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JOIN US FOR RABBI MEIR'S CONSECRATION

Please join us for a joyous Consecration ceremony and events on June 25-27 when we formally welcome Rabbi Meir Bargeron as the 24th spiritual leader of Congregation Achduth Vesholom.

With both in-person and virtual components, the special weekend will begin on Friday, June 25 at 5 p.m. with a "Pre-neg Nosh" and opportunity to greet Rabbi Meir and his husband, Jon Tam, at the Temple. Our Shabbat evening service and Consecration ceremony will begin at 5:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary for those with a reservation and via livestreaming.

Participating in the weekend via Zoom will be:

- Rabbi Michael Adam Latz, Lead Rabbi of Shir Tikvah Congregation in Minneapolis, MN
- · Rabbi Paul Kipnes, Senior Rabbi of Congregation Or Ami in Calabasas, CA
- Rabbi Dr. Dvora Weisberg, Rabbinical School Director at Hebrew Union College Jewish Institute of Religion in Los Angeles, CA

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Please join us as Matthew Bailey is called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah Saturday, June 19 at 10 a.m. at Congregation Achduth Vesholom Shai Hadashi and Leah Hadashi Zimmerman

In-person seating is limited, with priority for family members. Please contact the Temple office for availability. The service also will be livestreamed.

TWO WAYS TO ATTEND ANNUAL MEETING ON JUNE 9

As our congregation continues to carefully navigate during the pandemic, we are offering two ways for members to attend our 173rd Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 9 at 7 p.m. - join us in person with a reservation or via Zoom videoconferencing.

Information will be sent to members with further details about the meeting and how to vote on candidates for leadership and the budget for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Due to the hybrid meeting format, voting will be conducted in advance by absentee ballot. Members in good standing are eligible to vote.

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UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

JUNE SERVICES

Shabbat Service Friday, June 4

6 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday, June 5 9:45 a.m.

Hot Topics Shabbat Service and Blessing for Campers

Friday, June 11 6 p.m.

During the service, Rabbi Meir will offer a blessing for children who plan to attend a Jewish summer camp. The Hot Topics program follows the service with Michelle Chambers, co-chair, City of Fort Wayne's Commission on Police Reform and Racial Justice

Shabbat Service

Saturday, June 12 9:45 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Friday, June 18 6 p.m.

Shabbat Service & Matthew Hadashi Bar Mitzvah

Saturday, June 19 10 a.m.

Shabbat Service & Rabbi Meir's Consecration

Friday, June 25 5 p.m. Pre-neg Nosh 5:45 p.m. Service

Shabbat Service & Rabbi Meir's Consecration Weekend

Saturday, June 26 10 a.m.

In-person worship continues for those who make a reservation through the Temple office by the Wednesday before the service. Livestreaming will continue, with links provided in our weekly email to members. Guests are welcome to attend. Please contact us

JULY SERVICES

Shabbat Service Friday, July 2

6 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 3 10 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Friday, July 9 6 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 10 9:45 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Friday, July 16 6 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 17 9:45 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Friday, July 23 6 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 24 9:45 a.m.

Shabbat Service

Friday, July 30 6 p.m.

Shabbat Service

Saturday, July 31 9:45 a.m.



JUNE-JULY EVENTS

Five Books of Moses Study Group

Sundays, June 6, 13, 20, 27 Sundays, July 4, 11,

7 p.m. via Zoom

18, 25



Jewish Federation Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 6 4 p.m. via Zoom

Hebrew Liturgy Study Group

Mondays, June 7, 21, 28 Mondays, July 5, 12, 19, 26 (No class June 14) 7 p.m. via Zoom

Torah Study

Tuesdays, June 8, 22, 29 and Wednesday, June 16 Tuesdays, July 6, 13, 20, 27 7 to 8:30 p.m. via Zoom

Temple Annual Meeting

Wednesday, June 9

7 p.m. In-person with RSVP and via Zoom

A Surgeon's View of World War II in Patton's Third Army

Monday, June 14 7 to 8:30 p.m. via Zoom

NEIJGS Annual Meeting

Tuesday, June 15 7 p.m. via Zoom

Rabbi Meir Bargeron's Consecration Weekend

Friday, June 25 5 p.m. Pre-neg Nosh 5:45 p.m. Shabbat Service

Saturday, June 26 10 a.m.Shabbat Service 4 p.m. Jewish Text Study with Rabbi Meir & Rabbi Michael Adam Latz on Zoom

Sunday, June 27

4 p.m. Learning Session with Rabbi Meir and Rabbi Dr. Dvora Weisberg on Zoom

at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org to make a reservation or to request access information.

Find out more at www.templecav.org

RABBI MEIR BARGERON

LEADERSHIP: IT TAKES EVERYONE

Before there was Judaism, there was Jewish leadership. Abraham, called to leave his land and travel to the land that God would show him, was the model of patriarchal, tribal leadership. His descendent Joseph found himself, through unexpected good luck, as the chief technocrat of Egypt. Perhaps he is recognizable as the model of the Jewish immigrant who worked hard and did well.

