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# SHINE THE LIGHT

HANUKKAH 2020 | DECEMBER 10-17

# The Juggle and the Struggle

## *Supporting our Families in a Difficult Time*



Rabbi Amy Ross

I remember learning how to juggle in elementary school. The coach gave us each three brightly colored scarves, and over and over we tossed them in the air, mostly laughing at how uncoordinated we were as they fell to the floor. It was a fun and light-hearted lesson — after all, how many of us would truly need to master the skill of juggling?

If only we'd known. And if only learning to juggle in PE would have prepared us for the juggling act of parenting school-aged children during a pandemic. Choices about face-to-face versus virtual, what to allow in terms of social life, explaining a pandemic, balancing screen time in a world currently lived through screens, staying connected with relatives, participating in sports, policing mask wearing and social distancing, meal planning, house cleaning, maintaining marriages and other relationships, self-care — the best of jugglers would have a hard time keeping all those scarves in the air.

One definition of the word juggle is “to hold or balance precariously.” For me, a now stay-at-home mother who works full-time, supports my children’s virtual schooling, manages the household and so much more, I identify deeply with the idea that balance is precarious. Some days I manage to juggle well and other days, everything seems to fall at my feet, waiting to be rescued and thrown back into the mix.

The pressure of choosing — based often on incomplete or unconfirmed information and under duress — among our children’s education, their social emotional development, their mental health and our own sanity is a balance almost impossible to hold.

There are days when I feel on top of the world — all my scarves sailing brilliantly through the air. And there are the days I feel like the ball in a professional tennis match, every scarf crumpled at my feet. How can I be present anywhere when my attention is called in so many directions at the same time?

I don’t mean to create a picture of total gloom. There are incredible blessings for many parents in this time: more family dinners, movie nights, game nights, deep conversations. My children Briana and Leona (pictured right) have learned to be more independent, creative and self-directed. But at times, it is hard to see beyond what’s flying through the air.

Right now, parents need a little extra TLC, compassion, consideration. I feel blessed to be part of a community which recognizes that need and is rising to the challenge.

As you will read on pp. 10-12, our Youth Learning + Engagement staff and lay leadership devoted countless hours in Zoom rooms (with countless kids popping in and out of every box) discussing how best to support our families. We asked: How can Temple be a place of respite, meaning and connection for families? How can we help hold the scarves rather than add new ones to the mix?

The answer is partnership. Neither parents nor Temple can do it alone. We must be part of each other’s juggling teams and create programs with options that allow families to choose what works best for them.

And if you’re not the parent of a child or teen, you can help. Be proactive about reaching out with support and compassion. Help parents feel seen and heard. Send kids and teens care packages including things to do that don’t require screens. Recognize how overwhelming getting through the days can be and don’t sweat an unreturned phone call or email. And if you can, grab a scarf and help make that balancing act just a slight bit less precarious.



# Becoming an Antiracist Congregation

Temple Emanu-El is committed to eliminating racism and promoting awareness and education throughout our congregation, our city and our world. Here are two major initiatives under way; we are eager to share insights as the work continues.

## WITHIN OUR WALLS AND BEYOND TASK FORCE

This task force is led by Ariana Cook, with Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen as the clergy liaison and Alexandra Horn as staff contact. Members are:

Beth Gold, First Vice President	Eli Mandel
Yuh Min Chook	Gideon Myers
Massiel Cohn	Jennifer Nocerini
Rhoni Golden	Jena Prystowsky
Risa Gross	Anjelica Ruiz
Sarina Israel	Diana Telesca
	Peter Wallace

## FACING OUR TRUTHS SMALL-GROUP CONVERSATIONS ON RACE

Twenty groups have formed, representing 165 congregants, to join in exploring a six-month curriculum that will begin this month. The groups will be participating in guided conversations about race, led by trained facilitators. Sh'ma Groups may choose this curriculum for their work over the next six months. New groups will be forming in the summer.

For questions and information about Temple's antiracism work, contact Alexandra Horn, [ahorn@tedallas.org](mailto:ahorn@tedallas.org).

**PRIVILEGE:** a right or immunity granted as a peculiar benefit, advantage, or favor granted to one, especially a right held by a certain individual, group or class, and withheld from certain others or all others. –Webster's Dictionary

**When are you most aware of your privilege? When are you most aware of others' privileges?**

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# OUR COMMUNITY

## BECOMING B'NAI MITZVAH



**Emma Oscherwitz | Dec. 5**  
Daughter of Dayna and Brian Oscherwitz  
St. Monica Catholic School  
*Tikkun Olam: Family Gateway*



**Zoey Olinick | Dec. 12**  
Daughter of Sherry and Eli Olinick  
Parkhill Junior High School  
*Tikkun Olam: North Texas Food Bank*



**Daniel Berman Tarnavsky | Dec. 5**  
Son of Yuliya Berman and Aharon Tarnavsky  
Levine Academy  
*Tikkun Olam: Friends of the IDF*



