

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

****ON FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 30 YOU ARE INVITED TO TAKE PART IN BUILDING OUR SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY**

Demonstrating Har Zion Temple's renewed commitment to an old idea of "Shiru Ladonai Shir Hadash" - of singing a new song to God - we are presenting two new models of tefillah (prayer) for our congregation.

Join us on Friday evening, January 30 - Shabbat Shira

5:00 PM Traditional Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma'ariv Service at Sunset

AND/OR

6:00 PM Our First-ever Instrumental Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma'ariv Service with the ABC Trio

7:00 PM "Shabbat in a Box" Dinner - Join us for a relaxed and casual dinner - **Paid reservation only**

****HAVDALAH PAJAMA CELEBRATION – SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 5:00-7:00 PM**

In the Fishman-Tobin Auditorium

Join us for a delicious dinner (Breakfast for Dinner) featuring David Zeidman Entertainment, Havdalah with our clergy and craft projects. Children (and adults too) are encouraged to come in pajamas.

If you have any questions, please call Gail at 610-667-6534.

****USY from HZT, TBHBE and AI invite you to...COMEDY SPORTZ – SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 6:30 PM**

For Students in Grades 8-12

Bus Departure: Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El – 6:30 pm, promptly

Bus Return: Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El – 10:30 pm

\$20 for USY members/\$25 for non-members

This includes ticket and transportation – Tickets are limited!

RSVP to Ari Schwartz: asch94@aol.com

Make checks payable to Temple Beth Hillel-Beth El



****PLEASE JOIN US SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1 FOR ISRAEL TRIP HIGHLIGHTS, 9:45 - 11:00 AM**

Tobin Auditorium

Come hear and see about our amazing trip to Israel!

Open to the Congregation - Video presentation - Breakfast will be served

RSVP to neinhorn@uniquevid.com

****STUDY WITH SARA – SUNDAYS, AT 10:00 AM**

with Dr. Sara H. Cohen

Do you want to learn how to read Hebrew with your children?

Do you want to learn how to participate in a Shabbat service with your children?

Do you want to bring home the holidays?

****TALMUD STUDY WITH RABBI ALPERT – MONDAY MORNINGS, 10:00 AM**

This class is studying the sixth chapter of Bava Metzia (Labor Law).

****"I HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE...." MOTOWN IS COMING TO HAR ZION!**



This year on Purim, allow your inner-thespian a chance to express itself. Take a part in the Purim Shpiel: "The Motown Megillah." Bring along any friends whom you think might be interested.

The Purim Shpiel will take place on Wednesday evening, March 4, 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact Hazzan Eliot I. Vogel at 610-667-5000 ext. 102 or Debbie Folz at 610-667-6534.

If you are interested in being part of the shpiel, email Debbie Folz: dfolz@harziontemple.org.

****MINYAN & TISCH WITH RABBI ALLEN – WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**

FOLLOWING 7:00 AM MINYAN

Halakha Yomit (daily halakha) with the Mishnah Berurah – Join us each week as we study a different halakha and ask ourselves about the underlying values that inform our practice.

****SISTERHOOD ADULT EDUCATION – WEDNESDAYS, 10:00-11:30 AM
PERSPECTIVES ON THE BOOK OF ESTHER**

February 4

A Theological Perspective on the Book of Esther with Rabbi Rosenberg

This class will discuss the role of God in the Book of Esther and, because of the lack of a clear divine presence, the debate over whether the Book of Esther has a place in the canon.

February 11

The Mirror Has Two Faces with Rabbi Marshall

This class will examine the roles of Vashti and Esther in the Book of Esther and how their characters play a role in our society today.

February 25

***Musical Perspectives on the Book of Esther
with Hazzan Vogel***

This class examines the tropes and traditions of musical detours used in chanting the Scroll of Esther, and will also focus on the many ways in which the story of Esther has inspired musical creativity in the past through contemporary times.

Open to all women in our community.

For more information, contact Sheree Bloch, sheree@blochmail.net or 610-574-6658.

****FISHMAN INSTITUTE FOR ADULT JEWISH STUDIES 2015 B'BYIT SERIES - 7:30-9:00 PM**

Our B'bayit series brings Torah into our homes. This year our focus is on siblings - those related to us and those who became our "brothers" and "sisters" at summer camp. Through conversation, songs and fun we will explore how our siblings shaped us, our relationship with them as adults, the impact of rivalries, personalities and responsibilities, and how to best respond when siblings ignore our advice, as well as insights from our tradition into sibling relationships. We will share a few laughs while we learn practical lessons to foster ever-meaningful and vibrant relationships with our brothers and sisters.

