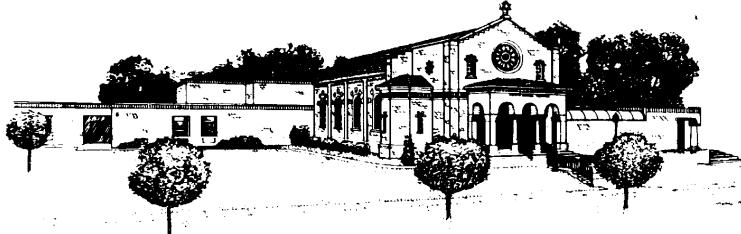


At this writing, services and other in-person events at Temple Adath Israel are expected to be canceled through at least mid-May. Please check your email for updates as Kentucky's coronavirus guidelines are revised. And don't forget: Shabbat services are being livestreamed at <https://venue.streamspot.com/230fb172>.



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Temple Adath Israel Bulletin

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FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY



**David
Wirtschafter**

Friendships and farewells in a season of change

Saying goodbye is part of life. The fact that it's predictable doesn't make it any less difficult. Everything about this spring has been particularly challenging. The need to say goodbye to good friends is no exception.

Let me begin with Preschool Director Katherine Henry. Katherine's departure is hard to accept because it marks not only the end of her tenure but the end of the program. There are few things more sweet, innocent and magical than preschools. I've been fortunate to work with several of them, but ours has claimed a special place in my heart. Katherine and her dedicated staff have given our little ones tremendous love and support. Joining preschool for Shabbat songs, blessings and story time with Alice Logsdon, one of our amazing teachers, has been a highlight of my week since I arrived. During the past five years I've come to appreciate how patient, kind and

nurturing Katherine and Alice are, and how they bring out these qualities in others, not by preaching but by practicing them. I hope Katherine will remain in close contact with us and wish her the best of luck in whatever she chooses to do next. Fortunately, we are keeping Alice here assisting Laura in the office, so while not in a preschool capacity, we will continue working with her and are grateful that she still will be part of our team.

The next major change is fortunately not a departure but a transition. Kristen Hoffman, who has graciously guided our Religious School for the past four years, has accepted the newly created position of director of marketing and development. Kristen's people skills and organizational talents are well suited to this new role, and we are delighted that she has agreed to help us

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Religious School bottle cap, lid collection drive update



Goal: 250 pounds
to be turned into a garden bench

Collected: 62 pounds

Please continue to save your caps and lids; acceptable plastic is marked with recycle symbols 2, 4 or 5; no other recycle numbers are accepted by the bench manufacturer.

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Change and stability

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



**Deborah
Nelson**

I doubt that there have been many months in the history of Temple Adath Israel that witnessed the wholesale change in operations we saw during April 2020!

To assist in the fight against the COVID-19 virus, all building activities were canceled, and the Temple was sadly empty of congregants coming together to pray, study, help others, socialize and plan. A generation ago it would have

been hard to imagine that, even with a practically empty building, the congregation could be humming along. Yet, here many of us are — even those of us born before home computers or the Internet — engaging in many regular activities through livestream, Zoom meetings, videos, Facebook and other technologies. Thank you so much to Rabbi Wirtschafter, Religious School director Kristen Hoffman, temple administrator Laura Creamer, musician-in-residence Lorne Dechtenberg, and all of our lay leaders for embracing these changes!

We did not, and would not, choose this enforced physical separation (Zoom seders, of all things!). And, speaking for myself, this technological revolution has been the cause of plenty of muttering, and worse. And yet, it also has brought wonderful surprises and important lessons. It felt so Hamish to have the rabbi and Lorne, via their wonderful Passover videos, singing Dayenu at our seder table. When attending Temple Zoom meetings or Lisa Miller's Mussar workshop, I was delighted, to see faces and hear voices from as far away as Massachusetts, Florida and Washington state, and to hear the joyful greetings as each new face popped up on everyone's computer screens. I am particularly excited that we will have the opportunity, over the next month, to learn from Joshua Grisé, who grew up at TAI and will be leading a Zoom Jewish genealogy workshop from his home in Los

Angeles! The world of virtual learning and long-distance connection have opened us up to new possibilities.

