



Shalom from Rabbi Chalom
Doing Jewish

by Rabbi Adam Chalom (rabbichalom@KolHadash.com)

There's a new conversation happening on the cutting edges of the Jewish community. Should we stop talking about "being Jewish" and instead focus on "doing Jewish?"

A generation ago, Jewish identity – aka "being Jewish" – was the core focus. It was a feeling, a sense of self, a group identification that, it was assumed, would inevitably lead to joining a Jewish community, supporting the Jewish state of Israel, remembering the Holocaust, and raising Jewish children. Assimilation and intermarriage were the greatest dangers because they would undermine "being Jewish" now and in the future, and thus they were resisted with great effort and expense. And we heard endless discussions of "who is a Jew," "are you a Jewish American or an American Jew," and other varieties of identity policing.

These conversations have become tired and irrelevant for many reasons. More than half of marriages involving Jews are to people of other religious, cultural and ethnic backgrounds, and an increasing population of children of intermarriage choose to be "both" rather than "either/or." Given these demographics, a Jewish community primarily focused on "being Jewish" can be alienating. Identity labels themselves have become less attractive – be they political parties, religious denominations, or other tribalist markers. Anyone can *do* yoga, whether or not they believe or identify with the traditional theology behind it.

So what is meant by "doing Jewish?" It could be reading Jewish literature – from Torah to today – for insight and discussion. It could be preparing Jewish food for a holiday or special occasion, singing Jewish music, studying Jewish history, traveling to Jewish sites. All the activities that Humanistic Judaism emphasizes count, in addition to more conventional examples like attending Jewish services and studying Jewish texts. Anyone, no matter their personal heritage or self-identification, can "do Jewish" in these ways; what's changed is extending that openness to Jewish services and celebrations, and also how we do them.

I still see a place for "being Jewish" as having a positive place in Jewish community life. For some, identifying with their people and heritage is meaningful. For those who have become Jewish, the "being Jewish" is clearly important to them. Yet I also see the shift from "being" to "doing" as very consistent with our Humanistic approach to life in general – what you think and feel are important, but what you **DO** is just as important to express your values and reinforce your beliefs.

Pedigree is less important than performance, and hope without action does little. It's why we sing, "*Na'ase shalom* – let us make peace."

As the 19th century Humanist Robert Ingersoll put it, "Labor is the only prayer that nature answers; it is the only prayer that deserves an answer – good, honest, noble work."

So let's get doing!

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The **Shofar newsletter** is published monthly and is mailed to all members. An electronic version is available at www.kolhadash.com. If you would like to contribute content to the *Shofar*, contact Mark Friedman.

View from the Chair

by Steering Committee Chair Susan Addelson (scchair@KolHadash.com)

Dear Kol Hadash Family,

I'm writing this column from Charleston, South Carolina. I'm here with twelve members of Kol Hadash plus another twelve Humanistic Jews from around the country, on a tour of the sister cities of Savannah and Charleston. Rabbi Adam is our fearless leader, and the IISHJ (International Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism) has done a flawless job with all the logistics. I'm not sure whom to thank for the perfect weather. It's been an enriching, engaging and a very, very enjoyable trip.

We've toured by trolley, bus, boat and on foot. We've eaten fried green tomatoes, fried oysters, fried hushpuppies and fried everything except pralines. Oh, we are eating pralines – just not fried.

Our walking tour guides in both cities brought more than 300 years of history to life. Docents at Savannah's Congregation Mickve Israel and Charleston's Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim made us feel like we took the historical journey alongside them.

Like most siblings, Savannah and Charleston have a lot in common. I didn't realize that these two seaports were both founded on the principle of religious tolerance; that both accepted Jews without restrictions; and that both boast the fourth-oldest synagogue in the country. (One is the fourth oldest; one is the fifth. Does it really matter which is which?). Both were prosperous colonial towns with ties to slavery. Both played a significant role in the Revolutionary War. Both ooze with Southern charm and hospitality.

