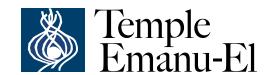
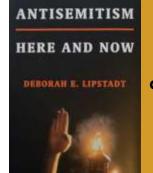
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Making Inclusion Real In our Building, in our Hearts

abbi Yochanan teaches in the Jerusalem Talmud that each of the 40 days Moses was on Mount Sinai, God taught him the entire Torah. And each night, Moses promptly forgot what he had learned. This went on for 40 whole days until finally, God gave Torah to Moses as a gift. Rabbi Yochanan suggests

that God waited to give Torah as a gift until the 40th day in order to encourage the teachers of those who learn in a non-traditional manner.

While I appreciate the sentiment, I am not settled with this answer. After all, why put Moses—and God for that matter—through such a painful and tedious exercise day after day for 40 full days? And why go through the same exercise over and over if the point is to encourage teachers to try non-traditional methods?

I believe that God, like Moses, spent those 40 days learning. Except instead of learning verses of Torah, God was learning about Moses. God was getting to know Moses and his learning style, so that God could give Torah to Moses in the way he would best be able to receive it. God did what all master teachers do—figured out how to meet the learner where he needed to be. And then, God took God's time and saw the lesson through to the end, trying and failing and learning and trying again until the formula was just right.

The month of February is Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance and Inclusion Month, otherwise known as JDAIM. During this month, as stated in the organization's mission, Jewish communities around the world unite to "raise awareness and champion the rights of all Jews to be accepted and included in all aspects of Jewish life like anyone else." But what exactly does that mean? What does awareness, acceptance and inclusion look like?

Our Talmud story has some light to shed on this question. God shows us that it starts with getting to know the needs of those in our community—both those who feel comfortable within our space and those whose needs are not yet met. Once we are clued in to the needs, then comes the trial and error of working to meet those needs. Just as God spent 40 days figuring out exactly the right way to give Torah to Moses, so too do we need to be intentional in creating spaces that feel welcoming to all who enter.

Our schools have been engaging in this work for quite some time. In both our Youth Learning + Engagement program and Early Childhood Education Center, we have robust programs dedicated to identifying and meeting the needs of each of our students with disabilities. We have inclusion coordinators in both schools and partner with professionals to provide services. We have a sensory gym onsite and both schools participate in an inclusion experience designed to give typically developing students a sense of what it might be like to live with a disability. We also have a "no-shush" Shabbat service called Shabbat B'Yachad, dedicated to creating space for children and adults of all ages to pray in whatever way the spirit moves them.

We can be incredibly proud of the work we have done with inclusion in our schools and with Shabbat B'Yachad. Alongside CHAI, Temple Emanu-El was given an award by the Special Needs Partnership at Jewish Family Service, recognizing us for the work we have done in the realm of disabilities inclusion. And we cannot stop here.

According to the Ruderman Family Foundation, which works to advocate for and advance the inclusion of people with disabilities throughout society, Jews with disabilities account for 20 percent of our community. Temple Emanu-El's Core Values Statement clarifies that, "For us, community means a sense of warm welcome, meaningful relationships, and mutual responsibility." For approximately 20 percent of our community, a warm welcome means ensuring that accommodations for participation are considered in advance and acted upon. It means understanding that inclusion is a spectrum rather than a checklist. It means recognizing that some disabilities are visible and obvious and others are invisible and less obvious. It means honoring our mutual responsibility to create space where all Jews can be comfortable gathering, regardless of ability or disability. It means being aware that Jews with disabilities are part of our community and that our community is not whole until every person feels welcome and feels a sense of belonging.

Though we may not know exactly where it will lead, we do know the path forward. We know that, like God, we need to take the time to get to know the needs of those in our community. We need to ensure that we have the resources needed to create inclusive experiences that honor our definition of community and are welcoming of all. Most of all, we need to remember each month of the year what we learn and are reminded of during this month of disability awareness—that through awareness, acceptance and inclusion, we can realize the ideal set out for us in the book of Isaiah, that our synagogue will not only be called a house of prayer for all peoples, but that it will truly become one.

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Deborah Lipstadt: Conscience and Courage

We invite you to gather in awareness and love of Judaism as we welcome Dr. Deborah Lipstadt to Temple on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 7PM.

Dr. Lipstadt, Dorot professor of Holocaust Studies at Emory University in Atlanta, has published and taught about the Holocaust for nearly four decades. The author of six books

ANTISEMITISM HERE AND NOW and numerous articles, Dr. Lipstadt is widely known because of the libel lawsuit brought against her in 1996 by a Holocaust denier. That suit was also the subject of a 2016 motion picture, Denial, starring Rachel Weisz.

In her book, "Antisemitism: Here and Now," Lipstadt explores difficult questions of antisemitism in a series of letters to fictional composites as she seeks to define antisemitism and different types of antisemites, contextualize their actions, and provide frameworks for real-life responses.

To prepare for this important event please visit **tedallas.org/antisemitism**. There you'll find a study guide by Dr. Erica Brown, former scholar-in-residence for the Rabbi Levi A. Olan Memorial Lecture, a copy of Rabbi Stern's Rosh Hashanah sermon on antisemitism and more. RSVP requested for security: participate.tedallas.org/lipstadt

The Rabbi David Lefkowitz Memorial Lectureship is made possible by grants from the Rosenstein-Sonnentheil Family Fund of the Temple Emanu-El Foundation and the Florence Foundation.