**Zachary Yarckin | Dec. 19**  
Son of Liana and Jeff Yarckin  
St. Mark's School of Texas  
*Tikkun Olam: North Texas Food Bank*



**Emma Kate Bassman | Dec. 12**  
Daughter of Allison and Jarrod Bassman  
Lakehill Preparatory School  
*Tikkun Olam: VNA Meals on Wheels for Pets*



**Brendan Gabriel Baum | Dec. 19**  
Son of Christell and Michael Baum  
St. John's Episcopal School  
*Tikkun Olam: Heart House*

## BABY NAMINGS

**Casey Noah Ashton**  
Son of Jamie & Aaron Ashton  
**Levi Preston Estrada**  
Son of Danelle & Mario Estrada  
**Judah Daniel New**  
Son of Lauren & Seth New  
**Parker Siegel**  
Daughter of Samantha & Kyle Siegel

## WEDDINGS

**Sophie Barnes & Lawrence Kogan**  
**Billy Chapman & Taylor Ariens**  
**Melissa Leva & Spencer Lieman**  
**Sophia Williams & Guy Baron**

## CONVERSION

**Leslie Kelly**  
**Martie McNamara**  
**Christine Norris**  
**Michael Norris**  
**Alissa Norris**  
**Isaiah Norris**  
**Maiya Norris**

## NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

**Elizabeth, Josh & Lily Asen**  
**Andrew Block**  
**Katherine Brodbeck**  
**Anna & Tom Chiarello**  
**David & Taylor Courtade**  
**Michael Solano & Ann, Max, Sophia & Lily Eisenberg**  
**Erin, James, Cooper, Jack & Charley Epperson**  
**Ben Falk & Maggie Glazier**  
**Chris, Jamie & Benjamin Gravell**  
**Nancy Lipson**  
**Craig Litman**  
**Quyen Nguyen & Benjamin, Anna Sofia, Audrey & Ryan Loeb**  
**Stephanie, Mark & Madison Loovis**  
**Dustin Marx**  
**Michael Polsky & Lily Ghazizadeh & Izabella Paloma Polsky**  
**Fred & Melanie Price**  
**Matthew & Ashley Rubin**  
**Kyle, Lucy & Nora Schanzer**  
**Ginafer Shelton-Gray & Brandon, Blake & Olivia Gray**  
**Taylor & Samuel Silverman**

## IN MEMORIAM

**David Albert**  
Husband of Ginette Albert  
Father of Mark Albert, Katherine Albert & Lisa Albert  
**Antonio "Tony" Arguijo**  
Father of Oscar Arguijo  
**Louis Bates**  
Father of Dr. Evan Bates  
**Arthur Botvin**  
Husband of Bessie Louise Botvin  
**Joan Diamond**  
Mother of Richard Diamond  
**Lillian Hammer**  
Daughter of Barbara Crowley  
**Donna Kramer**  
Sister of Stan Schwartz  
**Dr. Deborah Louise Levy, Ph.D.**  
Sister of Julie Robinowitz  
**Marlene Rapport**  
Wife of Donald Rapport  
Mother of Kathy Rapport & Robin Rapport  
Sister of Jerry Ray  
**Louette Weiser**  
Mother of David Weiser, Martin Weiser & Michael Weiser



# Temple Cares

### GRIEF SUPPORT

**Tuesdays, Dec. 8 and 22, 11:30AM-1PM, via Zoom**  
Contact Meredith Pryzant at [mpryzant@tedallas.org](mailto:mpryzant@tedallas.org) for more information about group and/or Zoom link.

### PANDEMIC-RELATED ONGOING SUPPORT

Over the summer, Jewish Family Service hosted three learning and support opportunities for Temple members related to coping strategies for uncertain times. We are grateful that JFS continues to provide ongoing opportunities for group support on this topic. Specific information about the groups can be found at [tedallas.org/community/mental-health-resources](https://tedallas.org/community/mental-health-resources).

### LET US KNOW

Temple clergy and staff are available to support members of our community dealing with mental and physical health issues. Please reach out to us if you or a friend or family member is dealing with COVID-19, depression, addiction, grief, cancer, chronic conditions, infertility, mobility issues, housing transition, job loss or other conditions.

### NO BARRIERS

Finances should never be a barrier to participation in Temple life. Confidential financial assistance is available for most Temple events, tuition and dues.

To join our community in caring or let us know if you are in need of help, please contact Meredith Pryzant, Director of Member Support, at [mpryzant@tedallas.org](mailto:mpryzant@tedallas.org) or 214.706.0000 ext. 122.

