



JANUARY 2026
TEVET — SHEVAT 5786



Calendar Highlights

Thursday, January 1

Office Closed

Friday, January 2

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Candle lighting: 4:23pm

TORAH: Vayehi

Saturday, January 3

Havdalah: 5:40pm

Monday, January 5

3:30pm Homework Club

Tuesday, January 6

3:30pm Homework Club

Wednesday, January 7

3:30pm Homework Club

7:00pm Board Meeting

Thursday, January 8

3:30pm Homework Club

6:30pm Keruv Class

Friday, January 9

5:30pm Family Shabbat Dinner

Candle lighting: 4:32pm

TORAH: Shemot

Saturday, January 10

4:30pm Seudah Shelishit

Havdalah: 5:48pm

Sunday, January 11

10:00am Shul School

Monday, January 12

3:30pm Homework Club

5:00pm Judaism 201

Tuesday, January 13

3:30pm Homework Club

Wednesday, January 14

3:30pm Homework Club

Thursday, January 15

12:00pm Hazak Lunch & Learn

3:30pm Homework Club

6:30pm Keruv Class

Friday, January 16

Candle lighting: 4:42pm

TORAH: Va'era

Saturday, January 17

Havdalah: 5:58pm

Sunday, January 18

10:00am B'nai Mitzvah Class

10:00am Shul School

Monday, January 19

3:30pm Homework Club

5:00pm Judaism 201

Tuesday, January 20

3:30pm Homework Club

Wednesday, January 21

3:30pm Homework Club

Thursday, January 22

3:30pm Homework Club

6:30pm Keruv Class

Friday, January 23

Candle lighting: 4:53pm

TORAH: Bo

Saturday, January 24

4:30pm Seudah Shelishit

Havdalah: 6:08pm

Sunday, January 25

10:00am Shul School

Monday, January 26

3:30pm Homework Club

5:00pm Judaism 201

Tuesday, January 27

3:30pm Homework Club

Wednesday, January 28

3:30pm Homework Club

Thursday, January 29

3:30pm Homework Club

7:30pm What's Rabbi Reading?

Friday, January 30

Candle lighting: 5:06pm

TORAH: Beshalah

Saturday, January 31

4:30pm Seudah Shelishit

6:00pm Wicks & Flicks with PJ Library

Havdalah: 6:19pm

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9:00am Daily

Evening Services

6:00pm Daily

Saturday evening services will exclusively be available by request, unless we are hosting a Seudah Shelishit. If you would like to request a Saturday evening service, kindly contact the Beth Tzedec office at least one week in advance.

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The Hope and Power of a Small Act of Light

The miracle wasn't eight days of light. The miracle was that we chose to light one flame.

By Rabbi Cantor Russell G. Jayne

Leo & Goldie Sheftel Rabbinical Chair | Norman & Beulah Martin Cantorial Chair



January can be a complicated month. The world outside is quiet, the nights still arrive early, and many of us feel a mix of emotions as we step into a new secular year. For some, winter brings a welcome pause; for others, it brings heaviness. And for many, it brings both.

I want to name something that often goes unspoken: this time of year can feel lonely, tender, or confusing, even for people who appear to be doing well. The festive lights are gone, routines resume, and the contrast between the brightness of Hanukkah and the stillness of midwinter can leave us feeling unanchored.

Our tradition understands these moments. Judaism does not ask us to pretend that the world is always bright. Instead, it offers us language, rituals, and community to help us navigate darker seasons with honesty and compassion.

If you are entering this new secular year with questions, fears, or weariness, I want you to know that you are not the only one. Many people in our community are carrying private burdens, grief that resurfaces, worries about loved ones, the weight of world events, or simply the emotional fatigue that winter can bring.

And yet, one of the greatest gifts of

community is this: we do not have to experience any of this alone.

When you show up to services, you bring warmth to someone who needed company.

