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D'varim

Building our Hakafa Playground

In rabbinical school, my friends and I developed a tradition: On any given Friday night that we were not leading services, we would point to a random synagogue on the Los Angeles map and attend their Shabbat service. We did not discriminate. We attended services of all denominations. Some gathered in extravagant synagogues while others davened in alleys (no joke). I cherished the opportunity to taste the smorgasbord of LA Jewish life.

The most memorable service was in a mid-sized shul on LA's eastside. My classmate had a babysitter snafu that night and brought her rowdy toddler with us to services, much to our delight and her chagrin. During the rabbi's sermon, her daughter escaped her grasp and ran, full speed, to the bimah. My friend shot after her, down the long aisle of the shul, to where her daughter was now exploring the grooves of the ark with her fingertips. The rabbi stopped mid-sentence. Upon receiving permission to pick the toddler up, the rabbi lifted her in the air, evoking the act of *hagbah* (when we lift the Torah for all to see), and shouted words I will never forget: "This, too, is Torah!"

"Surely you will not call them your children, but your builders" (Berakhot 64a).

There are many reasons I am proud to call Congregation Hakafa my home. Another reason was added to my list during last month's Congregational Meeting. A unanimous vote approved changing the last Friday of each month from a Zoom-only Shabbat service to a 5:30 p.m. in-person "bedtime-friendly" Shabbat service. In other words, our congregation made a choice to allow young families-- who previously had difficulty attending services due to children's bedtime constraints-- to join our community in person. We unanimously chose our children. We chose our future.

A beloved Talmud teacher of mine once asserted that part of our role in the Jewish community is to rebel against the claim that children "should be seen and not heard." That it is, in fact, contrary to the very fabric of Judaism to prevent children, rowdy or not, from participating in our prayer and practice. That every disruption, within reason, also may be considered an invitation to deepen our connection to the Divine and open our eyes to what community is really all about. That our spiritual space at Hakafa can, for our purposes, once-a-month become a *playground*.

Beginning January 26th, we will launch our first "bedtime-friendly" Shabbat service at 5:30 p.m. at the Winnetka Community House. A rug with toddler toys will be available for families planning to bring young children. We encourage *everyone*, from age 1 to 100, to join us for these services. So between little feet scampering in the background or a coo in the midst of *V'ahavta* or a child who is a little too curious about the song leader's guitar, help us embody the eternal truth: "This, too, is Torah."

Ken Yehi Ratzon.

-Rabbi Anna Calamaro

Prayer and Celebration

Friday Evening Services

Zoom Meeting ID: 292 137 266

*All are invited to join us for our weekly Friday Evening Kabbalat Shabbat Service. All services take place in **Room 101 at the Winnetka Community House** (620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka) **AND via Zoom** (Meeting ID: 292 137 266) unless otherwise noted below.*

January 5
7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Sh'mot

Torah Portion: Exodus 1:1 – 6:1
Haftarah: Isaiah 27:6 – 28:13

January 12
7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Va-eira

Torah Portion: Exodus 6:2 – 9:35
Haftarah: Ezekiel 28:25 – 29:21

January 19
7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Bo

Torah Portion: Exodus 10:1 – 13:16
Haftarah: Jeremiah 46:13 – 28

Shabbat Service & Congregational Tu B'Shvat Seder

January 26
5:30 p.m.

Shabbat B'shalach

Torah Portion: Exodus 13:17 – 17:16
Haftarah: Judges 4:4 – 5:31

Note Early Start Time on the Last Friday of the Month

Shabbat Morning Minyan

Zoom Meeting ID: 847 8216 0504

Please join us on **Saturdays, January 13 and 20 at 9:00 a.m.** at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) for this hour-long service and study. The service will also be accessible **via Zoom** for those who are not able to participate in-person. Our Shabbat Morning Minyan is a wonderful opportunity to enhance your celebration of Shabbat. People of all ages are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Hosts Needed for Friday Night Onegs

Hosting a Friday evening Oneg Shabbat is a wonderful way to honor the memory of a loved one on his/her yahrzeit or to celebrate b'nai mitzvah, birthdays, anniversaries, or other special occasions with the congregation. **Volunteers are needed to host our weekly Onegs!**

To volunteer to host, sign up online at this link (www.tinyurl.com/oneg-hosting).

