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## The Centrality of Temple



**Rabbi Daniel A. Schwartz**

As I write this column a few weeks before it will land in your mailboxes, I imagine that many of you are like me – reading the news from Israel first thing when you wake up and then continuing to search for updates. Every day the situation appears more grim as escalation continues and there doesn't appear to be an end in site.

The same is true with our national news and my email inbox, which also paint a grim picture of increased antisemitism, fears for safety and the need for increased situational awareness and security. I worry for the safety, well-being and mental health of members of Temple as well as our community's family and friends in Israel.

But, as I struggle with those challenges, I also see how the strength of relationships and community brings to these difficult times, especially here at Temple. From an Israel Havdalah vigil to our Shabbat of solidarity; from Israel classes in person and online to conversations on Sundays with our high school students and individual conversations with other members by phone and email; from raising money for our community's emergency fund to grassroots efforts by members of Temple to raise money and purchase supplies for Israeli soldiers.

Seeing this and reflecting on it all makes me proud.

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to demonstrate how wise our ancestors were in thinking about what a Temple should be.

Our sages believed the functions were threefold: to be (1) A beit tefillah – a house of prayer, (2) a beit midrash – a house of study, and (3) a beit kneset – a house of gathering. They realized that in difficult times, and in good times, a singular purpose would not be sufficient. Since October 7th, that has been even more apparent. We have seen and talked with more Temple members in this month post High Holidays than any other year of my 17 years at Shir Shalom. Temple

has been the primary place that many have turned to fulfill their needs for prayer, study and community.

While the joy may be tempered if war continues, knowing the centrality of Temple and the importance it has been in our lives not just this past month, but for as long as you have been connected, will still give us reason to celebrate on December 17th as we dedicate the completion of Phase 1 of Project All Together. Having the additional space for prayer, for gathering and a space that was designed for study will be a blessing for us all and will help ensure that we not only continue to fulfill our threefold purpose, but that our physical space will allow us to meet all the needs of our community.

While a more formal invitation is forthcoming, I do hope you'll save the date of **December 17th** and plan to join us as we dedicate our new space and join together for a program that will truly highlight the strength and beauty of our Temple Shir Shalom community.



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## NOVEMBER

Friday			Saturday		
<b>3</b>	7:30 PM	<b>Shabbat Evening Services Bar Mitzvah of Jackson Gold</b> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>	<b>4</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
				10:30 AM	<b>Shabbat Morning Services</b> In person only
<b>10</b>	6:30 PM	<b>CAYA Shabbat Services with special guest Beni Levin</b> <i>Sharing his perspective &amp; love of Israel</i> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>	<b>11</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
		<b>Shabbatoddy and Cider Oneg</b> Following Shabbat Services <a href="#">RSVP</a>		10:30 AM	<b>Shabbat Morning Services</b> In person only
<b>17</b>	7:30 PM	<b>Shabbat Evening Services</b> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>	<b>18</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
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<b>24</b>	6:30 PM	<b>CAYA Shabbat Services</b> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>	<b>25</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
				10:30 AM	<b>Shabbat Morning Services Bat Mitzvah of Dr. Cheryl Blau</b> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>

**Sunday morning Minyan meets at 10:00 AM on Zoom:**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0pdu-pqTkuHdfmzBL41TVtyAll5m6max6s>

## SPECIAL SHABBATOT

### SHABBATODDY AND CIDER ONEG

FRI, NOV 10 • 6:30 PM CAYA SHABBAT SERVICES • ONEG TO FOLLOW

### CHINESE CUISINE ONEG

FRI, DEC 22 • 5:30 PM EARLY-BIRD SHABBAT SERVICES • ONEG TO FOLLOW

LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT [SHIRSHALOM.ORG/SHABBAT](https://www.shirshalom.org/shabbat)



## DECEMBER

Friday			Saturday		
<b>1</b>	6:30 PM	<b>CAYA Shabbat Services</b> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>	<b>2</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
				10:30 AM	<b>Shabbat Morning Services</b> In person only
<b>8</b>	6:30 PM	<b>Family Shabbat &amp; Chanukah Dinner</b> <b>RSVP</b>	<b>9</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
	7:30 PM	<b>Family Chanukah Shabbat Services</b> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>		10:30 AM	<b>Shabbat Morning Services</b> In person only
<b>15</b>	7:30 PM	<b>Shabbat Evening Services</b> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>	<b>16</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
				10:30 AM	<b>Shabbat Morning Services</b> In person only
<b>22</b>	5:30 PM	<b>Early-bird Shabbat Services</b> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>	<b>23</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
		<b>Chinese Cuisine Oneg</b> <b>RSVP</b>		10:30 AM	<b>Shabbat Morning Services</b> In person only
<b>29</b>	5:30 PM	<b>Early-bird Shabbat Services</b> In person & online <a href="https://www.youtube.com/templeshirshalom">youtube.com/templeshirshalom</a>	<b>30</b>	9:30 AM	<b>Tish</b> – in person & online
				10:30 AM	<b>Shabbat Morning Services</b> In person only

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/tZ0pdu-pqTkuHdfmzBL41TVtyAIL5m6max6s>

### JOIN US EVERY SATURDAY FOR SHABBAT MORNING TISH

Some have called this group Shir Shalom's best kept secret. But, we're happy to share! Each week we study a verse or two of Torah, enjoy some bagels and a nosh, get some time discussing, debating and learning with our rabbis, and share in the camaraderie and joy of Shabbat time with others in our community. Our **discussion begins at 9:30 AM**. If you would

like to receive the Zoom link to participate online, please call Temple at **248.737.8700**.



