JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2023 - TEVET/SHVAT 5783

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Food For Families, Rosh Chodesh, Stitch-A-Thon, and so many more!

IANUARY SERVICES

Fridays, 6:15pm

6 - Simchat Shabbat Service w/Birthday Blessing

& Speaker Amanda Berman of **Zioness**

13, 20, 27 - Shabbat Service

Saturdays, 10am

14 - B'nei Mitzvah of Benjamin Wedeck

21 - B'nei Mitzvah of Jonah Sabal

28 – B'nei Mitzvah of Liav Alpert-Ganz

JANUARY PROGRAMS

4 – Sisterhood, "Getting to Know You" speaker, 12pm

6, 13, 20, 27 – Torah Study, 4:45pm (Zoom)

8 – Rosh Chodesh Torah Study/Brunch, 10:30am (Zoom) Food For Families, 12pm Stitch-A-Thon, 4pm (Zoom)

17, 24 - Adult Ed (Rashi's Daughters), 6:15pm

20 – BEET Potluck dinner, 7:30pm

FEBRUARY SERVICES

Fridays, 6:15pm

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10, 17, 24 - Shabbat Service

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7, 14, 28 - Adult Ed (The Torah of Social Justice), 6:15pm

12 - Sisterhood Family Collage Workshop, 3pm

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Join us for thought-provoking topics...



SIMCHAT SHABBAT

Friday, January 6 & February 3 at 6:15pm

Join Cantor Shira and the 17th Street Band for joyful, musical Shabbat services, dinners, and programs. Register for services (https://signup.com/go/YuFhHVm) and add a comment in the signup if you're staying for dinner.

- **January 6** with civil rights attorney, founder and ED of the Zioness movement Amanda Berman
- February 3 Refugee Shabbat

Save these dates for more Simchat Shabbats: March 31, April 21, and May 19



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Yahrzeit Memorial

Candles Initiative



Plaza Jewish Community Chapel is providing our EET members with a yahrzeit memorial candle to light on the anniversary date of your loved one's

anniversary date of your loved one's death. The candles are free of charge and can be picked up from the temple office during the week of the yahrzeit.

CANTOR'S ♬♬♬

Shira Ginsburg

Each evening after dusk, we recite the *Ma'ariv Aravim*. This prayer praises God for bringing on the darkness, rolling night into day and day into night, for arranging the stars in heaven, for altering time and for the changing of the seasons. And each morning after the sun rises, we recite the parallel prayer, *Yotzer Or*, praising God as the Creator of light and darkness; Who makes peace and fashions all things; Who in mercy gives light to the earth and to all who dwell upon it; and in Whose goodness renews every day, continuously, the work of Creation.



So much in our lives is cyclical. We measure our days in sunrises and sunsets and bread broken, our weeks with Shabbat and *y'mai chol*, the regular days, our seasons in green buds and sunshine, in falling leaves and snow, and our years in birthdays and holidays, in vacations and work, in reflection and soul searching.

As we mark the winter solstice and begin the slow count of days adding a few minutes of light to the darkness each evening, we are reminded that so too are our emotions cyclical. The familiarity of the weight of winter punctuated by the joy of a snow day! The delight of a blue sky with a full sun shining down on us! The drudgery of a New York February as the cold seems to be coming from within us as much as outside of us, upended by the pleasure in a hot cup of coffee sipped slowly in mittened hands...

Our tradition provides us with guideposts, means with which to celebrate and mark each passing year, season, month, day, night and hour. Blessings to recite upon seeing a long-lost friend for the first time, after returning from a harrowing journey, or coming through a difficult time. But whether we count as these short days of winter grow longer, or in six months, the long days of summer growing shorter, we take comfort in the security that day after day the light will roll into darkness, and night after night darkness again will roll into light. These prayers remind us that just as both light and darkness are ever turning, so too whatever our current situation is, it is impermanent. The constancy of our faith is the very recognition that there is a magnificent order of things we are never meant to fully understand, and despite that, we celebrate it in the form of awestruck blessing every single day and each and every night. A new opportunity awaits us with each dawn; what are we going to do with it?