HENRY D. SCHLINGER  
ETHICS SYMPOSIUM

## In This Together

### Navigating the Moral Landscape of the Pandemic

Thursday, December 3 at 7PM on Zoom

#### An expert panel featuring:



**Dr. Lauren Fine,**  
*Baylor University Medical  
Center, Emergency Medicine  
Physician*



**Dr. Michael Sorrell,**  
*President of  
Paul Quinn College*



**Rabbi Mark Washofsky,**  
*Solomon B. Freehof Professor  
of Jewish Law and Practice,  
Hebrew Union College-Jewish  
Institute of Religion*



**Rabbi David Stern,**  
*Moderator*

**Register:** [participate.tedallas.org/schlinger2020](https://participate.tedallas.org/schlinger2020)

**Contact:** Rachel Tucker, [rtucker@tedallas.org](mailto:rtucker@tedallas.org)

#### In Gratitude:

This symposium honors the memory of Henry D. Schlinger, z"l, known for his personal integrity and outstanding service to the congregation and community. Mr. Schlinger served as president of Temple Emanu-El and the Dallas Bar Association.

# Sharing Our Stories

The Temple Archives has begun an oral history project to capture the stories of our members of all ages.

The interviews are being conducted online by staff and volunteers. Interviewees include multigenerational families, older members, past presidents, clergy who have gone to other congregations, lay leadership and more.

The project is ongoing and will be included as part of Temple's sesquicentennial celebration.

"This is a wonderful way for us to create a vibrant history of Temple from the people who have made it the place it is today. The interviews are easy to do and are being held from the safety of people's homes, via Zoom," said May Sebel, chair of the Archives Committee.

If you have suggestions of people to be interviewed or would like to participate, contact Anjelica Ruiz, Director of Libraries and Archives, [aruiz@tedallas.org](mailto:aruiz@tedallas.org).



## Temple Book Club

Book Club meets every other month on Mondays at 2PM via Zoom. Please contact Anjelica Ruiz at 214.706.0000, ext. 114, or email [aruiz@tedallas.org](mailto:aruiz@tedallas.org) if you have questions or would like to be added to our list.



**December 7**

"Shadow of the Black Flame"  
by Misha Saucedo



**WRJ NOVEMBER EVENTS**

**Daughters of Abraham**

Thursday, Dec. 17 at 7PM

Topic: Choosing topics for 2021

This interfaith group exploring common issues among Jewish, Muslim and Christian women has been meeting via Zoom. To join the email list, learn about topics and participate, contact Leah Beth Kolni, leahbkolni@gmail.com, or 214.801.7463.

**YOGA  
EMANU-EL**

**Yoga Through a  
Jewish Lens**

Join certified yoga instructor Debbi K. Levy for this weekly online live session on Facebook.

**Tuesdays at 4PM  
Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

Contact: Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org



*For the  
Love of  
Israel*

Bring Israel into your home with this exciting new online opportunity. Each month from we'll learn about different facets of Israeli society through food, art, technology, architecture, education and more.



**LUNCH AND LEARN WITH RABBI PHILIP NADEL**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17 AT 12PM ON ZOOM**

Join us for a lunch and learn with Rabbi Philip Nadel and our friends from Congregation YOZMA in Modi'in, the ancient home of the Macabees. We will celebrate the last night of Hanukkah (in Israel) and learn about Progressive Reform Judaism in Israel. Please bring a favorite Hanukkah item to share and use in small group discussions.

**Register:** [participate.tedallas.org/loveofisrael](https://participate.tedallas.org/loveofisrael)

Zoom links will be provided to registered participants prior to the event.

Contact: Rachel Tucker, [rtucker@tedallas.org](mailto:rtucker@tedallas.org)



# SHINE THE LIGHT HANUKKAH 2020

DECEMBER 10-17

Light is a constant motif of our Jewish lives. We welcome its warmth and glow at Shabbat and the beginning of every holiday, ascending to the holy from the mundane. And we notice the cold and darkness of its waning, whether it's the light of a loved one's smile, now extinguished in death, or the chill of illness, loneliness or despair.

As Hanukkah arrives, it is the Jewish way to insist on the joy, to make our celebrations more whole by working ever harder to heal brokenness.

In that spirit, we present Shine the Light, our seasonal focus for Temple that will provide multiple opportunities for celebrating safely and happily, for making someone else's life a little brighter and for spreading warmth and happiness throughout our community. Watch Temple communications for opportunities as they develop, or visit [tedallas.org/shinethelight](http://tedallas.org/shinethelight)

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For information and questions, contact Erika Purdy-Patrick, Associate Director of Community Engagement, at [epurdy-patrick@tedallas.org](mailto:epurdy-patrick@tedallas.org).

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## CANDLES WITH THE CLERGY

**Dec. 10-17, 6:15PM nightly:** Light candles with our clergy via Zoom and Facebook each night of Hanukkah. Different groups and neighborhoods will be invited to say hello in the light of our *hanukkiyot*!

## CANTOR IN THE KITCH

**Dec. 10, 7PM:** Cantor Leslie Niren adds Hanukkah to her Facebook series!

## SHABBAT

**Dec. 11-12:** Join us via Zoom, Facebook and TE Live for Shabbat services where we will come together to light our candles from home. Watch for a special surprise from the Temple Emanu-El Choir.

## DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT

**Dec. 12, 5:30PM:** The Daniels Parking Lot will transform into a virtual theater as we watch a fun, family-friendly movie and light our *hanukkiyot* together on the third night of Hanukkah, safely and in person. **Register:** [participate.tedallas.org/driveinmovie](http://participate.tedallas.org/driveinmovie)

## YOGA THROUGH A JEWISH LENS

**Dec. 15, 4PM:** Details on previous page; see you on your mats!

## FOR THE LOVE OF ISRAEL

**Dec. 17, 12PM:** See previous page and drop in to Hanukkah in Israel!

## CREATE LIGHT FOR OTHERS

As it gets colder outdoors, the needs of people experiencing homelessness increase. Be a source of light to those in need.

## THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

Temple will share personal reflections from clergy about the gifts we're giving to ourselves to brighten the season. We encourage you to share your stories of how being part of Temple helped you at a difficult time. Help create a safe space for conversation around mental wellbeing, and to shine the light on resources that can make a difference.

## JUDAIC TREASURES

One-Stop Hanukkah Shop! Shop Judaic Treasures online or by appointment for all your celebration and gift-giving needs. [judaictreasures.com](http://judaictreasures.com), [jt@tedallas.org](mailto:jt@tedallas.org)



# The IB Advantage

The Early Childhood Education Center is pursuing a new credential, that of becoming an International Baccalaureate school. With the help of Kelsey Winocour, an international educator and ECEC parent who is serving as IB Consultant, the school has embarked on a three-year certification program.

“I think it will help our children think more critically, open-mindedly and globally,” says Shelly Sender, Senior Director of Early Childhood Education, who first became aware of the IB certification four years ago. “I visited a school in San Francisco that was Reggio Emilia inspired and IB certified. I saw how beautifully the two methodologies connected. That’s what sparked my curiosity in going down the path of IB certification.”

Shelly is especially interested in IB’s approach to nature. “So much of what we already do embraces the natural world and the philosophy aligns with our inquiry-based practices that are already an important part of our school,” Shelly says.

Kelsey, mother of Livna, wife of Jonathan and leader of a Sh’ma Group at Temple, notes that the certification process will also enhance the school’s Jewish identity.

“So much of our identity is about being a Jewish school,” says Kelsey. “The most important growth opportunity for us at Temple Emanu-El ECEC, other than enhancing our teaching and learning, is how the IB program fits in with our Jewish identity and helps us foster sacred Jewish values through a global context.” Following are her answers to frequently asked questions about the project.

## What does IB certification mean?

Temple Emanu-El ECEC will join a global learning community incorporating over 5,000 schools worldwide, employing over 70,000 educators and serving over 1 million students. Becoming an IB world school will connect the ECEC to the global community and support us in providing a unique, early childhood education program which seeks to foster creative, compassionate, independent inquirers and global thinkers.

As an early childhood education center in a diverse urban city that is only growing more diverse every year, we believe that embracing international mindedness and thinking about our school and our children through both a Jewish and global lens is necessary for our future.





### Please tell us more about the process?

In the first year, the school declares intent, and school leadership and staff train to understand the process and prepare for implementation.

In year two, the school files an application for candidacy, and staff continue to train. An IB consultant visits the school to determine if it is ready to continue.

In the third and final year, once the other steps are complete, the ECEC will file an application for authorization. The review by IB will include a site visit by a three-person team. Authorization will be given upon the approval of the team.

### How is ECEC already on this path?

A Reggio inspired philosophy and the IB Program serve as true complements of each other. They are both constructive models of education which take a child-centered approach to learning and view teachers as facilitators, guides and partners in learning. The Reggio philosophy and the IB support a holistic approach to education which promotes inquiry-based, child-driven learning.

Here's an example: Last week our Nature Atelierista, Melanie Dasbach, asked a group of Pre-K students in the Chaverim class what they wanted to build. Since the last few days had been cold and full of rain for our outdoor classrooms, the students collectively expressed, "we need a house to keep us warm when we eat

and it's cold and it rains." Our Chaverim teaching team and the atelierista then brought supplies and the time was spent allowing the children to be architects and engineers. By offering open-ended questions to the children, we research what is of interest to them and then we build upon those very ideas by facilitating learning opportunities around topics that they are most curious about. These types of instant learning moments are overflowing in our school and are testament to the preparedness and expertise of our educators who can turn anything into a learning opportunity.

# Innovation on Overdrive

## Youth Learning + Engagement reinvents itself for a pandemic and beyond

by Rabbi Amy Ross and Livia Bernstein

The past 10 months have been a game changer for Youth Learning + Engagement. We moved all our programs online in the spring, and took on the challenge of looking at the 2020-2021 school year through a different lens. The students in our YL+E religious school program represent more than 100 schools, and the need to maintain safety standards is at the forefront of our minds.

