

ShD'var

TEMPLE SHOLOM

*A sacred community that
embraces, inspires and matters*

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2020



Senior Rabbi
**Shoshanah
Conover**

As I write this note while sitting in my sukkah, I'm reminded of our people's past resilience and brilliance.

Over 2000 years ago in the hills of Judea, the Jewish people fought for their freedom against the forces of Antiochus. During the fighting, the Jews could not celebrate the Festival of Sukkot in the Temple that Antiochus had desecrated. After a hard-won victory in December, the Jewish people had to choose whether to skip the week-long holiday entirely or to celebrate it late. They decided not only to celebrate that year's Festival of Sukkot in December, but to create a whole new holiday called Chanukah. While early celebrations focused on the miraculous military victory, later celebrations focused on light. In fact, the holiday is often called *Chag HaOrim*, the Festival of Lights.

This year, while we will not be able to gather in person at Temple Sholom to light our menorahs, we will continue to kindle the light of Chanukah together, honoring our people's resilience and brilliance in every age. Please join us every night of Chanukah at 7:00 PM for a community candle-lighting filled with festive songs

and fun stories. (We will light the menorah as part of Shabbat services at 6:15 PM on Friday nights.) After the candle-lighting, community groups will host special programming. See page 4 for details.

I hope to see you on Friday, December 18 just just after our festival concludes. We'll add an extra night of learning about our people's resilience and brilliance with notable speaker and author Marra Gad. Marra has written a memoir about her experience growing up in the Reform Movement as a Jew of Color. Her wisdom is hard-won and will be instructive to our Temple Sholom community as we work to celebrate, embrace with sensitivity, and grow enthusiastically our racial and ethnic diversity. In a recent interview, Marra said: "Every single person who comes to a Jewish space or comes to our Shabbat table should be greeted with the same level of respect, care and love. This is about the sacredness of our humanity. That work begins with individuals." The work begins with individuals, who then become a community where every time we come together we recognize the Divine light that each person radiates. As we learn to do this with greater acuity, we will make this season—and every season—a Festival of Lights.

Chag HaOrim Sameach—Happy Chanukah!

Rabbi Shoshanah Conover
rabbiconover@sholomchicago.org

WHAT'S THE RABBI REREADING?

The Color of Love ←

By Marra Gad

As Marra Gad's visit approaches, Rabbi Conover is rereading Gad's important book: *The Color of Love*. *The Color of Love* explores the idea of *yerusha*, which means "inheritance" in Yiddish. At turns heart-wrenching and heartwarming, this is a story about what you inherit from your family—identity, disease, melanin, hate, and most powerful of all, love. With honesty, insight, and warmth, Marra B. Gad has written an inspirational, moving chronicle proving that when all else is stripped away, love is where we return, and love is always our greatest inheritance.



President
Jed Silberg

As we approach Thanksgiving and the end of 2020, we should all take a moment for reflection, take a deep breath... and say "we made it!"

This has been a year unlike any before and hopefully none after. There have been many

ups and downs and so much instability. That said, I, for one, am thankful for the stability of Temple Sholom of Chicago which, through the efforts of so many, has remained a bedrock for our community, one that will be here for you in times of need and times of joy.

Jed Silberg

Of Blessed Memory

AUG. 18

Matthew David Tarnoff

Nephew of Ken (Carol) Tarnoff,
cousin of Jennifer Tarnoff

AUG. 31

Jerome Berger

Father of David (Alice) Berger

AUG. 31

Nadine Fourt

Mother of Martha Fourt
(Pat Benjamin)

SEPT. 2

Richard Moschel

Brother-in-law of David Goodman

SEPT. 6

Ben Lane-Korn

Son of Dr. Lynda Lane and Dr.
Geoffrey Korn z"l

SEPT. 18

Elaine Stone Colburn

Mother of Robert (Barbara) Stone

SEPT. 18

Ronald Wolf

Brother of Myrna (Stuart) Kaufman

SEPT. 22

Seymour Kessler

Father of Ira (Janice) Kessler

SEPT. 24

Marvin Einhorn

Father of Cheryl Einhorn
(Jeffrey Liskar)

SEPT. 25

Hal B. Dunne "Buddy"

Father of Claudine (Josh) Liss

SEPT. 25

Richard Mandel

Uncle of Martha Fourt
(Pat Benjamin)

SEPT. 28

Barbara J. Frankston

Mother of Pam (Michael) Gordon

SEPT. 28

Socorro M. Ruiz "Soco"

Mother of Jesse (Michele) Ruiz

OCT. 5

Edward Richman

Father of Dan (Jodi) Richman

Yahrzeits / First Year

NOV. 7

Saul Jacobson

Father of Andrea Jacobson

NOV. 10

Ronald Kottler

Step-father of Michael Radner

NOV. 10

Leslie Stackler

Niece of Linda Mendelson

NOV. 11

Martha Rosen

Wife of Randy Rosen

NOV. 14

Lewis Buttitta

Father-in-law of Edwards Buice

NOV. 15

Carole C. Postelnek

Mother of Vicki Sinar

NOV. 15

Steven Wollack

Father of Suzanne Cohn

NOV. 26

Faye Zinder

Mother of Seth Zinder

DEC. 3

Patti Sandler

Mother of Amy Kovler

DEC. 6

Patti McGovern

Step-mother of David Koren

Yahrzeits / First Year Continued

DEC. 16

Blance Randall

Mother of Robin Fintel

DEC. 16

Stanley Safran

Grandfather of Ma'ayan Eckstein

DEC. 18

Marjorie Barancik

Mother of Wendy Roseth

DEC. 19

Charles Barancik

Father of Wendy Roseth

DEC. 30

Carole Radner

Step-mother of Michael Radner

New Members

MAZAL TOV! WELCOME TO OUR SACRED COMMUNITY.

