

UPCOMING EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Building Our Spiritual Community

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23 – 24 KISLEV

4:22 PM - Candle Lighting

6 PM - Minha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24 – 24 KISLEV

Erev Hanukkah – Light first candle

9:30 AM - *Kol Tefilah* – Shabbat Morning Service

Kol Mispacha has been cancelled for this week

4:20 PM - Minha/Seudah Shlishit/Ma'ariv/Havdalah

5:26 PM - Shabbat Ends

Sign Up Today for HZT Connect

What is HZT Connect? It's our new Member portal to all that is happening at Har Zion Temple, the NCCECE, the JFGRS, and more! How do I sign up? Visit harziontemple.org and click the link at the top of the page. Once you're signed up, you will be able to see and RSVP for events, send messages to other members, and more! Need a little more help? Call our new Director of Communications, Ebby Goldsmith, 610-667-5000, to get all the help you need! Ebby will meet with you in her office, or your home, whichever you prefer!

ONLY A FEW SEATS REMAIN!

Jerusalem 1000–1400: Every People Under Heaven

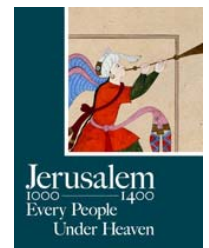
Wednesday, January 4, 8 AM - 6 PM

Members Trip to NYC – Limited to 25 attendees

\$125 per person • Payment required with RSVP

Join Rabbi Rosenberg for a trip back in time! We will meet at Har Zion for bagels and coffee, then head to NYC for a day of studying the art of Jerusalem from 1000 BCE to the present. Round trip transportation, light breakfast, lunch at Ben's Deli, a presentation by Artist and JTS Curator Tobi Kahn, admission with guided tour to *Jerusalem 1000–1400: Every People Under Heaven*, and a day of community learning are all included in the cost.

We are limited to the first 25 paid attendees and have ONLY A FEW SEATS LEFT. Please see Shonnie in the office ASAP to reserve your seats! This program is presented as part of *Engaging Jerusalem*. For more information about other upcoming programs in this series, go to harziontemple.org.



NCCECE and JFGRS will be closed Saturday, December 24 – January 2

Siddur Study with Dr. Sara Cohen

Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:30-11:30 AM

From Reading to Meaning: A Comprehensive Exploration of the Prayer Book

Come to explore the history of the development of our liturgy. Study the structure and contents of the Siddur, the textbook of the synagogue. Learn about our prayers – who wrote them, when, why, and what they mean, and how can we relate to them today. By reading our prayers in Hebrew and learning their meaning, we will enhance our enjoyment of the weekly Shabbat services.

RSVP: Rabbi Allen, ruallen@harziontemple.org

Shabbat Sha-Blue Jeans Celebrating Stay and Play, Shalom Chai, and Garinim

Friday, January 6, 5:30 PM

Join us for lively services with guitar and a delicious dinner with options for kids and adults. Geared for families with children, infants to six years old, but all ages are welcome. Jeans and casual clothes encouraged. This event is generously sponsored by the HSA of the NCCECE.

Reservations required. Email Skenworthy@harziontemple.org, call 610.667.6534 or visit the calendar at HZT Connect to RSVP.

Tikkun Olam is Collecting Donations

for our Martin Luther King Day of Service – Monday, January 16

We are currently accepting donations of:

- **Clothing for Men, Women, and Children** - Professional attire, jewelry, watches, handbags, dress shoes, casual clothing, formal wear, coats, hats, scarves, gloves, etc.
- **Household Goods** - Can openers, spatulas, turners (flippers), ladles, tongs, serving/cooking forks and spoons, towels (gently used), laundry detergent, pots, pans, NEW pillows, etc.
- **Pet Items** - Dog/cat carriers, crates, leashes, cans of food, treats
- **Books** - Children's books, Art how-to for adults, Spanish-English dictionaries, legal dictionaries
- **Personal Items** - Disposable razors, reading glasses, sample-sized toiletries

Bring your donations to the front desk and mark your calendar to join us for this powerful community event!

Sisterhood Floral Fund Donation Cards are available for acknowledging special birthdays, special events, happy occasions, new babies and wishes for a speedy recovery, as well as, memorializing loved ones. Contributions to the Floral Fund provide Bimah flowers throughout the year.

Four for \$30 (\$10 each) – To purchase your donation cards, please contact Michelle Strayer, 610-992-9371 or moibas83@hotmail.com.

Use the Sisterhood Scrip Program for All of Your Shopping Needs!

Stock up on gift cards from Scrip. A percentage of the money you spend on each card benefits the Sisterhood. Why not support 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 for more information.



INNOVATION UPDATE FROM ISRAEL IDEAS

Growing New Bone From Israeli Desert Corals

An Israeli bone-graft product made of enhanced coral has received approval to start sales in Europe for dental and orthopedic procedures. This unique product is made from corals grown in a closed system, using patented technology to provide bioactivity and eliminate biological contamination.

The CEO Ohad Schwartz of CoreBone explains, “Bone grafts ideally should have four features”. “They must be bioactive, not just a passive scaffold, in order to attract new bone cells; they must be strong enough to support the site, especially for implants; they must allow for being replaced as new bone grows; and they must be porous to enable vascularity,” meaning that blood vessels can grow through them naturally and produce growth of bone from the inside out”. “If you have all those features, you have a very good bone graft,” Schwartz continues. “We have all of those.”

To read more, go to: <http://www.israelideas.org/#!/current/c1gqf>.

Transportation to Har Zion Temple

“Oh, if I'd only known she/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, NanciG22@aol.com or 610-664-7987.

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. For more information, please contact Program and Events Coordinator Shonnie Lebovitz, ext 106 or slebovitz@harziontemple.org.

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.

Shop the Gift Box for all Gift-Giving and Holiday Needs

Regular hours:

Monday – Thursday, 9:30 AM to 4 PM, Friday, 9:30 AM to 3 PM

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

Additional hours by appointment.

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

The Gift Box accepts credit cards – giving you more flexibility to shop!

Regular Daily Minyan

Evenings: 6 PM

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

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday – 7 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 Laurie Albert, ext 111 or lalbert@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