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Temple Beth Emet

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Synagogue * Early Childhood Center * Elementary and Middle School * Religious School
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Loving our Trees

And Temple Beth Emet for Nourishing our Minds, Bodies & Souls

Visit our website: www.templebethemet.org

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Rabbi's Ramblings

Rabbi Bennett Greenspon



It was a good feeling seeing the sanctuary filled with people as we began our opening ceremony for Mitzvah Day. Over five hundred people gave of themselves, their possessions and of their time to help others in need. Some planted plants, others made dog biscuits, some put together “blessing bags” to give to the beggars under the underpasses. After the good deeds were done a number of participants hung around to play kickball and eat bbq.

At the opening ceremony I reminded everyone that when building a synagogue there are three things that we are supposed to consider doing.

1. The building or the ark should face toward Jerusalem. So, if you are in the United States it means that the structure would face east. This is to remind us that our spiritual home is in the land of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.
2. The building should have a part of it that is unfinished; be it an unpainted patch or a small hole in the wall. This is to remind us of the destruction of the ancient temple and the destruction of so many of our houses of worship throughout the world and throughout history. It is also to remind us that we are partners in completing this imperfect world.
3. The third thing that is needed is a window. This is to remind us to look toward the heavens and strive to be the best we can be. It also reminds us that we need to look outside of ourselves. We have a commitment to others. If we are holed up in our own sanctuary or our own selves, we will not fulfill the commandment of Tikun Olam, repairing the world. Being selfish may get us momentary pleasure, but it won't bring us long term happiness or fulfillment.

So many people came up to me to tell me how good they felt about Mitzvah Day. Mitzvah Day should be every day. So, if you felt good on that day or, you rue the fact that you missed your opportunity to participate that day, do something about it. Do a mitzvah! Go shopping and drop some food off at the temple for one of our foodbank partners. Come over and weed a garden or pick up trash. Write out a check and give a scholarship. There are so many things you can do. As someone said, “Just do it!”

Rabbi Bennett Greenspon

**WE'RE
ALWAYS
HERE FOR
YOU.**



**We are just a phone
call (954-680-1882) or
e-mail away!**

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Rabbi's Writings

Rabbi Frank DeWoskin

I have been a fan of Dr. Suess' The Lorax since I was young. I loved the book as well as the original animated TV special and even the movie released in 2012. The book and movies express how important it is to take care of our natural world, which is also a message stressed during Tu B'shvat, the birthday of the trees. In the movie is a song, "Let it Grow". The lyrics refer to a community decision on whether to plant a tree seed or to live under a false reality of needing to purchase air because there are no trees.

Let it grow
Let it grow
Let the love inside you show
Plant a seed inside the earth
Just one way to know its worth
Let's celebrate the world's rebirth
We say let it grow!

Let it grow
Let it grow
You can't reap what you don't sow
It is just one tiny seed
But it's all we really need
It's time to banish all your greed
Imagine Thneedville flowered and treed!
Let this be our solemn creed!
We say let it grow

Can you imagine a world in which trees and flowers no longer exist? We need trees and plants to produce the air we breathe. It is important that we accept responsibility to ensure our natural world thrives as part of our partnership with God.

According to a midrash,

Upon creating the first human beings, God guided them around the Garden of Eden, saying: "Look at my creations! See how beautiful and perfect they are! I created everything for you. Make sure you don't ruin or devastate My world. If you do there will be no one after you to fix it." – Ecclesiastes Rabbah 7:13

At the beginning of the world wide Covid lockdown, it was amazing to see how the earth rebounded without the pollution humanity creates. We are reminded every year at Tu B'shvat that the actions we take make a difference. What can you do to help keep our natural world safe, growing and flourishing? "Plant a seed inside the earth. Just one way to know its worth. Let's celebrate the world's rebirth. We say let it grow!"