# Opportunities for Every One



**Brian D. Fishman**  
Executive Director

High Holy Day Services were wonderful this year. Attendance was up over last year, and we had a strong online presence. We have received lots of positive feedback and it sounds like our educational/programming guide was a big hit! There is a ton going on at Temple with some new things, some old things, and truly something for everyone. While we are wrapping up construction on the interior spaces, Project All Together is still in full swing as we continue to raise money to fund the east and west

pavilions and playground for the preschool (which is going to be VERY COOL!). I am continuing to make ceramic tiles for the **Family Mosaic Staircase**, so send in your artwork soon because we are making plans to install it – but not before we have the **Dedication of the Indoor Spaces** on Sunday, December 17.

Some of the new programs include **Adult Bar and Bat Mitzvah** for those who missed that growing up. There is a series on **Reform Judaism** that explores the origins of this group and where it is heading. The OTHER Rabbi Mike Moskowitz will be visiting as a **Scholar-in-Residence**. We even have a program to help you **choose your Hebrew name** that will culminate in a special naming ceremony. We are also continuing **Adult Hebrew, Tea, Talk & Torah, Jewish Hot Topics** and more.

We kicked off the **Women of Shir Shalom** last month with a lovely dinner and a lot of

women who are interested in participating. **Brotherhood** continues to meet to enjoy a meal, each other's company and support the community. **Euchre nights** will return beginning in November and we are reviving monthly **Game Days**. And don't forget **Trivia Nights!**

If you or a loved one needs support, we have weekly **AA** and **Al-Anon** meetings and have added an **Alateen** meeting on the same night. Also beginning this year is a much-needed **Bereavement Group** specifically to help parents who have lost a child.

The travel opportunities with your Shir Shalom community have greatly expanded as well. In addition to the **Family Mission Trip to Israel, Teen Mission to Israel** and **SSTY trip to New York**, we are offering an amazing adventure to **Italy** which promises to keep you on the go. There will be a trip to **Cincinnati** to explore the rich Jewish history of the city. And

you can dial it way down and join us for the **camping trip** next summer a little closer to home.

Specialty **onegs** are also making a return with one planned for almost every month. These gatherings follow 6:30PM Shabbat services and typically feature themed food and drink and are well-attended. It is a wonderful way to get to know our Shir Shalom community. If you have never been, it is definitely worth checking out!

We are here for you and want to provide meaningful ways for you to be engaged with Temple. If you have any ideas for programs or classes that should be offered, feel free to get in touch and we can explore creating a single class or multiple classes.

As always, don't hesitate to contact me if there is anything that I can do for you.

## ITALY WITH A JEWISH LENS

ADULTS ONLY • OCT 24 - NOV 4, 2024



Explore Italy with Rabbi Mike and master tour guide Beni Levin, who has guided many of our Temple trips through Israel, as we traverse the ancient and modern parts of this beautiful land: Hiking, biking and kayaking will all be a part of this adventure. Experience the vibrancy of Florence, the serenity of Tuscany, the excitement of Torino and so much more. Imagine cooking classes and wineries to visit all while learning of the historical and contemporary Jewish connections.

Share your interest at [shirshalom.org/form/2024-italy-trip](https://shirshalom.org/form/2024-italy-trip)





# There's No Place Like Home



**Marsha Mitnick,  
MS, LLP**  
Early Childhood  
Learning Director

I often share with others that I am so fortunate when I go to work. I am constantly surrounded by smiles, giggles, and play. The atmosphere feels busy, productive, and kind. Yes, I work in a bubble. It's as if the sun does shine even when it's cloudy and November in Michigan. This bubble is called preschool and every child that attends The Learning Center brings that feeling of wonder and awe.

With the war in Israel, please don't mistake me for a woman who wears thick rose-colored glasses. No shade of rose can color what is going on in the world. Parents coming into The Learning Center are more anxious than ever before. They worry about security. Many worry about how to talk to their children about what is occurring in our world. This is all understandable. It is not easy being a parent.

But here's the secret formula...it starts with the adults in the child's life. They are watching you all the time. You are their barometer to their sense of self and safety. Children mirror their parents' responses. Now is the time to take care of yourself first, just like oxygen on an airplane. Read yourself and listen to your own cues. Put limits on how much phone and news you are spending time with. Find what helps you be calm and present and get as many servings as possible!

When talking to your children remember their developmental stage. Consider what they might hear in elementary school. If there are older siblings, are they talking to the younger siblings? Each stage means a different kind of engagement. Preschoolers who are first born and not around older kids may not need any verbal explanation. They for sure need NO exposure to news or playing on phones. Preschoolers are seeing and hearing everything. Adults talking from the other side of the house doesn't mean they can't hear you.

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Approach older kids by asking them questions: "What have you heard about the war in Israel?" "Do you have any questions you want to ask me?" Follow their lead. Just like you read yourself and your cues, read your child's cues. You know them better than anyone else.

If you haven't noticed, children have their own bubble; just like at The Learning Center. Ask if you can come in. When you spend time at home being present and playing with your child, I bet the bubble is even better and bigger than at school!

For more information or questions, contact [marsha@shirshalom.org](mailto:marsha@shirshalom.org)



## CHANUKAH

*Celebrations With Friends*

GATHER FOR SONG, MUSIC AND DANCE  
AS WE CELEBRATE CHANUKAH WITH FRIENDS!

FRI, DEC 8 | 5:45 – 6:30PM | SHIR SHALOM

REGISTER AT [SHIRSHALOM.ORG/CHILDRENS-EVENTS](https://shirshalom.org/childrens-events)



# Your Voice Has Power



**Alisa Berke**  
SHORESH Associate  
Director

Our SHORESH theme this year is **having a voice**. A voice where one can be seen, heard, and understood. So often people think that their voice alone cannot make a difference. Everyone's voice matters and can be a superpower if you know how to use it. Having one's thoughts and opinions heard can also positively impact

others by building their confidence and enabling them to take positive actions in their lives.

