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Home for the Holidays

Holding our prayer books close helps keep us connected



Rabbi Debra Robbins

It was my second year in rabbinic school, when Rabbi Harvey Fields, now of blessed memory, invited our liturgy class to his home. Wilshire Boulevard Temple had recently published their own prayer book, and they, like us, had been long and loyal users of the Union Prayer Book. What I remember most clearly about the evening is the cover of the slim volume. The book, larger than the Union Prayer Book, but similar in scale, was bound in a dark navy blue textured leather with engraved gold lettering, evocative to the font and feel of the pebbled UPB. Why? He explained, the synagogue leadership wanted to evoke feelings of familiarity in the person holding it, to awaken memories of holding the old prayer book, to help the pray-er feel at home when the world around them, and within them, was new and different.

It's a lesson that has stayed with me. The grounding feeling of the prayer book in my hands soothes me and settles me in ways a teddy bear or blanket comforts a small child. Sometimes I don't even need to open it. Just holding it puts me in my place—a place where, with others or alone, I am no longer lost or adrift. Sometimes the memories flood in and sometimes my imagination soars, sometimes the voices, human and holy, printed on the pages speak to me and sometimes they encourage the voice in my own sacred soul to sing from the heart.

When the Temple was destroyed in Jerusalem thousands of years ago, and people could not gather together to give

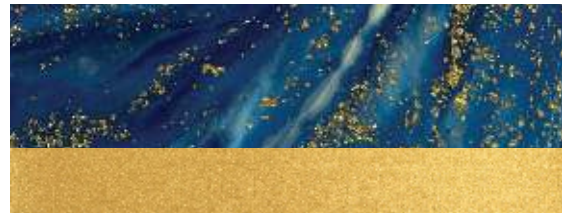
thanks, atone, connect with each other and their God in the ways they had done for generations, creativity blossomed and Judaism thrived. The Talmud records how prayers were created to replace the sacrifices made in the Temple (Berachot 26b). It was a radical and innovative move, one that saved Judaism from vanishing: prayer moved from the realm of priests into the hands of the pray-ers, out of the Temple in Jerusalem, into the synagogue, and into the home.

It's usually right around now that we get the prayer books out of storage at Temple, but this year is different. This year, as we prepare to celebrate the High Holy Days together online, our preparations focus on our own homes. Our hope is that each member of Temple will be holding a *machzor*, a High Holy Days prayer book, feeling the power of memory and connection in the smooth gold cover on Rosh Hashanah and in the silver bound book on Yom Kippur. If you bought copies previously, now is the time to make sure you can find them. If you'd like to order a set, you can do so from our own Women of Reform Judaism (with contactless pick up at Temple) or directly from CCAR Press. If you'd like to borrow a set, we can arrange for that as well.

The home became an essential part of religious life. The rabbis taught that when there is no access to the Temple for atonement, the sacred work is done at home (Chagigah 27a)—at the kitchen table, the dining room table, the coffee table in the living room, the table by the bed or the chair, on the patio or porch. Historic rulings from Talmudic times and real-life experiences guide us still today, when our access to our beloved Temple

Emanu-El building is constrained, when we can't gather without risking lives.

It is time to set the tables in our homes and hold our books. This is the month, the moment, to embrace the possibilities of creativity that can connect us in ways never imagined before, to innovate Judaism for ourselves and future generations.



CREATING YOUR SANCTUARY

For more information on how we'll celebrate the holidays as a hearts-united community, see pp. 3-5.

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- To order from CCAR Press, visit ccarpress.org.
- To borrow a set from Temple, contact Joyce Wakefield, jwakefield@tedallas.org, or call 214.706.0000, ext. 173.



Hearts Together

This High Holy Days season offers new ways to express our Judaism, to wish each other well, to see everyone online and to have a beautifully different shared experience—safely and with everyone’s good health at the center.

This year we will undoubtedly miss our cherished moments of gathering in person, whether it’s arriving early to save seats in the Olan Sanctuary, the stirring sound of the cello at Kol Nidre, wiping a tear at Yizkor. Our familiar rhythms have to be set aside for a time.

But not so our celebration of this joyous and reflective season, when we open our hearts and take a look inside. What kind of

year did we have (and we don’t mean how often you washed your hands or whether you forgot a mask)? How in this year of immense challenge have we risen to it? What will our record reflect as we ask to be inscribed in the Book of Life?

On these pages we’re pleased to share some of our developing plans and look forward to presenting more details in the September Window and online at tedallas.org/hhd.

We’ll see you—on Zoom, on Facebook and FaceTime, in the parking lot, from across the street and in every text or written greeting we send and receive. The smiles may not be visible, but they don’t hide.