Of course, the silver linings are small consolation amidst the clouds of the pandemic. As we emerge from this dreadful crisis, we will need, more than ever, to keep our Jewish bearings. We will do so, each in our way, whether through prayer, worship, *tikkun olam*, or the support and comfort of our community. TAI will be a constant in this change, as it has been for a robust congregation that has weathered world wars, economic depressions and other pandemics during its 116-year history.

For an update on the institutional life of Temple Adath Israel, please make plans to join us (virtually) at the annual meeting June 7 at 11 a.m. Details of the virtual meeting will be coming soon, as well as options to ask questions in advance of the meeting. While we can't know what the next year will bring, you will see from information presented at the meeting that TAI entered this crisis on very solid ground, with optimism for the future. Thanks for making this optimism possible through your great generosity and engagement in FY 2020 and the strong vote of confidence you have expressed, as a congregation, by already pledging an average of 14 percent more in membership contributions for FY 2021. We understand that the next year brings uncertainty, but we appreciate that you are giving what you can to support the continued health of our entire community. It is a real vote for our future!

Finally, I join with Rabbi Wirtschafter in thanking the wonderful leaders and teachers who have brought so much happiness and Jewish learning to our community via the TAI Preschool and Religious School and who will be leaving these roles in the next few months. Preschool director Katherine Henry, we hope you will continue to be part of our broader temple community. We are thankful that Preschool Committee chair Mary Engel (temple secretary, board member, food festival maestra and other roles too numerous to mention), Religious School director Kristen Hoffman (TAI marketing and outreach director), and preschool teacher Alice Logsdon (part-time administrative assistant) remain active in our community. We can all agree that the shared laughter, communal worship, sweet hugs and joyful play of children can in no way be replaced with our fancy technologies. You all deserve to be celebrated in person — by your students, their parents and the broader community.

As always, I am thankful that we can be together during times of hardship as well as times of celebration, through stability and through change. See you at the annual meeting, I hope!

With gratitude,
Deb

First Saturday (or not) Film Series postponed

Who knew that the name of the First Saturday (or Not) Film Series would prove to be prophetic when it came to the (or Not)? Because of the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting uncertainty about larger

gatherings and what safety precautions, will be going forward, the series has been postponed until fall at the earliest. As series curator Randall Roorda noted, "We can't wear masks *and* eat pizza."

It's been quite a year!



FROM TAI PRESCHOOL

**Katherine Henry,
Director**

It is with a heavy heart that I am writing my last ever preschool column.

We knew in February that this would be the last year TAI Preschool would be open, but we had no idea the year would come to such an abrupt end on March 13. I am so sad that we will never again be waiting eagerly in the mornings for the children to arrive. I loved seeing their happy faces ready to start another school day. By March they had progressed so much since the start of school in August, but there still were so many things we wanted to experience with them. We were having a great year! The children had made such special friendships. The relationships with our families were as strong as ever. It has truly been a privilege to be a part of this TAI family this year, and all the years before.

I began my journey with TAI Preschool in August 1998. My niece Lucy Wills was signed up for the 2½-year-old class, and I brought her and picked her up each day. Her mother, my sister Barbara Wills, passed away in June 1998, and one of her wishes was that Lucy would attend preschool at TAI. I knew immediately that TAI Preschool was a special place and that if I had children someday I would want them to attend as well. So in 2002 my twins Charlie and Elizabeth began their time at TAI. They had a wonderful three years here, just like their cousin did, and all three were well prepared for “big” school. I had no idea in May 2005 that I would be back at TAI two years later as the lead teacher of the 4-year-old class.

In the 13 years since, I have been teaching and, for the

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Preschool Director Katherine Henry read to Alice Linville, left, and Elliott Schwartz during class earlier this school year.



FROM THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

**Kristen Hoffman,
Director**

It has been an unprecedented end of the year for TAI’s Religious School.

In light of the COVID-19 restrictions that we all are facing, the Youth Education Committee decided to take our Religious School classes online to the best of our ability. Our last four sessions of the school year were conducted via Zoom conference chats. We are overwhelmed with gratitude to our students, parents, and teachers for making the best out of this unexpected and difficult situation. Our teachers were able to provide the kids with an important social connection with their Jewish friends, while also incorporating Jewish learning and Hebrew lessons every week. It was a pleasure to watch everyone interact and be together.

