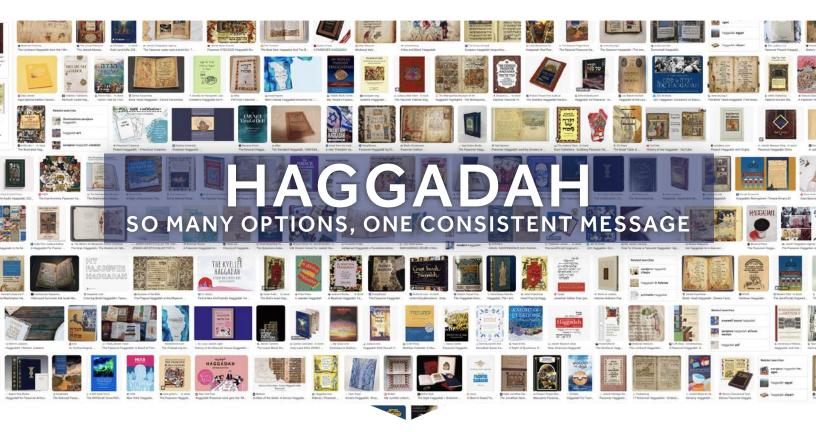


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A Word from Rabbi Blumberg



Rabbi Sam Blumberg

15 STEPS TO FREEDOM

You're probably familiar with the "gold standard" haggadah (תַּבְּּבְּהַ)— text of the Passover story used during the Passover Seder)— the Maxwell House haggadah— which, thanks to its cost (free) and ease of acquisition (at the supermarket), adorns many Seder tables this time of year. But the truth is that there are an incredible number of haggadot available, and with all kinds of themes. A few options from the first page of results on Amazon: "The Hogwarts Hag-

gadah," the "30 Minute Seder", and "The Haggadah About Nothing: The (Unofficial) Seinfeld Haggadah," just to name a few. In my home, in recent years we've taken a liking to "In Every Generation:

President's Message



Carol Hanover

HOLIDAY MEMORIES

Springtime is my favorite time of the year. First, there is Purim. I love the story of Esther, the strong Jewish woman who helped save the Jewish people, and our celebration highlighted with the fun of the Purim carnival and Purim spiel. Who can resist hamantaschen as each crumbly bite reminds us that we beat Haman (boo!)?

For me, Purim is the precursor to the marathon experience that is Passover. It starts with my family's discussion that used to be on the phone but is now on email, that asks our

own special version of the Four Questions:

- 1. "Who is going to whose house for first night seder?",
- 2. "Who is doing second night seder?",

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

Shabbat Services will be in person and livestreamed on Zoom.
Please check Temple Beth Am weekly email for any changes to the schedule.

IN PERSON: Masks are optional. Those feeling unwell or who have been near others who are unwell should enjoy our services from home, via Zoom.

ZOOM / TEMPLE MEMBERS: The link and password can be found in your TBA weekly email.

ZOOM / TEMPLE GUESTS: Please send an email to **shalom@tempbetham.org** to obtain the Zoom link information.

FRIDAY APRIL 5, 2024 / 27 ADAR II 5784

EREV SHABBAT SERVICE...... 6:30 PM

The pulpit flowers and Oneg Shabbat are sponsored by Jeremy and Christina Franklin

Members of Kindergarten, Grade 1 and Grade 2 will participate in the service.

SATURDAY APRIL 6, 2024 / 27 ADAR II I 5784 SHABBAT HACHODESH

Weekly Portion SHEMINI Leviticus 9:1-11:47

Haftarah Ezekiel 45:16-25

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN

Ethan Samuel Franklin, son of Jeremy and Christina Franklin

FRIDAY APRIL 12. 2024 / 5 NISAN 5784

EREV SHABBAT SERVICE...... 7:15 PM

SATURDAY APRIL 13, 2024 / 5 NISAN 5784

Weekly Portion TAZRIA Leviticus 12:1-13:59

Haftarah II Kings 4:42-5:19

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN

AND TORAH STUDY9:00 AM

FRIDAY APRIL 19, 2023 / 12 NISAN 5784

EREV SHABBAT SERVICE...... 7:15 PM

SATURDAY APRIL 20, 2024 / 12 NISAN 5784 SHABBAT HAGADOL

Weekly Portion METZORA Leviticus 14:1-15:33

Haftarah Malachi 3:4-24

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN

AND TORAH STUDY 9:00 AM

PASSOVER

MONDAY APRIL 22, 2024 / 15 NISAN 5784

PASSOVER BEGINS AT SUNDOWN (1ST SEDER)