As the Thanksgiving holiday is upon us, students at Shir Shalom are encouraged to use their voice to offer gratitude and kindness. Two of Temple's core values are **being inclusive** and **going above and beyond**, which teach the idea to ask for help or lend a hand when in need. During Yom Kippur services, the high school students reflected on the idea of living in the image of God, **B'tzelem Elohim**. To help reflect, they were asked questions in which they could partner with God to try and fix these problems. Two questions asked were, "What is a problem you see in our world today? What is

something you can do in the upcoming year to address the issue?"

Throughout this holiday season, think of ways that your voice may have a positive

**If you have a voice, you have potential to change the world — (Author Unknown)**

Some of their responses included racism, poverty, global warming, and lack of kindness. They all offered ways in which they can help make a difference in the world around them. The students will try and be more inclusive with their friends, try not to judge without knowing all the facts, and to educate themselves on topics they are unsure of. They will use their voice to stand up for what they believe in and better themselves and the people they love.

impact on not only yourself, but those around you. Pay attention to what others are saying to you because making someone feel seen, heard, and understood is the loudest way to love them. Speak your voice. It's powerful and it has the potential to change the world!

Wishing you a peaceful holiday season.



## TEMPLE SHIR SHALOM'S 11TH ANNUAL CHICKEN SOUP COOK-OFF SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024

GRAB YOUR LADLE, POT AND MIREPOIX FOR OUR 11TH ANNUAL CHICKEN SOUP COOK-OFF! FUNDS RAISED WILL SUPPORT CARE HOUSE, METRO FOOD RESCUE, SHIR SHALOM'S RELIGIOUS SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS AND YOUNG ADULT GROUP OF TEMPLE SHIR SHALOM

**CO-CHAIRS:** DEBBIE LIPPITT & ASHLEY SEFFERMAN

INTERESTED IN BEING ON THE COMMITTEE TO HELP PLAN, SOLICIT, SET UP OR RUN THE COOK-OFF? EMAIL [COOKOFF@SHIRSHALOM.ORG](mailto:COOKOFF@SHIRSHALOM.ORG)





# Fruman Youth Program



**Cady Tobias**  
Teen Engagement  
Director

It has been so incredible to see our Temple youth back together. In the months since Sunday Night School and SSTY have started, our youth have participated in multiple different events. In September, the SSTY board held the 2023 kickoff gathering at 44 Scoops. We had ice cream and the chance to reconnect before we started our first night of Sunday night school.

Also in September we celebrated Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Our teens helped put together incredible family services at West Bloomfield High School. Many of the teens also helped run the creative service with their personal reflections and leading us in prayer and song.

Another event that our SSTY Board planned was our Freshman Surprise Breakfast, which was amazing to participate in. Seeing all the freshmen integrate into our SSTY family excites us for the rest of the year!!

If your teen is still looking for ways to get involved, please don't hesitate to reach out at [cady@shirshalom.org](mailto:cady@shirshalom.org)





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## WEEKLY

### WORSHIP

Fridays			
Nov 3, 17; Dec 8, 15	Shabbat Evening Services	7:30 PM	In person, <a href="#">Facebook</a> , <a href="#">YouTube</a>
Nov 10, 24; Dec 1	CAYA Shabbat Services	6:30 PM	In person, <a href="#">Facebook</a> , <a href="#">YouTube</a>
Dec 22, 29	Early-bird Shabbat Services	5:30 PM	In person, <a href="#">Facebook</a> , <a href="#">YouTube</a>
Saturdays			
Every week	Tish	9:30 AM	In person, <a href="#">RSVP</a> for Zoom link
Every week	Shabbat Morning Services	10:30 AM	In person, <a href="#">Facebook</a> , <a href="#">YouTube</a>
Sundays			
Every week	Morning Minyan	10:00 AM	<a href="#">RSVP</a> to receive Zoom link
GROUP MEETINGS			
Tuesdays			
Nov 7, 21; Dec 5, 19	Grief Support Group for Parents	7:00 PM	
Wednesdays			
Nov 1, 8, 15, 29; Dec 6, 20	Introduction to Judaism		
Nov 1, 8, 15	Reform Judaism Lunch-and-learn	12:00 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Every week	AA, AI-Anon, Alateen	7:00 PM	

## MONTHLY

### GROUP MEETINGS

Mondays			
Nov 27	Game Day	1:00 - 4:00 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Tuesdays			
Nov 7; Dec 5	Book Club	7:00 PM	Email <a href="mailto:barblevinson@gmail.com">barblevinson@gmail.com</a>
Dec 5, 26	Board of Directors Meeting	7:00 PM	
Wednesdays			
Nov 8; Dec 13	Women of Shir Shalom	6:30 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Nov 15	Tea, Talk and Torah	2:00 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Nov 15; Dec 20	Brotherhood Dinner & Meeting	6:30 PM	Email <a href="mailto:lawrence.s.stillwater@morganstanley.com">lawrence.s.stillwater@morganstanley.com</a>
Thursdays			
Nov 2	Euchre Tournament	7:00 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Nov 9	Taste of Talmud	12:00 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Fridays			
Nov 10; Dec 15	Bim Bom Baby	10:00 AM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>

## ANNUAL / SPECIAL EVENTS

Nov 5 • Sun	SHORESH PreK & Kindergarten Family Program	9:30 AM	
Nov 7 • Tue	TLC Parent Teacher Conferences		
Nov 10 • Fri	Shabbatoddy and Cider Oneg	Following Shabbat Services	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Nov 15 • Wed	Trivia Night (Online)	8:00 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Dec 8 • Fri	Celebrations with Friends (Chanukah)	5:45 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## ANNUAL / SPECIAL EVENTS CONTINUED

Dec 8 • Fri	Family Shabbat & Chanukah Dinner	6:30 PM	<a href="#">RSVP</a>
Sun, Dec 10 & Fri, Dec 15	SHORESH 1st Grade Family Program	9:30 AM & 6:00 PM	
Dec 22 • Fri	Chinese Cuisine Oneg	Following Shabbat Services	<a href="#">RSVP</a>

