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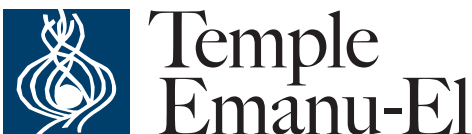
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After a Burst of Song, the Call of Responsibility



Rabbi David Stern

The moment and the song seemed unforgettable. The Israelites, newly freed from slavery with the miraculously parted sea behind them, lift their voices in exultation and gratitude: “*Ozi v’zimrat Yah: God is my strength and my song... Shiru L’Adonai ki ga’oh ga’ah: Sing to Adonai, for God has triumphed gloriously.*”

But as we will learn again on Shabbat Shirah this year (See p. 14), only three days (and three Torah verses) after the singing ends, the people’s voices sound a different note: “And the people grumbled against Moses, saying ‘What shall we drink?’” The transcendent moment seems gone. Gone the spectacle, gone the gratitude, gone the celebration, gone the melodies of joy.

And so we learn the lesson: Even the most storied miracles have a short shelf life. The Torah is wary of instant religion, the faith of midnight epiphanies or the oaths taken before adoring crowds. Judaism teaches that faith is not the task of a moment. It is the task of a lifetime. Whether it be at the shores of the Red Sea in gratitude, or sitting in the chapel in prayer, or standing under the chuppah in love — the commitments of the moment await the acts of all the days and years that we pray will follow. The connection between our heartfelt resolutions and our everyday deeds is never as direct or uncluttered as we would like. Our focus starts to wane, our priorities start to slip, external circumstances divert us from the path. The melody starts to fade.

The transcendent moments matter deeply, and we would never exchange them for a life of unrelenting ordinariness. But they also require our reinforcement: the practices that return us to

the wonder, the connectedness, the sense of purpose. It could be as simple as date night, or taking a minute to offer gratitude upon awakening. It could be as basic as letting the child’s rhythm set the pace, or looking at our credit card bill to see if our expenditures reflect our values. It could be listening for a cry other than our own, or the sound of a bird on a branch. It could be knowing that the sun sets differently on a Friday night than it does on any other.

Standing on the stage during a master class at Tanglewood Music Center a few summers ago, the great cellist Yo-Yo Ma taught his students and the audience that the cellos were not the only instruments in the room. The auditorium itself is an instrument, he said, because the sound resonates within the hall. And the audience itself is an instrument, because the sound resonates within our physical bodies.

So no matter how good or bad you think your voice is, the physics of the matter establish that we all quite literally carry a tune. Which means that even when our ancestors complained three verses after the miracle, the song of hope and freedom and joy had never actually disappeared. It still echoed somewhere in the cavity of their chests, somewhere in their hearts, even when they were making the noise of complaint.

Like them, we carry the echo of moments great and small, devastating or joyous or touched by wonder. The song of our experience resonates within us, but we know it also confers upon us a responsibility. To not only carry the melody, but to sustain it, and to choose the melodies we will sustain. To mark the significance of a moment with the commitments of a lifetime, and extend the song of blessing in God’s world.



New Beginnings, Ancient Journeys

After the light-filled and festive close of the secular year, our tradition rolls up its sleeves and begins the hard work of freedom. Let's prepare for that journey when **Soul Singing returns on Jan. 15 (opposite page)**. Later that week, our **Shabbat evening service honoring MLK on Jan. 17** will feature the Temple Emanu-El Choir and our Confirmation students sharing reflections from their advocacy

trip to Washington, D.C. MLK's ideals are also reflected in the **Jan. 30 multifaith gathering at Golden Gate Baptist Missionary Church (p. 22)**, where faith leaders and congregants from many religious organizations will come together in solidarity around solving pressing issues.

The Torah cycle brings us the beginning of Exodus and the trajectory from slavery to Sinai, with the melodious way station of

Shabbat Shirah, the Sabbath of Singing. Our Temple observance on Feb. 7-8 will include the Temple Emanu-El Choir and the visit of MAC Artists Nigunim Ensemble, the talented Israeli duo whose music reflects the diversity of Israeli and global Jewish communities (p. 14).

Temple also embarks on a special season of learning and music leading up to the don't-miss performance of **Defiant Requiem: Verdi at Terezín on April 23**. Up first: a Jan. 26 film screening and a concert by our cantors on Feb. 23.

And now a pop quiz: What's the Jewish new year? Rosh Hashanah is correct, but so is the **15th of Sh'vat, or Tu BiSh'vat, the new year of the trees**. Our observance on Feb. 12-14 will include learning from Rabbis Debra Robbins and Kimberly Herzog Cohen, a special activity for Temple seniors at Café Emanu-El, a family scavenger hunt, take-home resources and a flavorful Shabbat oneg.

On Feb. 20-23, we'll see our 8th and 9th graders off on a civil rights trip to Alabama and Georgia and look forward to hearing their reflections upon their return.

February wraps up with the perennially popular **All-In Shabbat on Feb. 28**, which will feature some of our young leaders sharing how they help repair the world, as well as craft and volunteer projects to support local causes.

And who says life slows down after winter break? Certainly not us!

Connie Dufner, Senior Director of Communications



Parshat Beshalach, crossing of the Red Sea, a page from the Illustrated Torah by Michal Meron.

Tu BiSh'vat

Celebrating our Roots

Tu BiSh'vat, the 15th day of the Hebrew month of Sh'vat, is known as the new year of the trees, marking the emergence of spring. This year's holiday falls on Feb. 13. In Reform Judaism, the holiday has evolved to incorporate themes of environmental and social justice; planting of trees and eating of a variety of fruits and nuts from Israel.

February 8 | 3PM

Enjoy a festive family photo scavenger hunt, concluding with Havdalah led by Cantor Hallie Weiner. Register at tedallas.org/events.



February 12 | 12PM

In the From Time to Time class, Rabbi Debra Robbins will explore how Tu BiSh'vat connect us to our roots, grounding us in the present and inviting us to plant for the future.

She will be joined by Aya Margalit, Israel community *sh'lichah*.

February 12 | 2-3PM

Café Emanu-El will include a Tu BiSh'vat activity led by Rabbi Kimberly Herzog Cohen.



February 14 | 6:15PM

Shabbat service honoring HIAS

HIAS is the international organization that provides services and support to refugees. After the service, enjoy a special oneg celebrating the fruits and nuts of Israel.

Tu BiSh'vat kicks off a monthlong collection of new stuffed animals to be delivered to special-needs children. See p. 22 for details. For resources including a take-home seder and holiday recipes, visit tedallas.org/holidays.



SOUL SINGING WITH THE CANTORS

January 15 | 7PM | Register: tedallas.org/events

Create an intimate, open space to deepen your connection to God through music, meditation and community. Led by Cantors Vicky Glikin, Leslie Niren and Hallie Weiner, and accompanied by musicians.