Moses is the archetype of a strong Jewish leader: he also experienced a calling (quite literally) to lead his people out of slavery and to the Promised Land, receiving Torah along the way. Moses is the model of a social justice leader and a community organizer. Moses is also the first practitioner of what was a new way of leading: communal leadership.

As the Israelites were continuing to experience their new-found freedom, Moses was the arbiter of every dispute that the people could not settle themselves. He was stretched very thin, trying to do all of this himself. The people would line up from dawn to dusk, and Moses would endeavor to solve their disputes, one at a time, with God's help.

When Jethro (Yitro) comes upon a line like this he tells Moses, "What are you doing?! The thing you are doing is not right: you will surely wear yourself out, and these people as well. For the task is too heavy for you, you cannot do it alone.... select the capable ones from all the people... and appoint them as officials." (Ex. 18) Thus, the institution of the Temple board was born!

Perhaps there were a few steps of evolution in between, but Torah clearly teaches that communal leadership is a responsibility that is shared by the people. Not only is the job too big for any one person, but a community is sustained and made stronger by the gifts and experiences of its members.

Distributed leadership - including board service, committee involvement, and lay prayer leadership - is essential to the life of a congregation. And for communities like ours – a little smaller, perhaps, but also highly active – shared leadership is essential. And it isn't just the "leaders" who lead. It takes everyone.

The annual meeting is an important moment in the yearly cycle of a congregation. It is an opportunity to take stock of what has happened over the course of the past year, to look at the year ahead, and to elect our leaders. Even if you don't serve on the board or a committee, participation in the annual meeting is an act of leadership. Please plan to participate in person or via Zoom in the Temple's 173rd Annual Meeting on Wednesday, June 9 at 7 p.m.

With Gratitude for All of Our Leaders,

Rabbi Meir

HOT TOPICS SHABBAT ON POLICE REFORM AND RACIAL JUSTICE

Our next Hot Topics Shabbat on Friday, June 11 features a conversation with Michelle Chambers, an at-large member of the Fort Wayne City Council and co-chair of the city's <u>Commission on Police Reform and Racial Justice</u>.

Please join us for our worship service at 6 p.m. in person with a reservation or on Zoom, followed by the program. We also will offer a blessing during the service for children attending a Jewish summer camp. Please make a reservation to the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org by the Wednesday, June 9. We are unable to accommodate walk-ins due to safety protocols.

To join us via livestream, find the link in our weekly email. Guests are welcome and may contact the Temple office for access information.

Thank you to the Temple's Social Action Committee for organizing the program as part of a continuing series. Thank

you to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for it support.

A SURGEON'S VIEW OF WORLD WAR II IN PATTON'S THIRD ARMY

Through photos and commentary, Thomas H. Brush will share the fascinating story of his father on Monday, June 14 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. <u>via Zoom</u> in "A Surgeon's View of World War II in Patton's Third Army: The Story of John H. Brush, M.D." The program is sponsored by the Temple's Holocaust Education Committee.

A surgeon in a mobile auxiliary surgical group during World War II, Dr. Brush experienced the liberation of Paris, the Battle of the Bulge, the attack on the Siegfried Line, the crossing of the Rhine, and the liberation of Ebensee Concentration Camp, a satellite of Mauthausen.

"While for me this is a chance for a personal tribute to my father, in the process we see these events through the eyes of one soldier, and I hope gain a more human perspective on them," said Dr. Thomas Brush.

Dr. Brush is a Professor of Management at the Krannert School of Management at Purdue University. His research focuses on corporate strategy and manufacturing strategy topics such as acquisitions, diversification, manufacturing capability exploitation within companies, and supplier relationships.



GET MOVING IN THE TEMPLE LIBRARY

If summer is an active time in your household, you may want to check out our sports and exercise titles in the Rabbi

Richard B. Safran Library! We have titles for all ages covering a wide variety of activities.

One of our newest picture books is Mychal Copeland's, I Am the Tree of Life: My Jewish Yoga Book. This Sydney Taylor Honor Book uses stories from the Torah to teach various yoga poses, and the illustrations are wonderful! It could be paired with Ruth Goldeen's Alef-Bet Yoga for Kids, for the same age group. Also in our picture collection are some great biographies of baseball players, Lipman Pike, Sandy Koufax, Moe Berg and Hank Greenberg.

For middle-grade readers, we also have biographies of Koufax and Greenberg, and fiction titles covering track, baseball and soccer. Homecourt: The True Story of the Best Basketball Team You've Never Heard Of, by Larry Needle, tells the story of the Washington Generals, the longtime opponent of the Harlem Globetrotters.

For slightly older teen readers, we have another basketball title, Games of Deception: The True Story of the First Olympic Basketball Team at the 1936 Olympics in Hitler's Germany, by Andrew Maraniss. This Sydney Taylor Honor Book has gotten great reviews for its powerful story. Teen fiction titles include boxing and football, and we have Aly Raisman's autobiography, Fierce, for those watching Olympic gymnastics.

