforest Fund, Environmental Defense Fund, and the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, where she helped launch and strengthen transformative programs to safeguard livelihoods and preserve environments.

Rooted in a deep commitment to social justice and human dignity, Madeleine's work has spanned the protection of Indigenous land rights in rainforests around the world, the launch of a methane-monitoring satellite, and securing health access for survivors of human trafficking. She is guided by the belief that strengthening communities and expanding opportunity is core to repairing the world.

Madeleine is also deeply devoted to building community in her own life. Her greatest joy comes from her family—her husband, Jason, daughter, Rye, and son, Emery—who continually inspire her sense of purpose. Outside of work, she finds grounding in running, reading, and yoga.

She holds a B.A. in International Studies and Philosophy from Muhlenberg College and an M.A. in International Affairs from The New School. Madeleine is grateful to be part of a community that shares her values of connection, compassion, and collective responsibility.

Why LGBTQ+ Inclusion is a Jewish Value?



Keshet
קשת
For LGBTQ+ equality in Jewish life

January 12, 2026

7:00 - 8:00 pm
Location: Chapel

RSVP:
tinyurl.com/3u7w7az2



Teens and Parents

Join Rabbi Loiben,
in conversation with Tracey Labgold
of Keshet and in partnership with The
Greater Miami Jewish Federation's
BeWell Miami Initiative, for a panel
conversation about LGBTQ+ inclusion,
Jewish practice, and mental health.



Rabbi Josh Weinberg

Vice President of the URJ for Israel and Reform
Zionism and Executive Director of ARZA

Rabbi Josh Weinberg (he/him) serves as the Vice President of the URJ for Israel and Reform Zionism and is the Executive Director of ARZA, the Association of Reform Zionists of America. He was ordained from the HUC-JIR Israeli Rabbinic Program in Jerusalem, and is currently living in New York. Josh previously served as the Director of the Israel program for the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College and as a faculty member of NFTY-EIE High School in Israel, teaching Jewish History. Josh is a reserve officer in the IDF spokesperson's unit, has hiked the Israel-trail, and came on Aliyah to Israel in 2003.

Originally from Chicago, he has a B.A. from the University of Wisconsin in Hebrew Literature, Political Science, and International Relations, and an M.A. from the Hebrew University in Jewish Education.

Josh has taught and lectured widely throughout Israel, the U.S., and Europe, as well as on Kivunim and Shnat Netzer gap-year programs. He has led numerous tours and trained tour educators for the Reform movement's Israel experiences.


January

23

6:00 pm

**Shabbat Services
followed by Q and A
and Oneg**





ADULT EDUCATION

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,

January 17; February 28; March 7; April 18

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

January
17

Rosh Chodesh

Celebrate the new moon and welcome the energy of the month ahead in a warm, spiritually grounded space. Join Rabbi Jacobs and new friends for meaningful learning, reflection, and connection. Open to all women & nonbinary folks.

7:00-8:30 pm, RSVP to Noemi; January 21

January
21

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

Shabbat Shira



featuring guest speaker

Cantor Josh Breitzer



January 30, 2026

6:00 - 7:00 pm

Join us for a Shabbat Shira experience, celebrating our 4th and 5th graders and featuring Cantor Josh Breitzer, President of the American Conference of Cantors. Cantor Breitzer will co-lead our congregation in prayer and song, speaking about the evolving roles of Cantors and highlighting the beauty of Jewish music that binds us to our tradition and community.



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SAVE THE DATE!

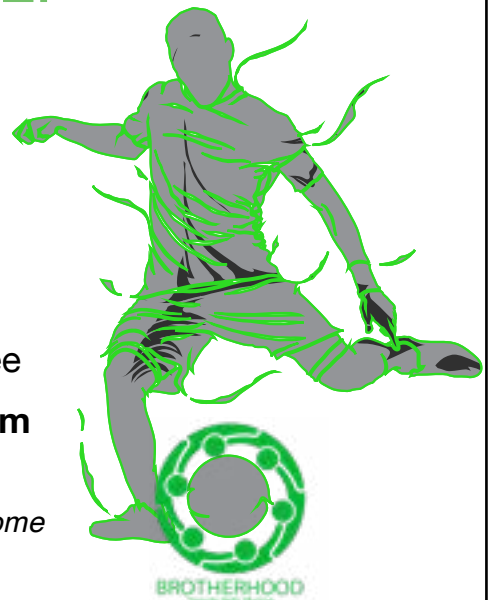
Brotherhood welcomes you to our

3rd Annual Kickball Tournament

in memory of Howard Broad ^{z"l}
TBS longtime member and employee

February 7, 2025 from 12:00-2:00 pm
at Muss Park

All ages and community members are welcome to join us to watch and cheer along!