Rabbi Frank DeWoskin

*Join us
for
Shabbat*

Friday, February 3

Shabbat Service @ 7:00pm

Friday, February 10

Shabbat Service @ 7:00pm

Saturday, February 11

Noah Kathein's Bar Mitzvah @ 11:00am

Friday, February 17

Family Shabbat @ 6:00pm

Saturday, February 18

Halle Bank's Bat Mitzvah @ 5:30pm

Friday, February 24

Shabbat Service @ 7:00pm

Saturday, February 25

Jacob Rubin's Bar Mitzvah @ 9:00am

Jake Malamud's Bar Mitzvah @ 11:00am

For Friday night services, join us in the sanctuary on the Zoom webinar ID 976207276 no password needed) or find us on the Temple Beth Emet Facebook page.

Cantor's Notes

Cantor Jan Sheer



As we prepare for the holiday of Tu B'Shevat, we are reminded that Tu B'Shevat encourages us to contemplate our unique connection to the Land of Israel.

The story is told that 85 years ago a British politician asked Chaim Weizman, "Why do you Jews insist on Palestine when there are so many other countries you could have more conveniently?"

Weizman looked directly into his eyes and replied, "That's like me asking you – why did you drive 20 miles to visit your mother last Sunday when there are so many old ladies living on your street!"

Tu B'Shevat is a time to revisit our commitment to Israel. There are a lot of beautiful stories of peace and coexistence happening in beautiful Israel every day. I am reminded of two stories that I shared during a Shabbat service a few weeks ago:

There is an Israeli Arab living in Jerusalem who shared this story on social media...almost every night he gets his dinner at the same pizza restaurant, owned by Israeli Jews. Over the years, he and the Jewish owners have always been very friendly and polite to each other. One recent night, when he was especially hungry, he was waiting in line and the owner looked behind him, taking the order of the Jewish family behind him first. And then, he took another Jewish family's order before waiting on the Arab man, still waiting patiently in line and wondering why the owner was being so rude and what was going on here? When the Jewish owner finally took the Arab man's order, he whispered to him, "I have a fresh pizza in the oven and wanted to make sure you got the freshest slices...as the regular customer that you are...so I gave them the last pieces from the previous pizza so yours could be hot and fresh."

Then there were the two Arab plumbers in Haifa who refused to charge their elderly Jewish customer for their extensive work in her small apartment once they learned that she had survived the Holocaust.

Let's take a lesson from our tradition and strive to be like the trees, spreading beauty and nourishment wherever we can.

Chag Sameach,

Cantor Jan





Beth Emet School



Kindergarten to 8th Grade
Noemi Gozlan, Director
Michal Medina, Assistant Director

Social Emotional Learning in First Grade

First Grade has been successfully implementing SEL since the beginning of the year. You must be asking yourself what does SEL stand for? SEL is Social- Emotional Learning, it refers to a journey a child takes towards understanding self, showing empathy, regulating emotions, and managing behavior. It is a process of ups and downs with many successes along the way and not just one finish line. Students may not be able to reach the finish line, but when teachers focus on this journey, it can lead to a complete turnaround in their classroom engagement and students' personal growth.

There are five components of SEL (Social-Emotional Learning):

1. Self-awareness is the ability to understand one's own emotions, thoughts and values. It is the ability to recognize one's strengths and limitations.
2. Self-management is the ability to manage one's emotions, thoughts, and behavior. Controlling impulse, being able to handle one's own stress and setting goals to achieve.
3. Social Awareness is the ability to understand and empathize with others. It is the capacity to feel compassion for others.
4. Relationship Skills is the ability to establish and maintain healthy and supportive relationships with one's own peers. This includes problem solving and negotiating conflict collaboratively.
5. Responsible Decision-making is the ability to analyze situations, identify the problem, solve the problem and then reflect.

There are many strategies that we use on a daily basis in our classroom. These strategies guide us with our lesson plans, as well. We are always present and observant of what is going on. We watch to see if there are any changes in our students' behaviors and try to find the cause. We start each day with an emotion check-in. It sets the tone for each day. We create a supportive atmosphere where the students are able to voice their own opinions and their feelings by participating in a partner or group activity. We share our own life experiences by telling stories of when we were their age. We stimulate open discussions by reading and listening to them, giving them a chance to express themselves. We give the students the opportunity to practice, and put themselves in someone else's shoes to truly understand a situation. Besides teaching all the subjects, we are also establishing strong social-emotional skills. Students that have these skills are better able to cope with everyday challenges and will benefit academically and socially.