When you accept help, you give someone the chance to fulfill a mitzvah.

When you reach out, whether for a conversation, or simply to just say “I’m struggling a bit”, you allow for the possibility of light to enter at the very moment it feels farthest away.

The *Kabbalah* teaches that there is a hidden light (*ohr ganuz*) that suffuses creation. It is not always visible, not always obvious, but it is waiting to be revealed through our words and our deeds. In the deep midwinter, that teaching feels especially poignant. The world may appear dim, but the light is still there. Our task is to uncover it, to amplify it, and to share it.

We don’t have to transform the world all at once. Sometimes lighting a single candle is enough. Sometimes taking one step is enough. Sometimes sharing your truth with a trusted friend or rabbi is enough.

So, as we move through January, my blessing is a simple one:

May you be kind to yourself in this winter season.

May you feel supported by this community, in ways large and small.

May you discover that hope does not need to be loud to be real, only present, like a quiet flame that refuses to go out.

And may we continue to walk with one another, offering warmth,

strength, and compassion as we navigate the months ahead.

Please know that my door is always open, whether you need to talk, to ask for guidance, or simply to be heard.

Wishing you warmth, blessing, and *shalom*.

what's Rabbi **READING?**

We'll be chatting at Masala Art on
Thursday, January 29 at 7:30pm

Join us each month at Masala Art for lively conversation, good company, and great food as we explore Jewish literature together. The Beth Tzedec Book Club is open to all who love reading and discussing stories, history, and ideas through a Jewish lens.

This January, we'll be reading *The Safekeep* by Yael van der Wouden. Set in rural Holland in 1961, the novel follows Isabel, whose orderly life is disrupted when her brother's unpredictable girlfriend, Eva, comes to stay. As household items begin to vanish, Isabel's irritation turns into obsession, blurring the lines between suspicion and desire.

A tense, atmospheric story about control, buried history, and the unsettling secrets that surface when two very different women are forced under one roof.



Finding Light in Moments of Darkness

At Beth Tzedec, we believe that coming together is one of our most powerful responses to hatred.

By Jennifer Girvitz

Executive Director, Beth Tzedec Congregation



Hanukkah has always been a holiday of contrast. We light small flames against the longest nights of the year. We tell an ancient story of vulnerability and resilience. And we gather—around candles, around tables, around one another—to affirm that Jewish life endures.

This year, those contrasts felt especially close to home.

On the first night of Hanukkah, as families here at Beth Tzedec came together for our joyful Family Hanukkah Party—singing songs, making crafts, sharing laughter, and lighting candles—we also learned of a deeply troubling antisemitic attack at a Hanukkah celebration in Australia. The news was heartbreaking. It was also jarring to realize that while one community was celebrating, another was facing fear and violence simply for being Jewish.

Moments like these remind us why gathering matters.

Hanukkah was not only about remembering a miracle that happened long ago; it was about choosing light now. It was about showing up as a community even when the world feels uncertain or painful. It was about saying, clearly and without apology, that Jewish joy, Jewish ritual, and Jewish togetherness will not be dimmed.

Our Family Hanukkah Party embodied that spirit beautifully. Watching our children dance, seeing grandparents and parents connect, hearing voices raised together in song—these moments were not small or incidental. They were acts of resilience. They were declarations that our community is strong, caring, and deeply connected.

At Beth Tzedec, we believe that coming together is one of our most powerful responses to hatred. When we gather to celebrate holidays, learn together, pray together, and support one another, we strengthen the bonds that carry us through difficult times. We model for our children not only what it means to be Jewish, but what it means to be proud, compassionate, and unafraid to bring light into the world.

As we move into the new year, may we hold both joy and sorrow with honesty. May we keep the victims of antisemitic violence in our hearts. And may we continue to show up—for celebrations, for learning, for one another—knowing that each candle we light adds warmth and hope far beyond our own windows.