Scan to play or sponsor!



BESHTY Update

Rabbi Joanne Loiben



Beth Sholom Temple Youth



Pink Drink Matcha Making Class & Brunch

Join BESHTY & JR BESHTY for this exciting morning!
January 10
 11:30 am-12:00 pm Brunch
 12:00-1:00 pm Café Class & Tumbler Decorating
 RSVP at tbsmb.org/BESHTY

BESHTY Happenings!



During the past few months we've had great times with our BESHTY groups. December was no exception. BESHTY's Toy Drive was an incredible success - THANK YOU to all who donated! And, we had an amazing time celebrating Chanukah with our Mini/Micro BESHTY pals!



We're looking forward to more fun and lots of learning as our programming year continues. Join us!

Questions?
 Email Zoe@tbsmb.org



Co-Presidents
Kim Haber & Miriada Gutman



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*Plant
Daddy*

Terrarium Building Class January 29, 2026

Join your sisters in a terrarium building class for Tu B'Shevat hosted by Plant Daddy!
All materials included in ticket price.

7:00 pm
Palm Plaza
\$54/person

RSVP at tbsmb.org/sisters

SCAN ME!



Join Sisterhood!

TOT SHABBAT



Coming Up!

January
10, 17, 24, 31



He's So



Rabbi Robert A. Davis

A Night Honoring Rabbi Robert A. Davis

6:00 pm Shabbat Service
followed by dinner

Sponsorship
opportunities
are available

SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY
May 1
2026

Registration
opens
February 1
tbsmb.org/RAD

Temple Beth Sholom Banned Book Club



WHAT'S PLAYING

The Giver

WHAT IT'S ABOUT

Jonas (Brenton Thwaites) lives in a seemingly idyllic world of conformity and contentment. When he begins to spend time with The Giver (Jeff Bridges), an old man who is the sole keeper of the community's memories, Jonas discovers the dangerous truths of his community's secret past. Armed with the power of knowledge, Jonas realizes that he must escape from their world to protect himself and those he loves--a challenge no one has ever completed successfully.



Friday, January 9
7:30 pm
\$10



B-Mitzvah



Emily Frankel – January 17, 2026 at 10:30 am

Emily will celebrate her bat mitzvah on January 17, 2026. Her parents, Danny and Judith Frankel, are incredibly proud of her dedication to her studies and the many mitzvahs she fulfills with joy. Emily attends Ruth K. Broad K-8 Center in Bay Harbor Islands, where she is active in the student safety patrol, the Spreading Smiles Club, and Best Buddies. She is a devoted friend, a loving big sister, and a wonderful daughter and granddaughter. Emily is truly a bright and special young person.

Rebecca “Becca” Bass – January 17, 2026 at 4:30 pm

Becca will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Saturday, January 17. She is the daughter of Rina and Jeffrey Bass and the proud big sister of Jacob and Jonah. Becca is also the granddaughter of long-time members Peggy and Aron Mandel, and Kathy and Jay Bass of Miami Beach.

A seventh-grade student at Nautilus Middle School, Becca loves spending time with her friends and family, enjoying her summers at Camp Blue Ridge, shopping, and exploring new sports and activities. For her Bat Mitzvah, Becca is partnering with her cousin to support Project Breakout, a cause that is meaningful to their family.



Aryeh “Ari” Stern – January 31, 2026 at 10:30 am

Aryeh (“Ari”) Cintron Stern is thrilled to become a bar mitzvah on his actual birthday, January 31, 2026. Ari is a seventh grader at George Washington Carver Middle School where he enjoys theater and in his free time loves to surf and play basketball. Ari would like to thank his parents, Alex Stern and Anya Cintron Stern, and even his sister Charlie Stern for all their help, support, and patience throughout the process of becoming a Bar Mitzvah. Ari is happy that his grandparents, Richard and Kay Stern, Carlos “Quique” Cintron, and Pilar Barido are travelling from out of town for his special day. Finally, Ari would like to shout out Cantor Mandi for helping him with Hebrew and thank Rabbi Loiben and all the Temple Beth Sholom clergy who have been teaching him since he started jLAB.

