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How We Measure Goodness

By **RABBI RACHEL HEAPS**

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For better or for worse, we human beings are inclined to notice the things that we wish would change rather than the things that work well. Maybe it's evolutionary, maybe it's hereditary pessimism, maybe something else entirely. Who knows? Either way, whatever this instinct is in us, it means that we need to work extra hard to recognize, lift up, and appreciate the good things in our lives.

The trick then becomes, how do we measure goodness? What should we be looking for to notice the good around us? What differentiates "good" from other positive attributes like "kind" or "nice?" How do we notice something that is hard to understand?

The prophet Isaiah inspires this question in our tradition. He says, "Say that the righteous person is good, for they are sustained on the fruit of their labors" (Isaiah 3:10). "Say that the righteous person

is good?" the rabbis ask. "Aren't righteous people inherently good?" Of course, rabbis being rabbis, try to answer their own question. They say that a person who is righteous focuses on serving the divine. A person who is good focuses on serving their fellow human beings. A person can be one but not the other (Babylonian Talmud, Kiddushin 40a).

Goodness then becomes not about God and/or divine judgement of our actions. Goodness is instead specific to our human experience and our inclination towards judgement of one another. God focuses only on righteousness and is not part of the goodness equation. In order to be good, all we have to do is support each other.

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It's the essence of community that drives and sustains so many good things. The goodness that is in the heart of Temple Jeremiah is grounded in its understanding and experience of what it means to be a community. We saw this sacred seed in last month's Covenant, with stories of connection and its fruits of growth and wholeness. This month's theme is no different as we explore gratitude.

As I reflect on gratitude myself, my mind takes a short journey back to March of 2020 when the stay-at-home mandate was first set by JB Pritzker. In a way, in my little world, it felt surreal. My family and friends were healthy. I didn't know anyone personally that had been touched by the virus. Every day, I was grateful—grateful that those I loved remained unaffected by the massive changes going on in the world. But the bigger reality was that for millions, this wasn't the case. COVID-19 had (and continues to have) traumatic effects for millions: pain, hunger, isolation, fear,

and more. And so within my daily moments of gratitude, there was a subtle chisel that chipped away at some of these feelings, and left me somewhat listless. The fact was that we are a part of a large collective community and when the state of the collective is pain, we can't remove ourselves from that. Yet, if we flip that onto the bright side, understanding our connection to one another, that means we also must feel collective gratitude. This is the bigger and further reaching meaning of the word.

As humans, gratitude gives us the power to choose happiness, to take our life and how much we can give to others into our own hands, not because we haven't known hardship, just the opposite, because we have known it, because some of us are living it right now. My teacher always said, "The sun itself never did know darkness." The sun certainly has seen all the darkness of the world, and yet, it lights the way for us all, without condition.

Ram Daas said, "Gratitude opens your heart, and opening your heart is a wonderful and easy way for God to slip in." With gratitude, faith, and love, Temple Jeremiah is a community who opens its heart and lights the way for those in need. The following stories honor this notion.

Teaching Kindness Through Awareness and Community



By MATT RISSIEN
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After months of planning, it was incredible to see our J-Quest students returning to our building! I hope you are seeing our amazing pictures on Temple Jeremiah's Facebook page, but please know that the pictures cannot do justice to the energy and excitement that fills Temple Jeremiah when J-Quest is in session. It is truly amazing to experience our J-Quest community, hearing students praying, singing, learning, and having fun together!

In case we have not yet met, my name is Matt Rissien, and I am the new Director of Congregational Learning. Working with Dr. Lidsky over the summer, she shared the emphasis that we place on community and teaching our students to be mensches (good people). My goal since taking over J-Quest has been to continue this approach, while making a few small changes along the way.

One change you will find on our J-Quest Sundays is our new community gathering time called *Kehillah* (community). Every Sunday our Kindergarten - 5th graders and our 6th - 10th graders gather in the Schreiber Sanctuary as one community to sing prayers and songs, learn Hebrew letters/phrases and laugh at some of the skits we put on with our staff and clergy. Looking out and seeing hundreds of students laughing and engaging together is an experience that I know we have all missed over our recent past.

