

Cantor's Corner By Cantor Laura Berman

"Goodnight stars, goodnight air, goodnight noises everywhere."

You may well know the words by heart. In fact, you probably know all the preceding words by heart, as well. They're

from the classic children's bedtime story, Goodnight, Moon. In the quiet of the evening as we read to a child the pages of the book, the words soothe, the room darkens, the clock advances, the moon rises, and the child says "goodnight" to all of the surroundings including the moon.

In Jewish tradition we, too, watch the moon. We take note as each moon wanes, but rather than say "goodnight," we announce the rise of a new moon. On the preceding Shabbat, we ask that like the moon, we may be renewed with vitality, with joy, with goodness, and with blessing.

It is curious that our tradition celebrates the new moon rather than the full moon. After all, so many of our holidays— Sukkot, T'u B'Shevat, Purim, Pesach—are celebrated when the moon is at its fullest and brightest. Look up in the night sky on Friday, October 2, the first night of Sukkot, and you are guaranteed to see a round, gleaming moon. So with all this celebration for a full moon, why then would our tradition honor the darkest time of the month, Rosh Chodesh, when the moon is barely visible?

Blu Greenberg, the renowned feminist author and lecturer, suggests that by ritualizing "the peak of night darkness rather than...the peak of its light," what our tradition expresses is optimism. Each month, we are reminded that "light follows darkness, hope returns; there's another chance, an opportunity for renewal." As such, we announce the new moon even before it is seen, and celebrate it at its first faint alimmer. It is a ritual of faith and confidence. It reminds us that what is coming, while it may still be unseen out there in the darkness, gives us reason for hope. Life may have its vicissitudes, but that faint glimmer can indeed grow into a bright and shining light.

Not having had the opportunity to write this bulletin article since my mother's death this past spring, I offer to this community my heartfelt thanks for your compassion through

this most difficult of times. My young son and I are so appreciative of the caring shown to us through her waning and ultimately her death. We were moved by the sensitivity of so many of you in your kind messages, sweet (but necessarily distanced) company, and gracious acts of support. My sister, who passed away well before her time in 2009, used to say that when you join a synagogue you join a community, and so many of you have provided light at the darkest of times.

In the meantime, we remember that however dark things may become, we each can say Goodnight, Moon while adding our own hopeful ending, "your light may now be hidden, but we'll surely see it very soon!"

Wishing you a chodesh tov—a good month—and the blessing of renewal!



# **High Holy Day Photos**

(Above): Cantor Laura Berman alone in the Leebov Sanctuary during rehearsal of Rosh HaShanah services.

(Right): The camera setup in the Leebov Sanctuary on Rosh HaShanah with a masked camera operator.

(More photos on Page 10.)

## **LIFE & LEGACY—ASSURING JEWISH TOMORROWS**

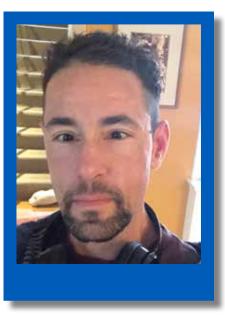
#### LEGACY CIRCLE MEMBERS (as of 10/2/20)

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#### WHY TEMPLE SINALIS IN MY FUTURE PLAN

By Morgan Faeder

I first heard of the Life & Legacy program at a Temple Sinai board meeting, presented as a way to help ensure the congregation's future with an incentive that would also help the congregation today. It sounded like a great idea for people planning their estates. I, however, was not planning my estate. Then my friend (and Temple Sinai's Director of Development), Leslie Fleisher, asked me to attend the Life & Legacy dinner celebrating the participants who had pledged to support one of all the various Pittsburgh Jewish organizations. There were a lot of people, not all of them older than I, and not all of them more financially well-off than I. And so I started to think.