TUESDAY APRIL 23. 2024 / 16 NISAN 5784

COMMUNITY 2ND NIGHT SEDER ON ZOOM 6:00 PM

MONDAY APRIL 29, 2024 / 21 NISAN 5784

7TH DAY PASSOVER AND YIZKOR SERVICE9:00 AM

FRIDAY APRIL 26, 2024 / 19 NISAN 5784

EREV SHABBAT HALL'LU SERVICE 7:15 PM

April Anniversary Blessings

SATURDAY APRIL 27, 2024 / 19 NISAN 5784

Weekly Portion PASSOVER Exodus 33:12-34:26

Haftarah Ezekiel 37:1-14

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN

AND TORAH STUDY9:00 AM

FRIDAY MAY 3, 2024 / 26 NISAN 5784

EREV SHABBAT SERVICE...... 6:30 PM

May Anniversary Blessing

SATURDAY MAY 4, 2024 / 26 NISAN 5784

Weekly Portion ACHREI MOT Leviticus 16:1-18:30

Haftarah Ezekiel 22:1-19

SHABBAT MORNING MINYAN

AND TORAH STUDY9:00 AM

An important note from the Worship Committee

In staying true to our commitment to inclusiveness and belonging, we examined terminology used in our community around students becoming what has in the past been called "Bar and Bat Mitzvah." Recognizing that these terms—which translate to "son and daughter of the commandments"—are not resonant with all gender identities, we have decided to use the gender-inclusive term "B'nai Mitzvah" when referring to our B'nai Mitzvah program and also generally to a singular B'nai Mitzvah service or student. As our clergy begins the B'nai Mitzvah process with each student, they will speak with individual families about whether their particular service will be referred to as a "Bar Mitzvah," "Bat Mitzvah," "B'nai Mitzvah," or other term that is resonant with the student.

ETZ HAYIM CHUMASH

You'll notice a beautiful red addition to the backs of the seat in the sanctuary—they are the Etz Hayim *chumash*, which include an updated English translation and commentary for use during services when the Torah is read. You can sponsor a *chumash* with a nameplate "In Honor" or "In Memory" of someone with a \$75 donation to the Temple Beth Am Prayerbook Fund.



Minyan and Torah Study



Please join us for Shabbat morning Minyan and Torah study Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM in the Levine Library.

A Word from Rabbi Blumberg

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A PJ Library Family Haggadah," as it has something for everyone, from the kids to the grandparents.

The beauty and the genius of the *haggadah* (any version!) is that, because Seder means "order," there's no guesswork involved for the leader. Instead, the appointed leader need only follow the *haggadah* pageby-page through the 15 steps of the Seder, reading aloud the text and blessings, or assigning the reading to others. In the words of The JPS Commentary on the Haggadah: "the text should not be thought of as a separate entity, but rather as the script of a play, which, like the script of a play, includes not only the words said, but also the instructions for the performance of the drama." The *haggadah* even knows which questions might be asked by our youngest participants, and gives us a script for how we should respond!

What I'm getting at is that I believe that with just a little advance preparation, truly <u>anyone</u> can lead a Seder. Here are a few thoughts to consider for the potential Seder-leader as we head quickly towards Passover this year:

- 1. Choosing a haggadah: Do you want to keep with the traditional text, or find a fun *haggadah* with a theme? Would you like a *haggadah* that has more discussion questions, or beautiful illustrations, or extra activities for the kids? Keep everyone "on the same page" by choosing just one version of *haggadah* for everyone present, and consider your participants. If there will be readers for whom the original Hebrew will be difficult, make sure to choose a *haggadah* with transliteration. (You can also create your own customized *haggadah*, if you're so inclined, at haggadot.com.)
- 2. Keep participants engaged: Think about preassigning parts so that everyone's voice can be heard at the table. Non-readers can be given a few lines to memorize ("Let my people go!"), and newer readers can be given time to practice beforehand. Perhaps you'd like to add some extra discussion questions to the table, or some props of the 10 Plagues. Does everyone want to dress up in clothes our ancestors might have worn, in order to literally imagine themselves as if they had personally left Egypt?
- **3. Prepare the items:** Many *haggadah* (and websites, like one from the URJ we will share in advance of the holiday) have a checklist to make sure you're prepared for the holiday, from all the items on the Seder plate, to prizes for the person who finds the *afi-komen*. Envisioning what you'll be serving for the Festival Meal and what you'd like your table to look like in advance will allow you to go as simple or intricate as you'd like.

Our rabbis taught that the Shabbat before Passover begins would be called Shabbat HaGadol (ישַׁבְּח הַשְּׁבִּח "the Great Shabbat"), and designated the afternoon of that Shabbat for familiarizing oneself with the *haggadah*, so they could be fully prepared for the holiday. With some thoughtful preparation in advance, anyone can lead a meaningful Passover Seder that will engage both young and old.

As we make new memories around our Seder tables this year (including on the second night of Passover, April 23rd, at 6pm when our community will join together on Zoom!), may each of us remember and give thanks for our freedom, for renewal, and for one another.

Chag Pesach Sameach—to a joyous Pesach for us all,

- Rabbi Sam Blumberg

PASSOVER (a) TBA

We look forward to celebrating the Passover holiday with our Temple Beth Am community!

We hope that you'll join us for our Second Seder on Zoom, **Tuesday April 23, 2024 at 6:00pm**

Our Seder will include all of the elements before Shulkhan Orekh (the Festive Meal). The Haggadah will be shared on-screen; we encourage you to prepare for your Seder with the items listed at this helpful website (especially those found in the "Ritual Foods and Drinks" section) so that you can join us for the ritual retelling of our story as we celebrate our freedom.

TBA SERVICE SCHEDULE DURING PASSOVER:

MONDAY APRIL 22, 2024 / 15 NISAN 5784
PASSOVER BEGINS AT SUNDOWN - 1ST SEDER
(NO TEMPLE PROGRAMMING)

TUESDAY APRIL 23, 2024 / 15 NISAN 5784 2ND NIGHT SEDER ON ZOOM / 6:00 PM

FRIDAY APRIL 26, 2024 / 19 NISAN 5784 EREV SHABBAT HALL'LU SERVICE / 7:15 PM

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MONDAY APRIL 29, 2024 / 21 NISAN 5784
7TH DAY PASSOVER AND YIZKOR SERVICE / 9:00 AM

President's Message

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- 3. "How many pounds of brisket do we need?",
- 4. "Have you found any red horseradish, or gluten-free matzoh or cake meal anywhere?"

As the date draws near, the shopping intensifies and almost goes into panic-mode. The red horseradish and gluten-free dilemmas will hopefully be solved. And then, the cooking begins! And with the cooking, the house is filled with the scent of delicious foods that trigger all the memories.

Take a moment and think about Passovers past. Think about our mothers and grandmothers who turned out huge dinners, with brisket and turkey, perhaps, but hard to believe when we think of all the modern conveniences that they did NOT have. They did not have microwave ovens, or food processors or even dishwashers! I remember a dining table that ran from our dining room all the way to the far side of our living room. I remember the homemade gefilte fish, delicious except for the fish bones, and the ground walnut sponge cake, light as air, and a specialty of my Tante Rose, of blessed memory. I remember learning to chant the Four Questions (the real ones) in Hebrew school and how excited I was to do this at our family's seder.

What I am really writing about in my message to you is that these holidays give us golden opportunities to provide lifetime memories for our families. So, join in the hunt for red horseradish or gluten-free whatever and make sure the kids are at the table as we get caught up once again in the continuing story of our Jewish people.

This year, especially this year, we will be stronger together. Am Yisrael Chai! The People of Israel are Strong!

