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PROFETI DELLA QUINTA

A Night of Sacred Harmony



JUNE 17

See inside front cover for details

Adat Shalom Presents
LILLIAN E. KAUFMAN
Memorial Concert



PROFETI DELLA QUINTA

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17 • 7:00 PM
 ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE

TICKETS

Members (advance) \$18

Non-members (advance) \$25

At the door \$40

Tickets: adatshalom.org/concert
 248.851.5100

SUPPORT THE CONCERT AS A DONOR

Maestro
\$180

- 2 Premium Seats
- Program Listing

Virtuoso
\$500

- 2 Premium Seats
- Program Listing
- Invitation for 2 to Private Pre-Glow With Performers

Impresario
\$1,500

- 8 Reserved Premium Seats
- Program Listing
- Invitation for 8 to Private Pre-Glow With Performers

All proceeds benefit Adat Shalom Shalom Synagogue

Profeti della Quinta is an internationally acclaimed vocal ensemble devoted to Renaissance and early Baroque music. Founded in the Galilee region of Israel and now based in Basel, Switzerland, the group is known for its rich blend and historically informed performances of 16th and early 17th century vocal repertoire.



"The music and the singing were indescribably beautiful."

– Los Angeles Times

CO-CHAIRS:
 Susie Graham
 Julie Wiener



FROM THE PRESIDENT, JOE WENER

Our world reminds us, sometimes gently, sometimes painfully, that the safety of our community cannot be taken for granted. As president of Adat Shalom, I want to speak openly about the importance of continuously strengthening our security measures, not out of fear, but out of love and responsibility for one

another. Adat Shalom is where we gather to pray, learn, celebrate, and support each other. Protecting that sacred space is one of the most important commitments we make. Protecting you in that sacred space is the most important commitment.

The need for enhanced security is a reflection of the environment around us. The recent events at Temple Israel are not just a wake-up call but also a reminder that our efforts and vigilance are no longer merely preemptive. Jewish communities across the country and the world have taken steps to ensure that their members can worship and gather with confidence and in safety. These measures are not intended to create distance or anxiety but are to preserve the warmth, openness, and vibrancy that define Adat Shalom. When we invest in security, we are investing in our ability to continue living Jewish life fully and joyfully.

Our approach is guided by the simple principle that every congregant, from our youngest children to our seniors, deserves to feel safe the moment they walk through our doors. That sense of safety allows us to focus on connection, spirituality, tradition, and community. Security is not an interruption but a foundation that allows us to practice our faith in peace and harmony, as we should be able to do now and always.

Over the past years, we have been constantly evaluating our needs with care and intention. We have a standing security committee made up of individuals with professional experience. We have consulted with the Federation's security team as well as local, state, and federal experts, studied measures adopted by other synagogues and community institutions and listened to the concerns of our members. The steps we have taken and which we will continue to take are thoughtful, measured, and designed to support daily activities without diminishing the welcoming atmosphere we all cherish. Every decision is rooted in the well-being of our community.

It should be emphasized that security is not only about physical measures. It is about awareness, preparedness and partnership. Each of us plays a role in creating a safe environment by being attentive, by communicating concerns, and by supporting one another. When we work together, we strengthen not only our safety but our sense of unity. To borrow a phrase: "If you see something, say something."

Our goal is not to make Adat Shalom feel like a fortress. It is to ensure that it remains a sanctuary, a place where you can walk with a full heart, where your children can learn, play and grow, where we celebrate holidays and life-cycle events and where we find comfort in times of challenge...our place to be.

We are blessed to have your trust, partnership, contributions, and unwavering commitment to our community. Together, we continue to build a synagogue that is safe, strong, and filled with the spirit that is and has always defined Adat Shalom.



FROM RABBI AARON BERGMAN

Passover is a holiday with a lot of days, and sometimes feels like it is longer than it actually is.

Sukkot is a holiday with a lot of days, and even though they are really lovely, it coming after Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, can feel like a

lot.

Hannukah is a lot of days, and goes by quickly, but it's a minor holiday. It is wonderful and uplifting, but still minor in terms of religious weight in comparison to the biblical festivals.

Shavuot, the holiday of the revelation of the Torah, is only one day, though outside of Israel it is one day twice. It doesn't even really have its own date. It is assigned its time in relation to the second day of Passover. Nonetheless, it is incredibly important and is the very center of the cycle of holidays in the Torah.

It is so easy to miss it. It is probably the least observed of the holidays, outside of maybe having some cheesecake in its honor.

Shavuot is an unambiguously happy holiday. Its theme is joy and togetherness. It teaches us that small moments are just as precious as big moments. What matters is the people you share them with. We are told that we should never miss an opportunity for joy.

The Torah demands that everyone be allowed to rejoice on the holiday.

וְעִשִׂיתָ חַג שָׁבֻעוֹת לַה' אֱלֹהֶיךָ מִסֹּת נְדָבַת יָדְךָ אֲשֶׁר תִּתֵּן כַּאֲשֶׁר יִבְרַכְךָ ה' אֱלֹהֶיךָ:

Then you shall observe the Feast of Weeks for your God יהוה, offering your freewill contribution according as your God יהוה has blessed you.

וְשִׂמְחֶתָ לִפְנֵי ה' אֱלֹהֶיךָ אֶתָּה וּבְנֶךָ וּבִתְּךָ וְעַבְדְּךָ וְאִמָּתְךָ וְהַלְוִי אֲשֶׁר בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ וְהַגֵּר וְהַיְתוּם וְהָאֵלֶּמְנָה אֲשֶׁר בְּקִרְבְּךָ בְּמִקּוֹם אֲשֶׁר יִבְחַר ה' אֱלֹהֶיךָ לְשִׁבּוֹן שְׂמוֹ שָׁם:

You shall rejoice before Adonai God with your children, everyone who works for you,...and the stranger, the orphan, and the widow in your midst.

The more obsessed we are with ourselves and the less concerned we are with others causes us to miss so much richness in our lives. We become narrower and narrower, feeling more trapped in our own ego.

The reason we celebrate with others is not just for their sake. We are not doing them a favor. They are helping us rejoice in life, too. They bring different perspectives, different stories of resilience and courage, which makes us live our lives in better, happier and less frustrated ways.

Don't miss your life waiting for big things to happen. Don't miss the joy of being with others, because you think they aren't your kind of people.

Open your hearts to the small things in life and to the infinite variety of people and you will rejoice in all of your life.



FROM HAZZAN DANIEL GROSS

I am tremendously excited about Adat Shalom's upcoming Lillian E. Kaufman Memorial Concert, to be held on June 17. We will welcome, for an unforgettable evening, the extraordinary ensemble Profeti della Quinta, an internationally acclaimed vocal group specializing in

Renaissance and early Baroque music.

Profeti della Quinta traces its origins to Kibbutz Kabri in Israel's Upper Galilee, where its founding members first began singing together as high school students. From those beginnings, the group is now based in Basel, Switzerland, and has grown into one of the world's leading interpreters of early vocal music. We are especially fortunate to welcome them to Adat Shalom, as this concert is part of a rare North American tour that includes only three cities.

There is something uniquely moving about Renaissance and Baroque vocal music. Its purity, balance, and emotional depth create a truly timeless sound world. The voices intertwine with clarity and complexity, allowing each line to emerge distinctly while forming something cohesive and transcendent. While this genre may be unfamiliar to you, I am confident that it has the power to surprise and transform. There is something indescribably special about these intricate vocal harmonies, and this is music you need to hear live to fully appreciate.

The evening's program brings together the work of two composers rarely presented side by side: Claudio Monteverdi and Salomone Rossi. Monteverdi is widely celebrated for his dramatic works and is often credited with helping to shape the birth of opera. Rossi is less widely known, a Jewish violinist and composer who created a remarkable body of Hebrew liturgical music. Yet their lives and work were closely connected. Nearly the same age, both served for many years at the Gonzaga court in Mantua, Italy, one of Europe's great music centers. They each wrote madrigals (secular vocal works centered on themes of love, nature, and satire, featuring rich multi-voice harmonies) using texts by the same poets. They also embraced new musical styles, including basso continuo, in which a continuous bass line supports and shapes the harmony. In this performance, that role will be played in part by the lute, a beautiful and rarely heard instrument. It is likely they knew each other and may well have collaborated: Rossi performed at court while Monteverdi served as Maestro della musica (court music director) and Rossi's sister, Madama Europa, is believed to have sung in Monteverdi's opera *L'Arianna*. The program will reflect this intersection of styles, pairing passionate madrigals and playful duets with dignified Jewish prayers, and invites an intriguing question: did Monteverdi ever wander past Rossi's synagogue and hear Hebrew music carried through its walls?

I am deeply grateful to Susie Graham and Julie Wiener, our concert co-chairs par excellence, whose dedication and vision made this evening possible. Most importantly, this concert is a benefit, with all proceeds supporting Adat Shalom Synagogue.

I hope you will join us for this journey, a celebration of music, history, and culture at its very best. For sponsorship and ticketing information, please see the inside front cover.