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Envision the Possible

This year, as we celebrate the High Holy Days from home, we will be together in hearts, minds and souls. Thanks to a generous contribution from one of our members and a hard-working group of volunteers, we are excited to provide a special kit for this year's holiday journey: Creating Your Sanctuary.

The kit has been thoughtfully designed to help all of us prepare for and participate fully in the High Holy Days, for this year and beyond. Use it to create an intentional space for prayer, offer blessings at our tables, cook holiday meals, explore, reflect and engage online and offline at this special time of year.

The donor, who wishes to be known as Anonymous, created a new fund, Envision the Possible, to be used to, as she described, "meet our members in the moment." She stated: "You will know when the time is right to use it and I hope you'll use it to do what needs to be done for our congregants, of any and all ages, to find meaning and healing at a challenging time."

That moment came this year as Temple faced revenue challenges created by closing the campus to help keep our members safe during the Covid-19 pandemic. This new resource, with its clear mandate, allowed the creativity of clergy, staff and volunteers to come together to create the kits. Temple is

deeply grateful for our donor's gift and each of us is the recipient of her generosity.

The kits will be available for contactless pickup up at Temple on September 8-9 between the hours of 8-10AM or 5-7PM. When you stop by Temple to pick up your kit, members of our clergy will be there to share warm greetings from a safe distance, wearing masks too! You can arrange for delivery/mail of your kit by contacting Alex Lieberman at alieberman@tedallas.org or by calling 214.706.0000 ext. 115.

We express our deep gratitude to the donor of the Envision the Possible Fund and to our volunteer team.

SHABBAT SERVICES DURING ELUL

We will celebrate this month of reflection and preparation through special liturgy, song and interactive small-group conversation. All services begin at 6:15PM and are accessible online. Links to Shabbat services are listed on the tedallas.org homepage the week of the services. Oneg and Schmooze After Shabbat links will be communicated in the Thursday Weekly email, also during the week of the services.

Friday, August 21

Welcome Shabbat

Services 6:15PM, followed by a virtual oneg

Let's welcome our new and prospective members who have chosen to be a part of our community especially in these challenging times. Start to get to know them now, so that they will truly feel like family when it's safe to gather again in joy, prayer, comfort and connection.

This week, we will also be so pleased to see our clergy returning to our beautiful worship spaces. The early oneg before services will offer an opportunity to meet our Temple leaders online. After services, join new members and clergy online for conversation and Shabbat greetings.

Before we slip too quickly into the Season of the Soul—
let there be a Sabbath of Sabbaths for the heart... *Mishkan HaLev*

Saturday, August 22

We continue our Welcome Shabbat weekend with Shabbat morning study at 9AM at Chever Torah.

Then we'll come together for the Shabbat morning service at 10:30AM, followed by Zoom Shabbat Schmooze, in which we'll share a meal from our homes and meet our lay leaders.

August 28

As part of our service, we will have the opportunity to engage in small group conversations on topics of importance to this season.

September 4

This week's service features an expanded Kabbalat Shabbat. Kabbalat Shabbat is the introduction to the Friday evening service. At Temple, we celebrate with an extended period of singing, reflection and meditative moments.

September 11

As part of this service, we will have the opportunity to engage in small group conversations on topics of importance to this season.

FACES OF CELEBRATION

Help us make the High Holy Days incredible! We invite you to be part of the action. Choose one or all of the following ways to participate in our online celebrations. Those who are participating are asked to submit information by Friday, August 7.

Shanah Tovah Videos | Record a 3-5 second video expressing holiday greetings.

Torah Photos | Please send us photos of you or members of your family either holding, reading from or dancing with the Torah.

Life During Covid-19 | Share with us snapshots of your life during the pandemic, whether you baked challah, made masks, took long walks, participated in drive-by birthday parades, held socially distant gatherings or spent all your time in Zoom meetings! We want to share your stories of resilience and creativity.

First Fruits | The holidays are a traditional time to bless babies born in the past year. Send us photos of babies in your family born since last Rosh HaShanah.

Our Families | Send us 1) a video of your child dancing in any way they'd like. This is open to children of all ages, with children in second grade and younger especially encouraged and 2) a picture of your child smiling or laughing (open to all but targeted to sixth grades and younger).

