

# TEMPLE OF ISRAEL BULLETIN

**NOVEMBER 2021**  
**Cheshvan—Kislev**  
**5782**



## **PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE** **ANNUAL INTERFAITH** **THANKSGIVING SERVICE**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD**  
**AT 7:00PM**

Please join us online as we celebrate the true meaning of Thanksgiving with fellow community members of all faiths and backgrounds!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84478465633>

Call in: 16465588656

Meeting ID: 844 7846 5633



# NOVEMBER 2021 CALENDAR at TOI

## **Tuesday, Nov 2**

5:00pm Torah Study

## **Thursday, Nov 4**

9:30am LCS Board Meeting

1:30pm Membership Committee Meeting

3:30pm LCS Rosh Chodesh

## **Friday, Nov 5**

7:00pm Shabbat Services

## **Saturday, Nov 6**

10:00am Walk to End Alzheimer's

## **Sunday, Nov 7**

10:00am Mazel Tots

10:00am Religious School

## **Tuesday, Nov 9**

3:00pm RPC Meeting

5:00pm Torah Study

6:30pm Tikkun Olam Meeting

## **Wednesday, Nov 10**

6:30pm 1898 Commemoration Unity Service

## **Thursday, Nov 11**

3:00pm Thoughtful Aging Meeting

## **Friday, Nov 12**

7:00pm Shabbat Services

## **Sunday, Nov 14**

10:00am Religious School

10:00am LCS Gift Shop Open House  
(ends at 2pm)

1:00pm Mitzvah Day at RC

## **Monday, Nov 15**

Virtual Book Sale Begins (ends 12/5)

## **Tuesday, Nov 16**

5:00pm Torah Study

6:30pm TOI Board Meeting

## **Wednesday, Nov 17**

3:00pm Building & Grounds Meeting

7:30pm Monthly Prayer Class

## **Friday, Nov 19**

10:30am LCS Book Club

7:00pm Shabbat Services

## **Sunday, Nov 21**

10:00am Mazel Tots

10:00am Religious School

## **Tuesday, Nov 23**

5:00pm Torah Study

7:00pm Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving  
Service

## **Friday, Nov 26**

7:00pm Shabbat Services

## **Sunday, Nov 28**

9:30am Meals on Wheels delivery

## **Tuesday, Nov 30**

5:00pm Torah Study

## **Financial Information**

Thank you all for your incredible generosity to our congregation. Over the last few months a number of donations have been made and we would like to recognize all of those generous people.

Later this month we will be sending out a list of donations separately from the bulletin. We hope to resume listing donations in the bulletin very soon.



## Another Thanksgivukkah???

By Rabbi Emily Losben-Ostrov

This year Hanukkah begins on the 25<sup>th</sup> of Kislev. Oh, wait, *EVERY year the holiday of Hanukkah begins on the 25<sup>th</sup> of Kislev.* However, this year the 25<sup>th</sup> of Kislev happens to fall on Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> which is the end of “Thanksgiving Weekend.” So, while we don’t have an official “Thanksgivukkah” like we did in 2013, we do have somewhat of a confluence of our American holiday for gratitude and our Jewish holiday for miracles.

In many ways the holiday of Thanksgiving can be seen as a Jewish holiday in that it celebrates a few of the core tenets of Judaism. Much of our faith is based on the idea of showing gratitude both to God and to one another. In fact, simply praising God, as we do in most of our prayers, can be seen as an act of thanksgiving- an act of showing gratitude to the Divine. Whether we are thanking God for food (*motzi, kiddush*) or praising God for commanding us to preform a mitzvah (*lighting candles*), our prayers are an opportunity to pause and give both praise and gratitude. Other commandments such as honoring your mother and father is a way that our faith directly links us to the act of thanksgiving by way of *kavod* (honor).

At the root of the history of the “first Thanksgiving” there is the group of Pilgrims- a group of people who came to this land for freedom to worship as they choose. Not only is freedom of worship central to us Jews as a religious minority, but it is also the core of what it means to be a Reform Jew. Our denomination is one in which we take great pride in “educated choice through knowledge.” Those Pilgrims had great faith to leave their life behind so they could practice their faith freely. We Jews truly understood that ideal and the entire holiday of Hanukkah is about our fight to live and practice as Jews.

Another reason why Thanksgiving can be seen as “Jewish” at the core is the foundation of the celebration being an opportunity for different people to come together in praise. When we celebrate Thanksgiving we often think about sitting at a table with our families, but the original Thanksgiving is based on two very different groups coming together. *Shouldn't this be a model for us, that despite our differences among families, among congregants, and among different cultures we can still find a way to come together?*

As we celebrate Thanksgiving and then Hanukkah- let both of these holidays remind us to always show gratitude despite our challenges and differences for it can lead us to miracles!

# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

One hundred and fifty years ago (150) years ago, on November 9, 1871, the congregation Temple of Israel was organized at the home of Abram Weill. He lived on the corner of 4th and Orange Streets. The men on the organizing committee all lived within walking distance. They were all natives of Germany except Nathaniel Jacobi who grew up in Charleston. Abram Weill was also the chairman of the building committee when the funds were raised to build the Temple. His descendants, that I know, live in Greensboro, North Carolina and Baltimore, Maryland. They have been very helpful in giving me photographs and information on Temple history. The 150 Restoration campaign is named for our sesquicentennial as an organization.

~ Beverly Tetterton

## **CIRCLE OF GIVING**

Our dues contributions only cover 60% of our operating expenses. Thus, we must raise additional funds to cover our expenses. We request that those that can afford to pay more subscribe to pay within the Circle of Giving program. If you are interested in becoming a Circle of Giving program contributor, please contact the Temple Bookkeeper at [accounting@temple-of-israel.org](mailto:accounting@temple-of-israel.org)

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Dr. Eric & Jean Rosenberg  
Michael & Lorraine VanVekoven

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Rita Reibman  
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Dr. Joshua & Karen Vogel

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# MITZVAH DAY AT THE REIBMAN CENTER

**Sunday, Nov 14th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm**

*Join friends and fellow congregants  
for a rewarding day of good work!*

Bring your own garden tools (rakes, shovels, trimmers, blowers, edgers, wheelbarrow, etc.). Water and healthy, yummy snacks will be provided. Outdoor Fun for All!! Come help clean up our grounds and plant apple trees ... just think we will be able to harvest and make our own applesauce for latkes in a couple of years! I am hoping we may have some bulbs to plant too.

WE NEED sponsors for the purchase of pine straw mulch -  
please contact Malinda Zimmerman ([malindaz85@gmail.com](mailto:malindaz85@gmail.com)) if you can help with funding.

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions or ideas, please contact Malinda Zimmerman  
at [malindaz85@gmail.com](mailto:malindaz85@gmail.com)



## TORAH on TUESDAYS November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 5:00pm

We would like to invite you to join us as we study the  
Torah to bring its insights into our daily lives while  
learning more about our world and creating a sense of  
community.

**~ NEW ATTENDEES WELCOME ~**

Click [HERE](#)  
for Zoom Meeting

**Meeting ID:** 974 991 253  
**Passcode:** 899037  
**Call In:** 646-558-8656

## YAHREZEITS for NOVEMBER 2021

### NOVEMBER 5, 2021

Mae Hoffman  
David Landy  
Mark Teplitski  
Henrietta Wallace\*  
Morton Goldstein  
Don Rhine  
Shirley Feingold  
Herbert Kotz  
Harold Lawrence  
Kapiloff  
Morris Rosner  
Nathaniel Jacobi\*  
Gary D. Rosenberg  
Lawrence Bloom  
Karolina Goodman\*  
Dr. Oleksandr "Alex"  
Kogan  
Stephen Meyerson  
Dennis Rosoff

### NOVEMBER 12, 2021

Marcella S. Solomon\*  
Shelia Zena Fish  
Isie Judenfreund  
Evelyn Rosenberg\*  
Robert Shay  
Rose Balser  
Freda Eisen  
Anna Molofsky  
Isadore Stern  
Leo Clarence Pearlstine  
Diane Guetta  
Jack Guetta  
Paul David Reibman  
Ann Fried Sherman  
Alfred Schnog  
Sara Lee Bostom  
Max Finger  
Louis Grossman  
Elnora Reibman

### NOVEMBER 19, 2021

Murray Apfelbaum Jr.  
Venezia Kagan  
Harold Miller  
Russell "Rusty"  
Sneiderman  
Sylvia Rabinowitz  
Arnold Rothstein  
Ernest Alexander  
Yetta Silberman  
Alexander Liebman\*  
Henry Roseman  
Mimi Brody\*

### NOVEMBER 26, 2021

Harry Feldman\*  
Lucile Tanzer Shrier\*  
Claire Bronstein  
Sarah Miller  
Phyllis Rothstein  
Estelle Shrier\*  
Hilda Godwin  
Roslyn Silverman  
Florence Weiner  
Daniel Garrett Deutsch  
Leo Lacher  
David B. Zipser\*  
Larry Zucker

*\* on Memorial Board*



# Religious School News

## Felecia Becker, Assistant Director

Shalom everyone! We have had such an amazing start to the school year and are so excited to share how our past month went! We are having a great time- even while being online to be safe!