All of the decisions made by the YL+E staff and lay leadership were driven by the priorities we have developed as a team:

- To provide learning and engagement opportunities that cultivate and deepen Jewish identity and commitment and that inspire our families to live according to Jewish values and social responsibility
- To create community through relationship building and sacred encounters, both between people and through ritual and practice
- To assist youth, teens, parents and families in finding their Jewish voice and motivating them to use that voice in prayer, social justice and deeds.

We knew we needed to remain flexible and we knew we needed options for the comfort levels of all our families. It was also clear that connection and relationship were essential keys to the success of any program we offered.

The YL+E Committee, ably guided by Sarah Kaplan and Lauryn Bloom, were with us every step of the way, offering support, constructive feedback and boots-on-the-ground assistance. Our faculty team gave us valuable feedback about best practices.

Out of these hours of feedback gathering and deliberation came a new era of Jewish education and engagement at Temple. The two “e’s” as I like to call them, are more inextricably bound than ever before. We accomplished this integration by offering three distinct options for religious school and three for Hebrew education, along with a new approach to youth, teen and family engagement.

In the education arena, families can choose from completely virtual classroom-based options; small group educational experiences modeled after our Hebrew Emanu-El program; private Hebrew tutoring; and even a choice-based program that allows families to guide Jewish learning in their homes based on materials provided by Temple.

In the engagement experience, we have created opportunities for youth and teens to connect through interest-based, expert-led, virtual experiences that bring to life the ways Judaism can be part of all aspects of our lives. We have focused on activities families can do together, such as a driving tour of Jewish historic Dallas and virtual family Shabbat services that incorporate Jewish teachings. Each Sunday morning, YL+E offers a live greeting that introduces a Jewish theme or teaching that is often integrated into the experience of our students in their classes.

Creating options for Jewish education and engagement allows families to integrate Judaism into their lives in the way that fits best for them, and each option has exceeded our expectations. The educational and engagement options we have created are not stopgap, Band-aid solutions. They are the foundation for lasting change, for renewed energy and sacred partnerships that make connection to Jewish life and our Temple community possible. To learn more, visit [tedalls.org/yle](http://tedalls.org/yle).



Stop on Jewish Dallas Driving Tour, organized by YL+E and Archives: Neiman Marcus



Thanks-Giving Square



Sarah Kaplan, top row, right

**Sarah Kaplan and Lauryn Bloom  
Co-Chairs, YL+E Committee**

Our kids have a wide age spread (2nd Grade to Confirmation) which gives us a good perspective of what works for both older and younger YL+E participants.



Lauryn Bloom, right

The pandemic has changed a lot of the YL+E experience. What does it mean to be part of a class when you can't actually be in a classroom? How can you get to know other families? We both miss running into new and old friends and the energy of walking our kids into Temple on Sunday mornings. The YL+E Team is endlessly creative and has some amazing ideas such as the Jewish driving tour of Dallas and the movie night in the sukkah.

As parents, we each had our "aha" moments about how this might just work. Sarah's youngest daughter (Ella Bogdanow) is very much a people person and virtual learning is not her strength. Sarah (top photo; top row right) was not very optimistic for Ella's Zoom learning experience. But the very first day of her small group class, she joined a number of her old ECEC friends and her teacher Morgan Tobey had them all enthralled. Lauryn (above, right) knew that her daughter Avery would enjoy YL+E this year when her class made a tzedakah box to use at home. It was such a creative way to maintain the YL+E Sunday morning tradition.

Our children in Confirmation are happy to have class in their pajamas and are gaining a greater understanding for social justice through a Jewish lens. Of course, we're disappointed that our kids won't be headed to Washington, D.C. for L'Taken, but we are glad they can take part in the Religious Action Center's virtual program. And we're thrilled that they are all still meeting as a group and that Rabbis David Stern and Daniel Utley and Mike Sims are still creating meaningful experiences for the Confirmation Class of 2021.

While we certainly didn't sign up to be chairs during a pandemic, the challenges it has posed have created new opportunities for engagement. We hope that the takeaway from this experience is that it's OK to try new things in Jewish supplemental education. The YL+E team and Committee are always open to feedback. We would like to use this experience as an opportunity to make positive changes for the future.



**Josh Nichols  
Member, YL+E Committee**

During our discussions on how to make YL+E work for as many families as possible this year, I was truly blown away by the committee's willingness to let go of the status quo and embrace new concepts and a flexible approach. We wanted to make sure our community could engage in YL+E in ways that worked best for each family even if it couldn't be the in-person experience we all wished it could be this year and look forward to again.



Chapel of Thanksgiving at Thanks-Giving Square



**Janet Centola**  
**Lead Teacher, 6th Grade Judaica**

Embracing adversity and using it as an opportunity for trying new things has been evident in the formulation of options to continue educating our future generations.