Inside Jewish Budapest with ATiD *Info Session January 15*



Join Rabbi Michael Lewis on a once-in-a-lifetime trip to Budapest, Hungary, with JDC Entwine, an initiative of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

Scheduled for May 18-25, the trip is created for young adults ages 22-39, and will include tours, culinary adventures,

nightlife experience, meeting young Jewish peers in Hungary and learning about Jewish life in Eastern Europe.

The trip is being generously subsidized by Temple and organized by JDC, the largest Jewish humanitarian organization in the world. The Entwine program offers global travel and service opportunities to build young Jewish leaders.

Rabbi Lewis will lead an information session at 6:30PM on Jan. 15. For questions and more information, contact Sammy Weyser, sweyser@tedallas.org.

Register to attend the info session at tedallas.org/events

Learn more and apply here: jdcentwine.org/insidejewishbudapest/



CAFÉ EMANU-EL

Come to Temple to schmooze, sip and snack during the day. You'll have a chance to catch up with friends and visit with your Temple community.

February 12 | 2-3PM | Register: tedallas.org/events
Contact: Katie London, Director of Engagement Opportunities and Older Adults, klondon@tedallas.org

CONNECT EMANU-EL 2025

We want to hear how you're doing! Temple volunteers will be calling most members of the congregation from January 13-27. The purpose is a friendly check-in to let us know if Temple can be helpful to you. So answer your phone and say hello to an old friend or meet someone new and learn their story!

For more information, contact Meredith Pryzant, mpryzant@tedallas.org

Temple Forward

CAST YOUR VOTE FOR NEW BYLAWS

Temple members will vote on a new set of bylaws that, if adopted, will cultivate more leaders and result in more dynamic decision-making at Temple. Make plans to attend the special congregational meeting at 6:30PM on January 21.

Key Changes

1. A more streamlined and engaged Board of Trustees in which each of the trustees (up to 27) will oversee a committee or portfolio — a task currently performed by the 10-member Executive Committee.
2. A new Leadership Council (up to 30 people) representing Temple's diverse constituencies. The council will guide on significant matters and serve as a pathway for those interested in serving on the Board.
3. A new year-round Nominating and Governance Committee focusing on leadership development, identifying leaders, and matching their skills to committee opportunities at Temple.

Vote

The meeting will be held at 6:30PM on January 21 in Stern Chapel, online and in person. Light refreshments will be available beginning at 6PM. Votes are counted per household.

Register: tedallas.org/events

Watch

Look for videos by Temple leaders sharing their perspectives on the impact of the new bylaws, shared on YouTube and Facebook, and published in the Weekly.

YouTube: @TEDallas

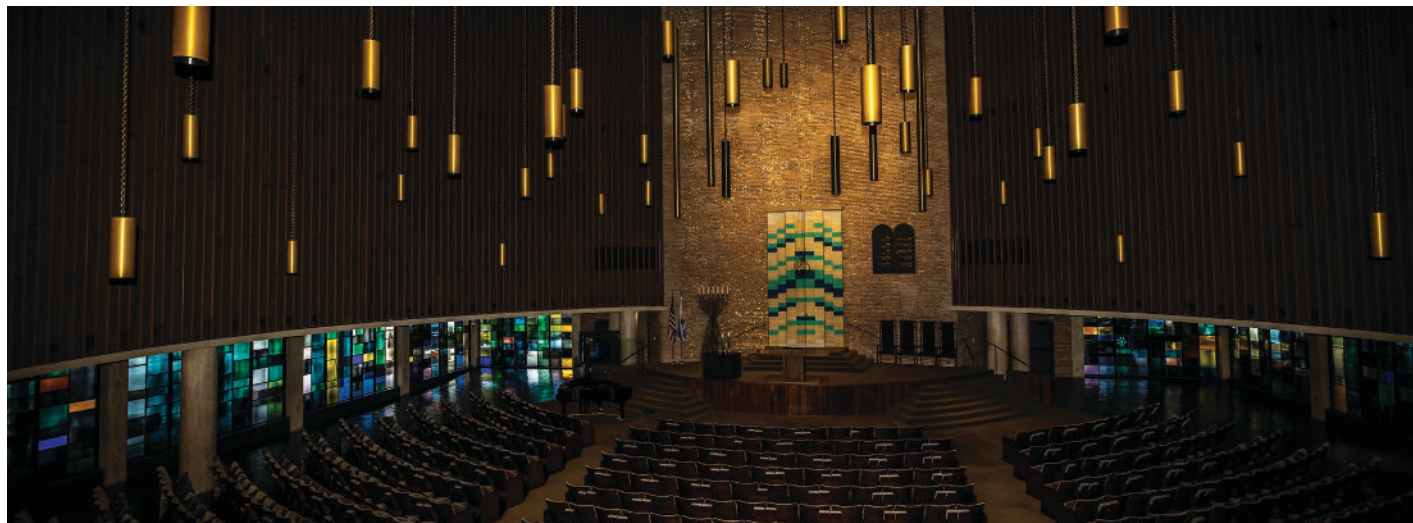
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Browse

Review current bylaws, proposed bylaws and other important informational materials.

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Our Voices Rise in Song Together

Music is at the core of prayer and community at Temple

*“When we sing,
when we sing,
when we sing,
we pray twice.”*

Michael Hunter Ochs

These lyrics express the indelible connection between music and prayer. Music is prayer, and prayer is song. The purpose of prayer is to connect us to our deepest truths, to each other, and to the Divine. Even outside a spiritual setting, music — particularly music offered from the heart — allows us to experience intimacy and Oneness. When joining our voices with the voices of others, our bodies experience physiological changes, as our heartbeats literally align to beat in the same rhythm, and we become a small part of a bigger, united whole.

When we think about music at Temple Emanu-El, we think about our youngest children singing “The Dinosaur Song,” YL+E students dancing to “Miriam’s Song,” *b’nai mitzvah* students leading prayer, congregants of all ages joining in song on Shabbat and other holidays, in times of loss and joy. This music may have been composed last year or 200 years ago, may be traditional or contemporary, but its mission is always the same: to inspire and connect, create a sense of belonging and comfort, invite joy and encourage reflection. Music is the means, but the ends are spiritual.

When creating meaningful worship, we ask: “What is the arc of the experience? Given this arc, what music will best support this arc?” When working with Kol Shir, our youth choir, and the Temple Emanu-El adult choir, we ask: “How can the choir inspire through a beautiful listening moment, support the congregational voice and deepen the sense of community?” When shaping a Music, Arts and Culture (MAC) season, we ask: “How can we educate our congregation about Jewish culture, as expressed through a diversity of Jewish sound? How can we help our congregants connect to the Jewish world outside of Temple, and to Israel?”

Temple Emanu-El’s worship and culture are grounded in an illustrious legacy of musical expression. It is humbling and inspiring to stand on the shoulders of giants such as Samuel Adler, Simon Sargon ז”ל, and Cantor Richard Cohn, to name a few, not to mention the countless lay leaders who have contributed so much to music at this historic congregation. Temple Emanu-El is recognized nationally for our vibrant music program, and it is truly an honor to help shape this essential part of Temple life alongside gifted partners, including Cantor Leslie Niren, Chris Crook, Cantor Hallie Weiner and our talented musicians.

