



Join us for Kabbalat Shabbat Services every Friday evening at 5:30 pm in the Gusti Engelberg Sanctuary & on the Beth Israel website or Beth Israel Facebook Live.



**The Whole “Megillah” Shabbat
Friday, March 11th at 5:30 pm**

🕯️ Join us for a Shabbat & Purim Celebration

🕯️ Hear the Story of Purim

🕯️ Come Dressed in your Favorite Costume

🕯️ Join us after Services for 3-Cornered Pizza, Purim Bingo, & baking Hamantaschen (bring your dough & fillings) for the Sunday CAR-nival.

RSVP to the Temple Office - Cost is \$5 per person, or \$20 per family

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The Celebration Continues –

Sunday, March 13th at 11:30 am (following Sunday School)

Meet in the Beth Israel Parking Lot for your Scavenger Hunt Clues

RSVP to the Temple Office

Volunteers Needed



Miss Cookie & Miss Kathy with the toys Beth Israel collected for the Atlantic County Women's Shelter. Thank you to everyone who participated.

The next JPlace Adult Book Group will meet on Wednesday, March 23rd at 1:00 pm. The selection is “The Last Summer at the Golden Hotel” by Elyssa Friedland.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

The Red Cross Blood Drive held at Beth Israel on December 23rd was a great success. The potential number of lives saved was 75! Thank you for your support.

Letter from Rabbi Michael Feshbach

February 15, 2022

Dear Members and Friends of Beth Israel:

I am delighted to be coming to Beth Israel as your rabbi this coming July. My name is Michael Feshbach. I am married to Julie Novick; we have three children: Benjamin (25), Daniel (24) and Talia (20).

I am currently the rabbi of The Hebrew Congregation of St Thomas, in the US Virgin Islands. Before that, I was the Senior Rabbi of Temple Shalom in Chevy Chase, MD. You can read more about me on my personal website (www.michaelfeshbach.net), or at the website of The Hebrew Congregation (www.synagogue.vi).

I am excited to be coming to Beth Israel, for both personal and professional reasons. Rabbi Weis and I have been close for almost 20 years. We studied together at the Shalom Hartman Institute beginning in 2010. I not "replacing" him, but I am honored to carry on the work of a colleague and cherished friend.

We will be coming from one congregation with a long history and deep roots, to another. The Hebrew Congregation of St Thomas is home to the oldest synagogue building in continuous use under the US flag - and one of five synagogues in the world with sand on the floor.

I am proud of what I have accomplished here. But these have been difficult years. Even without COVID, our islands are still recovering from the sister storms, Irma and Maria, which hit in September 2017 - just a month after our arrival. Travel back and forth to the mainland became more challenging. In coming to Beth Israel, we will be an hour from two of our children, less than three hours from our eldest, and under four hours from Julie's family.

I am excited to be coming to a vibrant Jewish community, with a leadership ready to be true partners, and a terrific staff and clergy team. I was impressed by all of the congregants and community members I met, who came across as warm, welcoming, caring and genuine. I want to extend a special thank you to Linda Karp and her leadership team; to Shelly Meyers and members of the Search Committee, and to Susan Sokalsky, Cookie Feldman, and Cantor Averbakh. I am grateful the role you played in this process, and I truly look forward to working with all of you!

It is true that where we now live is spectacularly beautiful. But I am thrilled to be returning to an area with Jewish youth and a religious school, with a developed Jewish communal infrastructure, and with other synagogues nearby.

We are, ironically, going from one resort area to another - although it may take us a while to get used to cooler water once again!

I am sure there will be opportunities in the coming months both virtual and in person, for us to meet one another. In the meantime, please feel free to be in touch directly. The best email for me is michael.feshbach@gmail.com

I look forward to getting to know all of you. May the beginning of our time together coincide with a rebirth, and a new sense of connection, as we emerge from these past few years of pandemic.

May you all stay safe, and healthy. And may we meet in person soon!

