

A Year of Reconstructionism (Adult B'Nai Mitzvah Program) 2021-2022

Class Website:

<https://www.dorsheimet.com/adultbmitzvah>

Monthly Class Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85057395053?pwd=N1EeEdLdVZYVGooWWhyYlBRdlpEZz09>

Meeting ID: 850 5739 5053

Passcode: 169298

Through a Reconstructionist Lens: An Adult B-/Re- Mitzvah Program is a monthly program of videos lessons from Reconstructing Judaism along with Zoom workshops with Rabbi Boris and other Dorshei Emet members. Each month will cover a key Jewish idea from a Reconstructionist and liberal perspective. Videos will be approximately 40 minutes in length and will be released once a month; running from March 2021 through March 2022. Enrolled students will be able to view the video modules on their own schedule. Emails with the links will be sent directly to you from the organizers.

During our monthly DE gathering (time and days TBD), will we review and discuss the monthly topic and discuss its relevance to our lives, while getting to know each other in the process! Participants are welcome to just do the monthly learning, or also commit to prepare for a B'Nai Mitzvah ceremony in spring 2022. This additional training will begin in summer 2021 and will include:

- Additional preparation with Rabbi Boris and other teachers.
- 4-part Torah Reading Class
- Optional participation in the 2022 Reconstructing Judaism convention including a program of honour for the class
- Special Shabbat morning service for the class at Dorshei Emet in May 2022

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Schedule of Topics (subject to change)

1. Repairing the World through a Reconstructionist Lens
2. Liturgy and Prayer through a Reconstructionist Lens
3. Values-Based Decision Making
4. Biblical and Rabbinic Texts through a Reconstructionist Lens
5. Climate Justice through a Reconstructionist Lens
6. Shabbat – Celebration and Observance - through a Reconstructionist Lens
7. Israel through a Reconstructionist Lens
8. An Approach to Food, *Kashrut*, and Justice through a Reconstructionist Lens
9. God through a Reconstructionist Lens
10. Racial Justice through a Reconstructionist Lens
11. Economic Justice through a Reconstructionist Lens
12. Creating Community – *Kehilah* - through a Reconstructionist Lens
13. Gender Inclusivity (Feminism and Egalitarian Communities) through a Reconstructionist Lens