Adults can find lots of sports-related titles in our collection as well. Franklin Foer's Jewish Jocks: An Unorthodox Hall of Fame. is a National Jewish Book Award winner from 2012. Matthew Goodman's The City Game: Triumph, Scandal, and a Legendary Basketball Team, is a National Jewish Book Award Finalist from 2019 about New York's City College team in 1949-1950. Other basketball titles include The Chosen Game: A Jewish Basketball History, by Charley Rosen, and When Basketball Was Jewish: Voices of Those Who Played the Game, by Douglas Stark. Max Baer and Barney Ross: Jewish Heroes of Boxing, by Jeffrey Sussman, delves into the world of that sport in the 1920s and 1930s.

> And then there's baseball. We have biographies of Sandy Koufax, Hank Greenberg and Moe Berg. American Jews and America's Game: Voices of a Growing Legacy in Baseball, by Larry Ruttman, is a great collection of nearly 50 interviews with those involved with the history of the game. The Baseball Talmud: The Definitive Position-by-Position Ranking of Baseball's Chosen Players, by Howard Megdal, is a great title for a baseball fan, with lots of states, facts and stories. And if you're looking for a video, check out Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story, in our DVD collection.

The building is open at this point, and we welcome visitors to use the self-checkout available at the Rabbi Richard B. Safran library. You can still reserve titles and pick them up as well, by using our catalog. We have a great collection available. Come check it out!

PAMELA FRIEDMAN TO LEAVE PRINCIPAL POST

Thank you to Pamela Friedman for her time and contributions during the 2020-2021 school year serving as Principal of our Religious school. We appreciate her leadership during a challenging year due to COVID, including coordinating online classes,

working with teachers to adopt a new

of Baseball's Chasen Players

curriculum, and engaging students creatively via Zoom.

We were fortunate to benefit from her considerable experience in Jewish education that spanned 35 years as a tutor, classroom teacher, and principal of B'nai Jacob's Religious School.

They say the influence of a good teacher can never be erased. Thank you, Pam, for making an impact on all of us.

APPLICATIONS SOUGHT FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Achduth Vesholom's Religious School is seeking a Principal for the 2021-2022 school year. Applications for the position are now being accepted and should be sent to presidentcav@gmail.com. Classes begin on Sunday, August 22. Find the job description.

MAKE DONATIONS AND PAY DUES ONLINE

It's now easier than ever to commemorate a simcha, pay tribute to a friend, recognize the yahrzeit of a loved one, or simply support our congregation and demonstrate your connection to Fort Wayne's Jewish community with a contribution through the Temple website.

For your convenience, you also can pay your Temple dues or Religious School fees online. Visit www.templecav.org and click on "Donate" on the far right of the tool bar across the top. The link will take you to a page where you indicate the amount of your donation, designate a fund, and indicate the honoree or occasion. Contributions are greatly appreciated and always make a difference!

Mazel Tov To:

· Nancy & Michael Dicker on the birth of their grandson, Ezra Albert Dicker, on April 19, 2021 in Indianapolis. Congratulations to proud parents Sarah & Corey Dicker and big sister Talia.



 Deborah & Michael Worpell on the marriage of their son, Parker, to Kylie Sparks, daughter of Michelle & Scott Sparks, on May 16, 2021 in Fort Wayne.

YOUTH NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

Mazel tov to our graduates and their families:

- Kira Sullins on graduating from Carroll High School. Kira plans to attend Indiana University to study Environmental Science. Proud parents are Carolyn & Chris Sullins.
- Ryan Tom on graduating from Purdue University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Cybersecurity and Computer Information Technology, with a minor in Psychology. Ryan will be working for IBM as an Intelligence Operations Developer. Proud parents are Ellen & Mick Tom and grandparents are Pam & Ken Feldman.
- Theo Zacher on graduating from Canterbury High School. Theo plans to attend the Culverhouse School of Business at the University of Alabama. Proud parents are Judy & Steve Zacher and grandfather is Al Zacher.
- Ethan Zweig on graduating from Purdue University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Honors Physics, with minors in Astronomy, Mathematics, and Jewish Studies. Ethan will begin graduate school at the University of California, Los Angeles to pursue a PhD in Physics. Proud parents are Beth & Dan Zweig.



Our Shavuot celebration on May 16 included the Confirmation of two of our high school students during a lovely service led by Rabbi Meir Bargeron. Mazel tov to Naomi Gephart, daughter of Betsy & Geoff Gephart, and Sam Katinsky, son of Nola & Matthew Katinsky! Thank you to Rabbi Meir, Religious School Principal Pamela Friedman, and all the teachers over the years who have contributed to the Jewish learning of our students - and to the parents for their support. (Masks were worn during service and removed briefly for the photo.)