Social Justice Update

The North Texas Food Bank estimates that one in every six people—including one in five children—in the DFW area are food insecure (about 800,000 and almost 300,000 respectively) which means they don't always know where they will find their next nutritious meal. To help with this great need, Temple donated \$12,000 from our High Holy Day Hunger Relief Fund to the following agencies this season:

- Heart House in Vickery Meadow
- Jewish Family Service
- Vogel Alcove
- Family Gateway
- MAZON—a Jewish response to hunger
- Oaklawn United Methodist Church
- VNA Meals on Wheels
- North Texas Food Bank
- Austin Street Center
- The Bridge Homeless & Recovery Center

To donate funds to hunger relief: participate.tedallas.org/hungerrelief. If you'd like to be involved with our social justice efforts, please contact Alexandra Horn, Director, Social Justice & Small Group Engagement, at 214.706.0000 ext. 126.

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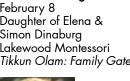
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OUR COMMUNITY

BECOMING B'NAI MITZVAH



Delilah Dinaburg February 8 Daughter of Elena & Simon Dinaburg Lakewood Montessori Tikkun Olam: Family Gateway





Grant Friedman February 15 Son of Stephanie & Josh Friedman Parkhill Junior High Tikkun Olam: Jewish Family Service



Maya Jini Lowenberg February 22 Daughtér of Sonia & Anthony Lowenberg Highland Park Middle School Tikkun Olam: Family Gateway



Gretchen Cecile Jones February 29 Daughter of Lisa & Rodney Jones The Hockaday School Tikkun Olam: Heart House



Judson Ryan Katz February 29 Son of Jackie & Allan Katz Highland Park Middle School Tikkun Olam: Community Movers

To **Peter Brodsky** on receiving the Mona and David Munson Humanitarian Award at the Destiny Awards this month.

NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

Annie, Tad, Jackson & Eleanor **Fallows** Barbara & Harvey Gollman Charlene Howell Frieda Hudspeth

Kirk, Kathleen, Charlie, Caroline & Quinn Kaminsky Jay & Liz Kleinman & Avery & Landon Meiteen David & Robin Nathanson Ronni Sokol

IN MEMORIAM

Ronald Chalfant Father of Linden Chalfant Nelson & Alex Chalfant

Ann Donald Mother of Mark Donald

Sydelle Garnick Mother of Robin Tober & Gary Garnick

Ruth B. Halpern Mother of Andy Halpern

Stanley Kaye Husband of Caroline Kaye Father of Becky Kaye, Stephen Kaye & Michael Kaye

Robert "Bob" Miller Husband of Shirley Miller Father of Bradley Miller, Chance Miller & Lisa Miller Judith Nieto Mother of Mac Nieto & Edward Nieto Sister of Elizabeth Cooper, Marion Quinones & Edwin Carp

Bruce Seidel Father of Ryan Seidel, Brother of Gaylyn & Alan Seidel

Donald Spector Husband of Roberta Spector Father of Howard Spector

Adam Steinberg Son of Linda Steinberg & Larry Steinberg Stepson of Karla Steinberg Brother of Oliver Steinberg & Ilana Steinberg

Janet Stromila Sister of Alvin Miller

CONVERSIONS

Ernest Richards

Jason Vinton



Shabbat of Appreciation for Our Community

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28 | 6:15pm, STERN CHAPEL

Shabbat that's all about you!

You give to Temple in so many different ways and we want to show our appreciation at a special Shabbat service, followed by a Texas-themed Ta'am 8500 Dinner.

Register: participate.tedallas.org/taam8500 Cost: Reduced cost! \$10 for adults and \$8 for kids



HOSTED BY TEMPLE EMANU-EL BROTHERHOOD

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

10:30_{AM}-1:30_{PM}, Tobian Auditorium

There's always time for a party! Meet the vendors who make your events memorable, including b'nai mitzvah parties, weddings, anniversary and holiday celebrations.



Temple Cares

Grief Support

February 11, 25 11:30AM-1PM, Zilbermann Chapel

Substance Abuse Support Group for Friends and Family

February 6, 13, 20, 27 6-7_{PM}, Room 130

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.



Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum Tour and Lunch at Ellen's

Wednesday, Feb. 12, Bus leaves at 10:30AM

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.



Spring Dance Concert at SMU

Sunday, March 15

12PM, Lunch on your own, Penne Pomodoro in Snider Plaza 2PM, SMU Spring Concert, Bob Hope Theatre, Owen Arts Center

Cost: \$11

Register: participate.tedallas.org/smuspringconcert

Experience the premiere of new work by SMU Jazz Artistin-Residence Mark Burrell, in which he blends classical jazz dance stylings with athletic, rhythmic and theatrical dance. San Francisco Bay Area artist Joe Goode will also create a new work on the Meadows Dance Ensemble.

Contact: Lauren Kahn, lkahn@tedallas.org

The 2020 elections are just around the corner.

The Texas Primary is March 3; early voting begins February 28; and the last day to register to vote in the primary is February 3.

More info can be found here: tedallas.org/vote

Watch for the return of Temple's Civic Engagement Campaign and help make Temple a 100% voting congregation in 2020.

Want to get involved?