We were fortunate to have a visit on October 10th from my friend Seth Goldberg. Seth is a disabilities advocate who works at a nearby Jewel-Osco, uses a wheelchair for transportation, plays wheelchair basketball



Seth Goldberg, disabilities advocate, teaching at J-Quest

AND serves as an ASL interpreter while having ninety-five percent hearing loss himself. Seth met with our classes to teach them prayers in sign language and share his motivational life story. While I initially asked Seth to speak to raise awareness of Disability Employment Awareness Month, I know that the impact he left on all of us will go far beyond October. Seth called me last week to tell me how welcoming Temple Jeremiah was to him and how much it meant to be part of our community. Because of Covid, this was Seth's first time speaking in front of a crowd again. He shared that we have some of the best behaved and kindest students he has ever addressed. Their questions were phenomenal. Building off of Seth's impact, I hope to bring in diverse speakers from our community throughout the year.

In closing, I want to thank all our J-Quest parents and families for taking the necessary steps that allow us to meet in-person. Our teachers have had the best things to say about our students and I am thankful to be a part of this community. If we have not yet met, please stop by my office, and say hello. If you have any questions about Temple Jeremiah education, please reach out anytime!



Family Promise

Temple Jeremiah is a participating member of Family Promise, a national organization that helps families experiencing homelessness to achieve sustainable independence. These families are like ours, but circumstances have brought them to a point of financial crisis. Temple Jeremiah is a founding member of Family Promise Chicago North Shore, a coalition of interfaith houses of worship that host these families on a rotating basis.

This year, Temple Jeremiah will be serving as a host for Family Promise from December 19, 2021 - January 1, 2022, and we need your help!

We are looking for volunteers to bring dinner or have dinner delivered to the Family Promise guests at the Family Promise Day Center in Evanston each night from December 19th - January 1st. Please note that if you sign up for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, or New Year's Day, this may be canceled if the guests are visiting family.

We are also requesting grab 'n go breakfast and lunch items for meals during the school and work week. We ask that these items be delivered on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. and you can sign up below. Suggestions include turkey cold cuts, sliced cheese, white bread, frozen turkey sausage breakfast sandwiches, English muffins, bananas, strawberries, Pop Tarts, Frosted Flakes, 2% milk, and orange juice as an example and we will provide a more updated list once we learn the guests' dietary preferences.

We don't know the exact number of guests we will be hosting right now, but it is typically between eight and ten. We will update you with numbers and information on dietary requirements in mid-December.

If you have questions, please contact
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**To sign up to help and for details,
visit tinyurl.com/TJfamilypromise**

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gives so much power to divine commandments and judgement, puts this judgment in our hands. How telling is it that in our tradition the measurement of a good person focuses on the person first.

When we look for goodness in the world around us, it can be hard to find. Events, within and beyond our control, can make our lives feel filled with chaos and turmoil. But when we look for goodness in the people around us, we become pleasantly surprised by what we find. With an eye towards goodness we find that people are nicer than we thought, more compassionate than we thought, go more out of their way to be helpful than we previously thought. When we are inclined to see the bad in others, they tend to live down to our expectations. When we intentionally look for the good in others, I believe that, more often than not, others reach and surpass our expectations.

In Judaism incredible power is given to our ability to make our own choices and form our own habits. We can make bad choices—to

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be selfish, to feel superior, to bring out the worst in others. Or we can make good choices—to be humble, to find commonalities, to assume good intentions, to be filled with eternal hope. We can’t control others’ choices, only our own. But when our choices are guided by goodness, we are more inclined to find that goodness in others.

Doing good, being good, and recognizing the good is a practice that we Jews have been cultivating all our lives. May we each continue to reach towards the good, reach towards each other, together.

Gratitude & Strengthening Our Community Through Volunteering



By **CANTOR SUSIE LEWIS FRIEDMAN**
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As we focus on things we are grateful for in this upcoming secular holiday of Thanksgiving, let us take a moment to reflect on a prayer in our morning liturgy: "*Modeh Ani L'fanecha*," "Thankful am I before You, Oh God." Notice how the action precedes the noun in this prayer.

This is one of the things I love most about Judaism—how often we start with an intention or affirmation, helping us to align with that which we are praying for. In this case, “Grateful” is put right out there into the world, first thing, so that we may begin our day on this note.