We celebrated the last day of Religious School during our first in-person session of the year on May 16 with activities for students and their families for Shavuot. From decorating Mount Sinai to assembling fruit baskets for Thoughtful Thursdays families during our "Shavuot Shuffle," we had a

Many thanks to Principal Pamela Friedman as she concludes her tenure as principal of our school and as we complete a year of virtual learning. Thank you to Rabbi Meir Bargeron for a wonderful first year with our school and the teachers for their dedication. And thanks to the students and parents!



Our youngest students participated in our Kids In Shabbat Service (KISS) with Rabbi Meir in May.

CAMPERS INVITED FOR SPECIAL BLESSING

Students who will be attending a Jewish camp this summer are invited to our Shabbat service on Friday, June 11 at 6 p.m. for a special blessing with our Temple family before they head off on their adventures.

We feel fortunate to have young people spending time at Goldman Union Camp Institute, Camp Joe Levine, and other Jewish settings to reinforce their learning at the Temple. Thank you to everyone who supports our campership efforts to assist those who need financial help and to encourage first-time attendance.

THINK SUMMER, THINK CAMP

The Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne's Camp Joe Levine is registering children ages 4 to 13 for summer fun at Fox Island. Camp assistance is made possible by the Jewish Federation with support from the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation and the Janet Finkel Campership Fund. Find registration information

PLEASE VOTE FOR OUR LEADERSHIP

The Board Development Committee presents the following slate of officers and trustees for the 2021-2022 fiscal year, beginning July 1.

OFFICERS

Nominated for 2-year term through June 2023

President: Ronnie Greenberg

Nominated for 1-year term through June 2022

Vice President Programs: Kathy Sider

Vice President Finance: John Stein

Secretary: Amy Krouse

(serving 1-year term following tenure as President)

Immediate Past President: Ellen Tom

TRUSTEES

Nominated for 2-year term through June 2023

Larry Adelman

Leise Rosman

Mike Rush

Micah Soltz

TRUSTEES

Serving 2-year term through June 2022

Rachel Gordon

Brian Rosman

Mark Schneider*

Josh Tourkow

Jay Zemmol

Beth Zweig

*Mark Schneider serves concurrently as President of the Congregation B'nai Jacob Transitional Board until the transition is legally complete

Thank you to the Board Development Committee: Beth Zweig (chair), Fran Adler, Jamie Berger, Betsy Gephart, Mark Schneider, and John Stein.

FEDERATION'S 100TH ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR JUNE 6

The 100th Annual Meeting of the <u>Jewish Federation of</u> Fort Wayne will be held on Sunday, June 6 at 4 p.m. on Zoom for those who have pledged for the 2020-2021 year. Find the link to attend



ANNUƏL MEETING (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Please RSVP by Wednesday, June 2 to attend at the Temple to (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org. Masks are required and social distancing rules apply in the building. Due to safety protocols, we will not be able to accommodate walk-ins.

During the meeting, President Ellen Tom, the Board of Directors, and Rabbi Meir Bargeron will update the congregation on the past year's activities. We'll hear



the latest plans for reopening and the impact of a year being closed during the pandemic. And we'll learn about the continued transition to one congregation with two traditions and details about the Consecration Weekend on June 25-27 when we formally welcome Rabbi Meir as our spiritual leader.

In addition, the annual meeting of our membership will include the presentation of the William Brosler Award to a member whose long-term involvement at the Temple and commitment to the congregation have gone above and beyond. We also will recognize:

- · President Ellen Tom for serving four years as President as she transitions to a year as Immediate Past President.
- Outgoing Board members: Vice President Finance Scott Goldberg, Secretary Bobbie Golani, and Trustees Pamela Friedman, Denny Reynolds, and Wendi Wallet for their service.
- Pamela Friedman as she finishes her tenure as Principal of our Religious School in 2020-2021.
- Members of the L'dor Vador Legacy Society for indicating they've made a planned gift to the congregation.

Absentee ballots, an agenda, and the proposed budget will be made available beginning Tuesday, May 25. To be eligible to vote, members must be current in their financial obligations to the congregation. All absentee ballots must be signed and returned by U.S. mail, by fax, or by emailing a PDF copy of the ballot by Monday, June 7 at 5 p.m., per instructions on the ballot.

BASKETS AND BAGS END SCHOOL YEAR FOR THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS

The final Thoughtful Thursdays bags of the school year have been distributed to the Brightpoint Head Start children who attend class at the Temple.

An extra gift was created by our Religious School students under the direction of Principal Pamela Friedman. They made lovely baskets on May 16 that contained fresh fruit, nuts, and sweets. The baskets were used that evening to decorate the bimah for Shavuot and Confirmation, and then given the next morning to the Brightpoint Head Start children and staff. They were very pleased to receive these special baskets.



As our 11th year of Thoughtful Thursdays comes

to an end, we thank the Jewish community's volunteers from Congregation Achduth



Vesholom and the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne for their extraordinary efforts this year. We are hopeful that by next fall we will be able to gather again in person to assemble the monthly bags. Thank you also to the Dr. Harry W. Salon Thoughtful Foundation for its continued support.