Contact: Alexandra Horn, ahorn@tedallas.org

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

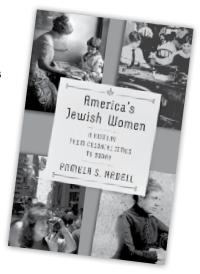
Tuesday, February 11 | 7-9PM

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: tesisterhood.org

Contact: Rachelle Weiss Crane, rweisscrane@jccdallas.org





DAUGHTERS OF ABRAHAM

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

Thursday, February 20 7-8:30_{PM} | Lovers Lane UMC

Topic: Women Leadership in Houses of Worship

Contact: Leah Beth Kolni, leahbkolni@gmail.com



STRETCH & SCHMOOZE



Sunday, February 2 & March 1 9:45AM ● Rooms 130-132

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



Thursday, Feb. 13 | 7PM | Weiss Youth Wing

Join Liri Cohen-Mordechai, fashion lecturer, certified stylist and NYC fashion blogger, for this interactive presentation on the evolution of Israeli style and the influence of cultural, social and economic events.

RSVP: tesisterhood.org

VOTE REFORM #VoteReformWZC

VOTE NOW IN WZC ELECTIONS

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.

Every five years, elections of the World Zionist Congress take place. Your vote can make an impact on the future of Progressive Judaism in Israel. Vote now-March 11, 2020.

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.

Why your vote matters:

"Vigorous representation of the Reform Movement at the World Zionist Congress is not only vital to the flourishing of our movement in Israel, but vital to the flourishing of Israel itself. Our movement's Zionist vision is more important now than ever: an Israel that is both secure and just, the home of an ethical society rooted in Jewish particularism and expressing Judaism's universalist values; an Israel that lives in peace with its neighbors, and provides full human rights for all its diverse citizens," said Rabbi David Stern.

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.

Another important reason for YOU to vote: Rabbi Stern has been designated as one of the international delegates, representing Reform Jews, if our turnout for the vote results in enough delegates; your vote matters.

How to cast your vote now:

Any self-identifying Jew over age 18 is eligible to vote, through March 11, 2020. Online voting through mobile devices. For more details and to sign up for a reminder: arza.org/who-we-are/world-zionist-congress-elections/



שבת שלום Shabbat Shalom

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Exodus 10:1-13:16

Saturday, February 1 10:30AM, Lefkowitz Chapel Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen Randy Pearlman, Cantorial Soloist

Followed by Shabbat Nosh, a light congregational lunch

4:30_{PM}, Stern Chapel

Rabbi Debra Robbins Cantor Leslie Niren Bar Mitzvah: Andrew Wilkes

5_{PM}, Pollman Hall Tot Shabbat

Rabbi Amy Ross Shelly Sender, Director of Early Childhood Ian Simpson, Songleader

בשלח

B'shalach

Exodus 13:17-17:16

Friday, February 7 6:15pm, Stern Chapel

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen Rabbi Debra Robbins Cantor Vicky Glikin Cantor Leslie Niren

Saturday, February 8 10:30AM, Stern Chapel

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen Cantor Vicky Glikin Bat Mitzvah: Delilah Dinaburg

10:30_{AM}, Lefkowitz Chapel

Rabbi Daniel Utley Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

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Yitro

Exodus 18:1-20:23

Friday, February 14 6PM, Linz Hall Sababa

Rabbi Amy Ross Ian Simpson, Songleader Kol Shir Youth Choir

6:15PM, Stern Chapel

Rabbi David Stern Cantor Leslie Niren Dr. Andrew Rehfeld, President, HUC-JIR

Saturday, February 15 10:30_{AM}, Lefkowitz Chapel

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

4:30_{PM}, Stern Chapel

Rabbi David Stern Cantor Leslie Niren Bar Mitzvah: Grant Friedman

משפטים

Mishpatim

Exodus 21:1-24:18

Friday, February 21 6PM, Linz Hall

3-6 Shabbat

Rabbi Amy Ross Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

6:15PM, Stern Chapel

Rabbi David Stern Rabbi Daniel Utley Cantor Vicky Glikin

Saturday, February 22 10:30AM, Lefkowitz Chapel

Rabbi Debra Robbins Cantor Vicky Glikin

11AM, Pollman Hall Shabbat B'Yachad

Rabbi Amy Ross Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

4:30_{PM}, Stern Chapel

Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Leslie Niren
Bat Mitzvah: Maya Lowenberg

תרומה

T'rumah

Exodus 25:1-27:19

Friday, February 28 6:15PM, Stern Chapel Thanks Y'all Shabbat

Thanks Y'all ShabbatRabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Cantor Vicky Glikin

Cantor Leslie Niren
6:30pm, Off Campus

Teen Late Night Rabbi Daniel Utley

Saturday, February 29 10:30AM, Stern Chapel Rabbi Debra Robbins Cantor Vicky Glikin

Cantor Vicky Glikin Bar Mitzvah: Judson Katz

10:30AM, Lefkowitz Chapel

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen Cantor Leslie Niren

4:30_{PM}, Stern Chapel

Rabbi David Stern Cantor Vicky Glikin Bat Mitzvah: Gretchen Jones

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 Contact: Meredith Pryzant, mpryzant@tedallas.org



SAVE THE DATE: PURIM IS COMING!

Get ready for the annual outrageous Purim story glammed up for 2020! This year, it's all things Elton John, so break out your sparkly sunglasses and sequins.

Two great events, with the Spiel being performed at each!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY PURIM CELEBRATION

Sunday, March 8 | 10:30AM | \$10; under 2 FREE | Olan Sanctuary Hear the annual retelling of the story of Esther and head over to Tobian Auditorium for a carnival and lunch. **Register:** participate.tedallas.org/carnival2020

21+ CELEBRATION

Monday, March 9 | 6PM Drinks, hors d'oeuvres along with the megillah reading and the Spiel! For participants 21 and up only. **Register:** participate.tedallas.org/purim2020



From lively Shabbat sing-alongs to dancing toddlers to the stirring Kol Nidre prayer, music is a constant and deeply meaningful path to connection at Temple Emanu-El.