Between the two cities sits Magnolia Plantation. I marveled at the opulence of the house and the spacious gardens, and then they took us to the four slave homes: perfectly, awfully intact. When you walk inside, you can't imagine how a family could live in a box this small, this bare, this shabby. In its heyday in the late 1700s, 145 slaves lived in 11 of these 30 x 15 wooden shacks. It was a sobering moment to experience that space from our history.

Savannah and Charleston are among the most popular destination for Jewish tours in America. I'm sure every tour group hits the same sites, but not every group has Rabbi Chalom. You'd think he lived there with his depth of knowledge. His morning briefings and the debriefs at the end of the day help us think about how everything we experienced relates to our lives, our world.

Whenever and wherever the next IISHJ trip in, count me in!

Shalom y'all,
Sue



Kol Hadash on the IISHJ Shalom Y'All trip (L to R): Rick Bolnick, Mike Lippitz, Elliot Miller, Roger Addelson, Irene Dorfman, Sue Addelson, Al Dorfman, Lynn Miller, Ron Sebor, Sheila Sebor, Marsha Bolnick, Rabbi Adam Chalom, Janet Century.

This Month's Events at Kol Hadash

Adult Education/Jewish History: *The American Jewish Experience*

Tuesday, May 1, 7:30 PM • North Shore Unitarian Church

Jews have never been as “at home” as they are in the United States. From their first arrival as Sephardic refugees from the South American Inquisition, to the waves of German and East European Jews in the 19th to early-20th centuries, to Holocaust refugees and survivors, to recent Russians and even Israelis, Jewish immigrants have each added their layer to today's American Jewish community.

Shabbat Service: *The Power of Imagination*

Friday, May 4, 7:30 PM • North Shore Unitarian Church

For some, May Fourth has become a celebration of imagination as “Star Wars Day” (as in: “May the Fourth be with you”). Being human is more than our rational mind's ability to understand the world; it is also our imagination's power to create new ones. And with hard work, we can turn imagination into reality. As Theodor Herzl, the founder of modern Zionism famously said, “If you will it, it is no dream.”

Adult Education/Jewish History: *Israel*

Tuesday, May 8, 7:30 PM • North Shore Unitarian Church

The founding of the modern state of Israel was the achievement of secular Jews. A place for a new, modern and often secular Hebrew Jewish culture, a refuge from anti-Jewish oppression, and a source of pride for Jews outside Israel, Israel has in recent years faced particularly thorny challenges. What does it mean to be a Jewish state, and what does that mean for non-Jews who live here? And is there a path to peace?

Shabbat Service: *Confirmation*

Friday, May 11, 7:30 PM • North Shore Unitarian Church

Confirmation marks our 10th-grade students' graduation from Sunday School. Join us for this special Shabbat service during which each of David Hirsch's Confirmation Class students gives a speech about a topic they have studied that interested them and how their beliefs have shaped their lives. This service is always one of the highlights of our year...all are welcome as we celebrate the next generation of Humanistic Judaism!

Adult Education/Jewish History: *Conclusions*

Tuesday, May 15, 7:30 PM • North Shore Unitarian Church

Predicting the future course of Jewish civilization is notoriously difficult — Judaism from one period may be unrecognizable to the next. Knowing the truth about the Jewish past, however, is the first step to gaining a place for oneself in the Jewish present and perhaps the Jewish future.

Book Club: *Oil and Marble*

Wednesday, May 16, 7:30 PM • Home of Joyce & Rich Hirsch

The KH Book Club has selected *Oil and Marble* by Stephanie Storey — an art history thriller about the rivalry between Michelangelo and da Vinci — as the book for discussion on May 16, 7:30 PM, at the home of Joyce & Rich Hirsch. Questions? Contact Stacey Max (bookclub@kolhadash.com).

