Coming Home to Exodus in this Season of Wandering

We do not begin the Book of Exodus until the middle of January in this new secular year, but already our people’s great story of migration, the master narrative of the Jewish people we call the exodus, has begun. Genesis had witnessed our patriarchs’ and their families’ crossing of borders before, and in still greater numbers when Jacob’s family migrates from the Land of Israel into Egypt in order to escape famine. But that migration, according to Nachmanides, is only prelude to the great migration to come, the exodus from Egypt whose story we will begin to retell again this month.

That story of fleeing Egypt as refugees and seeking out a land of promise will occupy approximately 75 percent of the Torah. We will make it the centerpiece of our Passover seders. And each week, in the Shabbat Kiddush, we will proclaim Shabbat to be a reminder of two things: ma’aseh bereshit, the work of creation, and yetziat Mitzrayim, the exodus from Egypt.

Creation and Exodus stand side by side each week in the sanctity and preeminence of Shabbat: what does that tell us about us, about Jewish thought and values? Consider some possibilities: 1) We see both events as moments of birth—the creation story as the birth of the world, and the exodus story as the birth of our people, through and into freedom. 2) We see every liberation from slavery as an act tantamount to the creation of the world, the provision of light and promise where previously there had been none. 3) We give language to the role of God in our lives, as a source of new possibilities in every moment, from the light of dawn each morning to the dawn of hope in the eyes of a human being who has known redemption. 4) We remember exodus in order to remember slavery, and the imperatives of compassion and justice that all our experiences of oppression require of us: “because you were strangers in the land of Egypt ...”

That Exodus consciousness emerged again and again on our congregational journey to Spain this past fall. This constant sense of movement—not only because we were on and off of buses each day, but because we were studying the sense of provisional privilege, tenuous security, and constant mobility of our Jewish ancestors in medieval Spain. At what point should a Jew move from the north of Spain to the south in order to escape increasing restriction from Christian authorities? At what point should a Jew from the south of Spain move to the north because a tolerant Muslim regime has been conquered by an extremist one? And ultimately, should a Jew surrender Jewish identity in order to stay in a land that has been home for hundreds of years, or hold fast to that identity and submit to expulsion to parts unknown? It is a devil’s choice, because one way or another, the Jew loses a sense of home; and one way or another, Jewish life in Spain is snuffed out for centuries, until recent and promising signs of rebirth.

And yet our people insisted on juxtaposition—alongside the Spanish Jews’ sense of persecution and movement, the efflorescence of creativity that made the Iberian peninsula home to some of Judaism’s greatest historic achievements: in philosophy, theology, philology, poetry, politics, and of course, food. There, too, in some of our darkest times, creativity and wandering stood side by side in the glow of Shabbat candles.

As we prepare to begin the Book of Exodus anew, we should recognize another fundamental juxtaposition it offers us, another pairing of ideas that animates the heart of what it means to be a Jew: Exodus and Sinai. In the Book of Exodus, we place our refugee experience shoulder to shoulder with our acceptance of the Sinai commandments, the ethical imperatives that will guide our lives. For all the indeterminacy of our historical wandering, one compass remains true: the compass of Torah, the compass of justice, the compass of compassion for the stranger and respect for all human beings. It is a compass founded at Sinai, illuminated by the light of creation. As the Exodus season dawns again, may we each lead our people’s journey forward in commitment, courage and strength.
Wanted: Great Leaders for Temple

“Select capable leaders from all the people—those who fear God, trustworthy people who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials.” – Exodus 18:21

The Temple Emanu-El Nominating Committee needs your help! Led by Barbara Hyman, the committee is identifying candidates for the Board of Trustees. The committee is seeking members with strong personal and leadership characteristics, proven commitment to Temple, strategic vision and willingness to participate in fundraising. Other considerations are engagement in major Temple projects and demographic and programmatic fit with our current Board. Submit in one of two ways described below.

ONLINE: visit tedallas.org/_uploads/BoardNominations.pdf
PHONE: Call Joyce Wakefield at 214.706.0000 and ask for a printed copy. Return to Temple by January 6.

Teen Scene

Temple teens are having the best time. The fall brought the community together for Grill & Chill, the Jewish Supernatural Escape Room and Teen Havdalah. Teens learned spooky secrets about Olan Sanctuary, relaxed in the new Family Engagement Space and created Havdalah sets from scratch at Shops at Legacy.

No FOMO (fear of missing out) here! Join the fun at four upcoming awesome events.

Jam Sessions with Cantor Vicky Glikin and Songleader Ian Simpson
Sundays, January 12 (with Shira Kline) & February 2
12:1-1:30PM, Weiss Youth Wing, lunch is provided
RSVP: Martha Bowden, mbowden@tedallas.org

Taco Tuesday with Rabbi David Stern
Tuesday, January 21
6-8PM, Torchy’s Tacos @ Preston and Forest

Winter Retreat, grades 9-12, San Antonio
January 24-26
Hosted by Temple Beth-El, for teens from across Texas and Oklahoma
Contact: Shira Stevenson, sstevenson@tedallas.org

Teen Shabbat, open to grades 8-12
January 31
Rollerskating and more!
RSVP: Shira Stevenson, sstevenson@tedallas.org
**BECOMING B’NAI MITZVAH**

Hannah Leah Fisher  
January 4  
Daughter of Deborah and Mark Fisher  
Uplift North Hills Preparatory  
Tikkun Olam: Jewish Family Service Food Bank

Matthew Freeman  
January 25  
Son of Sharon and Mike Freeman  
St. Mark’s School of Texas  
Tikkun Olam: Jewish Family Service