For submission links, visit **Faces of Celebration** at tedallas.org/hhd.
Questions? Contact Rachel Tucker at rtucker@tedallas.org

OPENING YOUR HEART WITH PSALM 27 WITH RABBI DEBRA ROBBINS

Wednesdays, August 19-October 7, 9-9:30AM, with option to chat online from 9:30-9:45AM



We're so excited to continue learning with Rabbi Robbins in this eight-week class using her book, "Opening Your Heart with Psalm 27." Consider this book as a daily invitation, beginning on the first of Elul and continuing through Simchat Torah, to engage in the sacred work of reflection during this season of turning. This year, the ancient words of the psalm speak to us even more directly about our fears, our grief, our desire for shelter, the solace that comes with song and the ongoing need for patience, courage and hope. Rabbi Robbins will facilitate the practice in a weekly session to engage with the text and our lives, using music, reading, writing and silence. We recommend you have a copy of the book, as well as a notebook or lined paper, and a pencil or pen. Materials from the printed book will also be shared electronically in each session. The weekly practice will take place live on Zoom, with an opportunity to "chat" with Rabbi Robbins after the practice. It will be recorded and available on the Temple Emanu-El Facebook page for those who prefer to practice at a different time. Watch *The Weekly* and *tedallas.org* for Zoom links to the class.

To buy your own copy of the book, contact **Judaic Treasures** at 469.230.5195 or judaictreasures.com; **Amazon** or ccarpress.org

CONNECT WITH CLERGY FOR ELUL

Tuesdays at noon on Facebook

August 25

Creating Your Sanctuary at Home
Rabbi Dan Utley and Rachel Utley

Learn how to introduce sacred spaces in your home to elevate your experience of the High Holy Days.

September 1

Mah Tov, a Song of Sacred Space
Cantor Vicky Glikin

This musical meditative journey reminds us that no matter where we find ourselves, our surroundings have the potential to be a source of beauty and goodness.

September 8

What is the Sacred, in Space and Time?
Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen

Explore poetry and practices that speak to our many experiences of the sacred.

September 15

Cantor in the Kitch
Cantor Leslie Niren

Prepare favorite dishes we can all enjoy at our holiday tables.

TORAH TIME

You'll have a chance to visit Temple and stand with the Torah for a few minutes of meditation, prayer and solitude in your choice of four worship spaces. Hours will be 15-minute slots on Mondays and Thursdays during Elul, the month leading up to Rosh HaShanah. Please note that upon entering the building, you will be asked to wear a mask and fill out a health screening.

To sign up, visit participate.tedallas.org/arkvisits or contact Rachel Tucker at rtucker@tedallas.org or call 972.863.0611. Watch Temple communications for more details.

OUR COMMUNITY

BECOMING B'NAI MITZVAH



Max Levy | August 10
 Son of Lissa and Eric Levy
 Haggard Middle School, Plano
Tikkun Olam: Fundraising for Haggard Middle School Counselor Fund, which supports at-risk kids' lunch accounts



Hailey Ice | August 15
 Daughter of Jennifer and Joe Ice
 Hays Middle School, Prosper
Tikkun Olam: Love Pacs, an organization that helps provide food to children during school and holiday breaks



Hank Utay | August 22
 Son of Sam and Alan Utay, z"l
 Greenhill School
Tikkun Olam: Jewish Family Service, tech support at Temple Emanu-El



Luke Steinhart | August 29
 Son of Meredith and Barry Steinhart
 Parish Episcopal School
Tikkun Olam: For the Love of the Lake



Olivia Haley Greenstone | August 15
 Daughter of Joanna and David Greenstone
 Parish Episcopal School of Dallas
Tikkun Olam: North Texas Food Bank



Samantha Leah Krasovitsky | August 22
 Daughter of Kim and Vadim Krasovitsky
 Parkhill Junior High School
Tikkun Olam: Helping to furnish refugee apartments with Temple Emanu-El



Andrew Jordan Gerstenhaber | August 29
 Son of Courtney and Greg Gerstenhaber
 McCulloch Intermediate School
Tikkun Olam: Soles4Souls, Jewish Family Service

NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS

John, Caryn, Ben and Ryan Berardi
 Harris and Allison Brett
 Ryan and Ali Dandes
 Paul Gager
 Jennifer Gurevitz and Jay Brown
 William Harris and Jonna Harbour
 Todd, Stephanie and Logan Helman
 Katrina Lane
 Michael, Laura and Vivi Lavey
 Jeff and Elaine Siegel
 Aaron Sonego and Taylor Redfearn

IN MEMORIAM

William F. Davidson
 Father of Doug Davidson
Aida Galanter
 Mother of Bruce Galanter
Roger Horchow
 Father of Elizabeth Routman, Sally Horchow and Regan H. Pilsbury
Dr. Beth Levine
 Wife of Dr. Milton Packer
 Mother of Rachel Packer and Ben Packer
 Sister of Howard Levine
Ellen Mack
 Mother of Elizabeth Mack
Marjorie Freed Nash
 Mother of Marlene Weitman, Carol Bloom and Richard Nash
Charles "Chip" Rosenson
 Son of Marilyn Rosenson
 Brother of Celia Strickler and Malcolm Rosenson
Roberta Spector
 Mother of Howard Spector
 Sister of Peter Gluck