All ages are welcome to join us!

Wednesday, February 4 – *Am I My Brother's/Sister's Keeper?*

Led by Rabbi Nogah Marshall – hosted by Meredith and Josh Friedman

Wednesday, May 20 – *Sibling Relationships in Music*

Led by Rabbi Uri Allen – hosted by Debra Stein and Alan Susser

Tuesday, June 30 – *Summer in the City*

A Night of Summer Camp Fun for Adults – hosted at Har Zion Temple

RSVP to Sharon Kenworthy in the Religious School office: 610-664-5746 or skenworthy@harziontemple.org

****POPULAR COMMENTARIES ON GENESIS WITH RABBI ROSENBERG –
THURSDAY MORNINGS, 10:00 AM**

We will study the commentaries found in the *Hertz* Chumash, the *Etz Hayim* Chumash along with the commentaries of modern biblical scholars to deepen our understanding of the first book of the Bible.

****NEW SISTERHOOD CLASS – DAVENING SKILLS WITH RABBI ALPERT
THURSDAY MORNINGS, 11:00 AM BEGINNING FEBRUARY 5**

Learn how to lead the weekday service and feel more at home at minyan. The class is open to all who know a bit of Hebrew. If unsure of your skill level, please come to the first class. For more info, please contact Debbie Golden, goldendagg@gmail.com.

****FRIDAY MORNING MEN'S CLUB MINYANNAIRES – WITH RABBI ROSENBERG
FOLLOWING 7:00 AM MINYAN**

Jeopardy Rashi Style – This class will examine the commentary of Rashi on the Torah to deepen our appreciation of the issues Rashi saw in the text and to understand how his commentary maintains relevance through today.



SISTERHOOD SHABBAT – FRIDAY & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6 & 7

Welcome Shabbat with the Sisterhood of Har Zion Temple!

Sisterhood-led Services at 6:00 PM, dinner to follow. Cost: \$38/adult, \$16/child 6-12,
\$6/child 2-5, complimentary/child under 2

RSVP by February 3 – please make checks payable to Sisterhood of Har Zion Temple



****THE MEN'S CLUB OF HAR ZION TEMPLE INVITES YOU TO BRUNCH AND CONVERSATION WITH RABBI STEPHEN FUCHS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 10:00 AM**

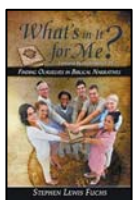
Author of the new ground-breaking book,
"What's in It for Me: Finding Ourselves in Biblical Narrative"

Open to the entire Lower Merion Community

Rabbi Fuchs is a beloved teacher, nationally recognized scholar, and former president of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. This past November, Rabbi Fuchs delivered the sermon at the annual Kristallnacht commemoration held at the Thomaskirche in Leipzig, Germany. Leipzig is the city where the rabbi's late father was arrested by the Nazis on Kristallnacht (November 9, 1938).

Books will be available for sale.

RSVP Required – Space Limited: drsmoskowitz@gmail.com



HAR ZION TEMPLE AND THE WOLF PERFORMING ARTS CENTER PRESENTATION – I NEVER SAW ANOTHER BUTTERFLY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 7:00 PM AT HAR ZION TEMPLE

Celeste Raspanti's play *I Never Saw Another Butterfly* gives witness to the unspeakable fate of the children of Terezin Concentration Camp. More than 16,000 children passed through Terezin and less than 100 survived. Their art and poetry

inform this production, confirming the power of creativity to nourish and feed the soul during the darkest of times. **There is no charge for this performance.** To RSVP, please visit:

<http://www.wolfperformingartscenter.org/content/butterfly-project>

For more info: 610-642-0233

****ADULT EDUCATION GOES TO THE MOVIES – WEDNESDAY EVENINGS, 7:00 PM**

Keeping with our winter theme of Relationships, please join us for any or all of the following:

February 11 – Hava Nagila

The song you thought you knew. The story you won't believe. A documentary on the history, mystery and meaning of the ubiquitous Jewish standard that follows the around-the-world journey from the Ukraine to YouTube.