Contact **Gayle Inbinder** (oneg@hakafa.org or 847-951-0380) or **Jill Mihailovic-Sternberg** (oneg@hakafa.org or 773-710-4436) for more information.

Hakafa Rosh Chodesh Gathering

Join us for our Rosh Chodesh Sh'vat gathering on **Thursday, January 11 at 7:30 p.m.** at **Yogaview** (1231 Green Bay Road, Wilmette). Inspired by the Jewish ritual of Rosh Chodesh ("head/start of the month"), this celebration marks the beginning of the new lunar month. It offers a space for us to come together to reset, reflect, and connect in a restorative evening steeped in the loving power of community. Become grounded in the spiritual energy of the month, gain insight into how the themes are shaping your life, and enjoy the intimacy of a candlelit space in which to be seen and heard with compassion. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! To participate, sign up at this link: <https://forms.gle/ZpE8UdV6cBWe67rZA>**

While this gathering is focused on those 18 years old and beyond who identify as women or nonbinary, people of all gender expressions are welcome. Future Rosh Chodesh Gatherings will be on February 8, March 14, and April 11.

NEW Early Shabbat Service on the Last Friday of Each Month

Join us on **Friday, January 26** as we launch our "bedtime-friendly" Shabbat service at Hakafa! Services will begin at **5:30 p.m.** at the **Winnetka Community House** on the **last Friday of the month**. This will be a regular service, and it will enable families with young children to have a Friday night Shabbat experience with the rest of our congregational community. A rug with toddler toys will be available. **Please note: This will be in place of our regular 7:30 p.m. service. We hope you will be there!**

Congregational Shabat Service and Tu B'Shvat Seder

The Jewish New Year of Trees, Tu B'Shvat (pronounced Too BishVAHT), falls on Thursday, January 25 this year. According to the Talmud, the fifteenth of the Hebrew month of Shevat (Tu in Hebrew means "fifteen") is the day designated as the end of the period in which most of Israel's yearly rain has fallen and marks the time when trees have used up water from the previous year's rainfall and have begun absorbing the water of the New Year. On Tu B'Shvat, by honoring the cycle of our trees, we sanctify the power of nature through a Tu B'Shvat Seder.

Our congregational seder will take place **in-person on Friday, January 19 immediately following our shortened 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Service**. We hope you will join us in-person to usher in nature's New Year at this short, special celebration in which we will taste various fruits and sip four different kinds of juice/wine.



Congregation Hakafa presents a

TU B'SHVAT CONCERT FOR TOTS

WITH
JAM BERRY
music

Saturday, January 20, 2024
4:30-5:30 PM

Tots
ages 0-4
should bring their
grown-ups, siblings,
and friends to celebrate the
Jewish birthday of the trees
at a

Jam berry Tu B'Shvat Concert!



Advance registration is
required, and space is limited.

Wilmette location will be provided
upon registration.

To register, go to:

www.tinyurl.com/HakafaTotTuBshvat



www.hakafa.org

Member News

Special Congregational Meeting

Zoom Meeting ID: 850 3496 3619

All Hakafa members are invited to a Special Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, January 14** at **3:00 p.m.** at **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) **and via Zoom.** (PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A DIFFERENT TIME AND LOCATION FROM OUR USUAL MEETINGS.) The purpose of the meeting is to (i) consider a motion to take (remove) from the table, and (ii) discuss and vote upon, the following motion, which was made, seconded, discussed, and tabled at the Congregational Meeting of December 17, 2023:

Motion to approve the Draft Security Policy written by the Security Task Force, without the additions proposed by Glencoe Public Safety; provided, further, that the Security Policy shall be reviewed by the Congregation from time to time, but at least within two years of the immediately prior review.

A copy of the Draft Security Policy was emailed to all Congregation members at the end of December.