— Carol Hanover

LEARN (a) TBA

Springtime in the Temple Beth Am Lower Religious School



Cantor David Wolff, Lower School Education Director

As the weather begins to change and spring is upon us, the students in the Temple Beth Am lower religious school have been working hard and having fun! Jewish tradition is deeply connected to the seasons, with Sukkot coinciding with the fall harvest of the first fruits, Shavuot with the summer wheat harvest, and Passover with the barley harvest. Passover is also deeply connected with spring; the eggs and parsley we eat at the Seder are prominent symbols of spring. The story of the Exodus also has a traditional connection with spring, as we retell the rebirth, renewal, and deliverance of the Jewish people. For students, spring is also an exciting time; the

taste of warm weather foreshadows the coming of summer, and a sense of accomplishment with the learning and Jewish engagement that has occurred this year. As Passover approaches, it is my pleasure to share some of the projects our lower school has been working on over these past few months.

Our youngest students (Kindergarten -2^{nd} grade) have been busy preparing for their upcoming Erev Shabbat service (Friday, April 5 at 6:30 PM). We hope to see the whole TBA community for this joyous (and very cute!) Shabbat service. The students will help to lead the service, and some of the older students will lead small parts of the service in Hebrew. Young children's brains are like sponges – they have an incredible ability to learn language, and so we begin teaching the Hebrew letters even to our youngest students.

Our 3^{rd} – 5^{th} grade class has been involved in a year-long project studying the different regions of Israel. Each student is working on creating a presentation, and designing a fun activity, to teach the rest of the school about Israel. As part of our celebration of Yom HaAtzmaut (Israeli Independence Day), celebrated in our religious school on Sunday, May 12, our 3^{rd} – 5^{th} grade students will lead the school in these fun, educational activities about the different regions of Israel. In the shadow of Hamas' attack on Israel on October 7, it is more important than ever to instill in our students a love of Israel, and an understanding of the importance of Israel for all Jewish people.

Our 6th graders have been deeply involved in Torah study projects this year. 6th grade students have a more developed ability to engage in critical thinking, and so we encourage these students to think critically about Torah, as Jewish people have done for thousands of years. Each student has chosen a Parsha (Torah portion), studied the text, and worked to make this text relatable to their lives today. Each student finds their own way to communicate their "Torah Tidbit" to the rest of the class, with a poster, presentation, or whatever creative pursuit excites them. Next year, when these students work with Rabbi Blumberg on their D'var Torah for their B'nai Mitzvah, they will already be old pros!

Our 7th grade students have been learning about the Holocaust over the last month. Students learned about Rena Finder, a Framingham resident and Holocaust survivor who dedicated her life to educating children about the Holocaust (Rena passed away on December 23, 2023 – zichrona livracha – זרונה לברך – may her memory be a bless-

ing). Students read excerpts from Rena's book, "My Survival: A Girl on Schindler's List", and watched videos of Rabbi Blumberg interviewing Rena as part of our Lizkor program from 2022. Students learned about Oskar Schindler's incredible acts as an upstander, and of the tragedy of the many millions of bystanders in Europe, who watched as 6,000,000 Jews were deported and killed. Like so much of what we teach, students learning about the Holocaust is more important than ever, in this new climate of rising global antisemitism.

By coming together as a community and celebrating our Jewishness, we fight the darkness and instill a love for Judaism in our young people. With Passover soon approaching, we are excited to join together for **our 2**nd **night seder, taking place the evening Tuesday, April 23 on Zoom.** Religious school students are highly encouraged to attend and help lead the Seder – especially the 4 questions – which many students are currently reviewing in religious school. From the TBA religious school, we wish you happy spring and a joyous Passover!

Lifelong Learning with Rabbi Blumberg

Rabbi Blumberg will continue teaching and discussing the *Book of Jonah*. There is no prior knowledge necessary to attend the class. Everyone will meet in either the Levine Library or on Zoom.



Sunday, April 7 11:15am-12:30pm

In person and on Zoom

TO REGISTER: Please call or email the temple office.