FROM RABBI BLAIR NOSANWISCH

The first time I gave a Dvar Torah as a grown up (meaning, after my bat mitzvah) I was 29 years old. At the time I lived in Washington Heights, NYC, and was studying towards a Masters in Jewish Education at JTS. My shul, the Fort Tryon Jewish Center, offered a unique opportunity to

learn to write a Dvar Torah with the rabbi's wife, who was also a rabbi of renown. The class was simple, the small but eager cohort of us gathered and studied the basics of a Dvar Torah, and then each of us selected a parsha to focus on. Once we'd picked a parsha, we went off to study it, and we returned to the group with a list of questions reading the parsha had raised for us. From there, the cohort of students helped tease out which questions were good and which were bad. Having discerned a "good" question, we each worked on writing and then delivering our Torah teaching to the congregation.

My parsha was Parashat Bo, where we first have the commandment to rid our houses of all leaven (referred to as *se'or*). What was *se'or*, I wondered, and how was it different from the leaven I'd always heard about, *hametz*? This question opened up whole worlds for me, and as a pickler/fermenter, the Torah ended up illuminating a much deeper and more resonant experience of the exodus and the practice of ridding our homes of hametz than I ever could have imagined. The experience of delivering the Dvar Torah to the kahal was exhilarating and I am sure it had an impact on my choice a year or two later to attend Rabbinical School.

This May and June, Rabbi Bergman and I will be offering a similarly conceived Dvar Torah Workshop. This workshop will be rigorous and involve studying, writing, and delivering a unique Dvar Torah to the congregation during the summer months. Dvar Torah means "a word of Torah," and these teachings often elucidate or explicate a part of the text that raises more questions than it does answers. The trick to a good Dvar Torah is both allowing yourself and your presumptions to be shaped by the Torah, while also bringing your authentic voice (and the corpus of your lived experiences) to the text.

Sometimes a Dvar Torah is referred to as a sermon, other times, a drash, but the magic of the medium is that it is a mix of interpretation and explication. We are looking forward to working with those congregants who are looking for a challenge and a rewarding opportunity to share their Torah.

If you are interested in discovering what Torah you have living inside you, contact Sarah Hirsch to discuss being part of this first workshop.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mornings:

Sunday - Friday8:00am
 Shabbat9:00am

Evenings (Minchah-Maariv):

Sunday - Friday6:00pm
 Saturdays:
 May 28:30pm
 May 9, 16, 23.....8:45pm
 May 309:00pm
 June 6, 13, 20, 279:15pm

Shabbat morning services in the sanctuary will be in-person and live-streamed on the Adat Shalom website.

adatshalom.org/livestream

All morning and evening *minyanim* in the Shiffman Chapel are in-person and on Zoom.

<https://zoom.us/my/adatshalommi>

Meeting ID 224 778 4919 | Passcode 5782

SHABBAT

May 1-2

EMOR
 8:15pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:15pm

May 8-9

BEHAR-BECHUKOTAI
 8:23pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:23pm

May 15-16

BAMIDBAR
 8:30pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:30pm

May 22-23

SHAVUOT
 8:37pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:37pm

May 29-30

NASO
 8:44pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:44pm

June 5-6

BEHA'ALOTCHA
 8:49pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:49pm

June 12-13

SH'LACH
 8:53pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:53pm

June 19-20

KORACH
 8:55pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:55pm

June 26-27

CHUKAT-BALAK
 8:56pm CANDLE LIGHTING
 Shabbat ends 9:56pm

Mazal Tov to Our May and June B'nai Mitzvah



May 25

Ella Pearl Bak, daughter of Erica Bak and Phil Bak, sister of Benjy and Nathan Bak, granddaughter of Janice & Loren Young; Mike Davis; Lolly & Harris z"l Bak



June 6

Elli Rose Smolitsky, daughter of Yana Smolitsky, Tamil Arunachalam and Edward & Stephanie Smolitsky; sister of Jasmine, Jacob, Alexandra, Isaac, Cole, and Harper; granddaughter of Larisa Itkin, Anatoly & Regina Smolitsky



June 6, *Minchah*

Madeline Brooke Davis, daughter of Jodie & Jamie Davis; sister of Ella and Jonah; granddaughter of Sue & Alan Kaufman; Lynda & Ken Davis



June 13, *Minchah*

Chase Andrew Grubbs, son of Ashley & James Grubbs; brother of Hannah, Brodie, and Grayson Grubbs; grandson of Neil & Susan z"l Kahn, David z"l & Gwen Grubbs

SHABBAT TORAH STUDY

The cycle of Torah is unending and can be entered at any point in the year or in one's life.



9:45am | Finishing in time for the rabbi's sermon

May 2: Rabbi Nosanwisch

June 6: Rochelle Lieberman

May 9: Rabbi Bergman

June 13: Rabbi Bergman

May 16: Jodi Gross

June 20: Rabbi Krakoff

May 23: No session

June 27: Phreddy Nosanwisch

May 30: Rabbi Nosanwisch

No sessions in July. Resumes August 1

No prior knowledge is necessary to enjoy exploring the Torah during Shabbat Torah Study.



For the Yizkor service on Shavuot, Day 2, Saturday, May 23, we will read from the **Adat Shalom 5786 Book of Remembrance** as we recall our beloved relatives and friends who are no longer with us.

Books are available for use in the sanctuary, to pick up in the synagogue office if you would like one at home, or to read on our website at:

adatshalom.org/bookofremembrance



Why has humor always been such a central part of Jewish culture?

THE BEST JEWISH JOKES & What They Reveal About Us

Thursday, May 21 | 8pm | Adat Shalom

From the shtetl to modern life, Jewish jokes have helped us make sense of the world. We'll uncover the insights they offer about Jewish values, history, and the art of laughing through life.

Share your favorite joke along with the clergy's favorites.

Minchah | Learning & Refreshments | Maariv and Synagogue Thrival Kit Celebration of Learning



Kindly RSVP
adatshalom.org/erevshavuot



Shabbat Rocks

Join us for our uplifting musical Kabbalat Shabbat services

Friday, May 1 | 6pm
Shabbat services followed by an oneg Shabbat

Friday, June 5
5:30pm - pizza dinner
6:00pm - Shabbat Rocks and installations followed by a sweet and cool oneg Shabbat



outside, weather dependent

adatshalom.org/shabbatocks

SHAVUOT

EREV SHAVUOT, THURSDAY, MAY 21
8pm Minchah
Tikkun with refreshments, concluding with Maariv

SHAVUOT FIRST DAY, FRIDAY, MAY 22
9am Services
The Book of Ruth & Akdamut will be read
10:30am Shavuot Family Program
6pm Minchah - Maariv

SHAVUOT SECOND DAY, SATURDAY, MAY 23
9am Services
Yizkor prayers will be recited
10:30am MiniMinyan
8:45pm Minchah - Maariv

Childcare is available at 9:30am on Shavuot Days One and Two

All services are in-person at Adat Shalom Synagogue

Thursday evening services will be on Zoom (zoom.us/my/adatshalommi)
Friday and Saturday services will be Live Streamed (adatshalom.org/livestream)
Read your Adat Shalom emails for direct links or visit adatshalom.org

My Jewish Day

An introduction to Jewish daily rituals taught in bite-sized pieces!

with Rabbi Blair Nosanwisch in 30 mins.

Wednesdays - 12 to 12:30pm
May 13 to 27 | Zoom
no session on May 6

RSVP to receive the link
Sarah Hirsch
shirsch@adatshalom.org

Tof Me'od Drum Circle

with Hazzan Gross

Drum circles build connection, reduce stress, and spark genuine joy through shared rhythm

Wednesday, June 3
7:00pm

No experience necessary
Drums provided

No charge for members
\$20 for non-members

adatshalom.org/drum
kyost@adatshalom.org | 248.851.5100



The Strangest Books in Jewish History

monthly with Rabbi Bergman


Judaism has many familiar books, like the Torah and Talmud, but it is also filled with many weird, wonderful, and little known books.

We will look at a different one each month.

Mondays | 7pm
May 11 and June 8

Zoom

Register to receive the Zoom link - Kellie Yost
kyost@adatshalom.org



Adat Shalom Family Trip to Israel

Departing **December 20, 2026**, this spectacular 10-day journey is designed for **multiple generations to experience Israel together**. The trip will focus on discovery, meaningful connection, and engagement with the people, history, and culture of Israel.

For more information, contact Sarah Hirsch
shirsch@adatshalom.org or 248.851.5100 ext. 233



Itinerary

TORAH CAFE

with Rabbi Nosanwisch

A MONTHLY MORNING TORAH PORTION

Friday, May 15 @ 8:15-9:15am

Sign-up: adatshalom.org/torahcafe | Adat Shalom's Library



Calling all Travelers!

We are very excited to share our planned itinerary for the Adat Shalom Family Trip to Israel from December 20-30, 2026 with **Rabbi Nosanwisch** and her family.

Our trip is packed with meaningful experiences for travelers of all ages to ensure you will get the most out of your journey to Israel. We know this is a challenging time to make travel plans but we are still moving ahead with the hopes that we will all be *Ba'aretz* this December!

BIG OS with Rabbi Nosanwisch and Rabbi Michael Langer

Beit Midrash

Tuesday, May 5, 7pm | Adat Shalom

Security

Whose safety counts?
How do we balance safety with freedom?
Is feeling safe the same as being safe?
And what is our particular stake in these questions as Jews?

Tuesday, June 9, 7pm | Adat Shalom

IDENTITY

How should history shape identity?
What creates a sense of belonging?
Is identity something you choose or something you inherit?
Why does identity feel so politically charged right now?

adatshalom.org/beitmidrash

Rabbi Langer teaches Judaics at the Frankel Jewish Academy



Soulful Yoga

Life is precious. Revitalize, Renew, and Restore with Torah and Yoga

Whether you are new to yoga, or are an experienced practitioner, you will find Soulful Yoga a meaningful and joyful practice.