Kol Hadash Humanistic Congregation
invites you to join us in celebrating
the Confirmation of

Ben Katz

Son of Nancy Soren & Neal Katz

Kate Kramer

Daughter of Susan & Andrew Kramer

Friday, May 11, 2018 • 7:30 PM
North Shore Unitarian Church, 2100 Half Day Road, Deerfield

Oneg reception to follow service.



From the Youth Education Director

by Dawn Friedman (*education@KolHadash.com*, 847-997-8931)

May is often a busy month, filled with events that mark the milestones in our lives, not least of which are graduations. On May 11, we will hold our Confirmation Shabbat Service, which marks our 10th graders' graduation from Sunday School. Over the years, many confirmants have returned to our school to work as classroom aides, serving as valuable role models for our younger students. Past confirmants also lead our Youth Group – planning social activities, running our Purim celebrations, and attending the annual SHJ HuJews Teen Conclave, all the while deepening their own connections to Humanistic Judaism and their community. If you're curious about the future of Humanistic Judaism – or indeed, just the future! – I encourage you to attend the Confirmation service this month. You are guaranteed an interesting evening.

You are also invited to attend our last B Mitzvah (gender-neutral term for a Bar/Bat Mitzvah) service of this school year: Noah Apley, son of Ellen & Mitch Apley, will become a Bar Mitzvah on Friday, June 1. Congregants are welcome to attend these unique coming-of-age celebrations.

All congregants as well as families interested in learning more about Kol Hadash and our school are invited to our Sunday School Open House on Sunday, May 6, 10:00-11:30, at Deerfield High School, featuring our 2nd/3rd Grade Model Wedding and an all-school party. Please invite your family & friends!

L'Hitraot (See you soon!)
Dawn Friedman

Last Day of the School Year: Sunday, May 6

Sunday School Open House • 2nd/3rd Grade Model Wedding • Last-Day Party!

Current members as well as families interested in learning more about Kol Hadash and our education program are invited to attend an open house and party on the last day of Sunday School. The full schedule for the day:

- 9:30 AM All grades meet for normal classes.
- 10:00 AM Rabbi Chalom and members of the Youth Education Committee will be available to talk to families visiting our Open House.
- 10:15 AM Irene Chase & Robin Kacyn's 2nd/3rd graders will present a Model Wedding, a culmination of their study of Jewish life-cycle rituals.
- 11:00-11:30 We'll finish the day with an all-school party ... all are welcome!

THANK YOU to our school families, volunteers, and staff for a terrific 2017-18 school year. Have a wonderful, relaxing summer! And save the date...

Welcome Back Picnic: Sunday, August 26
First day of 2018-19 classes: Sunday, September 9



Mazel tov...

... to our 7th/8th grade students and teacher Leora Hatchwell and teaching aide Zack Klein on their insightful and inspiring Shabbat service on April 20!



Meet Kol Hadash!

Al & Irene Dorfman

“Show me the evidence!” That was the thinking of Irene and Al Dorfman as they became disillusioned with the Reform movement’s lack of questioning and relevance to the real world. In addition to these philosophical concerns, they felt that the congregation to which they belonged was not as welcoming as it could have been, so they started looking for something smaller and different, hoping for a friendlier environment where they could get to know the people.

They did not know much about Humanistic Judaism, but after Al’s brother showed them Kol Hadash’s website, they became intrigued. They came to High Holiday services and loved the focus on the individual and the real world, and the beauty of the music and the poetry scattered throughout the service. They also felt immediately welcomed when several people talked with them at the oneg following the service. They returned for High Holiday services a couple more times, and then joined in 2014.

In their relatively short time as members, Al and Irene have jumped in and become active members in the Membership and Values in Action committees. They continue to appreciate the friendliness of the people and enjoy participating in social activities and adult education, noting how much they are learning from Rabbi Chalom. They are also “so happy” to be a part of a movement that is welcoming to all people, including LGBTQ, non-Jews, and people with disabilities.