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Be Inspired.
Belong.

Here for the *simchas*.
Here for the *tsuris*.
Here for you.

- Your Temple Beth Sholom Clergy

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39th World Zionist Congress Wrap Up

The long journey to the 39th World Zionist Congress began a year and a half ago. The Reform movement (Vote 4 Reform) began to recruit teams in congregations all around the country in early summer of 2024. In the fall of 2024, we began to learn about the process of organizing to build towards the 2025 election. We built a strong TBS team, led by Lauren Cantor and Jose Fraga. In November of 2024, I traveled to Israel with Jose to meet others from all over the world and to learn about what the World Zionist Congress is, how we were going to get as many U.S. and worldwide votes for the Reform platform, and to hear from officials from the Israel National Institutions. We met people committed to Reform Zionism from the UK, Holland, Brazil, Australia, Germany and many other countries. We visited vibrant Reform and liberal congregations in Israel and discovered how there is a great desire in Israel for a Judaism outside the traditional Orthodox and Haredi world. Many of you voted in the election in the Spring of 2025. Elections were held in other countries during the Summer of 2025.

In October of 2025, our Vote 4 Reform delegates, including Rabbis Pomerantz and Loiben, and Shelley Niceley Groff, arrived at the World Zionist Congress (WZC) in Jerusalem — and we made our presence known. We stood tall for our values of democracy, pluralism, inclusivity, and hope. We didn't back down. We built bridges across differences and proudly claimed our rightful place in the Zionist story. We came to win — and we did. This is what all of us worked and voted for!



Our U.S delegation of 66 Reform Jews (including a record number of observers and alternates) reflected the true diversity of our Reform Movement and came together in unity with the World Union for Progressive Judaism and Reform Delegates from around the world — over 150 delegates in total.

The Congress was evenly split between right- and left-leaning parties — meaning nothing was guaranteed.

But through smart organizing and coalition-building, our Reform Movement won the vast majority of votes, and not by small margins.

Here are just a few highlights:

- Stopped funding for **new settlements in Gaza**
- Won **equal government protection** for Reform and liberal synagogues in Israel
- Established a **Commission of Inquiry** to investigate the events of **October 7**
- Created a **national mental health task force** for victims of terror and soldiers
- Expanded **youth movements and Israel education** in the Diaspora
- Supported an **equitable military draft** for all Israelis
- Increased **access to the egalitarian section** of the Western Wall
- Strengthened civil **society, pluralism, and support for Holocaust survivors**

These victories show that our vision — **a Jewish homeland rooted in peace, justice, and inclusion** — speaks to the heart of global Jewry and especially to those in Israel.

Looking Ahead: Powering Up for 2030

Over the next five years, our Movement will expand the incredible work of our clergy, captains, educators, and volunteers to strengthen Reform Zionism, partner with our Israeli Reform Movement, and give Reform Jews everywhere meaningful ways to act for the Israel we believe in.

Together, we are shaping the future of Reform Zionism. Theodor Herzl said, *"Im tirtzu, ein zo agadah"* — "If you will it, it is no dream."

In Jerusalem, we willed it — and together, we proved that a Judaism grounded in justice and hope can stand tall, proud, and strong.

Temple Beth Shalom



Raise awareness,
as our primary focus
for the year is
**food insecurity
and food waste.**



Take the **SNAP Challenge**

The SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) Challenge is a program where participants try to live on the average SNAP benefit amount for a set period, typically a few days to a week. Participants only buy and eat food and condiments for the duration of the challenge, usually on a budget of about \$6 a day per person.

The Social Justice Network Food Insecurity Team invites temple and school families to participate in the SNAP Challenge!

Why Participate in the SNAP Challenge?

Could you get the nutrition you need on just \$6 a day? That is the daily reality for more than 40 million people across the country who rely on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). SNAP is the nation's first line of defense against hunger for people with low incomes. This federal program provides benefits to eligible people to purchase food at grocery stores, supermarkets, farmers' markets, and other SNAP-authorized retailers. Although the SNAP benefit is vital to the individuals and families who participate, the average SNAP benefit is not enough for most people to have an adequate and healthy diet. The SNAP Challenge offers a glimpse of the struggle millions of people with low incomes face.