My role as Religious School director came to an end this month. Thank you again for your support these past four years. And a special thank you to every teacher who has made a difference in the lives of their students. I have learned so much in this role and am inspired by the students in our school. They are wonderful people and their future is so bright. I hope that their Jewish education this year (and every year) has resulted

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Religious School teacher Deb Flomenhoft, center, met with her fourth-grade class via Zoom. The last four weeks of classes were conducted online

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in these essential areas of temple leadership. We are appreciative of everything Kirsten accomplished with Religious School and are confident that she also will accomplish great things in this new role. Making this transition far easier than it would be otherwise is the fact that Elissa Weinstein will be our next Religious School director. Elissa brings a wealth of personal and professional experience to the role, and we welcome her onto the team.

Over the past five years it's been my pleasure to work with Rabbi Sharon Cohen on a number of Federation projects, including Lunch & Learn, Camp Shalom and Global Day of Jewish Learning. Both at Ohavay Zion and Jewish Federation of the Bluegrass, Rabbi Cohen brought profound compassion, commitment to Judaism and abundant joy to her work. Her gifts as a teacher, pastor and community leader will be greatly missed. Her new congregation in San Antonio made a wise choice in hiring her. Our loss is their gain. I'm looking forward to visiting Rabbi Cohen in Texas and fully intend to take her up on her offer to treat me to some kosher barbecue beef ribs whenever I get the chance to visit.

To all three of these wonderful educators and friends, we wish you nothing but joy in your future endeavors. Just as you have blessed our community, may each of you be blessed with many more years of rewarding and meaningful work in all aspects of life.

Hazak, hazak, v'neethazake, May you always go from strength to strength.



Knock, knock! Who's there? It's not Elijah

A masked Rabbi Wirtschafter loaded his SUV, above, then set out to deliver Passover bags to senior congregants in early April. The bags, courtesy of the temple's Caring Connections group, contained seder essentials, including charoset, a box of matzo, a boiled egg, horseradish and matzo ball soup. Among the recipients was Harriett Rose, left.

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in experiences and lessons that will help guide them as they grow. I look forward to the school's continued growth and success with Elissa

Weinstein as our Religious School Director.

I hope everyone is staying healthy and well and finding meaning in this slowed-down pace of life.

Sincerely,
Kristen

Who says that you can't go on an adventure during a lockdown?

**REGISTER NOW FOR TAI ZOOM
JEWISH GENEALOGY CLASSES
STARTING SUNDAY, MAY 10**



Take a walk into the past with instructor Joshua Grisé and learn more about the people who share your DNA and brought your families to where they are today. You'll learn how to navigate free online resources and trace the stories, secrets and lives of those before you. Additionally, you might even find living relatives you didn't know you had!

Every family has a story, and each of your stories is about to get good!

The introductory two-week round of classes will teach you how to use the best free, online tools and provide you with individualized assistance in beginning to trace your family history.

**Week 1: Sunday, May 10, 4-5 p.m., and Wednesday, May 13, 8-9 p.m.
Week 2: Sunday, May 17, 4-5 p.m., and Wednesday, May 20, 8-9 p.m.**

After the first four classes, additional sessions will go into greater depth in assisting you with your own searches, the Holocaust and Yad Vashem.

Contact Susan Voglesong at susan@lex tai.org to register or receive assistance with Zoom.

About your instructor:

Joshua Grisé is the son of TAI members Jane and Bill Grisé. As a Korean adoptee, family backgrounds and familial connections are important to him. He began his genealogical work for grandparents Fran and William Bloom, eventually reuniting Fran with cousins she thought were lost during the Holocaust. Since then, he has continued his genealogical work for family and friends, leading him to develop expertise in Ashkenazi genealogy and the Holocaust. During college, he studied under renowned Holocaust Studies scholar Wendy Lower, deepening his knowledge of field research methods. From his home in Los Angeles, Joshua looks forward to sharing his experiences, methods and tips through Zoom or follow-up emails.

