

2019-2020 **Adult** **EDUCATION** Series

Bible Study with Rabbi Lobel

- **Tuesday** @ 7:00pm – 8:00pm
- **Fee** for Members: NONE + Cost of Books; Fee for Non-Temple Members: \$36.00 per year
- **Classes Start** October 22nd (off November 26th)
Classes Resume January 7th

Come and learn with Rabbi Lobel as we continue our journey through the Hebrew Bible. In its 12th year, this engaging and interactive study will focus on the Books of the Prophets. We will look at the stunning and challenging words of Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel, just to name a few. We will examine their life story, the symbolism behind their fiery words, and how their

message impacts us today. If you've never studied this section of the Bible, this is an exciting opportunity to discover a unique period of our history. Bibles are provided in class for reading, but you are welcome to bring your own.

Derekh Torah – Path to Adult B'nai Mitzvah with Rabbi Lobel

This class has a year commitment ~ Adult B'nai Mitzvah Ceremony will take place on Friday, May 29th

- **Tuesday** @ 8:00pm – 9:00pm
- **Fee** for Member: \$25 (cost of

book); Fee for Non-Temple Members: \$54

- **Classes Start** October 22nd (off November 26th)
Classes Resume January 7th

“Derekh Torah,” “The Way of Torah,” will consist of three distinct units, or “trimesters.” The first unit, titled “Our Texts, Ourselves,” will explore how traditional rabbinic writings relate to our lives today, focusing on modern Jewish values. The second trimester, “Towards a Personal Theology,” will examine different Jewish understandings of God from rabbis and teachers from the time of the Bible to today. By the end of this class, we hope to be able to put into words our own beliefs about God. Our last unit will focus on preparing for the Adult B'nai Mitzvah service, to be



held Friday night, May 29, 2020, during the festival of Shavuot. The first two units are open to everyone, while the final unit is reserved for students planning on becoming B'nai mitzvah. This is the next class in the series that started last year "In the Beginning".

Anyone interested in Adult B'nai Mitzvah should contact Laura Berkson to make sure previous requirements have been met (at least 1 year of adult Hebrew, at least 1 year of Bible study and attendance in the class In the Beginning)

Readers Theater- Dramatic Literature Through a Jewish Lens

- **Wednesday** @ 6:00pm – 7:15pm
- **Fee** for Member: Free; Fee for Non-Temple Members: \$54
- **Classes are ongoing** – Contact Laura Berkson for more info

TBI's Readers Theater group is the Temple's newest cultural arts activity. Facilitator Laura Berkson brings her great love of theater and literature to engage participants in dramatic reading and discussion. Participants take turns reading different roles and delving into aspects of the characters, the scripts and their creators. The group has already explored works by Neil Simon, Sholem Aleichem, and more. Each play that we read will have some Jewish connection. New participants are welcome at any time!

Kol Rina - Adult Choir

- **Wednesday** @ 7:30pm – 9:00pm
- **Fee** for Member and Non-member: \$10 one-time fee for 2 choir kippot
- **Classes are ongoing** – Contact Laura Berkson for more info

Choral singing and directing are among Cantorial Soloist Laura Berkson's passions. Our TBI choir, **Kol Rina** (Voice of Joy) enjoys a casual, fun and educational approach to singing rounds and choral arrangements of traditional and contemporary Jewish music. Ability to read music is a plus but not a requirement, and choir members are encouraged to record rehearsals if they wish to do so. In addition to rehearsals and performances, Kol Rina holds an annual Choir Retreat and a Choir Picnic. There are no auditions. Kol Rina will perform throughout the year at services and community events.

Cinema Café

- **Sunday** November 3rd at 1:00 PM
- **Sunday** December 15th at 1:00 PM
- **Sunday** January 12th at 1:00 PM

No need to sign up. Just watch the Temple weekly emails and Temple Tablet for "coming attractions." Cal Simon always picks a great movie with a fantastic discussion to follow. Bring your friends! Free popcorn and liquid refreshments (non-alcoholic).

Advanced Hebrew

- **Thursday** @ 6:00pm – 7:30pm
- **Fee** for Members: \$20.00 (cost of book); Fee for Non-Temple Members: \$50.00 per year
- **Classes Start** October 24th

This class is offered to adults who have studied the beginning aspects of the Hebrew language and want to learn more. Under Cantorial Soloist Laura Berkson's guidance, students will develop an understanding of the Hebrew structure of the shrosh --- the word root --- and expand their comprehension of and facility reading prayers. Journey Through the Siddur is the curriculum currently being used. Come join us for a tour of Shabbat prayers and liturgy. This class will also work on preparing those adults who are planning to become B'nai Mitzvah in May 2020.

Beginning Hebrew

- **Thursday** @ 7:45pm – 8:45pm
- **Fee** for Members: \$20.00 (cost of book); Fee for Non-Temple Members: \$50.00 per year
- **Classes start** October 24th

This class is offered to adults who want to learn the Hebrew language and/or those who wish to "brush up" on prior knowledge. We will be using a Hebrew primer that has proven to be reader/beginner friendly. At the end you will have learned the Hebrew alphabet (aleph-bet) and will begin to recognize and decode the prayers in our Siddur.