

Temple El Emeth Bulletin

January 2025

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From My Desk... A New Presidential Administration

Donald Trump will assume the Presidency of the United States for a second term in just a few days. His personality (perhaps even more than his policies) ignites powerful emotions on both sides of the political divide. American Jews are divided as well, with Orthodox Jews generally supporting him, and liberal Jews generally opposing him. There is no one, exclusive reason why each side sees him as either good for America or bad for America. Rather, there are several “hot” issues behind which people rally, and these issues largely determine our reactions to the new administration. Our government will be shaped by this new administration, like it or not.

Judaism speaks of our support for the government. Pirkei Avot/ Ethics of the Sages 3:2 teaches:

“Rabbi Hanina, the Associate-High Priest said: pray for the welfare of the government, for were it not for the fear it inspires, every man would swallow his neighbor alive...”

Rabbi Hanina lived during the time of the Roman empire. He witnessed its greatness, as well as its cruelty. Yet, he taught his students to pray for the welfare even of a non-Jewish government, as the rule of law is preferable to anarchy. Rabbi Hanina was extending the thoughts of the prophet Jeremiah, from many centuries earlier. Jeremiah (chapter 29) declared to the Jews who had been exiled to Babylonia: “Seek the welfare of the city to which I [G-d] have banished you, and pray on its behalf to the Lord; for, in its welfare shall you fare well”.

Jeremiah counseled the Jews of his day to be loyal to their host nation. We, in Temple El Emeth, take a moment every Shabbat to express our loyalty by praying for our government leaders. Now, we may oppose specific social policies, and we may distrust certain politicians. We may work to elect others who better represent our interests. Yet, Jewish thought informs us to pray for the welfare of the current government.

Here’s a story of a 19th century rabbi who lived under the rule of the Russian czars, whose governments were often hostile to Jews. This hostility, however, didn’t prevent Rabbi Israel Meir Kagan, known as the “Chofetz Chayim”, from promoting the welfare of the government. He was once visited by a Russian government official. As their meeting progressed, the official noticed a small plate holding 10 unused postage stamps, each neatly torn in half. The postage stamps had the picture of the czar on them. “What an insult ! Defacing the picture of the czar!” thought the official.

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Friday Evening (5:45 PM) and
Saturday Morning (10:00 AM)
Services are *HYBRID*.

Monday and Thursday Evening
(5:45 PM) Services are *VIRTUAL*.



SHABBAT

Candle Lighting Times

Reprinted on monthly calendar

Friday, January 3	4:48 PM
Friday, January 10	4:55 PM
Friday, January 17	5:03 PM
Friday, January 24	5:11 PM
Friday, January 31	5:20 PM

HAVDALAH

Saturday, January 4	5:48 PM
Saturday, January 11	5:55 PM
Saturday, January 18	6:03 PM
Saturday, January 25	6:11 PM

Hybrid

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, January 7th, 7:30 p.m.

TEMPLE OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday

9:00 am– 4 pm

(Afternoons by Appointment)

Friday

9:00 am—12 Noon

RABBI STERNSTEIN

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesdays

10 AM—7 PM

Wednesdays

9 AM—5 PM

WITHIN THE SYNAGOGUE

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Barely controlling his anger, the official demanded an explanation. Rabbi Kagan responded that he had recently sent 10 letters to friends in nearby towns, using a traveler who would be passing through to each. In doing so, Rabbi Kagan realized he had deprived the government of income from the stamps. So the rabbi purchased 10 stamps from the Russian postal service, tore them in half so that they could not be used, and thereby enabled the government to collect the income. Astounded, the Russian official replied, "If this is how Jews live, our country is blessed by your presence". (as told by Irving Bunim in his edition of Pirkei Avot).

Think about that! Surely, the government of the United States deserves no less. We pray that our contributions to America will be a blessing, and that those who lead America will cherish our presence. Together, may we move America forward with the same spirit that motivated Jeremiah, Rabbi Hanina, and Rabbi Kagan.

Rabbi Seth Sternstein

Hybrid TORAH TUESDAYS WITH RABBI STERNSTEIN

Dear Friends,

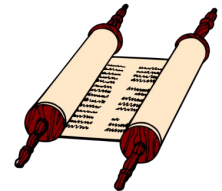
I invite you to Torah Tuesdays. We will explore a topic found in that week's Torah portion. Sessions run about an hour. While basic Hebrew reading ability is not required, it will be helpful.

All sessions begin at 10:30 AM.

