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Signs of hope and renewal at Temple Emeth!



November 17
Daffodil
Project
planting

The Daffodil Project aspires to build a worldwide Living Holocaust Memorial by planting 1.5 million daffodils in memory of the children who perished in the Holocaust and in support for children suffering in humanitarian crises in the world today.

The Temple Emeth building remains closed until further notice as determined by the Board of Trustees due to the current state of emergency. All services will be held over Zoom, and other Temple events will be held by Zoom or postponed. Temple Emeth is a caring community which is here to support you during this crisis. You may call or text Rabbi Sirbu at 201-280-5718, Cantor Tilem at 201-951-2607 or Temple President Nickie Falk at 201-788-7182.



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Message From the Rabbi

A few days ago, I got my first quarantine haircut. I bought a beard trimmer, and my wife and daughter sat me down in the dining room with a towel around my shoulders and did the best they could. The result was respectable; however, I don't think it would be confused with a professional haircut. But given the restrictions of our shelter-in-place order, they improvised.

I think that has been the overriding theme of the last month. Some things get postponed or canceled and other things are improvised.

A friend of mine is celebrating his fiftieth birthday soon. Instead of sending him a true birthday card, which I didn't have at home, I improvised and sent him a regular note card with a hand-written message.

In April our Bar Mitzvah boy read his Torah portion from his dining room on Zoom while relatives recited the blessings from miles away.

And on Saturday Night Seder, a fabulous internet video with original songs and comedy about Passover in quarantine, chef Michael Solomonov helped actor Dan Levy improvise a Seder plate with a dog treat for a shankbone and pear butter for charoset.

In some cases, improvising has led to some surprisingly positive results. Our second night Passover Seder by Zoom enabled relatives from every time zone to come together for our congregational celebration. And we have more people attending Torah study on Zoom than we usually

had in the Youth Lounge.

In some cases our improvisations remind us that we do things for a reason. I recently officiated at two funerals that were attended by just two or three people. While the mourners knew that they were loved and supported from afar, the absence

of these friends and family added an extra layer of sadness to the occasion.

And in other cases, there seems to be no viable way to improvise. Such was the case with Confirmation, which is always celebrated in our sanctuary on Erev Shavuot. Instead of improvising, I decided we should postpone and celebrate next Shavuot instead.

Even the Torah, which is generally not known for its flexibility, offers a few examples of improvisation, or at least mindful substitution. Individuals who are impure on Passover can offer the Passover sacrifice exactly one month later (Numbers 9:9-13). And someone who cannot afford a regular animal sacrifice can offer turtle-doves or pigeons instead (Leviticus 5:7).

Necessity is the mother of invention, says the old adage, attributed to Plato. And invention is created through improvisation and experimentation. When it comes to Jewish life, only time will tell which improvisations endure as actual improvements over the old way of doing things. In the meantime we will do what we can to mark Jewish time and continue our traditions.



Rabbi Steven Sirbu

From the Religious School

How Good Are Our Tents!

We start so many of our Temple Emeth services with Ma Tov:

“How good are your tents, Jacob (and) your sanctuaries, Israel.”

But... we never really focus on our tents, that is, our homes. We are grateful for and happy to be sitting in Temple Emeth's friendly and beautiful sanctuary.

Well, the last few weeks have added HOMES to our song of appreciation: your home, my home, our homes have become our sanctuaries... of prayer, learning, family time together, and for protecting our physical health and mental well-being. That's something we

should not take for granted. It hasn't

always been easy or smooth-going every second, but it is HOME.

I am so proud of the students and parents who continued the substance



Dora Geld Friedman



and energy of our school. We are all indebted to our devoted teachers for their crisp and creative initiatives in delivering meaningful online lessons, and for their ongoing sensitivities to students and parents. Thank you Mora Wendy, Mora Allyson, Mora Shoshana, Mora Naomi, Mora Jill, Mora Nancy, Mora Marla, Mora Idajeane, and Moreh Marc.

Yasher Koach to Barbara Shater for your commitment and for coordinating the online communications. Thank you Religious School co-chairs Danielle Feuer and Tammy Hecht for your guidance and support. Thank you Rabbi Sirbu and Cantor Tilem for holding our tent steady!

To all of you, I miss you more than words can say. Stay safe. Be kind.