Cantors Leslie Niren and Vicky Glikin

"When we talk about "audacious hospitality" and being welcoming to everyone, music is an essential part of creating that culture," says Cantor Vicky Glikin. "Ultimately, music is a means to spiritual ends and to creating and shaping the kind of community we envision Temple Emanu-El being."

On the eve of the Feb. 8 exciting annual cantors' concert, with this year's title "It's All Good," Cantor Glikin reflected on the evolving role of music at Temple, shaped in partnership with Cantor Leslie Niren. (See Page 19 for details!) Thank you to all who make music at Temple, from the professionals to those in the congregation who sing their hearts out—it's all great!

What's the role of music in prayer today?

Over the past several decades, there has been a transition from a worship experience where congregants were expected to be on the receiving end of music, moved by the sacred drama unfolding before them, to where we are today. We're in a community that has a very strong congregational voice, where each of us is actively invited to be a part of the worship experience and to really embody the prayers through the power of our voices.

What is it about music that creates community?

There's fascinating research that talks about the physiology of singing in a choir. As members of a choir sing together, their heartbeats actually align and begin to beat in the same rhythm. The experience of singing together transforms the singers as a group. The same thing happens when we participate in congregational singing. Singing together bonds us in ways that we can certainly experience and perhaps intuit emotionally, but also on levels that we can't even begin to fully understand rationally.

How does our adult choir add to that vision?

There's an incredible transformation that the choir has been experiencing over the past three years under the leadership of our incredibly talented director, Chris Crook. The choir's role has been broadened and deepened. It has evolved from not only providing beautiful listening moments, but also to supporting the congregational voice and to being spiritual co-leaders. The Temple Emanu-El choir has long had a reputation that is second to none in the United States and under Chris' leadership the choir has continued to reach new heights in terms of musicality and sensitivity.

We love the additional musicians at weekly services.

Temple has made a significant commitment to deepening the musical experience during Shabbat worship. The musicians are part of the worship team. For them, participating in worship at Temple is more than a gig; what they bring is added layers of spiritual unfolding and depth. The musicians pray through their instruments and help us to experience the Divine in new ways.



Describe a moment when the work you've done has all come together for you.

When I look out in the congregation and see the people praying. Sometimes their eyes are open and sometimes closed; they're visibly moved by the experience. Few things are more beautiful than if I can drop out for a moment and hear the congregation sing.

In addition of worship, music at Temple infuses every corner. Tell us about some other exciting things going on.

In Soul Singing, participants are invited to come in and connect to each other and the Divine in a deep way through group singing and meditation, creating a sacred space where people can express vulnerability and be truly themselves. (Next sessions: March 19 and May 7)

Music is also essential in our youth and family education. YL+E students participate in group singing every Sunday. Kol Shir is our youth choir for 2nd to 6th graders. And, last year we created Teen Shir for students in 6th grade and older. We have Jam Sessions for 6th-12th graders and some of the teens even come with their parents. In song sessions at Ta'am 8500 dinners, we sing and celebrate being together in a casual way that doesn't have the trappings of a formal service, just the potential of Shabbat Joy.

Of course we are so blessed to have Ian Simpson as a fulltime songleader. The reason it's so important for musical expression to be excellent is so it can be a vehicle rather than a barrier for spirituality. We certainly foster that in the musicians and the people we bring into the fold and lan is no exception. Already in his first year at Temple, he has brought so much to our community!

What is the vision for the expanded Kabbalat Shabbat service and the congregants who help lead it?

Expanded Kabbalat Shabbat services offer the opportunity for us to be able to marinate in the sounds of the psalms, culminating in Lecha Dodi, the prayer that invites us to imagine Shabbat as a bride who enters into our midst and brings with her the promise of renewal. We set up the chapel in concentric circles to empower the congregational voice, making the musical experience even more democratic. The "Levites" are a group of congregants who are empowered in an even more direct and meaningful way. They're invited to come to services early, to learn some of the music we'll be doing, and to charge the space on a spiritual level for the arrival of the congregation. This

preparation allows us to reach even higher as part of the worship experience.

Temple has been fortunate to experience some of today's most influential musicians thanks to Music Around Emanu-El. The current season kicked off with Caroline Rothstein, who is not a musician. How does that fit into the world of music at Temple? The power of great art is to invite us in the fullness of our humanity to experience life, our Jewish identity, our connection to ourselves and to God. This is the goal in bringing musical artists to Temple and with Caroline, this goal was achieved using the melody of the spoken word, a different but related art form. During her visit, Caroline helped to open hearts and create vulnerable spaces where our congregants could be truly themselves. This is the ultimate goal of musical expression, which in this particular case was achieved through the music of poetry.

We're so excited about "It's All Good"!

The goal of this concert is to provide an uplifting experience for the audience to affirm our connection to nature and the environment, and acknowledge the goodness and purity of Creation. We also want to uphold the fact that human beings are created to bring goodness into the world and that we have a role and a responsibility to continue to make our world more just. That's the journey. This concert is for folks from all walks of life, with Jewish and Jew-ish music, and repertoire spanning pop to musical theater, to American songbook to jazz.

How do we get involved with the musical journey at Temple? Music Arts and Culture (MAC) Council works with us to expose our congregants to the best of what the Jewish artistic world has to offer and to provide diversity of artistic expression, continuously educating the congregation on what Jewish art and music look and sound like. Music and art are powerful on-ramps for people and we want to create as many of these different on-ramps as possible. We are strengthened by and grateful for our lay leaders who have helped us to carry forward this mission. To become involved with MAC, contact Martha Bowden, mbowden@tedallas.org.



