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## SCHEDULE: OCTOBER 2021

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:00 AM Torah Study  
10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah of Lois R. Goldman  
5:30 PM Mincha Bar Mitzvah of Hoyt B.M. Davis

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service  
8:00 PM The Well (Off-site)

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:00 AM Torah Study  
10:30 AM B'nei Mitzvah of Max A. Porier & Sadie F. Teras

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

6:00 PM Worship Service

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

9:00 AM Torah Study  
9:30 AM Mini Shabbat  
10:30 AM B'nei Mitzvah of Jane Zedd & Ben E. Rodbell

### FRIDAY OCTOBER 22

6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00 AM Torah Study  
10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of Jonah L. Katz

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

6:00 PM Shabbat Worship Service

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

9:00 AM Torah Study  
10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of Will S. Goldberg

## TORAH & HAFTARAH:

### OCTOBER 2: Bereshit

Genesis 1:1-6:8; Isaiah 42:5-43:10

### OCTOBER 9: Noach

Genesis 6:9-11:32; Isaiah 54:1-55:5

### OCTOBER 16: Lech Lecha

Genesis 12:1-17:27; Isaiah 40:27-41:16

### OCTOBER 23:

Genesis 18:1-22:24; II Kings 4:1-37

### OCTOBER 30: Chaye Sarah

Genesis 23:1-25:18; I Kings 1:1-31



# Extending our time together into the New Year

AS this bulletin arrives to you, the High Holy Day season has just concluded with Simchat Torah. An entire month of holidays, festivals, and activity—all within the context of COVID-19 precautions and restrictions. So, I want to begin with a thank you for being part of our Temple family. Together we blended resilience, creativity, and tradition to be a multi-access congregation celebrating these sacred times together.

On the last day of Sukkot, we celebrate Shemini Atzeret. Those who took the Melton classes may remember that the *atzeret* technically means “gathering,” and is an additional day of the festival, a “lingering” to remain in the celebration. For Sukkot, we have this additional gathering through Shemini Atzeret, for Passover, it is actually Shavuot 7 weeks later. The tradition envisions the *atzeret* as existing because God didn’t want the people to leave Jerusalem, God wanted them to stay just a little longer. Much like the parents who say, “The visit was so short”—God wants a little more time with us.

As this High Holy Day season ends, I am thinking about this idea of *atzeret*. We have all of the hustle and bustle of the new year, thousands of people focused on being connected to The Temple for worship services or holiday celebrations. And then, we go back to the regular programming year...and don’t always have the same energy to gather with the community. Wouldn’t it be nice if we all stayed just a little longer?

So, that is my invitation. With full recognition that we cannot (and do not want) to stay in holiday mode forever, I invite you to consider how to extend your gathering with your Temple family into the rest of the year. We’d love to see you! The High Holy Days are a peak experience—but just one of many in our Temple calendar. We will have festivities for Chanukah (which starts November 28, FYI), we will celebrate MLK Shabbat, we will look to our spring holidays with creativity and, we pray, the ability to gather in person with the help of vaccinations for all ages. We have adult learning, with the benefit of multi-access classes; social justice initiatives; age and stage programs; offerings for interfaith couples and families; and so much more. Our worship will continue to evolve as our technology upgrades are installed, and we will continue to grow as a congregation in so many ways.

The momentum of the past month was significant. We all put energy into this season—both here at The Temple and in our own homes and families. Let’s take some of that energy and momentum into the new year. Let’s continue to find ways to be together as a Temple family and draw strength and joy from our community.

*Loren Filson Lapidus*  
Rabbi Loren Filson Lapidus

## About Rabbi Loren Filson Lapidus:

Rabbi Loren Filson Lapidus joined The Temple in 2008 and currently serves as Senior Associate Rabbi. She was ordained at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, and also has a Master of Arts in Hebrew Letters and a Master of Education in Administration.