## HOLIDAYS

Nov 11 • Sat	Veterans Day		
Nov 23 • Thu	Thanksgiving Day	Temple Office closed	
Nov 24 • Fri	Thanksgiving Friday	Temple Office closed	
Thu, Dec 7 – Fri, Dec 15	Chanukah	Begins at sundown	
Dec 21 • Thu	Fast of Tevet	Begins at sundown	
Dec 25 • Mon	Christmas Day	Temple Office closed	
Jan 1 • Mon	New Year's Day	Temple Office closed	

## TEMPLE SHIR SHALOM BOOK CLUB

First Tuesday of the month • 7:00 PM

Book Club wishes all our congregation a Sweet and Healthy year of exciting reading and conversations. We are anticipating a very interesting year ahead with marvelous books to read. If interested, please contact Barb Levinson at [barblevinson@gmail.com](mailto:barblevinson@gmail.com)

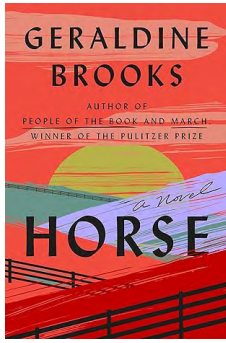
November 7 – *IN PERSON AT TEMPLE*

December 5 – *ONLINE ON ZOOM*



### THE MERCIES by Kiran Millwood Hargrave

Inspired by the real events of the Vardø storm and the 1621 witch trials, *The Mercies* is a story of love, evil, and obsession, set at the edge of civilization.



### HORSE by Geraldine Brooks

Based on the remarkable true story of the record-breaking thoroughbred Lexington, *Horse* is a novel of art and science, love and obsession, and our unfinished reckoning with racism.



Book Club participants enjoying the Shir Shalom Indoor Sukkah during Sukkot.



# Membership Matters



**Terri Cassels Cooper**  
VP Membership

As an honored and proud member of our temple Board, a community liaison and especially as Membership VP, I am grateful for the opportunity, continuity and solidarity that our Shir Shalom members bring to our most extraordinary congregation.

Your membership not only makes visible your commitment to your Judaism, but it affords you a front row seat to help us invest in a more secure Jewish future; gives us the longevity and structure to keep building

Jewish life through essential programming and most importantly, keeps you connected, supported and immersed in your own life cycle events.

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Your membership holds our temple leadership accountable for keeping us cohesive, involved and growing as a viable and impressive voice within our community and reformed Judaism.

We hope you are taking advantage of all the diverse

and interesting programming and events that are offered at temple. There's no shortage of life-long learning programs, field trips, community service opportunities, fun

youth opportunities and provide our members with the involvement and engagement that is so richly deserved and welcomed.

and special themed shabbat services, Tikkun Olum, volunteer adventures, plus the good fortune of having the support and closeness with our exceptional clergy and temple leadership.

As a temple community, we go so far beyond Religious School, B'nai Mitzahs and

So, again, thank you – for making our small but mighty temple the place everyone wants to be part of. Your membership – YOU – are valued and appreciated.

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

WED, NOV 8 & DEC 13  
6:30PM • TEMPLE SHIR SHALOM

## PRICING OPTIONS

- \$36 FOR DINNER & MEMBERSHIP TO WOMEN OF SHIR SHALOM
- \$18 FOR DINNER (WOMEN OF SHIR SHALOM MEMBER)
- \$20 FOR DINNER ONLY (WOMEN OF SHIR SHALOM NON-MEMBER)

REGISTER AT [SHIRSHALOM.ORG/EVENT/WOMEN-OF-SHIR-SHALOM](http://SHIRSHALOM.ORG/EVENT/WOMEN-OF-SHIR-SHALOM)



# REFORM JUDAISM LUNCH-AND-LEARN

JOIN RABBI DANIEL SCHWARTZ FOR THIS 3-WEEK COURSE ON REFORM JUDAISM: HOW IT STARTED, WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE WE'RE GOING.

WED, NOV 1, 8, 15 | 12 PM | SHIR SHALOM AND ONLINE  
NO CHARGE FOR TSS MEMBERS.  
\$18/SERIES FOR NON-MEMBERS.

REGISTER AT [SHIRSHALOM.ORG/EVENT/REFORM-JUDAISM-LUNCH-AND-LEARN](https://shirshalom.org/event/reform-judaism-lunch-and-learn)



## TASTE OF TALMUD

Explore the wisdom of our sages as we read and discuss highlighted texts from the Talmud, which can provide insight and meaning into our modern lives.

Thursday, November 9 • 12:00 PM • Shir Shalom

Register at [shirshalom.org/event/taste-of-talmud](https://shirshalom.org/event/taste-of-talmud)

## TEA, TALK AND TORAH

GATHER WITH THE RABBIS FOR TEA, TREATS AND A BRIEF STUDY OF THE DAY'S TORAH TEXT.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15  
2 – 3 PM

NO CHARGE FOR MEMBERS  
\$10/SESSION FOR GUESTS OF TSS

REGISTER AT [shirshalom.org/event/tea-talk-torah](https://shirshalom.org/event/tea-talk-torah)





# EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS

THU, NOV 2 | 7:00 – 9:00PM

WED, JAN 10 | 7:00 – 9:00PM



COMPETE FOR PRIZES AND SCHMOOZE WITH FRIENDS AT OUR EUCHRE TOURNAMENT, A ROUND-ROBIN EVENT. GAMES FOR COMPETITIVE, CASUAL AND NEW PLAYERS. OPEN TO THOSE WHO WANT TO KIBBITZ TOO. SPACE IS LIMITED. \$13 PER PLAYER. WE WILL PROVIDE SNACKS AND SELECT BEVERAGES AND INVITE YOU TO BRING YOUR OWN ALCOHOLIC AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