Contact our President, **Barbara Miller** (president@hakafa.org), with questions.

Kesher Trivia Night

Join us for our fourth annual Jewish Trivia Night! Teams will compete for a prize of \$250 to the charity of their choice. Topics will include, "Jewish or not Jewish?," "That's a Jewish holiday!?!," "Places in the world where Jews have never been," and others. We will meet on **Wednesday, January 17** from **7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** at **Curt's Café** (1766 Second Street, Highland Park).

**Many Hakafa members have been living their congregation experience through their children. As their children move away, they are beginning to ask how to engage in our community for themselves. Kesher (Hebrew for "Connection") allows members in this demography to get to know one another, share ideas, and create new and deep relationships. Though geared toward new, recent, or soon-to-be empty nesters, all Hakafa members are invited to join us.*

Congregation Directory

The 2023-2024 Congregation Hakafa Directory is currently being updated and will be delivered later this month. Please contact **Rona** (admin@hakafa.org or 847-242-0687) with any changes and/or updates.

Chesed

The Hebrew word for loving kindness is *chesed*, and the Chesed Committee responds to a wide range of situations and events that occur in the lives of our congregants. We are in need of more volunteers and are asking for people to **sign up to help at this link**:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfYe8OGJYjguZGn_LgSZXyM6vVSoCtJtMJmrqyxH0zuGcs4pg/viewform.

If you have questions or comments, contact **Beth McCullough** (mikeandbeth_60089@yahoo.com) or **Camille De Frank** (camilledefrank@gmail.com).

Nominating Committee Meeting

The Nominating Committee will meet on **Thursday, January 18** at **7:30 p.m.** to begin to set a slate of officers for the 2024/25 year. Per the Hakafa bylaws, anyone wishing to participate in the Committee must inform the chair, **Deborah Brown** (dmb9476@gmail.com), prior to the meeting in writing, which includes by email. The meeting will be held only in person if this is possible. If anyone is unable to attend in person, please let Deborah know by 1/15 so that she can make arrangements for Zoom. People who have indicated their intention to attend in person or by Zoom will be contacted with a location and a Zoom link if needed.

Kadima Trip to American Writers Museum and Manny's Deli

Hakafa members are invited to join Kadima* for a private tour of the American Writers Museum on **Thursday, February 1** from **9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** Carey Cranston, the President of the museum, will act as our docent for their newly created "American Jewish Experience through Writing" tour. After, we will share a lunch at Manny's Deli.

The cost is \$20 per person, which includes transportation and entrance to the museum. The cost of lunch is not included. *Scholarships are available if needed.*

Sign up by January 21 at this link:
<http://tinyurl.com/HakafaKadimaTrip>

**Kadima ("forward" in Hebrew) is a Hakafa initiative formed in the fall of 2013. Primarily made up of "forward" thinking, dynamic seniors, it is really open to all interested congregants.*



Member News (continued)

Another Kumzits!

"Kumzits" is a compound-word in Hebrew derived from the Yiddish words "kum" (come) and "zits" (sit). The word is used to describe an evening gathering where we come together and sing. Join us on **Saturday, February 3 at 6:30 p.m.** at **Curt's Café** (1766 Second Street, Highland Park) for Havdallah Hakafa style! We will sing, schmooze, nosh, and warm ourselves with music on a cold winter night. Bring friends and your voices, hands, feet, and musical instruments, if you'd like!

Volunteers Needed to Help with Shmira

When a family member has died, Hakafa's Chevra Kadisha has been providing something called *shmira*. *Shmira* is a way of honoring the deceased by reading texts from the time the body has been prepared for burial until the funeral. Traditionally, this is done in their presence or at the funeral home, however, during the pandemic we introduced the option of reading from our homes. Reading choices can include Psalms, poetry, essays or anything you find meaningful. *Also, if there is someone proficient in using online sign-up programs, we could use your help.*

This is, thankfully, an infrequent need, but it has been shown to be worthwhile for the families of the deceased as well as for those performing *shmira*. **We'd like to invite all members of Hakafa to consider participating in this practice.** If you are interested in learning more or in adding your name to a contact list when *shmira* is requested, please contact **Deborah Brown** (dmb9476@gmail.com) or **Linda Gordon** (lrgordon@gmail.com).

