



# Engaging Jerusalem



**"If I forget thee, O Jerusalem..."**

**Jerusalem has captured the imagination of Jews for centuries. It's the direction to which we pray, it's the aspiration of centuries of dreamers, it holds hope and promise for many.**

In honor of the 50th anniversary of the Six Day War, Har Zion will engage our kehillah in a celebration of our eternal city of hope. Over the next eight months, we will explore the diverse role Jerusalem has played for us as a people from biblical times to present day.

Each month has been assigned a verb that will guide our exploration. We will offer opportunities both within our regular class schedule and through special programs to explore Jerusalem in all of her diversity, struggles, and glory.

## Har Zion Yeshiva

### Beit Midrash Text Study: Jerusalem in the Biblical and Rabbinic Tradition

**\*Please note change of day - rescheduled from January**

**Wednesday, February 1, 7-9 PM • Led by Rabbi Uri Allen**

Come study in the Har Zion Beit Midrash and expand your understanding of Jerusalem in the Bible and Rabbinic texts.

## Shabbat Sha-Blue Jeans

### Songs of the Holy City

**Friday, February 3, 5:30 PM**

Join Rabbi Allen as we learn songs from and about the city of Jerusalem at this lively service with guitar and a delicious dinner with options for kids and adults. Geared towards families with children, infants to six years old, but all ages are welcome.

Jeans and casual clothes encouraged

**Free – Reservations required**

Email Sharon, [Skenworthy@harziontemple.org](mailto:Skenworthy@harziontemple.org)



## Digging Deeper: Tu B'Shevat Seder

**Tuesday, February 7, 11 AM – 12 PM**

**Requested Donation \$15 per attendee**

Everyone knows what a Passover Seder is. Join us for your first (or first in a long time) Tu B'Shevat Seder! Enjoy fruits from the land of Israel and explore their spiritual significance in our lives.

Led by Rabbi Allen and the Director of the Jewish Farm School, Nati Passow

**RSVP to Harriet by Feb 1**

610-667-5000 or [hzt@harziontemple.org](mailto:hzt@harziontemple.org)

## Jerusalem Through the Ages: Sing-Along

**Saturday, February 18, following Kiddush**

**Free and RSVPs are requested, call or email**

**Harriet, [hzt@harziontemple.org](mailto:hzt@harziontemple.org)**

Sit down after Kiddush with song book in hand as Hazzan Vogel leads us in (hopefully) all of your favorite Jerusalem tunes, both old and new!



## Ami Yares: A Celebration of the Songs of Jerusalem

**Sunday, February 26, 10:45 AM during Market Mania**

**FREE – Open to the community**

CDs will be available for purchase after the performance

Before and after the concert, Ami will be doing workshops in classrooms with students.



### About the performer:

*The MUSIC hails from the east and west, rooted in the sounds of a pastoral upbringing in the sprawling suburbs of the Garden State juxtaposed against the sounds, stories, and struggles of the seaside city of Jaffa.*

*The MUSICIAN simply wants to move you with music. Ami (pronounced AH-mee) has been described as "a cross between Randy Newman and David Broza. He has traveled all over the world and spent a significant amount of time using music to build peace and promote social change.*

*The EDUCATOR uses music as a lens to understand society, culture and ultimately, ourselves. It is not only a passion to Ami but an obligation to embolden music in powerful and transformative educational experiences.*