Early Childhood Center



Robin Sheridan, Director
Dina Milgram, Assistant Director



In the month of February our classes will experience the holiday of Tu B'Shevat. This holiday occurs on the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Shevat, and is considered the New Year for Trees.



This is one of my favorite holidays to celebrate with the children. When they play on the playground and enjoy the shade our school trees provide, it is a perfect learning opportunity for the students. Learning about trees and what they provide for us emotionally as well as physically in our daily lives is essential. I live in a neighborhood in Cooper City with many beautiful old trees. Many mornings I walk through the neighborhood and the trees cover me with beautiful sweeping arms of leaves. They protect me from rain, wind, and at times our strong Florida sun. I have noticed that I have

a spiritual hunger that can be satisfied only by contact with nature. Many of our children feel the same way. They crave nature in their day!

Some of our classes take the children to walk/run over near the patio. Once there they swing from our trees, they climb our little hill perfect for our legs, pick up sticks, look at the sky, listen for birds, and watch a butterfly flap it's wings. These are the moments where we are witnessing children find comfort in their own souls through contact with nature. When we see them play outside with no toys or structures, the importance of trees and nature takes on a whole new meaning. Creative play reaches an all-time high for the children. One can't help but smile as they create new games running through the trees, and calling to their friends, "Catch me if you can!" The joy and comfort nature brings to all of us is contagious! We see the joy it brings children to touch and interact with the many natural elements we have added to our classrooms. We have focused on creating classes in natural colors and by so doing have felt a calm amidst the children as they learn and play each day.



The children love learning about the different fruit trees, which of course leads to many classes making a fruit salad or a fruit smoothie. Learning through cooking is a favorite amongst our students. This is a great opportunity to try new fruits and sample healthy choices. We are so thankful to have a campus that provides these opportunities for learning about nature and the trees.

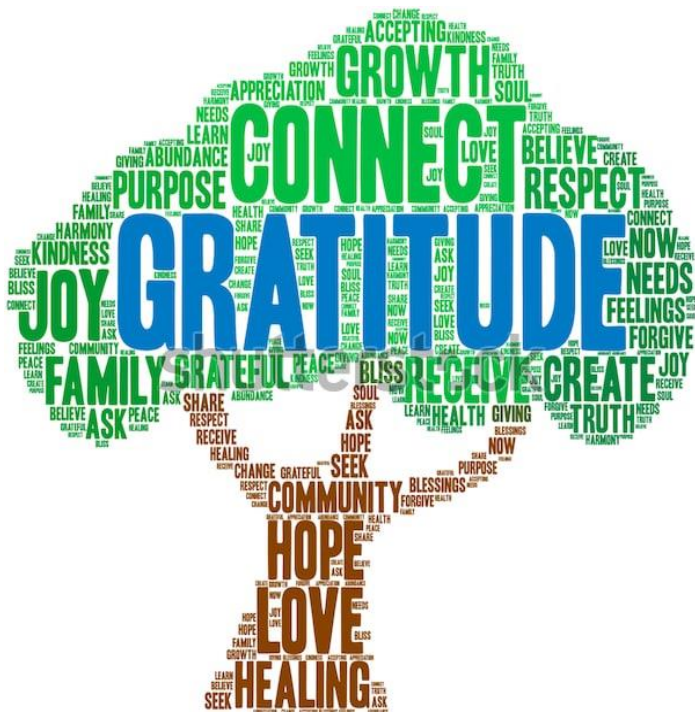
School Registration for 2023-2024 is now open. Reserve your spot in our Early Childhood Center and join us for another amazing school year!



"HINEINI – HERE I AM"

GRATITUDE – הכרת הטוב – HAKARAT HATOV

Hakarat hatov הַכֶּרַת הַטוֹב - gratitude or thankfulness - is a core Jewish value that strengthens individuals and communities. “Stop and smell the roses” may be a cliché, but appreciating the meaningful things and people in our lives plays a large role in our overall happiness. We look to create family moments to bond us with shared memories. These need not be large or extravagant vacations. Instead, these memories can be created in our own backyard.