Anna Brailovsky

Addison & Charles

Semaj Sharkey

**Guy & Julie
Lakonishok**

Ronen & Zev

**Jonathan
& Sharon Getz**

Bennett, Theo & Ella

**Solomon & Valerie
Yudelovitch**

Benjamin, William & Maxwell

**Mariko Golden & Amy
Lee**

**Brendan & Emily
DuBois**

Lucy

**Taylor Klassman
& Eve Jennings**

Arthur

Joshua & Claudine Liss

Liza & Lev

Neil & Joann Berg

Ari & Suzanne Kaplan

Hanah & Ava

**Elliott Merker
& Myrna Frankel**

Chelsea Fox

Nathan Lamp

**Denise Levitan
& Mebea Aklilu**

Caleb & Helen

**Evan Derman
& Erin Weil**

Sage Shavers

**Steven
& Brenda Berkley**

**Steven Gould, M.D.
& Ellen Wallace**

If you have experienced a life-cycle event recently (marriage, birth of a child, etc.) we would like to know about it!
Please email **Lori Curtis** at lori@sholomchicago.org to share the news with us. *Thank you!*

Mazal Tov

SEPT. 9

Susie & Ed Linker

On the marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Linker to Andrew Jacobs.

SEPT. 12

Dr. Avi & Nancy Bernstein

On the marriage of their daughter, Jamie Bernstein to Howard Mizel. Also, Jamie is the niece of Marla Krupman and Danny Bernstein.

SEPT. 12

Len Siegel & Cathy Stix

On the marriage of their daughter, Allyson Siegel to Aron Dalley.

Worship Schedule

FRIDAY | NOVEMBER 6, 13, 20, 27

FRIDAY | DECEMBER 4, 11*, 18*, 25

6:15 PM Shabbat Service

SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 7, 14, 21, 28

SATURDAY | DECEMBER 5, 12, 19, 26

9:00 AM Minyan Service

9:45 AM Torah Study

* Chanukah

Special Services

MONDAY | NOV. 2

8:00 AM Congregational Monthly
Monday Morning Minyan
Sponsored by It's Our Turn

FRIDAY | NOV. 6

7:45 PM Or Chadash Shabbat

FRIDAY | NOV. 20

6:15 PM Shabbat Mishpacha Service
featuring 3rd Graders

FRIDAY | NOV. 20

7:45 PM Makom 20s/30s Shabbat

FRIDAY | DEC. 4

7:45 PM Or Chadash Shabbat

MONDAY | DEC. 7

8:00 AM Congregational Monthly
Monday Morning Minyan
Sponsored by It's Our Turn

FRIDAY | DEC. 11

6:15 PM Shabbat Mishpacha Service
featuring 4th Graders

FRIDAY | DEC. 11 – DEC. 18

Chanukah

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TEMPLE SHOLOM

wishes you a

Happy Chanukah



Join the Temple Sholom community via Zoom on all eight nights of *Chanukah* for candle lighting and blessings sponsored by our incredible community groups.

Visit sholomchicago.org/Chanukah for more information



Or Chadash

THURSDAY | DEC. 10

7:00 PM

1st candle

Mishpacha

FRIDAY | DEC. 11

6:15 PM

2nd candle

WTS/Brotherhood

SATURDAY | DEC. 12

7:00 PM

3rd candle

Makom

SUNDAY | DEC. 13

7:00 PM

4th candle

Adult Education

MONDAY | DEC. 14

7:00 PM

5th candle

IOT

TUESDAY | DEC. 15

7:00 PM

6th candle

Sholom Justice

WEDNESDAY | DEC. 16

7:00 PM

7th candle

Mindful Jewish Aging

THURSDAY | DEC. 17

7:00 PM

8th candle

Embracing Racial & Ethnic Diversity Shabbat

FRIDAY | DEC. 18

6:15 PM

Thank You to Our Temple Sholom Donors!