Gregory Taub
 Husband of Sharon Taub
 Father of Jordan Taub and Lauren Rosemore
 Brother of Andrea Meiselman
Phyllis Umansky
 Wife of Ken Umansky
 Mother of Lauren Savañigo and Michael Umansky
 Sister of Natalie Simon, Karen Asman and Pamela Kravitz

WEDDINGS

Jennifer Gurevitz and Jay Brown
 Hillary Litman and Clay Freed
 Layne Shidlofsky and Adam Katz

TEMPLE VOTES
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2020 ELECTIONS

Help Make Temple a 100 Percent Voting Congregation!

Join us in bringing our Jewish faith and values to the sacred act of voting, and celebrating the gift of freedom.

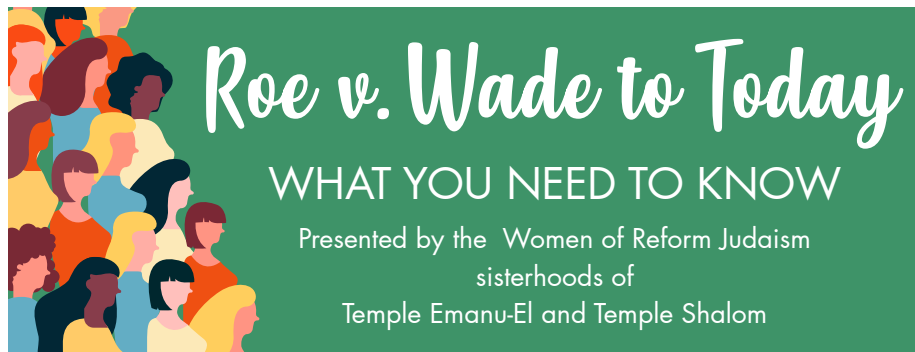
TAKE THE PLEDGE
 tedallas.org/vote

Contact: *Alexandra Horn*
 ahorn@tedallas.org

IMPORTANT VOTING DATES

- Oct. 5** Last day to register to vote for the general election
- Oct. 19** First day of early voting
- Oct. 23** Last day to apply for a ballot by mail
 (Note: received, not postmarked)
- Nov. 3** Election Day

Watch for opportunities to engage with Temple Votes, including virtual events that will cover voting by mail and how to vote safely at the polls.



This informative discussion will explore the history of our reproductive rights struggle, the current situation and what you need to know before the November general election

Wednesday, August 26 | 7-9PM

For Zoom link, visit upcoming events on tesisterhood.org.

WITH

Ally Karpel, Reproductive Health and Rights Campaign Associate, Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism

Kelly Hart, Senior Director of Public Affairs, Planned Parenthood of Greater Dallas

Emily Feinberg, Editor of "Jane Against the World" and close friend of author Karen Blumenthal, z"l

Kamyon Conner, Executive Director, Texas Equal Access Fund

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen, Temple Emanu-El

Opening blessing by **Cantor Devorah Avery**, Temple Shalom

JUDAIC TREASURES
bringing Temple home



Shop Online!

While we've been safely sheltering in place, Judaic Treasures is working hard to provide beautiful items for your Jewish life. Temple's gift shop is pleased to offer curbside pickup. Shop and select the merchandise you'd like online at judaictreasures.com. After you place your order, a representative of the shop will call you to schedule pickup on Mondays and Thursdays, 11AM-3PM. Curbside pickup will be practiced from a safe distance. Stay in your car, call us at the number below and a volunteer will place the items in your trunk or back seat. And please wear a mask! All proceeds support Temple. Contact us at 469.230.5195.

Membership Drive

We hope you will join us in our sacred work centered around sisterhood, spirituality and social good. During the pandemic, we have been here for you with social events, wellness programs such as qigong and adult learning opportunities.

Apply online at tesisterhood.org. For a paper application, contact Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org. Be sure to join before our special member recognition opportunity in September!

Daughters of Abraham

August 20 | 7-8:30PM

Topic: Domestic Violence

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. See you in the Zoom room!

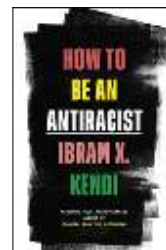
Antiracist Reads

The Weisberg Library is a resource for you and your family to learn about systemic racism and to take active steps to become antiracist. Here are three books suggested by Anjelica Ruiz, Director of Libraries and Archives. Contact her to arrange to check them out safely at aruiz@tedallas.org.

