#### WEEKLY SERVICES AT THE SYNAGOGUE

FRIDAYS: See Calendar

SATURDAYS: 9:30 a.m. In-Person Services

# CONGREGATION SHAARAY TEFILA

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#### STUDENT RABBI DAVID JOSLIN

Happy December/Tevet

As we begin the month of December in the middle of the Channukkah season, I am still very much in Thanksgiving mode, grateful for the ability to celebrate holidays and gatherings with loved ones, once again! We continue our winter season's festivities with the Festival of Lights as we warmup the fryolator for some latkes and sufganyiot. During this month, we finish reading the Book of Genesis/B'raeshet and welcome-in the Book of Shemot on Christmas Day Shabbat. Throughout the month of Tevet, we read the incredible, unbelievable personal saga of Joseph's evolution from the downward spiral of boychick genius, beaten and sold into slavery by his own jealous brethren only to end up in jail surrounded by deathrow inmates. Eventually through the grace of G-d and his natural born talents, Joseph rises out of despair to become a great leader, savior to his brothers and his father Jacob, eventually becoming enshrined under patriarch-like status among the Jewish people. Joseph bridges the historical gap between Abraham and Moshe, and we can't forget the striking parallels between the hardships Joseph endured as an assimilated Jew in Egypt and the historical struggle to remain proud Jews whether in Hellenized times or even today, during the Christmas holiday shopping extravaganza. The true miracle of our Channukkah season is that we are able to gather together to watch the burning of the Channukiah just for the pure enjoyment of appreciating its beauty.

Wishing Everyone a Happy and Healthy Channukkah and Season's Greetings,



Happy Hanukkah Student Rabbí Davíd Benyisraeldavid@gmail.com

# SYNAGOGUE PRESIDENT MARK HOFFMAN



Happy Chanukah to all! Please join us for a hybrid in-person and Zoom

havdalah and Chanukah candle lighting celebration with David Joslin on December 4 at 7 PM. We will have some singing, snacks and desserts. Vaccination required for in-person attendance.

Please take advantage of a Zoom educational experience that Shaaray Tefila has purchased from the Rabbinical Assembly for our congregants on the subject of Conservative Judaism and presented by three major thought leaders of the movement. The presentations will be on Tuesdays at 7 PM on December 7, 14 and 21 and are free with the coupon code that you can find in this

bulletin. Please contact the office if you need help with registration.

All the best,

Mark Hoffman





# CONGREGATIONAL ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNITY COORDINATOR

Hello dear friends,

As December rushes in and as the pandemic lingers on, Hanukah and its meaning are perfectly timed. How can we rededicate ourselves to walking in the light of our own purpose and to being at home within our bodies? How can we sanctify our spacesbody, mind, spirit, community, and environment?

In what ways has our relationship to the wider community changed, especially with overlapping holidays? As an individual of interfaith heritage, I find myself pondering Jewish particularism and the difference between inclusion versus assimilation into the wider community, especially on the topic of cultural/secular versus religious celebrations. Hanukah is a minor holiday, yet American culture has capitalized on our traditions. Still, this time of year may evoke feelings that correspond with erasure as our holidays become afterthoughts, and as we are lazily marketed Hanukah product fails. Whenever I see the infamous Hanukah gnomes, I laugh and think about ways to counteract consumerism with acts of Tikkun Olam and tzedaka.

Amidst all of the chaos and uncertainty, in which ways has HaShem kept our oil, our light, burning longer and brighter? Looking for the hidden miracles makes me feel less alone, and helps me keep my inner light strong. How about you?

Stay warm, stay safe, stay joyful and comfortable,

Shula (Lucy) Passaro

#### SISTERHOOD GREETINGS & NEWS

Pre-Winter Greetings Everyone,

Hope your Thanksgiving was healthy and safe with family and/or friends and reflective with gratitude.

Belated Happy 85th Birthday to Claire Kantrowitz. Happy birthday to others who celebrated 80+ or 90+ in 2021.

Hope Hanukkah started well with the warmth of the menorah lights, special foods and festivities. Some members and friends shared memories of the wonderful Hanukkah celebrations that we have enjoyed in the past at the synagogue. During those pre-Covid times, there was much planning and work by Nancy Goldstein, Francine Torra and Cher Hoffman and families and individuals who helped with food preparation, decorations, serving and cleanup. Thank you to Sunny Buchman for sponsoring the kiddush on December 4 for Chanukah.

Please continue to support the Sisterhood Gift Shop. Gift Certificates are available. Please call Nancy Goldstein at 518-792-2700 between 5-8 PM with any questions.

Healing thoughts and prayers to several members and friends. Stay healthy and safe, Snowbirds!

