

## Happy Passover

*Next Year in Jerusalem.  
OR...*

*This summer!  
Join Rabbi Shpeen,  
Rabbi Weitzman  
and Rabbi Shara  
August 19 - 30*



*Celebrate*

Thursday, June 8  
Friday, June 9  
Saturday June 10

Invitations to be mailed  
mid-April



**Introducing...**

## Cantor Emily Short

*With much thanks to our Cantorial Search Committee, we are thrilled to announce that Cantor Emily Short (she/her) will serve as the next cantor for our storied congregation. We feel certain that, along with her beautiful voice and spirit, Cantor Short will join Rabbi Weitzman in July to steward our community for many years to come. Her compassion, excitement, and dedication are all welcome additions to our amazing team.*



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# A Message From our Clergy



"Cantor, what are you doing when you wave your hands in front of your eyes before you sing the Candle Blessing? And why do you bow during certain places during the service? We never did that before. Is it new? Where did it come from?"

What great questions.

***Since Passover itself is THE holiday of questions - let's discover some of the answers together.***

First a reminder of how Judaism arrived at what we do. Jewish practice, as we now recognize it, came into being as a result of the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 C.E.

For almost 2,000 years, Jews have lived their lives, observed holidays, celebrated births, marriages, and deaths according to the opinions of the rabbis who lived in the first and second centuries C. E. These opinions were preserved in writing by the next generation and commented on by the rabbis who came after them. We call those writings The Talmud. Each generation that has followed has added their understandings. This has continued to our time with rabbis still studying questions and giving their researched opinions.

Some of the opinions have, over time, become rules that are universally followed, while others are considered to be customs, so that practices may vary from community to community. Here's an example: Hillel's opinion that when lighting Chanukah lights, one adds a candle each night ending in eight burning flames, has come to be the rule throughout the world. Where we place the Chanukiah is custom. Some light outdoors, others only in their homes where the Chanukiah is visible from the street, or not.

How we pray as a community has also been shaped by the process described above. Here's an example: the early rabbis decided that the *Sh'ma* should be said

multiple times a day, including during morning and evening services. This is a rule. However, customs evolved as to how one says *Sh'ma*. Are eyes open or closed? Do you sit or stand?

Early Reform Judaism decided that since *Sh'ma* is such an important prayer, the congregation should stand. The Talmud says you should remain as you are when you arrive at the *Sh'ma*. Some congregations sit after the *Bar'chu*, since the *Sh'ma* follows the *Bar'chu* the *Sh'ma* is said while seated. What do we do at CBE? Most of the time, we stand. But sometimes, we sit. We have decided that both reasons are valid, so we utilize both options.

Now to our questions. Lighting the candles to begin Shabbat and holidays creates a dilemma. Usually, the blessing for a commanded action is recited first, with that action immediately following. We recite *Motzi*, then we eat. But saying the blessing for candles starts Shabbat, and you can't make new fire on Shabbat, according to Jewish law. What to do?

We light the candles first and cover our eyes so as not to see the flames. We then recite the blessing and uncover our eyes, seeing the candles as if for the first time. Over the centuries, various customs have evolved as to how one covers one's eyes. Moving hands in a circular motion after the candles are lit and before the blessing is said, is one of the most widely practiced. I've heard various reasons for the hand motions. My favorite is that the hand movement brings more light and joy into one's home.

The section of the service that begins "*Adonai s'fatai tiftach...*" and ends with "*May the words of my mouth...*" is called the *Amida* [the Standing Prayer] or *T'filah* [the prayer]. This group of prayers is amongst the oldest to Judaism. It is described in the Talmud. 1st and 2nd century rabbis saw how earthly leaders were treated. Since people ceremonially bowed to kings and generals, all the more should we bow to God who is considered the king of kings.