I am so grateful for all those who volunteer their time and efforts selflessly to serve and strengthen our congregation. I am always moved by the huge turnout of members who come early on their Sunday mornings, their day off usually, to help those in need with Backpack Blessings and Feed the Hungry. I am always in awe at the number of people who participate in our committees such as Sisterhood, Inclusion, Social Justice, and so many more. Every Tuesday, I tell the Adult Choir how their participation and beautiful singing gives me such *naches*, and truly carries me through life, especially during these challenging times of dealing with the pandemic. And the sweet voices of Shir Joy, our youth choir, are one of the greatest gifts I receive as your Cantor.

I am also grateful for those who helped us through the High Holy

Days this year. These Holy Days, beginning with Elul through Simchat Torah, were unforgettable, and would not have been so without the participation of the following beautiful souls:

Members of our Adult Choir, some of whom were with us at various times in the rehearsal period and some who participated in the services: Gil Adelstein, Elan Adler, Howard Brenner, Alan Bresloff, Caren Brown, Barbara Fisher, Minna Einhorn, Alene Frost, Andrea Gilman, Avi Greenfield, Debra Grossman, Loryn Kogan, Joyce Landau, Lisa Levy, Dr. Anne Lidsky, Jackie Lutz, Michael Mitzen, Greg Richards, Phyllis Richmond, Myra Shneider, Judy Tatar, Amy Ticho

Special thank you to our soloists, both in our Adult and Youth Service: Dr. Anne Lidsky, Lisa Levy, Judy Tatar, Lilly Ardell, Caren Brown, Matt Rissien, Loryn Kogan, Jackie Lutz, Noa Levin, Lauren Zilberstein

Special thank you to our ushers: Ross Wolfson, Victoria Weisenberg, Barry Goldman, Joe Meis, Alan Bresloff, Scott Cohen, Elan Adler, Babette Sanders, Gary Kash

For our teachers on Yom Kippur: Jerry Lidsky for study session Yom Kippur afternoon, Judy Craven for leading a guided meditation

Our President: Dr. Scott Levin

Special thank you to our musicians: Robert and Sandie Morgan, on oboe and flute for Rosh HaShanah; Vicki Siegelman and Mollie McDougal, on flute and french horn for Yom Kippur afternoon;

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Robert and Sandie Morgan, on oboe and flute for Rosh HaShanah

Aaron Kaplan, on cello—for all the beauty he brought to our Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur morning and afternoon services; Julian Chin, our amazing pianist; and our incredible Choir Director and Musician in Residence, Paul Dykstra.

Special thank you to our Torah readers: Marc Mayer, Isaac Shepard, Allison Kleiman, Shira Brandhandler, Julie Kosarin, and Ira Dolnick

Mitzen, Zachary Rosenblatt, and Alex Marks

To our shofar artists extraordinaire: Michael Kamen and Alex Sweet

To our amazing maintenance staff and their fearless leader: Juan Carlos Sanchez, Jean Sanchez, Jesse Sanchez, Angeles Castro

To our amazing post b'nai mitzvah, who read Torah so beautifully for us on Simchat Torah: Lenny Kozak, Samantha Jacobs, Ella Marks, Alex Goldberg, Ruby Werber, and Isaac Margolis

It gives me the greatest gratitude of all to get to see our members shine as they volunteer to do things they would have often never thought possible. As our liturgy teaches, may we rise each day with a word of thanks to our Creator, for the breath inside us, and for the abundance of gifts we have.

Thank you to those who submitted video reflections: Dr. Patty Perez Vorona, Emily Green, Charles Laurito, Ron Dickstein, Phyllis

CALLING ALL MEMBERS WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!

Please consider joining us in one or more of these ways:

KEHILAH

Every Sunday morning of J-Quest, we have a special *Kehilah* (community) time where we sing, learn, and have fun together before we begin our learning. **WANTED:** piano, percussion, or a stringed instruments of any kind for our very first student-led kehilah band!

PURIM SCHPIEL

We will be casting for our fourth annual Purim Schpiel starring Jeremiah adults and teens. If you are interested in writing, please contact Ross Friedman at ross_friedman@yahoo.com. For everything else Purim, contact Cantor Friedman (cantorfriedman@templejeremiah.org) and together you'll get to work on what you'd like to sing, act, or do for our Schpiel.

YOUTH CHOIR

Shir Joy, our youth choir, is open to J-Quest students beginning in 2nd through 6th grade, and this year, we have also opened it up to some ambitious 1st graders! We meet at two times: 8:30 a.m. before first session, and 10:30 a.m. after first session. So if your 3rd grader would like to participate, please have them come at 8:30 a.m. There are presents!