I thought about what Temple Sinai means to me and my family. About how actively welcoming this community has been to us, at a time when intolerance of queer people has become more acceptable. About how Rabbi Gibson's and Rabbi Gorban's sermons so often focus on social justice, calling us to use what advantages we have to help others who are less fortunate. About how my children have been able to engage with their Judaism in their own way within this community. About the focus on disability awareness and inclusion and the recent Mental Health Trialogue, a gathering of providers, consumers, and Temple leaders to talk about the issues facing Jews with mental health challenges and how our community can help. And as I thought it became clear to me that the Temple Sinai community is one that I want to support as actively as it has supported me. It is a place that I want to continue to be there for the generations after me.

Joining the Legacy Circle by declaring my intent to remember Temple Sinai was, in the end, an easy decision to make. After recognizing what Temple Sinai means to me: a warm, welcoming community, teaching and living the Jewish values that guide me, it would have been harder not to.

What aspects of Jewish life do you cherish most—learning, community, worship, caring for those in need, or social justice? Whatever you care about most, by leaving a legacy you ensure the things you value are sustained for future generations. Contact Drew Barkley at (412) 421-9715 ext. 111 or Drew@TempleSinaiPGH.org to learn more.







Ronnie Cook Zuhlke

## BROTHERHOOD BRUNCH WITH KEITH BURRIS, SUN., OCT 2



Keith Burris

Questions?Please contact Todd Miller, at toddprmktg@gmail.com or 412,848, 1082 PLEASE JOIN KEITH BURRIS, EDITORIAL DIRECTOR, BLOCK COMM., & FMR. EXEC. ED., PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

# VIRTUAL BRUNCH & LECTURE

Sunday, October 25, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

What to Expect From This Year's Elections

Keith Burris was recently named editorial director of Block Communications. From February 2019 to early September 2020, he served as executive editor of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. For two decades, he was editorial page editor of the Journal Inquirer in Manchester, CT.

Keith grew up in Coshocton, Ohio, and earned a bachelor's degree in political science and history from Kent State University. He holds a master's in political science and a doctorate in political philosophy from the University of Pittsburgh. While studying for his doctorate, his first professional writing and editorials appeared in the Post-Gazette.

He authored a 2013 book, "Deep River: The Life and Music of Robert Shaw" and edited "No-Fault Politics" by the late U.S. Sen. Eugene McCarthy. Keith has also taught at Washington & Jefferson College, West Virginia University, Penn State University and Trinity College in Hartford, CT.

Keith and his wife, Amy, an artist and teacher, have three grown children.

# Find the Zoom link on our website:

www.templesinaipgh.org/ event/KeithBurris.html

### **BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! VIRTUAL COOKING CLASSES**

### COOK ALONGS, Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 PM

Our Cook Alongs in August were so popular that we're bringing them back with five new instructors and menus!

Our guest cook/baker will walk us through making one (or a few) of their favorite recipes. We will send you the ingredient list ahead of time so you can cook alongside them, asking your questions as we go. (If you'd rather watch the class and cook later, that works, too! We'll send the video to the participants after the class and post them on our YouTube channel.)

Oct. 7: Mara Kaplan (Soup for the Sukkah: Plum, Borscht, & Mushroom Barley)

Oct. 14: Elizabeth Collura (Pavlova & Lemon Curd)

Oct. 21: Carol Rosenthal (Greek Baked Fish with Tomatoes & Onions and Lemon Rice)

Oct. 28: Saul Straussman (menu TBD)

Nov. 4: Drew and Jan Barkley (Bagels, Lox, & Cream Cheese)

**Registration required to receive the Zoom link: www.TempleSinaiPGH.org/programs-events.** If you have any questions, contact Mara Kaplan at maratkaplan@gmail.com.