L'shalom (in peace),

Michael L. Feshbach

Michael L. Feshbach
Rabbi

May their memory be for a blessing

URSULA KATZ
Mother of Dr. Steven Katz

MARTHA JUNE BECKER
Mother of Michelle Zelig

JEROME RHODES
Father of Ellen Eisen

GRACIOUS GIFTS

In Memory Of:

Abraham Zwicker – Ken & Sandi Mackler
Harold J. Rich – Jean Kripitz
Alaina Rose Baker – Karl, Sindy & Lucas Baker
Helen Gallancy – Therese Wertheimer
Uriel Flax – Bennett & Jeannette Flax
Ottilia Fox – Rolf & Gloria Tragbar
Joel Wiesenfeld – Drs. Nat Wiesenfeld & Phyllis Perkins
James E. Rubino – Judy Rubino
David Wallen – Kate Wallen
Mildred Lieff - Mel & Donna Gorsen
Stephen Fischer – Rabbi David & Susan Weis
Harold Minsky – Dr. Scott & Ava Foxman
Yetta Israel – Alan & Ellen Rosenfield
Marcy Lynne Kraft – Alan & Ellen Rosenfield
Freda Staller – Alan & Billie Staller
Abraham Zwicker – Ken & Sandi Mackler
Sylvia Stern – RoseAnne Stern
Bessie Robinson – RoseAnne Stern
Richard Kintish – Debbie Kintish Reeves
Sylvia Kintish – Debbie Kintish Reeves
Aaron Abraham – David & Diane Midelton
Jean Freedman – Gary & Carole Freedman
Rita Rosen – Carole Berg & Family
Erwin Berg – Carole Berg & Family
Ted Zubar – Bill & Nina Demko
Abe Atlas – Ruth Weislow
Irene Palanker – David & Jodi Palanker
Walter Palanker – David & Jodi Palanker
Lionel Zimmer – Bob & Susan Mayer
Ursula Katz – Bob & Susan Mayer
Herbert Galowitz – Peter & Barbara Galowitz
Mary Friedman – Maxine Lippman
Rae Dunayer – Sharon Altman
Cheryl Linsky – Lenna Kane
Audrey Goldstein – David Singer
Melvin Parlin – Scot & Michel Sacks
Frances Trivus – Alan & Ellen Rosenfield
Jeffrey A. Nissman – Alan & Ellen Rosenfield
Gary Scarpa – Barbara Scarpa
Marvin Wallen – Kate Wallen
Samuel Robinson – RoseAnne Stern
Marion Zeiger – Dr. George & Arlene Groch
Mark Powell – Blanche Powell
Dorothy Rahn – Jonathan & Judith Rahn
Esther Perkins – Drs. Phyllis Perkins & Nat Wiesenfeld
Abraham Perkins – Drs. Phyllis Perkins & Nat Wiesenfeld
Minnie Braverman – Irene Ruzzo
Beverly Shulman – Irene Ruzzo

Jack Biel – Mark & Irene Biel
Selma Bernowitz – Marcy Perkins
Gladys Perkins – Marcy Perkins
Linda Rosenberg – Robin Lisa Rosenberg; Tom & Robin Shields; Marilyn Harvey
Troy Schussler – Brian & Shari Cohen
Juliet Ferrin – Dr. Sid & Janet Millstein
George Dungan – Dr. Steve & Marge Gosin
Shirley Pincus – Barry & Debbie Pincus
Milton Portnoy – Selma Portnoy
Bernolt Palas – Larry & Carla Gash
Samuel Berkowitz – Gary & Carole Freedman
Martin Mayer – Therese Wertheimer
Fannie Yantes – Peter & Shelley Dorazio
Ed Weislow – Ruth Weislow
Maurice Nathanson – Sam & Stella Ann Borenstein & Family
Steven Shaw – Barry & Debbie Pincus
Marge Rappoport – Bernice Rappoport
Tom Kennedy – Bonnie Kennedy
Ruth Rackoff – Bonnie Kennedy
Abraham Rackoff – Bonnie Kennedy
Sidney Nisenfeld – Harry & Carol Marder
Eleanor Thierman – David & Angela Thierman
Raymond Laskin – Dr. Arnold & Harriet Young
David Kaplan – Erma Kaplan
Dr. Donald Frankel – Judy Rubino
Anne Stern – Rose Anne Stern
Miriam Robinson – Rose Anne Stern
Shirley Gash – Betsy Gash; Larry & Carla Gash
David Popowich – Dr. Leonard Popowich
Beatrice Bernstein – Jerry & Shelley Bernstein
Mark Josephs - David Singer
Jerome Rhodes – Dr. Paul & Jodi Goodman
Annette Fischer - Rabbi David & Susan Weis
Jack Novick – Steve & Sharon Holtzman
Ethel Bloom – Steve & Marilyn Keiner
Bob Victor – David Singer
Henry Singer – David Singer
Harold Kaiser – Therese Wertheimer
Matthew Rosenfield – Alan & Ellen Rosenfield
Maurice Nissman – Alan & Ellen Rosenfield
Yetta Nissman – Alan & Ellen Rosenfield
Samuel Berkowitz – Marvin & Toby Goldstein
Kay Goldberg – Dr. Marc & Betsy Peck
Mildred Needle – David Schoenen
William Gardner – Ted & Janet Rich
Howard Resnick – Ava Resnick
Lynn Michels Hambro – Dr. Paul & Ingrid Ljubich
Miriam Sloan – Robert & Joyce Anderson
Maxwell Antenson – Robert & Joyce Anderson
Charles Thierman – David & Angela Thierman
Helen Aiscowitz – Jean Wesley
Leonard Kraft - Karl & Sindy Baker
Carol Spielman – Ruth Kelman
Gertrude Groch – Dr. George & Arlene Groch
Sara Waldman - Stan & Dori Waldman
Tillie Godman – Bernice Rappoport
Rose Erichson- Dr. Steve & Marge Gosin