Cantor Vicky Glikin

A LYRICAL LEGACY

Music has been an essential expression of spirituality throughout Temple’s history. Following are some highlights of Temple’s rich musical tradition.

1876: Temple hires a professional choir and organist for services in the year it acquired its first building.

1920: Sadie Lefkowitz, wife of Rabbi David Lefkowitz, organized the first

volunteer choir for Shabbat morning services.

1953: Sam Adler is hired as music director, building up the choir to more than 50 members. Under his direction,

the choir’s reputation for excellence grew, and they travel internationally, performing significant Jewish music.

1974: Simon Sargon, a composer, conductor and pianist, is hired as

music director, a position he held until 2001.

1991-2009: The annual Showcase Series brings high-caliber performances to Temple, including the Champagne Pops

Broadway concerts, the Meadows Symphony Orchestra and the annual Fruhman Memorial Concert.

2003: Cantor Annie Bornstein, Temple’s first cantor, is hired. Prior to her arrival,

Temple had been incorporating more camp-style music into prayer, led by popular song leaders, including Rabbi Barry Diamond and Judi Ratner.

“Let us Sing Joyously to God” (Psalm 95:1)

Music has always been the language of my faith. In particular, the psalms have always seemed more real to me when brought to life by great composers. I am grateful for the promises contained in the psalms and the grounding they provide in my day-to-day life.

*Chris Crook, Director
Temple Emanu-El Choir*



Cantor Vicky Glikin



Cantor Leslie Niren



Chris Crook

Israeli Sound, Israeli Soul

Temple’s relationship to Israeli music is something our cantors have been dedicated to building over the past two decades. With the thoughtful inclusion of Israeli music and liturgy in our weekly Shabbat services, our goal has been to infuse worship experiences with the sounds of Israel and help to foster a connection despite the physical distance.

Including Israeli artists like Netanel Goldberg, Achinoam Nini, Yemen Blues, Nava Tehila and Nigunim Ensemble in our yearly MAC season is yet another way for us to deepen our relationship with Israel through sacred and meaningful musical experiences. While nothing can substitute visiting Israel to experience the sights, sounds, tastes and history of the land in person, infusing Israeli music into all aspects of Temple life is certainly one way to stay connected!

Coming soon, we can expect a warm and inviting musical hug from our friends, Rabbi Cantor Shani Ben-Or and Boaz Dorot. (See p. 14.) Shani and Boaz grew up in the Reform Movement in Israel, active at Congregation Kol Haneshama in Jerusalem. They bring a unique musical style that blends the genres of folk, pop, classical, and Middle Eastern into a harmonious sound of their own. Both Boaz and Shani bring a wealth of teaching experience and we cannot wait to study with them during the Saturday lunch ‘n’ learn and jam together at the Havdalah concert. Most importantly, we are blessed to have the opportunity to connect with these beautiful souls and gifted prayer leaders. We hope you’ll join us.

Cantor Leslie Niren

2004: Ralph Stannard is hired as choir director, serving until 2016.

2006: Cantor Richard Cohn is hired and begins a transformation

of Temple music, encouraging broader congregational participation.

2009-2017: The Pollman Performing Arts Programs brings in visiting religious

and secular musicians, including Theodor Bikel z”l, Jose Bowen, Danny Maseng, Cantor Alberto Mizrahi, Marvin Hamlisch z”l, Joshua Nelson, and Merri and Elana Arian.

2013: Cantor Leslie Niren, who had served Temple as a student cantor, is hired as assistant cantor. She brings her love of Israel and passion for mentoring students to her role.

2016: Senior Cantor Vicky Glikin is hired. She brings her deep spirituality and commitment to a relational approach to her work. The Music Arts & Culture program begins.

2017: Chris Crook is hired as choir director, and continues to grow the Choir’s historic role.

2024: Temple Emanu-El anticipates the 2025 performance of Defiant Requiem: Verdi at Terezín.

Credits: A Place of Sacred Encounter: Essays on Temple Emanu-El’s First 150 Years; Temple publications



AN EMERALD CITY PURIM

LET'S DEFY GRAVITY AT THIS YEAR'S
"WICKED"-INSPIRED CELEBRATIONS!

A WICKED, WICKED SPIEL AND CARNIVAL

March 9 | 10AM

Families with children of all ages are invited to celebrate with costumes and carnival magic. Start the fun in Stern Chapel with this year's "Wicked"-themed spiel and Megillah reading at 10AM. During this time, children up to age 5 are invited to enjoy the tot carnival, complete with face painting and an opportunity to enjoy the inflatables without the big kids! Following the spiel, games, bounce houses and food will be available for all.

Carnival tickets will go on sale in early February and are required for all children ages 2 and up.



THE OZDUST BALLROOM

WE WILL DANCE AGAIN
ADULT PARTY AND SPIEL

March 13 | 6PM | \$25 per person

Put on your party outfits and join us in the Ozdust Ballroom for this year's adult Purim party. Enjoy the Wicked, Wicked Spiel and Megillah reading followed by dinner, dancing and photo booth fun. The party is being held in the spirit of the We Will Dance Again movement to show solidarity after the Oct. 7, 2023 massacres at the Nova Music Festival in Israel.



CHANGE FOR GOOD

STUFFED ANIMAL COLLECTION

Bring a new stuffed animal to share with a child in need. See p. 22 for the story about the young Israeli girl who inspired the project.

Register for all activities at
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EVERYONE
DESERVES
THE CHANCE
TO FLY!

2025
PURIM
AUDITIONS



JANUARY 19

Grades 4-6
11-11:30AM

Grades 7-12 and adults
11:30AM-12PM

Bring out your inner Elphaba and Glinda and audition to be in the cast of this year's Wicked, Wicked Spiel!

Audition in Stern Chapel by singing one song *a capella*. Open to all adults and students in fourth grade and above. You must be able to perform in both shows to be in the cast.

Register at
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SETTING THE STAGE



Experience the power of music as spiritual resistance in *Defiant Requiem: Verdi at Terezín*, the Dallas premiere of the concert-drama about courageous prisoners in the Theresienstadt Concentration Camp during World War II. This month starts a series of music and learning experiences to prepare for this extraordinary musical performance on April 23.