# OCTOBER AT VIRT

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY

#### Evening Meditation with Rhonda Rosen, Wednesday, 6 PM (via Zoom)

Members of this group have a full range of experience, from beginning meditators to those with a mature daily practice. We work on cultivating the skills of mindfulness, concentration, and absorption in silence. Contact Rhonda Rosen at rhonda.k.rosen@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

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9:30 AM NextDor (via Zoom)	6:30 PM Mental Health Panel Discussion (via Zoom) Details on the back cover.	7:30 PM Rosh Chodesh Group— Chesvan (via Zoom) All Temple Sinai women are welcome! For info or story PDFs please contact Lynn Magid Lazar at lynn.magid.lazar@gmail.com.	9:30 AM Planning to Canning Class with Rachel Kudrick (via Zoom) Noon Parashah/Weekly Torah Portion Class (via Zoom) 4:30 PM Hebrew School (via Zoom) 6 PM Evening Meditation (via Zoom) 6:30 PM Planning to Canning Class with Rachel Kudrick (via Zoom) 6:30 PM Cook Along: Carol Rosenthal & Greek Baked Fish with Rice (via Zoom)
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9:30 AM NextDor (via Zoom) 10 AM Brotherhood Brunch with Keith Burris (via Zoom)		A commemorative day of service, study, and community honoring the lives lost and the people affected by the attack on three Pittsburgh synagogues. Visit 1027healingpartnership.org/commemoration for details.	9:30 AM Planning to Canning Class with Rachel Kudrick (via Zoom) Noon Parashah/Weekly Torah Portion Class (via Zoom) 4:30 PM Hebrew School (via Zoom) 6 PM Evening Meditation (via Zoom) 6:30 PM Planning to Canning Class with Rachel Kudrick (via Zoom) 6:30 PM Cook Along: Saul Straussman

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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1	2	3 Sukkot	
6:30 PM Executive Committee Meeting (via Zoom)	7 PM Shabbat Evening Service (via Zoom & Livestream) 8:15 PM Oneg following the service (via Zoom)	10 AM Sukkot Morning Service hosted by Rodef Shalom Congregation (registration required for Zoom link) 7:30 PM Haydalah with Cantor	WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE
		Laura Berman (via Zoom)	FRIDAYS
8	9	10 Simchat Torah	OCTOBER 2 7 PM SHABBAT EVENING
	7 PM Shabbat Evening Service (via Zoom & Livestream) 8:15 PM Oneg following the	10 AM Simchat Torah & Yizkor Service hosted by Temple Sinai (via Zoom)	SERVICE OCTOBER 9
	service (via Zoom)	7:30 PM Havdalah with Cantor Laura Berman (via Zoom)	7 PM SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
			OCTOBER 16 5:30 PM TOT SHABBAT
15	16	17	7 DM SHARRAT EVENING
7 PM Board of Trustees Meeting (via Zoom)	5:30 PM Tot Shabbat Service (via Zoom & Livestream) 7 PM Shabbat Evening Service with Birthday Blessings (via Zoom & Livestream) 8:15 PM Oneg following the service (via Zoom)	8:30 AM Torah Study (via Zoom) 9:15 AM Informal Shabbat Morning Service (via Zoom & Livestream) 10:30 AM Bat Mitzvah of Amelia Landis & Shabbat Morning Service 7:30 PM Havdalah with Cantor	7 PM SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE WITH BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS  OCTOBER 23 7 PM SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
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# NOVEMBER AT VIRT

