

Upcoming Beth Torah Events

Ongoing Adult Education Offerings:

- ◆ **Wisdom on Wednesday (WoW):** The WoW crew is reading Rabbi Mark Levin's book, *Praying the Bible*. We meet in the Bride's Room for lunch **Wednesdays** at **noon**, and study from **12:30-1:30 p.m.** Newcomers are welcome anytime.
- ◆ **Lunch and Learn** Join Rabbi Cattapan for lunch and a learning session on **Thursday, April 13th**, from **noon** to **1:30 p.m.** Bring your own Kosher for Passover lunch.
- ◆ **Discussions on the Writings of the Torah:** Join the community in discussion every **Shabbat morning** from **9:00-10:15 a.m.** in the Sader/Shimkin Chapel & Library.

Kids Choir Updates Here are our upcoming **Sunday morning** rehearsals, **9:00-9:20 a.m.:** **March 26th** and **April 2nd**. Upcoming performance: Spring Session (concert) **Sunday, April 2nd** at **3:00 p.m.**

Men's Group Rehearsals The Men's Group will rehearse their Spring Session music at these times, combined with the Women's Group: **Sunday, March 26th** (11:10 a.m.-noon), and **Sunday, April 2nd** (11:10 a.m.-noon) Dress rehearsal with all performers: **Sunday, March 26th** (3:00-5:00 p.m.) The Spring Session is **Sunday, April 2nd**, at **3:00 p.m.**

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Open Hands—An Exploration of Judaism and End of Life Practices Part II: Sunday, March 26th, 12:00-3:00 p.m., a discussion on *Traversing the Path* led by a panel of experts.

Cemetery Costs Going Up The prices on our cemetery plots at Mt. Moriah will be going up as of **April 1, 2017** due to Mt. Moriah raising their prices. If you were thinking of purchasing your plots in our cemetery, this would be the time to act. Mt. Moriah representatives will be available at the March 26th session of *Open Hands*.

Storah Troupe returns in June! *Calling all writers and actors — Storah Troupe needs your help.* Building the story of Joshua and the Scouts will begin after Purim for a **June 16th** presentation. Contact richard.bellotti@gmail.com if you would like to be included in the next installment of Jewish ritual theatre at Beth Torah.

What is Visual T'filah This year our community at Beth Torah has been experimenting with integrating imagery into the prayer experience. Visual T'filah is a way to enhance prayer through the integration of imagery into the worship service. Images are displayed with the liturgy interwoven or alongside to elevate a page of prayer to new levels. Join us on **Erev Shabbat, March 24th** as we enjoy worship together as a community using Visual T'filah.

BTTY Date Night Babysitting Enjoy an adult night out while your children are entertained by our BTTY members on **Saturday, March 25th** from **4:30–9:30 p.m.** Games, movies, arts and crafts as well as dinner and snacks will be provided. All proceeds go to Camp Rainbow, NFTY-MV's Mitzvah Corps project, a camp for children with cancer and other blood-related diseases. Cost is \$35 for the first child and \$15 for each additional child in the same family. BTTY welcomes kids who can walk and are potty-trained. Pre-registration is required. Call the CBT office to register.

Meet a Muslim at Congregation Beth Torah We are hosting a collaborative event with the Crescent Peace Society on **Sunday, March 26th, 5:00-7:00p.m.** It's a chance for Muslims, Jews and people of different faiths, or even no faith, to come together and get know one another in small groups. The Crescent Peace Society is a non-profit organization that seeks to build bridges between people of the Islamic faith and those of other faiths or no faith at all. The event is free, but tickets are necessary to enter. Get your tickets at: <https://www.facebook.com/events/229815707426418/> *Please note that we are looking for table hosts for this event. If this is something you would like to do please contact Laura Intfen at lintfen@beth-torah.org.

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Help Feed the Hungry for Passover Join The Rabbinical Association of Greater Kansas City and area congregations in collecting Passover food items. (The first Seder is Monday, April 10th.) More than 160 families will be helped through your participation in the Passover food drive. **Beth Torah is collecting Matzah Meal and Grape Juice.** *Packaged items should be labeled "kosher for Passover." Drop off items at Beth Torah through March 27th.*

New Moon Lab Join us for Beth Torah's New Moon Lab on **Saturday, April 1st** at **7:30 p.m.** We'll do *havdalah*, go outside to say the blessing of the new moon, learn about the month of Nisan from Rabbi Cattapan, and enjoy hot apple cider and Moon Pies afterward. Babysitting is provided.

