SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 2019

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6
6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service with House Band
Guest Speaker: Rabbi Lee Bycel
7:00 PM Meditation – Room 34
8:00 PM The Well

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
9:00 AM Torah Study
10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of Dylan Loft
5:30 PM Mincha Bar Mitzvah of Sam Rosetti

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13
6:00 PM Worship Service
7:00 PM Meditation – Room 34

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
9:00 AM Torah Study
9:30 AM Mini Shabbat
10:30 AM Chapel Worship Service

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20
6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service with House Band
Chanukah
7:00 PM Meditation – Room 34

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21
9:00 AM Torah Study
10:30 AM B’nei Mitzvah of Jack and Philip Fishbein

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27
6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service
7:00 PM Meditation – Room 34

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28
9:00 AM Torah Study
10:30 AM Chapel Shabbat Service

TORAH & HAFTARAH:

DECEMBER 7: Vayetze
Genesis 28:10-32:5; Hosea 12:13-14:10

DECEMBER 14: Vayishlach
Genesis 32:4-36:45; Obadiah 1:1-21

DECEMBER 21: Vayeshev
Genesis 37:1-40:25; Amos 2:6-3:8

DECEMBER 28: Miketz
Genesis 41:1-44:17; Numbers 28:9-15; Numbers 7:42-47;
Zechariah 2:14-4:7
The Story Behind “Light One Candle”

It was the spring of 1983, and the iconic singing trio, Peter, Paul, and Mary, were traveling to Israel. Peter had written the song “Light One Candle” with the intention that it would become the anthem of the anti-Lebanese war movement in Israel, just as “Blowing in the Wind” by Bob Dylan had been to the very different anti-Vietnam war movement of America. The song had debuted in Carnegie Hall that past Chanukah; it had brought down the house. Now, with the chance to play a concert in the valley near the Sultan’s Pool outside the Old City in Jerusalem, what would the reaction be?

Peter Yarrow, the band’s Jewish member, was worried: Would the song be too strident for wider Israeli appeal? So he did what peacemakers do. He brought his song to the leading anti-war activists to test it with them. He brought the song to the Israeli press office to weed out any sensitive passages in the lyrics, “so that everyone could hear them,” Peter recalls later. He passed it by religious friends, people on the left, people on the right, anyone he thought would bring a different perspective. Finally, he felt the song was ready for the stage.

Peter, Paul, and Mary played “Light One Candle” as their opening song to a polite applause from the thousands who sat in dim lights and dappled moonlight. The audience filled with people from all walks of Israeli life, some in the peace movement, some members from Gush Emunim, some wearing small knit kippot signifying the religiously observant, listened and sang along with other favorites, such as “Puff the Magic Dragon.” But when the encore brought them back to the stage, they played “Light One Candle” again, adding the lyrics, “Light one candle for all we believe in, let anger not tear us apart. Light one candle to bind us together with peace as the song in our heart…”

At the chorus, lights flickered throughout the rapt audience, who were now singing, “Don’t let the light go out, It’s lasted for so many years. Don’t let the light go out, Let it shine through our love and our tears.”

As we look out at our world today, we may be tempted to think: Where is the hope? Where is the light? I believe we should take note of the story of “Light One Candle.” Peter and his band were able to bring people together by actually speaking and hearing and learning from all sides. In doing so, his music conveyed not only the issue at hand but also the deep, abiding, moral ethic of the people. He acted with good faith to create a message that would be clear in its position and intent and yet could connect to everyone. He sang not of what he rejected but of what he envisioned as a future that could be shared by all. During our season of miracles this year, as we sing our precious Chanukah songs again, may we reach beyond ourselves to find the humanity even in the most unlikely of partners, and allow that shared humanity and understanding to guide us towards increasing the light in our world.