The students' willingness to share their own expertise with technology and patience with each other has been a surprise. Virtual attendance has allowed students to attend sessions when they have an early sports event or when visiting grandparents when in the past, they might have missed. Despite the fact that we would all prefer to have the opportunity to be together in one space, we have learned how to try to be close from far away.



**Mike Willey**  
**Lead Teacher, 5th Grade Judaica**

One of the biggest challenges to shifting to a "pandemic friendly" program is pulling together lesson plans for our students that are not focused on everyone being in the same physical location. Our teachers, staff,

and the Institute for Southern Jewish Life all stepped up to the challenge. I have a great group of students in my online class. As a result, we are able to learn together and have connections within our community.



**Sharon Willey**  
**Lead Teacher, 3rd Grade**

I wasn't sure what to expect with our online program, and I was worried about how I was going to engage the students on Zoom. My students have responded well, and seem to be engaged, better than I hoped. I have two

wonderful small groups. I am able to adapt some previous lessons in new and different ways and with some unexpected creativity.



**Hannah Rubin-Schlansky**  
**Director of Youth Learning**

I feel like all assumptions and expectations flew out the window and we were really able to focus on what the needs of our families would be this year. There was one point in the early visioning process where one of

our tasks was to start brainstorming areas of focus and 2-3 of us at the same time said "by interest!!". It was a great moment to know that we were on the same page, and so excited to begin planning a program option from that lens, which we know families and youth would connect to.



Shira Stevenson, Juan Santos Sr. and Fonya Mondell at Thanks-Giving Square Plaza, on the driving tour.



**Shira Stevenson**  
**Director of Youth Engagement**

Something that stood out to me during this process was the intentional "breaking" of a program so that we could "fix it" and make it better. I shouldn't have been surprised by this, but everyone's flexibility and willingness to

try new things — the members of the YL+E team, lay leaders, and teachers — was truly something special to see.



**Livia Bernstein**  
**Communications and Program Assistant**

I was tasked with finding the correct online platform as well as teaching our staff and faculty how to use it. I was truly surprised by the number of options there were for an online platform and am still constantly

surprised and excited about the new tools and features that come out to benefit virtual education.

# Shabbat Shalom שבת שלום

All services are online; access links will be given in the congregational email the Thursday prior to the service.

וישלח

**Vayishlach**

Genesis 32:4-36:43

**Friday, December 4**

6PM

Combined Sababa, 3-6 Family Shabbat

Rabbi Amy Ross

Ian Simpson, Songleader

6:15PM

Rabbi David Stern

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen

Cantor Vicky Glikin

**Saturday, December 5**

9AM

Tot Shabbat

Rabbi Amy Ross

Shelly Sender

Ian Simpson, Songleader

10:30AM

Rabbi David Stern

Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

וישב

**Vayeishev**

Genesis 37:1-40:23

**Friday, December 11**

6:15PM

Hanukkah Family Service

Rabbi David Stern

Cantor Vicky Glikin

**Saturday, December 12**

10:30AM

Rabbi Debra Robbins

Cantor Leslie Niren

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**Mikeitz**

Genesis 41:1-44:17

**Friday, December 18**

6:15PM

Rabbi Debra Robbins

Rabbi David Stern

Cantor Leslie Niren

**Saturday, December 19**

10:30AM

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen

Randy Pearlman, Cantorial Soloist

ויגש

**Vayigash**

Genesis 44:18-47:27

**Friday, December 25**

6:15PM

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen

Rabbi Debra Robbins

Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

**Saturday, December 26**

10:30AM

Rabbi David Stern

Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Soloist

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# GIFTS OF MEMORY, HONOR AND GRATITUDE

## Tributes for Sustaining Temple

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*Distributions by Rabbi David Stern to individuals in need of financial assistance, particularly in dire situations*

#### Memory of Jennifer Bloomgarden

By Gary Bloomgarden

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By Ronnie & Dan Cohen

By Mindy & Mark Tulbert

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#### WORKS FUND

*Distributions to charitable organizations, individuals in need or community causes by Temple's clergy*

#### Memory of Louis Bates

By Judy & Ron Foxman

#### Memory of Robert Goldberg

By Elise Power & David Becker

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By Phyllis & Joe Somer

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By Phyllis & Joe Somer

#### Memory of Harlan Pollock

By Phyllis & Joe Somer

#### Memory of Bertha Siegelman

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#### Birthday of Rosalee Cohen

By Phyllis & Joe Somer

#### Honor of Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen

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#### Marriage of Meredith Grossfeld & Jake Jopling

By Bonnie & Michael Grossfeld

#### Marriage of Melissa Leva & Spencer Lieman

By Wendy & Steven Lieman

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*Assistance for Temple members through all phases of life including hospitalization, elder care, military service, mental health challenges and grief*

