

A SPECIAL SHABBAT AT TEMPLE BETH TZEDEK

MAY 10 and 11, 2024

RABBI ISAAC KLEIN
SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE GUEST
RABBI RACHEL ISAACS
&
INSTALLATION OF
RABBI SARA RICH

Two rabbis, multiple opportunities to
learn, study, and celebrate together.

A message from the Adult Education Committee:

For the first time in our history the Klein Weekend will be combined with the installation of our rabbi. We are celebrating two special events on one Shabbat. We are hosting Rabbi Rachel Isaacs as our scholar and installing officer. We will be having a Shabbat dinner, a full Kiddush on Saturday, and we will cap off the event with mincha, ma'ariv, a study session, s'eudah, and havdallah Saturday evening.

We hope that you will assist us in bringing Rabbi Isaacs to Temple Beth Tzedek and the Buffalo Jewish community. The suggested Patron level of giving is \$100 per person. As always, we greatly appreciate donations at any level. Won't you please join us in supporting this year's program? We hope you will join us.

A message from the Installation Committee:

We hope you will attend a special moment in our congregation's history as we install Rabbi Sara Rich as our rabbi. Please consider placing an ad in our Virtual Ad Book to honor this occasion and to express your appreciation of all she has done during her first year with us. The ad book will be on display in the Community Court and Social Hall during the event, and will be placed on our website for several months to come. We've planned a surprise or two for those who are present during Shabbat services. Your presence will enhance the event.



Rabbi Rachel Isaacs is the Founder and Executive Director of the Center for Small Town Jewish Life. She was named one of *"America's Most Inspiring Rabbis"* (2014) by the Jewish Daily Forward. Ordained in 2011 by the Jewish Theological Seminary, where she studied as a Wexner Graduate Fellow, Isaacs is the spiritual leader of Beth Israel Congregation. She is also the inaugural holder of the Dorothy "Bibby" Levine Alford chair in Jewish Studies, teaching courses on Hebrew, Jewish theology, and Jewish humor. In 2016, she delivered the final Hanukkah benediction of the Obama administration at the White House. She lives in Waterville with her wife, Melanie Weiss, and their daughters, Nitzan and Hadas.



Rabbi Sara Rich began her tenure as Rabbi of Temple Beth Tzedek in 2023, after being a member of the congregation since 2017, when her family moved to Buffalo for her to serve as the Executive Director of Hillel of Buffalo. Rabbi Rich and her family were initially drawn to Temple Beth Tzedek because of the warmth of the community and its dedication to sustaining a thriving traditional, egalitarian synagogue. As Rabbi, she is passionate about connecting Judaism with daily life, and answering the Torah's call to live lives of meaning and holiness, in community with others.

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To attend the dinner, reservations are required and payment is confirmation.

While kiddush and s'eudah are free of charge, reservations are requested for planning purposes.

Donations are appreciated.

You may email this form to rsvp@btzbuffalo.org, mail it back to the synagogue office with your payment, or call the office at 716-838-3232 with your credit card payment. Reservations must be received by Wednesday, April 24, 2024.

Dinner cost: \$40 per person (ages 13 and up) \$18 per person (ages 6-12) free (ages 5 and under)
[to be confirmed]

Friday, May 10, 2024 dinner reservations: (limited seating)

of people

_____ meals @ \$40 (ages 13 and up)
names: _____ \$ _____

_____ meals @ \$18 (ages 6-12)
names: _____ \$ _____

_____ meals free (ages 5 & under)
names: _____ \$ 0.00

Saturday, May 11, 2024

of people attending:

_____ Kiddush reservations (no charge)

_____ S'eudah reservations (no charge)

Donation for Kiddush and S'eudah – **Thank you !** \$ _____

Donation for Klein Scholar in Residence Program - **Thank you !**
(Klein donor recognition will be listed in the program) \$ _____

The Virtual Book honoring Rabbi Rich on the occasion of her installation will be on display during the event and then placed on our website for several months to come.

Original art work will not be returned.

[] Ad copy below [] Ad copy attached [] Previously submitted with Directory ad **Thank you!**

PLEASE PRINT!

[Empty dashed box for printing name and address]

Gold \$154 Silver \$108
 Bronze \$72 Name only \$36 \$ _____

TOTAL OF ALL ITEMS ABOVE TO BE PAID \$ _____

[] check enclosed

[] credit card information: Name on card: _____

Credit card number: _____

Expiration date: _____ CCV _____

Signature: _____