Celebrating together reminds us that even a small light can push back a great deal of darkness. Together, as a community, our light is strong.

Thank You for Sharing Hanukkah at Beth Tzedec

Despite the heartbreaking attack that marked the start of our Hanukkah season, we came together to share the light of the holiday with friends and loved ones.



Volunteer Spotlight: Cheryl Baron (aka Cheryl Shiell!)

For our very first Volunteer Spotlight, we're delighted to feature Cheryl—a familiar face and dedicated leader whose involvement with Beth Tzedec stretches back to our very beginnings.

From board leadership and special events to behind-the-scenes communications work, Cheryl's contributions have helped shape our congregation for more than three decades.

About Cheryl

How long have you been involved with Beth Tzedec?

I've been a member since the dedication and opening of Beth Tzedec in 1990.

What first brought you to our congregation?

We were originally members of Shaarey Tzedec. After the amalgamation of Shaarey Tzedec with Beth Israel in 1986, we became part of the newly formed Beth Tzedec.

Volunteering at Beth Tzedec

What roles or volunteer activities have you taken part in over the years?

Over the years, I've been involved in many aspects of congregational life at Beth Tzedec. I served as a member of the Beth Tzedec Board from 1990 to 2023, including a term as President from 2003 to 2005.

I've helped organize major special events such as *Three Cantors in Concert* with Marvin Hamlisch and the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra in 2005, the Robbie Burnstein events from 2013 to 2017, MyrDunn in 2016, and the Virtual Night of Mirth and Mitzvot event in 2021.

I've also served on a number of committees, including Ritual, the National Minyan League, the Past

Presidents' Council, and Life & Legacy.

In addition, I've been a National Minyan League team member since its inception, have served as editor of Shalom Byte since 2022, and regularly supported the congregation through Shabbat and High Holiday honours and fundraising efforts.

What do you enjoy most about volunteering at Beth Tzedec?

The people and the friends I've made over the many years. I was brought up in what we would now consider a Conservative home, though my parents always belonged to an Orthodox shul. I learned Hebrew after school so I could follow a siddur and



even took some Yiddish classes—I love languages. My involvement at Beth Tzedec taught me so much more, which I truly cherish.

Is there a particular project, event, or moment that stands out to you?

Those of us who were involved in the Robbie Burnstein events will never forget them. Even non-Jewish attendees still reminisce and ask why we aren't still doing it (sadly, a lack of volunteers).

What's something people might not realize about the work you do?

The weekly work on Shalom Byte—and publications like Lecha Dodi and Shofar—is something people expect to simply appear. What they don't see is the teamwork behind the scenes: the Rabbi, Executive Director, committee heads, office staff, and our Marketing Director, who pulls it all together. Like so much at Beth Tzedec, it appears seamlessly thanks to a thoughtful and dedicated team.

The Personal Touch

What do you do outside of synagogue life? My father owned the largest antique shop in Canada in Montreal, so I'm very interested in art, antiques, china, and porcelain. I also enjoy classical music and Broadway tunes, attending concerts, and—time permitting—working on family genealogy and history.

Do you have a favourite Jewish holiday, tradition, or memory connected to Beth Tzedec? Being with my family in shul for the High Holiday services, as well as our seders and family Shabbat dinners.

What does being part of this kehillah mean to you?

It means a great deal. It's my connection to family and friends, to Jewish holidays, Shabbat, and the chagim—all the good things in life we share with those most important to us.