Thursdays Sally Trotter and Bonnie Pomerantz, Thoughtful Thursdays co-chairs

RABBI MEIR'S CONSECRATION (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Maestro Robert Nance and the Temple's Hazemir Choir under the direction of Dr. John Planer will provide music on Friday evening.

The celebration continues on Saturday, June 26 with a festive Shabbat morning service at 10 a.m., led by Rabbi Meir. Join us at the Temple with a reservation or via Zoom. At 4 p.m., join Rabbi Meir and Rabbi Michael Adam Latz for a Jewish text study via Zoom.

The special weekend concludes with a Shiur on Sunday, June 27 at 4 p.m. on Zoom with Rabbi Meir and Rabbi Dr. Dvora Weisberg. Join us for a compelling lesson in Jewish Studies.

Please contact the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or office@templecav.org to attend in-person events

on Friday evening and Saturday morning. Please RSVP no later than Wednesday, June 23. The link for livestream events will be provided in the Temple's weekly email to members of our Temple family. Guests are welcome and may contact the office for access information.

Thank you to our Consecration Weekend Committee: President Ellen Tom, Fran Adler, Ronnie Greenberg, John Planer, Mike Rush, Scott Salon, Samara Sheray, Sally Trotter and Beth Zweig. We also thank the Dr. Harry W. Salon Foundation for its support.

Rabbi Meir joined our congregation in July 2020 during a time when the Temple was fully closed for worship and other events due to the pandemic. During the past year, he's gotten to know our members mostly over Zoom and, more recently, in person during our phased reopening for services that began in April. We look forward to formally welcoming him in this special way in June.

INTERACTIVE JEWISH EXPERIENCES FOR YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY

RJ on the Go is your virtual home for interactive, meaningful, and joyous Jewish experiences for the everyone in your family. Explore your Judaism through science, art, text, and more from the comfort of your own home, and build your Jewish community as you go.

Activities include <u>programs for young children through high school</u>, as well as adults interested in social justice topics through the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism.

The Lounge for adults of all ages provides a virtual community to explore meaning, discover new ideas, and connect with others through Judaism. Gather with others from around the world for facilitated experiences, conversations, and opportunities for personal growth in spirituality, social justice, wisdom, and more.

RJ ON THE **GO**





Movie fans gathered on May 1 for Havdalah and a lively discussion of the Israeli film "The Cousin," led by Micah Soltz and Dave Flapan on Zoom.

LUNCH WITH THE ROMEOS TO RETURN IN AUGUST

The ROMEOs - Retired Old Men Eating Out – will resume their biweekly lunches in August after a year-plus break during the pandemic. Upcoming Temple communications will have dates, times, and locations.

The ROMEOs were organized in 2012 to provide a social opportunity for men in the congregation to meet regularly for lunch and share stories,

meals and friendship, as well as to help each other out when a need arises and to support worthy causes. Questions? Contact Denny Reynolds at dennisreynolds@me.com or the Temple office at (260) 744-4245.



LEAVES SPROUTING ON OLIVE TREE

Recognize an important person or significant occasion at the Temple by purchasing a leaf on the new olive tree near the entrance to the Madge

Rothschild Resource Center.



Leaves are \$180 each and may be personalized with three or four lines to highlight a lifecycle event, anniversary, or special kindness. Proceeds benefit the resource center.

BECOME A LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBER WITH A PLANNED GIFT TO SUSTAIN THE TEMPLE

One of the best ways we can sustain a Jewish presence in northeast Indiana is through a lasting gift to Congregation Achduth Vesholom. More than 40 congregants already have become members of the *L'dor Vador* Legacy Society since it was established in 2012 to encourage individuals to make arrangements to remember the Temple in their estates. All legacy society members are recognized at the Temple's Annual Meeting in June.

To become a society member, please inform the Temple in writing that you have made provisions to remember the congregation in your estate. For further information about the L'dor Vador Legacy Society or making a planned gift now or in the future, contact Beth Zweig at blzweig@msn.com.



UPDATED SAFETY GUIDELINES APPROVED FOR TEMPLE ACTIVITIES

Following the <u>updated guidance</u> from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on <u>mask wearing</u> and social distancing for fully vaccinated people, the Temple staff and Board of Trustees have been in conversation about what this means for our congregation.

We have learned that relatively few local congregations that have established robust COVID worship procedures are rushing to make significant changes to their mask-wearing policies at this time. This is also the trend among Reform congregations nationally. It seems prudent that we also should wait before we make a big change here. The consensus among the Board and staff is that Jewish values support continued caution regarding matters that protect health and safety.