Rabbi Lydia Medwin

About Rabbi Medwin:
Rabbi Lydia Medwin was ordained on the Los Angeles campus of HUC in May of 2010, where she received a Masters of Hebrew Letters and a Masters in Jewish Education from the Rhea Hirsch School. She had formative experiences traveling with American Jewish World Service, leading UCLA Hillel students on service trips, and engaging in an intensive course on community organizing.
A native of Memphis, TN, Lydia attended the University of Texas (hook ‘em) and Hebrew University for undergraduate studies, earning degrees in Middle Eastern Studies and Honors Humanities. Between studies, she worked as the education director for a synagogue in Jackson, MS, and traveled to places as varied as South Africa, Peru, and Greece.

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B’NEI MITZVAH

DECEMBER 7
Dylan Loft
Son of Dr. Evan and Sara Loft

DECEMBER 7
Samuel Robert Rosetti
Son of Michael and Vitoria Rosetti

DECEMBER 21
Jack Fishbein
Sons of Daniel and Melissa Fishbein

DECEMBER 21
Phillip Fishbein
Sons of Daniel and Melissa Fishbein

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE FOR A BLESSING
Our Heartfelt Sympathy to the Families of:
Arthur Blaine (brother-in-law, Shirley Blaine)
Frank Rubensohn (father of Joel Rubensohn)
David Baker (husband of Betsy Baker, father of Stuart Baker, Curtis Baker & Trudy Kremer)
Joel Farb (uncle of Jeff Gordon)
Frances R. Sheppardson (mother of Courtney Bacon)
Michael Oken (father of Thomas)
Robert F. Leder (cousin of Barbara-Scheer Eason)

MAZAL TOV!
Have good news to share?
Please email Katie Bass at kbass@the-temple.org.

Michael and Jennifer Wilder on the birth of their granddaughter, Lillia Charlotte Wilder to David & Rebecca Wilder
Hilary and Marc and big brother Jacob Goldberg on the birth of Harrison Elliott Goldberg
Marriage of Lauren Ashley Siegel and Edmund Alexander Driscoll Charli Shapiro, a 16-year-old junior at Roswell High School, won The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences’ annual Student Best Director award.

NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS
Terri Bonoff & Matthew Knopf
Talia Capozzoli & Matt Kessler
Nicole Charloff & Bryan Lippman
Leura Fine Craig & Paige Craig
Melissa & Ian Fralick
Lauren Goldstein & Cory Levinson
Lindsay Gorby & Eric Sopshin
Alyssa Greenhouse
Melissa Harari
Lauren & John Kamensky
Bobby Kaufman
Marcy & George Kushner
Caroline & Oliver Kushner
Sam Latzsch
Dana Leader
Daniel Neer
Elaine Rosenblum & Charles Mendels
Nelson Mendels
Amschel Rothschild
Adam Weiss
Hailey Winter
DECEMBER 2019
PROGRAMMING

1  No Sunday Program
8  Sunday Program @ 9:30am
   4th Grade Family Education @ 9:30am
   Teen Israel Trip Meeting @ 12:15 pm
15  Sunday Program @ 9:30am
   Kindergarten Family Social @ 11:00am
19  Winter Break Begins
    (through January 5)
20  Project Merry Mitzvah @ 5:00pm

TAMID Programming Calendar

December Elective: A New Vision of Southern Jewish History
December 9 • 7:00-7:55pm • Cost: Free • Instructor: Mark Bauman
This class will explore the vibrant new interpretation of southern Jewish history developed by Mark Bauman during the last four decades. He will depict the southern Jewish experience as dynamic and cosmopolitan with Jews, congregations, and organizations providing major national and even international leadership. Mark’s presentation will largely come from a book of his essays published in May by the University of Alabama Press. Many of the essays and examples derive from the history of The Temple and Atlanta Jewish community.

Melton Continuing Education — Melton Social Justice: The Heart of Judaism in Theory and Practice
Mondays, December 2-February 24 • 7:00-8:30pm • Instructors: Temple Clergy
Requirements: Melton Graduates (or special permission from the Melton or Education staff)
This new Melton course draws from text and history to explore how social justice work goes beyond addressing short-term needs and looks at structural causes of injustice today. Topics include issues related to poverty, immigration and environmental degradation. Social Justice: The Heart of Judaism will seek to not just define but also to grapple with what social justice is and is not; with how it fits with, complements and goes beyond the powerful service activities that many individuals and communities are already engaged in.