February 25 – Trembling Before God

An unprecedented feature documentary that shatters assumptions about faith, sexuality and religious fundamentalism. Built around intimately-told personal stories of Hasidic and Orthodox Jews who are gay or lesbian, the film portrays a group of people who face a profound dilemma – how to reconcile their passionate love of Judaism and the Divine with the drastic Biblical prohibitions that forbid homosexuality. Refreshments will be sold to benefit the USY

Free admission – Discussion following movie

RSVP is requested: hzt@harziontemple.org or 610-667-5000



****SUPPORT SISTERHOOD WITH SCRIP!**

It's a busy time of the year! Now is the time to stock up on gift cards from Scrip. A percentage of the money you spend on each card benefits the Sisterhood. Why not support your Sisterhood while planning your shopping days. Order your Scrip cards and be prepared whenever you shop!

Please contact Michele Perlstein, mshoueka@hotmail.com - 610-519-1211, or Nina Greberman, zoneman@aol.com - 610-733-1399 for more information.

To download an order form, copy and paste this link into your browser:

<http://www.harziontemple.org/harzion/ehighlights/14scripsform-3.pdf>



INNOVATION UPDATE FROM  ISRAEL IDEAS

Protecting and Saving Lives through Real-Time Monitoring

It's a common story: Mrs. Smith is aging, and ailing, perhaps in danger of falling on a regular basis. Her heart is weak, and cardiac problems are a constant concern. Yet, Mrs. Smith refuses to wear an Emergency Alert bracelet, as it offends her feeling of independence. And, she certainly isn't going to wear a heart monitor in bed.

Enter EarlySense, an Israeli developed system which monitors patients who need continuous tracking, without wires. The system uses sensors embedded into a mattress or chair cushion to monitor heartbeat, respiration rate, and movement. For more information: <http://www.israelideas.org/#!in-the-spotlight/c200w>

****TRANSPORTATION TO HAR ZION**

"Oh, if I'd only known (s)he needed a ride to Har Zion."

"Oh, I would have been there but I couldn't get a ride."

We are hearing these statements more and more – and would like to help our congregants who would like to attend Services, meetings and programs.

DO YOU NEED A RIDE...To Services? To daytime or evening meetings and/or programs?

CAN YOU PROVIDE AN OCCASIONAL RIDE?

What areas would be convenient for you?

What Services, meetings, or programs do you usually attend (morning/afternoon/evening)?

Please contact Nanci Goldman at NanciG22@aol.com or 610-664-7987.

SHOP THE HAR ZION LANDAU GIFT BOX FOR YOUR GIFT GIVING NEEDS!

Regular hours:

Monday – Thursday, 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Friday – 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Sunday – 9:45 AM to 1:00 PM (when school is in session)

Additional hours by appointment.

For info, please call 610-667-2698, or email giftbox@harziontemple.org.

The Gift Shop is now accepting credit cards – giving you more flexibility to shop!

Like us on Facebook!

****DO YOU NEED THE HAR ZION TEMPLE CARING CONNECTION?**

Do you know about the Har Zion Temple Caring Connection? We are a community, a network of fellow congregants, who would like to hear from you if you have a need in your good times and bad. We encourage any congregant to contact us if you know of a fellow congregant who is ill or has had a loss. Please don't assume we know. Call 610-667-5000, ext 178 or caring@harziontemple.org to connect with us. Help us help you!

****SHARE YOUR SIMHA!**

We encourage you to sponsor an Extended Kiddush to celebrate any special simha, such as an Anniversary of a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Baby Naming, Aufruf, Birthday, Anniversary or Graduation, etc. You may also want to consider contributing to our Shabbat Fund in honor of your special occasion. Please contact Shonnie Lebovitz, Program and Events Coordinator (ext 106 or slebovitz@harziontemple.org) for more information.

****BIMAH FLOWERS CAN BE SPONSORED**

Bimah flowers can be sponsored in honor of a special occasion such as a Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Anniversary or Special Birthday. Please contact Reisel Weinberger, risey@aol.com or 610-668-1148.

REGULAR DAILY MINYAN

Evenings: 6:00 PM

Mornings: Sunday – 9:00 AM, Monday and Thursday – 6:50 AM,

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday – 7:00 AM

MINYAN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

"The world stands on three things: on Torah, on prayer and on kindness to others." – Pirkei Avot

Please register to be called if we need you for daily minyan. E-mail or call Leah Abrams (610-667-5000, ext 111 or labrams@harziontemple.org) with your name and cell phone number for a text.

***AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF OUR LOCAL JEWISH COMMUNITY DESPERATELY NEEDS A KIDNEY -
BLOOD TYPE B or O***

**To learn how you can save a life or for more information about kidney donation, please call:
(718) 431-9831 or email: R718@renewal.org. Visit WWW.RENEWAL.ORG**