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
1	2	3 Election Day	4
9:30 AM NextDor (via Zoom) Daylight Savings Time ends at 3 AM on Sunday, Nov. 1. Remember to "fall back" one hour.	Important Note: Temple Sinai is a polling place for the November 3 election so you may see people entering to vote. However, we regret that Temple Sinai is only open for voting that day and remains closed for congregational meetings and activities.	As part of the Reform Movement's 2020 Civic Engagement Campaign, we hope to have 100% of our members vote!  Make sure you voice is heard: Vote Today!  Democracy is strongest when EVERYONE participates!	Noon Parashah/Weekly Torah Portion Class (via Zoom) 4:30 PM Hebrew School (via Zoom) 6 PM Evening Meditation (via Zoom) 6:30 PM Cook Along: Drew & Jan Barkley & Bagels, Lox, & Cream Cheese (via Zoom)
8	9	10	11 Veteran's Day
9:30 AM NextDor (via Zoom) 10 AM WoTS Board Meeting (via Zoom)	6:30 PM WoTS Cooking Class (via Zoom)		Noon Parashah/Weekly Torah Portion Class (via Zoom) 6 PM Evening Meditation (via Zoom) 7 PM Virtual Game Night (via Zoom) Let's play some fun group games together. Have you ever played Scattergories? How about Quiplash or Drawful? Join us and share some laughs! Register on our website on the "Register for Events" page.
15	16	17	18
9:30 AM NextDor (via Zoom)		7:30 PM Rosh Chodesh Group— Kislev (via Zoom) All Temple Sinai women are welcome! For info or story PDFs please contact Lynn Magid Lazar at lynn.magid.lazar@gmail.com.	Noon Parashah/Weekly Torah Portion Class (via Zoom) 4:30 PM Hebrew School (via Zoom) 6 PM Evening Meditation (via Zoom)
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		10:30 AM Bar Mitzvah of Solomon Donner & Shabbat Morning Service 7:30 PM Havdalah with Cantor Laura Berman (via Zoom)	FRIDAYS  NOVEMBER 6 7 PM SHABBAT EVENING
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			BAT MITZVAH OF SOPHIA MONACO & SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE

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"Music is a universal language, and needs not be translated. With it soul speaks to soul." ~Berthold Auerbach

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Ruth Love

We apologize in advance for any omissions or errors.

### Behind-the-Scenes High Holy Day Photos

Out of an abundance of caution, Rabbi Darryl Crystal, Rabbi Keren Gorban, and Cantor Laura Berman were in different locations in Temple Sinai for the services.

(Left Top): Rabbi Keren Gorban's view in the Falk Auditorium during rehearsal for Yom Kippur services.

(Left Middle): Rabbi Darryl Crystal rehearses for Rosh HaShanah services in the plaque area outside the Leebov Sanctuary.

(Left Bottom): Rabbi Darryl Crystal's view.

(Right Top & Middle): Technicians from Benack Sound Productions, Inc. monitor video and audio for High Holy Day services.

(Right Bottom): A professional captioner prepares text for the live captioning of a sermon.

Photo credits: Rabbi Keren Gorban, Drew Barkley, and Tami Prine













A warm and heartfelt **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped make our High Holy Day Services memorable and meaningful. Musicians, Torah readers, shofar blowers, speakers, singers, captioners and other accessibility volunteers, viewers, tech support volunteers, prayerbook deliverers, clergy, and staff—we are Temple Sinai.

A special **THANK YOU** to Mark and Cindy Goodman for underwriting our Livestream Fund for many years. Your generosity has made it possible for thousands of viewers to join us virtually. We also want to thank those who contributed to the fund for the High Holy Days: Barry & Susan Merenstein; David & Carole Maretsky; David & Suzie Hauptman & Dillon Hvizdash; Ilene B. Steiner; Jonathan & Veronica Schmerling; Joseph & Phyllis Weinkle; Lawrence Freedman; Lee & Michelle Dameshek; Michael & Louise Malakoff; Miriam Winikoff; Phyllis Dreyfuss; Richard & Rhoda Dorfzaun; Ronnie Cook Zuhlke & Fred Zuhlke; and Svetlana Koptsiovsky. (Dedications will be listed on the donor pages in the appropriate month).

## **OUR SACRED COMMUNITY**

### OF BLESSED MEMORY (JULY-AUGUST)

Jeanne Lichter Farkas Podolsky, mother of Joel (Charlese) Farkas, grandmother of Emily (Robert) Richman, great-grandmother of Addison, Reagan, and London

Ben Lofchie, grandfather of Marcy (Jared) Kaufman, great-grandmother of Brett and Ryan

Norman Amper, father of Stacey (Steven) Edelstein, grandfather of Errin and Sydney

Debbie Minden, sister of Jonathan (Deb Dunton) Minden

Edna Braham, mother of Lewis (Tanya Bielski-Braham) Braham

Violet R. London Marcus, mother of Harold (Maureen) Marcus, grandmother of Amy (Kevin) Segan and Josh Marcus, great-grandmother of Morgan Segal

David Green, brother of Alan (Joan) Green

Herbert Goldstein, husband of Marlene Goldstein

Joan Sally Shapiro

Debbie Levenstein, cousin of Barbara (Jamie) Gibson

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Evan Klein & Mark Rippy Bonnie Gillis Joanna & Michael Butler

Alexandra Belcher & Andrew Finley

#### **SIMCHAH**

Mazal Tov to Todd Reidbord, who was the winner of the S.J. NOVEN KOACH AWARD for his volunteer work, presented at the JCC's 125th Annual Meeting on Sept. 15.