Our recent holiday of Tu B'Shevat, offers us moments when we can tangibly feel the need to renew and feed the resources God provided to us such as trees, plants, flowers and each other. Through simple appreciation of all the sights, sounds, textures and smells that abound around us, we can find the many day to day blessings we sometimes overlook. We should spend time outdoors and reflect on our blessings and relationships with others. This is a good time to gather your family in your backyard to plant colorful flowers, and to plant some herbs like basil, oregano, parsley, cilantro, thyme, rosemary, mint, sage. It is such a special feeling to be able to pick fresh herbs from your own garden and add them to

your homemade dishes. Your backyard will become a place filled with laughter and memories of beauty and happy dirty children.

With the world the way it is today, there is a fragile line. You can hear the news all day long and be upset, and then look by your side and gaze at your kids and be happy. Now is the time, more than ever, to focus on the positive aspects of our lives; to appreciate our family, friends and community and the value of what we have. Let us count the blessings and smell the roses.

Temple Beth Emet Youth GROUP

Let's Hang Out!



Temple Beth Emet proudly boasts one of the most successful youth programs in Broward County. All youth activities are planned with one goal in mind: to help participants connect to their Temple community. Our three programs serve students in grades K-12 with various social, religious and community service events while socializing with their friends.

For more information contact Rayna Engle, Youth Director
954-680-1882 or rayna417@aol.com

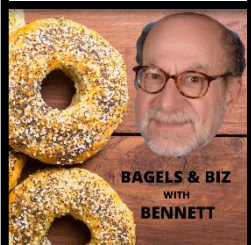
FEBRUARY SCHEDULE

Bogrim & Gesher meet Wednesdays from 7:00 – 8:30pm
Chalutzim meets one Sunday a month from 12:30 – 2:00pm

February 1	Bogrim Gesher	9 Square Craft Night
February 8	Bogrim & Gesher	Yoga with Jake
February 12	Chalutzim	Movie & Popcorn at TBE
February 15	Bogrim & Gesher	Movie & Popcorn at TBE
February 22	Bogrim & Gesher	Drop off at "Off The Wall" \$20

What's Happening

I ♥ Book Club



BOOK CLUB

SPONSORED BY THE SISTERHOOD

Our next Book Club will meet on zoom on February 1, 7:00 pm – Horse by Geraldine Brooks. If you are interested, we are always open to new readers joining our group. Contact tracyzelitt@gmail.com

FEB

1

7:00 PM

BAGELS & BIZ WITH BENNETT

SPONSORED BY THE HE*BROS

Free bagels, a schmear and coffee while kibitzing about the topics of the day with Rabbi Greenspon.

FEB

5

9:00 AM



Email tracyzelitt@gmail.com for more information
venmo for sisterhood is @gtrdeb92
4807 S. Flamingo Road. Cooper City
Bring a water bottle and wear comfortable shoes.

THE HE*BROS PRESENT

POKER NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8
AT TEMPLE BETH EMET | CARDS FLY AT 7 PM

EARLY BIRD BUY-IN THRU FEB. 1 \$80 - 10,000 CHIPS
\$100 BUY-IN AFTER FEB. 1
BEER, PIZZA, SNACKS & SODA INCLUDED

GUARANTEED POT MIN \$1,000!

