

SHABBAT SHALOM!

Welcome to



Rabbi Robert Jacobs
Rabbi Emerita: Barbara AB Symons
February 21-22, 2025 24 Sh'vat 5785
Parashat: Mishpatim

President: Randy Boswell
Rabbi Emeritus: Rabbi Jason Edelstein, z"l
Torah Portion: Ex. 21:1-24:18
Haftarah: Jer. 34:8-22; 33:25-26

In contrast to the majesty of last week's Torah portion, with the ascent of Moses capped by the revelation at Mount Sinai, the texts offered as a civil code in formation in this week's reading, Mishpatim, sets a tone of recognition and concern with society where we find ourselves—with those less empowered in the ancient patriarchy. That includes women, landless, and others who fall upon hard times. Over the generations, the definition of privilege changed, though it was only 200 years ago that enslavement was abolished in Western Nations. In the early history of the British Empire from the homeland to the antipodes, debtors were transported to Australia and the colony that became the State of Georgia. Indentured individuals were present in colonial Virginia, too, while slavery remained a visible scar on society in many of the original 13 colonies that revolted against King George III. Other rules contained in this section are less foreign to us. The ethical ideals set the tone for contemporary concerns with the rights of animals, agricultural norms and social standards of decency and courtesy. We should act correctly without reference to our own benefit. Would that that were ever so. The concluding sections of the portion include the reminder: "You shall not boil a kid in its mother's milk." (Exodus 23:19) It has become the foundation of the dietary regulation regarding separation of milk and meat. That idea appears at the conclusion of a brief calendar of the three pilgrimages that remain critical parts of Jewish life.

We pray for healing for our fellow congregants; please bring those prayers beyond the sanctuary via a phone call, a visit, a note or assistance. Please notify the Rabbi or Debbie, if you would like to add or delete a name from this list. We pray for people in America and around the world in need of healing.













In consideration of privacy, the names have been removed from this online version of the service handout. If you would like to have the name of a loved one said aloud during this service, please write it in the chat preferably including his/her relationship to you.


We remember, with love, the Six Million whose lives were taken during the Holocaust. We also remember, with love, those who were taken from our midst this week in years past. When you hear the name of your loved one, please rise in place. We will all rise as a community to say kaddish.

Shiva

Melvin Bergstein, Brother of David Bergstein

YAHREZITS: 18-24 Sh'vat (Read on February 21-22)

Louis Berký 	Irving L. Bloom	Herman Eisenberg	Raymond Gelman  
Harold W. Goldstein  	Jeffrey Holst  	Murray Kaminer	Edwin Krasnow
Mildred Kreimer	Esther Leff	Harry Leof	Ella Levine
Alan Lindner	Rosiland Nadler	Ida Nyer	Robert Pollock  
Albert Rosenthal	Bill Ruffner	Margarete Schreiber  	Norman Serphos
Herman Weisberger 	Benjamin Zalman	Philip Zinn	

 Past TD Member  Memorial Plaque  Charter Member

Temple David Week at a Glance:

Saturday, February 22 (24 Sh'vat)

Torah Talk Led by: Rabbi Jacobs 9 AM

Shabbat Morning Worship Led by: Rabbi Jacobs with Grades 5,6, and 7 10 AM

Sunday, February 23 (25 Sh'vat)

Weiger Religious School 9 AM

Monday, February 24 (26 Sh'vat)

ALLEC Meeting 7:30 PM

Tuesday, February 25 (27 Sh'vat)

Mah Jongg 11:30 PM

Wednesday, February 26 (28 Sh'vat)

Weiger Religious School 4:30 PM

Membership Committee Meeting 7:30 PM

Thursday, February 27 (29 Sh'vat)

Lunch with the Rabbi at China Palace 12 PM

Friday, February 28 (30 Sh'vat)

Rosh Chodesh Adar Day 1

Family Service and Dinner 6PM

Erev Shabbat Worship Led by Rabbi Jacobs 7:30 PM

Music Led by: Randy Boswell

Saturday, March 1 (1 Adar)

Rosh Chodesh Adar Day 2

Torah Talk Led by: Rabbi Jacobs 9 AM

Shabbat Morning Worship Led by: Rabbi Jacobs

Special Events Reminders:

Sisterhood Tu BiSh'vat & Galentine's Gathering Sun, Feb. 16 @ 11:30 AM

Join Sisterhood as we decorate pots and plant parsley for Passover! We will provide pots, dirt, and seeds! You bring the scraps of paper for decoupage and a Tu BiSh'vat or Galentine's inspired snack! Please RSVP to Samantha Saltzman and sign up for your food item by February 9.

Lunch w/ the Rabbi Feb. 27 @ 12 PM at China Palace.

There is no agenda. Our monthly lunches are simply a lovely way to gather, share a good meal, meet new TD members and connect with friends, even if it is your lunch break.

Book Club Discussion Thurs. March 6 @ 7:30 PM

I Feel Bad About My Neck & And Other Thoughts On Being a Woman by Nora Ephron.
Copies are available in the temple lobby, please use the signup sheet.

Religious School Class Services March 8 @ 10 AM.

Please join Rabbi Jacobs along with grades 3, and 4 for morning worship services.

Purim Dinner, Service and Megillah Reading Thursday March 13 Starting @ 5:30

Pizza and Hamantaschen will be served. Please bring triangular foods to share.

Wicked Purim Party Sunday, March 16 @ 11 AM

Wear a Costume, Games, Crafts, Hamantaschen! If you can help with activities or donate a food item, please contact Reena Goldberg at reenag@templ david.org

Mattanot la-Evyonim is the mitzvah of giving food to the needy during Purim. Collection will continue through Friday, March 28. Temple David will be collecting cans of soup and can openers to donate to Cross Roads Food Pantry. Bring cans of soup and can openers to Temple David during religious school, services, or office hours.