Spring 2023 EET Adult Education – Jewish Great Books Join us for ONE, join us for ALL (in person and Livestream/Facebook Live)

- January 17, 24 (Rashi's Daughters)
- February 7, 14, 28 (The Torah of Social Justice. Among the texts that will inform our discussion will be To Heal A Fractured World by Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks https://tinyurl.com/jnwt5x6p).
- **March 21, 28** (*Maimonides Guide to the Perplexed*)
- May 9, 16 (Tales of the Chasidim by Martin Buber)

FROM the CO-PRESIDENT

Brian Lifsec

Reacting to Hate Speech

In response to the recent anti-Semitic hate speech that has taken an uptick, many of us may be asking the question "why?" Why is it that for some 2,000 years Jewish communities around the world have been the target of hate groups that vilify us as



puppeteers behind economic, political and social schemes? Some of us may have taken the question further to ask, "What have we done?" Instead, we should take pride, comfort, and support in our community in the face of this hate speech.

We are welcoming. EET strives to embrace all in our immediate and extended community: young and old, single, partnered and married, LGBTQ+ and straight, interfaith, Jewish-born or converted, those with mental and physical challenges. If you choose us, we choose you and our congregation reflects that.

We are accessible. Our sanctuary is truly a "House of Prayer for All People" as we share our sanctuary, our classrooms and our offices with community members of the Christian and Muslim faiths.

We are caring. Relationships between and among members, communities and organizations are cultivated and longstanding. Our lives are made rich by the bonds between fellow congregants, members of the greater community, and organizations we support.

We are philanthropic. Giving of both time and resources, we strive to organize and mobilize by feeding hungry New Yorkers, supporting refugees, immigrants, and asylum seekers, being civically engaged, and endorsing racial justice.

We are curious. We embrace opportunities to gather and learn. Weekly Torah study, business ethics lunches, congregational conversation meetings, book discussions, and Saturday afternoon schmooze are a few examples of how we supplement what we know with what we need to know in order to intellectually evolve.

Who we are is all of this. Supported by excellent clergy, professional staff and lay leaders who share in our mission to be good by doing good, we are proud, supportive, and caring members of our community.



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

Joshua M. Z. Stanton

What's Your Best Argument?

In the Talmud, we read of countless debates between Rabbis Hillel and Shammai. Most likely, these were not just individuals, but two schools of thought being brought into discourse



by our sages. Rabbi Hillel and his followers almost always win the debates, with a couple of notable exceptions.

Some attribute Rabbi Hillel's success to his focus on the needs of the common person and, correspondingly, his popular appeal. Others think that his arguments were better. But our tradition indicates that he possessed a particular technique for arguing that made him worthy of carrying the day. While Rabbi Shammai only related his own perspective, Rabbi Hillel always began by explaining the perspectives of his opponent, before sharing why he differed with them. In so doing, he showed respect without relativism and focused on issues rather than the people putting forth the arguments themselves.

I cannot remember the last time in which anyone, myself included, has taken time or energy to relate the arguments of their opponents in a respectful way – while still differing with them and putting forth an alternative case. I cannot remember the last time in which anyone has taken time to show that they were listening with care, while also speaking with intention.

While I do not believe that "civil discourse" will cure all of our society's ills, I do believe that it can rebuild a stronger center at a time of polarization. The majority of Americans believe in universal background checks for those purchasing a firearm. The majority of Americans believe that abortion should be safe and legal. The majority of Americans believe in compassion for immigrants and pragmatic steps to secure our borders.

That the majority has not carried the day in legislation and public policy is not just a function of institutions that need reform or the sway of special interests over politics. It is also because we have lost the ability to wield power as a majority, across silos of catchphrases and buzzwords. A key step that we could take towards that important goal is listening and restating with care what those around us are saying. This does not simply begin in the halls of power (though I wish that it would!) but also in our homes, our houses of worship, and the wider community.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO

Liav Alpert-Ganz, Jonah Sabal, and Benjamin Wedeck, our January b'nei mitzvah celebrants.