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What's Happening



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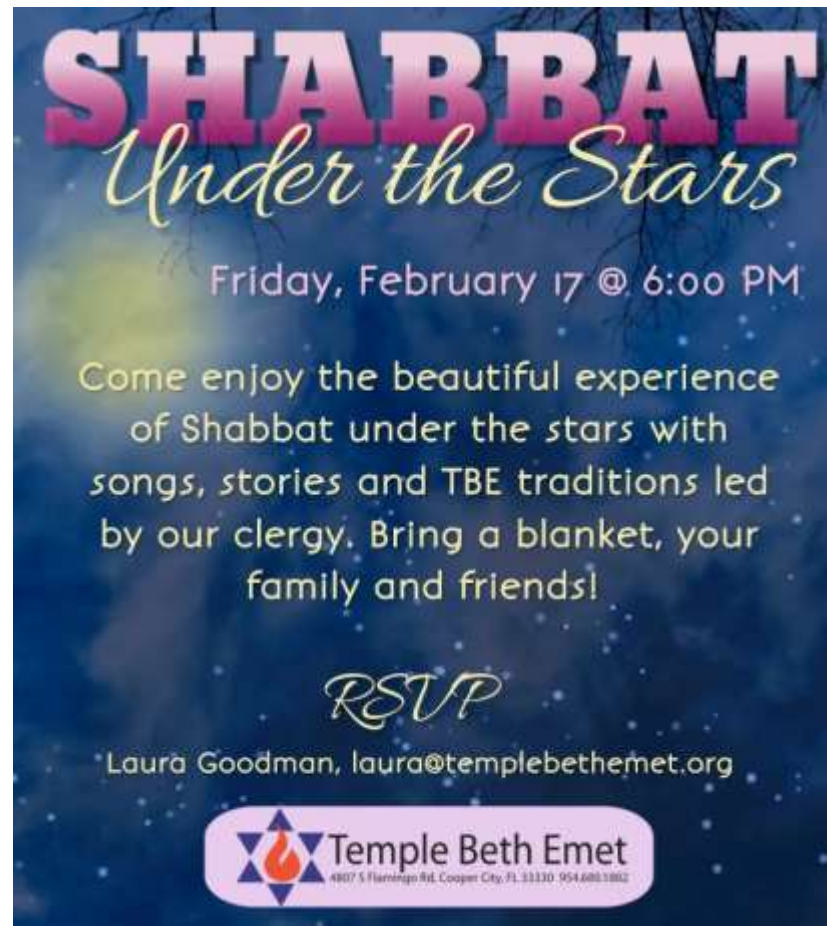

Thursday, Feb 9th, 5:30 pm

Social Hall @ Temple Beth Emet
4807 S. Flamingo Rd
Cooper City, FL 33330

Wear your PJs and bring a blanket!
Milk & Cookies will be served.
Please bring any of the following to donate to JAFCO:

- Bath towels
- Washcloths
- Pull-Ups (not Huggies brand)
- Unscented wipes

RSVP: <https://www.templebethemet.org/form/pjparty>




SHABBAT
Under the Stars

Friday, February 17 @ 6:00 PM

Come enjoy the beautiful experience of Shabbat under the stars with songs, stories and TBE traditions led by our clergy. Bring a blanket, your family and friends!

RSVP

Laura Goodman, laura@templebethemet.org



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2023 PURIM FEST

Save the Date(s): Join us starting on Friday, March 3rd, for an extravaganza of Purim delight!

March
03

Purim Schpiel & Shabbat

Join us for Shabbat with a Purim twist and hear the incredible story of Queen Esther and Uncle Mordechai as they defeat Haman and save the Jews from destruction! Sponsored by Shamash Tribe.

March
04

ECC Pray & Play

Join our Early Childhood Center and enjoy a morning of fun learning about the story of Purim through song. Wear your favorite costume, enjoy a snack and come play on our playground! All preschool aged children are invited to attend!

March
05

Hamentashan Bake (Virtual)

Join us on Zoom and learn the steps to make delicious Hamentashan from the comfort of your kitchen!

March
07

Purim Prance & Schpiel

Join us for Beth Emet School's 2nd Annual Fund Run. All donations go to support BES.

BES Purim Schpiel at 2:45 pm

Purim Parade

ECC's children show off their costumes in a Purim Parade around the playground.

Purim Carnival

Join us for our annual Purim Carnival complete with carnival games, rides, snack and Purim activities!

CAMP BETH EMET PARTY

MARCH 12, 12:00-2:00 PM

See your camp friends & counselors!

Last chance to register with Early Bird Pricing!
Enjoy fun activities: Bounce Houses, Crafts and more!



954-680-1882

www.templebethemet.org/campBE



DAY CAMP

AGES 3 MONTHS TO 5TH GRADE

TEEN CAMP

6TH GRADE-10TH GRADE

MEET THE AUTHOR & BOOK SIGNING

PAUL WINICK

About the Book: The last two Jews of Kabul returned to their bullet-ridden housing-synagogue complex on Flower Seller Street in Kabul in 2002 after the fall of the Taliban. The former friends blamed each other for their imprisonment and the theft of their 800-year-old Torah scrolls. They now despised each other. The story continues telling how they renew their friendship, rescue the scrolls, rebuild the complex and join their families in Israel. We learn about the differences between the two sects of Judaism and the difficulties the last two Jews of Kabul have in loosening their traditions. To paraphrase a song, they realize their traditions are as shaky as a fiddler on the roof.