However, as a response to what we have learned since we began our return to worship inside the Temple in

April, as well as the increase in scientific information that has been made available, the Board has approved these minor changes to our <u>current</u> <u>COVID protocols</u>:

- There is no change in mask wearing and social distancing requirements at this time, except as outlined below.
- We will maintain a "no seating zone" of 12 feet from the bimah lecterns (reduced from 30 feet).
- Fully vaccinated service leaders may speak or sing from the bimah without masks, but otherwise shall wear masks and maintain a distance
 of at least six feet from others.
- Simple measures to improve ventilation will be implemented.
- · All other worship procedures (i.e. 50% capacity limit, RSVPs, ushering, etc.) remain the same.
- · Wearing masks outdoors on Temple property is optional.
- Fully vaccinated staff members are permitted to work together in the building outside of worship without wearing masks, if they wish. Staff will abide by the policies of building tenants when in proximity to their staff.

In the likely event of additional developments to the community situation, as well as public health guidance, the Board will consider and implement further changes.

OUR EXCITEMENT'S SKY-HIGH FOR THE RETURN OF CORNED BEEF ON RYE!

After a hiatus last year due to the pandemic, our 19th Corned Beef on Rye - Sure to Satisfy sale will be back this fall better than ever!

Mark your calendar to join us on Thursday, November 4 when heaping corned beef sandwiches, gigantic dill pickles, creamy coleslaw, and rich brownies return as part of the Temple's largest fundraiser. Delicious Hebrew National salamis

will be on sale, too! Proceeds support the Temple's general operations.

Plan also to assist when we prepare a large mailing for the sale on Thursday, August 26 at 10 a.m. and on Corned Beef Prep Night on Wednesday, November 3 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Thank you to Larry Adelman for chairing this very important event and our talented corned beef team: Carol Adelman, Fran Adler, Rabbi Meir Bargeron, Jamie Fritz, Scott Goldberg, Shai Hadashi, Sam Krouse, Amy Krouse, Marie McFadden, Lee Pomerantz, Denny Reynolds, Nancy Salon, Samara Sheray, Micah Soltz, Jon Tam, Ellen Tom, Steve Zacher, Judy Zacher, and Beth Zweig.



WEEKLY LIFELONG LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Expand your Jewish knowledge and friendships this summer by being part of our growing community of lifelong learners. Links are sent through the weekly email to our Temple family. Guests are invited to contact us at office@templecav.org or (260) 744-4245 for access information. Please see page 2 for specific dates.

Study the Five Books of Moses with Rabbi Kornspan

Read and study the Torah, verse by verse, with classic commentaries by Rashi, Rashbam, Seforno and many others during a weekly study group led by Rabbi Mitchell Kornspan on Sundays at 7 p.m. on Zoom.



Hebrew Liturgy Study Group with Dr. John Planer

Study the Hebrew texts – both Orthodox and Reform – of the daily and Shabbat liturgies on Mondays at 7 p.m. led by Dr. John Planer on Zoom. All are welcome to attend.

Torah Study With Rabbi Meir Bargeron

Delve into important lessons in the weekly Torah portion with Rabbi Meir Bargeron Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Zoom. Everyone who is post-B'nai Mitzvah and older is welcome.

DONATIONS

General Operations

In memory of Alice Fenyes: Anne & Dan Droegmyer
In honor of Ronnie & Norm Greenberg: Jan & Steve Sarratore
In memory of Helen Schubert: Linda & Philip Schubert
In memory of Bor Tam: Jon Tam & Rabbi Meir Bargeron
In honor of Rabbi Meir Bargeron: Suzi Stone
In memory of Stan Fishman: Carol & James Levy

Dr. John Planer Music Fund

In honor of James Rakes and memory of Orion Reynolds: Marcia & Denny Reynolds
In memory of Amelia Butz: Matthew & Nola Katinsky

Kathryn Kann Mendelblat Cultural Enrichment Fund

In memory of Betty Castle: Suzi Stone, Deborah Rothberg In memory of Edward Doehrman: Suzi Stone

Rabbi Discretionary Fund

In memory of Chad Goldberg and Rebecca Goldberg: *Kristin & Scott Goldberg*

Temple Gardens Fund

In memory of Isidore Nemeroff: Howard Nemeroff
In memory of Lena Nahmias Cohen: Elissa & Steve Cohen

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MAZEL TOV TO:

- Larry Adelman and Ben Eisbart on being named Hoosier Jewish Legends A Hall of Fame by the Indiana Jewish Historical Society.

 The award honors Jewish and non-Jewish Hoosiers who have created a significant and lasting impact to their profession, faith-based and/or secular community, and the legacy of that role of the Jewish community in Indiana's continuing story. The ceremony will be held on Sunday, August 22 at 1 p.m. at the Indianapolis Jewish Community Center, with details to come later.
- Joe Cohen on receiving the 2021 Monsignor Thiele Award, which recognizes a person who has performed exceptional services on behalf of the United Way of Allen County and encourages others to devote their energy toward the accomplishment of the the organization's charitable objectives. A partner at Barrett McNagny, Joe is a member of the board of directors of the United Way of Allen County, serves as Vice President of the Board for the Mad Anthonys Children's Hope House, and is the board chair for Easterseals Arc of Northeast Indiana. Recipients of the award receive a grant, which Joe has chosen to donate to those three charities.
- Ronald Friedman on being selected as the founding dean of the new College of Science at Purdue Fort Wayne. The three-year appointment begins July 1. Ron currently is interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and longtime chair of the Department of Chemistry at PFW.