Upcoming class date: May 5

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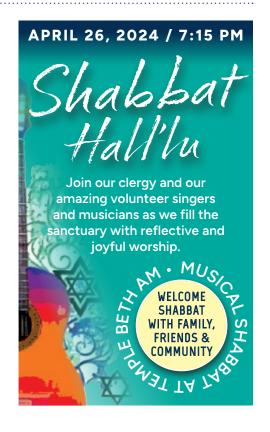


REQUEST FOR HOSTING A GUEST FOR PASSOVER SEDER

Are you able to HOST some extra TBA community members at your seder this year, or are looking to BE HOSTED yourself? We are looking to facilitate some seder matchmaking this year! Please reach out to the temple office with your offer to host or request to be hosted. Chag Pesach Sameach—Happy Passover!



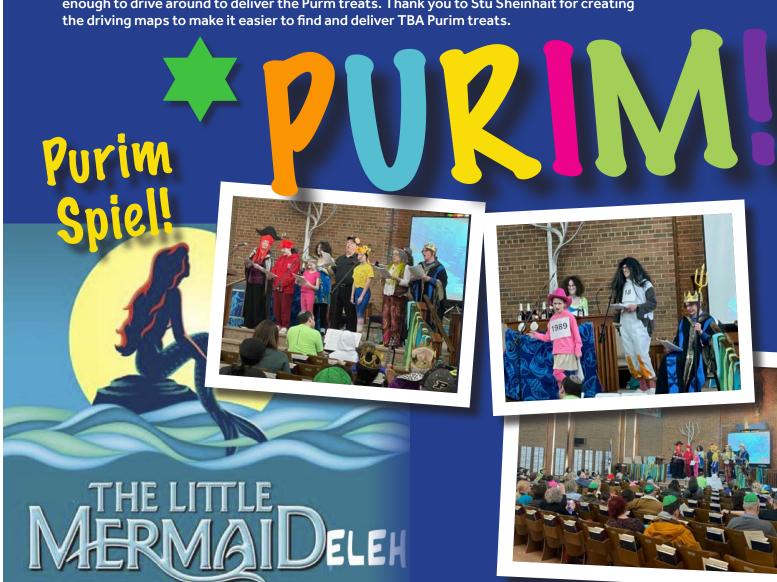
Please "Tallis All About It" and submit your photo and "Tallit Tale" to shalom@tempbetham.org.



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ TBA



Worship Vice President, Sharon Silverman organized a group of many volunteers to package Hamantaschen and decorate the bags to be delivered to TBA families, Tot Shabbat families and prospective members. Thanks go to the TBA board and other volunteers who were kind enough to drive around to deliver the Purm treats. Thank you to Stu Sheinhait for creating the driving maps to make it easier to find and deliver TBA Purim treats.



WHAT'S HAPPENING @ TBA



There was a great turnout at this year's carnival. There were over 100 in attendance. We had DJ, Craig Sutton for dancing and games. Fun Enterprises was there creating caricatures and personalized magnets. Lots of games for everyone to enjoy. There was making of Purim crowns, decorating groggers.Lunch was served with hot dogs, pizza, chips, fruit and beverages. There was a decorate your own cupcake station and a table to make play dough Purim creations or your own personal choices.

Thanks to Sisterhood and Brotherhood for underwriting the DJ and Fun Enterprises. Thank you to Merle and Nick Kushner for organizing the food and Len Brenner and Scott Greb for helping to serve the hot dogs and pizza at the carnival.

Carnival!

At Temple Beth Am



TBA youth and adult participants retold the story of Queen Esther through the classic songs and characters that we all know and love!





WHAT'S HAPPENING @ TBA

Sunday, May 5

METROWEST INTER-GENERATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE

EREV YOM HA'SHOAH SUNDAY, MAY 5, 6:00-8:30PM CONGREGATION BETH EL, SUDBURY

WELCOMING ALL TEENS (12+) AND ADULTS

Advance registration required **jloftboston.org**







Dedication of the Wall of Honor

~ March 15, 2024 ~

Wall of Honor was a very successful campaign this year. Sue Siegel, V.P. of Finance and Fundraising lead the campaign and the temple raised over \$80,000 to help offset the budget.