January 2025 Sessions

Tuesday, January 14th

Tuesday, January 28th



*Call the Temple office if you are planning to attend or
If you would like to have the ZOOM link forwarded to you.*

FIESTA

Congratulations to all of our 2024 Fiesta Raffle winners! Special thanks to our hard-working committee that made our only fund-raising event a great success. We acknowledge all who sold tickets, and all of you who supported us by purchasing a ticket. Your generosity makes a difference.

Jeffrey Marlin, President

**2024 Fiesta Raffle
Winners**

**David & Carol Mirkin
Ronna Jo Marlin
Dick Able—Banner Supply
Randy Blecher
Tirtza Kohan**

PROGRAMMING

LIBERTY COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Churchill United Methodist Church 189 Churchill Hubbard Road

January & February Food Distributions are DRIVE-THRU ONLY.

NO Volunteers are needed for January or February.



- ⇒ Saturday, February 8, "Slow Down Shabbat" and lunch
- ⇒ Tuesday, February 11, PJ Library at El Emeth--4-5:30 pm
- ⇒ Sunday, February 23, Sisterhood Passover cooking program
- ⇒ Thursday evening, March 13, Purim celebration
- ⇒ Sunday evening, April 13, Second Seder at El Emeth
- ⇒ Tuesday, June 10, Sisterhood Donor Luncheon

SISTERHOOD



WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR
CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM

January 2025 Torah Fund

The Torah Fund is built on philanthropy which is the heart and soul of WLCJ (Women's League for Conservative Judaism). Your continued contribution to this worthy cause is appreciated.

Sincerely,
Louise Kline
Torah Fund Chairman

We never know what weather is on tap!

During this Winter Season, be sure to call the Temple prior to coming over—in case weather forces closure of the Temple offices.



**The
Deadline
for the
February
Bulletin is
January 15th**

NEWS & NOTES

MAZEL TOV!

- ♦ To **Myra and Bill Benedikt's** grandson, **Eli Meyer Mitnick**, is celebrating his **Bar Mitzvah** on December 28th, 2024 in Tel Aviv, Israel. His parents are **Lesley Benedikt and Joshua Mitnick (ע"ה)**. His siblings are Tal Daniel and Maayan Eva Mitnick. He is also the grandson of Stuart and Joan Mitnick.

MAZEL TOV

to those celebrating a Birthday in January

2	Lenore Ackerman	19	Susan Blecher
6	Carol Gordon	22	Gregory Alper
7	Henry Nathaniel Kay	28	Alan Cropp
12	David Randell	29	Jeannie Peskin
13	Jill Rogers	30	Laureen Kinast
14	Sherri Clayman	31	Terry Roth
	Eva Cropp		Bob Shansky
	Marc Silverman		Elaine Zolton

MAZEL TOV

to those celebrating an Anniversary in January

2	Howard & Linda Sniderman	53 rd
3	Allan & Hannah Sharapan	59 th
27	Aron & Susan Blecher	50 th

Remember: Temple-Gram Simchas for January through March!

Check your December bulletin for the *January through March Temple-Gram Simchas*. You can check the bulletin on our website: www.templeelemeth.org

Beginning in January 2025, **Temple-Grams** will be created for our full adult members' milestone birthdays and anniversaries.

Temple-Grams are \$1.00 each.

To be automatically included in every **Temple-Gram** book for 2025, a one-time payment of **\$36** will ensure that your name will be listed in each book. Make checks payable to "Temple El Emeth" and send to the Temple.

If you have additional names to add to a particular book, there will be a \$1.00 charge for each listing.

COMMUNITY NEWS

HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR SPEAKER

JANUARY 29, 2025 | 10:00 A.M.
STAMBAUGH AUDITORIUM

Helen Marks was barely two years old when she was separated from her parents and sent to live with a Catholic family to hide her from the Nazis. Helen will share her family's story of survival, the great risk that the Catholic family took to keep her safe, and how her life was changed because of the Holocaust.

RSVP to Director of Community Engagement Melissa Bateman with number of students and teachers attending no later than January 17, 2025. Additional funding for reimbursement of transportation costs may be available upon request.