Directory update:

Lisa and Rob Doctrow
Lisa: (859) 552-4468
Rob: (859) 396-3840



Ryann and Rahul Akolkar
welcomed their third child, daughter
Rani Elaine, on April 6.
Rani's grandparents are
Dale and Elaine
Schermer.





Zoom Presentation: U.S. Space Force 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 6

Are things on this planet feeling a little complicated? Join Dr. Robert Farley for an overview of the United States Space Force! In December, the Department of Defense established the Space Force as the first new uniformed service since 1947. What is the Space Force, why was it founded, and what impact will it have on U.S. military readiness, foreign relations and the defense budget?

To register, contact Susan Voglesong
at susan@lextai.org.

About Dr. Farley:

Rob teaches at the UK Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce. He researches and writes about airpower, seapower, military organizations and military technology, and is the author of "Patents for Power: Intellectual Property Law and the Diffusion of Military Technology." He is also the proud father of Elisha and Miriam Farley, who attend TAI Religious School.

TAI seniors eligible for free grocery delivery

If you would like groceries delivered and are not comfortable with online ordering, the Lexington Senior Center and ITN Bluegrass have teamed up to offer a free service for Fayette County residents who are 60 or older and/or are visually impaired adults.

You are eligible if you do not have access to Kroger's online ordering/pickup service, and have funds in a personal checking account.

First, call the senior center at (859) 278-6072 from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday through Friday. If you do not have an account with ITN Bluegrass, you then must sign up for one, but delivery and annual membership fees are waived for this program.

You will be referred to a senior center volunteer, who will call from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday through Saturday to take your order. You will be offered a date and time for pickup and delivery. Payment must be made by check; the delivery driver will provide a store receipt and a self-addressed, stamped envelope in which to put payment and to send to the senior center.

During these high demand times, it might take 48 hours or longer for delivery for delivery, and product fulfillment will depend on availability.

Events online

You'll notice that there are no monthly calendars in this bulletin. In the wake of COVID-19 restrictions, plus the annual summer slowdown of events and in an attempt to save paper, here's a list of what's going on and how you can participate virtually.

SPECIAL EVENTS

YEAR OF TORAH ZOOM HAVDALAH

Saturday, May 2, 7-8:30 p.m. Zoom link to come.

SHAVUOT AT OZS

Erev Shavuot Torah Study: 7-11 p.m.

Thursday, May 28

Festival service: 10 a.m.-noon Friday, May 29
Zoom link to come.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

SHABBAT SERVICES

7 p.m. Fridays; watch the livestream at
<https://venue.streamspot.com/230fb172>

SATURDAY STUDY SESSIONS

Held via Zoom; to sign up for the link, which is

the same each week, email Laura at laura@lextai.org by 4 p.m. Friday.

Upcoming Saturday schedule:

Jewish Texts: 9 a.m. May 2, 16, 30; June 13, 27

Kollel: 9 a.m. May 9, 23, June 6, 20

Parsha: 11 a.m. each Saturday

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

The school year ends Sunday, May 3. Classes

have been held via Zoom since April 12.

Families were sent the links for each class; the links remain the same.

JULIETS

4-5 p.m. Monday-Friday; to get the Zoom link to join this social group for women 60 and up, email Toby Troffkin, tobymay@windstream.net.





WORSHIP SCHEDULE



May 1

Shabbat 7 p.m.

May 2

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.

Parsha 11 a.m.

Aharei Mot-Kedoshim — Leviticus
16:1-20:27

May 8

Shabbat 7 p.m.

May 9

Kollel 9 a.m.

Parsha 11 a.m.

Emor — Leviticus 21:1-24:23

May 15

Shabbat 7 p.m.

**Due to COVID-19 restrictions,
all worship services are
livestream only; study groups
are meeting via Zoom.**

May 16

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.

Parsha 11 a.m.

Behar-Behukotai — Leviticus 25:1-
27:34

May 22

Shabbat 7 p.m.

May 23

Kollel 9 a.m.

Parsha 11 a.m.

Bamidbar — Numbers 1:1-4:20

May 29

Shabbat 7 p.m.

May 30

Jewish Texts 9 a.m.

Parsha 11 a.m.