Here at The Temple, Rabbi Lapidus brings her experiences as the child of an interfaith family and a parent of young children to help people of all backgrounds to feel more welcome and involved in the congregation. Rabbi Lapidus is married to Rabbi Micah Lapidus, the Director of Judaic and Hebrew Studies at The Alfred and Adele Davis Academy. They have two children, Hadara and Caleb.

## Connect with Rabbi Loren Filson Lapidus:

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# LIFECYCLES

## B'NEI MITZVAH



OCTOBER 2

**Lois Goldman**

Daughter of Angela  
& Aaron Goldman



OCTOBER 2

**Hoyt Davis**

Son of Michelle Merrick  
& Gale Davis



OCTOBER 9

**Max A. Poirier**

Son of Julie Poirier  
& Robert Poirier



OCTOBER 9

**Sadie Teras**

Daughter of Lynley  
& Brian Teras



OCTOBER 16

**Jane Zedd**

Daughter of Cathy  
& John Zedd



OCTOBER 16

**Ben Rodbell**

Son of Amy  
& Philip Rodbell



OCTOBER 23

**Jonah Katz**

Son of  
Michele Lorenzo



OCTOBER 30

**Will Goldberg**

Son of Elaine  
& Bob Goldberg

## MAY THEIR MEMORY BE FOR A BLESSING

Our Heartfelt Sympathy to the Families of:

Nancy Keys Bloom (Mother of Simon Bloom)

Judy Feldstein (mother of Sue Frankel)

Suzanne Lowenstein

Palmer Wexler (Grandfather of Adrienne Cooper Schneider)

Maj. Joseph J. Dallas

Allan Morton Vayle (father of Eric Vayle0

Steven Coopermsith (brother of Craig Coopersmith)

Dale Schwartz (father of Laine Posel)

Bobbie Leff (sister-in-law, Brenda Raymon)

Irving Bernstein (father of Kenneth Bernstein,  
grandfather of Colette Bernstein Walker)

Shirley Borenstein (mother of Julie and David Borenstein)

Kate Philbin (mother of Elaine Goldberg)

## MAZAL TOV!

Have good news to share?

Please email Dianne Ratowsky at [dratowsky@the-temple.org](mailto:dratowsky@the-temple.org).

Grandparents Luisa Szefern-Robel and Stefan Robel on the birth of their granddaughter, Thora Esther Luderman to parents, Erika and Danny.

Grandparents, Linda and Richard Davis on the birth of twin boys, Caleb Gregory and Joshua Nathan to Sarah & Jonathan Michaels and to big sister, Lily

Birth of Noa Naomi-Lily Gruber to Michelle & Sam Gruber

## The Podcast from The Temple Celebrates our 50th Episode!

Join Rabbis Berg and Lapidus for their weekly podcast. We are excited to have 50 episodes and counting. You can find us on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and other websites. If you have ideas or questions you'd like answered on an episode, please email us at [podcast@the-temple.org](mailto:podcast@the-temple.org).





## NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

Alison & David Ash

Danielle Bimston  
& Kenneth Salkow-Shapiro

Carmel & Gregory Fenves

Rebecca Gittelsohn  
& Davis Burgess  
*Ari Burgess*

Julie Goldberg & Chris Brickman  
*Emma & Lila Goldberg*

Rachel Gordon  
*Eve Gordon*

Kevin Kalinsky & Christopher Keir

Anjali & Kurt Kastorf  
*Soren & Kian Kastorf*

Rod Lindsey

Emma Mansberg  
& Eric Weintraub

Sylvia & Matthew Murphy  
*Samantha & Ellie Murphy*

Jenna & Josh Roman  
*Julian Roman*

Holli & Roberto Sanchez

Jennifer Schwartz

Julia Segal & Mav

Bonnie & Adrian Susmano

Ryan Susmano

Stacey Taft

Sera Thomas & Thomas Walker

Jeni Willenzik & Daniel Beckman

Julie & Jeff Winner  
*Betsy & Charlie Winner*

Jeanette "Tabby" Winsor

Ouroboros Ereunetetz & Larai Taro

Alexandra Young & Jake Field

## Support The Temple when you shop!



### Kroger Community Rewards

It's easy and it doesn't impact your savings! To enroll, visit [kroger.com](https://www.kroger.com) with your Kroger Plus card handy. Create an account or sign in to your existing account, then enroll by searching our **NPO number: ST889**. To verify you are enrolled correctly, The Temple's name, "**The Temple: THE HEBREW BENEVOLENT CONGREGATION**," will appear on the right side of the page. Enrollment takes up to 7 days before you start earning towards The Temple community rewards.