On **Sunday, April 2nd**, all 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Graders are invited to our JYG "Hurry Up Summer" program. (5th Graders are invited so they can have a glimpse into what is in store for next year as they will be participating in our JYG events). Everyone will **meet at CBT at 12:15 p.m.** for a pizza lunch and volunteer parent drivers will drive the participants to the Matt Ross Community Center, 8108 Marty St., OPKS for swimming in their awesome indoor pool. Everyone will enjoy the 18 foot tall water slide, a 110-foot lazy river and a water bucket drop! Bring your swimsuit and towel! Cost is \$3 for pizza lunch and \$7 for swimming. **Pick up is at Matt Ross at 3:30 p.m.** Can YOU help drive some students at 1:30 p.m. to Matt Ross? Let Marcia know if you can help mruttmaster@beth-torah.org. **RSVPs are required** to make sure we have enough pizza and drivers.

Spring Session It's time to invite your friends! CBT will host the second annual "Spring Session," a concert featuring 100% local, original Jewish songs, on **Sunday, April 2nd, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

Save The Date! Rabbi Cattapan's Installation Weekend will be **April 28th-30th!** Keep your eyes and ears open for more information to follow. There is still time to help plan this momentous event. Contact Laura Intfen in the Beth Torah office to be part of this amazing group of planners.

Bagel Run: Let's Raise Some Dough for a Holy Cause. Come on out and play the Sunday morning of Installation weekend (**April 30th** at **8:00 a.m.**) as we meet out front for some walking, chatting, running and raising of some money for Beth Torah. Then we can come back and worship together. All ages at all stages are welcome. Keep your eyes and ears open for more Bagel Run information coming at you soon!!

Mark Your Calendars for May 7th The Aleza Myer Memorial Mitzvah Day will be in conjunction with the Joel Winston Social Justice Program. For more information you may contact Program Coordinator Lezlie Zucker at lzucker@beth-torah.org

CBT Blood Drive Congratulations to Scott Franklin and Jeff Altman on a very successful blood drive on February 1st. Please mark your calendar for our next Blood Drive, **Wednesday, May 10th, 2:30-6:30 p.m.** We would love to add new donors to our drive!

Save the Date for the 14th Annual CBT Golf Classic on **Monday, August 14th** at **Oakwood Country Club**. We welcome our new title sponsor, **Sterneck Capital Management**. Frank and Robin Sterneck are longtime members of Congregation Beth Torah. More information coming soon!

Help Refugees Make Kansas City Their Home Thousands of refugees need your help to feel welcome and build their new lives in KC. In this time of fear and uncertainty for refugees, show them that you care, and that you stand with them. To get the latest news, advocacy information, and ways to get involved, connect with JVS at www.jvskc.org/refugeeswelcome. **Take action now.**

Tefilat Shalom: A Service of Comfort & Peace Join us on **Thursday, March 23rd** at **6:30 p.m.** at Village Shalom, for this service of spiritual self-care and anchor yourself in the comfort of community and tradition, with renewed hope for what lies ahead. This sacred and supportive setting offers spiritual restoration and renewal for every stage of life. This contemporary service includes traditional prayer, song, readings and personal reflection. The service will be lead by JFS Community Chaplain, Rabbi Jonathan Rudnick, Emily Tummons and Lezlie Zucker. A light nosh will precede the service with sweets after. All are welcome. For more information, call (913) 327-8250 or email healing@jfskc.org.