Al grew up in Lincolnwood, and Irene grew up on the North Side of Chicago. They started dating when Irene was in her last year of nursing school and Al was working as a social worker. Al eventually became a data processor and spent thirty years in that field. He explains that social work and data processing are actually similar because “both involve solving problems with people.” He retired in 2013 after spending 20 years at Abbott Labs. Irene retired from nursing two years ago and now enjoys “the best of both worlds,” working part-time as a school nurse in Lake Forest and doing community wellness work for North Shore Health Systems, health-fair screenings, Level 3 cardiac rehab, and flu shots in the fall.

The Dorfmans have lived in Buffalo Grove for more than 30 years and have two adult children. Their daughter Sheila lives in a permanent supported housing program in Mount Prospect. Their son Aaron lives in Chicago and is a musician and the manager of a music school. In their retirement, Al and Irene do volunteer work for the National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI). Al also golfs and plays in two bowling leagues. Irene loves to be outside, walking or running, and has become a bit of a fitness buff.

Three things that few people at Kol Hadash know about Irene and Al:

1. Al likes to throw surprise parties.
2. Irene is an avid Black Hawks fan.
3. While at Abbott, Al worked on its payroll system. He learned that there will always be people smarter than you making less money, and people who are not as smart as you making more.

SAVE THE DATE!



Kol Hadash Choir Concert & FUNdraiser Dinner!

Sunday, June 24

4:00 PM Concert at North Shore Unitarian Church

6:00 PM Dinner at Buca di Beppo (Wheeling)

Save the date for a very special celebration of Kol Hadash music and a tribute to one of our most beloved members. Join us for a special concert by the Kol Hadash Choir and other guest musicians in memory of Lois Wolens. Lois provided piano accompaniment for Shabbat, High Holidays and Bar/Bat Mitzvah services at Kol Hadash and at our predecessor congregation, Beth Or, for almost forty years. Her music made the congregation sing. Following the concert, join us for our FUNdraiser Dinner at Buca di Beppo!

*All proceeds will benefit the Weiss Choir Fund at Kol Hadash.
Concert funded in part by the Friedman Family Fund.*

Values in Action

For information about community service activities being planned by our Values in Action Committee, contact Lynn Miller (communityservice@KolHadash.com)

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who participated in giving donations to Shore this spring! A special thank you to **Glynis Hirsch, Rich Hirsch and Tony Bilotti** for helping collect the donations. If anyone is interested in a tax-exempt letter, please contact Lynn Miller.

A Safe Place EmpoweRun 5K: May 5

On May 5, join Team Kol Hadash as we run or walk in support of A Safe Place at Independence Grove in Libertyville. Start time is 9:00. Early registration is \$35 for adults and \$15 per child. A Safe Place is the only organization in Lake County solely focused on domestic violence services.

June 14 Outreach Supper at St. James Catholic Church in Highwood

Join us as Kol Hadash provides and serves supper at St. James Catholic Church, 134 North Ave, Highwood, for approximately 30-80 guests who are in need and/or experiencing homelessness/food insecurity. Kol Hadash volunteers are needed for the following activities:

- Set up, serve, and clean up supper presented in a café-like dining area.
- Provide salad and bottled Italian or Caesar dressing for 20 people (4 volunteers needed).
- Provide chocolate chip cookies for 20 (2 cookies per guest for a total of 40 cookies) (4 volunteers needed)
- \$20 donation toward the purchase of pizza for the meal (4 volunteers needed)
- Cut-up fruit for 10-15 people (4 volunteers needed)

We appreciate your volunteer efforts tremendously! If you are unable to volunteer on-site that day, we always welcome you to drop off your food items at the church prior to 6:00 PM on that day, or we can pick them up from you.

We heartily thank our Sunday School students for decorating placemats and for making centerpieces for this supper. This is truly a Kol Hadash community volunteering experience!

Please email Lynn Miller (communityservice@KolHadash.com) to help with this important outreach event.