How To Be An Antiracist

IBRAM X. KENDI

In this powerful book, Kendi introduces the concept of antiracism, writing that to say you are "not racist" is also saying that you are not "aggressively against racism." Kendi details his personal journey while giving the reader concrete ways to be actively antiracist. It's not always about being on the frontlines for protests and it begins with educating yourself.



White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism

ROBIN DIANGELO

This book will make you uncomfortable but acknowledging and confronting that is essential to beginning the work to become antiracist. DiAngelo "allows us to understand racism as a practice not restricted to 'bad people'" by giving the historical context of how white fragility develops, how it inevitably promotes racial inequality, and what we can do to have more constructive ways to talk about the uncomfortable topic of racism.



So You Want to Talk About Race

IJEOMA OLUO

This user-friendly book examines race and racism through a series of questions. How do you tell someone their jokes are racist? How do you explain white privilege to a white friend? What is intersectionality and why is it important? Oluo guides readers of all races in having honest conversations about race and racism, which is a solid first step in becoming antiracist.



Thanks for the Memories, Morris!

Temple Emanu-El wishes a fond farewell and a most happy retirement to Morris Dickson, Temple's longest-serving employee before he retired in June of this year.

For 45 years, "Morris has been synonymous with Temple Emanu-El, and with every activity that takes place here," said Rabbi David Stern in announcing Morris' retirement.

"His heart of service has made possible the most important events in the lives of our congregants—from weddings to funerals, baby namings to B'nai Mitzvah—Morris has made sure the details were right, the spaces were ready and the people felt welcomed. He has opened the door for Talmud students at 7:30 in the morning, stayed late for Board meetings, showed the hallways to new ECEC parents and showed the ropes to new rabbis and cantors."

We look forward to joyfully celebrating Morris in person when it is safe to do so. In the meantime, Morris is enjoying spending time with his grandson, Jeremiah Grant, and is planning to help out at Vickery Meadow Food Pantry.

"I will miss Temple and the people at Temple," he says.

Here are excerpts of fond tributes that members shared of life at Temple with Morris.

Our daughter, Sheila, was married in the Olan Sanctuary in June 1987. I told [caterer] Mrs. Sherp to be sure the doors to Tobian were left open and to please keep the bima lights on so everyone could still enjoy the gorgeous flowers. The reception had started and the food was being served. I noticed the lights on the bimah were not on. I went to the kitchen to talk to Mrs. Sherp. I said, "Where is Moses, I want the bimah lights on." She laughed and said, "Do you mean Morris?" Now I certainly know Morris and he knows me and so many others by name. Morris is such a special person always in a good humor and always has the right answer to your question.

ETTIE WEINBERG

Each year for the 10 years that I did the High Holy Days guest services in Lefkowitz Chapel, there was never a moment that I had to worry about something missing or things not set up right. Morris was there in the midst of the holiday frenzy and checking with me to be sure everything was there that I needed. He was a great organizer and knew more about the holiday than many of us.

W. PAUL RADMAN

There used to be a six-week summer camp at Temple Emanu-El for kids K-6th grades. If you are now in your 40s and 50s, you probably attended. We started out in the Weiss Youth Room, then, after the Levy Building was built, we moved there. Somehow, through the mists of time, Temple camp disappeared, but guess who was always there, always a mensch...Morris.

HOPE LEVINE



**Temple's longest-serving
employee brought a big heart
and a ready smile for more
than four decades of service.**



There is only one Morris Dickson. It is only partly true that Temple is built from cement and mortar. What is also true is that Temple was and is a sacred place in part because of the commitment and devotion of Morris and his buddies way back when: Charlie and Les, who knew everything about keeping the lights on and how to deal with Temple's diverse membership. Last year during the High Holy Days, there was Morris directing traffic away from the kitchen door. We greeted each other and he told me to move my car. And as I was pulling away I was smiling because it felt like as though at that moment, the holidays were really beginning.

BETTY ABLON



When your father is the Senior Rabbi of Temple Emanu-El and you are 6 years old, you spend a lot of time at Temple. I used to spend a lot of my time hanging with the guys in the kitchen and back room in Tobian Auditorium when I was supposed to be in services on a Friday night, or waiting long hours for my dad to finish his last appointment of the evening. All days of the year, every month, and every season—Jewish holidays, summer camps, religious school, junior choir, practicing the shofar, my bar mitzvah, adult choir, DAFTY events, Confirmation classes, my father’s farewell weekend, my wife’s conversion, my rehearsal dinner and wedding, my Bubby’s memorial service—Morris is in all of those memories...I remember following Morris around as a kid as he would be the busiest guy I knew, bouncing from one chore to the other effortlessly and never doing anything without a smile. I’m sure Morris found me annoying at times but he sure never let on...Morris helped make Temple a house of God, and a holier place because he was there.