ADULT CHOIR

Did you know that our Adult Choir is one of the only synagogue choirs in the Chicago area, and one of very few in the US, who rehearse weekly? We meet every Tuesday from 7-8 p.m. and sing for special Shabbat services. Being in the choir is not just about singing, it is about creating community through music. We are particularly seeking male voices. No music reading or singing experience necessary, as Cantor Friedman teaches everything note by note!

Want to be involved, or have questions? Contact Cantor Friedman at cantor@templejeremiah.org

Ariel Silver and Temple Jeremiah's Partnership with A Safe Place

Ariel Silver, a Temple Jeremiah member since 2018, has been an active volunteer, helping to provide food to families in need through Temple's Feed the Hungry program for the past two years. Recently, she spearheaded a new partnership with A Safe Place, a non-profit organization that provides services to survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking, supporting them in their efforts to transform their lives. More specifically, A Safe Place provides a 24-hour crisis line, case management, legal advocacy, emergency shelter, individual and group therapy, art therapy, affordable transitional and permanent housing, scattered site housing, outreach and supportive services to survivors, and so much more, free of charge.



Ariel (right) helping to replace the shed at A Safe Place

The seed that Ariel helped plant in Temple Jeremiah's new partnership with A Safe Place comes from her desire to help improve the quality of life of domestic violence survivors and their children.

Some of us are unaware of the domestic violence statistics here in the United States. On average, every sixty seconds, nearly twenty individuals are physically abused by an intimate partner. In one year, this adds up to more than ten million individuals in the United States alone. Domestic violence affects one out of three women, and one out of seven men, and doesn't discriminate against age, religion, or class. Ariel, with the Social Justice Committee, plans to continue their effort to support A Safe Place, with a new set of eyes on—sadly, a very old problem.

This past October, A Safe Place identified a need for a new shed. Their current shed was essential for them—housing children's bikes, tools, salt for winter, and other seasonal items used by both clients and staff. But it was old and run-down, with skunks living underneath! So on October 7th, Ariel and eleven Temple volunteers from both the Brotherhood and Social Justice Committees, set out to tear down the old shed and replace it with a new one. Ariel describes the day as "collaborative and fun." She said, "I couldn't believe the skill sets the volunteers had. The only construction I had ever done was helping my husband put together a Barbie Dream House in 2017."

They started by tearing off the roof of the old shed, then the walls, and lastly the floor. Ariel was concerned whether they would encounter the skunk. And sure enough, Pepe showed up! In Ariel's words, "This was quite a nail biter for a few long minutes, but fortunately Pepe found the exit and our skunk problem was solved." After they put up the new shed, the volunteers couldn't help but feel a sense of satisfaction and reward. They knew that

the work they did that day would have an immediate impact on clients of A Safe Place. "We did something that helped make their world, their living space a better place. And to me, this is the essence of *Tikkun Olam*," Ariel explained.

A real-life super woman, Ariel finds the time to volunteer—impacting others' lives, while also working full time, and being a present mom and an inspirational role model for her two daughters. "I want to set an example for my two daughters on the importance of giving back to the community," she said, and on her commitment to social justice, she said, "I'm hopeful it has instilled in them compassion and empathy towards others."



Ariel, with her husband and two daughters

Since the onset of the partnership this year, in addition to purchasing and building the new shed, Temple Jeremiah has also identified a gap between A Safe Place clients and their school districts. Since A Safe Place is home to up to fifty children (many of whom have been through extremely traumatic life events), this connection will make early intervention a priority. Without it, children often become lost in the system, during a time when sometimes all a family can do is survive. Temple Jeremiah also provides necessary education on topics like: how to open a bank account, how to obtain life insurance, and additional professional development.

It's hard to describe what this kind of service work does. In Ariel's words, "Our partnership helps individual and community members of A Safe Place, and I feel that it also has helped our Temple Jeremiah community. I can say from personal experience that being involved in social justice has had a positive influence on my life. And of the community of fellow volunteers she says, "I am in awe of my fellow Safe Place Committee members and their expertise, experiences, and passion for giving back. We all lead busy lives, but this work has allowed me to slow down and really focus on the tasks at hand, and I'm very grateful for that."