The *Amidah* is envisioned as our private audience with God. When we enter this even more intimate encounter, the ancient rabbis reasoned, we should take three deliberate steps forward, bend our knees when we say "*Baruch*," bow at the waist at "*ata*," and return to standing up straight when we say, "*Adonai*". This is done at the beginning and the end of the first prayer, called the *Avot v'Imahot*. For the remaining blessings, we stay erect.

Early Reform Judaism stopped doing this choreography. Rabbis, like our own Isaac M. Wise, considered such movements undignified and something that needlessly  
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# President's Perspective

## *Passover Memories*

Passover is just around the corner and for me, that means searching- not for the afikomen but for a new Haggadah. The Haggadah we have been using for many, many years was perfect when David, Jessica, along with children of family and friends who celebrated with us, were younger. This Haggadah is filled with animated pictures, songs, prayers, and of course, the Passover story. We know many of the passages by heart, laugh at the same pictures, and have a fun and festive Seder. It was around 2016, when we realized that although this Haggadah was familiar, it was probably time for something new that was more relevant to current times and was less "juvenile."

My search over these 7 years has led me to purchase many different newer Haggadahs. It also introduced me to contemporary symbols and prayers including Miriam's Cup, an orange on the Seder plate and prayers for freedom and social justice that are now part of our Seder. But, for some reason, whatever I buy pales in comparison to that original Haggadah and I kept seeking reasons why this is so.

*As I reflect on the these recent years, when we gathered with family and friends for Zoom Seders, I have finally come to realize that this family friendly Haggadah represents some of my most precious Passover memories.*

It represents how we stayed together in very difficult times. It represents the Seders when the living room furniture was moved so everyone sat together. It represents Seders with enough food to last a few days, and the endless glasses of Manischewitz wine being



## Worship Services

### Friday Evening, March 31

6:00 pm Community Shabbat Service  
at the Sidney Albert Albany Jewish  
Community Center (no service at CBE)  
Shabbat Tzav

### Saturday Morning, April 1

9:30 am Torah Study with Susan Kushner  
10:45 am Bar Mitzvah of Justin Kohn

### Friday Evening, April 7

5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Service  
Chol Hamoed Passover

### Saturday Morning, April 8

9:30 am Torah Study with Rabbi Weitzman

### Wednesday, April 12

10:45 am Passover Yizkor Service

### Friday Evening, April 14

5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Service  
Shabbat Sh'mini

### Saturday Morning, April 15

9:30 am Torah Study with Yonatan Arnon

### Friday Evening, April 21

7:30 pm Shabbat Unplugged Service  
Shabbat Tazria-M'tzora

### Saturday Morning, April 22

9:30 am Torah Study with Yonatan Arnon

### Friday Evening, April 28

5:30 pm 185th Anniversary Shabbat  
at the Willbourn Temple - 121 Jay St.  
(no services at CBE)  
Shabbat Acharei Mot-K'doshim

### Saturday Morning, April 29

9:30 am Torah Study with Susan Kushner

*With gratitude to Marge & Barry Hollander for our  
Live Streaming that enables everyone to be together.*

enjoyed before, during and after the Seder. It represents family and friends who celebrate with us and fill our home with love and laughter. And, it represents the special times we have to be thankful for!

So this year, my search is on pause because I want to embrace being in-person with family and friends for the first time in 3 years and enjoy the familiarity of our family-friendly Haggadah. Perhaps next year, I will find that "just right" Haggadah, but for now, the original one will lead our Seder and add to our memories!

Wishing you a Passover filled with treasured traditions, new traditions and hope!

*Robyn Marinstein*  
*President@BethEmethAlbany.org*



## Our Temple Family

It is our practice to acknowledge congregants on special birthdays (starting at age 35) and anniversaries (beginning with the 10th) in multiples of five years. Please send events you want to share, or ones we have missed, to [Bulletin@BethEmethAlbany.org](mailto:Bulletin@BethEmethAlbany.org).