ARAB-ISRAELI SHOWDOWN MUST PRODUCE LASTING PEACE BY RABBI MEIR BARGERON AND JAKI SCHREIER

The state of Israel and Hamas are engaged in the most intense military conflict in seven years.

Missiles fly out of Gaza to targets in Israel. Most of these are intercepted by the Iron Dome missile defense system, but not all of them.

Some land on people's houses, and innocent people die. Then missiles fly out of Israel into Gaza. Many more of these reach their targets, and many more people, innocent civilians as well as combatants, die.

This time, the missile conflict has been accompanied by fighting on the streets of mixed Arab and Jewish cities in Israel.

In short, it is another catastrophic situation in the Holy Land.

Our hearts are breaking because innocent civilians, Jewish and Arab, inside Israel and in Gaza are suffering. Children are sleeping in bomb shelters.

The people of Gaza are being held captive by Hamas, a terrorist organization that has little regard for the well-being of the Palestinians within its borders. Hamas thinks nothing of sacrificing Palestinian lives in its drive to kill Jews.

Our hearts are breaking because it shouldn't be this way. And, yet, it is difficult to imagine things ever being different.

Perhaps this is the greatest tragedy of all. As it is written in the book of Lamentations, "For these things (we) weep, (our) eyes flow with tears (1:16)."

As American Jews with personal and spiritual ties to Israel, we are horrified to see continued violence in Israel and the Palestinian territories.

We support Israel's right to defend its citizens against rockets and acts of terror: which we unequivocally condemn. We pray this conflict is quickly ended with a cease-fire honored by all parties involved.

Then, we call on the government of Israel to engage fully in a negotiated resolution agreed to by Israelis and Palestinians that can meet the legitimate needs and aspirations of both peoples. We also call on the U.S. government to make addressing the Israeli-Palestinian conflict a priority once again.

We hope and dream for a time of peace in the Holy Land. We envision a time when Israelis and Palestinians can sleep safely in their beds every night. We yearn for the day when the children of Israel, Gaza and the West Bank can know one another in laughter and friendship, without the burden, and without the shackles of fear and hate.

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JUNE YAHRZEITS

June 4-5
Ken Burcham
Dale Chambers
Gary Cohen
Ruth Davis
Nissim Yuda Farhi

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Ann Golder

Rose R. Goldman John C. Gosney Isaac M. Hallenstein

Isaac M. Hallenstein
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Edward Phillips
Eleanor B. Platka
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Charles Rosenblum
George Sandel
Anna Schultz

Nathan Snow
Tillie Speyer
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Helen G. Warshauer
Meyer Warshauer
Becky Weinberg
Florence Weinberg
Sidney Weiss
Eugenia Young

Sylvia Zimmerman

Isaac Schwartz

Eleanore Schwarz

Etta Hoffman Zussman Muriel Zweig

June 11-12

Issadore (AI) Adelman

Jonas Arnold Rena Babich Al Berk Amelia Butz Archibald Cohen

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Robert Hutner
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Margaret Katz
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June 18-19 Joel M. Bass Toba Baum
Joseph Bialick
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Morris Gladstone
Sarah Goldfarb
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Ruth Henzel
Samuel Herman
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Nathan Stoller
Harry Trauner
Billie A. Wenbert
Wayne C. Whisler
Helena Wolf

June 25-26

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Maurice Cohen
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Robert Wollman

Martin Schwartz



HELP US KEEP OUR MI SHEBEIRACH LIST CURRENT

Our *Mi Shebeirach list* helps us come together as a congregation and community to think of those among us who need healing, care, and compassion. We encourage you to add your loved one's name to our list by calling the Temple office at (260) 744-4245 or emailing us at office@TempleCAV.org so that those we hold dear will be called to mind during our Shabbat services.

Names will remain on the list for four weeks. For those who wish to have a family member or friend's name listed for longer, please contact us to make another request. Thank you for helping us keep our list current.

WE CARE

Please let the Temple office or Rabbi Meir know if a family member is in the hospital or if other situations arise when the congregation may be of assistance or comfort. We aren't always aware of situations unless family or friends notify us.