In memory of Dr. David Berkson

In memory of Laurie Bloomberg

In memory of Dr. Meyer Burton

In honor of Cora Cherney

In memory of Howard Cohen

In honor of Rabbi Conover

In memory of Nathen Emerson

In honor of Rabbi Gellman

In memory of David Gross

In memory of Bessie Heyman

In memory of Susan Koestler

In memory of Marcia Landman

In memory of Leon Lessack

In memory of Maureen Loughran

In memory of Allen Meyer

**Barbara & Ken Gore
Julie & Jon Walner**

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Jerry Wasserberg

In honor of Martha Rosen

In honor of Lyla Rudich

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In memory of Elinor Singer

In honor of Rabbi Singer

In memory of Yuzya Sirota

In memory of Jane Susskind-Narins

In memory of Michael Tepper

In memory of Florence Teuscher

In honor of Karen Titus

In honor of Dr. Julian Ullman

In memory of Shirley Wasserman

Randy Rosen

Teri & Roger Rudich

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Teri & Roger Rudich

Sharon Drell

Sherry Fredman

Carol & Roger Bergson

Bela Sirota

Beth & David Inlander

Teri & Roger Rudich

Debbie & Marc Willage

David Staller

Merle Schwartz

Judy Ullman

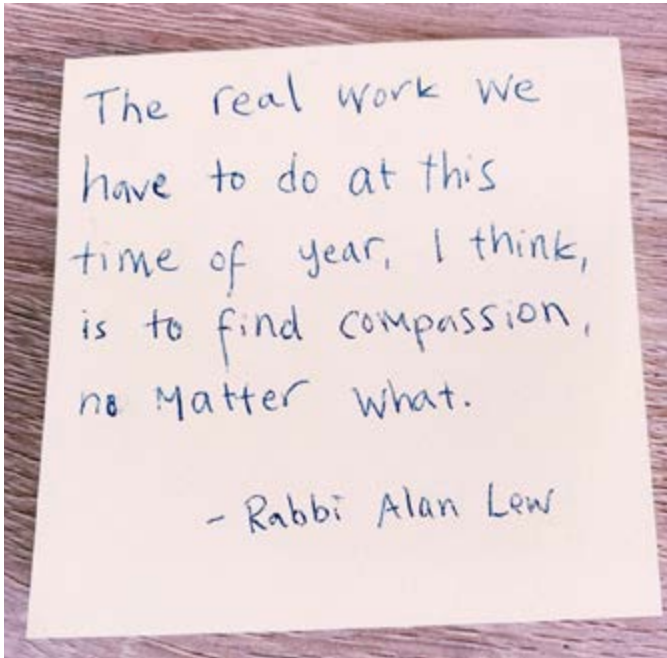
Ed Potash

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These thoughtful gifts to Temple Sholom support a variety of funds including: Annual Fund, Sholom Justice, Clergy Discretionary Fund, Lifelong Learning, Music Arts & Culture, Shabbat Funds, and Gan Shalom.

If you would like to make a special honorific gift to Temple Sholom, please visit www.sholomchicago.org/donate. Questions? Contact Toby at toby@sholomchicago.org or 773-435-1536.

Featuring Rabbi Rena Singer & Modern Ritual

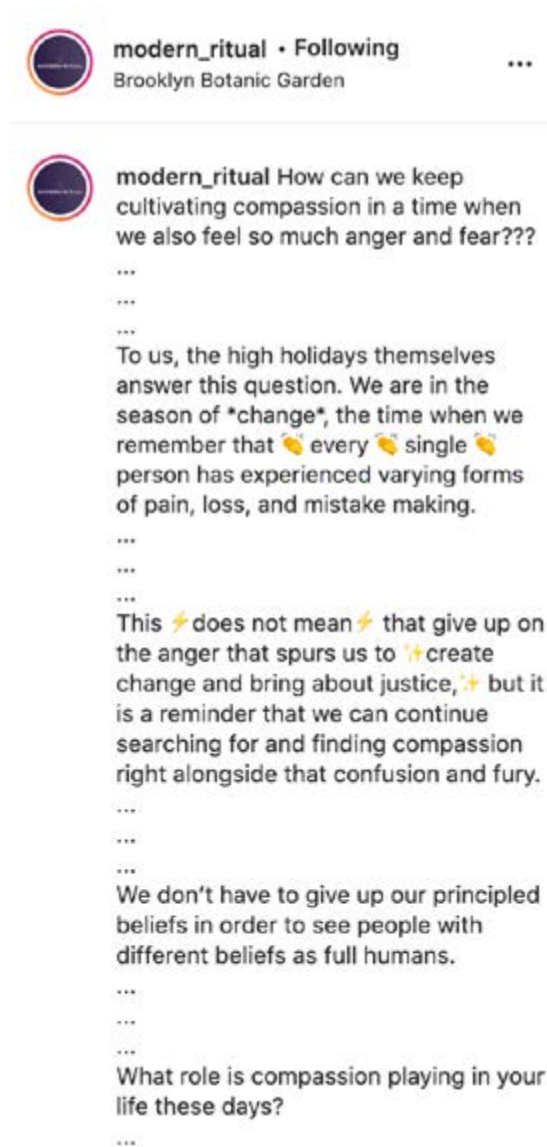


How can we keep cultivating compassion in a time when we also feel so much anger and fear?

There is something deeply equalizing about the High Holy Days. They operate on the assumption that every single person on the planet is struggling and in need of improvement in one way or another. If this is true, then we have to try to keep a space for compassion for people we deeply disagree with alongside our anger and activism. When we treat another person as a complete "other," we deeply limit our ability to solve problems. We fall into the same trap that we ourselves condemn. This is not to say that we should give up on fighting for change, this is just a reminder that compassion can be an important part of our toolbox as we work towards change.