WELC PRESCHOOL

Community Service @ WELC!
The Fish class (pre-k) proudly packed brown bag lunches they decorated for the Zaban Paradies Center residents. Each WELC class generously contributed the items to be packed! What a mitzvah!

WELC Chanukah Fundraiser
Please consider donating this Chanukah season to the Weinberg Early Learning Center in honor of your WELC family. Your donation will help provide our students with cultural arts activities and educational experiences that enhance the program’s curriculum. Thank you for your generous donation! Please make checks payable to WELC TPA Chanukah Fundraiser.

Got Chanukah Candles?
Should you, or any of our family, need Chanukah candles—come see us! WELC TPA is selling boxes of Chanukah candles at $5 per box! Remember, one box provides you with enough candles to light one menorah for the 8 nights! Stop by the Weinberg Early Learning Center office to purchase a box or 2.

What does being part of the Weinberg Early Learning Center at the Temple mean?
It means you will always have a community to support you whether you go through happy times or hard times. The WELC teachers and staff take as much pride as we do in watching our son Ethan grow and flourish. The WELC has nurtured Ethan’s love of Shabbat and music and he reminds us every week that it is time to light the candles, eat challah and drink grape juice. The WELC has helped us create a Jewish home, and we are so grateful for that. ~Leah Davis

Project Merry Mitzvah
Project Connect (our high school youth program) is gearing up for our annual social action initiative! Each December our teens host a Shabbat dinner and shopping evening for the residents of the Zaban Paradies Center for Couples. Teens will serve dinner, celebrate with the residents, and then give them an opportunity to go shopping in the “mall” for a gift for their spouse or partner. This can’t happen without help from you.

To donate items to Project Merry Mitzvah, please visit our website at www.the-temple.org/merrymitzvahgifts or donate gift cards to Publix, Walmart, Kroger or Home Depot in increments of $20.

For more information, please contact Rabbi Steven Rau (srau@the-temple.org), Bethany Smith (bsmith@the-temple.org) or Elizabeth Foster (efoster@the-temple.org).
Special Guest: Lee Bycel
Friday, December 6
5:00 pm: Shabbat Socializing
6:00 pm: Shabbat Services
8:30 pm: The Well Services
Friday night sermon: “The Journey of the Refugee: Stories of Courage, Resilience and Hope”

Saturday, December 7
9:00 am: Torah Study, “The Refugee: Insights from the Torah”
12:30 pm: RSJI Lunch and Learn

Join us for a weekend of learning from the author of the forthcoming book, Refugees in America: Stories of Courage, Resilience and Hope in Their Own Words. In his book eleven refugees spoke candidly about their experiences with our Scholar in Residence and leader in the Reform movement, Lee Bycel. He will provide illuminating background information on the refugee crises in the refugees’ native countries as well as stories that help reveal the real people at the center of political debates about US immigration.

Quieting the Silence
Monday, December 9 • 7:00-9:00pm at The Temple
A night of mental health and substance abuse awareness, education and dialogue through the lens of Hanukkah. Jewish community members will share their real-life stories, wisdom, and perspectives related to their personal journeys around mental health and substance abuse.

Presented by The Blue Dove Foundation and The Temple, in partnership with The Berman Center, Hamsa, Jump Spark, NAMI Georgia, and Metropolitan Counseling Services. Admission is free. Suitable for ages 18 and up. RSVP is encouraged at TheBlueDoveFoundation.org/qtshanukkah or info@TheBlueDoveFoundation.org.