Jack Howard Bendalin  
January 25  
Son of Susan and Ken Bendalin  
Shelton School  
Tikkun Olam: Family Gateway

**BABY NAMINGS**

Shayna Crist  
Daughter of Mallory and Thomas Crist  
Granddaughter of Joanne Crist

Blake Avery Knecht  
Daughter of Tracy & Sean Knecht  
Granddaughter of Trish & Matt Gold

**OUR COMMUNITY**

**WEDDINGS**

Lauren Coronado and Seth New

**IN MEMORIAM**

Lillian Becker  
Mother of Joan Becker, Ellen Cohn and Laurie Ginsberg  
Sister of Edith Anfang

Helga Wangenheim Brown  
Mother of Mark Brown

Marc Clair  
Brother of Bob Clair

Carol Burnett Elieff  
Mother of Tom Elieff

Sheldon Fleishman  
Father of Elliott Fleishman, Lynne Edmondson, Neale Fleishman  
Brother of Warner Fleishman

Neilson Goldman  
Father of Larry Goldman

Dane Goldstein  
Son of Bobby Goldstein and Carolyn Vandagriff  
Brother of Cooper Goldstein and Audrey Goldstein

Neil H. Kempf  
Father of Krista Goodman

Alex Klein  
Stepfather of Frieda Schmiedel

Michael “Mickey” Kleiman  
Mother of Evelyn Roitenberg

James Stanley Rosenbloom  
Loved one of Sandra Solov

Ellen Schenklar  
Mother of Cinde Schenklar and Phillip Schenklar

Ned “Soncy” Wolins  
Brother of Hope Levine

**NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS**

Oscar Argujo  
Lyn & Michael Barrett  
Art Becker  
Shani, Shir & Dor Benitach  
Josh Bethke & Marissa Shiller  
Jose & Kimberly Bowen

Zachary Braunstein  
Linda Brenner  
Jonathan & Clemence Dunn  
Nancy Eisen  
Brooke, Scott, Finton & Gardner Pedra  
Richard & Sue Feingold  
William & Bailey Feingold  
Daniel, Matt & Henry Friedman

Michele Friedman  
Darren, Corbin, Dylan & Megan Glass

Wolf & Quinnie Gloger  
Leonard Gojer  
Zach & Lili Golman  
Robert & Alissa Goodman  
Madeline Greenblatt

Sarahbeth Grossman  
Jaime Haidenburg, Jennifer Troice, Jack, Leo & Sebastian Haidenburg

Sherman, Amanda, Spencer & Emily Hanu  
Gary, Jennifer, Henry & Jack Hudson

Julie, Matt & Avery Idice  
Debbie, Jordan, Sam, Jake & Zach Kimberg

Corey, Steven & Benji King  
Geula, Bob & Chloe LaGrone  
Linda Levine  
Esther Lewin

Alexandra & Marc Liebermann  
Blayne, Alana, Nix & Case Lipman  
Jane Margolin & Ryan Horn  
Arie Martel, Nicola Hudson, Katie & Romy Martel  
Allison, Ryan & Amelia Mitchell  
Robert Morland & Julie Goodman  
Jennifer, Brett, Madelyn, Juliana & Maxwell Muller  
Randy & Tim Perneszi  
David, Mariana, Tamara, Aaron & Ivana Podolsky  
Janice Prystowsky  
Michael, Debbie, Sarah & Tali Richman

Allison & Dennis Rogers  
Ron Rogozinski & Lit  
Niv-Rogozinski, Eden, Mia & Tal Rogozinski  
Louis & Caitlin Rosenthal  
Gary Rubin & Andrea, Avi & Tivvy Truelove

Andrew Rubenstein & Jackie Glazer  
Yosi & Sadie Samra  
Stefani Santee  
Lance, Kendra, Evan & Blake Shapiro  
Naomi Silva & Asem, Ishaan & Arya Bhandari  
Becky Singerman  
Jennifer Small  
Adam Solomon  
Michael, Carla, Eli & Nate Stitt  
Lindsay & Jonathan Tobolowsky  
Shерwood Weil & Joan Berger  
Carl Weisbrod  
Sadie Wertheimer  
Ilanit, Matthew, Mika & Yoyo Zucker

**LET US KNOW**

Temple clergy and staff are available to support members of our community dealing with mental and physical health issues. Please reach out to us if you or a friend or family member is dealing with depression, addiction, grief, cancer, chronic conditions, infertility, mobility issues, housing transition, job loss or other conditions.

**NO BARRIERS**

Finances should never be a barrier to participation in Temple life. Confidential financial assistance is available for most Temple events, tuition and dues.

[tedallas.org/community/temple-cares](http://tedallas.org/community/temple-cares)

Contact: Meredith Pryzant, mpryzant@tedallas.org
ANTISEMITISM TODAY: TWO PERSPECTIVES

Temple Emanu-El is committed to exploring tough topics in a safe space. To build on the growing awareness of modern antisemitism that we shared together in Rabbi Stern’s Rosh Hashanah sermon, we continue our study and awareness in two important events this winter.

The Monster Among Us

A film by Temple members Cynthia and Allen Mondell

Thursday, January 30
7 PM | Tobian Auditorium
RSVP: tesisterhood.org

A documentary exploring the resurgence of antisemitism in Europe today, followed by a discussion with the filmmakers.