JULY YAHRZEITS

July 2-3 David Auerbach Solomon Babich Leah Babich Isadore Berkowitz Dr. Hyman L. Cohen

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July 9-10 Kalman Beck

Elana Ben-Yehoshua **Bart Broederzs**

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Florence Goode Nathan Hendelman Israel Kaplanskky Isaac Kretzman Joan Lesson

Isidore Marx Sol Mastbaum Celia Musursky Marshall Pallas Dr. Eric Ray Raoul Roderick

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July 16-17

Mollie Barasch Susan Cohen Bernard Dubinsky Natalie Duckor Marguerite Elder Philmore I. Harris Libby Harris Isaac Hoffman **Aaron Kravits** Anne Kurzner Louis Levin Rose W. Portman Sidney Rouda Mary Siegel Manny Silverman Jeannette Sposeep Minnie Sposeep Alfred Stoller Isaac Trauerman

July 23-24 Harry Bosell Mary Kay Byrne Anna Dively

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Bertha Doran Jack Feldheim Lillie Hutner Fleck Dora Fisher Belle R. Frank Leopold Freiburger Cheryl Gannon Morris Goldin Arthur Hill Alex Honig Morris Horn David S. Hutner Louis Katz

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Hyman Komisarow Annette Latker Sarah Latker Iretta Lauinger David Lichtscien Dr. Donald Mark Rita S. Marks Myron M. Marks Nanette Mayer Max Moyer Henry Ney Frace Polz Marlene Primack James H. Richardson Amelia Rosenthal Abe Rubenstein

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Albert Schnitt Maurice Seelberg Phyllis Silver Zalman Sposeep Celia Pearl Steiber Fannie Wertheimer

Sylvia Wolfe

July 30-31

David Babich Marvin Berg

Jeanne F. Bransilver Samuel Bretzfelder Minnie Cahn Dr. Harold Cline

Bill Fox

Adelaide Frank Lillian Goldenberg Jack Golder

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Erev Rosh Hashanah is Monday, September 6 Kol Nidre is Wednesday, September 15



CEMETERY PLOTS AVAILABLE AT LINDENWOOD

Temple members in good standing are eligible to purchase plots in the congregation's Y and YY section at Lindenwood

Cemetery. Please contact the Temple office for information. Each plot is \$2,200.





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The Temple is located at the Rifkin Campus at 5200. Our Campus partners are the Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne, the Fort Wayne Jewish Cemetery Association, the PFW Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, Brightpoint Head Start, the Madge Rothschild



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WE WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS

The Temple board welcomes your comments and suggestions. We will do our best to address your questions and concerns. We value the diversity of viewpoints within our congregation. Please contact the Temple office at 744-4245 or office@TempleCAV.org for information. President Ellen Tom can be reached at 260 489-9213 or President@templecav.org.

The deadline for the August Bulletin is Thursday, July 15.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER ELLEN TOM

As I write my last column as your Temple President, it is overwhelming to think of all that we have accomplished together, despite some of the challenges. These last four years have been filled with much joy, sweat... lots of sweat, life lessons, and - the best part - newfound friendships.

It has taken an army to tackle everything: hiring staff, navigating High Holidays (especially when the Fort4Fitness coincides), building renovations, forging our partnership with Congregation B'nai Jacob, and managing a new normal due to the COVID pandemic.



I am so grateful that CAV has Rabbi Meir, our steadfast staff – Samara Sheray, Jamie Fritz, Marie McFadden, and Clint Rossiter -- our Board of Trustees, lay leaders and committee chairs. I also appreciate our Jewish Federation of Fort Wayne family for partnering to provide some extra love to our congregants and community. All have provided countless hours and leadership in support of our congregational family.

We are once again busy preparing for the Temple's Annual Meeting, our congregation's 173rd, on Wednesday, June 9 at 7 p.m. Your Temple Board and staff have been meeting (via Zoom) and planning to ensure we can cast absentee votes and gather – whether a member chooses to attend in person or virtually - to share accomplishments and celebrate our tireless and talented volunteers and leaders.

We'll present the William Brosler Award to a member whose long-term involvement at the Temple and commitment to the congregation have gone above and beyond. We will recognize outgoing board members and members of the L'dor Vador Legacy Society for indicating they've made a planned gift to the congregation.

We have many simchas to celebrate this summer together. Please plan to join us for the Consecration of Rabbi Meir Bargeron on June 25-27 and when two of our Religious School students are called to the Torah as B'nei Mitzvah. As we continue to offer most events both in-person with a reservation and via Zoom, I hope you will recognize the importance of attending the Annual Meeting and life-cycle events. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we look forward to welcoming you all.

Yasher Koach - May we go from strength to strength.

LOOKING FOR JEWISH BOOKS THIS SUMMER?

If your summer plans include catching up on some good Jewish books but you don't know where to start, the <u>Jewish Book Council</u> offers many <u>suggested reading</u> <u>lists</u>, including American Immigrant Tales, Classic Jewish Literature, and Bible or Biblically-Inspired Stories.



Interested in delving deeper on other topics? Find ideas for books on Chinese Jewish experiences, Holocaust

books (for children, middle school, young adults, and adults), Feminist Jewish perspectives, Graphic Novels, Contemporary Israeli Literature, Short Stories, Breast Cancer from a Jewish Perspective, and many more by interest areas.

Don't forget to check out the <u>adult fiction titles</u> in the Temple's <u>Rabbi Richard B. Safran Library.</u>

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