### April Special Birthdays

John Abbuhl	Mark Laven
Joan Danziger	Edward Lurie
Peter Eisenberg	Eileen Lurie
Mark Freedman	Donald Metzner
Elizabeth Goldstein	Carl Rubenstein
Sandra Gollop	Daniel Sanders
Susan Hager	Arleen Stein
Kasy Hoffman	Donald Ulrich
Cathy Kimmel	Neil Yager

### April Special Anniversaries

Jessica and Donald Ulrich ~ 25 years  
 Nancy and Barry Simon ~ 40 years  
 Beverly and Neil Colman ~ 55 years

### In Memoriam

*Beth Emeth recognizes with profound sorrow the death of our members:*

#### **Dr. Marvin J. Sagor**

Husband of Doris Sagor  
 Father of Sheila Sagor and Dr. Gregg Sagor

#### **Lawrence Saltwell**

Husband of Nanci Saltwell  
 Brother in law of Susan (Philip) Kushner  
 Father of Erik Saltwell and Julie Saltwell

*Beth Emeth extends sympathy to those in our congregation who have lost a loved one:*

#### **Helen Mayron**

Mother of Charles (Lisa) Mayron

#### **Renee (Rosenzweig) Pearlman**

Mother of Karen (Steven) Fein


### Mazel Tov to...

**Leslie and Barry Feinman** on the engagement of their son, Benjamin, to Dr. Carly Schwartzman. Benjamin's maternal grandparents are the late Marian and Richard Smith of Albany. His paternal grandparents (the late Renee) and Evan Feinman of Albany.

**Jane and Garry Sanders** on the birth of their granddaughter, Rebecca Goldie Sanders. Her parents are Jessi and Michael Sanders of Denver, Colorado. Great grandparents include Dorothy and the late Gordon Sanders and the late Jean and George Reiner.

**Jayne and Jeffrey Silver** on the engagement of their son, Steven, to Leanne Marcus, daughter of Susan and Richard Marcus. A summer 2024 wedding is being planned.

**David and Susan Wollner** on the birth of their grandson, Noah James, to **Michael and Sara Wollner**.



**Mazel Tov Rabbi Shpeen**  
 for being a  
 2023 Lifepath Third Age  
 Achievement Honoree

*Award Celebration & Luncheon at  
 Wolforts Roost on Friday, April 28 at 11:30 am*

**Sidney Albert Albany Jewish Community Center's**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Pillars of the  
 Community Awards**  
 Honoring

*Pillars Award Recipients*  
**Helena & Neil Davidoff**  
 \* **Jessica & Alan Richer**  
 \* **Julie & Andrew Safranko**

*Susan Shpeen Memorial Award*  
**SAAJCC Campus Director Janet Andrade**  
*Herbert A. Applebaum Award Recipient*  
**Max Ginsburg**  
*Lenore Bellin Award Recipient*  
 \* **Emily Kurlander**

**Sunday, April 30, 2023**  
**Congregation Beth Emeth Albany**  
 Open 9:30 a.m. • Ceremony 10 a.m.  
 \*Members of Congregation Beth Emeth

# Kathy's Corner

## Celebrating Rabbi Shpeen



### CELEBRATE

cel·e·brate /ˈseləˌbrāt/ to acknowledge (a significant or happy day or event) with a social gathering or enjoyable activity.

That is just what Congregation Beth Emeth plans to do! Celebrate Rabbi Shpeen and thank him for his remarkable service to the congregants of Congregation Beth Emeth and the Albany community for the past 38 years.

With all this excitement, I know that you are getting out your calendars and ready to mark the one day that we will be celebrating Rabbi Shpeen.

*However, one day is not enough to honor Rabbi Shpeen and so we have planned three days of festivities.*

As congregants, you are invited to attend all 3 evenings, or pick just one that you would like to attend.