THE 2020 RABBI DAVID LEFKOWITZ MEMORIAL LECTURESHP

ANTISEMITISM: HERE AND NOW

Featuring Deborah E. Lipstadt

Thursday, February 20
7 PM, Stern Chapel
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/lipstadt

Temple is thrilled to welcome Dr. Lipstadt, one of the country’s foremost scholars on antisemitism. The Dorot professor of Holocaust Studies at Emory University, Dr. Lipstadt has published and taught about the Holocaust for nearly four decades. In addition to her scholarly works, Professor Lipstadt is widely known for winning a libel lawsuit brought against her by a Holocaust denier. Her book, “Antisemitism: Here and Now,” was published in January 2019 and cited in Rabbi David Stern’s Rosh Hashanah sermon.

To prepare for these two important events that deepen our understanding of antisemitism, please visit tedallas.org/antisemitism. There you’ll find a study guide by Dr. Erica Brown, last year’s scholar-in-residence for the Rabbi Levi A. Olan Memorial Lecture, a copy of Rabbi Stern’s sermon and more.
America’s Jewish Women
A History From Colonial Times To Today
FEATURING PAMELA NADELL

Presented by the JCC Dallas Jewish Bookfest, Temple Emanu-El Women of Reform Judaism and the Dallas Jewish Historical Society, with assistance from the Jewish Book Council

Tuesday, February 11 | 7-9PM

In this groundbreaking history, author and American University professor Pamela Nadell asks what it means to be a Jewish woman in America. Weaving together stories from colonial matriarch Grace Nathan and her great-granddaughter poet Emma Lazarus to union organizer Bessie Hillman and Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Nadell shows two threads binding the nation’s Jewish women: a strong sense of self and a resolute commitment to making the world a better place.

Cost: $10 advance | $15 at door | Free to WRJ members JCC BookFest Sponsors and DJHS Trailblazers
RSVP: jccdallas.org/event/pamela-s-nadell
Contact: Rachelle Weiss Crane, rweisscrane@jccdallas.org

MAHJONG

MEET-UP

Wednesday, January 15
6:30-8:30PM
Rooms 133-135

Bring your mahjong set and card. Games will be formed as people arrive. Help is available.
RSVP: sharon@txwilley.com

DAUGHTERS OF ABRAHAM

This interfaith group seeks to enhance understanding of the cultural and spiritual similarities and differences among Jews, Christians and Muslims.

Thursday, January 16
7-8:30PM | Linz Hall

Topic: How do we talk to God?
Contact: Leah Beth Kolni, leahbkolni@gmail.com

STRETCH & SCHMOOZE

Sunday, Jan. 19 & Feb. 2
9:45AM • Linz Hall

Enjoy a yoga class during YL+E hours. Bring your own mat and stay after for some schmooze time.

Childcare available if requested in advance to Lee Nichols, lelia.nichols@gmail.com

MULTIGENERATIONAL JOURNEY

Led by Rabbis David Stern and Nancy Kasten

FOOD, CULTURE AND ART
Led by Cantor Leslie Niren

To view itineraries, visit: arzaworld.com and search for Temple Emanu-El of Dallas
Contact: Karen Hoffman, khoffman@tedallas.org, 214.706.0000, ext. 159


**Communal Events**

**Renoir Exhibit and Lunch in Fort Worth**
Thursday, Jan. 16
Bus departs Temple at 10:30 am
Cost: $38
Register: participate.tedallas.org/g2grenoir

The docent tour of Renoir: The Body, The Senses, is now full, but there's room to join us for lunch if you'd like to visit the exhibit on your own. Bus and lunch are included.

**Austin-Fredericksburg Trip Information Session**
Sunday, Jan. 26
1-2 pm, Ackerman Conference Room
Take it out on the road with g2g for a Jewish exploration of Austin and Fredericksburg, including a visit to an Israeli winery and observance of Yom HaShoah. April 20-23.

**Holocaust Museum Tour and Lunch at Ellen’s**
Wednesday, Feb. 12
Bus leaves at 10:30 am
Cost: $19 for Holocaust Museum Members, $29 for non-museum members
Register: participate.tedallas.org/holocaustmuseum

Explore the story of the Holocaust, the emergence of post-WWII international human rights and the evolution of human and civil rights in America.

**Healing, hope and help through life’s difficult times**

**Temple Cares**

**Grief Support**
January 14, 28
11:30 am-1 pm, Zilbermann Chapel

**Substance Abuse Support Group for Friends and Family**
January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
6-7 pm, Room 130

**Contact**: Lauren Kahn, lkahn@tedallas.org

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Upcoming Event: Welcoming HUC’s President

Andrew Rehfeld, Ph.D., president of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, will be visiting Temple Emanu-El on Feb. 14-16 for a weekend of learning and discovery. Rehfeld, the college’s 10th president, is pleased that Temple is one of the first congregations to visit in his new role.

Formerly an associate professor of political science at Washington University and head of the Jewish Federation of St. Louis, Dr. Rehfeld has been a leader in the Reform Movement since he was a teenager and has served on multiple synagogue boards.

Meet this dynamic Reform leader and powerful speaker and learn about how our seminary is training the clergy of tomorrow!