Rabbi Rena Singer

rabbisinger@sholomchicago.org



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WTS Connects With Congregants Through Notecards

Women of Temple Sholom shares important lifecycle events with temple members through a longtime project of writing personalized notecards in times of both joy and sadness. If you've had a loss in your family, a bar or bat mitzvah, or added to your family through birth,

adoption or marriage, a member of WTS will write a note to let you know that we are thinking of you at your special time. We also use the cards as a way to welcome new women temple members and new WTS members.

After nearly a decade, Helene Kohn has recently stepped down from her role of writing bereavement cards on behalf of WTS. Helene took great care to individualize each card and send one to each temple member relative of the deceased, searching published death notices to glean information about the deceased person's profession, family history, hobbies and affiliations to add warmth and personalized words of condolence. Thanks so much, Helene, for your many years



Helene Kohn

Helene's work on this meaningful project.

WTS Steering Committee member Nadine Abrahams is coordinating the card-writing project, with other Steering Committee members writing the cards for other lifecycle occasions.

of performing this comforting *mitzvah* on behalf of Women of Temple Sholom. We are thrilled that Sunny Steinlauf has agreed to continue



WTS PINK SHABBAT

October's Pink Shabbat, sponsored by WTS, recognized Breast and Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month by supporting, honoring and remembering temple members, their families and friends who have gone or are going through this experience. Through special readings and images during the Oct. 30 Shabbat service, as well as a guest appearance by Jessica Jablon from Sharsheret, the Jewish Breast & Ovarian Cancer Community, WTS hopes we were able to provide information, support, comfort and caring to all those in our temple family who are impacted by breast and ovarian cancer.



SAVE THE DATE! Hot Topics for Jewish Feminists

MON. | DEC 21 | 6:30 PM | VIA ZOOM

Visit www.sholomchicago.org/wts for up-to-date info and to register.

Rabbi Rena Singer will lead a WTS/Adult Ed class on Modern Ideas of Jewish Feminism, a multi-generational conversation open to all. Whether you are a young feminist, part of the movement "back in the day", or anyone who wants to support and understand this issue, please join us. Questions? Contact Stacy Charnay at stacy@sholomchicago.org or 773-435-1545.

BE PART OF OUR AMAZING WOMEN'S GROUP

We welcome all temple women to join the multigenerational, diverse and inclusive Women of Temple Sholom so we can continue to offer more events like the recent *Rosh Chodesh* and *Rosh Hashanah* virtual programs, future live events and to support our social justice initiatives like Illinois Coalition Against Gun Violence, Women of the Wall, AJC, Jewish Coalition Against Sex Trafficking, Monday Meal and many more. Plus, you will make wonderful connections and friendships with the incredible women of our Temple Sholom community.

You can become a WTS member by going to www.sholomchicago.org/wts.



Your \$36 annual donation will support both WTS and Women of Reform Judaism and its many social justice programs around the country and world.



Gan Shalom Had a Wonderful Start to the New School Year!

The children have adjusted well to their new teachers and routines and made lots of new friends! We learned all about *Rosh Hashanah*, experienced learning about apples with measurement, taste testing graphing and eating delicious apples and honey for snack. A highlight of learning about *Rosh Hashanah* was hearing our clergy blow the *Shofar*!

Gan Shalom has a new Kindergarten class this year and the children are awesome! They are learning to read, write and experience a new academic world!

To learn more about Gan Shalom please contact
Heidi Cooper Director of Early Childhood at heidi@sholomchicago.org

Lifelong Learning

עֵת לַחֲבוּק

Eit La'cha'vok

A Time to Embrace | ECCLESIASTES 3:5



1st Grade Hebrew Through Movement



Crown Family High School students studying Jewish text and getting to know one another



Staying connected!



Energized, Innovative & Inspired

The best part of holding Religious School classes outside this fall could have been enjoying our beautiful Garden of Faith, *Gan Emunah*, as never before, or basking in the gorgeous fall weather that accompanied our September "Kef (Fun) Club" Kickoffs. But the purest joy was seeing our students reconnect with each other, running through the grass, laughing, just being kids. Even in masks, their smiles shone through as Esther Fishbein, our new Youth Engagement Coordinator, led them in games, mixers and Hebrew Through Movement.

On Wednesday evenings as the sun set on our parking lot, two dozen Crown Family High School students lined up across from each other in rows of lawn chairs - a makeshift *Beit Midrash* - as they studied Jewish text and got to know each other. Our *Orr Shalom* High School Youth Group Executive Board has been closely involved in the adaptation of our *Tichon Shalom* experiences for teens.

The events of 2020 have forced us to get creative as we strive to keep our students healthy, safe and connected. Thanks to the tireless efforts of Irene Goldstein, our Lifelong Learning VP on Temple Sholom's Board, along with our Religious School Committee co-chairs Michelle Rest and Lisa Sapir, we have found new ways to enjoy being together as a learning community, including flexible options for families to stay connected. Meanwhile, our Adult Education committee, led by chair Jon Siner, is focused on new horizons for our guest scholars now that geography is no longer a barrier. Rabbi Gellman and Rabbi Singer are teaching our Religious School 6th & 7th grade students, as well as offering weeknight classes for adults in the coming weeks. Rachel Lipson, our new Religious School Administrator, is helping to make sure that families are informed, protocols are followed and screening forms are submitted.