### Our Three Exciting Events:

- **Thursday evening, June 8, 5:30 -7:30 pm**  
Community leaders, along with members and friends, will be invited to celebrate Rabbi Shpeen at a special reception.
- **Friday evening, June 9, 7:30 pm**  
After a special Erev Shabbat Service, our wonderful Beth Emeth Sisterhood and Brotherhood will host a Dessert Reception.
- **Saturday, June 10, 6:00 pm**  
This CBE Member Only Event features a cocktail hour and seated dinner followed by a program and then dessert.

## Congregation Beth Emeth Bulletin

Deadline for the May issue is April 4.  
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Please submit to [Bulletin@BethEmethAlbany.org](mailto:Bulletin@BethEmethAlbany.org)

At each of these special events, words in appreciation of Rabbi Shpeen will be spoken.

Capacity is limited for Saturday evening so please respond early to avoid being closed out. Your invitation will be sent via the US Postal Service the second week in April and registration for each night will be made on our website. If you need any assistance signing up, please call the office and we will be happy to assist you. There is a list of FAQs at [BethEmethAlbany.org](http://BethEmethAlbany.org) so all your questions can be answered.

A special thank you to Jill Goodman and Artie Malkin, Chairs of Rabbi Shpeen's Retirement Celebration Weekend and her fantastic committee, all of whom have worked so hard planning this celebratory weekend.

*Kathy Golderman*



## Nominations for the Board of Trustees - Update

*Executive Director*

*The following individuals have graciously agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee:*

Joe Schwartz	Meryl Schwalb
Alison Johnson	Michael Kent
Jen Steil	Mike Horelick

Robert Kivort, 2nd Vice-President, will serve as Chair. The Committee met in late February to nominate one person for each Trustee position to be filled at the next Annual Meeting. Thank you to all who have submitted names for consideration. If you have any questions concerning the nominating process, please contact Robert at [Robert@KivortSteel.com](mailto:Robert@KivortSteel.com) or 518.461.0806.

Nominees will be announced in the May Bulletin.

# Kids

## CBEYG

### *Congregation Beth Emeth Youth Group*

CBEYG has continued our year hard at work. March was a very busy month, between baking cookies to donate to the Soup Kitchen, running our first Purim Carnival in four years, and planning our next major event of the year, Havdalah Overnight. The youth group has been continuing our weekly meeting from 5:30 to 7:00 pm with delicious dinners and fun programs, as always. It's hard to believe we are almost at the end of the school year already, which means CBEYG Elections are right around the corner. We have so much planned to make the rest of the year amazing, and can't wait to see you there!

*Jacob Hildreth, Executive Vice President*



*Grades 6/7 D'var Workshop with Rabbi Weitzman*



## B'nai Mitzvah



**Justin Kohn**, son of Jodi Boyle and Dr. Matthew Kohn, will become a bar mitzvah on April 1.

Justin is a Scout, and plays the viola, soccer and Ultimate (frisbee). He also enjoys skiing and playing video games. For his mitzvah project, Justin volunteered at Diane's Farm.

### Was Your Child Born in 2012?

We are currently putting together our schedule of B'nai Mitzvah for the year 2025. Forms will be mailed to parents of those students who were born in 2012 (or those born in late December 2011 who have not yet set a date). Those forms should be completed and returned to the temple office by April 30.

If you do not receive a form by April 15, please contact Rebecca Mohr at [RMohr@BethEmethAlbany.org](mailto:RMohr@BethEmethAlbany.org). As always, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Rabbi Weitzman.