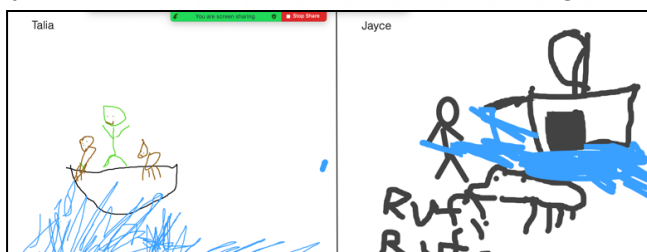
With the start of the school year, we decided to also start with the beginning of the Torah! For the first day of Religious School the students learned all about the seven days of creation. To begin, as a group we started to read the main creation story. Then the students went into breakout groups to make sure everyone had age-appropriate conversations about the Torah story and how they thought the world was created. For Religious School this year, we are making sure that students get more individual time in their respected classes with their teachers. The students have loved the breakout rooms and have been learning a great deal!

Continuing from the creation story, we talked all about Noah's Ark and had our annual blessing of the animals! The students all brought to the screen their dogs, cats, and even stuffed animal friends for a wonderful program. During school we also had individual class discussions about Noah's Ark.

We then began having discussions about Abraham and Sarah. When we first started off talking about Abraham and Sarah, we discussed the importance of Hebrew names. The students all shared their own Hebrew names, and we looked up what they meant. It was lots of fun learning everyone's Hebrew names and this also allowed us to learn more about each other! Once the students learned about Hebrew names, we moved on to learning more about our Jewish ancestors, Abraham and Sarah. We focused on Abraham and Sarah being welcoming to their visitors and the important mitzvah of hospitality. As a group, we also discussed how we as Jews can be more hospitable. Some of the great suggestions from the students include volunteering more, offering the mailperson a drink, and being more friendly in general! We continued to learn about the Hebrew for our Avot v'Imahot and worked on reading that prayer which is part of the Tefilah.

Our students love learning the Torah stories and are very excited and ready to learn more! We have also been incorporating more music into our sessions, as well. Overall, we have had a great start to the school year and are so excited to continue working with the students!

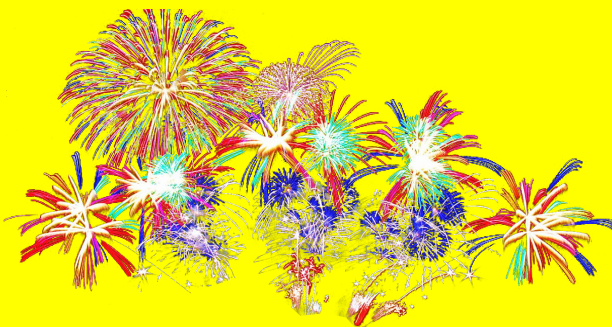
Two of our youngest students share their pictures of Noah's Ark...



## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



Sarah Gaby & Eric Vreeland	11/1
Beverly & Glenn Tetterton	11/3
Peggy Pancoe Rosoff & Steve Unger	11/9
Harrison & Melinda Frank	11/12
Scott & Rebecca Donaldson	11/24
Sheryl Solomon & Stanley Smith	11/24



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY...

Richard Carufel	11/1
Vanessa O'Connor	11/2
Morgan Steiner	11/3
Rhonda Pruss	11/4
Stephanie Crowe	11/5
Milo Holcomb	11/5
Rebecca Dunn Reinmann	11/5
Evelyn Agnoff	11/8
Jonathan Staub	11/8
Ray Apfelbaum	11/9
Lexi Lampkin	11/10
Victoria Crunkleton	11/11
Brandon Korman	11/11
Alan Silverman	11/11
Alexander Batchelder	11/14
Bill Angus	11/16
Jim Boston	11/16
Rebecca Donaldson	11/16
Madeline Peterson	11/18
Naama Heymann	11/19
Naomi Patruznick	11/20
Linda Liss Bronstein	11/21
Melinda Frank	11/22
Burt Rosner	11/22
Joshua Gans	11/26
Jordan Brown	11/29
Randy Eisenberg	11/29
Elaine Herman	11/30



## 2021 HANUKKAH FILM FESTIVAL

8 Nights, 11 Movies  
NOVEMBER 28th - DECEMBER 5th, 2021

Celebrate the Hanukkah season with eight nights of exclusive, award-winning new films, available to view from the comfort of home via your TV, computer or mobile devices. Watch on Roku, Amazon Fire TV, Apple TV, Android TV, Samsung TV, iOS, and Android.

Your ticket purchase provides limited-time access to this series of 11 films, plus exclusive filmmaker discussions and more, with new content added each night of Hanukkah.

This series is available throughout North America, in partnership with film festivals, synagogues and Jewish organizations across the U.S. and Canada. Enter the special promo code provided by your local organization at checkout to receive a discount and support your local community!