### AmazonSmile

Shop on AmazonSmile and make contributions to The Temple with every purchase. Visit [smile.amazon.com/ch/58-0835812](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-0835812) and change the way you shop!

## Meet Our Staff!

*Get to know some of the friendly faces at The Temple.*

### Summer Jacobs Engagement Coordinator

Summer was born and raised in Voorhees, NJ and attended a Solomon Schechter Day School until middle school. She later attended Green Mountain College in Poultney, Vermont where she earned a BA in Environmental Studies. After college and some traveling, she lived in Philadelphia and had a lot of fun bartending, working at a rock climbing gym, and teaching religious school on Sundays. Part time work led to full time work, and she has been working in the Jewish world for the past 12 years, with 7 of those being at The Temple! Some of the most rewarding work has been the implementation of Farmers Markets in areas of Philadelphia with low access to healthy food, the Record Restriction Summit at The Temple, and getting to know members of our community on a personal level. She now calls Atlanta home with her husband, Ross, two children, Annabelle (8) and Crosby (5), and a sweet puppy named Apollo.

**Likes:** Growing my own fruits and veggies, outdoor patios, good music, good coffee, sunny days, afternoon naps, great conversations, chocolate everything, perfecting the mom bun, and the color blue.

**Dislikes:** Olives, the show "Friends", cilantro, and decorative items that aren't functional.

**Fun Fact:** In my 20s, I toured the city of Paris by motorcycle during a 12 hour layover at Charles De Gaulle Airport with a friend I met on the plane! We still keep in touch!



# EDUCATION

## TAMID: The Temple's Adult Education

Check your mailbox for our Inspire & Transform program guide for all the amazing TAMID Adult Learning classes happening.

Check out more details on each class and to register visit [www.the-temple.org/tamid](http://www.the-temple.org/tamid).



**ACCESS KEY:**  Available virtually  Available in-person  Multi-access (virtual & in-person)

## TAMID TUESDAYS

### Judaism 101

7 weeks beginning Tuesday, October 5 • 7:00-9:00pm

**Cost:** Free for members, \$30 book fee for members who do not own *Honoring Tradition, Embracing Modernity*; \$150/person (includes book) for non-members; add a second family member \$36

A basic overview of the many facets of Judaism and Jewish practice: history, holidays, life cycle events, Torah, texts, and more.

### Judaism 102

**Requirements:** Judaism 101 or its equivalent and an entrance interview with Rabbi Kaye. Course registration information will be given after that meeting.

This course is for those who are converting to Judaism, covering a variety of issues that arise as one makes the choice to become a Jew.

### Hebrew 101

6 weeks beginning Tuesday, October 12 • 7:15-8:00pm

**Cost:** \$36 for members; \$50 for non-members

**Requirements:** Minimum of 8 participants per class

This weekly class is for the Hebrew novice. Participants learn Hebrew consonants and vowels, then learn to read Hebrew aloud.

### ULPAN-OR

8 weeks beginning Tuesday, October 5 • 7:00-8:00pm

**Instructor:** Ana Hazanov Ali

**Cost:** \$120 (includes 8 weeks of classes and online platform access)

The course includes weekly online sessions and access to the platform. Visit [ulpanor.com](http://ulpanor.com) for more info about the outstanding curriculum that will help you achieve your goal of speaking Hebrew!

Open to beginners, but knowledge of the Aleph-Bet is recommended. Please plan to bring a laptop computer or tablet with Google Chrome.