*FOR THE TOURNAMENT ON THU, NOV 2, REGISTRATION OPEN UNTIL WED, NOV 1 AT 5PM AT [shirshalom.org/event/euchre-tournament](http://shirshalom.org/event/euchre-tournament)*



## GAME DAYS

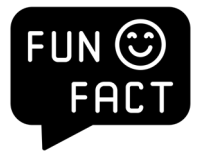
MON, NOV 27 | 1:00 – 4:00PM

MON, JAN 22 | 1:00 – 4:00PM

MAHJ? BRIDGE? EUCHRE? CHOOSE YOUR GAME AND YOUR FRIENDS AND BRING THEM TO TEMPLE GAME DAYS ON THE FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH. \$5 ADMISSION INCLUDES KOSHER SNACKS, DRINKS, A TABLE FOR YOUR GROUP AND CHAIRS.

REGISTER FOR THE GAME DAY IN NOVEMBER AT [SHIRSHALOM.ORG/EVENT/GAME-DAY](http://SHIRSHALOM.ORG/EVENT/GAME-DAY)

## TRIVIA NIGHTS



WED, NOV 15 | 8:00 – 9:30PM | ZOOM

TUE, APR 16 | 7:00 – 8:30PM | SHIR SHALOM

COMPETE AGAINST OTHER SHIR SHALOM FAMILIES AND FRIENDS FOR GIFT CERTIFICATES AND OTHER PRIZES WHILE ANSWERING GENERAL TRIVIA QUESTIONS. \$18/TEAM.

REGISTER FOR THE TRIVIA NIGHT IN NOVEMBER AT [SHIRSHALOM.ORG/EVENT/TRIVIA-NIGHT](http://SHIRSHALOM.ORG/EVENT/TRIVIA-NIGHT)





# CHANUKAH HAPPENINGS

WITH SHIR SHALOM

December 7 - 15, 2023

## NIGHTLY COMMUNITY LIGHTING OF THE CHANUKAH MENORAH

EACH NIGHT OF CHANUKAH, SHIR SHALOM WILL LIGHT THE CHANUKAH MENORAH WITH MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY ONLINE. JOIN US EACH NIGHT AS WE LIVE STREAM ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL AT [YOUTUBE.COM/TEMPLESHIRSHALOM](https://www.youtube.com/TEMPLESHIRSHALOM)

## CHANUKAH FAMILY DINNER & SHABBAT SERVICE

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# HANUKKAH

## The Festival of Lights

The first light of Chanukah is kindled at sundown on **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023**.  
Join us **online** every night as we light the candles.

### “Chanukah” or “Hanukkah”?

At this time of year writers are grateful to the translation geniuses who decided that Hebrew words, for the most part, are exempt from spelling rules. The word, חנכה, meaning *dedication*, has been spelled in most any form with one common belief — that it contains eight letters. Thus, you will find *Hanukkah*, *Chanukah*, and perhaps even *Hannukah* or *Khanukah* — All are correct.

### Kindling the Chanukah Lights

Every effort should be made to see that all members of the family are present at the lighting of the candles. Everyone, no matter what age, may kindle the Chanukah candles.

The chanukiah should be placed near a window so that a passerby may observe the light. On Friday, the Chanukah candles are kindled before the lighting of the Shabbat candles.

Candles are placed in the *chanukiah* (Chanukah menorah) from right to left, beginning with one candle on the first evening and adding a new candle each succeeding night. The *shammas* (Hebrew for "servant" or "helper") candle is lit first and is then used to light the other candles from left to right.

Light from this direction →



← Place from this direction

### Chanukah Prayers

Facing the *chanukiah* you recite the following prayers:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ  
בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.

**Blessed is the Eternal our God, Ruler of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot and commands us to kindle the Chanukah lights.**

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים  
לְאֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזֶמַן הַזֶּה

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asah nisim laavoteinu v'imoteinu bayamim hahaeim baz'man hazeh.

**Blessed is the Eternal our God, Ruler of the universe, who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old, at this season.**

On the first night we add:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהַחֲדָשָׁה  
וְקִיְּמָנוּ וְהַגִּיעָנוּ לְזֶמַן הַזֶּה

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higyanu laz'man hazeh.

**Blessed is the Eternal our God, Ruler of the universe, for giving us life, sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach the season.**

# HANUKKAH

## After We Light the Candles

As one candle may kindle many others yet lose none of its own light, so Judaism has kindled the light of truth for many religions in many lands and still shines brightly to this day.

### Each Candle's Meaning...

#### Day 1

The first light reminds us that **God is One**. As God is One, so may we all try to work together for the good of all.

#### Day 2

The second light is the light of the **Torah**. May our Torah always be a lamp unto our feet and a light to our path.

#### Day 3

The third light is the candle of **Tzedakah**. Even in our greatest joy may we remember and give to those who do not have as much as we.

#### Day 4

The fourth light is the light of **Family**. May the togetherness that binds us today be with us through all of our tomorrows.

#### Day 5

The fifth light is the light of **Understanding**. May we grow by being not just understood but by being understanding as well.

#### Day 6

The sixth light is the light of **the Jewish People**. We are one people tied to each other by our history and our faith.

#### Day 7

The seventh light is the light of **Patience**. May we be a little more patient with each other and our world.

#### Day 8

The last light is the light of **Shalom (of Peace)**. Let there always be peace among members of this family, this community, this country, and our world. May we work for peace throughout our lives.

## How to Play Dreidel



SHIN

HEY

GIMMEL

NUN

### Why Are There Letters on a Dreidel?

The four Hebrew letters on the dreidel—*Nun, Gimmel, Hey, Shin*—represent the Hebrew phrase, “**Nes Gadol Haya Sham**,” which means “A Great Miracle Happened There.”