Saturdays | 9:45am

May 16 with Rabbi Bergman
June 20 with Rabbi Nosanwisch

and Mindy Eisenberg, yoga instructor

No experience necessary. Bring a mat if you have one or borrow one of ours.

Questions: [Jadi Gross, jgross@adatshalom.org](mailto:Jadi.Gross@adatshalom.org)



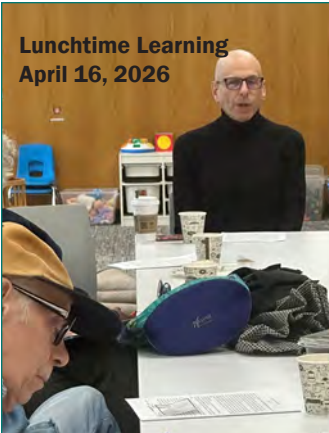
Please visit the Adat Shalom website for:

Weekly sermons | Service times | Upcoming programs & events
Resources in support of Israel | Resources for emotional support

adatshalom.org

OUR PLACE TO BE ENRICHED

“A synagogue means a place of gathering. It is not just to gather with others, but to gather yourself together. At Adat Shalom we nurture your mind, body and soul. We want you to feel healthy, happy, and whole. We offer lots of different programs that cultivate a feeling of wellness in your body, in your spirit, and in your intellect. Come for some, or come for all.” — *Rabbi Aaron Bergman*



Join Rabbi Bergman **Warrior Movement**
 Stillpoint
 Qigong - Tai Chi Principles - Breath - Mind-Body Training
 led by Eran Reznik, IDF veteran and creator of Warrior Movement
 Build Strength, Calm the Nervous System, and Train Awareness

What We Practice:

- Movement rooted in martial and internal arts
- Breath work and internal regulation
- Developing calm strength and resilience
- Training the nervous system

Class Details:

- Wednesdays at 5pm at Adat Shalom (weekly)
- Donation based/pay what you wish
- All levels welcome
- Free to activity duty, veterans, and first responders
- Registration: adatshalom.org/wellness

Ray Maisel z"l Global Jewish Diversity Initiative
TURKISH SHABBAT

with guests, Cantor Yaakov Abudaram and Ruben Shimonov, special Turkish recipes at Kiddush by Gina and Yuksel Erpardo

So many people came together to make this Shabbat special, and we are grateful to each of them. Thank you to Jeffrey Devries and Lynn Lipman for hosting Ruben, and to Sammi Shapiro, Jodi Gross, and Jeannie (Gina's mother) for their help in the kitchen preparing the food. Aron Kaufman and Marty Liebman made beautiful music during Shabbat Rocks, and special appreciation to Marty Liebman for the tremendous effort he put into his leyning in Turkish trope. A heartfelt thank you to Rabbi Nosanwisch and Jodi Gross for creating such a meaningful and memorable experience.

“Hazak v'ematz, and todah rabah.” — Rabbi Nosanwisch



Anyone Can Paint
 with Artist Jennifer Bass
 create your own original painting with step-by-step instructions from an expert painter
Monday, June 8
 10am to 12pm | Adat Shalom

Rabbi Bergman will teach followed by painting

- No artistic skills necessary.
- Open to the community.
- \$20 (includes painting supplies)

Register by: June 3
adatshalom.org/painting
 Questions: Jodi Gross, 248.851.5100 | jgross@adatshalom.org

Bereavement Circles
 at Adat Shalom

Gather with others to process and move through your grief in whatever form it takes. Sessions will include a mix of sharing and learning.

Growing Through Grief (for 20s, 30s, and 40s)
 co-facilitated by Rabbi Nosanwisch and Dr. Jackie Issner
 Wednesdays
 May 13 at 7:30pm & June 10 at 7pm

Grieving With Grace (50 +)
 co-facilitated by Rabbi Nosanwisch and Cici Syms, LMSW, Jewish Family Service
 Tuesdays - 4:30 to 6pm
 May 26 and June 23

Free for members of Adat Shalom.
 Suggested donation of \$10 or \$18/session for non-members | adatshalom.org/bc
 RSVP by the Monday before each session, shirsch@adatshalom.org, 248.851.5100, ext. 233

Meditation & Mindfulness
 with Rabbi Bergman

Find your inner spirituality and realize how Judaism can make you feel more whole and spiritually connected.

Sundays, 9:30am

- May 17 and 31
- June 14

No meditation experience is necessary

Questions: Jodi Gross, jgross@adatshalom.org

Mazal Tov To The Class of '26!

BENJY BAK	GOLDIE FOX	ZERA LEVINE	ARIANA SCHWARTZ
MILLIE BASS	HANNAH FRIDMAN	ARAM MOURADIAN	EZRA SHERE
SPENCER COLUMBUS	SHAYNA GOREN	SAM NATHAN	ETHAN TIGAY
JILLIAN DICKMAN	MICKEY GROSS	CHAVA NORBER	STELLA WEITZMAN
MAYA EISENBERG	HANNAH GRUBBS	OLIVIA RANDEL	MICAH ZACKS
ROBBIE FELDMAN	LOUIS KOWALSKY	LOGAN ROTENBERG	

We are so proud of you!

FROM THE CLERGY, EDUCATORS, STAFF & LEADERSHIP OF ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE

SPRING FAMILY PICNIC

FUN • FOOD • ENJOY

SUNDAY, MAY 3 | 12 TO 2PM

- BBQ & sweet treats
- games
- activities with Adamah Detroit
- obstacle course

Adat Shalom's playground
adatshalom.org/picnic

Rain or shine
 Sponsored by
 Adat Shalom - Beth Achim Learning Community
 and the Men's Club

SAMMI SHAPIRO
 DIRECTOR OF ENGAGEMENT
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Family Camp

We had an amazing group of families with kids ages 1-11 attending family camp at the Butzel Retreat Center. We had a great time being together, exploring nature and its connections to Shabbat, practicing for seder with a charoset challenge & other fun games! We enjoyed havdalah, s'mores, and night hikes. We concluded the weekend with donuts, homemade matzah, a hay ride, and the anticipation of family camp next year. If Family Camp sounds like it's for you, **save the date for next year, March 5-7, 2027**. Registration coming soon!

Things are looking a bit different around here!

We've been working on some changes around Adat Shalom. A few of you may have noticed that **we have updated our website**. The official launch of our new website was this past fall but as we continue to use the website we are continuously making changes that will make accessing our information easier. Our calendar page is more dynamic, allowing you to filter and/or search by different topics. You can also easily subscribe to the calendar and have access to the Adat Shalom calendar right from your preferred calendar app.

Another integration we have is our **Member Portal**. You should have received an invitation to the portal - if not email me, sshapiro@adatshalom.org. Once in the portal you can update your information. Our goal is to open the feature of payments through the portal so you can make payments for dues, classes, tributes, or donations all through one easy space.

Lastly, you may have noticed that the MiniMinyan room got a refresh. **Todah Rabah to Amber Vieder and Pack It Up with Stacy Vieder**. Amber brought her organizing skills and creativity to the MiniMinyan room to help us be more organized and updated. Now all of our visitors to MiniMinyan can easily play, clean, and play again!

HOW TO LOG IN TO MEMBER PORTAL

STEP 1

On adatshalom.org press the "Member Portal" icon

STEP 2

Type your email address into the box. Then select 'send code'

STEP 3

Go to your email account and find the email from Adat Shalom Synagogue with the subject line "Your verification code." Type the code into the member portal screen and press verify.

STEP 4

Now you should be in to your account. From here you can navigate to different menus, edit details about each family member, and more!

Teva Tots & Shabbat

Get outside and explore teva - nature. Together, we'll learn all about the changing world around us and enjoy the wonder of being in nature.

FRIDAYS | 10AM

MAY 1
MAY 8
MAY 15

ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE

➔ adatshalom.org/tevatots

➔ Sammi Shapiro, sshapiro@adatshalom.org

\$36 PER MEMBER FAMILY

\$60 PER NON MEMBER FAMILY

SHAVUOT Sleep Under

Learn | Play | Celebrate

FRIDAY | MAY 22 | 10:30 AM

Wear your PJs and get ready to celebrate Shavuot!

sshapiro@adatshalom.org | adatshalom.org/shavuotkids

MiniMinyan Shabbat Mornings @Adat

Mini-est Minyan clergy & guests 10:30am K and under

Taste of Tefillah with clergy 10:30am K and up

Supervised play available 9:30 to 10:30am

No rsvp needed!

DR. MELISSA SER

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

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Archaeology Corner Dedicated

On April 14, the Israel Room's Archaeology corner was dedicated in loving memory of Marsha and Marvin Trimas. Ruby and Richard Kushner, Marcia Garland, and Nancy and Bill Handelman joined Dr. Melissa Ser to explore the educational materials and hands-on learning enabled by their gift.



The Israel Room is an incredible space to learn, play, and explore. There are also additional ways to contribute to the ongoing growth and development of the space. Please be in touch with Melissa Ser or Michael Wolf if you would like to learn more.

Register Now for the 2026-2027 Learning Community!

It is already time to register your children for the Adat Shalom-Beth Achim Learning Community for the 2026-2027 school year! We are planning another incredible year of engaging Jewish education for students in Preschool (age 3) through 7th Grade.