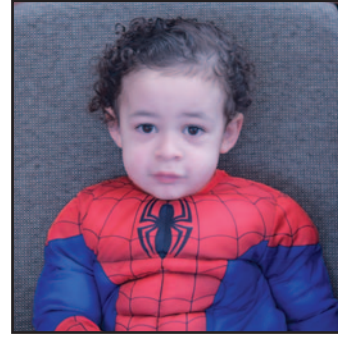
Join Rabbi Weitzman for a special

### Passover CBE & Me

Make Your Own Seder Plate

April 1 at 9:00 am

Kids ages 0-5 and the grownups who love them are invited to join us for a Shabbat morning program (grandparents encouraged)



# Purim

## So Much Fun!



# April Calendar

## Saturday, April 1

- 9:00 am Grandparent CBE & Me Passover
- 9:30 am Torah Study with Susan Kushner
- 10:45 am Grade 6 and 7 Shabbat Program
- 10:45 am Bar Mitzvah of Justin Kohn

## Sunday, April 2

- 9:30 am ARBA for Fours!
- 9:30 am Grade 5 Cemetery Tour
- 12:15 pm Grade 8 Meet & Eat

## Monday, April 3

- 7:00 pm Zoom Knit & Nosh
- 7:00 pm 185th Anniversary - Choir Rehearsal
- 7:15 pm Board of Trustees Meeting

## Wednesday, April 5

**Erev Passover - Office Closes at 2:00 pm**

## Thursday, April 6

**Passover - Office Closed**

## Friday, April 7

- 5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Service

## Saturday, April 8

- 9:30 am Torah Study with Rabbi Weitzman

## Sunday, April 9

**No Religious School - Spring Break**

- 11:00 am CBE at Soup Kitchen

## Monday, April 10

- 7:00 pm Zoom Knit & Nosh

## Wednesday, April 12

- 10:45 am Passover Yizkor Service

**Office Closed**

**No Religious School - Spring Break**

## Thursday, April 13

- 6:30 pm Brotherhood Card Night

## Friday, April 14

- 5:30 pm Erev Shabbat Service

## Saturday, April 15

- 9:30 am Torah Study  
with Rabbinic Intern Yonaton Arnon

## Sunday, April 16

**No Religious School - Spring Break**

## Monday, April 17

- 7:00 pm Zoom Knit & Nosh
- 7:00 pm 185th Anniversary - Choir Rehearsal

## Tuesday, April 18

- 7:30 pm Community Yom Hashoah Service  
at Gates of Heaven - Schenectady



## Wednesday, April 19

- 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn
- 5:00 pm Grade 5 Mock Wedding

## Thursday, April 20

- 8:30 am Philanthropy Team Meeting
- 9:00 am Mah Jongg Tournament and Play
- 7:00 pm Sisterhood Book Club

## Friday, April 21

- 5:30 pm Shabbat Unplugged
- 6:30 pm Shabbat Unplugged Dinner

## Saturday, April 22

- 9:30 am Torah Study  
with Rabbinic Intern Yonaton Arnon
- 1:00 pm Sisterhood Walk at Bender Melon Farm

## Sunday, April 23

- 9:30 am Grade 5 Cemetery Tour (rain date)
- 12:15 pm Grade 8 Meet & Eat

## Monday, April 24

- 7:00 pm Zoom Knit & Nosh
- 7:00 pm Education Committee Meeting
- 7:00 pm 185th Anniversary - Choir Rehearsal

## Tuesday, April 25

- 6:30 pm *Celebrating Israel @ 75*  
at Massry Center for the Arts  
The College of Saint Rose

## Wednesday, April 26

- 8:30 am Finance Committee Meeting
- 12:00 pm Lunch & Learn
- 7:30 pm Fiddler on the Roof at Proctors

## Thursday, April 27

- 7:00 pm Finding More Joy with Benita Zahn

## Friday, April 28

- 5:30 pm 185th Anniversary Shabbat  
at the Old Temple (no service at CBE)  
Wilbourn Temple - 161 Jay Street,  
Albany, NY

## Saturday, April 29

- 9:30 am Torah Study with Susan Kushner

## Sunday, April 30

- 11:00 am CBE at Soup Kitchen



# Sisterhood

## Finding More Joy with Benita Zahn



What is joy and how do I find it? Is it in my daily activities? Is it within me or does it require other people? Do I need a big event to find joy or is it in a million little things? According to Benita Zahn DPS, MS, CHWC, NBC-HWC, "It's closer than you think."