Continued love and prayers to Rose Rothstein, Dolly Chary-Morrissey, Laura Fram and Ruth Goldman. Ruth called me on November 21st with a message of Happy Thanksgiving, Hanukkah greetings and love to all. She wanted to let us know this will be her last few weeks on Hospice. She reminisced about the wonderful events at Congregation Shaaray Tefila, especially the chicken soup and latkes at the Hanukkah party. She wanted to thank Francine Torra, Nancy Goldstein, Cher Hoffman and others for all the preparation and work for the Hanukkah parties and more at the Shul. If you would like to reach out to Ruth, she is with her twin sister, Roberta Beeman at 352-369-3924. (3150 NW 50th Court, Ocala, FL 34482) Our loving thoughts and prayers of peace to Ruth and her family.

An important Hybrid Sisterhood meeting took place on Sunday, November 14th. A few weeks before the meeting Nancy Goldstein resigned as co-president due to personal reasons. If you are interested in the Co-President or President's position, please contact me. (518-222-5624) A new secretary is needed also as Judy Korcz lives in Florida now. We received correspondences that were not mentioned at the meeting: a thank you note from Isaac Goldstein for his Bar Mitzvah gift, a thank you note from Annabel for the Ladies' work for her birthday kiddush in October, and other thank you notes were received for all that Sisterhood does.

Few were able to attend the Hybrid meeting. Those who attended offered to volunteer and help when possible which was greatly appreciated. I will be in Florida with Dolly and hope to be able to visit other Glens Falls congregants in January.

Francine Torra, Cher Hoffman and I have health challenges and are not able to continue shopping and preparing as often as before. Thank you to Cher and Mark Hoffman's son, Joe for assisting Cher with the shopping and preparing several weeks in October when I was away and in November when my walking was affected. Thank you to Lucy Passaro and Nancy Kudan for stepping in to help me prepare the last few months also. Several Congregants and Friends of the shul and Sisterhood set foods and other items out weekly AND assist with the clean-up week after week. Many thanks to each person who takes part in any way.

We have enjoyed Judy Korot's baked Challah at a few Kiddushes and Lorraine Hochman's luchen kugel (noodle pudding) at the Kiddush to honor Dr. Syd's Bar Mitzvah Anniversary. Larry Greenberg and others have donated plasticware, cups and containers for the COVID safety preparations of foods. There have been several other donations made: foods from Cher, wine from Stacey Mandelbaum and Alex Frank, and Slivovitz from the Korots, Kudans and Hoffmans. Also, Rose Rothstein gave a large donation to Sisterhood this year. We Ladies gave our time and energy to shop and prepare for the Onegs & Kiddushes. Thank you to all who have donated and assisted in many ways this past year!

Please call Katie or me to volunteer for one week to shop or prepare to help Sisterhood continue to

provide Onegs and Kiddushes. Thank you to everyone who shopped, prepared, cleaned up, or sponsored an Oneg, Kiddush or more this past year.

Have a healthy, safe New Year with many blessings.

Sisterhood Co-President Bonnie Yanklowitz & ?



#### HONORABLE MENTCHEN:

Thank you to all who recently sponsored an Oneg or Kiddush in November:

- Bonnie & her brother, Dr. Barney Aaron Yanklowitz in loving memory of their brother, Al Yanko (Alvin) and father, Louis Yanklowitz. Also, in loving memory of Bonnie's classmate and friend, Joan Shapiro
- Anonymous Donor
- JC Patrick in memory of her husband, Albert Berkowitz
- Laura Fram in honor of Elizabeth starting the dual enrollment program at Passaic County Community College
- JC Patrick in memory of her father-in-law, Harry Berkowitz

#### UPCOMING KIDDUSH SPONSORS:

Onegs and Kiddushes following in-person services will be decided weekly. If you would like to sponsor an Oneg or Kiddush, please contact Katie in the office.

#### Saturday, December 4:

Kiddush sponsored by Sunny Buchman in celebration of Hanukkah

Saturday, December 11: Kiddush sponsorship available

Saturday, December 18: Kiddush sponsorship available

Saturday, December 25: Kiddush sponsorship available



*December 1* Whitney Roe *December 7* Sandra Torra Barbara Vengrove Saundra Williams

*December 10* Charlene Lebowitz

*December 12* Adam Shaham Mason Wurzberger

*December 14* Andrew Silver

*December 19* Leonora Kleinmann *December 20* Jennifer Nadler

*December 22* Anabella Cohen Juliella Cohen

*December 24* Vanessa Schwartz

*December 25* Gerald Brezner

*December 26* Diane Beale

**December 30** Michael Rogers





Parashat MiketzDECEMBER 3, Candlelighting 4:01 PMTORAHGenesis 41:1-44:17HAFTARAHI Kings 3:15 - 4:1