Program Structure:

Classes run on Sundays from 9am to noon for all grades (Pre-K through 7) and on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6:15pm for grades 2 through 7. Students in grades 2-7 receive personalized Hebrew instruction, which includes small group reinforcement during class time, as well as a weekly 30-minute one-on-one Hebrew reading lesson via Zoom (22 sessions).

Important Deadlines & Information:

While tuition rates for the 2026-2027 year are being finalized, we encourage you to register early to secure your child's spot and take advantage of our Early Bird discount. Our deadline for the Early Bird discount is typically around July 15th.

Dual Enrollment Hebrew Registration

High school students have the unique opportunity to earn 3 transferable college credits per semester from Eastern Michigan University through our Dual Enrollment Hebrew program. The tuition rate for high school students is \$300 per credit hour, totaling \$900 per semester.

Fall 2026 Course Offerings:

- HEBR 121A: Beginning Hebrew I
- HEBR 211A: Adv Intermediate Hebrew Literacy & Comprehension
- HEBR 279: Hebrew Advanced Grammar/Reading

For more information or to register, please contact Dr. Melissa Ser at mser@emich.edu or 248-804-3501.

JODI GROSS, MAJEd, MAJCS

DIRECTOR OF ADULT LEARNING & YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

jgross@adatshalom.org



TEEN MADRICHIM
MAKE AN IMPACT

Entering 8th to 12th graders are invited to be part of this worthwhile Adat Shalom-Beth Achim Learning Community Leadership Program

- Assist teachers during Hebrew school
- Are positive role models for kids
- Work with kids who need extra support
- Earn community service hours or a paycheck
- Develop valuable life skills
- Learn and use leadership skills

Questions: jgross@adatshalom.org

Registration 

These photos capture the joy and energy our children and teens experienced throughout this year's youth engagement activities. Together, they reflect a vibrant year at Adat Shalom—one filled with meaningful connections, lasting friendships, and having fun as a community.



OUR PLACE TO BE CONNECTED

SISTERHOOD

We hope that you had a meaningful Passover, filled with family and tradition. This year has been a reminder of the resilience and enduring strength of the Jewish people. In difficult moments, we come together, stay strong, and support one another.

Sisterhood had many opportunities to meet in March and April. Our Women's Seder included songs, storytelling, and sharing family traditions with one another. It was a meaningful reminder of the importance of coming together as women to celebrate our heritage and support one another. That same week and the following week, many of us also met for Knitting Circle, Feminist Torah Study, and a Rosh Chodesh study session. These smaller and more informal gatherings offered opportunities to be creative and share ideas.

Our Women's Day celebration on May 7th brings us together to honor Lillian Schostak and Carol Vieder, whose dedication and ongoing commitment to The Sisterhood Gift shop deserves recognition. The day will be enhanced with local vendors providing shopping to the entire community, the keynote speaker is Linda Gradstein, and a delicious lunch will be served.

It has been a wonderful year of programs and activities. We are excited to continue them and also welcome new ideas, new energy, and new faces into our Sisterhood. Whether you have been involved for years or are looking to get started, there is a place for you. We invite you to join us, share your ideas, and be a part of all that is still to come.

Sharon Kaplan and Sandi Matz
Sisterhoodadatshalom@gmail.com

Feminist Torah Study
Women Examining Life
with **Rabbi Nosanwisch**
Wednesday, May 13 and June 10 | 10am
Adat Shalom

Bringing our life experiences to the study of our sacred texts. All women are welcome.
No knowledge of Torah or Hebrew are necessary to enjoy this meaningful study session.
Kindly RSVP by Monday before a session. Sarah Hirsch-shirsch@adatshalom.org

Sisterhood
Knitting Circle

Join us as we make scarves, hats, and afghans for those in need.
Feel free to get started at any time with yarn from the knitting cubicle in the main office.

Sunday, May 3 and June 7 | 9:30am

For more information:
Debby Portney, debbyportney@gmail.com, 248.788.9488
Beverly Yost, bevvieby@gmail.com, 248.302.8022



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SISTERHOOD INVITES YOU TO


WOMEN'S DAY
@ADAT SHALOM
SYNAGOGUE

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026
9:30AM - 3:00PM

We received a note from Christine Kina, President/CEO of HAVEN

"Dear **Adat Shalom Knitters**,
Thank you for your generous gift of scarves and hats...We are deeply grateful for your thoughtfulness and support."

And from one of their clients, "Thank you for caring. Because of your generosity, I feel safe, supported, and ready to start a new chapter." - A HAVEN survivor.



We have yarn available in the synagogue office. Join us!

SISTERHOOD OF ADAT SHALOM | GIFT SHOP



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Find beautiful items made in Israel

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Follow us on Instagram @sisterhoodgiftshop

Are you celebrating a special event?
a birthday - an anniversary - an engagement - a wedding

Celebrate your occasion by sponsoring a Shabbat Kiddush on Saturday morning

For more information, Sandi Matz, 248.425.2233

MEN'S CLUB

I just finished watching Season 1 of *The Pitt* on HBO Max with my wife Natalie. We highly recommend this award-winning show about a doctor in the ED of a Pittsburgh Hospital. Dr. Robinavitch, or Dr. Robby, played by Noah Wylie, is the attending physician over the ED the day a massive casualty hits Pittsburgh. Throughout the show, Dr. Robby has flashbacks to Covid and his time in the ED, and the loss of someone very close to him. But, he continues to do what he does – save the lives of the 112 people that are brought to The Pitt that day. Dr. Robby is Jewish, and, in one scene, as the grief overcomes him, he silently says the Shema over and over again to get himself back in the right headspace. Leaning in on his Judaism got him through one of the hardest times I can only imagine at a hospital.

Dr. Robby finishes the day (and season) with a speech to the team that feels all too familiar to the Jewish People.

“Today should never have happened. It is impossible to imagine what would possess someone to commit such a horrific act. It’s the worst of humanity, but it brought out the best in the rest of us...(this place) is also full of miracles, and that is a testament of all of you coming together and doing what we do best. Thank you for everything you did here today. None of us are going to forget today, even if we really really want to. So go home, let yourselves cry. You’ll feel better. It’s just grief leaving the body.”

Last month, things hit closer to home than they have in the past as a deranged terrorist drove his car into Temple Israel with plans to harm multiple people, including children. The worst of humanity. In fact, over the last 2 years since I took the Presidency of the Men’s Club, there were 9,354 antisemitic acts logged. That is a mere fraction of the total, as we know most go un-reported. Over the last two years, we lived through the aftermath of October 7th, saw Jewish student harassment on college campuses skyrocket, saw synagogues targeted, such as Temple Israel, and other cases in Melbourne, Australia, and Manchester, England, to name a few, and saw countless Jews remove symbols of their faith to protect themselves. Over the last two years, we lived through the worst surge in Antisemitism since WW2.

77% of Jews feel less safe than we did before October 7th.

And yet, as Dr. Robby said, this place is also full of miracles. The last two years have shown a renewed sense of Global Jewish Unity, increased Jewish engagement, pride and identity, acts of compassion and mutual aid, a greater public awareness and education about antisemitism, and increases in Aliyah applications.

The last two years, I had the privilege of residing as President of your Men’s Club. It wasn’t easy. We were dealt with some heavy issues. Coming from Covid into October 7th, and continued conflict in Israel, we faced these feelings both abroad and locally together. The Men’s Club hosted events such as Thoughtful Thursdays, Men’s Club Shabbat and Retreat, Drum Circles, social events like the Daddy Daughter Dance and DIY with Dad, Sukkot events, Chillin’ the with Clergy and the list goes on. You came together and did what we do best, support our community. We were raising awareness for topics and issues facing the men of Adat Shalom, and finding a sense of home and belonging. The last two years, for me, were intense, magical and rewarding.

Being the 2nd youngest president has its own pressures, and the community supported me and the organization in a meaningful way. Thank you for everything you did here. I cannot thank you all enough for putting your trust in me to lead this wonderful organization through one of the most pivotal times in Jewish history. But, as Dr.

Robby says, “it is now time to go home.” As I pass the torch on Sunday, May 3rd at our annual meeting, I know that we will all come together. We will continue to find the miracles which are the true testament of us all coming together. I cannot forget the last two years, and certainly look forward to carrying this experience with me for years to come.

My parting words...this club, this synagogue, this brotherhood is greater than any one person. You get what you put into it all. If you come to our events thinking that you will have a good time, you will. As I say to my kids all the time, if you think you can or you can’t, you are right. When you choose to show up, you are giving more to the other members than you may even know. When you bring a friend or someone to an event or a meeting, you are performing a great mitzvah. And, lastly, without you, there is no Men’s Club.

At the final scene of the last episode, Dr. Robby and a few colleagues are sitting around having a drink, and at the last minute, as hard as the day was, his final words – “See you all Monday...”

See you around the shul,

Jaron Friedman
Outgoing Men’s Club President



Thank you, Jaron and family!

Thoughtful Thursdays

A monthly gathering for men to explore engaging and thought provoking topics - fostering meaningful conversation, connection, and community.

with Rabbi Bergman

Thursday, May 28 | 7pm

ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE

Questions: mensclub@adatshalom.org

MEN'S CLUB

Looking Ahead: 2026 – 2027

<p>Burgers, Beer, Bourbon Great conversation about the NFL with Lions great, Luther Bradley</p>	<p>Breaking the Stigma suicide prevention program co-sponsored by the Sisterhood</p>	<p>Sushi in the Sukkah A fresh take on a seasonal favorite</p>	<p>Chillin' With the Clergy Pizza making with Mike and Colleen Weinstein from Tomatoes APIZZA</p>
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Our upcoming events will soon be available on Jlive.app and in The Voice.