## The Melton Two-Year Program

Beginning Tuesday, October 5 • 7:00-9:00pm

**Instructors:** Rabbi Steven Rau and Rabbi Adam Starr

**Cost:** \$250 for both classes. Special arrangement for Temple members only.

How do Jewish teachings shed light on contemporary issues? How does our history and memory help us to understand Judaism today? Come explore these questions and more during these two one-hour classes which make up the first of a two-year certificate program:

- Rhythms of Jewish Life
- Purposes of Jewish Living



## ELECTIVES

**FREE AND OPEN TO ALL!**

### Shmitah: A Different Kind of Year

Tuesday, October 5 • 7:00-8:00pm • **Instructor:** Rabbi Sam Kaye

Come and learn about the Mitzvah of Shmitah with Rabbi Kaye!

From its ancient biblical traditions, to rabbinic and historical sources, ending in the modern state of Israel and how you can get involved!

### Antisemitism and the BDS (Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions) Movement

5 weeks beginning Tuesday, October 12 • 7:00-8:00pm

**Instructors:** Rabbi Peter Berg & Shelley Buxbaum

As Rabbi Berg shared in his Yom Kippur sermon, the winds of antisemitism are blowing from many directions. We will begin with a brief history of antisemitism and then turn to some of the challenges we face today. The focus of this course will be the intersection between antisemitism and BDS.

We will learn together about the history of this movement, why it is so ill informed and counter-productive, and its deep roots in Jew hatred.





## Wish you learned Hebrew as a child? It's never too late to become B'nei Mitzvah

The 2021-22 Adult B'nei Mitzvah class is now forming. Classes meet on Tuesday nights at 8:05pm beginning October 5. For more information or to register, contact Rabbi Rau at 404-873-1734 or [srau@the-temple.org](mailto:srau@the-temple.org).

### Adult B'nei Mitzvah

**Beginning Tuesday, October 5 • 8:05-9:00pm**

**Instructors: Rabbi Steven Rau**

**Cost: \$400 payable over 2 semesters**

**Requirements: Temple Members only**

This course is for the Hebrew novice wishing to participate in this Jewish life cycle. During the fall and winter, emphasis is placed on Hebrew skills. Study continues through the spring focusing on the prayer service, writing a d'var Torah, chanting skills, Torah reading, and preparations for the b'nei mitzvah service in May of 2022. Prior knowledge of Hebrew is not required.



**Breman**  
EDUCATION CENTER  
at  **THE TEMPLE**

## OCTOBER 2021 PROGRAMMING

**3** Sunday Program @ 9:10/9:30am

**4-7** Midweek Hebrew Begins

**10-14** No Sunday or Midweek Hebrew Program

**17** Sunday Program @ 9:10/9:30am

**24** Sunday Program @ 9:10/9:30am

**31** Sunday Program @ 9:10/9:30am

# WELC PRESCHOOL

## Masks...

This year, the Weinberg Early Learning Center is running at full capacity again! We are so happy to have our classrooms filled with smiling, learning, and playing children (even if we can only see their faces from the eyes up). Once again, our teachers and staff are going above and beyond to help keep WELC a safe and open learning environment for our students and their families. We are happy to announce that our staff is now 100% vaccinated against COVID-19.

## ...and Mitzvahs!

Partnering with our TPA the WELC has successfully completed a canned food drive for Yom Kippur and gathered hundreds of needed items for the Midtown Assistance Center (MAC). Thank you to the TPA for helping coordinate and to our WELC families for their generous donations! Passing on Jewish values and traditions are such an important part of WELC, and we are so glad to have a community that shares in these beliefs.