Major News from the Society for Humanistic Judaism! Announcing JEWS FOR A SECULAR DEMOCRACY



The Society for Humanistic Judaism has launched a new, pluralistic initiative for Jews of all denominations and anyone who is deeply concerned about the growing influence of religious fundamentalism on government policy-making.

Jews for a Secular Democracy intends to educate, advocate, and mobilize the Jewish community to action on issues of religion-state separation (e.g., reproductive rights, LGBTQ+ rights, women's equality, environmental protection, school curriculum, etc.) and help bring back the recognition that protection from discrimination for minority beliefs and minority populations means protection for us all.

Please visit the newly launched website, jfasd.org, to learn more and to sign up for a free newsletter to keep posted on developments. And if you are on Facebook, please "like" the page at [Facebook.com/JewsDemocracy](https://www.facebook.com/JewsDemocracy) and invite your Facebook friends to like it, too!



Vernon Township Mental Health Fair
 Saturday, May 19 10am-12pm
 Vernon Township Community Building
 2900 N Main Street
 Buffalo Grove, IL

When there is help, there is hope

One of five people will experience a mental health episode sometime during their life times. Come and visit the various social, legal, and vocational local organizations that can help you now and in the future.

Participating Organizations



Health Dept
 Suicide Task Force
 System Care for Families



AMITA Health Alexian
 Brothers Center for
 Mental Health in
 Arlington Heights



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Kol Hadash News & Announcements

RUN (or Walk) ... and Support A Safe Place May 5!

Ready for some exercise and a chance to help a great cause? Join Team Kol Hadash as we run or walk in support of A Safe Place at Independence Grove in Libertyville, May 5 at 9:00 AM. Early registration is \$35 for adults and \$15 per child. A Safe Place is the only organization in Lake County solely focused on domestic violence services. Questions? Contact communityservice@KolHadash.com.

Join KH at the Greater Chicago Jewish Fest June 16

Kol Hadash will have a booth at the 2018 Greater Chicago Jewish Festival, June 16, 11:00 AM-6:00 PM at St. Paul Woods in Morton Grove. The longest-running Jewish cultural festival in America features a juried art fair, kids' activities, amazing food, and major musical acts on multiple stages. Bring the whole family! Info at <https://jewishfestival.org/>

Send Us Your Grad News

Spring is the season of graduations, and we want to help you *kvell* over your children and grandchildren. Email shofar@KolHadash.com with info about your family members' high school or college graduations this season...and what their plans are for the future! We'll print all your good news in an upcoming *Shofar*.

Host an Oneg this Summer!

Hosting an Oneg Shabbat is an easy way to help out and get involved in Kol Hadash. We have dates available for many of our summer Shabbats: July 13 & 20 and August 3 & 10. Contact David Hirsch (oneg@KolHadash.com) if you are interested. *Thank you!*

Thank You!

- To David Hirsch and Mike Lippitz for co-leading our Shabbat service and discussion on April 7.
- Thank you to Susan Wagner & Mike Lippitz for hosting the oneg at our April 7 Shabbat service.
- Thank you to the 7th/8th Grade Sunday School families for hosting the oneg for their class Shabbat service on April 20, with special thanks to room parents Nancy Soren & Neal Katz for coordinating.
- Thank you to Dan Polonsky for hosting the oneg at our April 27 Shabbat service.
- Thank you to Leora Hatchwell and Lori Gerberding for organizing our Community Passover Seder once again! And many thanks to our wonderful hosts at Bluegrass Restaurant for another delicious seder feast this year!
- Thanks to the many volunteers who helped with our school Passover Seder on March 18: Karen Jackson (coordinator), Ellen Apley, Abby Sayegh, Karen Juneau, Ilana Shaffer, Leah Sosewitz, Alexandra Brook, Lisa Landsman, Bobby Jacobs, Sara & Bill Race, Helga Gruenbauer, Victoria Ratnaswamy, Neal Katz, and Ken Burk.