Mini Shabbat
Saturday, December 14 • 9:30 am Services with Puppets
10:00am Bagels, Coffee, and Play Time

Join us on Saturday, December 14 for Mini Shabbat with our favorite puppets who discover miracles around us all the time. Our puppets will join Chana as she teaches us new songs for Shabbat so we can dance and sing. Following services, we’ll have a bagel snack and time on the WELC’s indoor playground! You can find us on the second Saturday of every month at 9:30 AM in the Covenant Chapel for music and a story with our puppets.

There is no fee or RSVP required. Questions? As always, please contact Rabbi Lydia Medwin at lmedwin@the-temple.org.

Songs, stories, bagels, coffee & friends? An unbeatable Shabbat combination. We can’t wait to see you there!
Our Shared Journey: The Temple’s Israel Trip for Interfaith Couples

June 4-14, 2020

For more information, visit www.the-temple.org/oursharedjourney

We are excited to offer this pilot program through the generosity of Leah and Richard Davis, who approached us to offer a heavily-subsidized Israel trip for young interfaith couples through The Temple. There are limited spaces available for this trip, so please go to www.the-temple.org/oursharedjourney to see the flyer, the criteria for this pilot grant, and to request a registration form. If you have additional questions, please contact Rabbi Lapidus at llapidus@the-temple.org.

Leven Jewish Identity Institute
Upcoming Programs

For more information or to register, see www.the-temple.org/interfaith or contact Rabbi Lapidus (llapidus@the-temple.org) or Brian Weiss (brianweissmedia@gmail.com).

Beineinu: The Temple’s Fifth Annual Marriage Retreat for Young Couples
February 28-29, 2020 at Valhalla Resort in Helen, GA

This marriage retreat offers an opportunity for couples in their first seven years of marriage to rest, reflect, and socialize with other couples in The Temple community. It’s a great way for those newer to The Temple, especially interfaith couples, to connect, and time in the North Georgia Mountains is always relaxing! Spaces are limited so please go to www.the-temple.org/marriageretreat to register. Underwritten by the Leven Institute, the cost is only $300/couple for your room, resort fee, and all meals and activities. There is a $50 discount for couples who have never attended the marriage retreat before.

This program is generously funded by the Leven Jewish Identity Institute Fund.

Caring at The Temple

Our Caring at The Temple program reaches out to fellow congregants during times of hardship or pastoral need, providing homemade chicken soup and challah to members who are bereaved, ill, recently discharged from the hospital, or are celebrating the arrival of a new child. We have delivered more than 500 soups, and nearly every step of the program—from soup preparation, to delivery (within your zip code), to letting us know about fellow congregants in need—is led by members of our congregation.

Thank you to our Caring at The Temple volunteers who delivered soup this month: Arlette & Doug Berlin, Scott Chalk, Lauren Chekanow, Sandy & Duane Cox, Kimberly Fireman, Debra Fowler, Bill & Barbara Goldstein, Ron & Elaine Koenig, Micah Kurtzberg, Robbie Levin, Denny Marcus, Adam Oppenheimer, Nora & Ben Rachelson, Stanley Romanstein, Rebecca Siegel, Randy & Marc Shapiro, Debbie Shelton, Laura Sladkus, Shaya Steinfeld, Ronnie van Gelder, Lisa Vayle, Debbie Wexler, Jessica Williams, Esther Zells

To be a part of this program and to fulfill the mitzvah of ḥidur cholim (visiting the sick) or to let us know who needs soup, please contact Rabbi Lydia Medwin at lmedwin@the-temple.org or 404-873-1731.

Giving Tuesday inspires people across the globe to show up and give back to causes and issues that matter to them. The Temple is excited to participate this year on Tuesday, December 3!

Make your gift to The Temple at www.the-temple.org/support or call Amy Helman-Darley, Development Manager, or Rita Zadoff, Donations and Special Events Coordinator, at 404-873-1731.
Thank you for all being here today. Thank you Mark Jacobson, Ruth Mentor, Myrtle and Ed from Trees Atlanta and Rabbi Berg for the coordination and commemoration of man that I know as Uncle Rich- a member of my extended family, who was also a twin brother, a husband, a dentist, and an all around stellar human being.