**Weinberg Early Learning Center**  
at The Temple





# EVENTS & NEWS

## KG-2nd Grade: Family Shabbat Picnic

Friday, October 1 • 6:00-7:30pm on The Temple's front lawn

Cost: \$10/per family

Bring your families and join us for a Shabbat picnic on The Temple's lawn! Admission is \$10/family and includes catered individually boxed dinners and an ice cream truck. Please register on The Gathering: <https://thegathering.the-temple.org/events/6a226643-75ee-4a7e-a22f-f93e864bc48a>. RSVP is required to attend. For questions, please contact Summer Jacobs at [sjacobs@the-temple.org](mailto:sjacobs@the-temple.org).

## Mini Shabbat

Saturday, October 16 • 9:30am

Join us for this Shabbat of celebration with our puppet friends as we watch the weather turn cool and notice all the changes that fall brings. We can appreciate the great outdoors as we observe the cycles of life. We will start together with our Mini friends outside in the circle, and then enjoy some yummy treats and the playground! We'll meet in The Temple's Circular Drive near the outdoor playground. Questions? Email Rabbi Lydia Medwin at [lmedwin@the-temple.org](mailto:lmedwin@the-temple.org).

## Sages: Historic Oakland Cemetery Jewish Tour with Rabbi Peter Berg

October 18 • Bus departs at 10:00am • Cost: \$10/pp

Join the Sages for a walking tour through one of the oldest Jewish burial grounds in Georgia, followed by lunch at The Temple. Atlanta's Jews, a presence in the city almost since its founding, have made their mark on both the city and the cemetery. Amidst a backdrop of gardens, sculptures, and final resting places for many of Atlanta's most notable citizens, explore the history, burial customs, and symbolism found throughout the Jewish Grounds of this powerful city landmark. Hear the fascinating stories of life and persistence as waves of Jewish immigrants entered and adapted to the culture of Victorian America.

Founded in 1850, Atlanta's Oakland Cemetery spans 48 acres of gardens, wildlife and sculpture. Oakland is the final resting place for 70,000 people, including author Margaret Mitchell, 27 Atlanta mayors, six former governors, Civil War generals and soldiers, and thousands of unmarked graves. Oakland Cemetery offers critical green space for recreation and serves as a cultural resource for lifelong learners who come to study history, art, architecture, archaeology, horticulture, photography and more. To RSVP, please contact Joya Schmidt at [jschmidt@the-temple.org](mailto:jschmidt@the-temple.org) or 404-873-1731.

## Temple in the Wilderness

Friday, October 22 through Sunday, October 24  
Cloudland Canyon State Park

Join the Temple family as we return to Cloudland Canyon for Temple in the Wilderness. It's the perfect way to celebrate Shabbat and appreciate the rest and inspiration that comes with being in touch with nature and quality time with friends. Reach out early for rates on cabin rental and RV parking. Great for kids of all ages and adults of all experience levels. No need to buy expensive equipment, as local rental companies have you covered! For more information and to RSVP, email Joya Schmidt at [jschmidt@the-temple.org](mailto:jschmidt@the-temple.org).



## B'nei and Post B'nei Mitzvah Families: Fall Movie Night at The Temple!

Saturday evening, October 23 • 6:00pm • Cost: \$10/family

If you've been to Movies On The Square, you won't want to miss this outdoor movie night! Join us on the upper parking dark while we shut the lights, and enjoy a movie on a 9 ft. screen under the stars. We will have a hot chocolate bar set up with individually wrapped mixes and toppings to enjoy. Movie TBD. Please bring chairs and/or blankets to sit on! RSVP is required. For questions and RSVP, contact Summer Jacobs at [sjacobs@the-temple.org](mailto:sjacobs@the-temple.org).



## Mornings with Bob Bahr: Streisand—The Making of A Legend

November 3, 10, 17, and December 1 • 10:00-11:30am

Cost: \$49 (4 class series)

From her debut in 1962 on Broadway at the age of 19 in "I Can Get For You Wholesale" to her Hollywood triumph as the producer, director, and star of "Yentl" Barbra Streisand has pursued a very personal path to stardom. This four part series examines her meteoric rise and her phenomenal staying power as a world class entertainer. To RSVP, contact Joya Schmidt at [jschmidt@the-temple.org](mailto:jschmidt@the-temple.org) or 404-873-1731.