Calendar of Events

Saturday, March 18th

9:00 a.m. "Discussion on the Writings of the Torah"
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Worship
Noon Torah Talk with Rabbi Cattapan

Sunday, March 19th Spring Break—No Religious School or Rehearsals

Tuesday, March 21st Office Closed

Wednesday, March 22nd Spring Break—No TAG

Noon Wisdom on Wednesday
7:00-8:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal for Spring Session

Friday, March 24th

Noon Ray Davidson Yiddish Class
6:00 p.m. Nosh
6:30 p.m. Erev Shabbat Worship
7:45 p.m. Oneg Shabbat

Saturday, March 25th

9:00 a.m. "Discussion on the Writings of the Torah"
10:30 a.m. Shabbat Worship
Noon Torah Talk with Rabbi Cattapan
4:30-9:30 p.m. Parents Night Out Camp Rainbow Fundraising

Sunday, March 26th

9:00 a.m. Kids Choir
9:30 a.m. Religious School K-5—Celebrate Nisan Birthdays
10:15 a.m. K-1st Grade Parents Breakfast
11:00 a.m. K-1st Grade Family School
11:10 a.m. Women's and Men's Group Rehearsal for Spring Session
Noon Open Hands An Exploration of Judaism and End of Life Practices
3:00 p.m. Dress Rehearsal for Spring Session
5:00 p.m. Meet a Muslim Program

Tuesday, March 28th Office Closed

Wednesday, March 29th

Noon Wisdom on Wednesday
6:00 p.m. 5778 Confirmation Class Meeting in the Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. TAG
7:00 p.m. Adult Choir Dress Rehearsal for Spring Session

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Shabbat Songs & Blessings

Vaanachnu (Friedman)
 Vaanachnu n'vareich Yah
 mei-atah v'ad olam, mei-atah v'ad olam, mei-atah v'ad olam, Hal'luyah
 Hal'luyah, Hal'luyah, Hal'luyah, Hal'luyah (3x)

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שְׂגַמְלָנִי כָּל טוֹב.

Blessed atah Adonai Eloheynu
 melech haolam shegemalani kol tov

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe
 who has bestowed every goodness upon us.

Hashkiveinu ("Mah Tovu")
 Hashkiveinu Adonai Eloheinu l'shalom, l'shalom
 V'ha-amideinu, Shomreinu, l'chayim
 Ufros aleinu sukkat sh'lomecha (2x) Amen

Shelter us beneath your wings, O Adonai
 Guard us from all harmful things, O Adonai
 Keep us safe throughout the night
 'Til we wake with morning's light
 Teach us God wrong from right, Amen
 Amen, Amen. . .

Yih'yu L'ratzon / Oseh Shalom (Tim Intfen)
 Yih'yu l'ratzon imrei fi v'hegyon libi l'fanecha
 Adonai tzuri, Adonai tzuri, Adonai tzuri v'goali
 Oseh shalom bimromav hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu
 v'al kol Yisrael, v'al kol Yisrael
 v'imru, v'imru Amen (3x)

Friday Night Kiddush

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְּרֵי הַגֶּפֶן. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
 אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתַי וְרָצָה בְּנוֹ, וְשִׁבֵּת קִדְּשׁוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הַנְּחִילָנוּ זְכוּר לְמַעֲשֵׂה
 בְּרֵאשִׁית, כִּי הוּא יוֹם תְּחִלָּה לְמִקְרָאֵי קִדְּשׁ, זָכֹר לִיצִיאַת מִצְרָיִם, כִּי בְּנוֹ בְּחִרְתָּ וְאוֹתָנוּ
 קִדְּשָׁתָּ מִכָּל הָעַמִּים, וְשִׁבֵּת קִדְּשׁוֹ בְּאַהֲבָה וּבְרָצוֹן הַנְּחִילָנוּ. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי מְקַדְּשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת.

Baruch ata Adonai, Elohaynu melech ha'olam, boray p'ri hagafen. Baruch atah Adonai,
 Elohaynu melech ha'olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'ratza vanu, v'Shabbat kodsho b'ahava
 uvratzon hinchilanu, zikaron l'ma'aseh v'raysheet. Ki hu yom t'chila l'mikra'ay kodesh, zecher l'tzi'at
 Mitzrayim. Ki vanu vacharta v'otanu kidashta mikol ha'amim, v'Shabbat kodsh'cha b'ahava uvratzon
 hinchaltanu. Baruch ata Adonai, m'kadaysh hashabbat.

Mi Shebeirach List

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Prayers for loved ones in need of healing are beneficial for those who are ill and those
 who love them. We continue to rebuild our weekly Mi Shebeirach List. If you
 have someone in your family who is currently ill, whose name you would like to appear on
 our Mi Shebeirach List, please send an email to robryan@beth-torah.org and put in the
 message line: Mi Shebeirach List, or call the CBT office and let us know. Thank you.