Ariel and her family originally joined Temple Jeremiah because of her Uncle Mitchell's (Mitchell Slotnick) close relationships with clergy and staff, and after seeing their warmth, compassion, and grace when he passed. She said, "I'm grateful that we joined TJ and in a way, it helps me still feel close to Uncle Mitchell. And the work I do with Social Justice, I can't help but feel that he is helping to guide this work."

Her advice if you're interested in giving back, but don't have a lot of time, is to just get started. "Sign up to help! Temple Jeremiah provides opportunities on weekends and makes it convenient and easy."

Weekly Torah Portions

We invite you to join us on Saturday mornings to discuss the Torah portion and how it might apply to our lives. We meet virtually and in-person at 9:30 a.m. every Saturday. To join us on Zoom, visit zoom.us/j/132889355.



November 6, 2021	Tol'dot	Genesis 25:19–28:9
November 13, 2021	Vayeitzei	Genesis 28:10–32:3
November 20, 2021	Vayishlach	Genesis 32:4–36:43
November 27, 2021	Vayeishev	Genesis 37:1–40:23



Are you looking for an opportunity to volunteer some of your time?

Then Temple Jeremiah is the place for you. Whether its lending some time to engage in our Social Justice work or help out in the office, we have something for you. Hours and projects vary and are possible for people of all abilities.

To learn more or to send your interest, please contact the following individuals:

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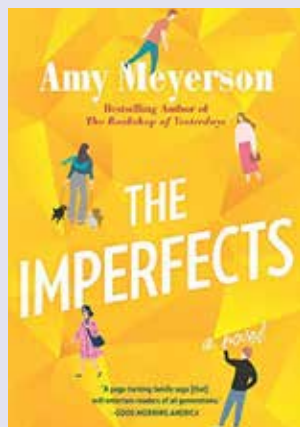
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Sisterhood Book Club

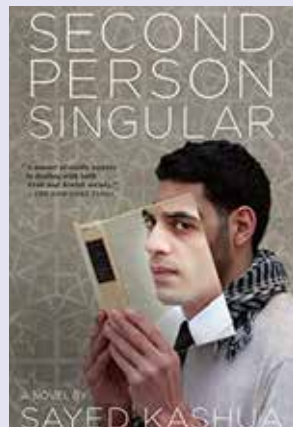
NOTE: Look for an email a few days before Book Club that confirms an in-person or Zoom meeting!

Thursday, November 11, 2021 ~ 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
The Imperfects, By Amy Meyerson



Based on the true story of the missing Florentine Diamond, this is a compelling story of siblings who come together to uncover their family's truth. "Readers who enjoy realistically drawn characters, family dynamics, and the power of history will appreciate this novel." - *Library Journal*

Thursday, December 9, 2021 ~ 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Second Person Singular, By Sayed Kashua



Their local bookstore, her recommendation, a used copy on the shelf, what? an old love note inside, her handwriting, a furious husband... Winner of the Bernstein Prize, gives "sharp insights on the assumptions made about race, religion, ethnicity, and class that shape Israeli identity" - *Publishers Weekly*

Contact Vicki Siegelman at vsieg@gralynn.org for more information or to join.

Campaign Update



By LESLIE LANDMAN
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Just prior to the October 31st close of our *Building Tomorrow Together* Campaign, our Board of Directors participated in a phonathon to help make sure that we met one of our key campaign goals: giving every member the opportunity to be part of securing the temple's future.

As we were planning the phonathon, one of the board members sent me the following email: "With a small passion, I hate making solicitation calls. But with a higher passion, I love our temple."

I cannot tell you how much this note captured so much of what I think is amazing about Temple Jeremiah—and this campaign.

Before I share those thoughts, first, I will share a little "behind the scenes" insight about the phonathon. The phonathon was not going to be a solicitation call, but a reminder call. The framework was not in the nature of phonathons run at other organizations that are primarily (and with great importance) in the business of fundraising. Here things are a bit different. We are a temple, a community. The temple is our spiritual home, our gathering place,

and our place to learn. It is the core from which our members engage in *tikkun olam* and improve our world. While there are financial realities that need to be addressed, hence our annual fund and the advancement of this campaign, member support comes from a similar place as this board member's—a love for the temple.

This campaign has been met with meaningful support at all giving levels. It has also been infused with the personal devotion of the leaders of the campaign, the board, volunteers and from our supporting members. This board member's note was not the first love letter I received on behalf of the temple. And, this is what I have found so unique and special here at Temple Jeremiah: the deep level of connection, the active desire to help, and the recognition of the importance the temple has to the surrounding community.