**Friday, Feb. 14**
Shabbat evening service, 6:15 pm, Stern Chapel

**Saturday, Feb. 15**
Chever Torah, 9 am, Linz Hall

**Sunday, Feb. 16**
Brotherhood Community Breakfast, details below

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**Brotherhood Community Breakfast**

**The Future of Reform Judaism**

**Sunday, February 16 | 9:30 am**
(breakfast will be served before the panel)

**Featuring**
Dr. Andrew Rehfeld, President HUC-JIR
Rabbi Mark Washofsky, Solomon B. Freehof Professor of Jewish Law and Practice, HUC-JIR
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Moderated by Dr. Richard Wasserman
Overseer Vice-Chair, Cincinnati Board of Overseers of HUC-JIR

**RSVP**: Ivan Edelman, edelman.ivan@gmail.com

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If you have questions about these or any other aspect of support at Temple, please contact Meredith Pryzant, mpryzant@tedallas.org, 214.706.0000, ext. 122.
Shabbat Shalom

Vayigash
Genesis 44:1-18:47:27
Friday, January 3
6:15PM, Stern Chapel
Rabbi Debra Robbins
Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Leslie Niren

Saturday, January 4
10:30AM, Lefkowitz Chapel
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern
Followed by Shabbat Nosh, a light congregational lunch

4:30PM, Stern Chapel
Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Cantor Leslie Niren
Bat Mitzvah: Hannah Fisher

Vay’chi
Genesis 47:28-50:26
Friday, January 10
6:15PM, Stern Chapel
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Ian Simpson, Songleader
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Ian Simpson, Songleader
Kol Shir Youth Choir
6:15PM, Olan Sanctuary
Temple Emanu-El Choir
Saturday, January 11
10:30AM, Lefkowitz Chapel
Rabbi Debra Robbins
Cantor Leslie Niren
Bar Mitzvah: Matthew Freeman
5PM, Pollman Hall
Tot Shabbat
Rabbi Amy Ross
Shelly Sender
Ian Simpson, Songleader

Prayers & Pray-ers
This month-long Sunday morning course, led by Rabbi Debra Robbins, will explore four psalms that are used as prayers and how they work not only as liturgy, but as guides in daily life. Participants will engage with written commentary, musical interpretations, and personal experience as well as with each other by joining together for Shabbat services and Ta’am dinner on January 10.

Registration fee: $40 includes book, materials and Shabbat dinner

Register: participate.tedallas.org/prayersandprayer

Contact: Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org

Sh’mot
Exodus 1:1-6:1
Friday, January 17
6:15PM, Stern Chapel
Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Vicky Glikin

7:30PM
ATid Late Night Shabbat
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Ian Simpson, Songleader

Saturday, January 18
10:30AM, Lefkowitz Chapel
Rabbi Debra Robbins
Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

4:30PM, Stern Chapel
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Bat Mitzvah: Natalie Yellen

Va-eira
Exodus 6:2-9:35
Friday, January 24
6:15PM, Stern Chapel
Rabbi David Stern
Rabbi Debra Robbins
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Ian Simpson, Songleader
Kol Shir Youth Choir
6:15PM, Olan Sanctuary
Shira Kline, Artist-in-Residence

Saturday, January 25
10:30AM, Lefkowitz Chapel
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Randi Pearlman, Cantorial Soloist

10:30AM, Olan Sanctuary
Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Bar Mitzvah: Andrew Wilkes

4:30PM, Olan Sanctuary
Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Bar Mitzvah: Jack Bendalin

Prayer
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Register: participate.tedallas.org/prayersandprayer

Contact: Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10
6:15 PM
Shabbat evening service, Stern Chapel
After services: Ta’am 8500 dinner and song session with Shira, our cantors and songleaders
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/taam8500

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11
9 AM
Tot Shabbat, Pollman Hall
Shira will bring her Jewish kiddie rock to Tot Shabbat, open to all tots and their families. You don’t have to be in ECEC to attend!
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/january-tot-shabbat

4-6PM
Putting the “G” in OMG, Stern Chapel
Do you ever hear people say, “I’m not religious, but I’m spiritual”? Whether we are embracing or we are wrestling with the One, how does our spiritual language reflect who and where we’re at now? Followed by Havdalah
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/godtalkshirakline

A PACKED WEEKEND!
For all events during Shira’s weekend at Temple, see tedallas.org/musicaroundemanuel

Rock & Soul
SHIRA KLINE
JANUARY 9-12, 2020
A spiritual and musical weekend with Shira Kline, who wows children and adults alike with her effervescent, versatile style.
Meet these members who turned to Sh’ma Emanu-El for new friendships and a deeper experience.

A retiree’s new best friend, a Shabbat dinner delivered to an ill friend, gloriously chaotic young family dinners—and all because of an idea that human connection can change lives.

Now in its sixth year, Sh’ma Emanu-El is creating powerful communities. More than 40 groups are meeting frequently, showing up together for Temple events and finding joy and meaning in their relationships.

“Back when we were designing the new spaces, the idea was the architecture of possibility,” says Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen. “Temple is really a living, ever-changing space because of the people who inhabit it. We also want to make it clear that Sh’ma Emanu-El is not just built and done with. It’s an ever-evolving project with a tremendously strong foundation of five years and so much potential to come.”

No matter how exciting the possibilities are, though, sometimes the first step is the hardest. Temple is here to help.

“I hear a lot that it’s really challenging to make true friendships and connections,” says Alexandra Horn, Director of Social Justice and Small Group Engagement. “Sh’ma Emanu-El gives you the opportunity and courage to make deeper, relationships—and that is ultimately our goal.”

Members of three of Temple’s Sh’má Groups, all in different stages of their lives, shared their stories with The Window. Whether you are considering joining Sh’ma Emanu-El, are in a group yourself or are cheering it on from afar, it’s hard not to be inspired!

BARBARA AND ERIC SOLOMON

Barbara and Eric moved to Dallas nearly six years ago after 34 years in Birmingham. They joined Temple and immediately felt at home. Barbara is now chair of Sh’ma Emanu-El and on the Board of Trustees. Eric is excited that he met a new best friend through the program.