Making Contributions to Hakafa

We have four funds that accept donations, and we always value your support:

- Our **General Fund** supports the day-to-day operations of the synagogue. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa."
- **Rabbi Elder's Discretionary Fund** directly supports those in need in and around our community. Rabbi Elder directs the usage of these funds. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa" and write "Rabbi Elder's Discretionary Fund" on the memo line.
- **Rabbi Calamaro's Discretionary Fund** directly supports those in need in and around our community. Rabbi Calamaro directs the usage of these funds. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa" and write "Rabbi Calamaro's Discretionary Fund" on the memo line.
- Our **Endowment Fund** supports special programming not covered by the budget. Endowment Trustees direct the usage of these funds. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa" and write "Endowment Fund" on the memo line.
- **The Rabbi Robert J. Marx Social Justice Fund** supports new justice initiatives proposed by congregants that reflect the values and life of our founding rabbi. Please make your check payable to "Congregation Hakafa" and write "RJM Fund" on the memo line.

If you would like to make your donation in honor or in memory of someone, please be sure to include a note in your envelope with the appropriate information so that a card can be sent to the honoree. **Mail to: Congregation Hakafa, P.O. Box 409, Glencoe, IL 60022.** Contact **Rona** (admin@hakafa.org) if you would like to use a credit card or if you are interested in a legacy giving plan.

Relief from Financial Stress

If you are suffering from economic hardship and could use a little help, please reach out to Rabbi Elder (rabbi@hakafa.org, 847-266-8854). We have funds to assist you.

Willow Lawn Cemetery Plots

Information regarding Hakafa's green cemetery section at Willow Lawn is available on our website (www.hakafa.org/worship-ritual/life-cycle-events/death/endlife-resources/cemetery-options). Green burial is more environmentally friendly than standard burial. **We have very few available full plots within our section, plus several plots for the burial of cremains.** Please contact **Deborah Brown** (dmb9476@gmail.com) with any questions.

Condolences to:

The Charen and Fogel families on the loss of their mother and Hakafa member, Doris Fogel

The extended family of Sheila Inbinder

David Levinson and family on the loss of his mother, Virginia Levinson

John Susman and family on the loss of his father, Bernard ("Bernie") Susman

Thank You to:

Sharon Gutan, Betsy Hersher, and Kadima volunteers for once again coordinating and providing a beautiful and delicious congregational Hanukkah celebration.

Janet Lubetkin and all of the volunteers who prepared and made special Hanukkah deliveries to some of our members

Calling all Hakafa Artists and Musicians

We need talented musicians and artists for Hakafa's 40th Anniversary Celebration taking place on **Saturday, April 13**. We have a venue with space to display art and for performances.

If you are interested in showcasing your artwork, performing music, or helping to organize the event, please contact **Janet Lubetkin** (janetlubetkin@gmail.com) or **Betsy Hersher** (betsyhersher@gmail.com).

Chadashot

Hakafa Youth News
January 2024

Note from the Director of Education

Welcome back and Happy 2024!

I hope everyone had a wonderful break! We are excited to begin the second half of our year with Hebrew School resuming on Tuesday, January 9 and continuing for the remaining Tuesdays in January.

Religious School resumes on Sunday, January 14. Our K-6th graders will be starting a new round of fun Chugim! On Sunday, January 21 we will be having an All-School Tu B'Shvat Seder as part of the day. And, please mark your calendars - - We DO have Religious School on Sunday, January 28!

Our High School students, along with Emanuel Congregation's high school students, will be participating in a service project on the afternoon of Sunday, January 28 running activities for the children of Hakafa's Second Nurture cohort.

We have a busy month planned! Hope to see all of you there!