YAHREZEITS

January 1—January 10 1 Tevet—10 Tevet

Sheldon Apple
 Anne Berkowitz*
 Clara Berman*
 Rebecca Biller*
 Gussie Chudakoff*
 James Coplin*
 Helena Engel*
 Sophie Estulin*
 Morris H. Faber*
 Myer Farbman*
 Donald Farquhar
 Jacob Fendrich*
 Harry Fineberg*
 Mary Lou Finesilver*
 Harry Friedman*
 Morris Friedman*
 Bessie Froomkin*
 Jennie Gefsky*
 Morris Ginsburg*
 Fanny Rachel Harr*
 Sadie Henkin*
 Benjamin Herman*
 Bernath Jacob*
 Ann Kaner-Roth
 Marvin J. Katz*
 Abraham Katzman*
 Max Kline*
 Sam Kohan*
 Ann Kugelman*
 Louis Kugelman*
 Esther Lasser
 Sol Leav*
 Abraham Lichtenstein*
 Ethel Loden*
 Bruce Luntz*
 Ethel Margulis*
 Celia Ozersky Mendelssohn
 Charles Nadler*
 Marilyn Oyer
 Mary Pinks*
 Jacob E. Pittler*
 Joseph Politi*
 Sophia Purtell*
 James A. Randell*
 Morris D. Redford*
 Benjamin Rosenblum*
 Rhoda Rulin*
 Anna Schachter*
 Alexander Schlesinger*
 Frieda Lilienstern Schulman*

January 1—January 10 1 Tevet—10 Tevet

Harry Schwartz*
 Jack Schwartz*
 Anna Seif*
 Hannah Helen Shonberg*
 Barney Sigel*
 Fanny Silver*
 Hyman Sisman*
 Meyer Julius Solomon*
 Michael Stein*
 Tillie Teich*
 Carl Wagner
 Emanuel Weisz*
 Abe White*
 Felicia Wienstein
 Frederick Newton Wilkoff*
 Frank Zeigler*
 Emily Zolton

January 11—January 17 11 Tevet—17 Tevet

Seva Averbach*
 Rebecca Mirkin Beck*
 H. Paul Beerman
 Gellia Bunshaft*
 Sunny Butchin
 Pearl Clayman*
 Mary Cukerbaum*
 Mary Deitchman*
 Anna Edner*
 Joseph Feuer*
 Jerome S. Fish*
 Alexander Friedman*
 Louis S. Froomkin*
 Samuel Joseph Gluck*
 Samuel R. Goldman*
 Edith Goldstone
 Louis Hollander*
 Karen Hydos
 Toby Levin*
 Aaron Marks*
 Terrance Meenihan
 Nelson Mendelson
 Walter P. Morosko
 Esther Moskowitz*
 Saul L. Nadler*
 Jacqueline B. Perlman*
 Theodore Regenstein*
 Rose Rose*
 Rose Rothenberg*
 Vicki Schermer*

January 11—January 17 11 Tevet—17 Tevet

Kate Shagrin*
 Morris Shonberg*
 Samuel Simon*
 Jacob Smulovitz*
 Frances D. Sniderman*
 Celia Suskind
 Babette Soule Tucker*
 Eugene Ungar*
 Peggy R. Wagman*
 Morris Weber*
 Lottie White*
 Dora R. Wilkoff*
 Leo S. Wilkoff*
 Samuel Wilkoff*
 Morris Zoldan*

January 18—January 24 18 Tevet—24 Tevet

Sidney Allen*
 Bonnie Apple*
 Morris Averbach*
 Morris Azneershansky*
 Judy Elder Bail*
 Sophie Bazil*
 Ephraim Berman*
 Esther Bonow*
 George "Yanive" Boone
 Louis Farber*
 Rachel Feuer*
 Eliezer Friedberg*
 Cheryl Friedlander
 Henry Friedman*
 Louis Greenberg*
 Abraham Jacob Harr*
 Samuel Harr*
 Morris Hoffman*
 Mollie Hollander*
 Herman Katz*
 Kenneth Katz
 Clara Kesselman*
 Cindy Joy Kirkorsky*
 Charles B. Klyn*
 Stanley A. Kornspan*
 Nate Landau*
 Henrietta Levington*
 Nancy Mayerson*
 Morris Melincoff*
 Abraham Millstone*

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 those who
 have
 Memorial
 Plaques

Yahrzeits

January 18—January 24 18 Tevet—24 Tevet

Rose Gross Moranz*
Beatrice E. Ozer*
Oscar B. Pollack*
Hannah Protetch*
Herman L. Robins*
Roberta Rome*
Jack Rusnak*
Fannie Saks
Charlotte J Stein Schwartz*
Yetta Shuman*
Max George Silver*
Anna Sisman*
Florence Speck*
Helen Sperling*
Ethel Wagman*
Elizabeth Weiss
Lillian Weiss
Irwin Witchner*

January 25—January 31 25 Tevet—2 Shevat

Diana Altshuler*
Irving Berchuck
Morris I. Berkson*
Helen R. Berman*
Marie Klein Bloch
Bess Bock*
Anna Bonow
Sally Chudakoff
Isadore Louis Cohen*
Rose Cohen*
Julius Cohn*
Sonia Hersch Cramer*
Linka Crow*
Harry Davidow*
Michelle DeTar
Albert Deutsch*
David Deutsch*
Helen Giber Engel*
Paul Ralph Freeman*
Louis Fried*
Philip Terry Garfield*
Esther Giber*