IT'S TIME TO PLAY SOFTBALL

INFORMATION:

- Sunday mornings
- until August
- 20 games + playoffs
- Most game days will have double header.
- The final schedule will be emailed to players.

QUESTIONS:
George Dickstein
586.431-9432
gddoc@gmail.com

- Adat Shalom's Men's Club is sponsoring 1 team
- *Must be a member of Adat Shalom's Men's Club to play in this league

REGISTRATION:

- Player 30 years old and younger - \$55
- Player 31 years old and older - \$115
- *Membership dues - \$36
- Optional team shirt - \$15

adatshalom.org/softball

THE MEN'S CLUB
ADAT SHALOM
SYNAGOGUE

SERVE AND BE SERVED

Eight members of Serve and Be Served headed to the Lighthouse Food Pantry in March to help assemble boxes of food items for area residents in need. As before, the group was kept busy! Luckily it was a beautiful sunny day which made the delivery of boxes to the residents' cars a pleasant experience. It also turns out that *The Jewish News* showed up and photographed our dedicated, hard-working members. We're now famous!



Men's Club at Comerica Park, April 12, 2026 for Jewish Heritage Day and Detroit Tigers vs. Miami Marlins.



Men's Club "Not Your Zeide's Seder"

"Best Men's Seder we've had yet. Y'shere Koach!" - Gary Graff

"Dear Larry, While it's still fresh on my mind, I want to thank you again and acknowledge how excellent tonight's Men's Club Seder was. You put so much thought, care, and effort into "Not Your Zeide's Seder."

The quality of everything was exemplary, from the table setup to the beverages to the food (appetizer, main course, and dessert!), as well as the trivia and the gifts. It was a truly enjoyable and meaningful evening!

Thank you for creating an amazing experience for the Men's Club and a beautiful moment of solidarity.

Yasher Koach!
Dan (Hazzan Gross)"

Looking forward, **our next event is serving lunch at the Crossroads of Detroit Soup Kitchen**, then in June, playing games with Meer residents followed by a concert led by our own Rena Kirshenbaum as lead singer, along with Frank Elias (singing and guitar) and Mark Sinkoff (mandolin).

If you are interested in joining future events, please email Ken or Rena Kirshenbaum, KRRKirsh@sbcglobal.net and fill our our quick survey at adatshalom.org/servebeserved



Ken and Rena Kirshenbaum

SOCIAL ACTION IN ACTION

LIGHTHOUSE HOUSING THE HOMELESS, July 12 - 18, 2026


Although the program no longer rotates throughout Oakland County, we continue to provide meals at the current residences. The need to support them with meals continues.

We will be delivering dinners to the center in Pontiac. Volunteers are needed to pick up prepared dinners in Rochester and Commerce and deliver to the shelter in Pontiac. If you are available to help, please contact Evva Hepner, 248.798.7673.

"Good deeds are done by good people." - Talmud

Evva Hepner
248.798.7673 | Evva.hepner@gmail.com

OUR PLACE TO BE IMPACTFUL



Annual Synagogue Meeting & Election

Join us for a review of the fiscal year and a memorial service.

Tuesday, May 19, | 7:30pm
Adat Shalom

Questions: Michael Wolf, Executive Director
mwolf@adatshalom.org, 248.851.5100, ext 224

GREEN TEAM


We are working to establish sustainable practices throughout our shul -- water, energy, education, and food.

We need your help! There is so much more to do!

Planning meetings:
Mondays, May 18 and June 15
7:30pm | Zoom

Enjoy the Adamah Detroit activities led by the Green Team during the spring family picnic on May 3.

Questions: Joyce Berlin Weingarten, jabw57@icloud.com



It is with great pleasure I announce Roni Leibovitch as the new chair of Adat Shalom's Green Team. Roni has been an active and dedicated member since the Green Team's inception four years ago under the guidance of Rabbi Nosanwisch.

Our many accomplishments increasing environmental sustainability at Adat Shalom include installing solar panels on the Sollish Migdash, installing a water fountain and water bottle refilling station along with a water bottle fund raiser, energy audit of the entire building, evaluation of food waste, partnership with Staples to recycle our ink cartridges, and planting our beautiful native plant and pollinator garden which is still a work in progress.

As chair of the Green Team these past two years, I have taken great pride and enjoyment working with our talented and devoted members. I know Roni will continue our mission keeping Adat Shalom as green as we can be! Please let us know if you are interested in joining us!

With much gratitude to all of you for your support,

Joyce Berlin Weingarten



CHESED COMMITTEE

Small acts of kindness, that's what the Chessed Committee is all about. We deliver challah, soup, and Shabbat candles to individuals across our community after surgery, while recovering from illness, mourning a loved one or sometimes just because they need the little reminder that they are part of our community. We also deliver baby baskets to welcome the newest members and give their parents a little something to help ease the transition to Jewish parenthood.

This value came to fruition following the terror attack at Temple Israel. I woke up on Friday morning following the attack to an email from Rabbi Nosanwisch letting me know that the Adat Shalom clergy would be delivering Shabbat bags to the Temple Israel clergy and some of our members who work there/send their children to the ECC. Packages were delivered and hopefully our act of kindness brought our community together a little bit more.

I've had a couple congregants reach out to me directly asking what else we could do for the Temple Israel community. Donations to the Chessed Fund - *Harold Dubin Memorial Tikkun Adat Fund* are always appreciated to help support our work. My original intention was to share thank-you notes we receive after deliveries, which I will now save for a future edition of *The Voice*.

And our final Chessed Fest for the spring will be May 17 open to all community members! We will have a special thank-you lunch for all of the volunteers who have helped us as delivery drivers and Chessed Fest volunteers. If you have kids, we welcome them to come join in an act of kindness with you as a family! Pre-registrations are requested so we can make sure we have enough supplies for everyone! Visit adatshalom.org/chessed-committee to sign-up for Shabbat deliveries, baby basket deliveries, Chessed Fest registration, and donations.

Audrey Bloomberg, Chessed Committee Chair
chessed@adatshalom.org

Be a mensch and volunteer

Chesed Committee

Chesed Fest

♥ Good Deeds Made Easy ♥

- braid challah dough to donate
- make soup & food for meal deliveries
- pack baby bag

Sunday, May 17 | 10:30am to 12pm

adatshalom.org/chesedfest

CALLING ALL DRIVERS



Volunteer to deliver challot and meals on Fridays to members of Adat Shalom

adatshalom.org/chesed



Challahs and Shabbat candles made with love, waiting to be picked up by wonderful volunteers and delivered.

OUR PLACE TO BE PROUD

MAZAL TOV!

BIRTHS

Nelle Ramona Magy, daughter of Lauren & Daniel Magy, sister of Audrey Magy, granddaughter of Randi Alexander, Alan Alexander, Leslie Magy, Paul Magy

Madeline Elaine Miller, daughter of Ashley & Jacob Miller, granddaughter of Bobbie Miller, Gary Miller z"l, Trish & Mark Speiser

Asher Elias Rager, son of Jamie & Michael Rager, brother of Jacob and Noah, grandson of Agnes & Keith Schare, Patricia z"l & Eric z"l Rager

Lainey Brooke Sperling, daughter of Atara & Shane Sperling, granddaughter of Susan & Rabbi Joseph Krakoff, Megan & Dan Whistler, great-granddaughter of Bonnie and Marvin Zeff; Sharon Krakoff; Dr. Robert Knopf; Marie and Bruce Krakoff, Heather & Steven Sperling

GOOD NEWS!

Erin Cavataro is in the Detroit Jewish News' 2026 class of 36 Under 36.

Gail & Steve Elkus are the recipients of the BBYO 2026 Arnold J. Weiner Distinguished Alumni Award.

Thank you to **Joan and Bob Epstein** for generously sponsoring an enhanced monthly Kiddush at Adat Shalom. The next date for the special Kiddush will be May 16.

Mazel tov to high school junior **Lily Novetsky** for being selected as a soloist in the annual HaZamir High School Choir Gala concert at Lincoln Center in New York on March 15.

Elaine and Michael Serling have made a meaningful gift to the Adat Shalom endowment. In recognition of their generosity, their names are proudly inscribed on the Clergy Wing of the building.

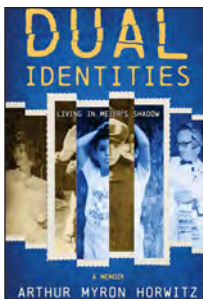
Michael Serling is being honored with the Barry Bremen Inspirational Award at the 2026 Hank Greenberg Golf, Tennis, & Pickleball Invitational on June 8. Registration: michiganjewishsports.org

Mazel tov to the Adat Shalom Synagogue Thrival Kit 2026 cohort of learners:

Yahna Baht - Yisrael	Louise Granader	Bern Merlo
John Billimack	Lyndsi Keves	Kylie Quinn
Maddy Chang	Joe Kort	Carly Rosen
Joshua Cohen	James McCann	Nik Vieder
Diane Fleming	David McLaughlin	Tiegan Vieder

WELCOME TO ADAT SHALOM'S NEW MEMBERS:

Dana & Andrew Baer Jennifer & Brian Vieder
Melissa Pearlman & Bruce Cohen Lyndsi & Alon Langleib



Mazel tov! to Adat Shalom member **Arthur Horwitz** on the April 28 release of *Dual Identities: Living in Meier's Shadow* (Koehler Books). Yale University president emeritus Peter Salovey describes it as "a Holocaust memoir ... but so much else. I was emotionally moved many times while reading this beautifully rendered and deeply personal narrative."