DAVID ZIMMERMAN

“His heart of service has made possible the most important events in the lives of our congregants.”

Rabbi David Stern

I remember when I met with someone during my first week on the job, and they said ‘Do you know who is REALLY in charge of Temple?’ and I said ‘yes, Morris!’
DIANA EINSTEIN, FORMER STAFF MEMBER

Morris seemed to be everywhere helping to make things happen. When we screened our film “The Monster Among Us” at Temple with Women of Reform Judaism, we were trying out this old projector that sort of didn’t work up to speed. When Morris walked in, he said, ‘we have something better’ and brought us two projectors to choose from. Our film played perfectly to 500 people thanks to Morris.
CYNTHIA SALZMAN MONDELL & ALLEN MONDELL

I will always remember with such fondness and respect my experiences with Morris. When I spent those years organizing volunteers setting up the tables outside of the kitchen for the hamantaschen bake, Morris was always there with his wonderful smile and the ability to set up the tables just so. Then there were the Purim party years when I had different responsibilities through Sisterhood. Morris was there in any way needed.
BOOTSIE (BETTY) GOLDEN



We are Here for You

Temple meets members where they are with innovation and inspiration

Temple Emanu-El is a steady presence in our lives, and one that is perhaps most meaningful when we're unsteady, when the rhythms of our lives that can lift us up decide to toss us around a bit.

With the implications of a rapidly spreading, super-contagious virus growing urgent over the spring and summer, Temple made the difficult decision to

close the building and to take virtually all activity online. We have deeply missed one another and our comforting Temple routines—the joy of anticipating Shabbat together, the fun and pride of life cycle events, the energy of everyone from toddlers to centenarians, the hugs in our darkest moments.

Yet Temple has never been that far away; and for many, it has never been closer. For

those joining in Zoom funerals they would not have been able to otherwise attend to those who can at last connect from places of illness or limited mobility, Temple has shined its light the brightest.

Here are five ways in which Temple has done what it does best: Be a source of comfort, connection and creativity in challenging times.



Teaming Up on Tech

Before school ended in the spring, Hank Utay and his mom, Sam, reached out to Temple with an idea. Hank, a young tech whiz who will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah this month, wanted to help older adults be more comfortable with technology. He had helped his grandmother, who lives in Tulsa, learn to participate in a Zoom seder for Passover and to order her own dinners on Door Dash. Could Hank be useful to Temple members who needed help with technology? And so began the Tech Squad, a helper team available to be matched with those who need help. Hank worked with Susan Cooper on advanced Zoom skills and setting up a Facebook Live account. He also worked with Dorothy Borschow.

"I love technology and am so lucky to be helping Temple members learn how to use and understand technology better," says Hank. "I have taught my 'students' how to set up Zoom meetings, use Facebook Live, and more. It's been super fun and rewarding for me and I've made some great friends."

Susan Cooper says she is very appreciative of her new friend and tech consultant.

"Hank Utay has very high technology skills. But he is also a very patient teacher, and so pleasant to work with. He has taught me so many new computer skills, and I feel that I have found a new friend."

If you'd like to volunteer for the Tech Squad or be put in touch with a volunteer helper, please contact Lauren Kahn at 972.863.0611 or lkahn@tedallas.org.

"What More Can We Do?" Drop-Off Food Drive

Temple organized a parking lot food drop-off to help our neighbors in need. Our members contributed 500 Bye Bye Bags for children to take home after a day at Vogel Alcove; 300 boxes of cereal for Family Gateway and 1,000 pounds of food, or approximately 833 meals, for North Dallas Shared Ministries.

"On a very hot Thursday, July 2, the traffic along Hillcrest Road was amazing, as the line of cars never let up for two-plus hours. They were headed into the lot of our Temple Emanu-El home— young families with kids, grandparents with grandchildren, professionals on the way to work, seniors alone or with spouses, multiple generations in one car. They came with trunks and back seats full of cereal and canned food, and bye-bye bags, so much more than we dreamed we would collect. And as the cars rolled in with their generous gifts of food, so did the expressions of gratitude. 'I feel so blessed to be able to do something to help.' 'I wish I could do more.' 'Thank you for this opportunity.' 'It is so wonderful to see our Temple alive again.' And most of all: 'What more can we do?'" **SALLY ROSENBERG**



Bringing Home the Olan Sanctuary

One of the highlights of Yoga Emanu-El is experiencing the Olan Sanctuary as a setting for the practice. Adapting to the loss of physical space was one of the many ways members felt disoriented during the pandemic, but like so many aspects of our lives, we've embraced new ways to practice.