Grateful for this amazing team keeping us energized, innovative and inspired!

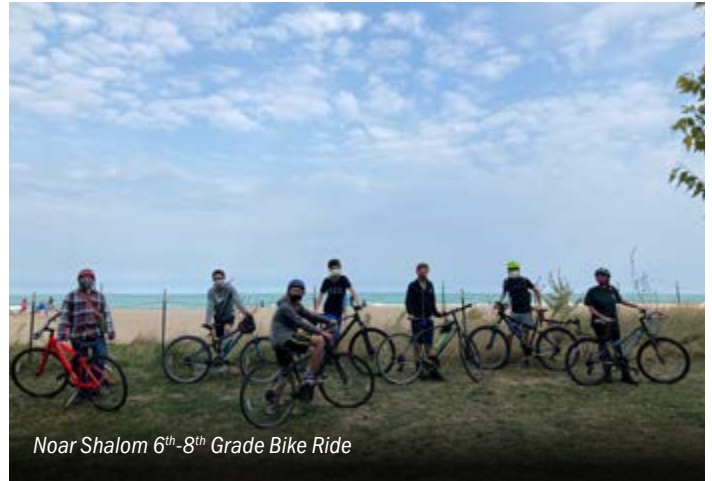
Jay Rapoport, RJE
Director of Lifelong Learning

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Questions regarding Youth Engagement? Contact Esther Fishbein at esther@sholomchicago.org or 773-435-1533, or visit www.sholomchicago.org/youth-group.



Orr Shalom High School Youth Tie Dye Kickoff



Noar Shalom 6th-8th Grade Bike Ride



3rd Grade Kef Club Kickoff



Rabbi Gellman blowing the shofar

URJ Camping Enrollment is open for Summer 2021! Visit URJcamps.org

Scholarship opportunities include:

Jewishcamp.org • OSRUI.org by Dec. 31 • Jay@sholomchicago.org by Dec. 31

For new campers, Temple Shalom will split the cost with you for OSRUI's *Kallah Atid* trial sessions for rising 2nd - 4th graders.

IsraelNow Chicagoland 8th Grade Trips (formerly Ta'am Yisrael)

APR. 26 – MAY 5, 2021

JUNE 7-16, 2021

Limited Space Available!

Visit www.israelnowtrip.org to learn more

BEIT SEFER SHALOM RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Questions regarding Religious School? Contact **Rachel Lipson** at rachel@sholomchicago.org or **773-435-1554**, or visit www.sholomchicago.org/beit-sefer.



Teen Madrichim



September Outdoor "Kef (fun) Club" Kickoffs



6th Grade in the Sukkah with Rabbi Singer

ADULT EDUCATION

For full class and scholar descriptions, explore our curriculum at www.sholomchicago.org/adult-education and register online via web calendar www.sholomchicago.org/calendar. Questions regarding Adult Education? Contact **Lori Curtis** at lori@sholomchicago.org or **773-435-1531**.

Join our clergy for Fall Education classes

Prayer & Worship 101

with Cantor Ben-David

SUNDAYS | NOV. 1, 8, 15 & 22
11:00 AM

Deepen your understanding of the main Jewish prayers and Sacred Music within our *Shabbat* services and Jewish Liturgy. Cantor Ben-David will spend time delving into worship, prayer comprehension and the choreography that guides us when we pray.

Let's Talk About God

with Rabbi Gellman

WEDNESDAYS | NOV. 4, 11, 18
6:30 PM

Each one of us has a unique experience with that greater force in the world, however you identify it. In a safe space we will share and explore our concepts and classic Jewish theologians' concepts of God.

Chanukah 101

with Rabbi Singer

WED. | DEC. 9 | 7:45 PM

Learn with Rabbi Rena Singer what to expect during this special time of year. Discuss traditions, rituals, and meanings, plus have your questions answered! This program is open to all; and URJ Introduction to Judaism students, recent converts, and interfaith couples are enthusiastically invited to attend.

Continuing Classes

Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

with Mitchell Brown

SUNDAYS | 10:45 AM

Short Stories

with Cliff Scott-Rudnick

SUNDAYS | 2:00 PM

Other Learning Opportunities

Talmud Study

TUESDAYS | 8:30 AM

NOVEMBER with Rabbi Conover

DECEMBER with Rabbi Gellman

Wednesday Morning Study Group

WEDNESDAYS | 10:00 AM

NOVEMBER **Israel in the Headlines**,
with Rabbi Conover

DECEMBER **Prayer & Worship 101**
with Cantor Ben-David

Know Someone Curious About Judaism?

MONDAYS | NOV. 2, 9 & 16
6:45 PM

Our **FREE** URJ 3-week Taste of Judaism fall class is open to the public!

reformjudaism.org/taste/Chicago

Want to Dive Deeper Into Judaism?