The book's inaugural event is being hosted by the Zekelman Holocaust Center on May 7 at 7pm (open to the public/registration required). The Detroit Jewish News and Schuler Books/West Boomfield are hosting a gathering June 7 at 11am. Information is available at www.arthurhorwitz.com

ADAT SHALOM IN THE COMMUNITY

Annual Michigan Board of Cantors Concert

Thursday, May 28 | 7:30pm | The Berman Center

Enjoy a variety of songs bridging all genres of music performed by the Michigan Cantors, including our own **Hazzan Gross!**

<https://tickets.thejdetroit.org/2026-cantors-concert>

PLAYBILL

Inviting honorees who will be 95 or older by December 31, 2026. Enjoy a festive lunch, socializing, music and a goody bag. Honorees are invited free with a guest. Additional guests are \$45.

To register, visit jslmi.org/OAB Or call Beth Robinson at 248 592-5062

A BROADWAY SALUTE
TO OUR GREATEST GENERATION

BESSIE SPECTOR
OLDEST JEWISH AMERICANS CELEBRATION
CELEBRATING THOSE 95 AND OLDER

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026
ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE

Please join in shining a spotlight on the Greatest Generation by helping identify the older adults who built our wonderful Detroit Jewish community. Register honorees online: jslmi.org/oldest-jewish-americans. All nominees must be 95 or older by Dec. 31, 2026.

Call or email Beth Robinson at (248) 592-5062 or brobinson@jslmi.org for more information.

This event is generously sponsored by the family of Bessie Spector and other community supporters, in partnership with Jewish Senior Life, Jewish Family Service, the J, the Jewish Federation of Detroit, and Gesher Human Services.

Adat Shalom is a community sponsor

Community Israel Celebration

Monday, May 4
Starting at 5:30pm

YOM HA'ATZMAUT
CELEBRATE WITH KOOLULAM SINGING IS BELIEVING

Celebrate Israel's 78th Independence Day through music and community with Koolulam, the talented Israeli group renowned for transforming audiences into one powerful chorus.

At a challenging time for Israel, we come together to show our support and shared strength. Enjoy family-friendly activities, games, Israeli food, and a moving community-wide sing-along.

Hosted by Congregation Shaarey Zedek

Tickets  

A Path to Building a Synagogue in Uganda by Cantor Pamela Schiffer

I first became acquainted with the Jewish people of Uganda, called Abayudaya, during a February 2019 Cantors Assembly mission to support the Abayudaya's acceptance in Israel and among world Jewry. We were warmly welcomed at many synagogues, worshipped together at Shabbat and weekday services at the Stern Synagogue in Nabugoye, recorded music for an Abayudaya Haggadah, celebrated the Federation of Jewish Men's Club World Wrap Day, visited schools and water projects, and much more. We left feeling a strong connection to this vibrant community of more than two-thousand Jews.

Fast forward a year to the Covid pandemic. Uganda had a complete shutdown with people confined to their communities. Wishing to help, the Cantors Assembly raised funds for covid food relief. I was asked to join the team organizing the food distribution. With the guidance and mentorship of Harriet Bograd z"l, leader of Kulanu, and Joan Levine, Director of the Abayudaya Fund of P'nai Or of Portland OR, we created a process to equitably distribute food to each community, ultimately feeding the entire Abayudaya population and their non-Jewish neighbors during the difficult early months of the pandemic.

During the Covid Food Relief project, I communicated, predominantly on WhatsApp, with the representatives of fourteen communities. Following the project, I continued to correspond with Joseph Takani, the spiritual leader of Buseta. Buseta is a very rural village with about seventy-five Abayudaya located an hour from Mbale, the closest large community. Joseph's grandfather and other founding members moved to the Buseta area after the fall of Idi Amin Dada. The distance was too far to worship at other communities, so they decided to start their own synagogue.

Joseph had told me soon after Covid that the current synagogue was in bad condition. Buseta is a small agricultural community and at that time had limited business knowledge. I learned about two projects, Give a Goat and a three-month Business Training course, funded by an NGO, Global Village Connect. Buseta applied in 2023 and was accepted in both programs. After graduation, I could see Joseph and the community gaining confidence in themselves. I gained confidence in them as well. We were learning to trust each other.

In 2024, their synagogue totally fell apart from weather and termites. It was time to commit to building the synagogue. With a gift from my dear friend Winifred Rome (z"l) and our own contributions, Charlie and I gave Joseph a budget for a small synagogue. Global Village Connect had supported several building projects in Uganda and shared advice about architect design, blueprints, budgets, hiring of contractors, timelines, and community involvement. Sounds simple but done across the world through WhatsApp and email had its challenges.

Construction began in December 2024 and went smoothly, with a few small hiccups, with completion at the end of summer 2025. Buseta applied to Kulanu and received a grant to build an Ark, benches, a Torah table, shelves and two clergy chairs.

To celebrate this accomplishment, my husband Charlie and I traveled to Buseta on October 30 and met the community in person for the first time. We were welcomed with such joy. Joseph, his family and the community were gracious hosts for the entire weekend.

We were fortunate to have many donated items to bring to the community. Adat Shalom donated tallitot, tefillin, a Tikkun, and a Torah Blessing card for the bimah. Friends and colleagues donated Judaica

and I collected siddurim, Hebrew primers, Hebrew dictionaries, Torah and Haftarah chanting books, and books for Torah study. Lastly, I was thrilled to present a beautiful Torah donated by Congregation Shaarey Zedek in East Lansing, Michigan, where I am Cantor Emerita.

Welcoming Shabbat together with the entire community was inspiring and soulful. Our Sabbath meal had an amazing challah the size of a pumpkin. The Abayudaya are known for spirited worship and original worship music. Members of the congregation led Shabbat services and honored guests participated as well. The community buzzed with excitement as we all anticipated its first Torah service with an actual Torah. The Kiddush lunch was followed by their customary Torah study discussion outside.

Sunday's all-day celebration started with the official ribbon cutting dedication of the synagogue and a special Torah dedication service. More than three hundred guests enjoyed dancing, music, food, and speeches by local dignitaries and Abayudaya community leaders. It was especially moving when Joseph introduced the elders of the community who kept the community alive before and after the Idi Amin years.

With the synagogue as their spiritual and communal base (and a sanitation unit added in January 2026), they are now focused on education, both Jewish and secular, connection with other Abayudaya communities, involvement in the International Federation of Jewish Men's Club activities, and teen youth projects. A tall order for a small, rural community but, like the synagogue, step by step, brick by brick.



Outside Buseta Synagogue



Buseta Community after Kiddush lunch on Shabbat

Adat Shalom Memorial Park

The wise and caring decisions we make today bring peace of mind and lessen the burdens of tomorrow.

For information about the purchase of cemetery plots please contact
Steve Hagerty 248.851.5100
or shagerty@adatshalom.org

LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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| 1- Linda Singer
Elissa Tischler | 16- Shira Anchill
Josh Rubin |
| 2- Melissa Novetsky | 17- Shelley Droz
Diane Hopp |
| 3- Irwin Danto
Marla Parker Goldberg
Michael Robbins
Kenneth Whiteman | 18- Howard Kowalsky
Sherri Morof
Gloria Ruskin
Mara Starr |
| 4- David Forst
Daniel Shere | 19- Irwin Elson
Melissa Kirshner
Ronald Schechter |
| 5- Anne Greenstein
Brian Wolf
Dennis Yashinsky
Alan Yost | 20- Jason Goldis
Karen Rottman
Vadim Avshalumov
Lon Zaback |
| 6- Rabbi Blair Nosanwisch
Marvin Petuch
Emily Slabotsky
Colleen Weiss | 21- Marc Cohen |
| 7- Marilyn Karbal
Sanford Mall
Lezlie Mostyn
Phyllis Soltz | 22- Wendy Arnold
Louise Granader |
| 8- David Otis
Lauren Platt | 23- Alison Frankel
Sue Ellen Kaufman |
| 9- Rochelle Juni
Neal Lepsetz
David McLaughlin
Ashley Shayne | 24- Jessica Bartol
Lori Kaplan |
| 10- Aaron Greenspon
Paul Magy
Rayna Kogan
Shelly Loomus
Howard Terebelo | 25- Sara Eaker
Arthur Horwitz
Keri Seeney |
| 11- Susan Feldman | 26- Benjamin Cavataro
Sara Wasser |
| 12- Idelle Neuvirth
Gary Shiffman | 27- Mark Bernstein
Fred Fischer
Shelley Kohl |
| 13- Craig Glaser
Carrie Kushner
Scott Schwartz
Thomas Williams | 28- Barry Goodman
Maria Hiller
Audrey Bloomberg |
| 14- Robert Mattler
Tomer Meir
Stewart Prog | 30- Alex Shiffman
Tanya Shulkin
David Tushman |
| | 31- Irvin Kappy
Charmley Levine |