WATCH

JANUARY 26 | 2PM | DALLAS HOLOCAUST AND HUMAN RIGHTS MUSEUM

DEFIANT REQUIEM: A FILM SCREENING

This 45-minute documentary highlights the story of Rafael Schächter, a brilliant and courageous young Czech conductor who was arrested and sent to Terezín in 1941. He taught Giuseppe Verdi's Requiem to 150 prisoners, who then performed it 16 times for Terezín prisoners as an unspoken work of defiance against the Nazis. The film includes testimony by surviving members of Schächter's choir, concert footage, dramatizations and animation. A presentation will follow by Alexandra Zaprunder, an educator from The Defiant Requiem Foundation. Docent-led tours of the museum will be offered to Temple members starting at 12:30PM. *Register at tedallas.org/events.*

LISTEN

FEBRUARY 23 | 4PM | STERN CHAPEL

BEHIND THE CURTAIN

Join *Defiant Requiem* conductor Ben Loeb, *Defiant Requiem* soprano soloist Allison Charney, cellist Peter Seidenberg, Cantor Vicky Glikin and Cantor Hallie Weiner in a concert featuring music composed in Europe in the years leading up to World War II, including by composers who would eventually be imprisoned at Terezín. You will also experience excerpts from the magnificent Verdi Requiem.

LEARN

MARCH 27 | 12-1PM

DEFIANT RESISTANCE

Explore the history of Terezín and the role of cultural resistance in uplifting morale and preserving the prisoners' humanity in unimaginable circumstances. Presented by Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum educators.

APRIL 3 | 12-1PM

TUNE INTO TEXT

Explore the text and meaning of Verdi's Requiem and the testimonies and experiences of Jewish prisoners in Terezín. Presented by Galit Gertsenzon, Ph.D., an expert on music and the Holocaust at Ball State University.

APRIL 10 | 12-1PM

MEET THE VISIONARY

A conversation with Maestro Murry Sidlin, founder and president of The Defiant Requiem Foundation.

EXPERIENCE

APRIL 23, 2025 | 7:30PM
YOM HASHOAH
MORTON H. MEYERSON SYMPHONY CENTER



DEFIANT REQUIEM: VERDI AT TEREZÍN

Presented on Yom HaShoah and the 80th anniversary of the liberation of Terezín, this unforgettable performance features video and narrated testimony by Terezín choir members and conductor Rafael Schächter. The production is conducted by Temple member Ben Loeb, narrated by The Defiant Requiem Foundation founder and president Murry Sidlin and Cantor Vicky Glikin, and features the Temple Emanu-El Choir, the Dallas Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, and guest soloists Allison Charney, Scott Conner, Eleni Matos and Bruce Sledge, with participation by Cantors Leslie Niren and Hallie Weiner.



Purchase your tickets to Defiant Requiem:
Verdi at Terezín at qrco.de/DRtickets



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Murry Sidlin

Cantor Vicky Glikin



Allison Charney

Scott Conner

Cantor Leslie Niren



Eleni Matos

Bruce Sledge

Cantor Hallie Weiner



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Temple Emanu-El Choir

From Israel, With Love

Nigunim Ensemble Brings a Modern Sound to Traditional Music

By Thomas Booe

Temple welcomes Rabbi Cantor Shani Ben-Or and Boaz Dorot of Nigunim Ensemble, whose music weaves tradition and innovation, for their first visit to Dallas. Deeply rooted in Reform Judaism and their shared Israeli upbringing, Shani and Boaz's story is one of collaboration, creativity and a shared passion for their faith.

The two grew up immersed in the Reform movement in Israel. From kindergarten through youth groups, their synagogue, Kehilat Kol Haneshama in Jerusalem, served as their spiritual and musical foundation. Boaz is now the synagogue's musical director, and Shani is the first female cantor to be ordained by the Reform movement in Israel, and Israel's first rabbi cantor.

Yet they don't see their journeys up until now as significant as the work that lies ahead in a post Oct. 7 world.

"We fight to bring who we are, not just through war and sacrifice, but through bringing hope and what to live for," Shani says. "I think all Israelis nowadays feel that they're fighting to lead their day-to-day lives. Spirituality feels like a privilege."

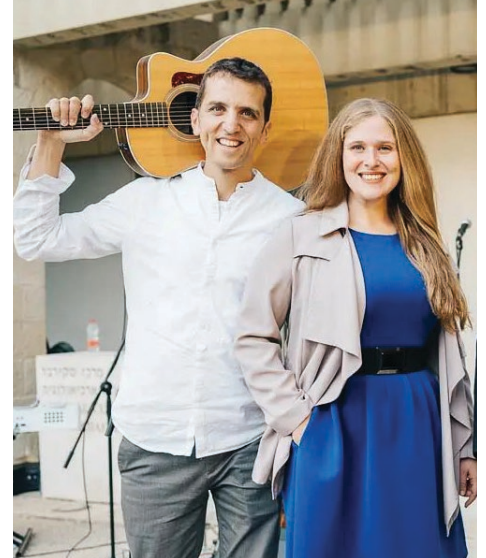
Nigunim Ensemble draws inspiration from the *nigun* — a melody without words, deeply rooted in Jewish tradition. Historically originating in Eastern Europe, *nigunim* transcend language, inviting participants to connect through feeling rather than words. Boaz and Shani reinterpret these melodies, blending Ashkenazi, Sephardic, Mizrahi and even secular musical influences into arrangements that reflect the diversity of Israeli and global Jewish communities.

Their ensemble is more than a musical act; it is a spiritual practice. Whether leading a Friday night service in Jerusalem or crafting rituals for special events, Nigunim Ensemble prioritizes connection over performance. "What we do is not a concert," says Boaz. "It's a prayerful, spiritual practice that bridges our heritage and today's realities."

Jewish music's future is as diverse as its past. Whether through embracing Mizrahi influences, reclaiming Classical Reform traditions, or introducing new melodies born from local inspiration, they are ensuring that this art form continues to thrive, uniting communities and generations.

Their concert will feature beloved Jewish melodies alongside original compositions, offering a musical experience that promises to inspire and uplift. "We always come with a gift of a new melody to the community, Shani says. "You'll be able to hear all of the traditions through us that are happening in Israel right now, something from the past, present, and even the future, because we'll create new music together."

For aspiring musicians interested in exploring Jewish music, the ensemble offers heartfelt advice. Shani encourages young artists to leave their comfort zones, learn new traditions and collaborate with like-minded partners. The ensemble's own creative process exemplifies this: hours spent studying texts, exploring melodies and sharing ideas in a communal setting. "Be a chevruta," they urge, referring to the traditional Jewish practice of learning in pairs or groups.



Beyond the performance, Shani and Boaz will share not only their music but also their story — one of resilience, creativity and the enduring spirit of Reform Judaism in Israel. Nigunim Ensemble's visit is a chance, as Shani puts it, "to connect through us to the liberal pulse of Zionist Israel right now." It is a rare opportunity to experience the richness of Israeli Reform Judaism and witness music's power to build bridges across continents and cultures.