Speed Round

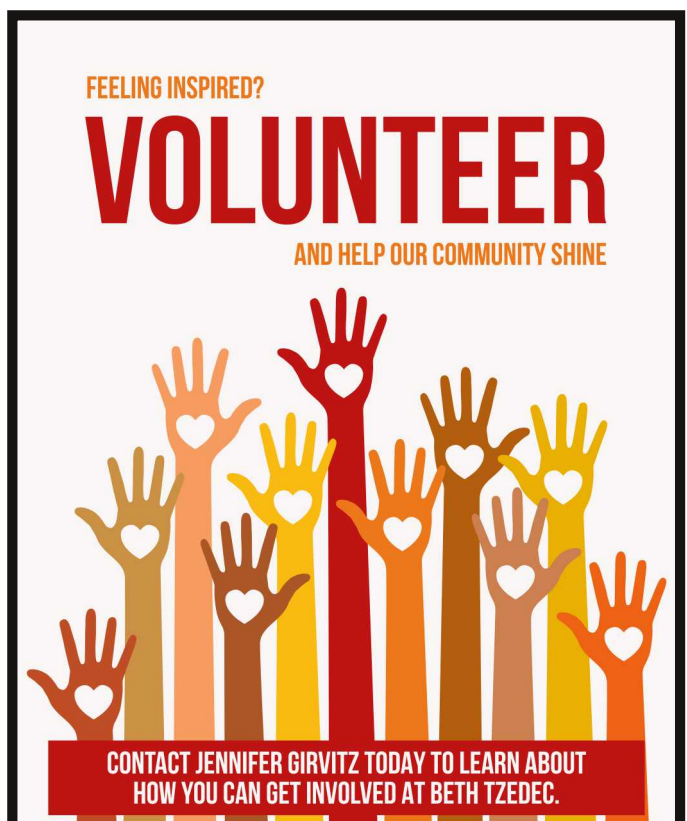
Coffee or tea? Tea regularly, but occasionally a latte.

Bagels or babka? Montreal bagels.

What's something that always makes you smile?

It doesn't happen often enough, but I always smile when Bob and I are together with our children and grandchildren, all enjoying what we are doing and enjoying each other.

But at shul, it's connecting with friends, meeting new people and the warmth of the Beth Tzedec congregation.



Programs and Events

Family Shabbat Dinner

Friday, January 9

5:30pm to 8:00pm

Start your Shabbat off right with Family Shabbat dinner at Beth Tzedec, filled with ruach (spirit) and kehillah (community). Join at 5:30pm for an interactive Shabbat-inspired program with singing, fun, and stories. Then, enjoy a shul-cooked dinner together with all your friends at 6:00pm. **Click here** to register.

Seudah Shelishit:

Exploring Pirkei De-Rabbi Eliezer

Saturdays January 10, 24 & 31

4:30pm to 6:30pm

Explore Pirkei De-Rabbi Eliezer, a vivid Talmudic-era collection of midrash that reimagines Torah from creation to the wilderness. Join Rabbi Russ for close reading and lively discussion as we uncover storytelling, ethics, and imagination—and see how this ancient text reshapes familiar narratives and enduring Jewish values for contemporary learners today.

Click here to register and learn more.

Judaism 201

Mondays, January 12, 19 & 26

5:00pm to 6:00pm

Judaism 201 is an adult learning series with Rabbi Russ for those ready to go deeper. Explore foundational texts and practices, including Sefer Yetzirah, Talmud, Sefer Bahir, and Jewish prayer, to strengthen knowledge and deepen connection to Jewish tradition today. **Click here** to register and learn more.

Hazak Lunch & Learn:

Tzedakah with Vision

Thursday, January 15

12:00pm to 2:00pm

Join our January Hazak Lunch & Learn with JCFC's Brenda Sapoznikow and Joseph Tappenden. Enjoy lunch and community while exploring forward-thinking philanthropy, real stories, and practical insights into how strategic tzedakah strengthens Jewish organizations, programs, students, and future generations together. **Click here** to register and learn more.

What's Rabbi Reading?:

The Safekeep by Yael van der Wouden

Thursday, January 29

7:30pm to 9:00pm

Join us at Masala Art for monthly conversation, good food, and community as we explore Jewish literature together. This January's selection is a tense, atmospheric novel set in postwar Holland, examining control, desire, and buried history as secrets surface between two women. **Click here** to register and learn more.