Annual Fund Spotlight: Miriam & Josh Ozer



Temple has become the home of the heart for Josh and Miriam Ozer and their son, Eli. He grew up in a traditional Jewish environment in San Antonio and she grew up in Charlottesville at a Reform congregation.

How has Temple Emanu-El been here for you?

Temple has provided us with a place where we can be comfortable with different levels of practice and Jewish exploration. Temple has been at the center of our most recent life cycle events. We took Goin to the Chuppah class at Temple, were married by Rabbi Utley and Cantor Glikin, and had our son's bris at Temple. We've loved being able to celebrate such wonderful events with Temple's help!

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

We love what Temple is doing to make the community feel more intimate. New member Shabbat, group classes, young professional activities, and even the design of the physical space—they all help the congregation feel smaller and closer together. Around the High Holy Days, we're reminded of the size and scope of Temple. It's an amazing sight at Kol Nidre! But what's most impressive is what an intimate community we create despite the size.

Tell us about your role with the Annual Fund.

As an Annual Fund committee member, I'm happy to help serve as an ambassador for Temple and help remind others of all the great reasons to give to support Temple activities.

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

Participating in the Annual Fund is just one small way to acknowledge your presence and engagement with Temple. It's such an important source of funds for our community. A small gift may not feel meaningful but know that we value participation at all levels. It helps us ensure we have a healthy and engaged congregation. I personally find it meaningful to know how many congregants give of themselves. It makes me feel more connected to our community!

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

Contribute today at tedallas.org/annualfund

— Celebrating Tu BiSh'vat

Rebuild Our Community by Fostering a Tree for a Tornado-Affected Family

Tu BiSh'vat is the Jewish holiday that celebrates the trees, occurring on the 15th of the Hebrew month of Sh'vat. Contemporary Jews celebrate it as a time of environmental awareness, and plant trees in celebration. There are two ways to celebrate this year.



With Temple

On Sunday, Feb. 9, Temple will kick off an "adopt a tree" program for families who were affected by the Dallas tornado last October. Congregants can sign-up to foster a tree for a Temple family who lost trees during the storm.

Adopt a Tree: participate.tedallas.org/ adoptatree For Temple families affected by the tornado to receive a tree, sign up at: participate. tedallas.org/tubishvattree

Greater Dallas Community

Also on Sunday, Feb. 9, the Aaron Family JCC will host a Tu BiSh'vat program that includes making Judaica and other home décor from reclaimed tree wood; sharing snacks that are symbolic of the holiday and more. The event is free but individual projects start at \$10; proceeds will go to a tree fund.

For more information on Tu BiSh'vat events, contact Alexandra Horn, ahorn@tedallas.org



Andrew Rehfeld, Ph.D., the 10th President in the 144-year history of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR), the academic and professional leadership center of Reform Judaism, will be at Temple February 14-16 for a dynamic weekend of discovery and learning. Plan to attend one of his engagements to hear his powerful message. Below, an excerpt from his inaugural speech in October.

If we ask ourselves, "Why are we Reform Jews?" "Why are we committed to inclusion and tikkun olam?," or more simply, "Why be Jewish at all?" do we have the answers that will motivate people to lead engaged Jewish lives when they might so easily opt out?

Of course, we have the books. Our movement has issued platforms. We even teach classes about it at HUC. But we are struggling to translate these ideas to inspire more people to live committed, engaged lives as religiously, progressive Jews. Without an answer to those questions in the pews, as it were, we now face a crisis of identity and authenticity. In my view, religiously progressive, Reform Judaism is committed to the primacy of reason; the moral autonomy of the individual; and particularistic-universalism that drives our engagement with Torah, Avodah, and Yisrael-our texts, our ritual, and our People; in order to secure the Good, the Holy, the Right, and the Just.

Our commitment to Reason means that we mediate our understanding of the world, including religious life, through reason, evidence and science. We thus recognize that our texts and tradition are the result of human reflection with questions of meaning and purpose, a function of historical and physical processes, even as we are open to seeing the Divine in these processes.

Second, we embrace individual morally autonomy, affirming that each of us has the responsibility for our actions, and thus must acquire knowledge to make good choices. We thus reject a hierarchical structure in which Rabbis serve as the interpreters of God's will, expressed in the form of issuing binding religious law. Our clergy instead derive their authority and deserve a specific form of respect, kevod ha-rav, from their ability to share our tradition to lead, guide, teach and inspire us to make our own individual moral and religious decisions.

And we are committed to particularistic-universalism, the particular attachment to our own texts, ritual practices and people, valuing not only the specific richness of our tradition, but doing so because we understand that arounding in a specific moral community and set of practices is the most effective way to achieve our universal ideals.