By attempting to live on the average SNAP benefit, SNAP Challenge participants find themselves forced to make food shopping choices on a limited budget and learn how difficult it is to avoid hunger, afford nutritious foods, stay healthy, and focus on work, school, and taking care of family. By participating in the SNAP Challenge, you will:

- raise awareness of hunger in your community,
- promote the need to increase SNAP benefits, and
- fundraise for local South Florida food insecurity organizations.

How do you participate in our SNAP Challenge?

- Create a personal or family fundraising page through our communal platform and share widely with friends and family.
- The challenge is set for **January 25-28, 2026**. We recommend grocery shopping on Sunday, participating in the challenge from Monday through Wednesday, and documenting your experience on social media with friends and family.
- How much can challenge participants spend on food? We recommend using the average SNAP benefit of \$6 per person per day.
- What can participants buy? Participants can buy any food and non-alcoholic beverages, except for hot foods, such as hot rotisserie chicken (hot foods are not permissible purchases with SNAP benefits by federal law).
- All proceeds from the SNAP Challenge will benefit our partners at Food Rescue

Register for the
SNAP Challenge here:



Donate to the
SNAP Challenge here:





Panim El Panim

Start the New Year with our Panim groups!

January brings fresh energy, and TBS' Panim groups are ready with new ways to connect. We're expanding our special-interest groups —think cooking, culture, activities, and more —and we'd love your ideas to help shape what comes next.

We also have wonderful existing groups welcoming new faces—including our Parents of College-Aged Kids group, offering support, community, and shared experiences during this exciting chapter. Let's make 2026 a year of friendship, connection, and meaningful moments together with Panim!

Find your small group!
Questions? Contact Jaleh Bast at
jaleh@tbsmb.org



Have Your Coffee A La Carte At The Cart!

Maison Valentine is a French café and pastry shop in Miami Beach, celebrated as one of Florida's top bakeries. And they are right here in our Welcome Center!

Every weekday morning they offer artisanal pastries and an array of delicious coffees both iced and hot, for your enjoyment. Maison Valentine proudly serves Miami Beach's finest hotels, including The Setai, W Hotel, The Standard, and 1 Hotel, and you can enjoy it in the comfort of Temple Beth Shalom. They are proud to be part of our Kehillah community!

Our partnership with Maison Valentine started in August 2025, as the new incarnation of Holy Grounds, a temple staple for many years. We wanted to ensure our families had a place to gather for a cup of coffee and some conversation. We are thrilled to see the flow of people through the Welcome Center each day!

Join us Monday through Friday from 8:00 am-10:30 am for the Maison Valentine experience...a little corner of Paris on the corner of Chase.





Cantor Porat hosts an intimate, unplugged Havdalah. Join us for this evening of song, conversation, and community in an open-mic-style experience.

January 10, 2026
6:30–8:00 PM
In the TBS Garden

Cantor's Café



Limited seating.
RSVP required.
\$18/person.

South Florida Symphony Orchestra is delighted to welcome Temple Beth Sholom members for an exclusive night of sparkling champagne and exhilarating music.



Sweeping strings. Timeless beauty. Sibelius' Second Symphony provides a magical night designed to illuminate the soul. Plus, Ravel's jazzy and spirited Piano Concerto in G major featuring internationally renowned pianist Svetlana Smolina, and Vaughan Williams' *Fantasia on a Theme* by Thomas Tallis.

THURSDAY
January 22, 2026

Complimentary Pre-concert reception
for Temple Beth Sholom: 6:30 pm

Concert: 7:30 pm

NEW WORLD CENTER
500 17th St.
Miami Beach, FL 33139



Members of Temple Beth Sholom save **20% off** most tickets (excluding \$35 tickets) when you use promo code **SHOLOM** at checkout.