Group: Shelanu, belonging to all of us
Who we are: 14 people in our 60s in central to north Dallas: empty nesters, mostly retired, grandparents
Meetings: Mostly weekends in members’ homes, or outings in the city
Eric: The Sh’ma Group lets people let their hair down and get to know people better on a more personal level. If health issues or problems occur, the group steps up and is there for them. We are an eclectic group of people with different interests and viewpoints. The dynamic of the group pulls us together.
Barbara: Temple can be an intimidating place. The Sh’ma program is all about trying to make large feel small, and to feel more connected.

Interested in learning more? Contact Alexandra Horn, ahorn@tedallas.org. Be on the lookout for a video that features these Sh’má members and more!
M.J. TOUVELL

MJ became involved in Temple in the conversion process, which she started three years ago. She converted officially and joined Temple two years ago.

Group: Sh’ma Kehillah

Who we are: We are a diverse group of six, 60-plus women. Five are single, one is married, four are working, two are retired.

Meetings: Once a month, at a restaurant

MJ. Our group is small and getting to know one another. In one of the moments we were together, an individual was particularly quiet. We asked if she was ok, and she ended up sharing some personal things she was going through. I looked around and thought, ‘wow, it takes a lot of courage to share something that deeply personal. We’ve established something really important here.’"

I am a convert and learning to live Jewishly. Members of the group share their stories of growing up, personal dynamics, political views and more, giving me an intimate view into the life of a devoted Jewish woman. It’s lovely.

MASSIEL, SETH AND MALCOLM COHN

Massiel and Seth were looking for young parents to connect with, something that had been difficult before becoming Temple members. Sh’ma Emanu-El became that pathway to connection.

Group: Temple Toddlers

Who we are: Toddlers and parents of toddlers

Meetings: Once a month, with the main challenge being scheduling around naptimes!

Seth and Massiel: Our get-togethers serve as group playdates in which they’re able to show off new skills (walking! talking! clapping!) in front of their Temple friends. For the parents, our time together is an opportunity to discuss all facets of parenting—the joys, the challenges, and everything in between! During our most recent meeting, we explored how to cultivate Jewish traditions and celebrate Jewish holidays in fun, engaging ways that make it real for our toddlers.

This ability to connect with others and share our experiences has led directly to real friendships, for us and, more importantly, for Malcolm.

It’s one thing to make friends during scheduled get-togethers; it’s another thing altogether to see those friends at Temple events like Tot Shabbat, High Holy Day services and more. Through Temple Toddlers, we’ve met enough people that we’re confident that each time we find ourselves at Temple, the chances are good that we’re likely to run into a member of our group. And while that may seem insignificant, it’s these types of moments that, for us, really make Temple feel like a community.
Annual Fund Spotlight: Rhea Wolfram

How has Temple Emanu-El been here for you?

Temple is my family. I’m one of the oldest members of the congregation. Truly, Temple is in my blood. Soon after I came here in 1946, I took deathly ill. Rabbi (David) Lefkowitz heard about it. I was in a coma and needed blood transfusions. Rabbi Lefkowitz saw to it that members of the congregation came and gave blood.

I feel I belong to a real community here. It has enriched my life on every level—through culture, arts, history and philosophy. For years and years, we never missed a Friday night service. Rabbi Olan’s sermons were my education on the history and philosophy of Judaism.

What do you think makes Temple Emanu-El so special?

Music is a spiritual experience in this congregation. I don’t know of another congregation where prayer and music and art are so well integrated as they are here.

We have the most wonderful relationship with the Dallas community at large; we have the film series and great lectures. I just don’t think people appreciate how unique we are.

Why should people give, no matter their ages or financial circumstances?

You don’t get anything for nothing. You get something out of it when you’ve made a contribution. To be a taker, you have to be a giver. No matter how little, it’s important to be counted.

Let’s start Creating Possibilities Together. Your gift of any amount makes a difference.

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Our Congregation

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By Irma Grossman
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Memory of Sonia K. Gold
By Rita Sue & Alan Gold
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By Bonnie & Michael Grossfeld
Memory of Marie Grossman
By Irma Grossman
Memory of Morris Grossman
By Irma Grossman
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By Esther Giller
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Memory of Sally Goodman
By Kerri & Rick Lacher
Memory of Amelia Krohn
By Tricia & Jim Krohn
Memory of Bill Levine
By Linda Levine
Memory of Lewis Levinson
By Lane Levinson, Lauren Zlotky & Joan Levinson
Memory of Ada Lynn
By Scott Lynn
Memory of Sidney Lynn
By Scott Lynn
Memory of Geraldine Mallad
By Elise Power & David Becker
Memory of Ilaya Potash
By Rosie Stromberg
Memory of David H. Saunders
By Sylvia & Malcolm Cohen
Appreciation of Cantor Vicky Glikin
By Jane Manaster
Appreciation of Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
By Esther Giller
By Jane Manaster
Appreciation of Rabbi Debra Robbins
By Esther Giller
Appreciation of Rabbi Dan Uitley
By The Baker Family
By Tyler, Jessica, Marty & Eli Jones
Contribution
By Betsy & Mark Kleinman
By Morton D. Newman
By Joan Sandfield, Jacqueline & Byron Sandfield
Bat Mitzvah of Debbi Rothschild
By Gayle Morris
By Judi Wyatt
Honor of Scott Kline
By Sandra & Fred Kline
Naming of Rory Shea Steinberg
By Judy & Robb Steinberg
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Assistance for Temple members through all phases of life including hospitalization, elder care, military service, mental health challenges and grief
Memory of Lillian Becker
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Memory of Jeane Fagodau
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Memory of Tullie Labovitz
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Our Temple and Cemetery