Family News

- Wishing William Brinkman swift recovery from recent medical treatment.
- Condolences to Sarah & Ed Samson, on the death of Sarah's mother, Adree Bey, at the age of 101, in March.

This Month's Yahrzeits

The following names will be read at the **May 4 Shabbat service at the North Shore Unitarian Church**. If there is a name missing or if you would like to have a name read at the service, please contact the Kol Hadash office (847-383-5184, administrator@KolHadash.com).

William Addelson	Rose Villi Bilotti
Richard Cohn	David Davis
Gertrude Edelstein	Edward Fisher
Nathan Goldberg	Franz J. Gruenbauer
Gertrude Hart	Eugenia Podrobnik Kowalenko
Edythe Miller	Barry Raben
Ethel Rittenberg	Irving Rittenberg
Carl Sabath	Philip Shoolin
Emil Simon	Sidney Smiley
Rose Sohn	Max Sosewitz

This Month's Birthdays

Emily Juneau	May 6
Irene Chase	May 9
Paula Harris	May 10
Andi Kenney	May 10
Joel Shoolin	May 10
Caleb Saks	May 12
Eric Kenney	May 16
Liam Race	May 16
Tamar Schwartz	May 16
Michael Fisher	May 19
David Hirsch	May 19
Mark Friedman	May 20
Erika von Kirchbach	May 20
Fredrik von Kirchbach	May 20
Eva Friedman	May 24
Julia Ratnaswamy	May 26
Amy Parker	May 27
Chip Kass	May 30
Jonathan Parker	May 31

This Month's Anniversaries

Tamar & Ron Schwartz	May 3
Susan Wauldron Jerris & Bruce Jerris	May 21
Mary Vanderbeck Parker & Dan Parker	May 27



Save the Date!

Please note these future events.

June 1	Bar Mitzvah of Noah Apley
June 3, 4	Storytimes for Young Children
June 8	Annual Meeting/Shabbat Service
June 14	St. James Parish Soup Kitchen
June 24	FUNdraiser Choir Concert & Dinner
July 13, 20	Shabbat Services
July 18	Book Club
July 28	Winers
August 3, 10, 24	Shabbat Services
August 26	Sunday School Picnic
September 9, 10	Rosh Hashana Services
September 9	First Day of Sunday School
September 18, 19	Yom Kippur Services

Tributes, Donations & Gifts

Kol Hadash offers several opportunities for donations:

Annual Appeal *End-of-calendar-year donations to support Kol Hadash activities*

Event Sponsorships *Funding to support specific Kol Hadash events*

Friedman Family Fund *Restricted fund for bringing in external speakers and performers*

General Fund *General support for Kol Hadash operations & activities*

Lippitz/Wagner Jewish Humanistic Ritual Fund *Restricted fund supporting the development, dissemination and practice of Jewish humanistic rituals and music*

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund *Funds available to the rabbi to allocate for charitable purposes*

Tzedakah Fund *Supports organized charitable activities in the name of Kol Hadash*

Weiss Choir Fund *Supports the High Holidays Choir; established by Kol Hadash founding members James & Minerva Weiss*

Yom Kippur Memorial *Remembrance donations during the High Holidays*

Youth Group Fund *Supports special activities for Kol Hadash teens*

To donate to any of our funds, please make your check payable to "Kol Hadash" and send with instructions about the gift to: Kol Hadash Humanistic Congregation, 175 Olde Half Day Road, Suite 123, Lincolnshire, IL 60069. The congregation expresses its gratitude to the following individuals, whose donations were received as of the middle of last month

Dawn Friedman, with thanks to our Sunday School teachers and teachers' aides for another fantastic Sunday School year

Sherman Kaplan, to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Susan Wagner & Mike Lippitz, to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, thanking Rabbi Chalom for reviewing our Passover *haggadah*

Happy Stone & Rick Henriksen, to the Tzedakah Fund

Event Sponsorships

Event sponsors' donations help us keep admission fees low and allow us to make events accessible to all. We invite our members to sponsor upcoming events such as our Community Passover Seder (March 31). We thank the following members for their generous support of Kol Hadash programs.