Parashat VayigashDECEMBER 10, Candlelighting 4:00 PMTORAHGenesis 44:18-47:27HAFTARAHEzekiel 37:15 - 37:28

Parashat VayechiDECEMBER 17, Candlelighting 4:02 PMTORAHGenesis 47:28-50:26HAFTARAHI Kings 2:1 - 2:12

Parashat ShemotDECEMBER 24, Candlelighting 4:05 PMTORAHExodus 1:1-6:1HAFTARAHIsaiah 27:6 - 28:13; 29:22 - 29:23

Parashat VaeraDECEMBER 31, Candlelighting 4:10 PMTORAHExodus 6:2-9:35HAFTARAHEzekiel 28:25 - 29:21

# WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING THOUGHTFUL **CONTRIBUTIONS:**

#### **GENERAL FUND**

In Memory of Mary Mark Cohen **Hugh Straus** 

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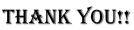
Sundays, 9:00-10:00 AM

If you know the Hebrew alphabet and now want to put those letters together with words, join the Rutland Jewish Center virtually for a Hebrew Reading Class on Sunday mornings.

December 5, 12, and 19, Jan. 9, 16, 23, and 30.

If you are interested, please contact the Rutland Jewish Center at 802-773-3455 or office@rutlandjewishcenter.org.





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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We welcome member articles and news to our monthly Bulletin. We reserve the right to edit submissions for content and length. We reserve the right, at our discretion, to refuse to publish or remove any content we deem inappropriate. The monthly due date is usually the third Tuesday of each month. Please submit items to Katie at Article cstgfny@gmail.com. Thanks!





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# **SCHOLAR**STREAM

# A PARTNERSHIP OF THE CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENT

# Series 3: The Roots of Conservative Judaism

#### Tuesdays, 7:00 PM Central Time

# Congregation Shaaray Tefila has purchased free registration for its members and friends.

Register here

(https://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/civicrm/event/register?id=1401&reset=1) Coupon Code: ShaarayTefila21

Enter this code in the "Event Fees" field of the registration form and click "Apply" to sign up for free.

# Classes:

• 12/7: Chancellor Shuly Rubin Schwartz, "Conservative Judaism: Origins, History, Assets and Opportunities"

• 12/14: Rabbi Elliot Dorff, "The Theological Grounding of Conservative Judaism"

• 12/21: Rabbi Gordon Tucker, "The Torah of Conservative Judaism"

Registrants will receive the Zoom link for each series in a reminder email sent about a week before the start of each series, and again on the morning of each session. The deadline to register for a given session is 10 AM ET on the morning of the session.

If you have any questions, please email Christine Aucoin at <u>caucoin@rabbinicalassembly.org</u>.



If you have an upcoming yahrzeit and need a minyan, please let us know.

#### CLICK BELOW FOR YEAR 5782 HOLIDAYS AND YAHRZEIT REFERENCES

YEAR 5782 YAHRZEITS – Alphabetical List

YEAR 5782 YAHRZEITS – Chronological List

YEAR 5782 HOLIDAYS & OBSERVANCES

### YAHRZEIT RECORD DECEMBER 2021

Thursday, 12/2/2021 \* Kislev 28, 5782 Ethel Levitt Louis Myers

*Friday, 12/3/2021 \* Kislev 29, 5782* Harry Weiss

Saturday, 12/4/2021 \* Kislev 30, 5782 Danny Fisher

*Tuesday, 12/7/2021 \* Tevet 3, 5782* Anna Weiss

Wednesday, 12/8/2021 \* Tevet 4, 5782 Mildred Korot Sandra Suckman

Thursday, 12/9/2021 \* Tevet 5, 5782 Elizabeth Gersten

*Friday, 12/10/2021 \* Tevet 6, 5782* Leonard Every

Saturday, 12/11/2021 \* Tevet 7, 5782 Burton (Burt) Kantrowitz

Monday, 12/13/2021 \* Tevet 9, 5782 Anna Novitsky Eva Rote-Rosen Dvorah Silverman Rabbi Richard Sobel Anna Zweibelson Friday, 12/31/2021 \* Tevet 27, 5782 Samuel Aronson Dorothy Segel

*Tuesday, 12/14/2021 \* Tevet 10, 5782* Bert Ferber Gertrude Gersten

*Thursday, 12/16/2021 \* Tevet 12, 5782* Marion Gellman

Friday, 12/17/2021 \* Tevet 13, 5782 Seymour Bobbin Elinore Greene Morris Solomon