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



GIFTS OF MEMORY, HONOR AND GRATITUDE

Tributes for Sustaining Temple



Our Congregation

Dora Aronson Helping Hands Fund

Distributions by Rabbi David Stern to individuals in need of financial assistance, particularly in dire situations

Memory of Dora Aronson By Artyce Colen

Memory of Adele Colen By Artyce Colen

Memory of Charles Gartner By Gigi Gartner

Honor of Alex Jakubowich By Janey & Bob Jakubowich

Susan Salom Clergy Good Works Fund

Distributions to charitable organizations, individuals in need or community causes by Temple's clergy

Memory of Lillian Becker By Laurie Ginsberg, Joan Becker

& Ellen Cohn By Lisa Lipkin & Scott Robbins

Memory of Ann Donald By Elise Power

Memory of Sheldon Fleishman By The Fleishman Family

Memory of Herman Friedman By Natalie Friedman

Memory of Hortense Friedman By Natalie Friedman

Memory of Stanley Kaye By Carol & Robert Hirsh By Joyce & Joe Rosenfield

Memory of Louie Kissner By Ettie & Melvin Weinberg

Memory of Gertrude Marcus By Richard Marcus

Memory of David H. Saunders By Lori & Bret Gerard

Memory of Adam Steinberg By Julie & Michael Lowenberg

Memory of Rose Weinberg By Ettie & Melvin Weinberg

Memory of Jack Wertheimer By Sadie Wertheimer

Memory of Marvin Zale By Ethel Zale

Appreciation of Cantor Vicky

By Kim & Bobby Goldstein By The Palmer Family

Appreciation of Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen By Kim & Bobby Goldstein

Appreciation of Rabbi Debra Robbins

By Evelyn & Joel Roitenberg By JoAnne Levin Crist By Kim & Bobby Goldstein By Laurie Ginsberg, Joan Becker & Ellen Cohn By Sadie Wertheimer

Appreciation of Rabbi Dan Utley

By The Fleishman Family By The Singer Family

By The Palmer Family

As a Contribution By Olga Strauss

Bat Mitzvah of Ruby Goldstein By Kim & Bobby Goldstein

Bat Mitzvah of Abigail Singer By The Singer Family

Honor of Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen

By Anonymous

Naming of Shayna Crist By JoAnne Levin Crist

Speedy Recovery of **Harriet Cohen** By May Sebel

Anne and Sam Kesner Caring Congregation Fund

Assistance for Temple members through all phases of life including hospitalization, elder care, military service, mental health challenges and grief

Memory of Dane Goldstein By Debbie & Marc Andres

Our Temple and Cemetery

Rose Marion and Lee H. Berg **Building Fund**

Upkeep and maintenance of our historic building

Memory of Stanley Arthur Asinof

By Paula Asinof

Memory of Mary Crohn By Helaine Trachtenberg

Memory of Max Drilling By Joan Essenfeld

Memory of Arthur H. Levine,

By Harriet Laub Levine

Memory of Alvin D. Plaskoff By Melissa & Bart Plaskoff

Memory of Erich Rosenbaum By Helaine Trachtenberg

Memory of James Rosenbloom By Barbara Thorman

Memory of Annette Rubenstein By Fonda Glazer

Memory of David H. Saunders By Helaine Trachtenberg

Memory of Sylvia S. Schwartz By Bobbi & Richard Massman

Memory of Bruce Seidel By Bobbie & David Repp

Memory of Joseph S. Trachtenberg By Helaine Trachtenberg

Memory of Fred Kahn

By Louise Kahn-Lerner

Anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Benton Markey By Helaine Trachtenberg

Anniversary of Barbara & Donald Zale By Helaine Trachtenberg

As a Contribution By Richard M. French

Birthday of Barbara Einsohn By Helaine Trachtenberg

Birthday of Philip Einsohn By Helaine Trachtenberg

Birthday of Ruth Levy By Helaine Trachtenberg

Speedy Recovery of Nancy Horowitz

By Helaine Trachtenberg

Dorothy and Henry Jacobus Archives Fund

Support of special exhibits from our Archives

Memory of Milton J. Loeb, Jr. By May Sebel

Rabbi Gerald J. Klein **Memorial Cemetery Fund**

Beautification and improvements of the Temple Emanu-El Cemetery

Memory of Leonard Stern By Bert & Myra Fischel

Memory of Thelma W. Swango By Fredna Swango

Memory of Robert B. Swango By Fredna Swango

Memory of Stephen Wiener By Mary-Anne York

Rabbi Gerald J. Klein Garden Fund

Maintenance of the Klein Garden

Memory of Julian B. Fisher By Anthony I. Fisher

Memory of Frances Fisher By Anthony I. Fisher

Alex F. Weisberg Library Fund

Purchases of Judaic books, publications and entertainment

Memory of Stanley Kaye By Arlene Leibs

As a Contribution By Polly Weisberg

General

Temple Emanu-El **General Operating Fund**

Support of Temple's general programs and events

Memory of Ann Donald By Cynthia & Burton Gilbert By Pauline Denur

Memory of Adolph Einspruch By Dr. Burton & Barbara Einspruch

Memory of Mala Einspruch By Dr. Burton & Barbara Einspruch

Memory of Ruth Kleinman By Claire Greenberg

Memory of Joan Loeb By Claire Greenberg

Memory of Adam Steinberg By Phyllis & Ron Steinhart

Memory of Harriet Jean Steirn By Wendy & Stephen Lieman

Memory of Leonard Stern By Harold Victor

Appreciation of Hilarie & Peter Weinstock

By The Bank Advisory Group,

Memory of Carol Brin By Missy Mandell

Memory of Adam Steinberg By Beth & Jim Gold

Music and Prayer

Music Fund

Enhancement of Temple music programs

Memory of Helen Goodman By Juliette & Harold Goodman

Memory of Burt Rosenberg By Dr. Richard & Marlene Marks

Social Justice

Hunger Relief Projects

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

Memory of Robert Miller By The Junior League of Dallas

Memory of Lawrence Wechsler By Linda & Garry Kahalnik

Memory of Ned (Soncy) M. Wolins, Jr.