Mazal Tov from your EET Community!

MEN'S CLUB

Marc Jonas Block

Reviving the Men's Club of East End Temple and serving as its president has been an honor and privilege. We have created a strong organization that survived the pandemic and shutdown, started new traditions and contributed to the community.



On December I, 2022, the Men's Club held its annual meeting to elect a new slate of officers, as the old slate is term-limited out, which was duly nominated, seconded and elected unanimously. Please let me introduce the new executive board of the East End Temple Men's Club: (I) Patrick Roger-Gordon as President; (2) Peter Walker as Vice President; (3) Marc Block as Secretary; and (4) Andrzej Krauze as Treasurer.

The new board is working to schedule new events for the club members and entire community. If you are not receiving notice of meetings or member emails, please contact me and I will add you to the email list.



As we continue our 75th year as a community,

we seek your wisdom, reflections, and sources of uplift in a 75th Anniversary Book. Our belief is that each one of us has much to teach, and we seek to bring together those kernels of wisdom in a single volume.

Please share with us:

- Salient memories from EET and its community
- Reflections on how our community has been there for you or you have been there for our community
- Wisdom, especially Jewish wisdom, that has guided your path

Please email reflections – ideally up to one typewritten page – to <u>75book@eastendtemple.org</u>. We plan to collect and share our book of communal wisdom at our 75th Anniversary Celebration in spring 2023.

EDUCATION NEWS

Mindy Sherry, RJE

"Teach a child according to their way [according to their needs and abilities]," from Proverbs 22:6, is the text that defines my goal for our religious school. Since I started at East End Temple four years ago, I have been working to cultivate an inclusive school community. We want our students



to thrive here, feel good about themselves and their learning, and know that we want them to be their true selves here. We are on their team and support them – on good days, bad days, and everything between. To help the students understand this, we start our days with a check-in to see how everyone is doing and what is going on in their lives. A colleague of mine who specializes in inclusion shared with our staff at a training, "Students don't care how much you know, until they know you care about them."

Something new we added this year for our students is our Nefesh ("Soul") Nook. This is a quiet part of the art room that allows students to take a break in a calm area. They can sit on bean bags, read, color, or even have a quiet space to do their Hebrew. We are finding this nook is helping students, and they come back to class refreshed and ready to learn.

People sometimes ask how they can help our school, and our Nefesh Nook could use some upgrading. I have created an Amazon wish list with some items that could help both the Nefesh Nook and the school in general. You can see the list here. Thank you for helping me to do this sacred work. As we read in Isaiah 56:5, "For my house shall be a house of prayer for all people," and this includes our religious school.

If you would like to support the East End Temple Religious School or any of our programming for kids, please donate to the Sara A. Spencer Education Fund.

Tot Shabbat Schedule

- January 13, 27
- February 10

FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY continues here:

So I ask without conceit or rhetoric, what is your best argument? What is the best argument of those with whom you disagree? How can we advance our beliefs without ignoring any validity within other perspectives?

A good starting point may reside within the example – and many salubrious debates – of Rabbi Hillel.

John

Rosh Chodesh – A Time For New Beginnings



"Whoever blesses the new moon in its time welcomes in the presence of the Shechina."





Rosh Chodesh, "the head of the month," is the phase of the lunar cycle when the first sliver of moon appears. Celebrated by Jews as a time of renewal and rebirth, Talmudic and modern-day interpretations connect the holiday to women. In one Midrashic interpretation, Rosh Chodesh was a day of rest given to women by God as a reward for not participating in the sin of the Golden Calf. Modern interpretations link changing phases of the moon to women's monthly and life cycles. Throughout much of Jewish history, Rosh Chodesh has been marked as a time for women to gather.