B'vracha,
Mora Dora

Dear Temple Emeth Family:

The Spring Gala 2020 Committee and Temple Officers are postponing this year's Spring Gala until spring 2021, so that we can recognize our honorees at a time we all hope will be much more celebratory.

The Spring Gala Committee talked through many options, including doing a virtual event or holding the Gala in the late fall, but decided that given the current situation, any celebration within the next six months will be very difficult and inappropriate. And, we don't want to do a disservice to our honorees — Past President Marc Chelemer, and Devotion Awardees Barbara Balkin and Carlene Fleishman.

Sympathetic to the fact that postponing one of Temple Emeth's major fundraising efforts is a difficult decision, we also discussed doing a virtual fundraising event, but do not feel it is feasible in the near future since some of our members have temporarily lost their jobs and current restrictions have impacted small businesses that typically take out Journal Ads or donate to our Silent Auction. The combined revenue from the Ad Journal and Silent Auction would have been around \$20,000. While we regret this shortfall in our budget, our greater concern is for the economic health of our members and the small businesses we deal with.

The Spring Gala 2020 Committee has agreed to continue working as a team for a 2021 event. We're ready to go, once the Spring 2021 date is set.

We wish everyone health and safety at this time.

Regards,

Jill Kantor and Maddy Eichen, Spring Gala Co-Chairs

Michael and Gayle Goldberg, Ad Journal Co-Chairs

Nancy Wolinsky and Jodee Fink, Silent Auction Co-Chairs

Message from President Nickie Falk

Wishing for Normalcy in a World Turned Upside Down

I had originally planned to write about a sustainability initiative being launched by our Social Action Committee, but our world has changed dramatically, and so have each of us.

Our synagogue has been closed for just over a month now, and in that time, we have already undergone a tremendous transformation. Sadly, some of our beloved Temple Emeth family members are no longer with us. For that reason alone, we will never be the same.

Many of our members have been ill. Each illness generates a prayer for *r'fuah sh'leimah*. Others have lost family, friends, and colleagues. Each death leaves a hole in our collective heart.

But while we grieve and think about people and things that are no longer, let us also consider our blessings. In an age of technology, there have been so many ways we have been able to connect with each other and our families. I know I'm not the only one who had relatives from afar join in our Zoom Seder.

How fortunate we are that because of technology, we can hold Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat and Saturday morning services. Online shiva minyans have given us an opportunity to comfort the mourners as best we can from a distance. Cantor Tilem has been holding B'nai Mitzvah sessions on FaceTime, and we've had our first Bar Mitzvah online; Mazel Tov to Aaron Richards and his parents Karyn and Gary Richards! Rabbi Sirbu's Saturday morning Torah Study and Wednesday's Lunch and Learn are held online. Our Officers' and Board meetings have been held online, and some of our committees have met virtually as well. As we continue to learn how to best manage this new way of gathering together, we are adding new programming that you'll be hearing about soon.

The best part of meeting virtually through Zoom is that we get to see friends and talk with them. Of course, "old-fashioned" technology—the telephone—has

allowed the Board, members of our Caring Committee, our clergy, and staff to connect with everyone. If anyone needs help from the Temple, or just needs a friendly voice at the end of the telephone, please reach out to me by phone or text (201-788-7182) or email me (president@emeth.org).

You can also connect to us through our Temple Emeth Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/templeemeth/>). Like and comment on our posts; start a virtual discussion with other Temple Emeth family members. We post regularly and hope you will, too.

I'd be remiss if I didn't give a shout out to our staff—Suzannah Mercado, Temple Administrator; Elaine Hanan, Administrative

Assistant; and Maryanne Tursi, Bookkeeper—who are working remotely from their homes. Once a week, gloved, masked, with disinfectant in hand, and on different days, Suzannah and Maryanne go to Temple to process the mail, bills, and donations.

Like you, I long for the day when we can go back to "normal," recognizing that normal will never be the same. This excerpt from an article (Why You Should Ignore All that Coronavirus-Inspired Productivity Pressure) that appeared March 27 in *The Chronicle of Higher Education* (thanks Andrea Winters for sharing), says it better than I can:

"Global catastrophes change the world, and this pandemic is very much akin to a major war. Even if we contain the Covid-19 crisis within a few months, the legacy of this pandemic will live with us for years, perhaps decades to come. It will change the way we move, build, learn, and connect. There is simply no way that our lives will resume as if this had never happened...."