MARCH 14 @ 7:00 PM

Temple Beth Emet
4807 S. Flamingo Rd. Cooper City, FL 33330

RSVP IS KINDLY REQUESTED
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TEMPLE BETH EMET & MOMENTUM

INVITE YOU TO JOIN US



Grand Challah Bake

Join us for a fun and uplifting evening, where you will learn the ancient & mystical art of making challah. All ingredients & supplies included. Interactive entertainment will be provided by Silvio Berflein.

Wednesday, March 15, 2023
6:30PM

Temple Beth Emet 4807 S Flamingo Rd. Cooper City, FL 33330

MIX, KNEAD, SHAPE AND BAKE THE WORLD'S MOST HEAVENLY BREAD



**ALL ADULTS &
CHILDREN AGES 8+
WELCOME!**

**\$18 per person
\$12 each accompanying
child (ages 8+)**

Register here: www.templebethemet.org/form/challahbake

For more information contact Laura Goodman, laura@templebethemet.org or 954-680-1882



On May 6, 2023, Temple Beth Emet and Beth Emet Schools (3 months – 8th grade) will join together to host our Annual Gala Fundraiser. **Sponsorships, Underwriting and Silent Auction Items are crucial to the success of this important fundraiser, this year more than ever. All proceeds directly benefit academic and program expansion, facilities maintenance and upgrades, and financial assistance for those in need.**

We invite you to participate in the Gala, which will include 100's of guests comprised of TBE members, parents, teachers, staff and community. Guests will enjoy a night of food and drinks, a silent auction, music (DJ & Band), and so much more!

Our committee is hard at work planning our theme, décor, food selections, entertainment and activities! We are excited to come together as a community and make this the best GALA yet!

HOW YOU CAN HELP...

BECOME A SPONSOR

GALA SPONSORSHIPS: Securing sponsors for the Gala is important in securing the future for TBE and our schools. There are many benefits to being a sponsor: name recognition, tickets to the event, social media recognition and so much more.
<https://www.templebethemet.org/galasponsor>



GALA AUCTION ITEMS: This fundraising event features a silent auction of products and services generously donated by local merchants and professionals. This is an amazing and inexpensive way to promote and highlight your company's products and services while giving back to the very community that you serve.
<https://www.templebethemet.org/galaauction>

Life & Legacy



WHAT IS LIFE & LEGACY?

LIFE & LEGACY is a partnership of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation (HGF) and Jewish Federation of Broward County that promotes after-lifetime giving to benefit Temple Beth Emet and the local Jewish community. Through training, support and monetary incentives, LIFE & LEGACY motivates Jewish organizations to integrate legacy giving into their philanthropic culture in order to assure Jewish tomorrows.

WHY LEAVE A LEGACY GIFT?

In one way or another your life is rooted in Jewish experiences connecting you to Temple Beth Emet and the Jewish community. Have you included us in your will or estate plan? By leaving a legacy gift, you help ensure Temple Beth Emet's values and services will be part of our community long into the future.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

Each of us, regardless of age, wealth or affiliation, have the ability to leave a legacy.

Your legacy gift of any size can be customized and structured to fit your dreams, lifestyle, family and financial interests. You can provide support for Temple Beth Emet in any area of interest.

Leaving a legacy is simple. Some options include:

- Bequest in a will or trust
- Gift of life insurance
- Gift of IRA, 401 (k), or pension funds
- Gift of cash or assets
- Charitable Gift Annuity
- Charitable Remainder Trust



WHAT ARE MY NEXT STEPS?

- 1 Reflect on your Jewish passions.
- 2 Contact Laura Goodman, Development Director, at 954-680-1882 or laura@templebethemet.org
- 3 Sign a Letter of Intent
- 4 If necessary, formalize your commitment by consulting with a financial or legal adviser.