Community Passover Seder

Susan & Roger Addelson

Georgeen Carson

Myrna & Garret Cohn

Marcia Cottle

Happy Stone & Rick Henriksen

Joyce & Richard Hirsch

Lynn & Elliot Miller

Dori Rosenbloom & Chet Mirman

Tamar & Ron Schwartz

Sheila & Ron Sebor

Silvia Goldman & Ilan Yavitz

Kol Hadash Annual Meeting

&

Shabbat Service

June 8 • 7:30 PM

North Shore Unitarian Church

Join us for our annual business meeting, with reports from key leadership personnel and a review of the budget for our next fiscal year. A special Oneg Shabbat will be hosted by the Kol Hadash Steering Committee.



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When choosing to make a contribution in honor or in memory of someone, consider a donation to Kol Hadash. Your generosity will support our programs, our school, and our future growth, and those you designate will receive a special acknowledgement of your gift on their behalf, in addition to your message being printed in the *Shofar*.

Choose from the following tribute funds:

- ✧ Kol Hadash General Fund – General support for Kol Hadash operations and activities
- ✧ Kol Hadash Tzedakah Fund – Supports organized charitable activities in the name of Kol Hadash
- ✧ Kol Hadash Youth Group Fund – Supports special activities for Kol Hadash teens
- ✧ Friedman Family Fund – Restricted fund for bringing in external speakers and performers
- ✧ Lippitz/Wagner Jewish Humanistic Ritual Fund – Restricted fund supporting the development, dissemination and practice of Jewish humanistic rituals and music
- ✧ Rabbi's Discretionary Fund – Funds available to the rabbi to allocate for charitable purposes
- ✧ Weiss Choir Fund – Supports the High Holidays Choir; established by Kol Hadash founding members James & Minerva Weiss

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Thank you for your generosity!

May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Adult Education/Jewish History, <i>The American Jewish Experience</i> , 7:30 PM @ Unitarian Church	2	3 Steering Committee Mtg., 7:30 PM @ KH Office	4 Shabbat Service, <i>The Power of Imagination</i> , (Star Wars Day: May the 4 th), 7:30 PM @ Unitarian Church	5 A Safe Place Empowerment 5K Run/Walk, 9AM
6 FINAL DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL, 9:30 Open House, 10:00 AM G2-3 Model Wedding, 10:15 AM All-School Party, 11:00 AM	7	8 Adult Education/Jewish History, <i>Israel</i> , 7:30 PM @ Unitarian Church	9	10	11 SUNDAY SCHOOL CONFIRMATION SHABBAT SERVICE 7:30 PM North Shore Unitarian Church	12
13	14	15 Adult Education/Jewish History, <i>Conclusions</i> , 7:30 PM @ Unitarian Church	16 Book Club, <i>Oil & Marble</i> , 7:30 PM @ Home of Joyce & Rich Hirsch	17	18	19 Vernon Township Mental Health Fair, 10:00 AM
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June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Bar Mitzvah of Noah Apley, 7:30 PM, Unitarian Church	2
3 Storytime for Young Children (Shabbat), 11:00 AM, Barnes & Noble (Deerfield)	4 Storytime for Young Children (Shabbat), 3:00 PM, Book Bin (Northbrook)	5	6	7 Steering Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM, KH Office	8 Kol Hadash Annual Meeting & Shabbat Service, 7:30 PM, Unitarian Church	9
10 Greater Chicago Jewish Festival, 11AM-6PM, St. Paul Woods, Morton Grove	11	12	13	14 Community Service: Soup Kitchen Volunteering, St. James Catholic Church, Highwood	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Kol Hadash FUNdraiser Choir Concert 4:00 PM, Unitarian Church Dinner 6:00 PM, Buca di Beppo	25	26	27	28	29	30



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