**Mazal Tov** to Steve and Adora Holstein on the birth of their granddaughter, Amelie Jane Kery Holstein, on Aug. 24. Parents are Kenneth Holstein and Mary Beth Kery.

**Mazal Tov** to Rabbi Keren Gorban on the birth of her son, Yuval Shalev Gorban, on April 29.

Mazal Tov! Diane Rudov's poetry collection, Crazy Quilt of Loss and Love, is now available through Amazon, Barnes & Noble, or Word Association Publishing.

The book captures the universal experience of love, loss, finding a new satisfying life, and the tumults of illness, aging, and death. For further information, contact Diane at dannikb2@comcast.net.

A big **THANK YOU** to our Gardening Committee for another harvest at the end of September, which provided 50 services of vegetables for those in need including 8 pounds of tomatoes, 4.5 pounds of kale, and 3 peppers.



#### MAZAL TOV! B'NEI MITZVAH



Saturday, October 17
Bat Mitzvah of Amelia Landis
Daughter of John Landis & Kendra Coyle

Saturday, November 7
Bar Mitzvah of Solomon Donner
Son of Joshua & Hallie Donner



Saturday, October 24
Bat Mitzvah of Mika Goldberg
Daughter of Aaron & Elizabeth Goldberg



Saturday, November 14
Bat Mitzvah of Sophia Monaco
Daughter of Elizabeth Monaco

### Mental Health Panel Discussion: Do I Dare Ask? (via Zoom), Monday, Oct. 19, 6:30 PM

Often, the socially-acceptable way of talking about mental health issues is to simply just not talk about them. This program hopes to confront that.

#### Our panelists...

- Are all Temple Sinai congregants;
- Have experienced mental health struggles;
- Are willing to share their journeys;
- · Are happy to answer your questions; and
- Will discuss how they feel their needs have been addressed by Temple Sinai.

Register today on our website's "Register for Events" page.

Sponsored by the Mental Health Sub-Committee of Temple Sinai's disAbility Task Force.

# RETURNING YOUR MISHKAN HANEFESH PRAYERBOOKS

Please return your set of High Holy Day Prayer-books no later than Friday, October 16 to the table between the doors of the Krieger entrance. Be sure to put your name on a sticky note or piece of paper inside the books so we can properly account for all prayerbooks. Thank you.

# Through Saturday, October 10, BRING YOUR HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE DONATIONS!

Bring your food donations to Temple Sinai and leave them on the tables between the exterior and interior doors at the Krieger entrance.

Items needed: canned tomato sauce, spaghetti and macaroni pasta, instant mashed potatoes, canned soups, canned fruits in water, oatmeal and whole grain cereals, mac & cheese boxes, white and brown rice, Ziploc bags, any size napkins, paper towels, brown paper bags for bagged lunches, take out boxes, 60-gallon trash bags, 9" or 10" disposable plates, reusable grocery/tote bags, individually wrapped rolls of toilet paper, diapers, & baby wipes

Please donate unopened, unexpired items in cans, boxes, packages, etc. Please no glass jars or bottles.





## **SAVE THE DATE!**

December 11 Hanukkah Shabbat

#### Rabbi Darryl Crystal

Interim Senior Rabbi

#### Rabbi Keren Gorban, RJE

Associate Rabbi

Cantor Laura Berman, MBA, MSM, MJE, Diploma of Hazzan
Cantor

Rabbi James A. Gibson, MAHL, DD Emeritus Rabbi

Drew Barkley, FTA

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