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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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February Worship Schedule

Friday, Februa	ary 7
6:15 PM	Tot Shabbat
6:30 PM	First Fridays Wine & Cheese "Pre-Neg"
7:00 PM	Erev Shabbat Service
Saturday Feb	ruary 8

Saturday, February 8 9:00 AM.....Torah Study

Friday, February 14

6:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 15 9:00 AM......Torah Study

Friday, February 21

6:30 PM 4th Grade Religious School Student Participation Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 22

9:00 AM.....Torah Study

Friday, February 28

6:30 PM Erev Shabbat Service

Saturday, February 29

9:00 AM..... Torah Study

Our Mission

Congregation Or Ami strives to be a warm and welcoming center of Jewish life built on the foundation of Torah (Jewish Text and Tradition), Avodah (Spiritual Fulfillment), and G'milut Chasadim (Acts of Lovingkindness). We embrace the varied needs and rich diversity of our congregants, our community, and the Jewish people. We endeavor to create an inviting and inclusive community that promotes spiritual fulfillment for our congregants and supports their search for God.

We take pride in the strong partnership among our clergy, professional staff, lay leaders, and congregants. Guided by Jewish values, we are strengthened by our active volunteerism and informed decision-making. We uphold the principles and ideals of the Reform movement and are a member of the Union for Reform Judaism.

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To Sharon Segal In memory of Arthur Goldfarb.....Sherri Koch

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To Greg & Rima Kapel	
In memory of Don KapelMr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Hoffman	

To Ilene Griff & Family In memory of Joan GriffGreg White & Tricia Reidy

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To Michael Konin & Family In memory of William Konin......Mr. & Mrs. Joshua Dunoff

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RABBI PRYSTOWSKY DISCRETIONARY FUND

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To Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Kapel In memory of Don Kapel	Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Zimmer
To Mr. & Mrs. Michael Konin In memory of William Konin	Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Zimmer



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	In memory of Joan GriffJeffrey Bakely & Gail Bober Dr. & Mrs. Marvin Balistocky Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Berr Allan & Susan Kluger Ms. Wendy Levin Rhoda Marcus Judy Mille Phyllis & Stanley Warchaizer
8	To the Kaye Family In honor of Myles' Bar MitzvahRachel & Ron Leopold
2	To Michael Konin
	In memory of William KoninMr. & Mrs. Stephen Berr Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Michaels Ms. Susan Rubin Mr. & Mrs. Lowell Raeder Beth, Bob, Hilary, Larry & Coby Waks Heather Fritts David Cohen
ξ	To David Nasatir In memory of Shelley NasatirLynn Rosenthal
$\left<\right>$	To Alan Roomberg & Family In honor of the birth of his grandsonIlene Buchert
)	To the Shubin Family
ζ	In honor of Lexie's Bat MitzvahMs. Marilyn Lefkowitz Rachel & Ron Leopold
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CONGREGATION OF AMI PRESENTS I GUESS THAT'S WHY THEY CALL IT A SPIEL



BASED ON THE MUSIC OF ELTON JOHN, FEATURING HITS FROM THE LION KING

including... Circle of Life Your Song Bennie & the Jets I Just Can't Wait to be King Pinball Wizard Can You Feel the Love Tonight Rocketman I'm Still Standing



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CONGREGATION OR AMI PRESENTS

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Coming this spring...

A WEEK IN THE LIFE A New Recording from Cantor Jordan Franzel

This exciting new recording, featuring the songs, melodies, and brachot sung with Congregation Or Ami's ECE children and religious school students and during our services, will be avaiable on our website, on CD, and on USB!

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TO SPONSOR A SONG!

Or Ami Religious School Gan Open House

WHEN: MARCH 8^{TH} 9:30–10:30 WHO: ALL PRE K STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES WHAT: PRE K STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL HAVE THE CHANGE TO COME AND EXPERIENCE A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A GAN STUDENT

9:00–9:30 STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL PARTICIPATE IN MORNING SHIR (A TIME THAT WE GATHER TOGETHER AS A SCHOOL COMMUNITY WITH THE RABBI AND CANTOR)

9:30—10:00 STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL PARTICIPATE IN AN ACTIVITY/READ ALOUD IN THE GAN CLASSROOM

10:00–10:30 PRE K STUDENTS WILL GO TO MUSIC WITH THE GAN STUDENTS WHILE FAMILIES MEET WITH THE GAN TEACHER, ELLEN AND THE EDUCATION DIRECTOR, STEFANIE TO DISCUSS THE GAN PROGRAM.