Rose Marion and Lee H. Berg Building Fund
Upkeep and maintenance of our historic building
Memory of Waucsel Barshop
By Jerry Barshop
Memory of Ruth Blatt
By Julius M. Blatt
Memory of Sol Mitchell Gilbert
By Dr. J. M. Gilbert
Memory of Sara S. Goldman
By Beverly & Joe Goldman
Memory of Mildred Goltz
By Jay Goltz
Memory of Ruth Kleinman
By Nancy & Ronald Fellman
Memory of Joan Loeb
By Phyllis Stern & Gerald Strug
Memory of Ann Raskin
By Madge & Hervey Levin
Memory of Naomi G. Roberts
By Jacque & Freddy Roberts
Memory of Leonard Stern
By Eileen & Brent Ladd
By Phyllis & Joe Bernstein
By Phyllis Stern & Gerald Strug
Memory of Lois W. Toub
By Beverly & Joe Goldman
Memory of Max Vernon
By Magie Furst
Memory of Hortense G. Weil
By Beverly & Joe Goldman

Temple Emanu-El Cemetery Endowment Fund
Distribution from the Temple’s foundation supporting the maintenance and improvement of the cemetery grounds
Memory of Lillian Becker
By Harold Kleinman
Memory of Evie Moch
By Fonda Glazer
Memory of Leonard Stern
By Sylvia Epstein
Contribution
By Ed Fitzmaurice

Dorothy and Henry Jacobus Archives Fund
Support of special exhibits from our Archives
Memory of Lillian Becker
By May Sebel

Rabbi Gerald J. Klein
Memorial Cemetery Fund
Beautification and improvements of the Temple Emanu-El Cemetery
Memory of Rae Aronoff
By Norma Schlenger
Memory of Isadore Cohen
By Mary Ann & Marshall Lustig
Memory of Adelaide Cohn
By Mary Ann & Marshall Lustig
Memory of Dave Fleischer
By Rozanne Friedman
Memory of Ruth L. Kirstein
By Mary Ann & Marshall Lustig
Memory of David H. Saunders
By Joan & Malcolm Shwarts

Rabbi Gerald J. Klein Garden Fund

Maintenance of the Klein Garden
Memory of M.J. Mittenthal
By Pat Mittenthal
Memory of Irene Rosenfield
By Marjorie Cowin
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Rabbi Sheldon Zimmerman
Building Endowment Fund
Support for maintenance of Temple's building

Memory of Lillian Becker
By Elisa & Steven Reiter

General

Temple Emanu-El
General Operating Fund
Support for Temple's general programs and events

Memory of Lillian Becker
By Bobbi & Richard Massman
By Sharon Darver
By Susan & Evan Bates

Memory of Sheldon Fleishman
By Ajja & Samuel Collins

Memory of Ellen Schenkler
By Susie Avnery

Memory of Lawrence Wechsler
By Doris & Sol Freed

Celebration of Debbi Rothschild
By Deb Willens
By Kerri Lacher

Temple Emanu-El
Endowment Fund
Distribution from the Temple's foundation supporting Temple's programs

Memory of Lawrence Wechsler
By Milton Leventhal

Music and Prayer

Music Fund
Enhancement of Temple music programs

Memory of Lillian Becker
By Carol & Jon Weinstein
By Shari Jenner
By Sheryl & Gordon Bogen

Memory of Beatrice G. Goldman
By Bonnie Glasgo & Simon Sargon

Memory of Sylvia Silven
By Sylvia Benenson

Memory of Ned (Soncy) M. Wolins, Jr.
By Elisa & Steven Reiter

Anniversary of Millie & Lenny Gorsky
By Michelle & Ricky Rickoff

Anniversary of Michelle & Ricky Rickoff
By Helen Feldman

Appreciation of Cantor Vicky Glikin
By Tyler, Jessica, Marty & Eli Jones

Appreciation of Cantor Leslie Niren
By The Becker Family

Aline C. Rutland Prayer Book Fund
Purchases of prayer books

Bat Mitzvah of Debbi Rothschild
By Phyllis & Joe Somer

Adult Programs

Atid (Young Adults)
Support of Jewish engagement of young adults in their 20s and 30s

Memory of Dorothy F. Wittels
By Fran, Jeff, Mollie & Dani Toubin

Katherine F. Baum Adult Education Fund
Support for adult education programs

Memory of Jim Comfort
By Marilyn & Leon Levin

Memory of Joseph A. Epstein
By Joanne & Donald Epstein

Memory of Sarah Epstein
By Joanne & Donald Epstein

Memory of Marilyn Koeppel
By Wendy & George Palmer

Memory of Herman A. Malone
By Katherine & Jim Harvey

Celebration of Debbi Rothschild
By Susan & Stan Schwartz

Henry D. Schlinger Ethics Symposium Endowment Fund
Support of the ethics symposium

Memory of Jeanne Fagadu
By Robin Sachs & Robert Farkas

Social Justice

Hunger Relief Projects
Collection of funds for hunger relief throughout the year, especially during High Holy Days and Passover

Memory of Fanny Braslow Brody
By Sylvia & Malcolm Cohen

Memory of Irena Glikin
By Miriam Vernon

Memory of Joan Loeb
By Beverly Blumenthal, Karen Blumenthal & Scott McCartney

Memory of David H. Saunders
By Miriam Vernon

Memory of Morton Schneider
By Frances Schneider

Memory of Sylvia Silven
By Miriam Vernon

Memory of Peggy Trubitt
By Richard Trubitt

Birthday of Karen Hoffman
By Barb & Michael Selz

Marriage of Brian Strull & Susan E. Beliak
By Susan & Daryl Beck

The Jill Stone Tikkun Olam Fund
Support of Temple's social justice programs including initiatives, advocacy, projects and lectures