## 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: **Zavi Bailey, Cameron Carter, Scott Chalk, Duane & Sandy Cox, Scott Edlein, Adam Ganz, Nancy Hirsch, Lindsey Kamin, Debbie Levinson, Joanne Lipshutz, Polly Marchbanks, Deborah Maslia, Sharyn Mulqueen, Cheryl Orlansky, Randy Shapiro, Debbie Shelton, Barbara Seligman, Sarah Shinsky, Jeanne Shulman, Shayna Steinfeld, Jack Wexler, Tania Yegelwel, and Esther Zells.**

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



## Programs for Interfaith Couples and Families

We are excited for a year of monthly programs through our Leven Family Jewish Identity Institute, which supports those couples and families who have multiple faith backgrounds and are looking to find their home in our community. Go to The Gathering and search for interfaith programs to see what's coming up next! For more information, contact Rabbi Lapidus at [llapidus@the-temple.org](mailto:llapidus@the-temple.org).





## Temple Connect

### Lead a Group Today!

Do you have a hobby that you'd like to share like hiking, theatre, or golf? Do you want to join with friends for a great conversation? Do you hope to meet some new people who live in your neighborhood for Shabbat Happy Hours? You could be a Temple Connect group leader! Especially with all the uncertainty of the year ahead, connecting with your own small group could be a vital step for a healthy and happy Jewish New Year. All you need to start is an idea and then email Rabbi Lydia Medwin at [Imedwin@the-temple.org](mailto:Imedwin@the-temple.org). We will help you organize the rest. Create community for yourself and your Temple with a Temple Connect group this year!



### Join a Group!

Joining a Temple Connect group is the best way to get to know a small group of people well. Formed around interests, needs, geography, demographic or profession, group meetings take place in the home, in an office, or anywhere in the city. Groups meet regularly (usually monthly), are led by your fellow Temple members, and consist of anywhere between 3-18 people. Temple Connect is designed to inspire us and transform our lives and the world around us. We want to help you get connected. For a complete listing of Temple Connect groups, visit [www.temple-connect.com](http://www.temple-connect.com).

## Bereavement Groups

We all know that we are living through unprecedented times. But we are also experiencing unprecedented grief. If you are dealing with loss in your life, these groups can help. Please don't hesitate to be in touch with any of our clergy for guidance towards what might be right for you.

### Temple Connect Bereavement Group with the Drs. Greene

"Death ends a life not a relationship." We are so blessed that Temple members Dr. Robert Greene MD, a retired surgical oncologist and hospice director, and Dr. Barbara Greene PhD, a psychologist who specializes in grief groups, are offering a free, bimonthly bereavement group to help deal with the loss of a loved one and to honor the experiences of the bereaved. Whether you have recently experienced a loss or there's more distance in time from your loved ones passing; whether you need just one session or many; whether you want to schedule ahead of time or wake up that day discovering a need to talk about your experience—coming to this group will be an act of love for yourself and others, and way to honor of your loved ones. Available on Zoom. Email them directly at [rjgbbg@yahoo.com](mailto:rjgbbg@yahoo.com).

### JF&CS Synagogue Support

Through a generous grant, JF&CS is partnering with The Temple and other synagogues to provide direct support to our members. By calling 770-677-9480, you can get in touch with dedicated JF&CS staff members to access counseling and clinical services, geriatric care managers, and emergency financial support. While your Temple clergy continue to be a resource in making these connections, this special synagogue support phone number allows you to access JF&CS on your own as well.

## RSJI: ADMST Group

The Anti-Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking (ADMST) group, as part of the Rothschild Social Justice Institute, is focused on fighting sex trafficking of minors, advocating the ongoing legislative efforts against sex trafficking, and supporting those organizations that provide services for victims of sex trafficking.