For more than twenty-five years, Sisterhood has led a Rosh Chodesh program, focusing on biblical writings about women from a feminist perspective, from their role as heroines and priestesses to how they have changed Judaism. One Sunday a month, we gather for brunch, study and discussion, ending with a candle-lighting ceremony while voicing our gratitude for the time we have spent together and the gifts we have shared.

Starting on January 8, Fern Stampleman, Elissa Macklin and Laurie Treuhaft will be leading four Sunday morning monthly sessions about the life and times of Sarah, our first matriarch, legendary for her enduring faithfulness to God and her commitment to Abraham. Surprises in her story are promised! Click here to register.

Mark your calendars for other programs coming up in the new year (See <u>Sisterhood page</u> for details.)

- Stitch-A-Thons Jan 8 and Feb 5.*
- Family Collage Workshop Sunday, Feb. 12.*
- Getting To Know You Our first Wednesday speaker series continues on Jan. 4 and Feb. I, with Nora Levine teaching us about estate sales and auctions and Carolyn Laskow sharing her role as co-author of "The Soup Club Cookbook."
- Mah Jongg After our successful pilot on Dec. 8, we look forward to starting regular games in January. Dates and details to come.
- * See additional details in this Templet.

The Sisterhood of East End Temple Belong. Connect. Grow.

Member of



LIBRARY BUZZ

Barbara Ringel

I am delighted to share two exciting upcoming events with our community:

The 20th annual Helene Spring Library
Event, and the 9th annual Help Our Library
Grow Initiative. Our first event, the Help
Our Library Grow Initiative, is now underway.
The initiative enables us to add well



reviewed new titles to our collection. We are grateful to the many members whose generous donations have enriched our collection in the past, and hope this tradition continues. Every donated book will have a bookplate with donor's name, and in honor/memory of, inscribed on the bookplate. Please see the complete list of titles, author, price, and donation form with payment instructions here. The books are on display in the library, and a list is also posted on the downstairs bulletin board. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Our 20th Helene Spring Library Event, always a highlight of the year, will take place March 26 at 2:00pm. Our featured author is Lynda Cohen Loigman, who will discuss her new novel, *The Matchmaker's Gift*, an intriguing, delightful dual-time story with a dose of magical realism. There is a copy of the book in our library, and it is our book club choice for discussion at our next meeting.

FOOD FOR FAMILIES

By Celia Vimont

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Our hard-working Food For Families volunteers made 1,179 meals in November and 1,491 meals in December to feed hungry New Yorkers. Each session, City Harvest picks up our meals (including two sandwiches, fresh fruit, raisins and a granola bar or cookie) and distributes them to a food pantry or shelter.

Please sign up in advance at https://signup.com/go/
WojpaEM so we know how much food to order — we can accommodate up to 40 volunteers per session. All participants must be age 12 or older (ages 12-15 must be accompanied by an adult). This is a great opportunity for teens looking for community service credits! Everyone must observe COVID safety rules, including wearing masks and showing proof of vaccination.

Each participant should bring five loaves of bread and 16 pieces of fruit (preferably apples or oranges), and wear a hat to comply with Department of Health regulations. Future dates for Food For Families are Jan. 8, Feb. 5, March 12 and April 16.

Help us feed hungry New Yorkers by donating to Food For Families through Sisterhood (https://eastendtemple.org/contribute/.

More from your Sisterhood...

Sisterhood Stitch-A-Thon on Zoom Sunday, January 8, 4:00-5:00pm, February time TBD



We provide free yarn and friendly congregants who can teach you a simple stitch to make a scarf or hat for needy New Yorkers, and eventually for yourself and your loved ones. Knitters and crocheters are all welcome. Preregistration required here.

Family Collage Workshop with Israeli artist Michal **Nachmany**





Sunday, Feb. 12, 3:00 pm

Discover your creative self! Tools and supplies provided. All are welcome. RSVP required. See **East End Temple** Everywhere for form and payment.

THE HAMANTASCHEN ARE COMING...

Order your Hamantaschen in time for Purim (on 3/6) and help support Sisterhood

AVAILABLE IN AN ASSORTMENT OF FLAVORS.

FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED AT TEMPLE OFFICE **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

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COST: \$14.00 PER POUND (1 BOX), 14 PIECES/LB. TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _

PLEASE PLACE THE NUMBER OF LBS NEXT TO THE FLAVOR OF YOUR CHOICE

LBS OF RASPBERRY	LBS OF POPPY
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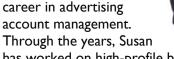
Susan Walczuk's Jewish Journey

Though Susan was just a kid when she asked her parents if she could attend Hebrew school kindergarten, they listened. The family joined Temple Beth-El, one of Great Neck, Long Island's oldest synagogues. Susan and her younger sister, Emily, were proud b'nei mitzvah and confirmands.

Susan's summers were spent at Camp Blue Ridge in PA. Shabbat services were a camp favorite. Beth-El's weekly 11th and 12th grade class on current events taught by the pre-eminent Rabbi Jerome K. Davidson captured Susan's imagination. Susan spent her senior year summer abroad at the Alexander Muss High School in Israel. Her study of historical Jewish events on the location where they originally took place inspired Susan's life-long passion for travel.

A sports-obsessed Wolverine, Susan earned a dual 1998 B.A. in Communications and History at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Susan befriended her future husband, Matt Walczuk, during their respective academic junior years in London. They traveled from London to Poland to visit sites of Nazi death camps. Matt, a student at Indiana University, was from Syosset, Long Island, just minutes from where Susan grew up.

While Susan interned at ABCsports.com and wrote a weekly University of Michigan column, she could not ignore the fact that women as sports writers were not in demand. Later in 1998, Susan jump-started a career in advertising





Matthew, Susan and Drew

has worked on high-profile brands such as Sprint, BMW, DuPont and the U.S. Army. Matt is a Director and the Head of Program & Cash Trading at Societe Generale.

Susan and Matt's son, Drew, went from being a kid in Covid lockdown to a kid who locked-in his Torah parshah, thanks to his ear for languages. Drew is in 8th grade at School of the Future and a soccer star. And Drew's March 5, 2022 b'nei mitzvah – one of EET's first post-Covid – fell on the same weekend as Susan's own childhood bat mitzvah.

Share your story with us in future Voices articles, email me at info@eastendtemple.org and include your phone #.



OURTEMPLE COMMUNITY

MAZELS and CONGRATS TO EET members on recent & upcoming life simchas...

- Debbie and Michael Insdorf on the marriage of their son Peter to Allison
- Joseph Mineo on the birth of his son
- Nimrod Sadeh and Jason Reece on their recent marriage

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Joy Miller, Sydney & Blake
- Laura and Ben Liebman, Brooks & Eli
- Monae Ollivierre



BEET (Boomers of East End Temple) **Dinner and** Conversation is BACK! Join us on Friday, January 20 after services

If you or your partner were born between 1946 and 1964, make new friends and have a few laughs at our next potluck dinner. This is an RSVP-only event, limited to BEET members. Please contact Saralane Steinberg for more information. The BEET Goes On!

Todah Rabah to our Donors and Volunteers:

Don Sussman and family for our landscaping; our in-person and virtual presenters, ushers, generous donors, lay leaders and other volunteers who help keep us all connected and thriving.

Thank you!

JOIN THE EET LEGACY CIRCLE TO HELP SECURE THE FUTURE

We are grateful to our members who have already included East End Temple in their estate plans. Please let the office know if you too have included East End Temple in your planned giving so that we may thank you appropriately.

CIRCLE



From left: Rebecca, Sarah, Matt and Aden (photo by EET member Jennifer Weisbord)

East End Temple has been a tremendous support and home for our family. Our hope is that the legacy of the East End Temple community will continue for generations to come.

Rebecca Shore and Matt Diaz

Act today to ensure a strong foundation for our community's tomorrow. If you are thinking of including East End Temple in your estate planning, please contact the office for more information, or to schedule a confidential discussion with our rabbi or co-president.