Until we can meet again in person, sending virtual hugs to you all...Nickie



Nickie Falk

Services and S'machot

*Note: This schedule anticipates that the Temple building will remain closed through May due to the Covid-19 crisis, and all services and classes listed below will take place via Zoom.
If we reopen before May 31, we will release a revised schedule.*

8th of Iyar 5780
Friday, May 1st

Shabbat Acharei Mot-K'doshim
Kabbalat Shabbat – Teacher Appreciation Shabbat
at 5:45 p.m.

Saturday, May 2nd

Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.

Torah Portion - Acharei Mot-K'doshim Leviticus. 16:1-20:27 Haftarah - Amos 9:7-15

15th of Iyar 5780
Friday, May 8th

Shabbat Emor
Kabbalat Shabbat – Milestone Membership
Shabbat at 5:45 p.m.

Saturday, May 9th

Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.

Torah Portion - Emor: Leviticus. 21:1-24:33

Haftarah - Ezekiel 44:15-31

22nd of Iyar 5780
Friday, May 15th

Shabbat B'har-B'chukotai
Kabbalat Shabbat – Celebrating May Birthdays
at 5:45p.m.

Saturday May 16th

Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.

Torah Portion - B'har-B'chukotai: Lev. 25:1-27:34

Haftarah - Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

29th of Iyar 5780
Friday, May 22nd

Shabbat B'midbar – Machar Chodesh
Kabbalat Shabbat at 5:45 p.m.

Saturday, May 23rd

Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.

Torah Portion - B'midbar: Num. 1:1–4:20

Haftarah - Hosea 2:1-22

6th of Sivan 5780
Thursday, May 28th

Shavuot
Erev Shavuot Service and Yizkor at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, May 29th
7th of Sivan

Festival Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.
Shabbat Naso I
Kabbalat Shabbat at 5:45 p.m.

Saturday, May 30th

Torah Study at 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat Morning Kiddush at 11:30 a.m.

Torah Portion - Naso I: Num.4:21–5:31

Haftarah - Judges 13:2–12

May 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 7th of Iyyar 5780 5:45pm - 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat - Teacher Appreciation Shabbat @ ZOOM 7:35pm Candle Lighting	2 8th of Iyyar 5780 9:30am - 10:30am Torah Study @ ZOOM 11:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Kiddush @ ZOOM
3 9th of Iyyar 5780 9:00am - 11:00am Religious School Classes @ ZOOM	4 10th of Iyyar 5780 10:30am - 12:00pm Yiddish Class @ ZOOM	5 11th of Iyyar 5780 6:30pm - 7:30pm Stories from a Jewish Perspective @ ZOOM 7:40pm - 8:40pm Adult Education: "Path of the Prophets," with Rabbi Sirbu @ ZOOM	6 12th of Iyyar 5780 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch and Learn @ ZOOM 4:00pm - 6:00pm Religious School Classes @ ZOOM 7:00pm - 8:00pm Officers' Meeting @ ZOOM	7 13th of Iyyar 5780 4:00pm - 5:00pm Strength and Spirit with Cantor Tilem @ ZOOM 7:00pm - 8:00pm Ritual Committee Meeting @ ZOOM	8 14th of Iyyar 5780 5:45pm - 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat - Milestone Membership Shabbat @ ZOOM 7:42pm Candle Lighting	9 15th of Iyyar 5780 9:30am - 10:30am Torah Study @ ZOOM 11:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Kiddush @ ZOOM
10 16th of Iyyar 5780 9:00am - 11:00am Religious School Classes @ ZOOM	11 17th of Iyyar, Erev Lag B'Omer 10:30am - 12:00pm Yiddish Class @ ZOOM	12 18th of Iyyar, Lag B'Omer 6:30pm - 7:30pm Stories from a Jewish Perspective @ ZOOM 7:40pm - 8:40pm Adult Education: "Path of the Prophets," with Rabbi Sirbu @ ZOOM	13 19th of Iyyar 5780 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch and Learn @ ZOOM 4:00pm - 6:00pm Religious School Classes @ ZOOM	14 20th of Iyyar 5780 4:00pm - 5:00pm Strength and Spirit with Cantor Tilem @ ZOOM 7:45pm - 9:15pm Board of Trustees Meeting @ ZOOM	15 21st of Iyyar 5780 5:45pm - 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat & celebrating May birthdays @ ZOOM 7:49pm Candle Lighting	16 22nd of Iyyar 5780 9:30am - 10:30am Torah Study @ ZOOM 11:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Kiddush @ ZOOM
17 23rd of Iyyar 5780 9:00am - 11:00am Last Day of Religious School @ ZOOM 10:30am - 12:00pm B'yachad Breakfast @ ZOOM	18 24th of Iyyar 5780 10:30am - 12:00pm Yiddish Class @ ZOOM	19 25th of Iyyar 5780 6:30pm - 7:30pm Stories from a Jewish Perspective @ ZOOM 7:40pm - 8:40pm Adult Education: "Path of the Prophets," with Rabbi Sirbu @ ZOOM	20 26th of Iyyar 5780 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch and Learn @ ZOOM 7:00pm - 8:30pm Caring Committee Meeting @ ZOOM	21 27th of Iyyar 5780 4:00pm - 5:00pm Strength and Spirit with Cantor Tilem @ ZOOM	22 28th of Iyyar 5780 5:45pm - 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat @ ZOOM 7:56pm Candle Lighting	23 29th of Iyyar 5780 9:30am - 10:30am Torah Study @ ZOOM 11:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Kiddush @ ZOOM
24 1st of Sivan 5780	25 2nd of Sivan 5780 Memorial Day	26 3rd of Sivan 5780 6:30pm - 7:30pm Stories from a Jewish Perspective (Make-Up Date) @ ZOOM 7:40pm - 8:40pm Adult Education: "Path of the Prophets," with Rabbi Sirbu (make-up date) @ ZOOM	27 4th of Sivan 5780 12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch and Learn @ ZOOM	28 5th of Sivan, Shavuot 4:00pm - 5:00pm Strength and Spirit with Cantor Tilem @ ZOOM 6:30pm - 7:30pm Erev Shavuot Service and Yizkor @ ZOOM	29 6th of Sivan, Shavuot 11:30am - 12:00pm Festival Morning Kiddush, @ ZOOM 5:45pm - 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat @ ZOOM 8:02pm Candle Lighting	30 7th of Sivan 5780 9:30am - 10:30am Torah Study @ ZOOM 11:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Kiddush @ ZOOM
31 8th of Sivan 5780						