Memory of Lillian Becker
By Julie & David Fields

Memory of Jeanne Fagadu
By Robin Sachs & Robert Farkas

Memory of Ruth Kleinman
By Beverly Blumenthal, Karen Blumenthal & Scott McCartney
By Marvin & Kathy Stone

Contribution
By Deidra & Gordon Cizon

Priscilla R. Stern Memorial Literacy Fund
Support of literacy projects in the general and Jewish communities

Memory of Leslie Glosserman Bass
By Nancy & Ronald Fellman

Memory of Lillian Becker
By Ruthie & Alan Shor

Memory of Lewis Levinson
By Kerri & Rick Lacher

Memory of Milton H. Schonwald
By Kim & Avrum Schwartz

Birthday of Susan Kottwitz
By Terry & Barry Greenberg

Celebration of Rabbi Debra Robbins
By Barb & Michael Selz

Speedy Recovery of Rabbi David Stern
By Ettie & Melvin Weinberg
By May Sebel

Social Justice Fund for Youth Education
Support of worthwhile educational causes for youth in need

Memory of Lillian Becker
By Susan Regan Donnenfeld & Family

Youth and Early Childhood Education

William P. Budner Youth Library Fund
Purchases of Judaic books and publications for students

Memory of Vickie Glass
By Roz & Art Kaplan

Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) Fund
Support of ECEC programs

Memory of Lillian Becker
By Ethel Zale

Memory of Lottie Bricker
By Richard Polakoff

Memory of Florence Staub
By Lynn & Jay Staub

Memory of Edwin Daniel Staub
By Lynn & Jay Staub

Appreciation of Lauren Savaregio
By Marc & Michael Grossman

Honor of Teddy Morton
By Nancy J. & James M. Hoak

Gina Rosenfield Levy Greene Family Camp Scholarship Fund
Financial assistance to families for Greene Family Camp

Memory of Diane Garber
By Cynthia Floyd

Speedy Recovery of Phyllis Stoup
By Joyce & Joseph Rosenfield

Paul Lande Summer Camp Scholarship Fund
Scholarships for children to attend Jewish summer camp

Memory of Paul Lande
By Beverly & Sidney Lande
By Sheri & Jack Vine

Metz Youth Fund
Scholarships for Jewish activities sponsored by Temple or other Jewish organizations

Memory of Helga Brown
By Jeff & Stephen Gootman
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Memory of Doris P. Metz
By Ellen & Allan Metz

Memory of Joseph S. Metz
By Ellen & Allan Metz

Martin and Charlotte Weiss
Religious School Fund
Scholarships for YL+E fees, books and additional expenses

Memory of Alan Mendel
By Shelley & Richard Hirsh

Memory of Ned (Soncy) M. Wolins, Jr.
By Mr. and Mrs. A. Hochhauser

B’Nai Mitzvah of Caroline & Sophia Cohen
By «Cameron, Jane & Sammy Larkin

Youth Scholarship Fund
Financial assistance to families for participation in youth programs

Memory of Lillian Becker
By Irene & Ray London

WRJ/Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El
Support of Women of Reform Judaism

Memory of Ruth Kleinman
By Phyllis & Joe Somer

Memory of Bonnie G. Cohen
By Sarith & Richard Abramowitz

Memory of David H. Saunders
By Lynn & Mark Bernatien

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By Rachel Newburn
By Adrienne & Tom Rosen
By Debbie & Barry Rothschild
By Jennifer Saggi
By Marcia B. Smith
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Honor of Edward Stone
By Susan & Frank Giardina

Freda Gail Stern Fund
Support of social action projects consistent with WRJ’s mission

Memory of David H. Saunders
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Contribution
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By Sari Bahl
By Kathy Freeman
By Beth Gold
By May Sebel
By Shelly Sender
By Elaine Stillman
By Lynn Swartz
By Betsy & Todd Teitel
By Tina Wasserman
By Lauren Zlotsky

YES Fund of Sisterhood
Support of the Youth, Education and Service program of Women of Reform Judaism

Memory of Jim Comfort
By Natalie Potter

Memory of Jerome Franklin
By Marlene Franklin

Memory of David H. Saunders
By Rachelle & Paul Crane
By Marlene Franklin

By Donna Harris
By Jane Larkin
By Jacque & Myron Schwitzer
By Rachel & Matthew Swerdlow

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By Celia Saunders

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By Temple Emanuel-El WRJ

Yolanda Clark Fund
Provision of scholarships for immersive Jewish youth learning experiences

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By Beth Gold
By Paula Jacobs
By Vicki Redden
By Elizabeth Schmitt
By Shelly Sender
By Carla Strauss
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World Zionist Congress Elections Coming in April

WHO:
Any self-identifying Jew over age 18 is eligible to vote

WHEN:
January 21 – March 11, 2020

HOW:
Online voting through mobile devices—arza.org/who-we-are/world-zionist-congress-elections/ for more details and to sign up for a reminder

Do you believe the Reform Movement should have a stronger presence in Israel? You can actually do something about it by voting in the World Zionist Congress (WZC) elections.


Currently, the United States has 145 of the 500 delegates. A strong turnout of votes from North American Reform Jews and allies will ensure that resources continue to flow beyond the Orthodox community and institutions in Israel.