Wicks & Flicks with PJ Library:

An American Tail

Saturday, January 31

6:00pm to 9:00pm

Our popular Havdalah movie night is back, in partnership with PJ Library! Families are invited to join us for popcorn and a pajama party as we celebrate the beginning of a new week with the classic kids film *An American Tail*. **Click here** to register and learn more.



HOMework CLUB

AFTER SCHOOL FUN FOR GRADES 1 TO 6

→ MONDAYS THROUGH THURSDAYS
FROM 3:30PM TO 5:30PM

Enjoy an afternoon of
games, learning, and
fun with friends –
FREE for Beth Tzedec
members!



NATIONAL MINYAN LEAGUE: JANUARY BONUS DATES

Sunday, January 11 | Sunday, January 18
Sunday, January 25 | Thursday, January 29
Friday, January 30 (Morning Service Only)



Todah rabah to the following individuals and families who have made personal commitments to the future of the Beth Tzedec Community.

Bill & Randi Aaron
 Judy Adler
 Karen Ashkin
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 Chris & Judi Baron-Bown
 Robert & Marcie Barsky
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 Leonard & Harriet Waghelstein
 Paula & Eric Weil
 Megan Zybutz & Ron Eliovitz
 Anonymous (6)

Now is the time to renew our commitment to this beautiful building full of important memories. This will ensure that our community, our children and grandchildren, will have a place to gather, pray and learn for the next 40 years.

[Click here to make your contribution today.](#)

Tributes & Donations

CONGREGATION FUND/TZEDAKAH FUND

MAZEL TOV

Dr. Stanley Smith, on his special birthday

By Faith Dubisky

Debbie Krygier, on her birthday

By Reva Faber

Yerusha & Akiba Charikar, on their grandson's Bar Mitzvah

By Judy Chetner

Jennifer & Adam Girvitz, on their son's Bar Mitzvah

By Judy Chetner

Allan Kolinsky, on his milestone birthday

By Joyce & Jeff, Lindsay, Josh, and Isanne

Hilda & Lenny Smith, on their birthdays

By Sam & Lauren Bell and Family

Tamar Zenith, on her milestone birthday

By Robert Bassett

Judah Hornstein, on his Bar Mitzvah

By Steven, Nicole, Josh and Dan Rosendorff

Bayla & David Jacobs, on their milestone anniversary

By Val & Lou Bracey

SYMPATHY

Lauren & Sam Bell, on the loss of Marc Brener

By Jennifer Eisenberg & Stephen Boucher

Barry & Linda Hoffman

Judy Chetner

Jenny Belzberg, on the loss of her sister, Dorothy Zolf McDonald

By Therese Nagler

Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

Judy Chetner

Sam & Lauren Bell and Family

Ruth Dvorkin and Family, on the loss of Berna Feldman

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

Rosalin Kohn and Family, on the loss of her mother, Lea Kohn

By Milt & Maxine Fischbein

Sam & Lauren Bell and Family

Rabbi Ilana Krygier Lapidés and Family, on the loss of her aunt Lea Kohn

By Milt & Maxine Fischbein

Judy Chetner

Susan & David Inhaber and Family, on the loss of her aunt, Lea Kohn

By Milt & Maxine Fischbein

Judy Chetner

Jeff & Wendy Kohn, on the loss of his mother, Lea Kohn

By Cliff & Marla Eisenberg

Jeff Dworkin

Cliff & Marla Eisenberg

Karen, Jamie, and Michelle Phillips

Sam & Lauren Bell and Family

MEMORIAL NOTICES

Jacob (Jack) Adler beloved father of Irvin (Sandy) Adler and Sherry (Dilan Perera) Adler-Perera. Jack passed away on Tuesday, December 16.

Carol Ann Zindler beloved sister of Brenlee (Scott) Taylor and Allan Zindler. Carol passed away on Monday, December 22.