Saturday, 12/18/2021 \* Tevet 14, 5782 Chana Landsman

Sunday, 12/19/2021 \* Tevet 15, 5782 Emanuel Juris

Tuesday, 12/21/2021 \* Tevet 17, 5782 Rachel Cohen Dr. Samuel Kanter

Wednesday, 12/22/2021 \* Tevet 18, 5782 Benjamin Fram

Thursday, 12/23/2021 \* Tevet 19, 5782 Robert Morrissey Isidor Oppenheim Robert Pletman Regina Weill

Friday, 12/24/2021 \* Tevet 20, 5782 Morris Alkes Morris Aronson Louis Novitsky

Saturday, 12/25/2021 \* Tevet 21, 5782 Albert Charhon Jules Perlman

Sunday, 12/26/2021 \* Tevet 22, 5782 Boruch Silverman

*Monday, 12/27/2021 \* Tevet 23, 5782* Evelyn Ochsner

Tuesday, 12/28/2021 \* Tevet 24, 5782 Robert Aronson Cindy Brandon

Wednesday, 12/29/2021 \* Tevet 25, 5782 Gusta Aronson Walter Cohen

*Thursday, 12/30/2021 \* Tevet 26, 5782* Max Novitsky

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#### YAHRZEIT RECORD JANUARY 2022

Saturday, 1/1/2022 \* Tevet 28, 5782 **Ephram Fram Stefan Janis** Sunday, 1/2/2022 \* Tevet 29, 5782 **Gussie Berman George Kudon Robert** Rapaport Monday, 1/3/2022 \* Shevat 1, 5782 **Helen Hoffman Adrian Seligman** Tuesday, 1/4/2022 \* Shevat 2, 5782 **George Cohen** Tuesday, 1/4/2022 \* Shevat 2, 5782 **Max Oppenheim** Jeanne Silverman Thursday, 1/6/2022 \* Shevat 4, 5782 **Jacob Hafter** Saturday, 1/8/2022 \* Shevat 6, 5782 **Jack Smith** Sunday, 1/9/2022 \* Shevat 7, 5782 **Elaine Levy** Monday, 1/10/2022 \* Shevat 8, 5782 Sylvia Kudan Sabina Landau Tuesday, 1/11/2022 \* Shevat 9, 5782 **Carol Mauro** Wednesday, 1/12/2022 \* Shevat 10, 5782 **Abraham Rudnick** 





Thursday, 1/13/2022 \* Shevat 11, 5782 Tillie Singer

Friday, 1/14/2022 \* Shevat 12, 5782 Lawrence (Bud) Kantrowitz

Sunday, 1/16/2022 \* Shevat 14, 5782 Kevin Berkowitz Frederick Lapper

> *Monday, 1/17/2022* Katherine (Kay) Day

Wednesday, 1/19/2022 \* Shevat 17, 5782 William Kanoff Irving Matlow Edith Novitsky

Thursday, 1/20/2022 \* Shevat 18, 5782 Eva Levitan Benjamin Segel I. Morton (Mort) Yanklowitz

Saturday, 1/22/2022 \* Shevat 20, 5782 Cynthia Frost

Sunday, 1/23/2022 \* Shevat 21, 5782 Joseph Eddleton Annie Schwartz Arthur Shapera

Monday, 1/24/2022 \* Shevat 22, 5782 Esther Silverman

*Tuesday, 1/25/2022 \* Shevat 23, 5782* Isaac Alkes

Wednesday, 1/26/2022 \* Shevat 24, 5782 Abraham Levitt

Thursday, 1/27/2022 \* Shevat 25, 5782 Maurice Berman Joan Charisse Gustave Cohen Ida Hoffman David Levitan Joan Weill

Saturday, 1/29/2022 \* Shevat 27, 5782 Edith Kurzweil

Monday, 1/31/2022 \* Shevat 29, 5782 Larry Berman Ethel Juris

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			Third Day of Chanukah	Fourth Day of Chanukah	6:15 PM Hybrid Combined Shaaray Tefila and Beth El Family Chanukah Service	9:30 AM In-Person Shabbat Service with David Joslin 7:00 PM Hybrid Havdalah &
					HAPPY HANUKKAH	Chanukah Candle Lighting Event
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10:00 AM Religious School	Eighth Day of Chanukah	7:00 PM Scholar Stream (Conservative Judaism: Origins, History, Assets and Opportunities)				<b>9:30 AM</b> In-Person Shabbat Service
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		<b>7:00 PM</b> Scholar Stream (The Theological Grounding of Conservative				<b>9:30 AM</b> In-Person Shabbat Service
		Judaism)				<b>5:30 PM</b> Virtual Havdalah with David Joslin
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<b>10:00 AM</b> Religious School		7:00 PM Scholar Stream (The Torah of Conservative Judaism) hello winter				9:30 AM In-Person Shabbat Service Station
26	27	28	29	30	<b>31</b>	HAPPY NEW YEAR