Benita Zahn is known to us for her more than 40 years as a health reporter and news anchor with WNYT. During that time, she earned her Masters and Doctorate in Bioethics at the Alden March Bioethics Institute at Albany Medical College, then becoming a nationally certified Health and Wellness Coach at Capital Cardiology Associates. She remains a highly recognized speaker on wellness and living a joyous life.

*Join us on Thursday, April 27 to explore joy, how to recognize it and bring more into your life.*

Please register by April 24. Free for Sisterhood and Brotherhood members, non-member fee is \$10 per person.

We look forward to seeing you!

Marjie Burgasser  
MRBurgs@aol.com or 518.281.1830

## Sisterhood Raffle!



*A chance to win a \$1,000  
gift card to the store of your choice!*

- Cost \$36
- Only 100 tickets will be sold!
- Deadline - April 27
- Drawing will be held at "Finding More Joy" with Benita Zahn event (You do not need to be present to win)

Ticket(s) may be purchased online or by sending a check payable to "Beth Emeth Sisterhood" to the temple office.

Contact: Robin Sobol at SobolRobin@gmail.com  
or 518.452.0575

## Sisterhood Book Club with Rabbi Weitzman

Thursday, April 20  
at 7:00 pm



Please join us as Rabbi Weitzman leads discussion on his reading selection "Israel: A Simple Guide to the Most Misunderstood Country on Earth" by Noa Tishby. Meet in the Larner Library Refreshments will be provided.

## Sisterhood Walks



Saturday, April 22 at 1:00 pm  
Bender Melon Farm, Voorheesville  
Moderate Hike - park at the Hilton Rd Barn.  
RSVP to Jacki Stein at CBEsisterEvents@gmail.com

## Mah Jongg (2 ways)

All Levels Welcome!

Sponsored by CBE Sisterhood

**When:** Thursday, April 20  
9:00 am Coffee and Bagels  
9:30 am Games Begin

**Where:** Congregation Beth Emeth

**RSVP:** By Friday, April 14  
register online or  
mail in a check to temple office  
(include name, phone and email  
and if you will bring a set)

**Contact:** Debbie at Debbie.Sokoler@gmail.com  
**Choose From:**

✓ **Tournament Play**  
With timed games and cash prizes.  
Cost: \$25 inclusive fee

✓ **Relaxed Play**  
Mixed level players.  
Cost: \$10 inclusive fee

Bring a brown bag lunch  
Fee includes light breakfast, dessert and snacks

# Passover Yizkor

Wednesday, April 12 at 10:45 am

Listed below are the names of our loved ones who have died since last year and will be recited at this service. If you would like the name of a loved one who died since last Passover (April 22, 2022) included in this service, please contact Rebecca Mohr at 518.436.9761 x224.

If you would like to honor the memory of a loved one with a contribution to the Beautification Fund, you may do so online or by mailing a check to the temple office.

Harvey Alpart  
Jason Baker  
Dr. Ruth Beer  
Dorice Brickman  
Charlotte Bromberg  
Joel Burtman  
James Cohen  
Joan Cope  
Susan Currier  
Louise Dalbora  
Claire (nee Wolf) Davis

Leonard Z. Davis  
Carole Deitcher  
Dr. Linda Ann Dubins  
Jeffery Fudin  
Ruth Glickstein  
Mark Goldberg  
Daniel A. Greenberg  
David Herbach  
Chloe Hartman-Isler  
Harvey Kahalas  
Gloria Kanter  
Marc Kaplan

Sally Kaufman  
Ida Kay  
Susan (nee Stewart) Kloss  
Miriam Itskow Kolker  
Aliza Kate Liebman  
Marga Marx  
Helen Mayron  
Daniel Nash  
Renee Pearlman  
Carl Rosenbloom  
Dr. Marvin Sagor  
Murray Saperstein