MONDAYS | 6:45 PM
BEGINNING NOV. 30

Our 18-week URJ **Introduction to Judaism** class begins Monday, Nov. 30 with our clergy/education team.

reformjudaism.org/intro/IL

Film Nights

with Cliff Scott-Rudnick

Catcher Was A Spy
MONDAY
NOV. 2 | 7:00 PM



Abe and Phil's Last Poker Game
MONDAY | DEC. 7
7:00 PM

Upcoming Events

Feed the Hungry

SUNDAYS | NOV. 8 & 29

Monday Meal

MONDAY | NOV. 9, 16, 23 & 30

DEC. 8, 14, 21 & 28

Sholom Justice Shabbat

COMING UP!

Be on the lookout for more information regarding the Sholom Justice Shabbat, happening in early 2021!

Exciting Recent News

Sholom Justice's **Feed the Hungry** (FTH) program has been a long-standing tradition at Temple Sholom, and we thought it was about time for a face lift.

Every second and fifth Sundays of the month, volunteers make sandwiches and take them to a church on the West Side for those in need. In the past, FTH took place at Temple or at someone's home if the building was closed.

With the "new" program, we are providing you with the opportunity to sponsor a monthly FTH Sunday and take charge. As a sponsor, you would shop for the items needed, assemble the sandwiches, and deliver them to the church (at a safe distance with masks). For those who wish to sponsor a Sunday, you will be provided with a resource guide with all the necessary information needed. This will be a great opportunity for families, B'nai Mitzvah service projects, volunteer hours and anyone looking for volunteer opportunities.

Thank you to the McDermott, Moss and Schafer families who sponsored the September and October Feed the Hungry Sundays! We appreciate your support and commitment.

If you are interested in learning more about this program or have questions, please contact **Toby Sanders** at toby@sholomchicago.org or visit www.sholomchicago.org/tikkun-olam.

We also want to give a huge shout out and THANK YOU to everyone who has and continues to contribute to the **Monday Meal**! When we transitioned into "to-go" meals earlier this year, we did not expect that we would still be passing them out each week in place of our traditional sit-down dinner. But thanks to everyone who has contributed food, water, and letters, we have continuously been able to provide for our guests each week, as well as provide meals to Northside Housing.

If you would like to contribute items to the meals, please contact **Toby Sanders** at toby@sholomchicago.org for the sign-up or visit www.sholomchicago.org/tikkun-olam.



Izzy Schafer & Kiley Moss



The McDermott Family



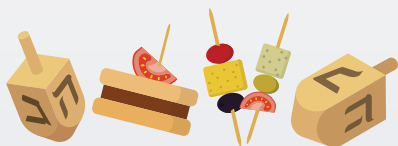
Camryn & Kiley Moss

Questions regarding Sholom Justice? Email **Toby Sanders** at toby@sholomchicago.org to learn how to get involved or to be added to the Sholom Justice eBlast. Please watch for additional events as they get added to our Sholom Justice calendar.

Nothing Trivial About IOT Trivia Night

Join your IOT temple friends to test your memory and mental skills for a virtual Trivia Night of facts and fun.

Date and details to come! Visit www.sholomchicago.org/iot for the most up-to-date information.



Spin, Sing, Snack and Schmooze at Virtual Chanukah Party

SUNDAY | DEC. 15 | 7:00 PM

Community Candle lighting led by IOT
followed by IOT Community Chanukah Party

Set up your menorah, fry some *latkes* and commute to your couch for IOT's Chanukah Happening. Show off your spinning skills in our first-ever virtual dreidel competition, and join Cantor Ben-David as she leads us in a sing-a-long of your holiday favorites while we share the fun and companionship of Chanukah.

This event is free but make sure to register at www.sholomchicago.org/iot!



Another Hit Movie Night

We continued IOT's popular movie night series with October's spooky

holiday-themed film, *Rosemary's Baby*. Our favorite film critic Matt Fagerholm led an insightful and lively discussion of this classic that paved the way for the modern horror movie genre. Watch for an announcement of the next IOT movie night.

IOT Continues to Sponsor a Monthly Congregational Minyan

1ST MONDAY OF THE MONTH AT 8:00 AM ON ZOOM.

It's a relaxed, come-as-you-are early-morning service lasting approximately 30-45 minutes, led by one of Temple Shalom's clergy and featuring a Torah reading with explanation and discussion. The short service is followed by time to meet and socialize with friends, congregants and clergy. Join us for this beautiful way to start your week. *Minyan* will happen next on November 2nd. See temple eBlasts for the Zoom link.

Watch for More IOT Events!

IOT has a lot of great events planned for the next few months. Watch for temple and special IOT eBlasts with announcements about future film discussion nights and a possible virtual trivia night. And if you have a terrific idea for this group of lively 50+ temple members, please contact either **Jackie Lustig** at **773-706-9953**, jackielustig@mindspring.com or **David Goodman** at **708-421-6664**, david@sherkamikow.com.

For more information, visit www.sholomchicago.org/iot





Join *Or Chadash* and Allies for services and social events to bring our amazing LGBTQ+ community together.

FRIDAY | NOV. 6
7:45 PM Service

FRIDAY | DEC. 4
7:45 PM Service

Clergy and *Or Chadash* lay leaders have worked to create and lead services that blend the traditions of *Or Chadash* and Temple Shalom.