I met Uncle Rich over 25 years ago when my sister was celebrating her engagement to his nephew. I remember that day so clearly- he had a glass of red wine in his hand and was probably discussing the “notes and hints of cherry or bark, its toasty character”…things that only wine connoisseurs say. Aside from decoding wine jargon when I was around him, I loved hearing about the dental practice that he and his wife Peg started and the philanthropic work he did providing dental services at a free dental clinic, often treating immigrants and refugees. He and Aunt Peg were always so helpful when I called them for advice regarding my young daughter’s dental woes, and even sent them x-rays for to get their opinions. Uncle Rich was profoundly religious and very much connected to Judaism. He was also equally a Pittsburgh Steelers fan and loved attending games and displaying his fandom. This tree just may blossom bunches of yellow terrible towels in the Spring!

He loved to golf and run and was just a few months away from closing their dental practice at the end of 2018 and venture into the next stage of their life together, retirement. He was the nucleus of his family, a patriarch among four siblings. From seders to Sabbath, a leader of all things. The most meaningful role that Uncle Rich played in my family’s life was that of a father figure to my brother in law who had grown up without his own father in his life. Uncle Rich was the one that took up that mantle. He was THAT kind of guy.

When I attended the funeral of Uncle Rich last October, the Rabbi stood before thousands of members of the Pittsburgh community in mourning, and said over and over again “There are no words, there are only tears”. And still I think the same thing is true a year later. There still aren’t any words to make any sense of any of it. But just like this tree that will grow up and out, taller and thicker, more resilient and fierce in its direction and impact, more powerful in its presence, I hope that will be a sign of the courage and persistence of the change that is so desperately needed.

So on this final day of Sukkot, we stand before this beautiful red maple. It is a beginning… it is young and healthy and has roots of richness, branches of goodwill, and leaves that will turn crimson like the grapes of a good red blend- one that Uncle Rich would have enjoyed. It so graciously represents who Richard was. My wish is that it spreads its roots wide and deep and grabs hold of the soil that rests beneath this Temple, potent with hope and healing and reminding us all that the vineyards of love conquer the shackles of hate. May it continue to thrive and protect and represent the kindness and benevolence that was the essence of who Uncle Rich was.
Zaban Paradies Center
Zaban Paradies Center has great news to share! Adrianne Hamilton-Butler has been hired as the new Executive Director of the Center. Adrianne began her tenure on November 4. We are thrilled that she joins Dr. Karyn Woods, Marc Green and Mary Wesley, all of whom work to provide residents with programming that covers financial management, job readiness, relationships and health/wellness issues.

Ms. Hamilton-Butler comes to ZPC with a wide range of experience, including development, marketing, and finance in nonprofit organizations, publishing and public accounting in the for-profit sector. She has also taught marketing at the graduate school level. Adrianne comes to ZPC from the Atlanta Center for Self Sufficiency (ACSS) after four years as Director of Development and Finance at the Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence (GCADV). ZPC has had a relationship with ACSS for years as the provider of discounted MARTA passes for our residents. Working with individuals experiencing homelessness is not new to Adrianne and we appreciate the contacts she has in the nonprofit arena serving this community.

During her tenure at both agencies, Adrianne’s results in development are noteworthy. She has developed successful signature fundraising events, diversified funding sources, worked to increase government funding and continued to focus on individual and foundation donors. Adrianne is from North Carolina, has spent time in the upper mid-west and has called Atlanta home for a number of years. We encourage you to visit ZPC—serve a meal or volunteer—and get to know Adrianne.

We’re Collecting Things! Don’t know what to do with those empty plastic medicine bottles? We do! MedShare, a Mitzvah Day Agency, collects surplus medical supplies and used equipment from U.S. hospitals and manufacturers and sends them to hospitals and clinics in third world countries. Peel or soak off the label and bring the bottles to The Temple. A collection box will be in the motor lobby. Plastic bottles only, please.