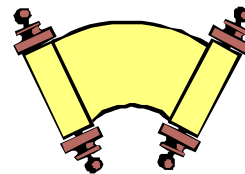
L'shalom, *Bibi*



Tu B'Shvat at Religious School!

Tu B'Shvat, the Jewish New Year of the Trees, is coming this month! In celebration of Tu B'Shvat, we will have a Religious School Tu B'Shvat Seder on **Sunday, January 21** for our students.

Our Congregational Tu B'Shvat Seder, for people of all ages, will take place on Friday, January 19 immediately following Friday Evening Shabbat Services.



B'nai Mitzvah Workshops

Rabbi Elder's "Walk through the Shabbat Service" b'nai mitzvah workshop series will continue with our third session on **Sunday, January 21** at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe). **Families planning morning services will meet at 12:15 pm, & families planning evening services will meet at 1:30 pm.** This series is designed for families of students whose b'nai mitzvah celebrations will be taking place in the next 12-18 months. Students and their parents should attend. All b'nai mitzvah candidates & families are welcome, even if you missed the first two.



Dates to Note:

- January 9: ▪ Hebrew School Resumes
- January 14: ▪ Religious School Resumes
- January 16: ▪ Hebrew School
- January 20: ▪ Tu B'Shvat Tot Concert (4:30 pm)
- January 21: ▪ Religious School
- B'nai Mitzvah Workshops (12:15 pm OR 1:30 pm)
- January 23: ▪ Hebrew School
- January 28: ▪ Religious School
- High School Service Project (3:30-6:30 pm)
- January 30: ▪ Hebrew School

Adult Education

Sunday Morning Adult Education

Zoom Meeting ID: 871 3067 5137

All Hakafa adults are invited to participate in our Sunday Morning Adult Education classes led by both congregational and community scholars who will delve into a variety of topics of special interest and expertise.

Class meets on **Sunday mornings** from **10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon**. We will meet **both in-person in Community Room 1 at the Takiff Center** (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) **and via Zoom**. Come early for a cup of coffee and to schmooze, and grab a bagel at noon before leaving.

Join **Rabbi Calamaro** for a **four-session series** on **Sundays, January 14, 21, 28, and February 4** titled "**Sex and The Sages: 50 Shades of Talmud**." What do the sages have to say about the birds and the bees? How does Judaism view intercourse and intimacy? In our exploration of "50 shades of Talmud," together we will encounter euphemisms for sex, rabbinic pornography and prostitution, Shabbat sex, birth control and procreation, the evil inclination, consent, and many other shocking topics that might give your grandmother a heart attack. Join Rabbi Calamaro for this 4-part series that will guide us from Adam and Eve all the way to modern ways of confronting issues that happen behind closed doors. Come see our sages at their best... and worst... in this series that is sure to keep you on the edge of your seat!

Hakafa Book Group

All are welcome to join Hakafa's Book Group! We meet at **1:30 p.m.** at the **Northbrook Public Library** bimonthly on the second Sunday of alternate months. Our next gathering will take place on **Sunday, February 11** when we will be discussing ***The Secret Chord* by Geraldine Brooks**. We hope you'll start reading now and plan to join us in February! Please contact **Allison Blakley** (4everblakley@gmail.com) or **David Levinson** (levinson@lakeforest.edu) with any questions.

Midrash Class

Zoom Meeting ID: 865 5571 6045

Join us either **in-person at the North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) **OR via Zoom** on **Tuesday mornings** from **10:00 to 11:00 a.m.** to study *midrash* with Rabbi Calamaro. Midrash is the creative, interpretative process of the rabbis over generations. Through midrash, we see how the rabbis saw the text of the Bible - its lessons, its messages, its practical applications, and its relevance to them throughout time. Through the study of midrash, we will see how much of our understanding of the biblical text has been influenced by theirs.

Please Note: Class will NOT meet on January 2 and 23.