Tickets at southfloridasymphony.org

Happy Birthday

January 1

Jacqueline Africk
Jeffrey Bercow
Natan Ichak
Laurent Ohana
Grace Rais
Jaleh Samway Bast
Molly Sepsenwol

January 2

Neil Fairman
Amanda
Kleidermacher
Robin Rosenbaum
Phoebe Shekels
Amanda Woerner

January 3

Mack Barnett
Jill Dubin
Aaron Edelstein
Albert Fine
Kamran Khazary
Theo Mintzer
Jenni Person
Nina Schamy
Daniella Silberstein
Richard Zinn

January 4

Sanford Altman
Maximilian Baumann
Laurie Blach
Jay Dubiner
Olivia Kaiserman
Adam Oxios
Michael Wolk

January 5

Michele Burger
Charles Citrin
Michael Levinson
Zara McCully
Alex Mendelson
Isabella Slass

January 6

Shani Alexander

Nancy Bernstein
Clara Greenberg
Larry Hurwitz
Michelle Oravitz

January 7

Roy Benmeir
Elina Melik-Levine
Sarah Monteiro
Theodore Rogg
Elaine Silverstein

January 8

Ali Edell
Joanne Loiben
Philippe Nannetti Berg
Ovidio Oxios
Ian Stern
Joey Weissman

January 9

Jacob Abramson
Jeffrey Baxt
Dori Cohen
Jennifer Katz Burk
Morey Moss
Haley Revesz
Hudson Revesz
Liam Tamuz
Jordan Weinstein
Lucas Werner

January 10

Jacob Fabian
Paul Feinsilver
Drew Goldberg
Jaden Kaplan
Valerie Libutti
Theodore Lubin
Lily Palmer

January 11

Lucia Drusinsky
Robert Fetell
Emily Frankel
Ryan Jove
Vanessa Menkes-
Orlofsky

Karina Spiegel

January 12

Jesse Glickstein
Zara Hurwitz
Matias Levenson
Stacey Mizener
Jason Pyle
Julie Quittner
Robert Sepin
Jane Siegel
Cathy Tighe
Sarina Warren

January 13

Richard Lesser
Carlo Pirari

January 14

Jeffrey Cohn
Natalie Gee
Elizabeth Resnick
Maxine Sobel
Levi Tamuz
David Vargas
Max Weinberg

January 15

Michelle D'Antuono
Hannah Gaynor
Rachel Lombardi
Ellen Matlins
Heidi Tandy

January 16

Jacqueline Brandon
Arthur Cecot
Sophia Fryd
Bradley Golden
Ana Patricia Green
Eric Greenwald
Joel Hirschhorn
Tamara Lilenbaum
Matthew Pomeraniec
Sue Rosenthal
Alberto Slezzynger
Emily Wohl

January 17

Jacob Gaynor
Laura Gould
Chaim LieberPerson
Nili Ressler
Elon Shikhman

January 18

Howard Berlin
Lillian Clerkin
Ari Kleiner
Timothy Martorella
Elliott Nannetti Berg
Lori Nieder
Sky Shashoua
Gabriel Sredni
Zach Tiroche

January 19

Max Bast
Max Goldberg
Ashley Kadey
Chiara Steen
Benjamin Vargas

January 20

Kfir Binnfeld
Sonia Carbo
Rebecca Courson
Abigail Davis
Harley Goldberg
James Orlofsky

January 21

Julie Basner
Jill Muller
Valentina Sierralta-
Sredni
Jason Zedner

January 22

Alan Amdur
Ruby Andras
Ezra Buchman
Jeffrey Cohen
Hilary Feldman
Eli Lawrence
Jorge Pante

Barbara Pomerantz
Stacey Quittner
Adam Reiss

January 23

Jordan Bial
Lindsay Gould
David Mandel
Kerry Newman
Charlotte Paley
Regina Rosenfield
Melissa Ross
Roland Schein

January 24

Elinor Goldberg
Leslie Graff
Jessica Jonap
Haley Leibowitz
Sarah Morales
Cathy Schmerin
Francesca Winer
Mark Wohl

January 25

David Alon
Caroline Davis
Priscilla Friedland
Toba Meiselman
Ripley Reiter
Lisa Rubio
Patricia Stauber

January 26

Barbara Amazon
Daniel Aronson
Jack Bickman
Jaime Campos
Ally Glaser Zimmerman
Sasha Kadey
Logan Pathman
Marlyn Spiegel

Happy Anniversary

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE TIME YOU HAVE SHARED TOGETHER

January 27

Sage Greenbaum
Kristina Igonina
Fred Koczwar
Eva Menase
Samantha Moriber
Daniel Och
Elisa Spungen Bildner
Arthur Weissmann
Margie Zeskind

January 28

Robert Goldstein
Amy Handlin
Margot Jacobs
Will Landsman
Sloane Schwartz

January 29

Helen Cave
Matthew Cave
Larry Chachkes
Santino Cifuentes
Jaxon Hirschhorn
Joshua Tillinger
Chloe Zuckerman
Tasha Zysman