SHABBAT SHIRAH

FEBRUARY 7

6:15PM | Shabbat evening service

Also recognizing 50 years of women in the cantorate

FEBRUARY 8

10:30AM | Shabbat morning service

12PM | Lunch 'n' Learn:

Music in a Time of War

7PM: Havdalah concert

Israeli Music of the Moment

Register for all events at:
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Celebration and Remembrance

Compiled by Thomas Booe

BECOMING B'NAI MITZVAH



Ely Ortman
January 11
Daughter of Jean Rifkin
and Jon Ortman
Westwood Junior High
School
Tikkun Olam: Animal
rescues and shelters



Jett Taverniti
January 11
Son of Beth and Seth
Weinstein
Levine Academy
Tikkun Olam: Meals On
Wheels for Pets



Madison Assa
January 18
Daughter of Yedida and
Kerry Assa
Wilson Middle School
Tikkun Olam: North Texas
Food Bank



Avery Bloom
January 18
Daughter of Lauryn and
Jason Bloom
The Hockaday School
Tikkun Olam: Lemon Aide
Society



Louis "Louie" Bader
January 25
Son of Samantha and
Jon Bader
The Greenhill School
Tikkun Olam: Vickery
Meadow Food Pantry



Mia Noelle Davis
February. 1
Daughter of Kristen and
Eric Davis
The Hockaday School
Tikkun Olam: SPCA of
Dallas



Hannah Koplow
February 1
Daughter of Natalie Nanasi
and Justin Koplow
Irma Rangel Young
Women's Leadership School
Tikkun Olam: Genesis
Women's Shelter, Operation
Kindness, Vote Forward



Leo Harris Bender
February 8
Son of Flauren and
Jason Bender
St. Mark's School of Texas
Tikkun Olam: Austin
Street Center



Sivan Clementine Hahn
February 15
Daughter of Caroline and
Yoav Hahn
Greenhill School
Tikkun Olam: Love Pacs
and violin performance for
senior living facilities



Caroline "Cricket" O'Donnell
February 22
Daughter of Gina and
Daniel O'Donnell
Greenhill School
Tikkun Olam: Beauty
Drive for the Genesis
Women's Shelter

NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS

Janice and Lee DeCovnick
Enrique Elias
Hanna, Jonathan and Evelyn Evans
Shana and Zane Faulhaber
Meredith, Mark and Dylan Fischgrund
Joe Fogelman
Joyce and Andrew Freeman
Abby Glantz and Brian Lovelace
Ilene Gould

Rebecca, William, Dylan and Jackson Greco
Laura Hartman, Thomas and Paola Pearl
Ashley, Peter, Emma and James Herbst
Melitta and Jared Hirsch
Jessica, Lance, Hunter and Madison Hudes
Regina, Daniel, Sophie and Emely Ingel
Emily, Brady and Bobby Kahn
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Rachael Orent
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Leah and Ash Piassick

Laken Litman Proserpi and Alex Proserpi
Olivia, Andrew and Leighton Rafkin
Rachel, Jon, Alice and Cyrus Rafpor
Rachel and Samuel Ross
Amanda, Eric and Jillian Schwartz
Griffin Rubin
Lynn and Jay Vernon
Ruth and Abraham Wilson

BABY NAMINGS



Oren Louis Fisher
 Son of Rachael and Brandon Fisher
 Brother of Emmett Scott Fisher



Stella and Joshua Glick
 Children of Jessica and Adam Glick
 Grandchildren of Barbara and Howard Glick



Sienne Love Mauldin
 Daughter of Kalize and Clay Mauldin
 Sister of Savvy Cosette Mauldin



Benjamin Maxwell Rubinsztein
 Son of Lauren and Kenny Rubinsztein
 Grandson of Julie and Ken Rabinowitz



Jonah Shai Sabari
 Son of Bridget and Benjamin Sabari
 Brother of Julia and Judd Sabari



Demi Rae Siegel
 Daughter of Samantha and Kyle Siegel
 Granddaughter of Zelda Siegel
 Granddaughter of Karen Weinreb



Lily, Avery and Margot Shtofman
 Daughters of Katie Bishkin and Kevin Shtofman
 Granddaughters of Jim Bishkin and Nancy Rivin
 Granddaughters of Debra and Michael Shtofman

CONVERSIONS



Simone Mulroy



Leila Nichols

IN MEMORIAM

Edwin Wilson Balaban

Father of Sharon Balaban

Melissa Phipps Bank

Former spouse of Ivan Bank

Elizabeth "Betsy" Burns

Sister of Margaret Wilonsky

Tom Campbell

Husband of Rebecca Campbell

Manya Chausovskaya

Mother of Michael Chausovskaya

Minnie Cohen

Mother of Barry Cohen and Steven Cohen

Sister of Howard Baker

Rena Glaser

Mother of Elisa Gansell and Jonathon Gansell

Stepmother of Brian Glaser, Garret Glaser and Mitchell Glaser

Morton Glazer

Sally Golman

Sister of Sydney Golman Burton

Daughter of Ruth and George Golman, z"l

Sister of Steven Allyn Golman, z"l

Jorge Lopez Herrera

Husband of Elizabeth Bertieri

Father of Erika Lopez Bertieri, Angelica Lopez and Piedad Lopez

Cathy Jolesch

Wife of Elliot Jolesch

Mother of Kimberly Jolesch and Michael Jolesch

Sister of Diane Parker

Joan Leibman

Mother of Dena Leibman, Maya Leibman, Rachel Leibman,

Sara Leibman and Ted Leibman

Sister of Alan Zabronsky

Andra Silverberg Litman

Daughter of Rena and Bud Silverberg

Mother of Taylor Brook and Laken Litman Proserpi

Sister of Dr. Kaylen Silverberg

Vikki Meriwether

Mother of Dawn Budner and Erin Burdette

Sister of Daniel Moore, Robin Pavlik and Peggy Miller

Ito Perl

Husband of Marian Perl

Father of David Perl, Deb Perl and Laura Weinman

Faye Polakoff

Wife of Howard Polakoff

Mother of Harris Polakoff and Rhonda Polakoff

Nancy Rutchik

Mother of Ruthie Pack

Dr. Errol Schoenbrun

Husband of Pilar Schoenbrun

Father of Jamie Gerard, Renee Rubin and Jeannine Schoenbrun

Hilde Schwartz

Mother of Lawrence Schwartz and Steve Schwartz

Joyce Freed Schwartzberg

Mother of Sharon Laizerovich

Sister of Gary Freed

Robert Shapiro

Husband of Marcia Shapiro

Father of Lori Goldberg and Lisa Lieberman

Milford Sterry

Father of Carolyn Anderson and Pamela Cooper

Brother of Gilbert Sterry and Lonita Stuart

Michael Stower

Husband of Jane Stower

Father of Matt Blum and Erica Borden

Brother of Sharon Miller

Miriam Vernon

Mother of Jay Vernon

Rose Falk Watel

Mother of Jeff Watel, Lauren Watel and Wendy Watel-Burno

SHINE *the light*

SUPPORT AND RESOURCES FOR SPIRITUAL AND MENTAL WELL-BEING

Grief Support on Zoom

First Tuesday of the month, 12-1PM: Jan. 7,
Feb. 4, March 4

In-Person Grief Support

Last Tuesday of each month, 12-1PM: Jan. 28,
Feb. 25, March 25

Jewish Family Service Support Groups

Our community partner, Jewish Family Service, helps adults, children and families navigate mental health challenges and coping skills through a variety of support groups. To learn more, visit jfsdallas.org.