Musar Class

Zoom Meeting ID: 242 631 590

Musar is a long-standing tradition of exploring Jewish ethics with a particular focus on character formation. Join Rabbi Elder via **Zoom** on **Wednesday mornings** from **10:00 to 11:00 a.m.** to delve into selections from the Musar tradition, in text and in practice. The goal of the class is to not only take a more academic approach to Jewish ethics and ethical literature, but also to use some of the techniques of the Musar Movement (*chevruta* study, personal reflection time, and others) to deepen our own understanding of ourselves and push to live up to the best that is within each one of us.

Please Note: Class will NOT meet on January 3 and 24.

Yiddish Class

Zoom Meeting ID: 863 6421 5324

Our Yiddish Class continues to meet both in-person and via Zoom at **7:00 p.m.** on **Monday evenings**. We will meet at the **home of Ellen and Henry Criz** (545 Green Bay Road, Highland Park) on **January 8, 15, & 29** and at the **home of Sharon and Eugene Gutan** (627 Leamington, Wilmette) on **January 22**. Students of all ages are welcome - no prior knowledge of Yiddish is necessary. Each class is a self-contained unit, and anyone can join at any time and have fun and learn.

Contact **Sharon Gutan** (gutan627@comcast.net), **Betsy Hersher** (betsyhersher@gmail.com), , or **Ellen Criz** (hecruz@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

Lattes & Limmud Class

Zoom Meeting ID: 883 3216 9148

All are invited to join Rabbi Calamaro once each month (usually on the second Thursday of the month) for lively discussion on a variety of topics. We will meet this month on **Thursday, January 11** from **9:00 to 10:00 a.m.** both **in-person at the home of Cookie and Ned Robertson** (211 Dennis Lane, Glencoe) and **via Zoom**. We hope you will join us!

Adult Education (continued)

Tuesday Evening Tanach Study

Zoom Meeting ID: 662 730 822

All are invited to join Rabbi Elder **via Zoom** for weekly Tanach study on **Tuesday evenings**, from **7:30 to 8:45 p.m.** Each week, we proceed through the Bible, verse by verse, discussing its content and various interpretations. New participants are always welcome.

Please Note: Class will NOT meet on January 2 and 23

Wednesday Afternoon Tanach Study

Zoom Meeting ID: 813 358 443

All are invited to join Rabbi Elder **either in-person** at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) **OR via Zoom** for weekly Tanach study on **Wednesday afternoons** from **1:00 to 2:30 p.m.** Each week, we proceed through the Bible, verse by verse, discussing its content and various interpretations. New participants are always welcome.

Please Note: Class will NOT meet on January 3 and 24

Hakafa's Film Group is Back!

Join Rabbi Calamaro on **Saturday, January 13 at 7:00 p.m.** at the **North Shore United Methodist Church** (213 Hazel Avenue, Glencoe) for a screening of *Keep Quiet.* This powerful documentary follows the story of Csanad Szegedi, an anti-Semitic far-right Hungarian politician who finds out he is Jewish and begins to embrace Judaism as his own. But, is his astonishing transformation a process of genuine reparation and spiritual awakening, or is he simply a desperate man with nowhere else to turn? Following the film, we will enjoy a brief discussion on various themes from the film. Please plan to bring a snack to share with others so we can have a "potluck-style" movie snacking table.

Social Action

Laptop needed for a Boy from Syria

Radwan and his family, who are refugees from Syria, arrived in Chicago in 2019. Radwan recently started middle school, and the school is encouraging students to use laptops for essay writing. If anyone can help Radwan obtain a used laptop, please contact **Allison Stein** at ajzstein@gmail.com.

Jewish Community Resources

The greater Chicago area Jewish community has many organizations to which you can turn should you need support. Here are a few of them:

CJE SeniorLife (www.cje.net, 773-508-1000) – Since 1972, *CJE SeniorLife* has enhanced the lives of older adults and their families through a comprehensive network that includes housing, health care, community services, health and wellness education, life enrichment programs and applied research.

JCFS Chicago (www.jcfs.org, 855-275-5237) – *JCFS Chicago* provides caring and healing services to children, teens, adults, older adults and families for help with autism, support with advanced illness, special education, individual and family counseling, and more.