Barbara Schwalb  
Mark Shuket  
Gilda Siegal  
Andrew Silipo  
Walter Silver  
Harlan Steuer  
Dr. Herman Stone  
Arthur Taub  
Albert Weber  
Jay Wechsler  
Laura Woolis



## Reform Jewish Leader Addresses Protest Against Proposed Judicial Reforms in Tel Aviv

In early March, Rabbi Rick Jacobs, President of the Union for Reform Judaism, addressed a crowd of over 160,000 people demonstrating against the proposed judicial overhauls in Tel Aviv. Delivering his remarks in Hebrew, Rabbi Jacobs told protestors that Jews across the diaspora shared their concerns about proposed changes to Israel's democracy and would continue to stand with them in solidarity.

*"I'm here with over 250 Zionist Reform rabbis, who belong to the largest Zionist organization in North America. Every day we fight against those who delegitimize Israel. Every day we stand our ground on behalf of the special relationship between the United States and Israel -a relationship based in no small measure on our shared values of democracy and human rights."*

Please visit [URJ.org](http://URJ.org) and read the speech in its entirety



# Life Long Learning

## The Modern Seder Plate

How many items are on your Seder plate? This is not meant to be a trick question, but answers do vary. The traditional Seder plate holds 5 or 6 items:

The roasted egg, charoset, the roasted shankbone, bitter herbs, a parsley like vegetable, and often, an additional bitter vegetable like Romaine lettuce.

In addition to these basics, familiar to all of us, since the 1980's there have been many introductions of additional items, representing various social justice themes:

- 1 **An orange** - Professor Susannah Heschel introduced an orange on the Seder plate as a gesture of solidarity with LGBTQ+ Jews.
- 2 **A potato** - In the early 1990's, when the Ethiopians were airlifted to Israel, many were too ill to digest much food. Until their health was improved and strengthened, Israeli doctors had the Ethiopians on diets of rice and boiled potatoes. To represent this modern day exodus, some choose to commemorate this magnificent rescue with a potato on their Seder plates.
- 3 **Fair trade chocolate or cocoa beans** - Forced labor is still a global issue today. In recognition of the struggle for fair wages and equality, and Passover being the celebration of our escape from slavery, some people choose to place fair trade chocolates on the Seder plate to raise



consciousness to labor issues.

- 4 **Olives** - A symbol of the entire Middle East, some choose to present olives as a call for peace between all peoples in the Middle East.
- 5 **Cashews** - Inspired by a drug store sign encouraging customers to purchase bags of cashews to send to military troops, Rabbi Wesley Gardenswartz began this modern tradition. The cashews are meant to honor and acknowledge the sacrifice of our military troops, dedicated to protecting our freedom.

As you think about the symbols of Passover and the message of the Seder, what additions to the Seder plate might be meaningful to you and those gathered at your Seder table? What might symbolize justice, freedom, social responsibility and Jewish identity to you?

Shara Siegfeld  
Director of Life Long Learning

## Lunch & Learn

Wednesdays at noon with Rabbi Shpeen



April 19  
*Fact and Fiction of CBE*  
History and Nooks and Crannies of 100 Academy Road you've never explored.



April 26  
*Bus Tour of Old Jewish Albany*  
12:00 pm bus leaving CBE  
2:00 pm bus returns

This historic bus trip will include South Pearl District, the home of Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise, and the CBE South Bethlehem Cemetery. Feel free to bring a lunch to enjoy together at 11:30 am before the bus departs. Pre-Registration required to reserve your seat.

## Social Action

*Take a Minute for Social Justice Action*

As Jews prepare to gather for Seders and to give thanks for the events that led to our own exodus from slavery, we need to acknowledge that, despite the abolition of chattel slavery in the US in 1865, racial inequity continues today, in forms such as restricted access to the ballot box, a biased criminal justice system, and redlining.