#### Memory of Sybil Belfer

By Barbara & Martin Mintz

#### Memory of Jerome Byers

By Lynda & Gordon Newman

#### Memory of Robert Goldberg

By Bobbie & David Repp

#### Memory of Harlan Pollock

By Toby Niger

By Bobbie & David Repp

### OUR TEMPLE AND CEMETERY

#### ROSE MARION AND LEE H. BERG BUILDING FUND

*Upkeep and maintenance of our historic building*

#### Memory of Leon Agranowitz

By Janie Dreyer

#### TEMPLE EMANU-EL CEMETERY

#### ENDOWMENT FUND

*Distribution from the Temple's foundation supporting the maintenance and improvement of the cemetery grounds*

#### As a Contribution

By Danna & James Hayden

#### RABBI GERALD J. KLEIN MEMORIAL CEMETERY FUND

*Beautification and improvements of the Temple Emanu-El Cemetery*

#### Memory of Frances Glazer

By Betty & Steve Silverman

#### Memory of Mendel Melasky

By Julie & Michael Lowenberg

#### Memory of Tillie Cohen Silverman

By Betty & Steve Silverman

#### Memory of Eva Woolf

By Carol & Larry Tobias

#### Birthday of Rosalee Cohen

By Ettie & Melvin Weinberg

#### RABBI GERALD J. KLEIN GARDEN FUND

*Maintenance of the Klein Garden*

#### Memory of Harry Riesman

By Lindy Riesman

#### Memory of Pearl Riesman

By Lindy Riesman

#### As a Contribution

By Marcia & Ed Fitzmaurice

#### RABBI GERALD J. KLEIN GARDEN FUND

*Maintenance of the Klein Garden*

#### Memory of Albert Darver

By Sherri & Alan Darver

#### Memory of Harry Riesman

By Lindy Riesman

#### Memory of Pearl Riesman

By Lindy Riesman

### GENERAL

#### TEMPLE EMANU-EL GENERAL

#### OPERATING FUND

*Support of Temple's general programs and events*

#### Memory of David Albert

By Scott McCartney

#### Memory of Louis Bates

By Susan & Michael Kottwitz

By Natalie & Michael Waldman

By Jackie & Steve Waldman

#### Memory of Harry Birnbaum

By Sheela & Marc Birnbaum

#### Memory of Beverly Blumenthal

By Suzanne Parelman

#### Memory of Richard Freling

By Nancy Ungerman

#### Memory of Eva Schnitzer Kaplan

By Nancy Ungerman

#### Memory of Jules Novick

By Michael Novick

#### Memory of Carol Toobin

By Liz, Hilton & Pier Goldreich

#### Appreciation of Temple's Clergy & Staff

By Shelley & Jeff Becker

#### Birth of Max Weinstock

By Karen & Chris Cheniae

#### Birthday of Susan Levy

By Nancy Ungerman

#### Celebration of Barry Rothschild

By Mindi & Michael Kahn

#### Speedy Recovery of Suzi Greenman

By Betty Sue Sheinberg

#### TEMPLE EMANU-EL ENDOWMENT FUND

*Distribution from the Temple's foundation supporting Temple's programs*

#### Memory of Richard Freling

By Sheryl & Gordon Bogen

#### Birthday of Harold Kleinman

By Sister & Joel Steinberg

### MUSIC AND PRAYER

#### MUSIC FUND

*Enhancement of Temple music programs*

#### Memory of Louis Bates

By Joan A. Becker

#### Memory of David Hitzig

By Betty & Jay Lorch

#### Memory of Leah Redish

By Lisa & Jim Albert

# Christmas Mitzvah

Help make Christmas Day on Dec. 25 brighter for Dallas County seniors by driving a route for VNA/Meals on Wheels. It's a great project for all ages. There are two options available to pick up items for delivery, at 8:30AM and 9:30AM.

The deadline to sign up is no later than Dec. 11.

For information, contact Debbie Fuqua, [dfuqua@tedallas.org](mailto:dfuqua@tedallas.org)

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### ATiD (YOUNG ADULTS)

*Support of Jewish engagement of young adults in their 20s and 30s*

#### Honor of Rabbi David Stern

By Nadene & Steve Re

#### KATHERINE F. BAUM ADULT EDUCATION FUND

*Support for adult education programs*

#### Memory of Greg Eaves

By Karen Prager

#### Speedy Recovery of Suzi Greenman

By Helen Lansburgh

## SOCIAL JUSTICE

### HUNGER RELIEF PROJECTS

*Collection of funds for hunger relief throughout the year, especially during High Holy Days and Passover*