JCFS Chicago Addiction Services (www.jcfs.org/our-services/jewish-community-programs/addiction-services, 847-745-5422) – *JCFS Chicago Addiction Services* was created to build a caring community that is aware of and responsive to the problem of addiction and to support individuals and families who struggle with addiction.

JCFS Chicago Illness, Loss and Spiritual Support Services (www.jcfs.org/our-services/jewish-community-programs/illness-loss-grief, 847-745-5404) – The staff at *JCFS Chicago Illness, Loss and Spiritual Support Services* provides information about social services, medical resources, and spiritual resources for people who are ill, grieving, or serving as caregivers to help in their difficult times.

SHALVA (www.shalvaonline.org, 773-583-4673) - *SHALVA* offers free, confidential, domestic abuse counseling services to the Chicago Jewish Community.

Congregation Hakafa Calendar

January 2024 – Tevet/Sh'vat 5784

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (WCH & Zoom)	6
7	8 7:00 pm Yiddish Class (Home of Ellen & Henry Criz)	9 10:00 am Midrash Class (NSUMC & Zoom) 4:15-5:30 pm Hebrew School Resumes (TC) 7:30 pm Tanach Study (Zoom)	10 10:00 am Musar Class (Zoom) 1:00 pm Tanach Study (NSUMC & Zoom)	11 9:00-10:00 am Lattes & Limmud (Home of Cookie and Ned Robertston) 7:30 pm Rosh Chodesh Gathering (Yogaview)	12 7:30 pm Shabbat Service (WCH & Zoom)	13 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Minyan (NSUMC & Zoom) 7:00 pm Film Group (NSUMC)
14 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Religious School Resumes 10:30 am–12:00 pm Adult Education (TC) – Rabbi Anna Calamaro: <i>Sex and The Sages: 50 Shades of Talmud I</i> 3:00 pm Special Congregation Meeting (NSUMC)	15 MLK Jr. Day Newsletter Articles Due 7:00 pm Yiddish Class (Home of Ellen & Henry Criz)	16 10:00 am Midrash Class (NSUMC & Zoom) 4:15-5:30 pm Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 pm Tanach Study (Zoom)	17 10:00 am Musar Class (Zoom) 1:00 pm Tanach Study (NSUMC & Zoom) 7:00 pm Keshet Trivia Night (Curt's Café, Highland Park)	18 7:30 pm Nominating Committee Meeting	19 7:30 pm Shabbat Service & Congregational Tu B'Shvat Seder (WCH & Zoom)	20 9:00 am Shabbat Morning Minyan (NSUMC & Zoom) 4:30 pm Tot Tu B'Shvat Concert
21 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Religious School 10:30 am–12:00 pm Adult Education (TC) – Rabbi Anna Calamaro: <i>Sex and The Sages: 50 Shades of Talmud II</i> B'nai Mitzvah Workshops (NSUMC) 12:15 for AM Services 1:30 for PM Services	22 7:00 pm Yiddish Class (Home of Sharon & Eugene Gutan)	23 4:15-5:30 pm Hebrew School (TC)	24	25 Tu B'Shvat	26 5:30 pm (NOTE EARLY START TIME) Shabbat Service (WCH & Zoom)	27
28 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Religious School 10:30 am–12:00 pm Adult Education (TC) – Rabbi Anna Calamaro: <i>Sex and The Sages: 50 Shades of Talmud III</i> 3:30-6:30 High School Service Project	29 7:00 pm Yiddish Class (Home of Ellen & Henry Criz)	30 10:00 am Midrash Class (NSUMC & Zoom) 4:15-5:30 pm Hebrew School (TC) 7:30 pm Tanach Study (Zoom)	31 10:00 am Musar Class (Zoom) 1:00 pm Tanach Study (NSUMC & Zoom)	<div> TC = Glencoe Park District Takiff Center (999 Green Bay Road, Glencoe) WCH = Winnetka Community House (620 Lincoln Avenue, Winnetka) NSUMC = North Shore United Methodist Church (213 Hazel Avenue, </div>		



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