"In all candor, I think the yoga teacher has had a tougher time than the practitioners!" says Debbi K. Levy, a Temple member and the Yoga Emanu-El teacher. "Yoga Emanu-El had weekly handouts, stones for use in meditations, blocks, straps, challah-tasting, and a variety of other objects to enrich our Jewish topics of study. Moving to an online platform meant that all of our materials came from the head and the heart. The absence of papers and essential oils from the days of the Israelites, insist that we dive even deeper into our practices and away from the concrete learning tools. I believe our Yoga Emanu-El practitioners would agree that there is a depth and richness to the practice that is, indeed, a new layer. Particularly during this time of the pandemic, we are grateful for the support of one another and these relationships that promote emotional well-being and an opportunity to enhance our relationships with God."



Live from Sunday Morning, it's YL+E!

The Youth Learning + Engagement staff took the classroom online to hundreds of families with a Sunday Live Greeting that started in the school year and then occurred bi-weekly over the summer. Each greeting is based on a Jewish lesson or message, and the Zoom recording includes songs and sharing from YL+E staff members. Families also received a twice-weekly newsletter, Mishpachah Minute, that helps parents bring Judaism into the home in four categories: Kindness, Jewish value of the week, conversation starters and Jewish family time (plus an adults-only section for a bit of relief to parents!)

Here's what parent Larissa Mulladzhyanov had to say about the Chesed From Home lesson on creating a family gratitude jar:

"Thank you for the wonderful tips! I placed a jar in my boy's rooms and said it's a gratitude jar. Every day there's something to be thankful for, and when the jar is full, we go over all the positive things we're thankful for. The one kid that came up with the most things to be grateful for, gets a small gift (McDonald's meal or so). We all need reminders (including myself) about how lucky we are to have all that we have during these difficult times."

Happy Campers

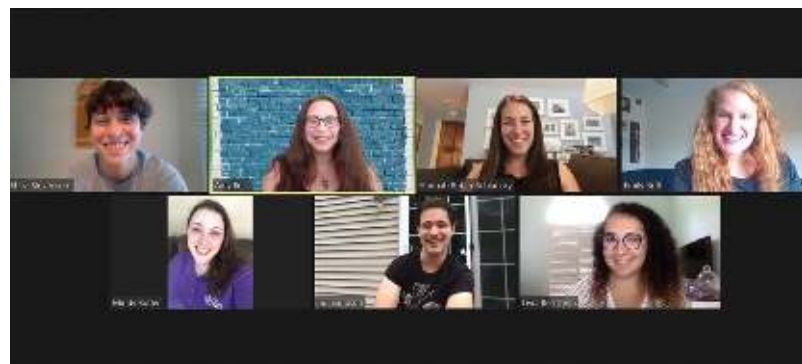
Determined to create a wonderful camp experience at home, a dozen Early Childhood Education Center teachers teamed up with Early Childhood Director Shelly Sender to bring out-of-the-box thinking to some very special boxes.

Enter InstaCamp, a box that provided five days of activities, with all supplies needed, as an alternative to face-to-face camp. It was designed for children 18 months to 8, encourage outdoor activity, exploration and creativity, and the activities were mostly screen-free. More than 600 boxes were provided by pickup or mail and they will be available through early August.

"It has been a very successful program that gave families rich, engaging experiences," says Shelly.

"InstaCamp was everything we hoped for and more," says Bekah Lyons, Mom of Birdie, Elodie and Odin. "Not only was it fun for our kiddos, it was also incredibly thorough and educational. It kept their curiosity and imaginations going and growing all summer long!"

To purchase, visit participate.tedallas.org/InstaCamp.



Shabbat Shalom שבת שלום

ואתחנן

Va-et'chanan

Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11

Friday, July 31

6PM

Tot Shabbat

Rabbi Amy Ross
Shelly Sender
Ian Simpson, Songleader
Julia Rogers

6:15PM

Rabbi Debra Robbins
Cantor Vicky Glikin

Saturday, August 1

10:30am

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Cantor Vicky Glikin

עקב

Eikev

Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25

Friday, August 7

6:15PM

Rabbi Debra Robbins
Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Cantor Leslie Niren

Saturday, August 8

10:30AM

Rabbi Debra Robbins
Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

ראה

R'eih

Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17

Friday, August 14

6:15PM

Rabbi David Stern
Rabbi Daniel Utley
Cantor Vicky Glikin

Saturday, August 15

10:30AM

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Randy Pearlman, Cantorial Soloist

10:30AM

Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Bat Mitzvah: Olivia Greenstone

4:30PM

Rabbi Daniel Utley
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Bat Mitzvah: Hailey Ice

שפטים

Shof'tim

Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9

Friday, August 21

6:15PM

Welcome Shabbat
Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Cantor Leslie Niren
Celebrating the 100th anniversary
of the 19th amendment