High Holy Days Food Drive Volunteers
Sunday, October 14, 2019

Marshall Abes
Pamela Alexander
Michael Alexander
Nolan Alexander
Brian Banner
Henry Banner
Meredith Bass
Jackie Berkelhammer
Jay Berkelhammer
Debbie Butterfield
Diana Colby
Tyler Colby
Kelly Cooney
Luke Deramy
Brooke Dickerson
Robbie Dokson
David Fireman
Leonard Forster
Chris Gaydos
Eliana Gaydos
Cassie Gaydos
Heather Hooper
Cassie Hopper
Jay Kamin
Rad Kessler
Kaleb Kessler
Trudy Kremer
Kremer Family
Louis Lettes
Jen Lieb
Asher Lieb
Darien Lieb
Michael Lipsey
Caren Lipsey
Alex Lipsey
Cindy Lourie
Max Lourie
Isaac Lourie
Rabbi Lydia
Medwin
Jacqueline Morris
Mike Pardee
Gene Reilly
Max Reilley
Jack Rivers
Hugh Rivers
Phyllis Rodbell
Sidney Rodbell
Noah Rogers
David Rogers
Elizabeth Schmitt
Thomas Schwartz
Hannah Seals
Laura Seals
Linda Smiley
Brian Smileys
Mitch Spolan
Mia Spolan
Jesse Spolan
Rudy Spolan
Trinae Watkins
Jack Wexler
Debbie Wexler
Adam White
Isaac White
Barry Zeitman

MAC Staff and Board Members:
Matt Bristow
Jacqueline Campbell
Clara Castenell
Chris Ferguson
Jenny Jobson
Theodore Jobson
Melissa Louchman
Gracie Palmer
Mitch Parsons
Maria Parsons
Tommy Rivers
Temple Financial Condition

For the past fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 total revenues were $5,454,287 and total expenses were $5,346,475 resulting in a surplus for the year of $107,811. This amount was transferred to the Endowment Fund in repayment of the cumulative balance due to subsidizing Temple operations in past years. Our lay and professional leaders continue to identify cost containment opportunities. This year’s budget plan includes some increases in education, human resources, and other unavoidable increases in costs for facility support and other products and services. Thanks to the continued generosity of our members in supporting The Temple by paying membership dues and other fees, we are operating at break even for the tenth straight year.

The Finance Committee chaired by Treasurer Jeff Belkin continues to set a path for The Temple to meet its day to day operating requirements. The Finance Committee continues to review in detail all expenses to ensure proper controls and efficiencies. The Finance Committee appreciates our members’ payments for Temple dues and fees, which are the lifeblood of meeting our operating expenses.

Temple Security
Temple expenses in the security and insurance areas remain high and unavoidable. The safety and security for Temple members is a high priority, especially in light of the past year’s tragedies in Pittsburgh and Poway. The security fee for regular members is increasing from $200 to $250 in 2020. Young Couples and Young Professionals over 32 pay an adjusted security fee of $150 and $100, respectively. We hope everyone continues to understand the necessity of funding this very necessary expense.

2020 Membership Dues
Basic dues for 2020 will be $2,550, a slight 3% increase over 2019. Members who currently support The Temple at the Basic level will be asked to consider raising their dues level to a Leadership Dues Circle such as the Double Chai Circle at $3,600. Members who currently support our synagogue at leadership levels will be asked to consider moving to a higher level of generosity. Other members will participate in the Dues Drive with increased support of either $36 (double chai) or $54 (triple chai) depending on their current level. We are pleased to report that many of you do “dig a little deeper” and increase beyond your current level of dues support. This generosity helped achieve the slight surplus of last year and will go a long way to help us break even this year.

Your timely payment of dues and increasing your annual support, if possible, is critical to The Temple’s meeting its operating needs. Our Temple family has always risen to the challenges it faces. The Temple Board is confident and most appreciative of The Temple family responding as it always does in meeting the needs of our membership and community.