YOUTH





PAST EVENTS

Book Drive -

Our community did an amazing job collecting diverse books for the Dunning Elementary School students! We collected over 3 boxes of books and raised over \$100. Amazing work, everyone!

March 3rd - Card Making Event for Book Drive -

We had an amazing turnout for our card making event with grades K-6! All students came together for pizza, crafts, and a movie! See pictures to the left!

March 24th - Purim Carnival -

We had 5 teens volunteer to lend support at the Purim Carnival! Much fun was had by all!

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 7th - Ice cream at Mad Willies -

We will have pizza and then walk over to Mad Willies at 12:00 for some ice cream! Please send your teen with some money for Mad Willies and TBA will cover the cost of pizza! Pick up will be at 12:45 at Mad Willies! Let me know if you have any questions or if your teen can join us!

May 17th - Service and Gathering -

After Education Shabbat, we will have an ice cream party for both upper and lower school during the Oneg after the service! You can either email to RSVP or respond yes on the google calendar invitation.

Contact:

youthadvisor@tempbetham.org

for more information



Calendar

CALENDAR | April 2024

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7 9:00am Religious School Classes 9:00am Brotherhood Breakfast 11:15am LLL Class with Rabbi 12:00pm Youth Program: Service 2:00pm Artist's Asylum with	8 6:00pm Upper School Classes 7:00pm School Committee Meeting	9	1:00pm JFS Memory Cafe in Social Hall 4:00pm Religious School Classes 6:30pm The ABCs of Plant Based Passover (Sara Eller) offsite	11 27:15pm Worship Committee Meeting	12 7:15pm Erev Shabbat Service	13 9:00am Shabbat Minyan Service & Torah Study
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BROTHERHOOD

March Breakfast Recap



On Sunday, March 17 2024, the Brotherhood welcomed the famous Antiques Roadshow's Executive Producer, Marsha Bemko. What a treat it was!

Marsha shared with the group of about 75 the behind the

scenes workings of this long-running popular show.

She filled us in on how to appear on the show, the long days and the hard work that goes into every episode, as well as the amazing number of people that actually try to appear on the show and the many interesting stories that these people share.



Once again, we also welcomed local politicians and school parents at the breakfast. We hope you are able to join us as well for our April 7th breakfast or our May 19th and our final June 9th breakfast.

Upcoming Breakfast



SISTERHOOD



The ABCs of a Plant-Based
Passover

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 10 AT 6:30PM
IN THE TBA SOCIAL HALL

Sara Eller
of Sara's Cooking & Catering

Do you want to accommodate your sedar guest who prefers a plant-based diet?

Wednesday, April 10

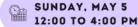




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Sunday, May 5



IN JOY

THE TEMPLE REJOICES WITH

Allan and Natalye Alter, on the birth of their first grandchild. Aaron Gabriel Levenson was born on March 6, 2024, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces and is 19.5 inches long. His proud parents are Becca and David Levenson and his proud aunt is Michelle Alter.

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES

All couples celebrating a April wedding anniversary will be blessed at a service on April 26 at 7:15 pm. Please call the temple office if you are planning to attend.

IN MEMORY

We record with deep sorrow the names of those who have died since our last bulletin. May their memory be for a blessing.

THE CONGREGATION MOURNS WITH

Pam Helinek, on the loss of her father, George Laiks

Jami Schultz, on the loss of her father, Stuart Comins



Your temple is here for you whether in good times or bad. Please let Rabbi Blumberg know what is going on in your life.

rabbi@tempbetham.org



Committee Organizing to Explore Temple Beth Am Golf Tournament

If you are interested in joining this new planning committee, please contact **Sue Siegel** through the temple office at **shalom@tempbetham.org**.

Meeting details to follow.



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The TBA website can now accept credit card donations.

Please take advantage of this new capability to acknowledge the memory of or to honor an accomplishment of a friend or a loved one. **Go to** www.tempbetham.org

— Click on DONATE

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The TREE OF LIFE mounted on the wall of the temple lobby is a favorite way for members to commemorate "simchas" and honor family members and friends. Your gift of leaves (\$300) and stones (\$1,000) will support continuing growth projects in the future. Pledge cards are available in the temple office.

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