Leonard Zybutz beloved husband of Debra Wood-Zybutz and father of Marc (Diana) Zybutz, Megan Zybutz (Ron Eliovitz), Daniel Zybutz (Sarah Harbottle), Niall Zybutz, Tyrone Zybutz (David Thode), and Cian Zybutz (Josh Marek). Leonard passed away on Friday, December 26.

Lissa Swanson, on the loss of her friend, Libby Feldman

By Lori Smehoff

The Brener Family, on the loss of Marc Brener

By Joyce & Jeff Kerr and Sharon & Shane Freitag

Stuart Ross and Family, on the loss of Irene Ross

By Sam & Lauren Bell and Family

Val Bracey and Family, on the loss of Mel & Carol Levitt

By Sam & Lauren Bell and Family

Sandra Eisner, on the loss of Haskel Eisner

By Janice Middleman

Adam & Polina Brener, on the loss of Marc Brener

By Bev Sklar & Lorne Tucker

The Adler Family, on the loss of Jack Adler

By Debbie & Albert Krygier
Val & Lou Bracey

Irv & Sandy Adler and Family, on the loss of his father Jack Adler

By Lori & Arnold Olyan

GET WELL

Jennifer Preece

By Reva Faber

Karen, Jamie, and Michelle Phillips
Janice Middleman

Carol Allan

By Delsie and Jeff Dworkin

THANK YOU

Ron & Helmi Switzer

By Lorne Pearl and Family

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THINKING OF YOU

Jennifer Preece

By Maxine Fischbein

HAPPY HANUKKAH GREETINGS

Nat & Harriette Alexander

By Harriet & Lenny Waghelstein

Bob & Cheryl Shiell

By Harriet & Lenny Waghelstein

Claire Berman

By Harriet & Lenny Waghelstein

CYNGISER FAMILY JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL FUND

MAZEL TOV

Brian Abrams, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Barb Atnikov, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Henny Bassin, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Renee & Milton Bogoch, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Max Blitt, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Danielle Braitman, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

David Busheikin, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Debra Carnat, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Jim Cohen, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Maxine Fischbein, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Wylma Freedman, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Sarah Ginzberg, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

David Prasow, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Lily & Herb Rosenberg, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Albert Rosengarten, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Holly Shifrah, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Deborah Silver, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Jun Simantov, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Irena Sofman, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Melanie Trossman, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Mark Swartz, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Riley Zipursky, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