For up-to-the-minute event information, additions, cancellations, or make-up classes go to www.emeth.org
 A version of the calendar is online at <http://www.emeth.org/monthly-calendar>

Good & Welfare

The congregation mourns the loss of members...

Janice Preschel and sends condolences to her family.

Gilda Glazer and sends condolences to her family.

Larry Gragnano and sends condolences to his wife, Elona Sofer.

Betty Rosenberg and sends condolences to her family.

Richard Koffler and sends condolences to his wife, Florette.

Eric Loeb and sends condolences to his wife, Jean.

Richard Carpenter and sends condolences to his wife, Eileen.

Condolences to...

Paula Dillon on the loss of her father,
Alan Krumholz.

Sabrina Lerman on the loss of her mother,
Wu Shufang.

Bill Helfman on the loss of his brother,
Richard Helfman.

Karyn Richards on the loss of her mother,
Dorothy Lane.

Steven Nagin on the loss of his aunt,
Lydia Lefkowitz.

Wendy Kosakoff on the loss of her uncle,
Howard Deckelbaum.

Judy and Gidon Yablanka on the loss of
Joseph Fisch.

Stephanie Kwait on the loss of her sister-in-law,
Ginger Zappin.

Carl Shapiro on the loss of his friend,
Harvey Schneider.

Karen Gronner on the loss of her sister,
Lisa McGuire.

Linda Klempner on the loss of her cousin,
Larry Auslander.

Mazel Tov to...

Gary and Karyn Richards on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Aaron.

Holly and Steve Clark on the birth of their grandson Leo.

Lynne and Bill Graizel on their 40th anniversary.

Get Well Wishes to...

Larry Bernard
Florette Koffler

Mike Eastman
Ed Pierce

Carl Shapiro

Minutes of Board of Trustees Meetings

Minutes of all board meetings are kept on file in the office for anyone interested in seeing them.

Social Action in Action

Family Promise is shut down for now. Elaine Bergman is keeping in touch with them. We don't know how they will come back. Our Walk-in Dinner is scheduled for the end of June. We understand that organizations are donating dinner and the Walk-In Center is doing the service. Karyle Goldstein is looking into it to confirm.