Or Chadash LGBTQ+ looks forward to bringing fresh programming in the year ahead! In addition to our monthly first Friday virtual *Shabbat* services, we will be adding a monthly LGBTQ+ virtual book group. We look forward to opportunities for online and small group, socially distanced in-person programs, as we extend the impact of *Or Chadash* within Temple Shalom and the greater Chicago LGBTQ+ community. We cannot wait to welcome new faces and embrace old friends as we continue to grow the strength of *Or Chadash* through new and innovative programs and Temple Shalom's continued commitment to LGBTQ+ inclusion.

For more information, visit www.sholomchicago.org/or-chadash

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Minnie Solomon z"l Book Club

Join our monthly book club on the first Thursday of each month.

THURSDAY | NOV. 5 | 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
"Beneath A Scarlet Sky"
By Mark Sullivan

THURSDAY | DEC. 3 | 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
"The Woman In The Window"
by A.J. Finn

For more information, visit www.sholomchicago.org/book-club

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makom

20s/30s

Temple Shalom of Chicago's 20s and 30s events seek to help young Chicago Jews glean from their religion a deeper sense of community, connection, meaning, spirituality, inspiration, as well as a context for doing good in the world.

Monthly Late Service

FRIDAY | NOV. 20

7:45 PM Service

Join Makom in November and December for creative events that bring Jewish people in their 20s & 30s together both online, and safely in person. Join us for our 3rd Friday virtual *Makom Shabbat* on November 20, celebrations of *Chanukah* online on December 13, and new programs to engage the greater Chicagoland Jewish 20s & 30s community with Rabbi Singer, including our new "Live From Havdalah" programs, and an online series on Judaism and dating. A Special thanks to the Makom Board, Chairs Julia Logan and Liz Rosen, Robyn Ashbaugh, Austen Hufford, Stephanie Levine, & Jackie Watson.



For more information, visit www.sholomchicago.org/makom

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Mindful Jewish Aging

Join us each month to explore the spiritual gifts of life after 50 through ancient and modern texts, poetry, art and music.

SATURDAY | NOV. 14

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

SATURDAY | DEC. 12

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

For more information, visit www.sholomchicago.org/mindful-jewish-aging

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High Holy Day Highlights

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As we look back on this year's High Holy Days, we are in awe of the amount of effort put in by our staff, clergy, and congregants to create such a beautiful experience. We cannot thank everyone enough and look forward to the year ahead together.

Our clergy delivered incredible sermons during these High Holy Days. We encourage you to take a look at their inspirational words and check out our 5781 High Holy Day Highlights.

www.sholomchicago.org/5781-hhd-highlights



High Holy Days Choir



Rabbi Conover delivering a sermon



Rabbi Singer & Cantor Ben-David



Rabbi Gellman

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the pull-out calendar.**

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SUNDAY

Film Night:
Catcher Was A Spy
MON | NOV. 2
7:00 PM

8

9:30am Feed the Hungry
9:30am Religious School
9:30am Adult Ed

15

9:30am Religious School
9:30am 8th Grade Yom Horim
9:30am Adult Ed

22

9:30am Religious School
9:30am JK/K Yom Horim
9:30am Adult Ed
11:30am JK-2 Junior Congregation

29

NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
/ADULT ED

MONDAY

2

8:00am Congregational Monday Morning *Minyan*
Sponsored by IOT
9:00am Music and Meditation
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
3:30pm Monday Meal
6:45pm Taste of Judaism begins
7:00pm Film Night: *Catcher Was A Spy*

9

9:00am Music and Meditation
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
3:30pm Monday Meal
6:45pm Taste of Judaism

16

9:00am Music and Meditation
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
3:30pm Monday Meal
6:45pm Taste of Judaism

23

9:00am Music and Meditation
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
3:30pm Monday Meal

30

9:00am Music and Meditation
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
3:30pm Monday Meal
6:45pm Intro to Judaism begins

TUESDAY

3

OFFICES CLOSED

ELECTION DAY

NO MIDWEEK HEBREW

10

8:30am Talmud Study with Rabbi Conover
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:00pm Midweek Hebrew

17

8:30am Talmud Study with Rabbi Conover
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:00pm Midweek Hebrew

24

8:30am Talmud Study with Rabbi Conover
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:00pm Midweek Hebrew

WEDNESDAY

4

10:00am Wednesday Study Group
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:30pm Clergy Conversations
6:15pm Crown Family High School
6:30pm Midweek Hebrew
6:30pm Adult Ed: Let's Talk About God

11

10:00am Wednesday Study Group
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:30pm Clergy Conversations
6:15pm Crown Family High School
6:30pm Midweek Hebrew
6:30pm Adult Ed: Let's Talk About God

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6:15pm Crown Family High School
6:30pm Midweek Hebrew
6:30pm Adult Ed: Let's Talk About God

25

NO CROWN FAMILY HIGH SCHOOL/MIDWEEK HEBREW

10:00am Wednesday Study Group
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:30pm Clergy Conversations

SAVE THE DATE

PJ Library Pajama Tot Shabbat
FRIDAY | NOV. 13 | 5:30 PM

Join us and come dressed in your pajamas for a PJ Library Pajama Tot Shabbat.
We look forward to seeing you virtually!