Substance Abuse Support for Friends and Families

Thursdays every week from 5:30-6:30PM in person and on Zoom. Contact: Freda Heald, fredaheald@yahoo.com

Here for You

Are you or someone you know struggling with caring for both children and parents at the same time? We are exploring ideas about supporting this constituency. If interested please reach out to Meredith Pryzant, mpryzant@tedallas.org.

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.

For information or Zoom links, please contact Meredith Pryzant, Director of Member Support, mpryzant@tedallas.org | 214.706.0000, ext. 3802

WEDDINGS



Meredith J. Fried and Mark Fedyk



Ally Karpel and Hannah Pomerantz



Sarah Katz and Zak Schultz



Lynda Kaufman and Mark Kutler



Simone Mulroy and Grant Krumolz



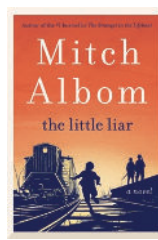
Corin Osborn and Kyle Weinstein

READERS UNITE ONLINE

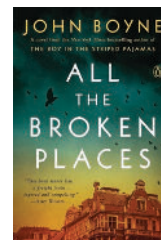
Turn over a new leaf by joining Temple's online book club, which meets from 2-3PM on the first Monday of every even-numbered month. Here are the times and book selections for winter and spring 2025:



February 3
The Boy with the Star Tattoo
by Talia Carner



April 7
The Little Liar
by Mitch Albom



June 2
All the Broken Places
by John Boyne

For more information and a Zoom link to the class, contact Anjelica Ruiz, Director of Libraries and Archives, arui@tedallas.org

Memory of Miriam Vernon
by Sandy Diamond
by Mae Plasz-Pesek
by Judi & Randy Ratner
Memory of Isidore Yonet
by Phyllis & Ronald Steinhart
Aliyah of Ellen J. Lewis
by Rabbi Ellen Lewis
Birth of Connor Kline
by Debbie & Marc Andres
Birth of Annie Leona Williams
by Debbie & Marc Andres
Birthday of Hanne Klein
by Bernie Apter
by Lynn & Bob Behrendt
Birthday of Eileen Ray
by Sue Kollinger
Birthday of Joel Steinberg
by Jeneane Pearlman & Family
Birthday of Arlene Steinfield
by Debbie & Marc Andres
Contribution
by Elissa Katz
**Honor of Rachel, Matthew,
Evelyn, & Reese Swerdlow**
by Marleen Swerdlow
**Marriage of Meredith Fried
Fedyk & Mark Fedyk**
by Debbie & Marc Andres
by Sheryl & Gordon Bogen
by Risa Gross
by Michelle & Craig Whitman
**Marriage of Nina Stern &
Ryan Sarmiento**
by Debbie & Marc Andres

**Temple Emanu-El
Endowment Fund**
*Distribution from the foundation
supporting Temple's programs*
Memory of Charles Bennett
by Janet & Mitch Jacobs
Memory of Evelyn G. Muntz
by Barbara & David Muntz
Memory of Robert Shapiro
by Stephanie & Dan Prescott
Celebration of Miriam Vernon
by Judy Youngblood



MUSIC AND PRAYER

Music Fund
*Enhancement of Temple music
programs*
**Memory of Jerome G.
Franklin**
by Marlene Z. Franklin
Memory of Roslyn Meadow
by Janet & Mitch Jacobs

Memory of Ito Perl
by Constance Rudick
Memory of Ellen Shafranek
by Steve, Stacy & Scott
Shafranek
Memory of Miriam Vernon
by Syl Benenson
by Nancy Blaylock
by Olivia Sargon-Glasgow &
Michael Blayney
by Sylvia & Malcolm Cohen
by Laurie & Dan Goetz
by Julie & Bob Herman
by Tricia Michaelson
by Joyce & Joe Rosenfield
by Constance Rudick
by Laurie Shwiff, Kathy Shwiff,
Stephen Shwiff & Family
by David Sigel
by Patricia Traub
Memory of Rose Watel
by Lynn & Bob Behrendt
Memory of Frieda S. Wolins
by Hope & Alan Levine
**Appreciation of Cantor Vicky
Glikin**
by Michele Wahlder & Michael
Kerber
**Bar Mitzvah of Samuel
Leybovich-Glikin**
by Sheryl & Gordon Bogen
by Wendy & George Palmer
by Constance Rudick
by Rosie Stromberg
by Barbara Roseman & Ken
Umansky
by Ettie & Melvin Weinberg
Birthday of Pauline Graivier
by Constance Rudick
**Celebration of Meredith Fried
Fedyk & Mark Fedyk**
by Jacquie & Myron Schwitzer
Contribution
by Jacob & Rebecca Goetz
by Michelle & Peter Goldstein
by John Lindsey

**Aline C. Rutland Prayer
Book Fund**
Purchases of prayer books
Honor of Lawrence Meyerson
by Michael Meyerson



ADULT PROGRAMS

**Katherine F. Baum Adult
Education Fund**
*Support for adult education
programs*
Memory of Edwin Balaban
by Janice Sweet

**Memory of Mona Hersch
Cochran**
by Deborah Hersh & Ed
Rosenwasser
Memory of Rosalie Danburg
by Kerrie & Steven Wolfson
Memory of Jerome Wolfson
by Kerrie & Steven Wolfson
Birthday of Joel Steinberg
by Janice & Art Sweet
Honor of Baruch Garcia
by Kerrie & Steven Wolfson

**Henry D. Schlinger Ethics
Symposium Endowment Fund**
*Support of the ethics
symposium*
Memory of Norma Schlinger
by Paula Schlinger & Jim
Gerhardt



SOCIAL JUSTICE

Hunger Relief Fund
*Collection of funds for hunger
relief throughout the year,
especially during High Holy
Days and Passover*
**Memory of Charlene Bassman
Bernstein**
by Lisa Beckerman
Memory of Bill Berry
by Fran Berry
Memory of Fred Milton Brown
by Jacque & Freddy Roberts
Memory of Joseph M. Brown
by Jacque & Freddy Roberts
Memory of Marion Garmel
by Evelyn & Eugene Fox
**Memory of Edward Monroe
Gerson**
by Lisa Beckerman
**Memory of Benjamin
Hochberg**
by Kate Kosut & Larry Hochberg
Memory of Harriett Hochberg
by Kate Kosut & Larry Hochberg
Memory of Zanne Hochberg
by Kate Kosut & Larry Hochberg
Memory of Ramona Martin
by Lela Jenkins
Memory of Ito Perl
by Joyce & Joe Rosenfield
Memory of Faye Polakoff
by Dorothy Borschow
Memory of Sharon Roth
by Ladd A. Hirsch
Memory of Nancy Rutchik
by Leslie & Bob Krakow
Memory of Hilde Schwartz
by Tricia & Matt Gold