How will you assure Jewish tomorrows for Beth Emet?

Leave a legacy gift today!

TBE LEGACY DONORS

- Anonymous Donors (13+)
- **Gayle Abbondandolo**
- Michael & Lauri Bernstein
- **Barry Blecker**
- Rebecca Brownstein
- Gary Cayne
- **Charles & Robyn Cutler**
- **Rabbi Frank & Sarah DeWoskin**
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- **Donna & Skip Straus**
- **Robin Tepper**
- **Marshall Weinberg z"l**
- **Marc Weiss z"l**
- **Lori and Seth Wise**
- **The Esther Ragosin Charitable Foundation**

**Names that are bold have formalized their gifts to Temple Beth Emet*

Adult Education Classes



ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH CLASS

Learn to read Hebrew and recite Hebrew prayers. Led by Paula Bergman
Call the Temple Office at 954-680-1882 for more information.

Call for date
and time of
class
954-680-1882

BOOKIE GROUP

Meets every Monday morning at 7:30 am in person and on Zoom.
If you are interested in having a great discussion, studying the Torah, learning about Judaism and life while having a bagel or donut and coffee, join the men's discussion group. For more information email bethemet@templebethemet.org

MONDAYS
7:30 AM
February
6, 13, 27

HEALING MEDITATION CIRCLE

Led by Cantor Jan on zoom.
For those seeking peace, healing from grief or looking for quiet spiritual moments. For zoom link email office@templebethemet.org

THURSDAYS
7:00PM
February
2, 9, 16, 23

FINDING HUMOR IN LIFE

Enjoy a morning of good jokes with Rabbi DeWoskin.
For zoom link email office@templebethemet.org

THURSDAYS
10:00 AM
February
9, 16, 23

INTRO TO JUDAISM MITZVOT * HISTORY * TORAH * TRADITIONS

Judaism from an adult perspective. If you're interested in becoming a more confident parent of Jewish children, exploring long standing questions you haven't yet asked, conversion or other questions, small or large, this is the class for you. For more information rabbifd@templebethemet.org

TUESDAYS
7:00 PM
February
7, 14, 21, 28

JUDAISM 2.0

Led by Rabbi DeWoskin
Anything and everything you want to know! Class takes place the first and third Thursday of the month.
Contact rabbifd@templebethemet.org for more information.

THURSDAYS
7:00PM
February
2, 16

TORAH STUDY

Led by Rabbi Greenspon on zoom. Study and discuss the Torah portion of the week.
For zoom link email office@templebethemet.org

THURSDAYS
12:00 PM
February
2, 9, 16, 23

B'nai Mitzvah



Noah Kathein

Noah Kathein will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, February 11, 2023. Noah has been a student at Temple Beth Emet since he was two years old. He has grown up in the halls of Beth Emet. He is currently in 7th grade at Beth Emet Middle School. Noah is an excellent student. He excels at all subjects, but Math is where he shines! He has a thirst for knowledge and is a big fan of Civics class, and loves learning about Jewish History.

Noah is a golfer! He's worked hard at his golf game for the past three years. At just 12 years old, he can drive the ball 167 meters and has hit a speed of 80mph! Noah loves watching documentaries on topics that interest him, and he's a big Heat fan, loves gaming, and is a master at making edits! Gathering Friday nights for Shabbat with his immediate and extended family is a tradition that is very important to him.

For Noah's mitzvah project he chose to fundraise for OCRA-Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance. When it came time to pick a mitzvah project, the first thing that came into his mind was his grandmother. She suffered from Ovarian Cancer for eight years, and sadly passed away when Noah was 9. He was very close with her and decided to fundraise in her honor. With the funds raised by this organization, OCRA has expanded its support programs for those living with the disease, reached more rising healthcare providers with important information about risk and symptoms, been central in securing the largest increase in federal funding for ovarian cancer research and education programs, and made tremendous progress in their understanding of immunotherapy, precision medicine, combination treatments, genetic mutations, and more. We couldn't be prouder of him for picking such an essential foundation for a fundraising project.