We talked about Janice Preschel. A decision was made to donate \$300 to Helping Hands Food Panty in her name. There was a discussion about additional ways to honor Janice.

Northern NJ Sanctuary Coalition is postponing their annual fundraising dinner to October (date tbd) at Central Unitarian Church, 156 Forest Avenue, Paramus, NJ. Tickets are \$25.

A general discussion was held about Coronavirus.

- Nancy Miller mentioned a program that her neighbor is involved in which matches teenagers with senior citizens. Nancy will explore to see if there is any way we might participate.

- "Just Eat It" B'yachad Breakfast was canceled on April 19. Steve Chaiken is organizing an alternative. Stay tuned.

- Sandi Klein mentioned a recent interview in her Conversations with Creative Women series with Claudia Coenen, grief counselor, author, teacher. <http://sandikleinshow.com/>.

- Are there webinars or online events that we may want to recommend or build programming around?

- In the meantime, make sure you fill out your Census info. https://2020census.gov/?cid=20003:census%202020:sem.ga:p:dm:en:&utm_source=sem.ga&utm_medium=p&utm_campaign=dm:en&utm_content=20003&utm_term=census%202020

- For those Teaneck residents: VOTE. Mail in ballots are going out around April 21 and should be sent back by May 12.

The next Social Action meeting will take place on Sunday, May 10 at 9:45 a.m. via Zoom

"MOVIES THAT MATTERED"
A Film Series Follow-Up to
"The Jewish Experience
Through Cinema"

Upcoming:

**"Boys from
Brazil"**
June 9

Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library

Monthly News Update: These Books Await You

By Marion Wolf

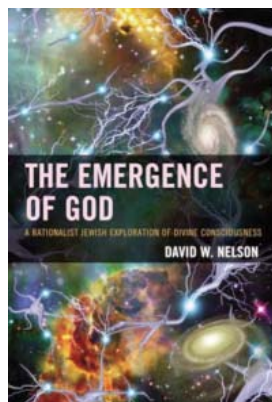
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When our world returns to normal and you can once again browse the shelves of the Rabbi Joshua Trachtenberg Memorial Library, several new additions await you.

One is a work of nonfiction by Rabbi David W. Nelson, who was a Trachtenberg lecturer here at Temple Emeth a few years ago. You may recall Rabbi Nelson's previous book, Judaism, Physics and God, his search for sacred metaphors, and his attempts to reconcile science and faith. The rabbi's journey continues in his latest book, The Emergence of God: A Rationalist Jewish Exploration of Divine Consciousness.

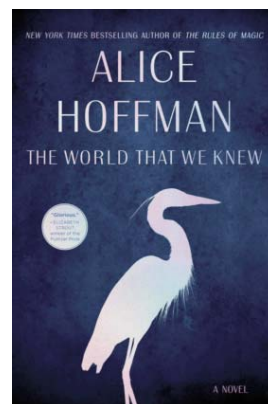
Rabbi Nelson has come to believe in a God "who is the sum total of the organizational forces in the universe, the natural powers and laws that give structure, beauty, and elegance to the universe on every level, from the subatomic to the supergalactic." This view makes sense, but Rabbi Nelson craves something more, a way to interact with a conscious God. So just as he once studied physics, he now examines the latest research on consciousness. "This book is an ambitious attempt to craft a compelling theology that is at once firmly grounded in Judaic tradition and simultaneously respectful of modern scientific understanding."



If you'd prefer to read some fiction, there are a couple of novels that may interest you.

Alice Hoffman's The World that We Know is set in 1941, as Hanni Kohn looks for a way to save her

twelve-year-old daughter Lea from the Nazis. In desperation she consults a rabbi. But it is the rabbi's daughter Ettie who comes to the rescue, conjuring up a golem—Ava—to act as Lea's bodyguard. Lea and Ava make their way from Berlin to Paris. Together they confront evil, acting with courage and love to survive. In this New York Times young adult best-seller, Hoffman mixes brutal realities with magical realism.



Yet another fictional best-seller is Taffy Brodesser-Akner's Fleishman Is in Trouble. This is a contemporary tale of a bitter divorce. Toby and Rachel Fleishman have separated after 15 years of marriage. Now Toby is discovering a whole new world of sexual emancipation via dating apps. One summer day Rachel drops off their children and then ... never returns for them. She seems to have disappeared. As Toby tries to juggle his patients at the hospital, his parental responsibility, and his active social life, he must also figure out what has become of Rachel. Brodesser-Akner, according to *Kirkus Reviews*, is "firing on all circuits, from psychological insight to cultural acuity to narrative strategy to very smart humor. Quite a debut!"