Due to our success in previous elections:
• The strong Reform delegation was able to ensure that over $4 million a year of financial support goes to our Movement in Israel.
• We have appointed key professionals and passed resolutions for equality, transparency and pluralism.
Adult Hebrew

Learn how to read Hebrew and feel more comfortable participating in services. Classes are designed as small-group experiences and taught by experienced faculty. Beginner, Advanced Beginner and Intermediate will begin Jan. 7. Classes are held on Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings and have minimum enrollment requirements. More information will be available upon registration.

Cost: $100 per course for members, and $125 per course for non-members. Confidential scholarships are available.

Register: participate.tedallas.org/adulthebrew
Contact: Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org

INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM

Curious about Judaism? Get Introduced!
Introduction to Judaism is a 16-week course open to all interested in discovering more about the foundations of Judaism and/or considering conversion. Topics include Jewish history, lifecycles, holidays and prayer, ethics and values, Holocaust, Israel, Jewish arts and culture and American Jewry. The class, taught by Rabbi Daniel Utley, Renée Karp and Robin Kosberg, meets weekly on Tuesday evenings beginning Jan. 14.

Cost: $130 for the class and the required book. More information on the other books and finalized schedule will be sent upon registration.

Register: participate.tedallas.org/intro-to-judaism
Contact: Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org
Family Shabbat Experiences

SABABA
Friday, January 31 | 6PM, Linz Hall
Hosted by Women of Reform Judaism

This service is geared to families with children in K-2nd grades. Parents enjoy wine and light bites while the children have supervised activities. After a musical, participatory service, we share Shabbat dinner and have more activities for the kids.

Cost for dinner: $18 for adults, $10 for children
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/sababa

Summer Scholarships

Let Temple help your children have a terrific summer. With support from Women of Reform Judaism, Brotherhood and Temple youth scholarship funds, we are proud to offer partial need-based scholarships for kids and teens to attend immersive summer programs.

Our goal is to make overnight camps, travel to Israel and other Jewish summer experiences affordable for Temple families.

Check out the details here: participate.tedallas.org/summer-scholarships

Deadline to apply: Friday, January 31
Notification of scholarship awards: February 28

Contact: Meredith Pryzant, Director of Member Support, mpryzant@tedallas.org

Events

Youth Emanu-El Extravaganza
Saturday, Jan. 19, 12pm
Youth Emanu-El is Temple’s Kindergarten through 5th grade youth community, which engages our students in fun, meaningful programming that is convenient for families with children of multiple ages. Students stay after YL+E’s Sunday program and share a delicious lunch.
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/youth-emanu-el-extravaganza

Parent’s Night Out
Saturday, Feb. 1, 6-8:30pm, Weiss Youth Wing
A night out for parents, a fun night in for K-6th grade kids. Childcare is available for siblings under kindergarten age. Ninth-12th graders can earn community service hours by helping facilitate.
RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/PNOut

Greene Family Camp
Tu BiSh’vat Family Retreat
Feb. 7-9
Join Rabbi Amy Ross and her family to enjoy the magic of a camp Shabbat, the musical talents of Jason Mesches, and the beauty of nature as we all create lasting memories and meet new friends.
Contact: Hannah Rubin-Schlansky, hrubin-schlansky@tedallas.org

Why do Bad Things Happen?
Featuring Rabbi David Stern
January 12 | 9:30 -11AM | Linz Hall

This presentation explores how Jewish wisdom can help us respond to our kids’ toughest questions.
ECEC Registration

Be a part of the Early Childhood Education Center, which has been creating loyal alums for nearly four decades! See the dates below for enrollment and registration opportunities.

**January 6-7**
Currently enrolled member families (including new siblings)

**January 8-9**
Currently enrolled nonmember and staff families (including new siblings)

**January 10-13**
Temple members and staff who are not currently enrolled

**January 14**
Open enrollment

Register here: participate.tedallas.org/2020-2021-Registration

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**TOT Shabbat**

Rock with ShirLaLa!

Saturday, January 11
9AM | Pollman Hall
[tedallas.org/totshabbat](http://tedallas.org/totshabbat)

A special Shabbat celebration filled with singing, dancing, laughter and prayer for families with young children birth-6 and their siblings. Stay after each service to socialize, share a bite and participate in our monthly TOT (Tikkun Olam Time) Project.

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**Goin’ to the Delivery Room**

Great, you’re having a baby or have welcomed a new little one at home! Temple’s here to help. Beginning January 2020, learn about Jewish parenting and rituals while building a community through sharing and conversation in Goin’ to the Delivery Room. The course, taught by Jewish educator Rachel Utley, is five Sunday morning sessions plus Havdalah at a congregant’s home.

Dates: Jan. 12, 19, 26; Feb. 2, 8 (offsite), 23

More information and registration: participate.tedallas.org/deliveryroom2020

Contact: Erika Purdy-Patrick, epurdy-patrick@tedallas.org

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Harmony of Nature and the Human Spirit

A CONCERT FEATURING

Cantor Vicky Glikin
Cantor Leslie Niren
Ian Simpson
Hallie Weiner
Temple Emanu-El Choir,
Chris Crook, Director
Verdigris Ensemble

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8
7:30 PM | Stern Chapel

TICKETS: participate.tedallas.org/allgood

$10 Students  $36 Preferred section
$18 General Admission  $100 Reserved premium seats
As you enter Lefkowitz Chapel, a majestic portrait beckons with its distinguished subject, Rabbi David Lefkowitz. These photos show Rabbi Lefkowitz sitting for the portrait, painted by renowned artist Wayman Adams, and the rabbi’s expression of appreciation. The painting was a gift from the congregation and hung in the South Boulevard location before being moved to our current building.