I look forward to sharing more thoughts about this campaign and a full report about our success.

In the meantime, in this month of thanksgiving, I want to take the opportunity to thank everyone who donated to the *Building Tomorrow Together* Campaign, and to our co-chairs, committee, and our volunteers.

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A Report from the Treasurer

By **SUE WEITZMAN**, Temple Treasurer and
BRIAN RUBEN, Controller

I thought it would be a good time to report briefly on Temple Jeremiah's 2020-2021 fiscal budget as well as our current 2021-2022 fiscal budget.

The temple's fiscal year for 2020-2021 ended on June 30, 2021 and I am thrilled to report that the Budget Committee and senior staff worked tirelessly all year to ensure a balanced budget. The temple finances were helped immensely last year by two Federal covid-related programs - PPP loan forgiveness program and the Employee Retention Credits program.

On the revenue side, the committee's forecast of membership commitment was on budget, however, our facility income (e.g. Bridge clubs, Bar/Bat Mitzvah celebrations) was significantly negatively impacted due to the enactment of covid protocols. To offset these lower revenues, we were able to eliminate certain building expenses and postpone the replacement of certain open Temple positions. We also will be able to utilize additional funds from the second round of PPP loan forgiveness and Employee Retention Credits in our fiscal year 2021-2022 budget.

FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

The congregation approved a conditional budget in May for our upcoming fiscal 2021-2022. We plan to revisit the budget later in the year once we better understand the impact of COVID-19 and the related guidelines for a safe re-opening of the temple and our

programming. The budget committee met in August and reviewed the three main sources of our income: community commitment, building rentals, and Sunday and Hebrew school.

Community commitment, which was budgeted for \$1.420 million for fiscal year 2021-2022, is on track to meet that figure based on the current membership renewals. Your commitment to Temple Jeremiah is so important, this year especially, as it will allow the temple to continue to keep health and safety a priority while our regular tenants slowly return and our building begins opening up to Bar and Bat Mitzvah celebrations. Your community commitment will also allow the temple to continue providing meaningful and creative digital programming that we have all been experiencing and enjoying since March of 2020. With in-person worship now available to the congregation in addition to our virtual format, we are truly a multi-access community!

The budget committee has been reviewing income and expenses of the temple on a quarterly basis and while we feel we are currently in a good place, we are already thinking about the next budget year. A big thank you to all of the Budget Committee members, our Executive Director, our Senior Clergy, and our staff for their tireless efforts in this process.

The temple is in the fortunate position of being such a kind, caring, and fiscally responsible community and we know we will get through these unprecedented times in the best way possible.

Inclusion Chanukah

*Oh, Chanukah! Oh, Chanukah!
Come light the menorah*

Join us for songs, a story, a game, and more. Get your menorah ready so we can light up yours along with others in real-time.

This holiday celebration is designed for people of all ages with special needs. Family and friends are invited, too!

December 5, 2021
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Register by December 1st to receive a gift bag and the link to the Zoom meeting!
tinyurl.com/InclusionChanukah2021





Jeremiah Kids at the Pumpkin Patch 10.10.2021



Jeremiah Buddies 10.17.2021



Club 345 Laser Tag 10.17.2021



Machenah (Camp for Hebrew Students) 10.18.2021

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IN HONOR OF

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On the occasion of her 14th birthday and becoming a Bat Mitzvah
-Hershy Pappadis

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Happy New Year, and in honor of breaking fast together
-Avis Zimblar

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Son of Rabbi Paul and Cathy Cohen, *on the occasion of his marriage to Elana Gordon*
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On the occasion of his 90th birthday
-Howard Brenner

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On the occasion of his 60th birthday
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Son of Patricia and Fred Lurie, *on the occasion of his marriage to Samantha Schneider*
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For underwriting Cantor Susie Lewis Friedman's inspiring music
-Karen Gitles and Michael Jablo

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For his inspiring Torah chanting and amazing Building Tomorrow Together Concert
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-Liz, Scott, and Sarah Mendel
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On the occasion of his special birthday
-Ilene and David Abraham
-Shelly Trilling

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On the occasion of her special birthday
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-Carole Bellows

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-Nancy Hirschfield

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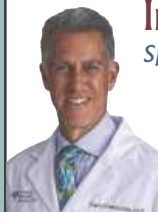
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