By Joyce & Joe Rosenfield

The Jill Stone Tikkun Olam Fund

Support of Temple's social justice programs including initiatives, advocacy, projects and lectures

Memory of Abe Goldberg By Julie & Michael Lowenberg

Memory of Robert Miller By Suzi and Jack Greenman

Memory of Martin Pfeffer By Becky & Norman Slakman

Memory of Marvin Zale By Annette & Jack Corman

Speedy Recovery of Nancy

By Annette & Jack Corman

Priscilla R. Stern Memorial Literacy Fund

Support of literacy projects in the general and Jewish communities

Memory of Henry N. Meyer By Lynn & Bob Behrendt

Memory of Robert Miller By Julie & Michael Lowenberg

Memory of Don Spector By May Sebel

Anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Brown By Ruthie & Alan Shor

Birthday of Jim Gold

By Ruthie & Alan Shor

Birthday of Cindy Hirsch By Ruthie & Alan Shor

Birthday of Michael Horowitz By Ruthie & Alan Shor

Social Justice Fund for **Youth Education**

Support of worthwhile educational causes for youth in need

Memory of Albert Sheppard By Jenene & Mitchell Perry

Youth and Early **Childhood Education**

William P. Budner Youth **Library Fund**

Purchases of Judaic books and publications for students

Celebration of Randy Rosenblatt By Joan A. Becker

Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) Fund

Support of ECEC programs

Memory of Mamie Gilbert Lichter By Renée & Louis "Buddy"

Gina Rosenfield Levy Greene Family Camp Scholarship Fund

Financial assistance to families for Greene Family Camp

Memory of Lillian Tuvil Brown By Jacque & Freddy Roberts

Memory of Sheldon Budman By Sara Pfeffer

Memory of Neilson Goldman By Phyllis & Phil Stoup

Memory of Michael McAdams By Phyllis & Phil Stoup

Memory of Martin Pfeffer By Sara Pfeffer

Memory of Lionel O. Roberts By Jacque & Freddy Roberts

Memory of Bob Samuel By Phyllis & Phil Stoup

Martin and Charlotte Weiss Religious School Fund

Scholarships for YL+E fees, books and additional expenses

Memory of Ned (Soncy) M. Wolins, Jr.

By Shelley & Richard Hirsh

WRJ

YES Fund of Sisterhood

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

Memory of Donald Spector By Miriam Cohen

Conversion of Ernest Richards By Phyllis & Martin Mills

Yolanda Clark Fund

Provision of scholarships for immersive Jewish youth learning experiences

Memory of Marianne Lichtenstein By Wendy Palmer

Memory of Yolanda Clark By Jody Platt By Ettie & Melvin Weinberg

Honor of Zayla Bhandari Barbara Einsohn

the conversation project Starter Kit

Thursday, February 13, 11:30AM-1PM, Linz Hall, Light lunch included

Are you wondering about what The Conversation Project means? Have you thought about attending this important series about end-of-life conversations with loved ones but haven't yet had a chance? Join Rabbi Debra Robbins and TCP committee members to learn about and experience what The Conversation Project means for you.

Register: participate.tedallas.org/TCPstarterkit

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

The Conversation Project is supported by Sukkat Shalom, Temple's initiative to create safe spaces for difficult topics.

BROTHERHOOD

Monthly Meeting and Dinner Wednesday, March 4

6:15PM, dinner | 7PM, program

The Texas Theatre and Dallas' Movie House History

PRESENTED BY

Barak Epstein Texas Theatre director, film producer, co-founder of the Oak Cliff Film Festival and Chairman of Top Ten Records

> Cost for dinner: \$10 Register: Ivan Edelman, edelman.ivan@gmail.com



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92nd Street Y

Televised Broadcasts for Modern Jewish Living



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6 11:30am-1pm

"Malcolm Gladwell with Jelani Cobb: Talking to Strangers"

Malcolm Gladwell has a simple question: how should we talk to people we don't know? The popular author uses case studies to argue that our assumptions about how we communicate are due for an update.

Lunch is available for purchase for \$10, or bring your own.

Register: participate.tedallas.org/92streety Upcoming Dates: March 19, April 23 and May 21 Contact: Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org

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CHUPPAH TIME

Goin' to the Chuppah is Temple's class for engaged and newlywed couples in their 20s and 30s.

Couples learn about building a Jewish home and form relationships with others in the same stage of life. It is a required course for couples being married by Temple clergy. There are two classroom sessions, a Shabbat dinner and Havdalah, both in congregant homes. Chuppah is free and is open to any couple who is interested in creating a Jewish home. Newly married and engaged couples welcome-Jewish, interfaith, LGBTQ—everyone is welcome!

Wednesdays, February 26 and March 4, 7-8:30PM, Weiss Youth Wing

Friday, March 13, 7:30-9:30PM and Saturday, March 21, 5-7_{PM} in congregants homes

Register: participate.tedallas.org/chuppahspring20



TORAH and TALMUD

CHEVER TORAH

Shabbat mornings, 9AM

Lend your voice to Temple's longest running adult learning class. The weekly Torah portions are studied.

TALMUD WITH RABBI DAVID STERN

Wednesdays, Feb. 5, 12,19, 26, 7:30-8:30AM

This community of Talmud learners explores our ancient texts and their relevance in our lives.