### What You'll Need

- Two or more players
- An equal number or gambling pieces for each player (about 10-15). Traditionally, hard candies, nuts, or gelt are used, but pennies, buttons, or plastic chips work well too
- A *dreidel* (spinning top) for the group



### Rules of the Game

1. Each player puts one or two pieces into the middle to form a “pot”.
2. Take turns spinning the dreidel, with each player acting according to the letter which comes up after the dreidel stops. (*When a player gets gimmel, they empty the pot, and then everyone tosses a piece into the pot to start a new round.*)
3. The winner is the person who collects all of the pieces (or has the most after an agreed upon number of rounds).







## Dr. Cheryl Blau • Saturday, November 25

Dr. Blau is the mother of Alex and Max Varverakis, daughter of Drs. Diane and Larry Blau and the granddaughter of Rose (Dean) and Ben Blau and Fannie (Nosanchuk) and Sol Sklar. Her most memorable experience at Temple Shir Shalom has been walking around Jerusalem with her sons and her parents shopping for kiddish cups and shofrot during the Family Mission Trip. A classroom teacher for 36 years so far, Dr. Blau strives to make learning a joyful experience for her students while also helping them discover how capable and amazing they each are. In her free time, Dr. Blau likes making life easier and more joyful for others, so she helps with FAAPN free tutoring, volunteer at the Farmington Farmers Market, co-captain the Farmington Warnerettes Parasol Drill Team and the Rosie the Riveter Lunchbox

Drill Team, help her neighbors, hold doors open for others, and bake treats for the people who work at her local post office and pharmacy. She also serves her community as President of the Farmington Public Schools Board of Education and as a member of both the Farmington/Farmington Hills Arts Commission and the Roeper Board of Trustees. For Dr. Blau's Mitzvah Project, she is collecting items and donations for CARES, a community food bank serving families in Livonia, Redford, Southfield, Farmington, Farmington Hills, and West Bloomfield. Dr. Blau is grateful to her parents, siblings, children, extended family, and friends for their ongoing encouragement and unconditional love. She is also grateful to all of the students with whom she has had the honor and pleasure of working over these many years. When Dr. Blau was 12, all the boys got to study with the rabbi and cantor to learn how to chant the tropes of the Torah for their b'nai mitzvah. While she accepted the fact that, as a female, she would never be allowed to read from the Torah herself, she asked if she could join in these study sessions so that she could at least learn how to chant the Torah tropes. The answer was a firm no. Though 50 years have since passed, Dr. Blau is so grateful to Yali, Cantor Penny, Rabbi Daniel, and Rabbi Mike for giving her the opportunity to learn the tropes and read from the Torah at long last.



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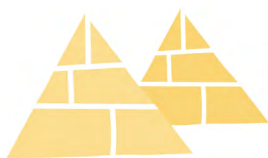
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**FRI 11/3 at 7:30 PM**

**SAT 11/4 at 10:30 AM**

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**FRI 11/10 at 6:30 PM**

**SAT 11/11 at 10:30 AM**

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**FRI 11/17 at 7:30 PM**

**SAT 11/18 at 10:30 AM**

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**FRI 11/24 at 6:30 PM**

**SAT 11/25 at 10:30 AM**

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**FRI 12/1 at 6:30 PM**

**SAT 12/2 at 10:30 AM**

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William H. Frank  
Sheldon Fridson\*  
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Helen Hilda Siskind  
Melvin S. Stein  
Irving Steinberg\*  
Julianne Silverstein Vinik\*  
Yaffa Walker  
Edith Wasserman  
Manny Weigensberg  
Albert Weishaus  
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Michael Yendick  
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# In Remembrance

**SUN 12/3 at 10:00 AM**

**FRI 12/8 at 7:30 PM**

**SAT 12/9 at 10:30 AM**

Roberta Abrams\*  
Edith Backalar  
Molly Benton  
Paulette Bussell-Oatley\*  
Peter Chodoroff\*  
Abraham F. Citron\*  
Jack Conroy  
Morris Diskin  
Myra Eber  
Renee Eisenberg  
Samuel Epstein  
Harry P. Falk  
Florence Feinstein\*  
Gerry Felder\*  
Irving Feldman  
Larry Elliott Firestone

Doris Fisher  
Fryda Fleish  
David Freeman  
Gale Klar Freidenreich  
Stella Gallob  
Farce David Garner\*\*  
Beverly Goldberg  
Wendy Goldman  
Michael Gordon  
Jeremy David Haberman\*  
Helen Hauer  
Dr. Ralph Hinz  
Adele Hoffman\*  
Morris Hoffman  
Lewis Honigman  
Martin Jacobs  
William Jacobs\*  
Andrea Lou Katzman  
Harry Koltonow  
Judith Leibowitz Feist

Donald Harold Levey  
Marcus Levitch  
Ida Lewis  
Lillian Lewis  
Stephen Mandell  
Irving Mendelson  
Myron Milgrom  
Henry Mills  
Charles Moskowitz  
Bernice Freeman Mukamal  
Naomi Roth Munter  
Tillie Myers\*  
Carl Nelson  
Charlotte Nelson  
Isadore Niss  
Eric Steven Patti  
Leo A. Perini  
Melvin Pohl, Sr.  
Mark Richie  
Arthur Rodecker

Eugene Rosen  
Grace Ross  
Jeffrey Marc Roth  
Zoltan Rubin  
Robert S. Schwartz  
Jean Seid  
Alvin Shifman  
Louis Silverfarb  
George Sirof  
Leonard Siskind  
Phyllis Barr Sislin\*  
Leopold J. Snyder  
Fred Soffer  
James Staley  
Strul User  
Hy Vogel  
Isadore Wasserman  
John Wierzbicki  
Michael Wigler  
Dr. Robert R. Wolfe