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

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| 3- Sharon & Alan Kaplan | 23- Larisa & Demitry Belski |
| 5- Judy Rudy & Cliff Dubowski | 24- Sara & Joe Tigay |
| 7- Sherri & Gary Morof | 27- Robin & Robert Elkus |
| 8- Cynthia & Aaron Greenspon | 28- Caryn & Ronald Bittker
Barbara & Michael Jonas |
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& Joshua Hunegs |
| 19- Harriet & Sanford Mall
Risa & Brian Wolf | Linda & Stephen Jacobson |
| 20- Susan & Michael Feldman
Elizabeth & Derek Hill | Julie & Eric Rosenbaum |
| 21- Nancy & Dennis Liefer | |

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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| 1- Marlene Kraft | Lola Schoenberger |
| 2- Miriam Bergman
Sara Braverman
Laurence Kirshner
Mark Lichterman
Beth Nothstine
David Rosenfeld | Samantha Shapiro
Gerrie Sollish |
| 3- Debbie Bernstein | 15- Erin Mandras
Lisa Shiffman |
| 4- Mitchell Bass
James Hack
Marci Rotenberg
Robin Terebelo
Ronna Katzman
Whiteman | 18- Stacey Borsen
Barry Lippitt
Jeff Tischler |
| 5- Fran Cohen
Manuel DeJesus
Bradley Goldberg
Sam Ser | 20- Jerry Cook
Susan Lichterman
Davida Robinson
Marc Wittenberg |
| 6- Barbara Cook
Lloyd Silberman
Ellen Starr | 21- Carolyn Sklarchyk |
| 7- Susan Feldman
Jodi Gross
Harold Shapiro | 23- Shelley Boschan
Lillian Schostak
Mark Zacks |
| 8- Daniel Lipnik
Jared Matz | 24- George Dickstein
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Jared Jackson
Susan Young |
| 9- Michael Weinstock | 25- Martin Abrin
Andrew Daitch |
| 10- Richard Schiff
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Mara Shiffman |
| 14- Steven Elkus | |

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

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| 1- Fran & Stuart Rothstein | Nancy & Robert Schostak |
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Shelley & Gerald Gershune |
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Karen & Steven
Schwartzfeld |
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Terran & Roger Leemis |
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Ronna Katzman & Kenneth
Whiteman |
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| 16- Joan & Fred Fischer | |
| 17- Shira & Austin Tucker | |
| 18- Amy & Ian Mendel | |
| 19- Francine & Aaron Martin
Brenda Weingarten
& Robert Felsenfeld
Rachel & David Jensen
Elaine & Gary Rosenblatt | |

SAFETY & SECURITY

David Kemp – Safety & Security

For the past two years, I have had the privilege of getting to know the congregants and the Adat Shalom community. I truly value being part of a dedicated team committed to keeping our community safe, secure, and welcoming.

Prior to joining Adat Shalom, I served as a private security police supervisor for 15 years. I then went on to spend 25 years with the Farmington Hills Police Department as a police officer. I specialized in crisis intervention, crime prevention and community involvement. Following my law enforcement career, I transitioned to providing security infrastructure support to the federal government.

The events of October 7th profoundly changed my perspective. I felt a strong calling to support the Jewish community, which ultimately led me back to Adat Shalom. After sharing my vision for safety and security with Michael Wolf—and with the support of his leadership, along with the Executive Board and Security Committee—I found my home here.



Today, I work closely with administration, clergy, staff, and congregants to help ensure a safe, secure, and welcoming environment for all. Security is a nimble and ever-evolving process that relies on layered systems, including safety protocols, medical preparedness, hazard awareness, fire protection, and—most importantly—strong relationships. Areas of focus include crosswalk safety, medical aid readiness, environmental awareness, and active collaboration with government partners.

The best ideas and insights come from the people I meet every day. I believe in building strong relationships and collaborative teams that help make Adat Shalom truly “Our Place to Be.”

My colleagues and I are always open to feedback and ideas from congregants. Please feel free to share them as time and circumstances permit. You may also direct your thoughts through Michael or any member of the Synagogue’s Security Committee.

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We will never ask you to purchase gift cards, transfer funds, or perform “special” favors on our behalf.

If you ever feel uncertain about a message you’ve received, please don’t hesitate to contact Susie Steinberg at ssteinberg@adatshalom.org or call the synagogue office at 248-851-5100. We are always happy to help verify.

IN MEMORIAM

Marvin Berman, husband of Donna Bean-Berman; father of Daniel (Lila Corwin Berman) Berman, Nicole (Ezra Artis) Sakalauskas, Jonathan (Amy Bogetto-Weinraub) Weinraub, and Michael (Stephanie) Weinraub; grandfather/papa of Ella Berman, Simon Berman, Sydney Sakalauskas, Sophie Sakalauskas, Evan Weinraub, Mia Weinraub, Hannah Weinraub and Max Weinraub; brother-in-law of Patricia (Harry) Stewart and Barry (Kathy) Blair; brother of the late Edith z”l (Jack z”l) Stone and his twin brother, Gerald z”l (Vered) Berman; also survived by his former wife, friend and mother of Dan, Sandra Berman; former daughter-in-law, Myndi (Alan) Gallatin.

Dr. Leo Eisenberg, husband of Miriam Eisenberg; father of Doron Eisenberg, Noa Eisenberg, and Shira (Michell) Hassidim; grandfather of Maya and Benjamin Eisenberg, Joshua and Zachary Young, and Elyana and Rephael Hassidim; brother of Rosa (Louis z”l) Kornhauser; brother-in-law of Devora (Eitan z”l) Shafril and Michael (Pnina z”l) Piudik.

Leonard Seymour Herman, husband of Ophelia Herman z”l; father of Susan Herman, Dr. Jeffrey (Donean) Herman, and Bruce (Judy) Herman; grandfather of Brian (Miranda) Ritter, Shannon (Fred) LaBarre, Stephanie (Daniel) Jenkins, Matthew Herman, Eliana Herman, and Natalie Herman; great-grandfather of Hudson Ritter, Chase and Brooklyn LaBarre, and Nora and Parker Jenkins; brother of Gladys Brasch z”l and Harold Herman z”l; brother-in-law of Lindi Herman z”l, Louis Klein z”l, Charles Brasch z”l, and Lilyan (Tom z”l) Cohn z”l; son of Samuel z”l and Sophie Herman z”l.

Eric Yale Lutz, husband of Linda Lutz; father of Adam (Beth) Lutz and Hope Lutz Firsel; grandfather of Danielle, Carter, and Brody Lutz, and Hudson and Trey Firsel; brother of Sanford Lutz z”l; brother-in-law of Dr. Robert (Cynthia) Moss and Sid (Sharon) Moss.

Dr. Harry Maisel, husband of Rachel Maisel z”l; father of Hillel Maisel z”l; brother of Chaim (the Francis z”l) Maisel; uncle of Leanne, Hilary, Gayle, and Cindy.

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Stewart G. Shear, partner of Carol Kay; brother of Deborah (Alvin) Linn and Elaine Friedman z”l; uncle of Marc (Linda) Daneman, Robert (Sheryl) Daneman, Gregg Linn, Michael Linn, Sheri Linn-Schreck, and Gwen Budow z”l.

Allan Steinik, father of Rachel Steinik and Danielle Steinik; son of Richard (Shelly Freedman) Steinik and Natalie Steinik z”l; brother of Norma (Dr. Michael) Dorman; uncle of Hillary Dorman, Tedi (Jake) Perlmutter, Hershel (fiancee Isabel Taben) Dorman, and Pearl Dorman

Moses Tobiah Ulrych, son of Rabbi Cantor Baruch Ulrych z”l, Samuel Dobkin z”l, and Toby Ulrych Dobkin z”l; brother of the Hannah Ulrych z”l and Rabbi Cantor Barry Ulrych z”l.

Memoriams listed as of April 17, 2026

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We are very grateful to members and friends who have consistently purchased tributes marking lifecycle events and other significant occasions, and we encourage your continued support.

To arrange for a tribute, please visit adatshalom.org/tributes or call the synagogue office at **248.851.5100**. We have set an \$18 minimum price for tribute cards.