In 2021, we have coordinated several programs to support Wellspring Living, a non-profit organization that provides a wide range of services for youth and adult sex trafficking victims, including residential and academic services. In May, several Temple volunteers met with a group of survivors at the Women's Residential facility and spent an afternoon decorating flower pots and planting flowers for each resident to keep. We hope to plan another engagement activity before the end of the year. Though we had to discontinue the popular Casserole Club program that provided meals for Wellspring's youth academy participants due to COVID restrictions, the Giving Club was created in its place. This initiative is a bi-monthly effort to collect food and non-food items, based on a theme. For instance, in June, we collected graduation and pizza-making items. In August, we collected back-to-school and breakfast items. Our next collection will be in October requesting "October-Fest" items. Look for more information in the September newsletters.

Although scheduled for last fall but delayed by COVID, we are in the final planning stages for our Interfaith Anti-Sex Trafficking Summit which will be held on October 5, 2021 at The Temple. This will be a half-day event for representatives from interfaith anti-sex trafficking volunteer Groups to engage with experts from non-profit service providers, government/law enforcement entities, and business groups. The Summit will provide an opportunity to coordinate outreach and activism efforts going forward. We already have an excellent group of nearly 40 experts and volunteers registered for this event.

There is a lot of work to do to fight sex trafficking in all its forms. Sadly, metropolitan Atlanta is one of the areas with the highest activity and incidence of sexual trafficking of children. David Marmins ([david.marmins@agg.com](mailto:david.marmins@agg.com)) and Cynthia Steinberg ([cjsteinberg2@icloud.com](mailto:cjsteinberg2@icloud.com)) are the co-chairs, and Rabbi Sam is the clergy liaison for this group. Please contact us if you would like to learn more and join our efforts.

## RSJI: Public Education and Homelessness Committees

### Help Backpack Buddies offer Food Assistance to Elementary School Students

Many children are dependent on their school's "Free and Reduced" lunch program during the week, but have very little to eat over the weekends. Our RSJI committees want to help and have partnered with Toomer Elementary School. Through our Backpack Buddies program, eligible children are provided backpacks of nutritious food on Fridays to ease hunger on the weekends. You can help by donating items off our Amazon Wish List. Items will be shipped directly to The Temple. Visit: <https://amzn.to/3hicThy>

If you are interested in packing backpacks or joining either the Homelessness or Public Education committee, email Scott Edlein at [s.edlein@gmail.com](mailto:s.edlein@gmail.com) or Stacey Berg at [sberg@yahoo.com](mailto:sberg@yahoo.com).

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**ZPC provides services for couples and families experiencing homelessness or economic instability to help them reach their goals for self-sufficiency and wellness.**

## How Can I Help?

**Pack a Lunch:** We provide couples in our residential program with 3 portable lunches a week. Select one day (or several) to pack and deliver 30 lunches.

**Bring Dinner (and stay to serve if you can):** We provide dinner 6 days a week to couples in our residential program. Select one day (or several) to prepare or sponsor a dinner. You also have the option to help serve dinner. This is a great way to learn more about our program!

**Plan an Activity:** We host fun activities for couples (and sometimes their families) throughout the year. These activities include Movie Night, Ladies Fashion Show, Super Bowl Party, and Valentine's Dinner, Check out our Activity Calendar and select one (or more) to plan and lead.

**Facilitate a Skills Workshop:** Skills workshops are an essential part of our residential and aftercare programs. Topics include money management, healing and healthy relationships, mind and body wellness, and a place called home.

## I See an Opportunity, What Do I Do Now?

To Pack a Lunch, Bring A Dinner, or Plan an Activity, go to <https://www.zabanparadiescenter.org/volunteer/>, click on the Sign Up to Volunteer button and pick the appropriate section on SignUp Genius.

Select the date or dates that you want. Or, scan the QR code.

To facilitate a skills workshop, please contact Jeanette Bowden at [Jeanette.bowden@zabanparadiescenter.org](mailto:Jeanette.bowden@zabanparadiescenter.org) or 404-872-2915 to discuss.







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**Check the Monday and Friday Temple emails for the latest information and Zoom links to join us live!**