**SUN 12/10 at 10:00 AM**

**FRI 12/15 at 7:30 PM**

**SAT 12/16 at 10:30 AM**

Rogie Alpert  
Bessie Alpiner\*  
Jennie Amberg\*  
Marcia L. Amhowitz  
Harriet Wagner Appleton  
Celia Balbes  
Rochelle Barr  
Dr. Harvey Allen Beaver  
Fay Beckwith  
Joseph R. Berman  
Sophie L. Binkow  
Nathan Bloch\*  
Meghan Elizabeth Trauten Bolon  
David Burke  
Frances Groden Bussell\*  
David Herbert Danowitz

Gloria Davidson  
Marion Davidson\*  
Riva Davis  
George Day III  
Philip Deytshe  
Raphael Dorfman  
Philip Dubrinsky  
Jeffrey Feldman  
Sarah Fishkind  
Sidney Fogel  
Dorothy Frank  
Elizabeth Friedman  
Rita Sue Fromm\*  
Eugene Goreta  
Leonard Gorman  
Ellen Greenbaum  
Laura Grossman  
Thomas Hengy  
Ann Hirschman\*

Sheldon B. Krause\*  
Marjorie Leopold  
Gerald Levine  
Alvin Lewis  
William S. Lipton  
Karol Litt  
Reva Markofsky  
Ilene J. Miller  
Esther Pantzer  
Minnie Pernick  
Faye Pomerantz  
Paul Rakoczy  
Lily Reider  
Rebecca Reizman  
Joseph Romanik\*  
Henry M. Rose\*  
Max Rosen  
Dr. Nathaniel Sandler  
Herbert Schwartz

Gladys Schweid  
Barbara Seidman  
Dorothy Shepard  
Jean Silverman  
Harvey Sisler  
Aaron Samuel Sloodsky  
Robert Smith  
Helen Stifter  
Belle Rose Trebuck  
Isadore Trebuck  
Manuela User  
Jerry Varon\*  
Charles Warshaw  
Ida Warshawsky  
Helen Weishaus  
Sylvia Wilber\*  
Arthur Woll  
David Youkelson  
David Yovis

**SUN 12/17 at 10:00 AM**

**FRI 12/22 at 5:30 PM**

**SAT 12/23 at 10:30 AM**

Toby Abramson  
Donna Jean Barkey  
Emil Barzely  
Joseph Bing  
Albert Blair  
Arnold Blau  
Bernice Theresa Caliguire\*\*  
Ann Chudnow  
Frank Morris Cleary  
Albert Cohen\*  
Rev. Henry Covington  
Rose Diamond  
Pearl Dover

Norma Elconin  
Lena Emmer\*  
Roger Daniel Ettlinger  
David Feinstein  
Harold Finstein  
Joyce Friedman  
Roberta Galex  
Morris Ginis  
Jeffrey Gold  
Morris Gold  
Gloria Goleski\*\*  
Moishe Goodman  
Ruth Goodman  
Dr. Harold L. Gregg\*  
Dorothy Hack  
Gertrude Honigman  
Donna Houshiar

Aryana Itkis\*  
Eric Kirman\*  
Martin Kopel  
Richard Lewiston  
David Edward Markson  
Henry N. Moses  
Charles Newell  
Penelope Nichol  
Morry Noorily\*  
David Olen  
Morris Pikstein  
Sarah Pitler  
Henry Ravis  
Donald Ripley  
Sylvia Lillian Rosen  
Belle Rosender  
Harvey Rubin\*

Joyce Sakwa\*  
David Segel  
Erwin I. Sherman\*  
David Shwedel  
David Allan Silverman  
Sol L. Singer\*  
Paul Sislin  
Jean Sosin\*  
Ben Starr  
Rose Stern  
Lila Taylor  
Ruth Wald  
Dana Wartell-Zupke  
Howard Weingarten  
Eugene Weissman  
Louis Wool

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**SUN 12/24** at 10:00 AM

**FRI 12/29** at 5:30 PM

**SAT 12/30** at 10:30 AM

Max Adler\*  
Nathan Adler  
Norman Allan  
Anna Bussell  
Alexis Chassin  
Angelo Coccia\*\*  
Ilde Coccia\*\*  
Annie Cohen\*  
Bertha Cohen  
Nancy Bleecker Cohn  
David Davis  
Saul Dunitz\*  
Sylvia L. Dunitz\*

Sonia Dunitz Dunn\*  
Msgr. William H. Easton  
Mitch Fallcon  
Ruth Fantich  
Bernard Farris\*  
Michael Foyle  
Archie C. Goldberg\*  
Itche Goldberg  
Clement Noah Goldman\*  
Zena Gordon\*  
Louis Groden  
Abe I. Himmelstein\*  
Sidney Jacobs  
ReneEllen Jakubiak  
Georgia Klask  
Fannie Pearl Komenarsky  
William Krefman

Audrey Cornfield Laccoff  
James E. Leopold  
Louis Lerman  
Rev. Michael Link  
Dorothy Lockman  
Rachel Miller  
Cal Moss  
Albert Myles  
LeRoy Neumann  
Marilyn Niss  
Ida Nosanchuk  
Dr. Gerald Perkoff  
Suzanne Pevos  
Adolph Reichenberg  
Evelyn Ross  
Jennifer Rowland  
Sharon M. Sanders\*

Dr. Bernard J. Shapiro  
Harry Shapiro\*  
Carole Shaya  
Betty Shipper  
Robin Sindici  
Anne Sloman  
Sam Soroka  
Rhea R. Stein\*  
Shirley Strasberger  
Jerome Sturman\*  
Nathan Tenebaum  
Leonora Tsuker\*  
Oscar Warren  
Robert Ira Weiner  
Elizabeth Weiss  
Esther Weiss  
Lois H. Zussman\*