These are just a few of the volumes you'll find when you emerge from your home and come back to our library.

CONTRIBUTIONS

ADULT EDUCATION FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg in memory of Wu Shufang,
mother of Sabrina Lerman
in loving memory of our friend, Richard Koffler

Elaine and Joe Pollack in memory of Wu Shufang,
mother of Sabrina Lerman

Carla and Larry Silver in memory of Wu Shufang,
mother of Sabrina Lerman

Jacqueline Guttman in memory of Richard Koffler

Susan and Marty Breznick in memory of Wu Shufang,
mother of Sabrina Lerman
wishing Mike Eastman a speedy recovery

Marion Wolf in memory of Wu Shufang, mother of
Sabrina Lerman

EMETH TEEN COMMUNITY FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg send Mazel Tov to
Aaron Richards on his Bar Mitzvah

ILANA HED RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg in memory of Dorothy
Lane, mother of Karyn Richards

Elinor Buchbinder sends congratulations to Gary and Karyn
Richards on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Aaron

Judy and David Fox in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of
Aaron Richards, son of Karyn and Gary Richards

Carla and Larry Silver in memory of Dorothy Lane,
mother of Karyn Richards

LIBRARY FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg wishing Holly and Steve
Clark Mazel Tov on becoming grandparents

Marion Wolf in memory of Richard Koffler

MUSEUM FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg in memory of Richard
Helfman, brother of Bill Helfman
wish Mazel Tov to Eley Kohn and Barry Obut on
the birth of their granddaughter, Arya Ocean

Carla and Larry Silver in memory of Larry Gragnano,
beloved husband of Elona Sofer
in memory of Richard Helfman, brother of
Bill Helfman

Judy and Walter Distler in memory of Richard Helfman,
brother of Bill Helfman and condolences to the family

Nickie and Doug Falk in memory of Richard Helfman,
brother of Bill Helfman

Judy and David Fox in memory of Richard Helfman,
brother of Bill Helfman

Marion Wolf in memory of Richard Helfman, brother of
Bill Helfman

MUSIC FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg in memory of Gilda Glazer,
cousin of Mindy Greenberg
in memory of Eric Loeb

Jacqueline Guttman sends condolences to Mindy
Greenberg in memory of her cousin, Gilda Glazer
in blessed memory of Eric Loeb

Carla and Larry Silver in memory of Gilda Glazer,
cousin of Mindy Greenberg

Elinor Buchbinder in memory of Gilda Glazer, longtime
member and cousin of Mindy Greenberg

PAUL S. LAZAR CARING COMMUNITY FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg praying for a full recovery
to all those battling with COVID-19

Carla and Larry Silver in memory of Alan Krumholz,
father of Paula Dillon

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Bill Helfman in memory of his brother, Richard Helfman

Barbara Balkin in gratitude to Rabbi Sirbu

Michael and Gayle Goldberg in memory of Lisa
McGuire, sister of Karen Gronner

RABBI LOUIS J. SIGEL ENDOWMENT FUND

Judy and David Fox in loving memory of Richard Koffler
in loving memory of Eric Loeb

RABBI LOUIS J. SIGEL SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg send Mazel Tov to Maddy
Wolf Eichen and Rich Eichen on the birth of their
granddaughter, Ayla

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg in loving memory of their
friend, Janice Preschel

Jacqueline Guttman in memory of Janice Preschel, an
extraordinary woman

Nickie and Doug Falk in loving memory of Janice Preschel

Carla and Larry Silver in memory of Janice Preschel

Marion Wolf in memory of Janice Preschel

Ann and Robert Levenstein in memory of Janice Preschel

June and Victor Cohen and Family in memory of Alan
Krumholz, father of Paula Dillon
in memory of Janice Preschel

Elinor Buchbinder in loving memory of Janice Preschel
in memory of Alan Krumholz, father of Paula Dillon

Karen Rappaport and Phylis Burman in memory of
Janice Preschel

Elaine and Joe Pollack in memory of Janice Preschel

Pixie and Ed Pierce in memory of Janice Preschel

Judy and David Fox in loving memory of Janice Preschel

Susan and Marty Breznick wishing Holly and Steve
Clark Mazel Tov on the birth of their grandson
in memory of Janice Preschel, an extraordinary woman