**PURCHASE  
HERE**

**\$36** (regularly \$48)  
~ 25% off with promo code

**PROMO CODE: TOISRAEL**

Website: [www.HanukkahFilmFestival.com](http://www.HanukkahFilmFestival.com)

Festival Trailer: <https://youtu.be/zaJNyoY6ZM8>





# November

Co-Presidents:

Sharon Levy & Sherry Rotz

## LADIES CONCORDIA SOCIETY

LCS has some exciting events planned for this month. See [attached flyer](#) from our programming committee.

The first night of Chanukah is November 28<sup>th</sup>!! LCS will be having a GIFT SHOP OPEN HOUSE on **Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>** from 10am-2pm at the Reibman Center. The Gift Shop has many wonderful items that make great gifts. We also have a few ATTRACTION BOOKS for sale in the Gift Shop. Items can be purchased at other times by contacting Sandy Apple at [candya2665@aol.com](mailto:candya2665@aol.com) or Nancy at the Temple office.

The November book club will be meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Myrna Cronen for leading the discussion of our October book, Jean Granger's THE EMERALD HORIZON. This month we will be reading the latest adventures of Gabriel Allon in Daniel Silva's, THE CELLEST. If you would like to read ahead, Talia Carner's THE THIRD DAUGHTER will be our December book. Please let Sandy Apple know if you will be attending and to receive the zoom link. Sandy Apple at [candya2665@aol.com](mailto:candya2665@aol.com)

Thank you to those of you who responded to our letter asking for volunteers to chair and participate in various LCS committees. We need many more women and ask you to help us out as little or as much as you can. Contact either Sherry Rotz at [sherry.rotz@gmail.com](mailto:sherry.rotz@gmail.com) or Sharon Levy at [sj.levy@verizon.net](mailto:sj.levy@verizon.net) if you can spare some time. We are stronger together!



LCS Fundraising Event

### HANUKKAH GIFT SHOP OPEN HOUSE SALE

**Sunday, Nov 14th 10am- 2pm  
at the Reibman Center**

The Gift Shop has many wonderful items to make the holiday more festive and to give as gifts. Items can be purchased at other times by contacting Sandy Apple at [candya2665@aol.com](mailto:candya2665@aol.com) or when Nancy is in the office.



*Hanukkah begins November 28th*

*Thank you for attending*

### Sephard to Savannah and Beyond: Southern Jewish Cooking and Culture

hosted by SAJE

(Southern Alliance for Jewish Education)

We know that many of you were not able to make all three sessions. You can now view recordings of these classes at the following link:

<https://bit.ly/3CkGLbi>.

Additionally, click [HERE](#) for a PDF of all 3 class notes for you to view and keep (which include Sara's delicious recipes!).

As a reminder, please consider a donation to our adult education fund. Please click [HERE](#) if you wish to give.





# 1898 COMMEMORATION

123rd Anniversary of 1898 Wilmington Massacre and Coup d'état

**NOVEMBER 1 - 10, 2021**

*We Are Healing Forward*



**CITY OF WILMINGTON**  
NORTH CAROLINA

## 1898 Commemoration Unity Service

**Nov 10 at 6:30pm**

**Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church, 4925 New Centre Drive, Wilmington, NC 28403**

Dr. Benjamin Chavis, member of the Historic Wilmington 10 will be the featured keynote speaker for the 1898 Commemoration Unity Service. Chavis, a son of Wilmington, returns 50 years later to give a unity address to Wilmington as we heal forward.

This service is free and open to the public. Masks are required.

This service will be streamed live on Spectrum channel 13, [NHctv.com](http://NHctv.com),  
and New Hanover County's [Youtube channel](#)

## WALK TO END ALHEIMER'S

**Saturday, Nov 6th**

**10:00am - 5:00pm**

**Wrightsville Beach Park  
321 Causeway Drive  
Wrightsville Beach**



We hope you will join the Tikkun Olam Committee and Temple congregants by being a part of our team and walk with us at Wrightsville Beach!!

So many of our TOI friends & family community are affected by Alzheimer's, let's all support the 2021 Walk to End Alzheimer's and see how much we can raise not only individually, but as the amazing team we are!! It's easy to create an account and "join the team" or donate to our team, by following the link:

<http://act.alz.org/goto/Templeofisrael>.

***COME WALK WITH US!!***

10:00am Opening Ceremony

10:30am Walk begins



To Beverly & Glenn Tetterton  
on the birth of their second  
grandchild,  
**Ella Mack Webb.**

Ella was born on October 28th  
& weighed in at 9.2 lbs.

Mom, Dad, and older brother,  
York, are delighted.

## REGIONAL YOUTH GROUP

In case any of your HS age kids  
are interested in joining the  
Regional Youth Group for an event  
in Raleigh on Nov 20th ~

Click [HERE](#) for more info.

Please help us attain this goal!

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