**SUN 12/31** at 10:00 AM

**FRI 1/5** at 6:30 PM

**SAT 1/6** at 10:30 AM

Sidney Alexander, Jr.\*  
Albert Altman  
Joyce Ariss  
Joanne Aronoff  
Edith Averbuch  
Susan Averbuch  
Lucy K. Bank  
Arnold Becker  
Regina Becker\*  
Joseph Budson  
Irving Chadwick  
Judy Eastman  
Joseph Edwards  
Gertrude Erlich  
Anna Falk  
Martin Feldman  
Mollie Fisher  
Marta Fleischer  
Marilyn Freedman

George S. Gantz  
Eugenia Gavartin  
Max Gersh  
Adell Gittleman  
Bertha Goldberg\*  
Rabbi Morton Goldberg  
Abraham Goldberger  
Helen Goldflus  
Nancy Goldstein  
Allan Stewart Goodman  
Leo Gordon  
Larry L. Guttenberg\*  
Dorothy Haber  
Theda L. Hoffman  
Leona Hordes\*  
Rose Horn  
Leslye Indenbaum  
Myrtle Jackson  
Leonard Koscielny  
Reva Krause  
Muriel Elaine Krefman  
Irene Lavine

Jerold Levine  
Linda Levy  
Monica Farris Linkner\*  
Elizabeth Lowy  
Lazlo Lowy  
Marvin Magar  
Abraham Marcus\*  
Marlene Margolis  
Armand Mazius  
Aaron Merzin  
Frances Shirley Mirsky\*  
Eleanor Myles  
Bennett Nathan\*  
Ruby Ellen Newman Peck\*  
Nathalie Nordan  
Evelyn Noveck  
Miriam Nyman  
Gerald Oram\*  
Frieda Pantzer\*  
Marjorie M. Pastor\*  
Lejbuz Pick  
Jean Potocsky

Albert Resnick  
Myra Richardson\*  
Hyman Robert  
Jerred Ruda  
Lillian Segal  
Ruth Serota  
Simon Shaposhnikov  
Dorothy Silk\*  
Sylvia Sloan\*  
Eileen Soffer  
Jack Sol\*  
Ann Gross Starr  
John Steinkamp  
Dr. Robert Tam  
Harvey Vinton  
Jeffrey Vinton\*  
Morris Weider  
Dr. Avery Weisman  
Paul Yolles  
Morris Ziff  
Ted Zlotek  
Mort Zumberg

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***A loss within our community is a loss no matter where it occurs,*** and we wish to extend our support and sympathy during this difficult time. All perpetual yartzeits (those with a \*) are always read for kaddish. For all other family members' names you would like to have read during the Shabbat service and Sunday morning minyan of their yahrzeit, please go to [www.shirshalom.org/form/shabbat-yahrzeits](http://www.shirshalom.org/form/shabbat-yahrzeits).

Many of our members have asked to be informed about a death in our congregational family in a more timely fashion than the bimonthly publication in our *Scribe*. Call Temple at **248.737.8700** to sign up for e-mail notifications of Shir Shalom families' funerals sent directly to your inbox.

## SIGN UP FOR DAILY FUNERAL SERVICE EMAILS

*The Detroit News* and *Free Press* have cut daily delivery to three times a week, but you can sign up to receive daily email each day updating current and new services in our community. To sign up, please visit:

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# Personal Armor

In my High Holiday address this past holiday season, I mentioned that as Jews we can stand up to antisemitism by belonging to a temple and taking part in a strong united Jewish community. If you are reading my *Scribe* article, I suspect you share this view. At the risk of sounding redundant, it's one reason I feel that Shir Shalom is such a special and important place. Well, I also believe that being connected to each other through shared religious values is personally enriching at every stage of life. The new Netflix documentary, "Blue Zones," takes this a step further by proving that shared religious connection is a factor for longevity. I've been wondering then, given these proven benefits, why as Jews are our affiliation numbers drastically diminishing. I understand that many reasons point to the way we live in modern society and how and if we take time to adopt age-old religious traditions. Maybe we assume it won't be relevant or we have a negative impression lingering from our own childhood religious education?



**Allison Parr**  
President

Lately, I've been thinking there is another side to this. I wonder if, for some, living with a Jewish identity comes with too much heaviness and danger? Certainly we are a minority group that receives a disproportionate amount of hatred and violence. We've all felt it. In this Jews are not alone. But one difference is that we Jews can actively disassociate from our "otherness." Many minority groups don't have this option. My own daughter, Naomi, was just lamenting that both of her Judaic studies courses this semester at U of M are heavily focused on Jewish hatred. She was looking for courses that celebrate Jewish history and culture. Instead they are reiterating that our history comes with the inseparable, heavy burden of antisemitism. Even in Jewish Film Studies where, for example, she was looking to learn about Jewish creativity, the focus thus far is on Nazi-created propaganda films to negatively portray Jews.

## Moving towards (rather than away from) our Jewish identities is the silver lining to our historic struggle.

I am certain that we have all experienced how draining this can be. But this brings me back to the importance of unapologetically engaging in our religion, community and culture. Moving towards (rather than away from) our Jewish identities is the silver lining to our historic struggle. It has potential to provide each of us with personal armor. There is so much beauty and meaning here to uplift us. Collectively, we certainly felt it during our moving High Holy Day services. In fact, we at Shir Shalom strive to find the celebration of our Jewish identities in all that we do (even with handprints hidden under new carpets, bike clubs and euchre tournaments). This coming fall and winter, we have such a fantastic variety of programs; each event and opportunity will provide you with a way to foster connection, joy, and purpose. I sincerely hope you will join me at some of these events. While you are at it, bring a friend so they, too, can partake in our Shir Shalom community.

As always, I welcome your ideas, questions and feedback. You can always reach me at [alparr617@gmail.com](mailto:alparr617@gmail.com).

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