#### Memory of David Albert

By Cindy & Bruce Bernbaum

By Sally & Rick Rosenberg

#### Memory of Louis Bates

By Sally & Rick Rosenberg

#### Memory of Beverly Blumenthal

By Annette & Jack Corman

#### Memory of Fred Milton Brown

By Jacque & Freddy Roberts

#### Memory of David Echt

By Dotty & Lew Weinstein

#### Memory of Robert Goldberg

By Sally & Rick Rosenberg

#### Memory of Ludwig Guckenheimer

By Miriam Vernon

#### Memory of John Ira Kirk

By Mary Ann & Marshall Lustig

#### Memory of Harlan Pollock

By Dotty & Lew Weinstein

#### Appreciation of Temple's Clergy & Staff

By Joyce & Joe Rosenfield

#### Appreciation of Fran Toubin

By Mary Ann & Marshall Lustig

#### As a Contribution

By Judy & Don Cohn

By Adrienne & Dennis Drapkin

By Cindy & Brian Eltis

By Arlene & Allen Feltman

By Jo-Sandra Greenberg

By Betty & Jay Lorch

By Jeanne & Barry Miller

By Karen O'Halloran

By Barbara & Randy Rosenblatt

By Joan & Jerry Skibell

By Phyllis & Phillip Stoup

By Betsy & Todd Teitell

By Barbara & Richard Toranto

By Helaine Trachtenberg

#### Honor of Jackie & Michael Hoffman

By Esther & Burt Balkin

### THE JILL STONE TIKKUN

#### OLAM FUND

*Support of Temple's social justice programs including initiatives, advocacy, projects and lectures*

#### Memory of Richard Freling

By Larry Wolfish

#### Memory of Louette Weiser

By Margie, Barry, Robt & Patty Herbert

### PRISCILLA R. STERN MEMORIAL

#### LITERACY FUND

*Support of literacy projects in the general and Jewish communities*

#### Memory of David Albert

By Barbara & Philip Einsohn

#### Memory of Louis Bates

By Ruthie & Alan Shor

#### Memory of Gerald W. Bernstien

By Lynn & Mark Bernstien

#### Memory of Harlan Pollock

By Suellen & A. J. Rosmarin

#### Memory of Beatrice Schneider

By Lynn & Mark Bernstien

#### Marriage of Elise & Mitchell Plaksen

By Marcia Grossfeld

#### Speedy Recovery of Eileen Kollins

By Marcia Grossfeld

### SOCIAL JUSTICE FUND FOR YOUTH EDUCATION

*Support of worthwhile educational causes for youth in need*

#### Memory of Robert Goldberg

By Celia Rose Saunders & Minnette Klein

#### Memory of Carol Toobin

By Nancy & Solomon Israel

## YOUTH AND EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

### EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER (ECEC) FUND

*Support of ECEC programs*

#### Memory of Louis Bates

By Annfaye & Ethan Milkes

#### Memory of Shirley Haspel

By Liz & Marvin Friedman

#### Speedy Recovery of Marc Stanley

By Ethel Zale

### GINA ROSENFIELD LEVY GREENE FAMILY CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Financial assistance to families for Greene Family Camp*

#### Memory of Robert Goldberg

By Madelon & Eddie Cohen

#### Honor of Rabbi David Stern

By Sandra & Ron Cohen

### YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

*Financial assistance to families for participation in youth programs*

#### Memory of Marian Ratnoff

By Robin Kosberg & Mark Washofsky

#### Memory of Karla Temerlin

By Barbara & Stan Levenson

#### Conversion of The Norris Family

By Robin Kosberg & Mark Washofsky

## WRJ

### FREDA GAIL STERN FUND

*Support of social action projects consistent with WRJ's mission*

#### As a Contribution

By Maureen Brenner

### YES FUND OF SISTERHOOD

*Support of the Youth, Education and Service program of Women of Reform Judaism*

#### Memory of Jerome Byers

By Celia R. Saunders

#### Memory of Harlan Pollock

By Miriam Cohen

#### As a Contribution

By Jo-Sandra Greenberg

By Nancy T. Marancenbaum

By Phyllis Mills

#### Birthday of Rosalee Cohen

By Phyllis & Martin Mills

By Temple Emanu-El WRJ

### YOLANDA CLARK FUND

*Provision of scholarships for immersive Jewish youth learning experiences*

#### As a Contribution

By Maureen Brenner

By Rozelle Gilman

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## FROM OUR ARCHIVES

### The Sanger Saga

Isaac Sanger opened the first Sanger dry goods store in McKinney in 1857. He was joined by his brother Lehman and they opened stores in Decatur and Weatherford. In 1861, both joined the Confederate Army and fought in the Civil War. Before this, Lehman buried \$300 in gold.

After the war, Philip, Samuel, David, Jacob, and Alexander joined their brothers. The gold was dug up and invested into the growing business as the Sanger brothers built stores in railroad towns.

The first Sanger Brothers store in Dallas was opened in 1872, the same year the Hebrew Benevolent Society, which would eventually become Temple Emanu-El, formed for the purpose of burying the Jewish dead in Dallas. Some notable names were early Sanger salesman such as Frank James, brother of Jesse James, and Herbert Marcus, who co-founded Neiman Marcus in 1907.

Sanger Brothers merged with Harris and Co. in 1961, becoming Sanger-Harris. The firm merged with Foley's in 1987. Both families have been associated with Temple Emanu-El throughout its history.