Judy and Walter Distler in memory of Janice Preschel,
mourned by all who knew and loved her

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TEMPLE EMETH FUND

Jacqueline Guttman sends well wishes to Phil Keusch
sends well wishes to Judy Distler for a full and
speedy recovery
in memory of Alan Krumholz, father of Paula Dillon
sends well wishes to Larry Silver for a full and
rapid recovery

Amanda Eastman in memory of Fred Binder, my tutor,
on the 10th anniversary of my Bat Mitzvah

Nickie and Doug Falk send Mazel Tov to Karyn and Gary
Richards on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Aaron
send Mazel Tov to Holly and Steve Clark on the
birth of their grandson, Leo
send Mazel Tov to Lynne and Bill Graizel on their
40th anniversary

Barbara Balkin in memory of Richard Helfman,
brother of Bill Helfman

Barbara Balkin and Bill Helfman send Mazel Tov to
Maddy Wolf Eichen and Rich Eichen on the birth
of their granddaughter, Ayla Wolf

Susan and Marty Breznick in memory of Alan
Krumholz, father of Paula Dillon
in memory of Dorothy Lane, mother of Karyn
Richards
send Mazel Tov to Lynne and Bill Graizel on their
40th anniversary

Judy and Walter Distler memory of Alan Krumholz,
father of Paula Dillon

Yuri Bloshtein

TEMPLE EMETH BEAUTIFICATION FUND

Jacqueline Guttman sends congratulations to Suzanne

and Phil Keusch on the birth of their new
granddaughter, Violet

TEMPLE EMETH ENDOWMENT FUND

Marion Wolf in memory of Larry Gagnano, husband
of Elona Sofer

VIEWPOINTS FUND

Gayle and Michael Goldberg in memory of Alan
Krumholz, father of Paula Dillon

Karen Rappaport and Phylis Burman in memory of
Alan Krumholz, father of Paula Dillon

Judy and Walter Distler send congratulations to Steve
and Holly Clark on the birth of their first grand
child, Leo Solomon

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(Breakfast
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**Rabbi Rebecca
Sirbu will discuss
"Why this Rabbi
believes in
the Future of
Hadassah"**

**Sunday,
May 17, 2020
at 10:30 am**

Please Note:
The Zoom Link and Password
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Rabbi Rebecca Sirbu is the
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The Forward Newspaper, she previously was the Director of Clal's
Rabbis Without Borders, a pluralist network of Rabbis dedicated
to serving the needs of all people through creative use of Jewish
wisdom. She is also the founder and CEO of RabbiCareers.com,
making it easier for Rabbis and communities of all types to find
each other. She has consulted for synagogues, organizations, and
individuals on leadership development, building creative capacity,
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Member Mitzvot

Jocelyn Inglis

For Purim, Jocelyn collected unopened pasta boxes to be used as noisemakers. After the holiday she donated the boxes to a food pantry in Bergenfield. With the current public health crisis, she and her friend Lupe Ruiz-Catala decided to collect more food and distribute it to those in need in their community. Through social media they called on friends and received enough food, cleaning products, and paper goods to fill eighty bags, all within 24 hours. First they handed out 25 bags at the local VFW, and then distributed the rest to seniors, veterans, and families in need. They were helped by Bergenfield Mayor Arvin Amatorio and Councilman Marc Pascual. "People were thanking us in tears," Inglis said. "My friend and I have been crying about this."



Larry Fink

It has been extremely gratifying providing my fabrics for desperately needed surgical gowns and protective masks. (In most cases) I am selling the fabric at cost to assist in the fight against the Coronavirus. Shown is a photograph of a doctor wearing a surgical gown made from my fabrics and a posting from a wonderful charity group in Wisconsin that I have worked with for many years who are providing free masks to the Wisconsin National Guard.



Past National American Legion Commander Denise Rohan and her husband Mike, came to Camo Quilt Project to pick up 214 multicam masks for the Wisconsin National Guard HHD 641st troop command based out of Madison. They coordinate medical personnel and supplies and on State orders assisting with coronavirus pandemic. Presenting them with the masks are Linda and DuWayne Wieck who are American Legion and Auxiliary members and American Legion Rider members.



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