Shavuot II — Deuteronomy 14:22-
16:17

June 5

Shabbat 7 p.m.

June 6

Kollel 9 a.m.

Parsha 11 a.m.

Naso — Numbers 4:21-7:89

KOLLEL STUDY GROUP

Kollel meets at 9 a.m. Saturdays, alternating with Jewish Texts, in the library. The group explores cultural, ethical and historical aspects of our 4,000-year tradition. The emphasis is on dialogue and exploration. You may join the group any time.



JEWISH TEXTS STUDY

We will discuss selected readings in rabbinic literature at 9 a.m. Saturdays, alternating with Kollel Study Group, in the library. The discussion is always lively and informative, and you may join the group any time.



PARSHA

Join us each Saturday morning at 11 in the library as we take a look at the Torah portion for the week. Sessions are not held when there is a bar or bat mitzvah service.

PRESCHOOL

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past decade, serving as the school's director. It has been quite a ride!

I have loved working with so many amazing teachers through the years; one in particular, Alice Logsdon, who has been here longer than I have. She worked here before me for a couple of years, left for a year, then, luckily for us, came back. Not many preschools have teachers who have taught at the same school for as long as Alice and I have. As I have said before, TAI is a special place.

I would like to end by saying thank you. Thank you to Rabbi Wirtschafter for coming every Friday to have Shabbat with the children. It was always one of the highlights of our week. Thank you to Laura Creamer, a former preschool director, for always being available and

working with us on a daily basis. Thank you to all the past and current TAI Preschool teachers who were so dedicated to the children and their families at TAI. Thank you to all of the families who sent their children here over the years — in some cases multiple children. Also, a very big thank you to Mary Engel for staying on for 10-plus years as the chair of the Preschool Committee. Without Mary's leadership, the preschool probably would have closed several years ago. Thank you to all the temple members that have been supporters of the preschool for 35 years.

I am thankful for my time here and all the wonderful friendships I have made along the way. I am going to miss it so much, but I am going to take with me all the wonderful memories.

Sincerely,
Katherine



YAHRZEIT ... *These we remember...*



May 1

Bernard Brill
 Philip Dechtenberg
 Henry Diamond
 Freda Dunn
 Sonya Fishman
 Phillip Hurwitz
 Oscar Kaston
 Regina L. Landesberg
 Marjorie B. Leffler
 Herbert Liebman
 John K. McDonald
 Bert Colyar McElroy
 Nella Fae McElroy
 Lawrence Miller
 Sarah Austin Miller
 Leona Rodden
 Richard N. Rose
 Lil Rosenberg
 Madelon Louise George Rosett
 Rose Rozen
 Kahlman Stern
 Hattie Weil Thurman

Marian Perel
 Shirley Rattner
 Kurt Rosenbaum
 Ernest Rosenzweig
 Joseph Shapero
 James Wile Strauss
 Irvin Young

May 15
 Irene Caudill Bloomfield
 Robert V. Breck
 Robert Cazden
 Carolyn Davis
 Marie P. Davis
 Marion Fine
 Joanna Frankel
 Charles Gewirtzman
 Matilda Coulter Gilmore
 George Gordon
 Edna Gorfine
 Dorothy Halleck
 Marianne Madeleine Haskell
 Yetta Levenson
 Morris L. Levy
 Gerald Lipton

May 8
 Daniel Adams
 Don Buckholtz
 Rose Cantor
 Charles H. Cohen
 Lawrence Michael Gerson
 Emma Roos Hammel
 Lee Wayne Hicks
 Annie Jacobsen
 Samuel Kahan
 John Kratzer
 Amelia H. Marks
 Morris Mayer
 Beatrice F. Miller
 I. A. "Jack" Miller
 Seymour L. Moskowitz
 Nathan Mulinsky
 Seymour Nichtberger

May 22
 Sol Bederman
 Beverly Berkowitz
 Mae Cerel
 Milton Clebanoff
 David P. Davis
 Dan DuBose
 Mildred Emily Frank
 James Slaughter Frankel