For information to **establish a fund**, please contact Executive Director Michael Wolf: 248.851.5100, ext. 224 or mwolf@adatshalom.org

MAY 2026

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Adat Shalom Synagogue

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SERVICE SCHEDULE MORNING SERVICES Shabbat & Festivals 9am Sunday - Friday 8am WEEKDAY EVENING SERVICES 6pm through October 30, 2026 Shabbat Minchah/Maariv times vary. See each date. Childcare available on Shabbat 9:30-10:30am					1 TEVA TOTS & SHABBAT 10am SHABBAT ROCKS 6pm Dessert Oneg following services 30 8:15pm IYAR 14	2 Emor Aufruf of Emily Walters and Ryan Zackon SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Rabbi Nosanwisch 9:45am MiniMinyan 10:30am 31 MINCHAH-MAARIV 8:30pm 15
Men's Club END OF YEAR MEETING 9:30am KNITTING CIRCLE 9:30am BAM 12pm SPRING BBQ 12pm 32 16	EREV LAG BA'OMER 4 KLEZMER BAND REHEARSAL 7pm 33 17	LAG BA'OMER 5 SYNAGOGUE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meeting 6pm BEIT MIDRASH BIG QUESTIONS with Rabbi Nosanwisch and Rabbi Michael Langer 7pm 34 18	6 WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Rabbi Bergman and Eran Reznik 5pm SYNAGOGUE THRIVAL KIT with clergy 7pm Zoom 35 19	7 SISTERHOOD WOMEN'S DAY 9:30AM-3PM 36 20	8 TEVA TOTS & SHABBAT 10am 37 8:23pm 21	Behar-Bechukotai Aufruf of Megan Diskin and Spenser Keys SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Rabbi Bergman 9:45am MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 8:45pm 38 22
MOTHER'S DAY 10 39 23	11 RABBI BERGMAN'S MONTHLY SERIES 7pm Zoom KLEZMER BAND REHEARSAL 7pm 40 24	12 41 25	13 FEMINIST TORAH STUDY with Rabbi Nosanwisch 10am MY JEWISH DAY with Rabbi Nosanwisch 12pm WARRIOR MOVEMENT 5pm SYNAGOGUE THRIVAL KIT 7pm Zoom GROWING THROUGH GRIEF: Bereavement Circle for 20s, 30s, 40s with Rabbi Nosanwisch, Dr. Jackie Issner 7:30pm 43 26	14 44 8:30pm 28	15 TORAH CAFE with Rabbi Nosanwisch 8:15am TEVA TOTS & SHABBAT 10am 45 29	Bamidbar SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Jodi Gross 9:45am SOULFUL YOGA 9:45am MiniMinyan 10:30am ENHANCED KIDDUSH following services MINCHAH-MAARIV 8:45pm 45 29
ROSH CHODESH SIVAN 17 MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS with Rabbi Bergman 9:30am CHESED FEST 10:30am 46 SIVAN 1	18 KLEZMER BAND REHEARSAL 7pm GREEN TEAM meeting 7:30pm Zoom 47 2	19 Adat Shalom Annual Meeting 7:30pm 48 3	20 MY JEWISH DAY with Rabbi Nosanwisch 12pm WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Rabbi Bergman and Eran Reznik 5pm SYNAGOGUE THRIVAL KIT with clergy 6:30pm Zoom 49 4	EREV SHAVUOT 21 TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT 8pm 40 8:41pm 5	SHAVUOT 1 22 Morning services 9am SHAVUOT FAMILY PROGRAM 10:30am 40 8:37pm 6	SHAVUOT 2 / YIZKOR 23 Morning services 9am MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 8:45pm 7
24 8	MEMORIAL DAY 25 YOM YERUSHALAYIM Bat Mitzvah of Ella Bak 9	26 GRIEVING WITH GRACE: Bereavement Circle for 50+ with Rabbi Nosanwisch, Cici Syms, LMSW 4:30pm 48 10	ROSH CHODESH SIVAN 27 MY JEWISH DAY with Rabbi Nosanwisch 12pm WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Rabbi Bergman and Eran Reznik 5pm 49 11	28 Men's Club THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS with Rabbi Bergman 7pm 40 12	29 40 8:44pm 13	Naso 30 SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Rabbi Nosanwisch 9:45am MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 9pm 14
MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS with Rabbi Bergman 9:30am 31 MEMORIAL PLAQUE DEDICATION 11am 15						

JUNE 2026

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Adat Shalom Synagogue

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Rabbi Bergman and Eran Rezik 5pm DRUM CIRCLE with Hazzan Gross 7pm	4	5 PIZZA DINNER 5:30pm SHABBAT ROCKS 6pm INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS ICE CREAM!	6 Beha'alotcha Bat Mitzvah of Elli Smolitsky SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Rochelle Lieberman 9:45am MiniMinyan 10:30am Bat Mitzvah of Maddie Davis MINCHAH-MAARIV 9:15pm
	SIVAN 16	17	18	19	 8:49pm 20	21
7 Sisterhood KNITTING CIRCLE 9:30am	8 ANYONE CAN PAINT with Rabbi Bergman and Jennifer Bass 10am THE STRANGEST BOOKS IN JEWISH HISTORY with Rabbi Bergman 7pm Zoom	9 BEIT MIDRASH BIG QUESTIONS with Rabbi Nosanwisch and Rabbi Langer 7pm	10 WARRIOR MOVEMENT 5pm FEMINIST TORAH STUDY for women with Rabbi Nosanwisch 10am GROWING THROUGH GRIEF: BEREAVEMENT CIRCLE FOR 20s, 30s, 40s with Rabbi Nosanwisch and Dr. Jackie Issner 7pm	11	12	13 Shelach SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Rabbi Bergman 9:45am MiniMinyan 10:30am Bar Mitzvah of Chase Grubbs MINCHAH-MAARIV 9:15pm
22	23	24	25	26	 8:53pm 27	28
14 MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS with Rabbi Bergman 9:30am	15 ROSH CHODESH TAMMUZ GREEN TEAM MEETING 7:30pm Zoom	16 ROSH CHODESH TAMMUZ	17 Lillian E. Kaufman Memorial Concert PROFETI DELLA QUINTA A NIGHT OF SACRED HARMONY 7pm	18	19	20 Korach SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Rabbi Krakoff 9:45am SOULFUL YOGA with Rabbi Nosanwisch 9:45am MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 9:15pm
29	30	TAMMUZ 1	 2	 3	 8:55pm 4	5
FATHER'S DAY 21	22	23 GRIEVING WITH GRACE: BEREAVEMENT CIRCLE FOR 50+ with Rabbi Nosanwisch and Cici Syms, LMSW 4:30pm	24 WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Rabbi Bergman and Eran Rezik 5pm	25	26	27 Chukat-Balak SHABBAT TORAH STUDY with Phreddy Nosanwisch 9:45am MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 9:15pm
6	7	8	9	10	 8:56pm 11	12
28	29	30				SERVICE SCHEDULE MORNING SERVICES Shabbat & Festivals 9am Sunday-Friday 8am WEEKDAY EVENING SERVICES through October 30 2026 6pm Shabbat Minchah/Maariv times vary. See each date. Shabbat & holiday services childcare available 9:30am
13	14	15				

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Adat Shalom Synagogue

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SERVICE SCHEDULE MORNING SERVICES Shabbat & Festivals 9AM Sunday - Friday 8AM WEEKDAY EVENING SERVICES through October 30, 2026 at 6pm Shabbat Minchah/Maariv times vary. See each date. Childcare available on Shabbat 9:30-10:30am			1 WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Rabbi Bergman and Eran Rezik 5pm TAMMUZ 16	2 FAST OF TAMMUZ	3  8:55pm	Pinchas 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 9:15pm 19
5 20	6 21	7 22	8 WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Eran Rezik 5pm GROWING THROUGH GRIEF: Bereavement Circle for 20s, 30s, 40s with Rabbi Nosanwisch and Dr. Jackie Issner 7pm 23	9 24	10  8:53pm	Matot-Masei 11 MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 9pm 26
12 Social Action Committee serving dinner at Lighthouse of Oakland County through July 18 27	13 28	14 29	ROSH CHODESH AV 15 WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Eran Reznik 5pm AV 1	16 2	17  8:49pm	Devarim 18 MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 9pm 4
19 5	20 6	21 7	EREV TISHA B'AV 22 Community Service at Congregation Shaarey Zedek and Zoom WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Rabbi Bergman and Eran Rezik 5pm 8	EREV TISHA B'AV 23 9	24  8:43pm	Vaetchanan 25 MiniMinyan 10:30am MINCHAH-MAARIV 9pm 11
26 12	27 13	28 GRIEVING WITH GRACE: Bereavement Circle for 50+ with Rabbi Nosanwisch, Cici Syms, LMSW 4:30pm 14	TU B'AV 29 WARRIOR MOVEMENT with Rabbi Bergman and Eran Rezik 5pm 15	30 15	31  8:43pm	

Adat Shalom. *Your place to Be.*

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE
ADAT SHALOM SYNAGOGUE
ANNUAL MEETING AND MEMORIAL SERVICE
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2026 AT 7:30PM



All congregants are invited to attend Adat Shalom's annual meeting and election of officers and trustees. This is an opportunity for you to learn more about the offerings and accomplishments of our synagogue. We will review our financial situation and also hold our annual Memorial Service.

The nominating committee has submitted the following slate for 2026/2027:

OFFICERS:

- President - Joe Wener*
- 1st Vice President – Jackie Issner
- 2nd Vice President – Lon Zaback
- Secretary – Dr. Jennifer Sobol
- Treasurer – Danny Kaufman

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT LARGE:

- 2027 – Maria Pacis-Biederman
- 2028 – Jerome Pesick
- 2029 - Kate Zenlea

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT:

Joyce Berlin-Weingarten

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

- 2027 -Jaron Friedman, Diane Howitt, Stuart Logan
- 2028 –Brenda Moskovitz, Sandy Rosen, Matthew Shiffman
- 2029 –Alan Gallatin, Rick Tyner, Gary Wine

MEMORIAL PARK: 3 year term

2029 – Larry Berry, David Bushman, David Schostak

The By-Laws permit additional candidates for any office to be nominated by a petition signed by 25 members in good standing. The petition must be filed with the secretary of the congregation (by filing in the synagogue office during regular business hours) no later than the close of business on Tuesday May 5, 2026. The candidate must consent to placing their name in nomination. As of this date, no petitions have been filed.

Sincerely,

Joe Wener, President

Jackie Issner, Secretary

Joyce Berlin-Weingarten, chairperson of the Nominating Committee

**subject to passage at the annual meeting of a proposed bylaw amendment.*

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 Cantor Nicholas Fenakel z"l
 Cantor Larry Vieder z"l