The Kathein family would like to thank Paula Bergman for her mentorship, kindness, and continued support in preparing Noah for his big day. Thank you, Rabbi Greenspon, Rabbi DeWoskin and Cantor Jan, for your dedication and guiding Noah spiritually throughout his time at Temple Beth Emet. Thank you to every single teacher and the administration at Beth Emet for always treating us like family. Noah and his sister Zoe view the school as their home. You have all made a lasting impression on their lives.

Our hearts are full of love and pride for our son. We are so excited to celebrate this milestone in his life and share this Simcha with our closest family and friends.



Halle Bank

Halle Sophia Bank will be called to the Torah on February 18, 2023. She is a 7th grader at American Heritage in Plantation where she excels in academics and enjoys playing basketball for her school team. Halle also enjoys other sports such as skiing, lacrosse and tennis. Her kind heart and beautiful smile constantly light up a room and attract people to her.

Temple Beth Emet has been a special part of Halle's life since age 3 when she started camp at TBE. She began sleep away camp four summers ago at Camp Kinder Ring in New York. Halle looks forward to spending time with her KR friends each summer as well as her friends from TBE who attend. Seeing TBE staff at KR and having her dad as the camp DJ is an added bonus. During the school year, Halle attends religious school and youth group where she continues to build her Jewish values.

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In addition to sports and camp, Halle loves traveling, baking, shopping, and most importantly, spending time with her family and friends. She is also an animal lover who especially adores her mini bernedoodle “Blair”. For Halle’s Mitzvah project, she decided to raise money and much needed items for the Humane Society.

Halle’s family, including her parents (Dina and Jason), brother (Drew), and grandparents (Marianne and Charles DeCosta, Shelly and Miles Bank) as well as her friends are so proud of Halle’s accomplishments. We are looking forward to being surrounded by all those who love and support Halle as she becomes a Bat Mitzvah. We would like to thank Rabbi DeWoskin, Rabbi Greenspon, Cantor Jan, Halle’s religious school teachers/ youth group leaders, and especially Mrs. Paula, as Halle prepares for this amazing milestone.

Jacob Rubin

Jacob Martin Rubin will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, February 25, 2023. He began his Jewish education at Beth David preschool and came to Beth Emet in kindergarten. He is currently in seventh grade.

When Jacob is not in school, he loves hanging out with family and friends, gaming, listening to music, jujitsu, riding his bike, and collecting sneakers. From a very young age, Jacob has shown kindness and generosity towards those less fortunate. For his Bar Mitzvah project, Jacob is making food bags which will provide nourishment as well as something sweet for people experiencing homelessness in South Florida. Some of these bags will be donated to Showering Love and others will be given to family members to distribute to people they see while driving.



The Rubin family would like to thank Debra Dayan, Jacob's Great Aunt Cantor Ronit Rubin, Mrs. Noemi, Ms. Nikki, Cantor Jan, Rabbi Greenspon, Rabbi DeWoskin and all of Jacob's amazing teachers at Beth Emet for making this day possible.

Jake Malamud

Jake Logan Malamud will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on his 13th birthday, February 25, 2023. Jake is a 7th grade honors student at Pioneer Middle School in Cooper City, where he takes advanced classes and works hard to maintain excellent grades. Jake trains 5 days a week with his Taekwondo instructors working towards his black belt. When Jake is not training, he teaches elementary school kids taekwondo. Jake loves music and plays saxophone in both the Symphonic band and Jazz band at school. He also enjoys spending time with family and likes watching movies and playing video games.

Jake has an immense love for animals which is why he chose to raise money for the Humane Society as his mitzvah project. Jake recently adopted Rocky, a bearded dragon and he cares for him unconditionally.



Jake is looking forward to this important Jewish milestone. We are so proud of Jake's commitment and dedication to becoming a Bar Mitzvah. We are grateful for the help he received along the way. Jake and family would like to thank his mentor, Paula Bergman, for being a nurturing and patient teacher. We would like to thank Rabbi DeWoskin, Rabbi Greenspon, Cantor Jan, and all the teachers at Temple Beth Emet for helping and encouraging Jake along the journey.

Jake’s family is incredibly proud of everything he has achieved and we cannot wait to celebrate his amazing accomplishments. We love you Jake! Mazel tov on becoming a bar mitzvah and happy birthday!



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