L'Dor V'Dor, From Generation to Generation

IN MEMORIAM

Michael Ginsburg 1942 - 2022

East End Temple mourns the loss of Michael Ginsburg, EET member, husband of Linda Hetzer, father of Elizabeth and Emily, and grandfather of Owen.

Zichrono Livracha, may his memory be for a blessing.



DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO

- Michelle Fraticelli, Dina Weintraub & Julia and Samuel Weintraub-Fraticelli, on the death of (Michelle's) mother and grandmother, Carmen Nogueras Abella
- Jennifer Sabal, Craig, Jonah, Allegra and Emilia on the death of (len's) mother and grandmother, Alice Almeleh Gronski Lane

And for those who have loved ones who died recently and are not mentioned above, may their memory be for a blessing.



SH'MA SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE DOINGS...

Stepping Up to Welcome Asylum Seekers *By Mark Levy*

When Nate Applebaum, Dylan Leitner and Asher Gruverman started searching for a b'nei mitzvah project, they didn't have to look much farther than the Port Authority Bus Terminal and the latest headlines. Thousands of legal asylum seekers, primarily from Venezuela, were being bused from Texas to New York. These refugee families, and those traveling alone, were arriving in NYC with virtually no personal possessions.

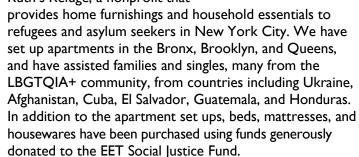
I volunteered at Port Authority over the summer when the bus volume was enormous and noticed the arriving refugees needed personal care items. I suggested to Nate, Dylan, and Asher it would be a helpful project to purchase and assemble personal care kits (including tooth-paste/brushes, soap, razors, menstrual products, deodorant, etc.) to provide these refugees. The project included researching product costs and sources, establishing a budget and timeline, securing funds via donations, b'nei mitzvah gifts and a bake sale, routing the funds into an account, online purchasing and storage, and breaking down the bulk purchases into kits for individual refugees. They delivered the kits to the Port Authority storage area run by Team TLC NYC in early December.

Ruth's Refuge





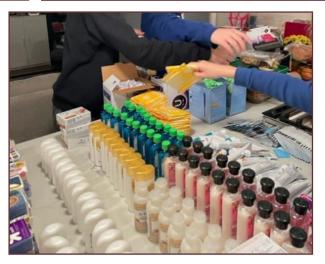
Nate, Dylan, and Asher's project is one of many East End Temple efforts supporting refugees. EET's East End Schleppers, a volunteer apartment set-up team, has embarked on its second year of schlepping for Ruth's Refuge, a nonprofit that



You too can be part of this EET initiative. Join the Schleppers. We need heavy lifters and light lifters, furniture assemblers and drivers. Email me at Mark@levysuniqueny.com and consider making a donation to the EET Social Justice Fund.



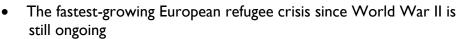
From left: Nate, Dylan and Asher delivering 73 kits and additional personal care items to Team TLC storage area.

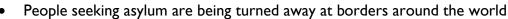




Simchat Shabbat, Friday, February 3, 6:15pm – Refugee Shabbat:

During the weekend of February 3-4, 2023, we will join congregations around the world and read of the Israelites' Exodus from Egypt and reflect on the current refugee plight:





For the first time ever, the total number of displaced persons globally is over 100 million.

Join us as a congregation for Simchat Shabbat services on Friday, February, 3, 6:15pm when we will reaffirm our support for refugees and asylum seekers, raising our voices in song together.





DATE AND NUT DAINTIES: These date and nut morsels are perfect for <u>Tu BiShvat</u>, when it is customary to eat foods containing the <u>Seven Species</u>, which includes dates.