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ADULT EDUCATION

THURSDAY

5

11:00am Minnie Solomon z"l
Book Club
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan

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3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan

19

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan

26

OFFICES CLOSED

THANKSGIVING

FRIDAY

6

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:30pm Tot Shabbat
6:15pm Shabbat Service
7:15pm Noar Shalom Youth Event
7:45pm Or Chadash
Late Shabbat

13

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:30pm PJ Library Pajama
Tot Shabbat
6:15pm Shabbat Service
7:15pm Chavrei Shalom
Youth Event

20

TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:30pm Tot Shabbat
6:00pm Family Candle-Lighting Sing-along
with Lifelong Learning Team
6:15pm Shabbat Mishpacha Service
featuring 3rd Graders
7:15pm Family Learning Session with
Clergy/Education Team
7:45pm Makom 20s/30s Late Shabbat

27

OFFICES CLOSED

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:30pm Tot Shabbat
6:15pm Shabbat Service

SATURDAY

7

9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service
9:45am Torah Study

14

9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service
9:45am Torah Study

21

9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service
9:45am Torah Study

28

9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service
9:45am Torah Study

On-site Community Groups Postponed

Our on-site groups including Klezmer House Band, JCC Weekly Meetup and Weekly Game Day will continue once we are able to gather safely together.

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Film Night: Abe
and Phil's Last
Poker Game

MON | DEC. 7
7:00 PM

Chanukah
101 with
Rabbi Singer

WED. | DEC. 9
7:45 PM

Hot Topics for
Jewish Feminists
with Rabbi Singer

MON | DEC. 21
7:00 PM

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3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
3:30pm Monday Meal
6:45pm Intro to Judaism
7:00pm Film Night: Abe and Phil's Last Poker Game

13

9:30am Feed the Hungry
9:30am Religious School
9:30am 1st Grade Yom Horim
9:30am Adult Ed
11:15am Chagigat Chanukah Family Celebration
7:00pm Makom Chanukah

14

9:00am Music and Meditation
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
3:30pm Monday Meal
6:45pm Intro to Judaism
7:00pm Adult Ed Chanukah

20

NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL/
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9:00am Music and Meditation
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
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6:30pm Hot Topics for Jewish Feminists with Rabbi Conover
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NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL/
ADULT ED

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9:00am Music and Meditation
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
3:30pm Monday Meal

TUESDAY

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8:30am Talmud Study with Rabbi Gellman
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:00pm Midweek Hebrew

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5:00pm Midweek Hebrew

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3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:00pm Midweek Hebrew
7:00pm IOT Chanukah

22

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6:15pm Crown Family High School
6:30pm Midweek Hebrew
7:45pm Chanukah 101 with Rabbi Singer

16

10:00am Wednesday Study Group
3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan
5:30pm Clergy Conversations
6:15pm Crown Family High School
6:30pm Midweek Hebrew
7:00pm Sholom Justice Chanukah

23

NO CROWN FAMILY HIGH SCHOOL/MIDWEEK HEBREW

10:00am Wednesday Study Group
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6:15pm Shabbat Service

SATURDAY

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9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service

9:45am Torah Study

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FIRST CANDLE

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan

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CHANUKAH

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan

5:30pm Tot Shabbat

6:00pm Family Candle-Lighting Sing-along with Lifelong Learning Team

6:15pm Shabbat Mishpacha Service featuring 4th Graders

6:15pm Mishpacha Chanukah

7:15pm Family Learning Session with Clergy/Education Team

12

9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service

9:45am Torah Study

1:00pm Mindful Jewish Aging

7:00pm WTS/Brotherhood Chanukah

17

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan

7:00pm Mindful Jewish Aging Chanukah

18

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan

5:30pm Tot Shabbat

6:15pm Embracing Racial & Ethnic Diversity Shabbat

19

9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service

9:45am Torah Study

24

3:00pm Kaddish D'Rabbanan

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OFFICES CLOSED

CHRISTMAS DAY

5:30pm Tot Shabbat

6:15pm Shabbat Service

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1ST DAY OF KWANZAA

9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service

9:45am Torah Study

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NEW YEARS EVE

Special Guest: Marra Gad

FRIDAY | DEC. 18 | 6:15 PM

Join us for special guest speaker, Marra Gad, who wrote a memoir about her experience growing up in the Reform Movement as a Jew of Color.

Chanukah

Visit sholomchicago.org/Chanukah for more information

Or Chadash
THURSDAY | DEC. 10
7:00 PM 1st Cande Lighting

Mishpacha
FRIDAY | DEC. 11
6:15 PM 2nd Cande Lighting

WTS/Brotherhood
SATURDAY | DEC. 12
7:00 PM 3rd Cande Lighting

Makom
SUNDAY | DEC. 13
7:00 PM 4th Cande Lighting

Adult Education
MONDAY | DEC. 14
7:00 PM 5th Cande Lighting

IOT
TUESDAY | DEC. 15
7:00 PM 6th Cande Lighting

Sholom Justice
WEDNESDAY | DEC. 16
7:00 PM 7th Cande Lighting

Mindful Jewish Aging
THURSDAY | DEC. 17
7:00 PM 8th Cande Lighting

Embracing Racial & Ethnic Diversity Shabbat
FRIDAY | DEC. 18
6:15 PM

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