Saturday, August 22

10:30AM

Rabbi Debra Robbins
Hallie Weiner, Cantorial Intern

10:30AM

Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Bat Mitzvah: Hank Utay

4:30PM

Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen
Cantor Leslie Niren
Bat Mitzvah: Samantha Krasovitsky

כי תצא

Ki Teitzei

Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19

Friday, August 28

6PM

Sababa

Rabbi Amy Ross
Ian Simpson, Songleader

6:15PM

Rabbi Debra Robbins
Cantor Leslie Niren

Saturday, August 29

10:30AM

Rabbi Daniel Utley
Cantor Leslie Niren

10:30AM

Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Vicky Glikin
Bat Mitzvah: Andrew Gerstenhaber

4:30PM

Rabbi David Stern
Cantor Leslie Niren
Bat Mitzvah: Luke Steinhart



Intro to Judaism Begins August 18

INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM, a 16-week course covering the basics and more, will be offered live via Zoom beginning Aug. 18 at 7PM. The course is open to those who are interested in learning more about Judaism and considering conversion. Space is limited.

For questions and to register, contact
Rachel Tucker, rtucker@tedallas.org.

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With heartfelt thanks to our 1,038 Temple members who participated in the 2019-2020 Annual Fund. Together, we exceeded our goal of 1.2 million dollars.

Your generosity was invaluable in helping to sustain our Temple community in a year of unprecedented challenges.

We also thank our 94 Annual Fund Committee members for your incredible dedication and hard work in achieving these goals for Temple.

A Place for Everyone



Emily is a Dallas native and attended Levine Academy and Yavneh Academy.

"After spending a year in Israel, I moved to Austin to pursue my bachelor's degree in criminal justice," she says. After graduation in 2014, she took a job working as a special education paraprofessional and says that's where she found her calling. "I absolutely fell in love with the children I helped support and felt the need to continue this work."

Emily earned her certifications as a general education and special education teacher and moved on to teach special education for more than six years. "Each year I spent teaching my wonderful kids, I was fortunate to witness the power of inclusion and the difference it makes when we choose to include."

She looks forward to meeting the Temple community. "I am determined to find a way for you and your family, or I will create one!"

For more information or to discuss how we can accommodate your needs, contact Emily at ebrill@tedallas.org.

"I was fortunate to witness the power of inclusion and the difference it makes when we choose to include."

We extend a hearty Temple welcome to Emily Brill, the new Inclusion Coordinator, who will work with our members to make sure that all people at Temple Emanu-El are supported and fully integrated into our community.

Emily's work will include: coordinating the Lomdim (special needs) program in the Youth Learning + Engagement department and expanding inclusion in all YL+E programs; overseeing Shabbat B'Yachad, the welcoming service for all youth and adults, working with Temple staff to incorporate best practices and to engage the adult special needs population.

"Having Emily in this position helps continue the important work of Temple Emanu-El in the area of inclusion," says Rabbi Amy Ross, Director of Learning and Innovation. Temple was honored last year for its inclusion efforts by the Special Needs Partnership of Jewish Family Service. "We believe every child and every adult can thrive in our community and we look forward to having Emily help forge those paths to Jewish joy, confidence and comfort for all members."

WELCOME BACK, ECEC & YL+E

ECEC OPENING DAY: SEPTEMBER 8

"We are thrilled and excited to welcome our children back into the building," says Shelly Sender, Early Childhood Director. "We cannot wait to fill our spaces with the joy, curiosity and community that the ECEC brings each and every day."

IN THE CLASSROOMS: Children will remain in their classrooms with their teachers, and Atelier (specialty) teachers will come to the classroom.

OUTDOOR SPACES: The ECEC will expand opportunities for learning in Temple's beautiful outdoor spaces.

CARPOOLS: Dropoff and pickups will be held outdoors.

HEALTH PRACTICES: Mask-wearing, temperature checks, daily screenings, frequent handwashing/sanitizing and meticulous cleaning protocols will assist us in safeguarding our community.

YL+E OPENING DAY: AUGUST 23

We're YL+Excited to welcome back our community. We're working on an exciting array of small group and virtual experiences that are designed to give families options that work for them. Watch for details in school and Temple-wide communications. Contact: Hannah Rubin-Schlansky, Associate Director of Learning & Innovation, h Rubin-schlansky@tedallas.org.

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"My House Shall be Called a House of Prayer for All People"

Temple Emanu-El's third location on South Boulevard and Harwood Street, upon which these timeless words from Isaiah are emblazoned, holds a special place in the memories of many of today's members. The building was dedicated in 1920 when Rabbi David Lefkowitz of blessed memory arrived in Dallas.