Our Jewish texts teach the importance of restitution for wrongs committed. Racial healing can only begin to be achieved when we recognize and account for this systemic oppression.

**What can you do?**

Visit: [VoterVoice.net/URJ/campaigns/97892/respond](https://VoterVoice.net/URJ/campaigns/97892/respond) for more information and to learn actions you can take to help to redress the harms of those who came before us, and the injustices that continue to surround us.

# Donations

CBE mails receipts to individuals who have made contributions in excess of \$100. Notifications are mailed to all recipients, and appear in The Bulletin shortly thereafter. This list includes new gifts received by March 5.

## Clergy Funds



### Rabbi Scott Shpeen Discretionary Fund

Stuart Balter in appreciation of Rabbi Shpeen assisting his son with Aliya to Israel

Jill and Howard Goldfine in memory of Marvin Grode

### Rabbi Greg Weitzman Discretionary Fund

Melissa and Michael Berenbaum in memory of Jason Baker

The family of Dr. Robert Lieberman in recognition of Gary Weitzman on his special birthday

The family of Dr. Robert Lieberman in honor of Julie and Andy Safranko on receiving the Pillars Award

Robin and Ted Sobol in memory of Renee Pearlman

## Helping our Synagogue



### The Cantor Jodi Schechtman Music Fund

Pat and Bob Friedman in honor of the special birthdays of Abby and Marc Nash

Pat and Bob Friedman in honor of Julie and Andrew Safranko receiving the SAAJCC Pillars Award

### The Ellen Herkowitz Judaic Art Fund

Gloria Herkowitz in memory of Ellen Sue Herkowitz Sam Herkowitz

Gloria Herkowitz and family in memory of Jason Baker

### The General Fund

Leslie and Barry Feinman in honor of the engagement of Hillary Feinman and Dylan Johnson

Marcy and Jeff Feinman in honor of the engagement of Ben Feinman to Carly Schwartzman

Melissa and Ronald Greenberg in honor of Jessica and Alan Richer receiving the SAAJCC Pillars of the Community Award

Melissa and Ronald Greenberg in honor of Julie and Andrew Safranko receiving the SAAJCC Pillars of the Community Award

Melissa and Ronald Greenberg in celebration of the engagement of Jessica Marinstein and Josh Jess

Jill Goodman and Artie Malkin in honor of Jessica and Alan Richer receiving the SAAJCC Pillars of the Community Award

Jill Goodman and Artie Malkin in honor of Julie and Andrew Safranko receiving the SAAJCC Pillars of the Community Award

Sigrid and Raymond Naar in memory of Dr. Ruth Beer

### The Lorraine Bolt Archives Fund

Jill Goodman and Artie Malkin in honor of Cynthia Freedman and Carol Rosenthal being named 2023 Honorable Menschen by JFS

### The Rabbi Martin I. Silverman Interreligious Fund

Ellen Brickman in appreciation of Cantor Sharon Kohn



## Helping our World



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## Shabbat of April 7 - 8

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## Shabbat of April 14 - 15

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## A Message From our Clergy (cont.)

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separated Jews from their Protestant neighbors. Over the last 50 years or so, Reform Judaism has reevaluated its practice of both rules and customs. The emphasis had been on a Judaism that was intellectual and prophetic. More recently, this thinking has enlarged to recognize that in addition to being a thinking species, we are also physical beings.

Exploring how to involve our bodies in our Jewish observances has become the norm. Every rabbi and cantor brings with them their journey of exploration and the practices they find meaningful. I hope each of you continues to explore the many ways one can “do Jewish.” I hope you ask questions about what you see and what you do.

At this season of renewal, may we all renew our commitment to finding new meaning in our observances, and new ways to act out our beliefs. In the words of Rav Kook, “May the old become new, and the new become holy.”

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