Recent Deaths

LAID TO REST THIS PAST WEEK: SHIVA

Shirley White (mother of Sandy Fried and mother-in-law of Ed Fried)

RECENTLY LAID TO REST: SH'LOSHIM:

Ann Cohen (mother of Tom Cohen)

Sally Turk Tranin (mother of Ed Tranin)

Lloyd Lipoff (father-in-law of Alice Capson and grandfather of Beth Lipoff)

Yahrzeits

Anne Cutter Aronson (mother of Audrey Myers) **Felicia Brill** (mother of Raymond Brill) **Louis Brown** (father of Phil Brown) **Celia D. Cattapan** (mother of Rabbi Javier Cattapan) **Deborah Ruth Levitt Dutton** (daughter of Harry Levitt) **Donald Epstein** (cousin of Alisa Kartch) **Luther J. Fowler** (father of Carol Frankel) **Trueman Friend** (father of Trudy Jacobson) **Eugene Gelfand** (uncle of Lauren Hoopes) **Esther Goldman** (mother of Mike Goldman) **Ann Goldstein** (cousin of Martha Gershun) **Morris Goldstein** (father-in-law of Mary Ann Goldstein) **Morris Gorsky** (father of Pola Greenwald, and grandfather of Doug Greenwald and Beth Jordan) **Ira Hammond** (father of Jonathan Hammond) **Irwin Jacobs** (uncle of Laura Bolter) **Maurice H. Kartch** (father of Alisa Kartch) **Sidney Kleg** (grandfather of Brad Klinock and father of Susie Klinock) **Larry Krakow** (loved one of Roger and Ellen Sommi) **Ida Jenny Levin** (grandmother of Rabbi Mark Levin) **Darlene M. Meltzer** (mother and mother-in-law of Phil Meltzer and Lauren Aaronson) **Max Moses** (grandfather of Julie Altman, Janet Bloom, and Judy Dubrov) **Robert W. Murray** (father of Lynn Murray) **Gerald Paisner** (father of Steven Paisner) **Dorothy Poslosky** (great grandmother of Adam Poslosky) **Joseph Razafsky** (great grandfather of Jeff Razafsky) **Jeanne Shuchart** (loved one of Johnny Shuchart) **Julian Siegel** (father of Marsha Herman and grandfather of Gregg Herman) **Max Swade** (father of Mickey Swade) **Selma Till** (aunt of Diane Mielke) **Sadie Wacknov** (mother of Donna Zavelo) **Frances Lee Weinstein** (mother of Larry Weinstein) **Mary Wickersham** (sister-in-law of Ari Weindling)

Shabbat Shalom! Shabbat Shalom! Shabbat Shalom!

Congregation Beth Torah

Welcome to Shabbat Services

*We Embrace*Energize*Illuminate*Inspire*Respond*Connect*

Weekly Torah Portion—Ki Tisa

Exodus 30:11-16, Plaut Chumash (red) p. 632

1 Kings 18:1-39, Plaut Chumash (red) p. 722-725

- ◆ **Tot Shabbat with PJ Library—Shabbat for Little People with Big Hearts** meets **Friday, 6:00-6:20 p.m.**, in the Library.
- ◆ Thank you to our BTTY volunteer: **Sydney Kitt** for assisting our babysitter on Friday night.
- ◆ Friday night worship leadership team: **Rabbi Cattapan, Carmen Dieker, and Emily Tummons.**
- ◆ Friday night following services don't forget to **"Stay and Play"** board games with our community. Games appropriate for ages 12 and up.
- ◆ Saturday morning worship leadership team: **Rabbi Cattapan and Emily Tummons.**
- ◆ The Shabbat calendar this week says to **"Consider What You Idolize."**

WE'RE INSTALLING OUR RABBI NEXT MONTH!

Congregation Beth Torah celebrates the installation of Senior Rabbi Javier E. Cattapan on April 28-30, 2017

There are opportunities all weekend to learn from Scholar in Residence Rabbi Rami Shapiro, participate in the Installation celebration and to volunteer.

There will even be a Sunday morning Bagel Walk and Talk!

Be sure to check out your March Tekiah or our web site for more information and your tzedakah opportunities associated with this joyous moment in Beth Torah's life.

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