Memory of Robert Shapiro
by Laurie & Todd Platt
Memory of Florence Staub
by Lynn & Jay Staub
Memory of Peggy Trubitt
by Sherilee & Richard Trubitt
Memory of Miriam Vernon
by Mary Ann Lustig & Marilyn
Rubin
Appreciation of Renee Rubin
by Sarith & Rich Abramowitz
**Appreciation of Temple
Emanu-El Clergy**
by Sarith & Rich Abramowitz
**Bar Mitzvah of Samuel
Leybovich-Glikin**
by Lynn & Bob Behrendt
Contribution
by Sylvia & Malcolm Cohen
by Judy & Don Cohn
by Diane Colton
by Ava & Larry Field
by Rozelle & Richard Gilman
by Gerri Gordon
by Marcy & Michael Grossman
by Lori & Jon Karp
by Hanne Klein
by Betsy & Mark Kleinman
by Dr. Rose Kolber
by Leslie & Bob Krakow
by Melanie & Michael Landay
by Donna & Robert Light
by Irwin & Robin Lightstone
by Emma Hall & Andres Hall
by Kay McInnis
by Ellen McIntosh
by Lori & Trace Ordiway
by Paull Family
by Sandy Phillips
by Cindy & Howard Rachofsky
by Ed Rosenwasser
by Sachs Family
by Allison & Jack Schwartz
by Rhona Streit
by Sherilee & Richard Trubitt
by Tina & Richard Wasserman
**Marriage of Meredith Fried
Fedyk & Mark Fedyk**
by Maria Quintero
**New Home of Evelyn &
Eugene Fox**
by Dorothy Borschow
**Speedy Recovery of
Irwin Ornish**
by Judy & Phil Goodman

**The Jill Stone Tikkun
Olam Fund**
*Support of Temple's social
justice programs including
initiatives, advocacy, projects
and lectures*
Memory of Adelaide Cohn
by Mary Ann Lustig

Memory of Isadore Cohn
by Mary Ann Lustig
Memory of Richard Espinosa
by Carol & Jon Weinstein
Memory of John Ira Kirk
by Mary Ann Lustig
Memory of Ruth L. Kirstein
by Mary Ann Lustig
Memory of Richard Marcus
by Annette Corman
Memory of Vikki Meriwether
by Annette Corman
Memory of Julian Millheiser
by Peggy & Dave Millheiser
Memory of Ito Perl
by Annette Corman
**Memory of Dorothy Cerf
Schlang**
by Gail & Dana Lawrence
Memory of Hilde Schwartz
by Dr. Alanna Silverstein
Memory of Robert Shapiro
by Cathy & Gary Golden
Memory of Miriam Vernon
by Annette Corman
by Carol & Jon Weinstein
Memory of Rose Watel
by Annette Corman
**Bar Mitzvah of Samuel
Leybovich-Glikin**
by Elaina Gross
Bat Mitzvah of Leona Lee Ross
by Elaina Gross
**Marriage of Meredith Fried
Fedyk & Mark Fedyk**
by May Sebel

**Priscilla R. Stern Memorial
Literacy Fund**
*Support of literacy projects
in the general and Jewish
communities*
**Memory of Gerald W.
Bernstien**
by Lynn & Mark Bernstien
Memory of Faye Polakoff
by Adrienne B. Svidlow
by Ettie & Melvin Weinberg
Memory of Dorothy F. Wittels
by Fran, Jeffrey, Mollie &
Dani Toubin

**Social Justice Youth
Education Fund**
*Support of worthwhile
educational causes for youth
in need*
Memory of Edwin Balaban
by Janis & Dan Gail
Memory of Lillian Millheiser
by Peggy & Dave Millheiser
Bat Mitzvah of Leona Lee Ross
by Sally & Rick Rosenberg



YOUTH AND EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

**William P. Budner Youth
Library Fund**
*Purchases of Judaic Books and
publications for students*
Memory of Riva Bursten
by Susie & Joel Litman
Memory of Sidney Dorfman
by Roz & Art Kaplan

**Early Childhood Education
Center (ECEC) Fund**
Support of ECEC programs
Memory of Howard Batwin
by Sandy & Dan Gorman
**Memory of Lilly Berman
Bluestein**
by Susie & Joel Litman
**Memory of Idelle Engelberg
Luskey**
by Susie & Joel Litman
Memory of Florence Ann Pack
by Leslie & Bob Krakow
Appreciation of Roz Katz
by Michelle & Craig Whitman
**Celebration of Meredith Fried
Fedyk & Mark Fedyk**
by Alisa Sureck
**Naming of Avery, Lily &
Margot Shtofman**
by Freed Family

**Gina Rosenfield Levy Greene
Family Camp Scholarship
Fund**
*Financial assistance to families
for Greene Family Camp*
Memory of Carol Pozez
by Cheryl, Philip, & Amy
Spellman
**Memory of Samuel J.
Rosenfield**
by Phyllis & Phil Stoup
Memory of Adolf Stoup
by Phyllis & Phil Stoup
Memory of Beth Stoup
by Phyllis & Phil Stoup
**Bar Mitzvah of Samuel
Leybovich-Glikin**
by Leslie & Bob Krakow
Bat Mitzvah of Leona Lee Ross
by Susan Regan Donnerfield
by Leslie & Bob Krakow

**Paul Lande Summer Camp
Scholarship Fund**
*Scholarships for children to
attend Jewish summer camp*



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Giving Joyfully

Temple is built on the mitzvah of giving and the unwavering strength of our community. Through the Annual Fund, we come together to celebrate our shared dedication to creating a welcoming, vibrant space where spirituality, learning, connection and the pursuit of social justice flourish. This year's Annual Fund theme, Together We Can, reflects the spirit of belonging and the shared joy of building the community we strive to be.

Together We Can...

- Nurture lifelong learning and create memorable experiences for our youth and young adults
- Continue our legacy as a beacon of social justice in Dallas and beyond
- Uplift everyone in our community and open our doors wider to all bring the magic of Temple to all through technology that brings us together even when we are apart

Together We Can...continue creating a thriving community fueled by the love and energy of each and every one of us.

Together
We Can
2024-2025 ANNUAL FUND

Make your pledge or gift to the Annual Fund today.