January 25—January 31 25 Tevet—2 Shevat

Harry Grinstein*
Ruth Grossman*
Jacob Haber*
Bess Mirkin Haines*
Peter Kurjan*
Mishke Lazar*
Meyer Moritz*
Idabelle R. Nathan
Louis Aaron Ozersky*
Anna Pianin*
Sam Rifkin*
Richard Alan Roth*
David Schneider*
David Schwartz
Max Schwartz*
Jean Yarmy Shagrin*
Bertha Sisman*
Elizabeth Sniderman*
Rebecca Spector*
Blanche Weiss*
Elaine S. Winick*
Lillian Wittow*

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DONATIONS

Yahrzeits

In Loving Memory Of:

David Ackerman

By Lenore Ackerman

Julie Mandel Banik

By Lisa Stein & Family

Irving Berchuck

By Marilyn Berchuck

Anne Berkowitz

By Bobbie & Michael Berkowitz

Anna Bonow

Esther Bonow

H. Paul Beerman

Ida Finesilver

By The Finesilver Family

George "Yanive" Boone

Michelle DeTar

Felicia Wienstein

By Dannielle MacDuff

Pearl Clayman

Celia Ozersky Mendelsson

By Gary & Sherri Clayman

Sadie Feldman

By Ronald & Nancy Berk & Family

Yahrzeits

In Loving Memory Of:

Mary Lou Finesilver

By Marshall, Diane, Beth
Candy & Katie

Morris Firestone

Sophie Firestone

Anna Rosen

By Terri & Neil Kaback

Grandfather, Morris Friedman

By Lori Linder

Poppy, Morris Friedman

Father, Bernard Linder

By Susie & Gary Rozanczyk

William Gordon

By Amy & James Keller

Bess Mirkin Haines

By Dennis & Janet Haines

Mother, Ruth Juskevitz Katz

By Robert Katz

Nancy Mayerson

By Larry Cohen
Harvey Cohen

Yahrzeits

In Loving Memory Of:

Marilyn Oyer

By Mace & Phyllis Landau

TEMPLE FUND

In Honor of:

Rick & Ronna Marlin 50th Wedding Anniversary

By Howard & Linda Sniderman

SISTERHOOD DONATIONS

GENERAL FUND

In Memory of

Paul Freeman

By Lynn Skolnick
Nancy F. Schwachter
Barbara Palmer








TEMPLE EL EMETH

January 2025

1 Tevet—2 Shevat 5785



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 1 Tevet ✧ Rosh Chodesh – Tevet  OFFICE CLOSED	2 2 Tevet <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	3 3 Tevet 4:48 PM <i>Hybrid Services</i> 5:45 PM	4 4 Tevet  Vayigash <i>Hybrid Shabbat Services</i> 10:00 am Havdalah 5:48 PM
5 5 Tevet	6 6 Tevet <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	7 7 Tevet <i>Hybrid Board of Directors Meeting</i> 7:30 PM	8 8 Tevet	9 9 Tevet <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	10 10 Tevet 4:55 PM <i>Hybrid Services</i> 5:45 PM	11 11 Tevet  Vayechi <i>Hybrid Shabbat Services</i> 10:00 AM Havdalah 5:55 pm
12 12 Tevet	13 13 Tevet <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	14 14 Tevet Torah Tuesday 10:30 AM	15 15 Tevet	16 16 Tevet <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	17 17 Tevet 5:03 PM <i>Hybrid Services</i> 5:45 PM	18 18 Tevet  Shemot <i>Hybrid Shabbat Services</i> 10:00 am Havdalah 6:03 PM
19 19 Tevet	20 20 Tevet <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	21 21 Tevet	22 22 Tevet	23 23 Tevet <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	24 24 Tevet 5:11 PM <i>Hybrid Services</i> 5:45 PM	25 25 Tevet  Vaera <i>Hybrid Shabbat Services</i> 10:00 AM Havdalah 6:11 PM
26 26 Tevet	27 27 Tevet <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	28 28 Tevet Torah Tuesday 10:30 AM	29 29 Tevet	30 1 Shevat ✧ Rosh Chodesh – Shevat <i>Virtual Minyan</i> 5:45 PM	31 2 Shevat 5:20 PM <i>Hybrid Services</i> 5:45 PM	

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— HAPPY NEW YEAR —

**Rabbi & Marsha
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Wish You A Happy
& Healthy New Year!**