Donation of Appreciated Stock
Temple members will be receiving their Temple dues statements for the 2020 year during the month of December. The Temple dues year is the calendar year, January – December, and statements are mailed at this time should members wish to take advantage of a tax deduction, if appropriate, for the current 2019 year.

Many members may wish to donate securities to fulfill their commitments. The donation of appreciated stock may be of considerable benefit. Consult your tax advisor. If you wish to transfer stock, your broker will require the following information: Charles Schwab & Co., DTC #164, Temple Account #8769-3467.

Please let us know of the transaction so we can follow up properly. Call Mark Jacobson, Executive Director, with any questions if you wish to donate stock to The Temple at 404-873-1751 or email at mjacobson@the-temple.org.

THANK YOU to all our Temple members for making 2019 another outstanding year!
2019-2020 Financial Information

Projected Revenues

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If there is any communication desired regarding Temple finances, please contact any Temple officer, Jeff Belkin, Treasurer, or Mark Jacobson, Executive Director.
Leadership Dues Groups

Many Temple members participate in leadership dues level groups, such as:

Covenant Circle ($50,000+)
Torah Circle ($25,000+)
Minyan Circle ($18,000+)
Rabbi’s Circle ($10,000+)
Mitzvah Circle ($7,500+)
Temple Dome Circle ($5,000+)
Double Chai Circle ($3,600+)

Members in these categories help The Temple be a religious home to members of our community who are not in a position to pay full dues. In addition, names of Leadership Dues group participants are displayed in the lobby outside the Covenant Chapel.

We hope we can either add or move your name to a higher Leadership Dues group level. Our Temple family would be most appreciative. If you would like information on these groups, call Janet Lavine, Temple President, Jeff Belkin, Treasurer, or Mark Jacobson, Executive Director.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE WITH YOUR...

IRA Charitable Rollover
TAKE ADVANTAGE TODAY — BEFORE DECEMBER 31

WHO CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER PROVISION?
If you have an IRA and you are 70½ or older, you and your spouse (each) can make a tax-free charitable distribution from your IRA.

WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM GIFT?
A gift up to $100,000 can be made from your IRAs.

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As winter brings shorter days and increased darkness, we light the candles of Hanukkah to remind us of the light that we can create.

Hanukkah means "dedication," and the name of the holiday commemorates the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem after its desecration. While many families will come together to celebrate this holiday with latkes, gifts, and gelt; it can also be a time to show dedication to organizations that are meaningful to you.

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The lighting of the Chanukiah, or menorah, takes place soon after nightfall, or as soon as the household is together. On Friday night, the Chanukah candles are lit first, followed by the Shabbat candles, as traditionally fire is not created on the Sabbath itself. The lights should not be used for any practical purpose. They should last for at least half an hour, during which time no work should be done. The menorah is placed on a windowsill or table facing the street to publicize the two miracles of Chanukah: the miracle of the cruse of oil and the miracle of Jewish survival.

A. The shamash, which on most menorahs is set apart from the other candles, is always lit first. It is then used to light all other candles.

B. As you face the menorah, place the candles from right to left, starting with the first night, then two on the second, and so on. By the eighth night, you’ll have a full menorah.

C. Still facing the menorah, use the shamash to light the candles from left to right. This allows the current night’s light to be lit first.

Chanukah Blessings

Each night, two blessings are recited:

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu meh-lech ha-o-lam a-sher ki-d’sha-nu b’mitz-vo-tav v’tzi-va-nu l’had-lik ner shel Chanukah

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe: You hallow us with Your Mitzvot, and command us to kindle the Chanukah lights.

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu meh-lech ha-o-lam, sheh-a-sa ni-sim la-a-vo-tei-nu ba-ya-mim ha-heim ba-z’man ha-zeh.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe: You showed wonders to our fathers and mothers in the days of old, at this season.

Recited on the first night only:

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu meh-lech ha-o-lam, she-hecheyanu, v’ki-y’manu, v’higi-anu la-z’man ha-zeh.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.