Jennifer Eisenberg, on the premier of *Bazaar!*

By Judy Chetner

Sheryl Livergant, on the premier of *Bazaar!*

By Judy Chetner

Jonathan Joffe, on the premier of *Bazaar!*

By Judy Chetner

Harvey Cyngiser, on a successful Film Festival

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch and Family

Bayla & David Jacobs, on their milestone anniversary

By Lenny & Hilda Smith

Aaron & Hanit Jacobs, on their anniversary

By Hilda & Lenny Smith

SYMPATHY

Jeff Kohn, on the loss of his mother Lea Kohn

By Harvey Cyngiser, Francie Cyngiser and Families

Rosi Kohn, on the loss of her mother Lea Kohn

By Harvey Cyngiser, Francie Cyngiser and Families

Irv Adler and Family, on the loss of his father Jack Adler

By Harvey Cyngiser

Sherry Adler-Perera and Family, on the loss of her father Jack Adler

By Harvey Cyngiser

THANK YOU

Harvey Cyngiser, for his hard work and kindness

By Holly Shifrah

RABBI'S TZEDAKAH FUND

SYMPATHY

Rabbi Ilana Krygier Lapides, on the loss of her aunt Lea Kohn

By Reva Faber

Irv Adler and Family, on the loss of his father Jack Adler

By Harvey Cyngiser

THANK YOU

Rabbi Cantor Russel G. Jayne, for his support

By Sam & Lauren Bell

Dr. Lawrence Price

By Janice McGregor Clark and The
McGregor Family

**LEO & GOLDIE SHEFTEL
RABBINIC CHAIR FUND**

MAZEL TOV

Dr. Stanley Smith, on his special birthday

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch and
Family

Dr. Lenny Smith, on his special birthday

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch and
Family

SYMPATHY

Jeff & Wendy Kohn and Family, on the loss of Lea Kohn

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch and
Family

Rosalin Kohn & Gontran Bolduc and Family, on the loss of Lea Kohn

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch and
Family

The Katchen Family, on the passing of Maureen Katchen

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

GET WELL

Louise Feldman

By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

**LEV SHALEM SABBATH & FESTIVAL
BOOK CLUB**

MAZEL TOV

Harvey Cyngiser, on a successful Film Festival

By Judy Chetner

SYMPATHY

Jenny Belzberg, on the loss of her sister Dorothy "Dubby" Zolf McDonald

By Jeanette Berger and Family

**SIDDUR SIM SHALOM FOR WEEKDAYS
BOOK FUND**

MAZEL TOV

Rabbi Russ, on his birthday

By Judy Chetner and Cindy Chetner &
Yossi Suissa

SYMPATHY

Irvin & Sandy Adler, on the passing of his father Jack Adler

By Judy Chetner

Sherry Adler-Perera & Dilan Perera, on the passing of her father Jack Adler

By Judy Chetner

THANK YOU

Linda Garshman

By Janice & Mac Vomberg

Yahrzeit Fund

Clara Lipkind, beloved grandmother

By Joan Robins

Sidney Pearlman, beloved husband

By Frances Pearlman

Sophie Ross, beloved mother

By Therese Nagler

Rose Jacobson, beloved mother

By Myra Meyers

Yerucham Zeidman, beloved grandfather

By Rose Zivot

Isadore Goldenberg, beloved father

By Jeanette Berger

Lee Lazanik, beloved sister-in-law
By Jeanette Berger

Jerry Dubisky, beloved father
By Laurie Wasser

Jennie Brown, beloved grandmother
By Stephanie Dorchik

Ruth Belzberg, beloved mother
By Toba Friedman

Sherri Roth Bloom, beloved sister
By Lisa Bloom-Korol

Rebecca Block, beloved grandmother
By Cheryl Cohen

Len Gelfand, beloved uncle
By Karen Sklar and Family

Sonia Gelfand, beloved mother and grandmother
By Karen Sklar and Family

Mary Waldman, beloved mother
By Blair Waldman

Gidaly Nahametz, beloved father
By Sara Profis

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By Helen Libenson

Shelly Posner, beloved mother
By Andrea Davis

Thelma Toba Kaplan, beloved mother
By Max & Rochelle Lipsman

Shep Kaplan, beloved father
By Max & Rochelle Lipsman

Zygmunt Lipsman, beloved father
By Max & Rochelle Lipsman

Hella Lipsman, beloved mother
By Max & Rochelle Lipsman

Zygmunt (Ziggie) Wald, beloved brother
By Max & Rochelle Lipsman

Karen Sara Kaplan, beloved sister
By Max & Rochelle Lipsman

Alice Robinstone Rimer, beloved mother
By Faith Dubisky

Abraham Simon, beloved grandfather
By Faith Dubisky

Faiga Friedman, beloved grandmother
By Bev Sklar and Family

Dorothy Feldman, beloved mother
By Nate Feldman

Beatrice Davis, beloved mother
By Naida Feldman

Ben Nathan Davis, beloved father
By Naida Feldman

Lori Shane Feldman, beloved brother
By Nate Feldman

Norman Sugarman, beloved father
By Shelley Sugarman

Saul Bleviss, beloved uncle
By Joey Bleviss

Margaret Bleviss, beloved aunt
By Joey Bleviss

Alexander Markovich, beloved father
By Eli Markovich

Hymie Yuffe, beloved uncle
By Hartley Yuffe and Marilyn Sheftel

Les P. Florence, beloved father and grandfather
By Bernard Florence & Carol Burch,
and Jonathan & Corinne
Florence