In Honor Of:

Rabbi Weis – Jim & Arlene Berg; Alan & Ellen Rosenfield;
Ruth Kelman; Len & Ann Robinowitz; Mark & Lisa Stein;
Bill & Nina Demko; Jeff & Adria Light

Linda Karp's Installation as President of Beth Israel –
Golda Wood

95th Birthday of Marvin Goldstein – Dr. Sid & Janet
Millstein

In Appreciation of Rabbi David Weis – Jamie Goldberg &
David Cross

BRICKMA/GROSS CONTINUING EDUCATION FUND

Betty Jane Brickman – Dr. Howard & Gale Gross

Lester Brickman – Dr. Howard & Gayle Gross

MANNA

In Memory Of:

Mildred Abis – Jim & Arlene Berg

Morris Berg – Jim & Arlene Berg

In Honor Of:

Speedy Recovery of Dr. Len Popowich – Sandy Metzger

MARTHA MALLIN/BARBARA MALAMUT FUND

In Memory Of:

Sylvia Moskowitz – Harold & Martha Moskowitz

Jack Moskowitz – Harold & Martha Moskowitz

Samuel Koren – Harold & Martha Moskowitz

Pauline Horn – Rhoda Malamut & Family

Gary Malamut – Harold & Martha Moskowitz

**SAUL SINDERBRAND & HARRY & MARC
ROSENBERG RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND**

In Memory Of:

Deb Rosenberg – Frederick Belchikoff; Brian & Shelly
Meyers; Carlo Losco; Maryann Gash & Arny Glazier; Jimmy
& Allison Grossman

In Honor Of:

My Mother Linda Rosenberg – Robin Lisa Rosenberg



In the Family

Mazel tov to:

Joel & Oranit Caplan on the Bat Mitzvah of their
daughter Oriellah

Dr. Andrew & Alina Hirsh on the Bat Mitzvah of their
daughter Diana

Marc & Tena Friedman on the Birth of their grandson
Leo to Alec and Gina Friedman

Jamie Goldberg & Myra Goldberg on Jamie's marriage
to Dave Cross

From the President

It is with great pleasure that I announce our new spiritual leader, Rabbi Michael Feshbach, will be joining Beth Israel as of July 1, 2022. Rabbi Feshbach brings a warm and welcoming presence to all who meet him. We are very excited to have him, his wife Julie Novick and their children, Benjamin, Daniel and Talia join our Beth Israel family. Rabbi Feshbach is looking forward to meeting each of you and I know that you will greet him and his family with that same warm feeling.

As we move forward to a new beginning for Beth Israel, we will build on the strengths and traditions that have brought us to the 132nd year of our Congregation.

A special thank you to the Selection committee, under the Leadership of Shelly Meyers, for their tireless efforts in working through the process of interviewing and hiring a Rabbi. Their goal was to hire the best Rabbi for us and they accomplished that.

Our Re-opening Committee members, Dr. Howard Karp and Dr. Gary Rosman have been wonderful in directing us through these times of Covid. With their expertise we are able to once again have in-person Services and we hope to continue having more in-person programs. I want to thank the Congregation for your understanding and patience in dealing with these challenging times.

One of our top priorities right now is addressing our security procedures so that we maintain as safe an environment as possible. We have had in-person visits with local security agencies. Our Board of Trustees is receiving safety/security training and will be more versed in what to do in an emergency. Your safety is our prime concern. ***"If you see something, say something"***

I look forward to greeting you at Friday night Services. Our Student Rabbi, Alissa Platcow, will be here twice a month through June and I hope you get to meet her. She will also lead Torah study on Saturday mornings, so please feel free to join her there.

I wish the best to each of you and your families.

Linda Karp, President