January 30

Ari Kemppler

January 31

Rina Bass
Maxwell Bickman
Patricia Bilstein
Lillian Green
Matthew Greer
Jordan Jerome
Jordana Kinder
Cal Lewis
Daniel Nir
Jason Rubell
Eric Shepard
Aryeh Stern
Jordan Umlas
Nora Zaguskin

January 1

Abbey and Manny Palgon
Nava Regev and Mark Baranek
Judy and Roberto Schaechter
Cathy Raduns-Silverstein and
Steven Silverstein

January 2

Carolyn and Evan Marks

January 3

Wende and Shahar Bitton
Tiffany and Brad Hurwitz

January 4

Ann Marie and Rogerio Lilenbaum
Susan Leitner and Daniel Moskovitz
Rachel and Jeffrey Weissman

January 5

Angelica and David Berezin

January 6

Sandra and Kenneth Cohen
Wendi and Alax Gittler

January 8

Victoria and Jeremy Traster

January 10

Jackie and Alex Fernandez
Nicole and Michael Simkins

January 12

Mindy Glazer and David Gaynor

January 13

Kathy and Richard Lesser
Vanessa and Gary Ressler

January 14

Ana and Samuel Morjain

January 16

Jill Braufman and Daniel Nir

January 17

Myrna and Robert Kirkpatrick

January 19

Sari and Nate Shapiro

January 20

Jo Ann and Mark Hildebrandt

January 22

Jill and William Multack
Jordyn and Steven Dickstein

January 23

Carol and Jonathan Cohen
Andrea and Roland Schein
Allison and Gary Twist

January 26

Ali and Adam Reiss

January 28

Brittany Holland and Zak
Colangelo-Trenner



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2026**

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In Honor Of

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Rabbi Pomerantz for Jacob Daniel

Pardo's Brit Milah

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Liam Jacob Hacker Stein Naming

Ceremony

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and Rabbi Loiben

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In Memory Of

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In Memory Of

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In Memory Of

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HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

Donations from 10/25/28 – 12/8/25
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Their Memory is a Blessing

Irene Berman Maxwell, mother of Amanda Maxwell and James (Lee) Maxwell; grandmother of Nora and Mira Maxwell.

Susan Schneider Channing, mother of Jennifer Channing Elegant (Justin Elegant) and Melissa Channing Munchick (Lorin Munchick); grandmother of Luke and Hudson Elegant and Aria Munchick; sister of Lloyd (Marlynn) Schneider; and wife of the late Joel Channing.

Eileen Abrams, mother of Kevin (Judy) Abrams and Korri (Stephen) Frampton; and grandmother of David Abrams, Joshua Abrams, Rachel Frampton, and Sarah Frampton

Gretchen Anna VanderWerf, sister of Marte (Paul) Singerman, and aunt of Eliza and Rickie Singerman.

Zichronam Livracha.

"For everything there is a season."

Kohelet 3:1.

TRAVEL with TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM



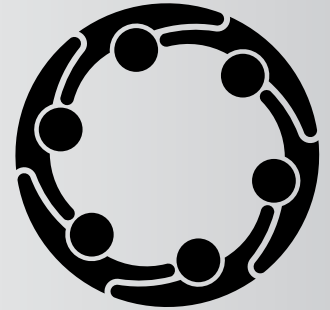
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An incredible journey to Poland, Hungary, and Israel. Join Mark Baranek in Poland for Yom *Hashoah* (Holocaust Memorial Day) and then Israel for its 78th Independence. There's also an optional Shabbat in Budapest, Hungary. This will be the experience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



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June 11 - 22, 2026

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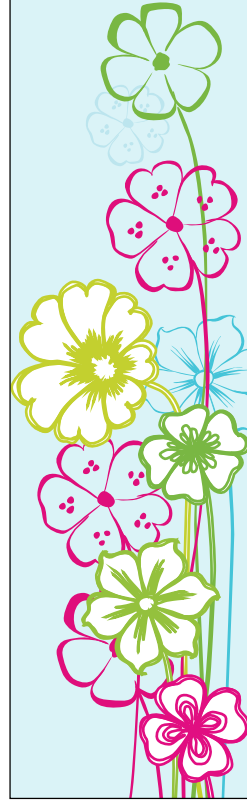


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