Jennie Rachel Rosenbaum, beloved mother
By Frances Pearlman

Harvey Viner, beloved husband
By Fran Viner

David Viner, beloved brother-in-law
By Fran Viner

Leon Zimmerman, beloved brother-in-law
By Fran Viner

Emil Vladut, beloved father-in-law
By Ritta Vladut

Alice Adler, beloved mother
By Irvin, Sandy, Joshua, Corey and
Family

Leo Krell, beloved father
By Ron & Barb Krell

Harry Sherman, beloved father
By Barb & Ron Krell

Simon Malekar, beloved brother
By Yerusha & Akiba Charikar

Leo Sheftel, beloved father
By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch

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By Sheila & Ralph Gurevitch
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By George Goodman
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By Ryan Fleishman
Kathleen Fleishman, beloved mother
By Kyle Fleishman
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Beatrice Adelstein, beloved mother
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By Kent Goldie & Gwen Adelstein
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By Kent Goldie & Gwen Adelstein
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By Lila Mydlarski and Family
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By Rose Zivot

Morris Bercov, beloved father
By Joan Robins
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By Joan and Naomi Robins
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By Paul Mayzus
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By Stephen Kaganov
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By Faith Dubisky and Family
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Eddie Stochinsky, beloved uncle
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Zipora Kaplan, beloved aunt
By Karen, Jamie and Michelle Phillips
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By Jerol Fleishman
Jacob Oykhman, beloved father
By Alexander Oykhman
Evelyn Numerow, beloved mother and Baba
By Len & Danna Numerow and Family
Mordehai Levant, beloved brother
By Rachel Amir
Beverly Barron, beloved mother
By Gerry Barron
David Viner, beloved father
By Arlene Viner-Holmes

Mazel Tov to Our Latest B'nai Mitzvah Students!

We celebrated five B'nai Mitzvah this December at Beth Tzedec. Please join us in congratulating our students and their families!



Heidi Huber
Saturday, December 6



Aviva Rimer
Saturday, December 13



Judah Hornstein
Sunday, December 21

Idan Shaked
Thursday, December 18
(not pictured)

Holly Shifrah
Saturday, December 20
(not pictured)

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR B'NAI MITZVAH PROGRAM

GROUP SESSIONS

SUNDAYS, MONTHLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR
10:00AM TO 12:00PM

Students will learn with both Beth Tzedec rabbis while preparing for their B'nai Mitzvah with a unique and comprehensive curriculum. Beyond learning to successfully lead a B'nai Mitzvah service, they'll develop a deep understanding of the beauty of our tradition.

INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS

WEEKLY OR BI-WEEKLY BEGINNING
NINE MONTHS OUT FROM YOUR SIMCHA

Students will benefit from more personal attention throughout the year, punctuated by group time with their peers, community building and exploring their mitzvah projects, and sharpening their Torah/service-leading skills.

PLUS ASK ABOUT HOW CELEBRATING A B'NAI MITZVAH
AT BETH TZEDEC CAN HELP FUND A TRIP TO ISRAEL
FOR YOUR CHILD

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The estimated value of LIFE & LEGACY commitments in support of Beth Tzedec's future has topped \$1.62 million and continues to grow. To date, close to \$19 million has been raised in support of organizations throughout Jewish Calgary. Regardless of your age, stage and income level, you can give a gift to the future, supporting your Shul, your community and your people.

Be remembered forever!

If you have already designated Beth Tzedec as a beneficiary in your will, trust, retirement account or life insurance policy or you would like to plan your legacy gift, please contact Beth Tzedec President Jeffrey Dworkin at president@bethtzedec.ca or David Inhaber at dinhaber@bethtzedec.ca.