Contact: Marcia Nickerson, mnickerson@tedallas.org

SUNDAY MORNING TALMUD

Feb. 2, 9, 23, 10AM-12PM

This lay led group studies Sanhedrin, the legal foundation of the Jewish nation during 2000 years of exile. Contact: Mel Klein, mel@melklein.com, 214.394.1917

BROTHERHOOD ISRAEL BOOK CLUB

First Saturday of the month, following Shabbat morning services and Shabbat Nosh

Saturday, Feb. 1: "Defending Israel: The Story of My Relationship with My Most Challenging Client" by Alan M. Dershowitz

Saturday, March 7: "Shadow Strike: Inside Israel's Secret Mission to Eliminate Syrian Nuclear Power," by Yaakov Katz

Contact: Robert Epstein, macabee 1948@gmail.com

TEMPLE BOOK CLUB

2рм, Ackerman Conference Room

Monday, Feb. 3: "House of Gold," by Natasha

Solomons Conta

Contact: Anjelica Ruiz, aruiz@tedallas.org

ONGOING

Yoga Emanu-El

Tuesdays | 5PM, back of Olan Sanctuary

Practice yoga and gain new insights into Torah and the potential of your own body. All levels are welcome. Led by Debbi K. Levy

Register: participate.tedallas.org/yogaemanuel Contact: Becky Slakman, bslakman@tedallas.org

The Well: A Caregiver's Day Out

This program, for those with mild to moderate cognitive impairment caused by dementia or other disease, meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month from 10:30AM-2:30PM. Info: tedallas.org/community/well

For volunteer opportunities and participation:

Becky Slakman, bslakman@tedallas.org

Jump start your 2020 with two new exciting classes



History of The Cantorate

Tuesdays, Feb. 25, March 3 and 10 | 11:30AM-1PM | Linz Hall **Register**: participate.tedallas.org/historyofcantorate

Experience 2,000 years of leadership in sacred music with Cantors Vicky Glikin and Leslie Niren. From King David to the traditional hazzan to the modern Reform cantor, you will learn about Jewish history, music, authority and politics. Don't miss this fascinating exploration of Jewish music and the people who have brought it to life over the millennia.

Jewish Cultures: Convergence and Divergence

Thursdays, Feb. 27, March 26, April 30 | 7PM | Stern Chapel **Register:** participate.tedallas.org/kfbaumlecture

Jews have historically embraced the physical dimension of human existence by sanctifying its mundane aspects. And due to the frequency of Jewish migration, Jews have imbued portable objects rather than stationary ones with significance. Rabbi Dr. Shira Lander, a Temple member, Senior Lecturer and Director of Jewish Studies at Southern Methodist University, will teach a three-session class on dimensions of Jewish material culture, including ritual objects, visual art and food.

Feb. 27: Objects from the Temple Archives, including the Megillah and other artifacts March 26: Temple's visual arts collection and architectural traditions April 30: Jewish culinary traditions and how eating customs shape Jewish identity



WITH GRATITUDE to the Katherine F. Baum Adult Education Fund





Rabbi Shmuly Yanklowitz, Scholar-in-Residence **April 17-18**

Rabbi Yanklowitz is a social activist, author and educator and President and Dean of the Valley Beit Midrash. We'll be learning from his new book, "Pirkei Avot: A Social Justice Commentary."



to the Dolores and Walter Neustadt Lecture

Family Shabbat Experiences



Saturday, February 1 | 5PM, Pollman Hall Friday, March 6 | 6PM, Pollman Hall

RSVP: 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.



Friday, February 14 | 6PM, Linz Hall

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



Friday, February 21 | 6PM, Linz Hall

Hosted by Rachel & Craig Ingerto and Ilyssa & Eric Schereth and their families

Designed for families with students in grades 3-6. Schmoozing, dinner and activities to follow.

RSVP: Contact Jake Miller, jmiller@tedallas.org



Saturday, February 22 | 11AM, Pollman Hall

This service is for members of all ages who have special needs, their families, and those who want to share Shabbat with them. The morning includes a short, participatory, musical "no shush" service, followed by a nosh and an activity.

RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/byachad



Bounce Back: Building Resilience in Parents and Teens

February 9 | 9:30-11AM | Linz Hall

Featuring Vanita Halliburton, co-founder and executive chairman of Grant Halliburton Foundation

This presentation explores how adults can help children navigate stress, challenge, tragedy, trauma or adversity.

> **RSVP:** Hannah Rubin-Schlansky hrubin-schlansky@tedallas.org



YL+EXCIT



Early Registration: Feb. 18-March 24

The Youth Learning + Engagement team is gearing up for another great year of discovery, immersive Jewish experiences, travel and community-building. Why register now? Check it off your list and get the early-bird discount.

Register: participate.tedallas.org/2020-2021-yle-registration Deadline for scholarship requests is March 24.

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



Harmony of Nature and the Human Spirit

A CONCERT FEATURING

Cantor Vicky Glikin Cantor Leslie Niren

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And Special Guests



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

7:30_{PM} | Stern Chapel

TICKETS: participate.tedallas.org/allgood

\$10 Students \$36 Preferred Section

\$100 Reserved Premium Seats \$18 General Admission



The Cantor's Couch

CANTOR JACK MENDELSON MARCH 22, 4PM

Immerse yourself in the fascinating and often hilarious story of Cantor Jack Mendelson's Brooklyn childhood and his quest to preserve the art of cantorial tradition.

> Music directed and accompanied by Cantor Jonathan Comisar.

RSVP: participate.tedallas.org/cantorjackmendelson





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A Century Plus of Social Justice

Blanche Greenburg, wife of Rabbi William Greenburg (1901-1919), founded the Dallas Infants Welfare and Milk Association in 1913. The association distributed free milk to poor mothers and sold milk at a deep discount to other distressed families. The building was on Corinth Street and a free medical clinic was also operated. Mrs. Greenburg's efforts were among the building blocks of a legacy of social justice that continues today. To learn more and get involved, visit tedallas.org/ repairing-the-world