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Memory of Dorothy K. Boris
by Sheri & Jack Vine

Memory of Beverly Lande
by Sid Lande

Memory of Nethie K. Lande
by Sheri & Jack Vine

Memory of Paul Lande
by Sheri & Jack Vine

Lomdim Project
Support of an open and inclusive community for YL+E children with special needs

Memory of Gerald W. Bernstien
by Paula & Norman Feldman
Memory of Maurice C. Harvey
by Katherine & Jim Harvey

Memory of Beatrix Reid Lawrence

by Gail & Dana Lawrence
Memory of Ned (Soncy) Wolins

by Hope & Alan Levine

Metz Youth Fund
Scholarships for Jewish activities sponsored by Temple or other Jewish organizations

Memory of Alan Cohen
by Mindy & Rick Cohen
Memory of Annette Kimmel
by Mindy & Rick Cohen
Contribution
by Ellen & Allan Metz

David B. Shalom Religious Education Fund

Financial assistance for religious education of Temple members

Memory of Dr. Yale Falick
by Amy & Richard Blum

Bat Mitzvah of Leona Lee Ross
by Sheryl & Gordon Bogen

Martin & Charlotte Weiss Religious School Fund

Scholarships for YL+E fees, books and additional expenses
Memory of Pauline De Nur
by Cathy Negrel
by Linkie Seltzer

Youth Scholarship Fund

Financial assistance to families for participation in youth programs

Memory of Barbara Bierbrier
by Nancy & Solomon Israel

Memory of Michael Cohen
by Mindy & Rick Cohen

Memory of Ruth Cohen
by Mindy & Rick Cohen

Memory of Isaac Israel
by Nancy & Solomon Israel

Memory of Lewis Ring
by Gail Dutcher

Memory of Errol Schoenbrun
by Ruthie & Alan Shor

Bar Mitzvah of Samuel Leybovich-Glikin
by Robin Kosberg & Mark Washofsky

Bat Mitzvah of Leona Lee Ross

by Robin Kosberg & Mark Washofsky

Conversion of Bettina Sayre
by Robin Kosberg & Mark Washofsky



WRJ
Funds to support activities of Women of Reform Judaism

Freda Gail Stern Fund
Contribution
by Louise Rosenfield

by Wendy Palmer
by Allison Schwartz

YES Fund of Sisterhood
Support of the Youth, Education and Service programs of Women of Reform Judaism
Contribution
by Louise Rosenfield
by Wendy Palmer
by Mindy Cohen

Yolanda Clark Fund
Contribution
by Louise Rosenfield
by Wendy Palmer
by Mindy Cohen

A Cry for Justice, a Call to Action

Join Rabbis David Stern and Kimberly Herzog Cohen in a special meeting of Dallas Area Interfaith, a group of faith organizations from diverse backgrounds working together to address important issues facing our city.

Temple commits to continue to work toward building a coalition dedicated to fostering understanding and collaboration. We believe that together, we can make a significant impact on our community and drive positive change.

The group hopes to gather hundreds of participants in pursuit of a more just society. For more information or to inquire about transportation, contact Erica Matsil, Director of Social Justice and Family Engagement.

January 30 | 7-8:30PM | dai-iaf.org
Golden Gate Missionary Baptist Church | 1101 Reverend CBT Smith St.



A Loving Tribute

Temple will lead an international collection of new stuffed animals in memory of Noya Dan, a 13-year-old girl who was murdered on October 7, 2023, along with her grandmother, in Kibbutz Nir Oz. She was a friend of Danielle Margalit, daughter of community *sh'lichah* Aya Margalit, and a student at the school where Aya taught.

Noya was on the autism spectrum and loved stuffed animals and kept them all piled on her bed. In order to be fair to all of them and not to show favoritism, she held a ritual every evening before bedtime. She'd close her eyes and ask her mother to choose one randomly to give to her to hug before turning out the lights.

Please bring a new stuffed lovey for a special needs child at the Purim celebrations on March 9 and 13. Donations will be accepted Feb. 13 through March 13 at the reception desk in Tycher Gathering Space.



Spiritual and Emotional Well-being Workshop

April '25: Jewish Perspectives on Mental Health



In this season leading up to Passover — of moving from slavery to freedom, from narrow to wide-open spaces — Temple will offer a course to help congregants on their journey toward mental and spiritual well-being.

Rabbi Debra Robbins and Meredith Pryzant, MSW, are co-leading an interactive four-week Jewish workshop on mental wellness. Sessions will be held from 7 to 9PM on consecutive Tuesdays of April 8, 15, 22 and 29.

This free, in-person-only class will explore Jewish values for building a healthy community, examine the connections between spirituality and mental health, and provide mental well-being tools for your own practice.

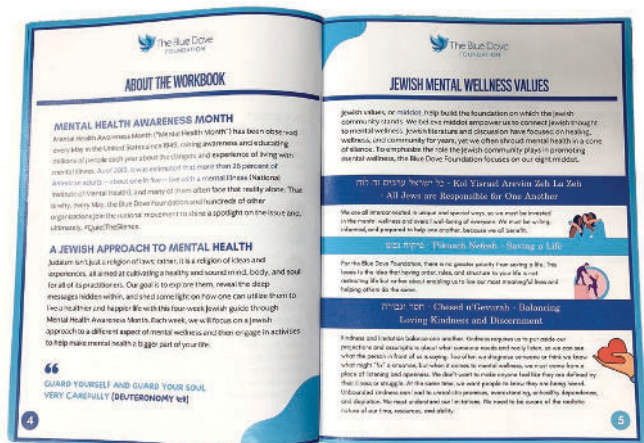
“Our goals are to provide mental and spiritual health resources, and networking and relationships to support each other,” says Rabbi Robbins.

“It’s important to realize that you are not alone,” says Meredith, Director of Member Support. “Many in our community are walking this similar journey with you.”

The course will use a workbook by The Blue Dove Foundation, the nonprofit that addresses mental well-being in the Jewish community and beyond. Each week will explore a different topic — cleansing negativity, ritual, community and rest — and offer space for reflection, journaling, art and activities.

Participants must commit to all four weeks; each week builds upon the previous week and drop-ins are discouraged.

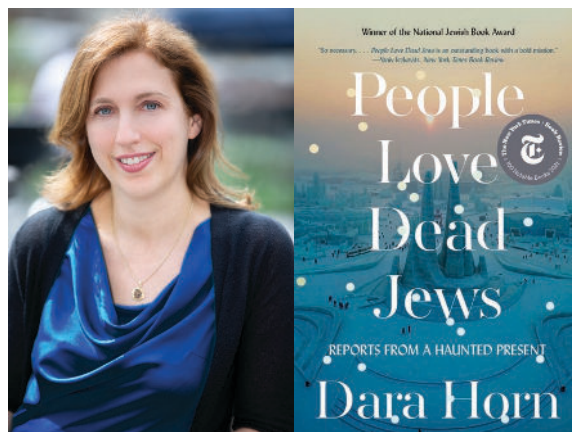
Register at tedallas.org/events.



THE 2025 RABBI DAVID LEFKOWITZ MEMORIAL LECTURE Dara Horn, author of “People Love Dead Jews: Reports from a Haunted Present”

March 6 | 7PM | Stern Chapel

Dara Horn is the award-winning author of the provocative essay collection about Jewish persecution, from “The Diary of Anne Frank” to the Auschwitz traveling exhibition to the expulsion of Jews in the Chinese city of Harbin. She challenges us to confront the cultural fascination with evil against Jews, and explores what our rich tradition has to offer especially as antisemitism is on the rise.



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