INGREDIENTS

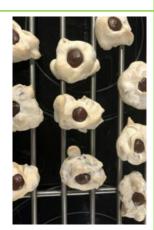
DAINTIES:

2 egg whites
1/2 cup sugar
pinch of salt
1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
1 (7 1/2 oz.) pkg. dates, cut up
3/4 cup walnuts, chopped

TOPPINGS:

candied cherries, cut up chocolate chips

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DIRECTIONS

- Preheat oven to 325°F. Grease and flour a cookie sheet
- Beat the egg whites until stiff. Gradually add the sugar and salt. Continue beating until thick. Add the lemon juice and fold in the dates and nuts.
- Drop by teaspoonfuls on cookie sheet, and leave room for spreading.
- Decorate the top of each cookie with a piece of candied cherry or chocolate chip.
- Bake for 10 minutes and then reduce to 225°F. The dainties are done when slightly browned.
- Remove from pan with a spatula as soon as done and cool on a wire cake rack.

CAN'T GET TO EAST END TEMPLE SERVICE OR PROGRAM?

Join us via Livestream and Facebook (some via Zoom). Check our website https://eastendtemple.org/east-end-temple-everywhere/ for current listings. We look forward to staying connected and welcome you to invite family, friends, and colleagues to join us as well. Instructions on how to access all platforms is through the link above.

To support our critical Livestreaming service, complete the donation form by checking <u>Leonard Spring Memorial Fund</u>, or <u>online</u>.

Tu BiShvat or the "New Year of the Trees" is Jewish Arbor Day. The holiday is observed on the 15th (tu) of the Hebrew month of Shvat (February 5-6, 2023) . Scholars believe that originally Tu BiShvat was an agricultural festival, marking the emergence of spring. In the 17th century, Kabbalists created a ritual for Tu BiShvat that is similar to a Passover seder. Today, many Jews hold a modern version of the Tu BiShvat seder each year. The holiday also has become a tree-planting festival in Israel, in which Israelis and Jews around the world plant trees in honor or in memory of loved ones and friends.





TEMPLE FUNDS

Cantor Discretionary Fund

used for charitable giving; enrichment of the congregation & community.

El Emet Fund

helps beautify and maintain our temple; underwrite holiday festivities, projects. Note: simcha, mishebeirach, yahrzeits.

Floral Fund (contact the office)

purchases flowers to decorate our pulpit on Shabbat and the High Holy Days.

Fund For The Future

helps ensure future growth in all temple activities.

Hamermesh Music Fund

provides special music programs and resource materials.

Kehila Fund (contact the office)

ensures the growth and permanence of our Temple. At the \$1,800 level, your name will be inscribed on the honor roll mounted on the Sanctuary lobby wall. Starting at \$5,000, your name and/or the name of an honoree will be engraved on a bronze plaque.

Leonard Spring Memorial Fund

dedicated to supporting our Livestream and Facebook Live Services, Zoom programing, and unfunded temple projects.

Oneg Shabbat Fund (contact the office)

provides refreshments after Shabbat evening services.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

used for charitable giving; enrichment of the congregation & community.

Sara A. Spencer Children's Educational Fund

provides educational materials for the Religious School.

Simchat Shabbat Programs

provides musical Shabbatot, diversified community programs.

Naming Opportunities (contact the office)

Memorial Board Plaque; Simcha Tree Leaf

SISTERHOOD FUNDS

Food For Families Fund

purchases the food and meal supplies volunteers need to use for filling the bags of meals prepared to feed the hungry.

Food For Families Day Sponsor

underwrites this social action program. Contribution designates you as co-sponsor for the day.

Helene Spring Library Fund

helps purchase new and archival books, library equipment and additional materials for our library.

Sisterhood Birthday Fund

contributes to a social action fund benefiting women and girls, selected annually.

Sisterhood Leadership Development Fund

supports the enhancement of leadership skills of current Sisterhood members and to develop future Sisterhood leaders.

FUNDS ARE ACCESSIBLE VIA OUR WEBSITE

(unless otherwise noted), at https://eastendtemple.org/contribute/

For next publication of contribution listing, please have your messages and payments sent to us by February 9.

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