AT 10:30 FAMILIES WILL MEET THEIR KIDS IN THE SANCTUARY AND CAN TAKE THEM TO THE PURIM CARNIVAL

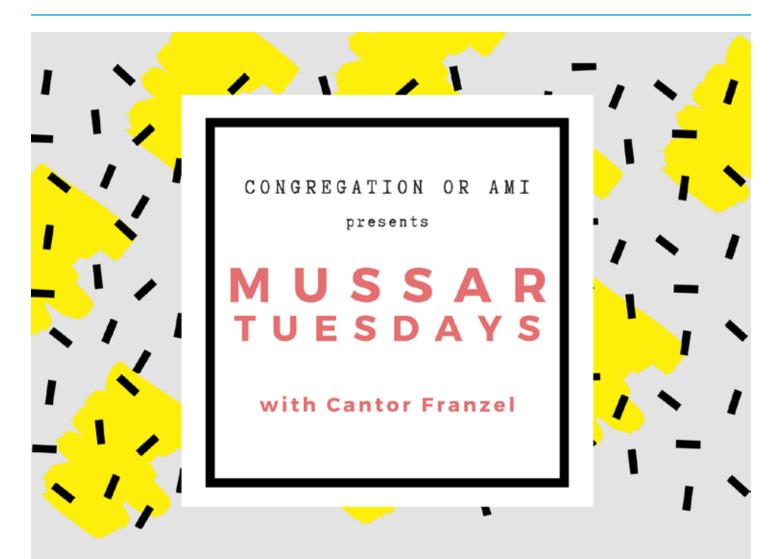
CONGREGATION OR AMI'S ADULT EDUCATION PRESENTS

"There is a Tune for Every Season"

An Illuminations & Libations afternoon with Cantor Jordan Franzel

Explore the music of the Jewish calendar, from Rosh Hashanah to S'lichot! Food, drinks, and fun provided! (featuring Sukkot's Super Kaddish!)

FEBRUARY 9, 2020 || 4:00 PM ONEG ROOM



Please join us as Cantor Franzel resumes his class on Mussar, the ancient path of contemplative practice. As more and more people try to find ways and techniques for living a life of intention, Mussar has seen an exciting revival in recent years.

The class will involve reading and discussion, and there will also be activities to do on your own between classes that will help you better experience the benefits of this study.

No prior knowledge or experience required.

4:00-5:30 in the Library at Or Ami, starting Tuesday, March 3rd.

CONGREGATION OR AMI COMMUNICATION OR AMI SEDER



CELEBRATE PASSOVER WITH YOUR OR AMI FAMILY OF FRIENDS. RABBI ETTMAN & CANTOR FRANZEL WILL LEAD A BRIEF SEDER, FOLLOWED BY FRIED MATZAH!

ADMISSION IS FREE! VISIT or-ami.org/seder5780 TO RSVP!

4/14/20-5:30 PM

DO YOU know people who would enjoy being part of our vibrant Jewish community?

The Membership Committee would love to hear from YOU!

Your personal connections are important to our growth. When you refer friends and family, we'll roll out our Welcome Wagon with an invitation to join Or Ami. Familiesreferring new members will receive



You will get a \$100 gift shop certificate as a thank you if your referral becomes a member!

Starbucks gift card from Please contact Traci Lechwar today at 610-547-9838 or tdkumd@gmail.com

> We are always eager to grow our community and to share what makes Or Ami such a special place.



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2 Sh'vat 7 9:00a Religious School 11:00a Sisterhood Meeting 12:00p Religious School Maccabee Games	3 <u>ECE Spring</u> Sh'vat 8 <u>Creative Arts</u> <u>Begins</u>	4 Sh'vat 9 4:00p Religious School 5:30p LAB	5 Sh'vat 10 1:00p ECE Spring Creative Arts Program	6 Sh'vat 11 11:00a Thursdays with Rabbi Ettman	Spring PTO Challah Program Begins Sh'vat 12 1:00p ECE Spring Creative Arts Program 6:15p Tot Shabbat 6:30p First Fridays Wine and Cheese "Pre-Neg" 7:00p Erev Shabbat Service	8 E Sh'vat 13 9:00a Torah Study
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16 Sh'vat 21	17 Admin:Presider Sh'vat 22 Day ECE Center Closed Office Closed	18 Sh'vat 23 4:00p Religious School 5:30p LAB School	19 Sh'vat 24 1:00p ECE Spring Creative Arts Program	20 Sh'vat 25 11:00a Thursdays with Rabbi Ettman	RAC Sh'vat 26 1:00p ECE Spring Creative Arts Program 7:00p 4th Grade Religious School Student Participation Shabbat Service 1000 Student	22 Sh'vat 27 RA 9:00a Torah Study
23 RAC Sh'vat 28 9:00a Religious School 11:00a RSPO Meeting	24 <u>RAC</u> Sh'vat 29 1:00p ECE Spring Creative Arts Program	25 Sh'vat 30 4:00p Religious School	26 Adar 1 1:00p ECE Spring Creative Arts Program 7:00p Board of Trustees Meeting	27 Adar 2 11:00a Thursdays with Rabbi Ettman	28 Adar 3 1:00p ECE Spring Creative Arts Program 6:30p Erev Shabbat Service	29 T'r Adar 4 9:00a Torah Study

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