Alberta Gerson
 Jack L. Goldenberg
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 Yetta Kravetz
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 Harry Markovitz
 Robert Ades Mickler
 Frances Nisman
 Bobby Morse Payne
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 Loraine Morey Rust
 Fannie H. Scher
 Fannie Torte Wurmser

May 29
 Ida Wides Baker
 Elsie Bloomfield
 Jean Louisa Brown
 Juanita Chapa
 Anita Fleet
 Miriam Graff
 Rabbi Milton Grafman
 Nathan Herman
 Jack Joffe
 Howard Kauffman
 Daisy Frankel Klein
 Julius Marks
 Jack Martin
 Bonnie McCrary
 Walter Miller
 Gilbert Mooney
 Melvina Newman

Dorothy Palley
 Violet Peterson
 Joseph G. Pressman
 Stanley Irwin Rose
 Idelle Seigan
 May Sher Sigalow
 William Snyder
 Goldie Walters
 Ruth Yudofsky

June 5
 Max Bloom
 Irwin "Buz" Bussel
 David Carl Dachner
 Isadore Davis
 Jim Delk
 Rabbi Julian Fleg
 Myrtle Fox
 Eleanor Fried
 Jake Friedman
 Raymond Gittelman
 Marsha Rudnick Gross
 Stuart Harris
 Evelyn Hymes
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 Rose Levine
 Constance Loenthal
 Rita Mitchell Nichtberger
 Eleanor Potash
 Pearl Roorda
 Robert Louis Scher
 Morris Schimmel
 Nemat Shakib
 Yafa Shakib
 Freda Shrberg
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News From



May 3

PJ Library Yoga and Story Time
10:30 a.m. Join us for a collaborative Zoom event with our PJ friends from Virginia Beach, Va.; led by PJ professionals Jessi & Carly. Geared toward families with babies and toddlers, but older kids welcome. Email carly@jewishlexington.org to RSVP and receive Zoom meeting information.

Ongoing Registration for Camp Shalom
Sessions will be July 20-24 and July 27-31. Overnights for children entering grades 2-6 will be July 21 and 28. To register or for more information, go to

Jewishlexington.org/get-involved/camp-shalom or email camp@jewishlexington.org.

Request assistance or volunteer to help! It's a mitzvah!

The Jewish Federation of the Bluegrass office is closed to visitors until further notice, but the staff is available and ready to assist community members in need.

Assistance requests

If you or someone you know is unable to get out of the home and needs assistance with grocery shopping, picking up a prescription, or transportation to a doctor appointment, JFB can help.

We know that many in our community are feeling lonely and isolated. JFB can arrange for someone in the Jewish community to give you a friendly call.

Our thoughts are with each and every one of you as we face these

challenging and uncertain times. If you're feeling anxious or stressed, reach out to Paula Mertens at JFS at jfs@jewishlexington.org or call (859) 269-8244. She will return your call and/or email as soon as possible.

Additionally, contact Paula if you need financial support for housing, utilities, medicine or food due to the spread of coronavirus.

Volunteer Opportunities

JFB is seeking volunteers to help the most vulnerable members of our Jewish community. Tasks will include phone calls to check in with individuals, grocery shopping, errands such as picking up prescriptions, and transportation to doctor appointments.

We ask that volunteers be 18 or older, have a valid driver's license and adhere to the CDC COVID-19 Prevention Guidelines.

To request assistance or to volunteer, please complete the form at <https://forms.gle/gaQsBACRTyfwKjCi7>.

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TEMPLE ADATH ISRAEL MISSION STATEMENT

Temple Adath Israel is a Reform Jewish congregation linked to a tradition of welcoming those searching for a community committed to honoring the dignity we all share as children of the one God by embracing these enduring Jewish values: *AVODAH* (Worship); *TALMUD TORAH* (Torah Study); *TZEDEK* (Social Justice); and *KEHILAH* (Community). Our mission is to inspire our congregants' Jewish engagement and to ensure a vibrant Jewish present and future by nurturing the many generations of our community. We share a commitment to the Reform Jewish foundational beliefs of furthering individual and communal spiritual growth, while recognizing a range of personal philosophies, practices and needs. We are the community center through which our families can celebrate faith, justice, and the blessings of family lives present and future.

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out more.**

**Buy BHG (Malone's,
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Harry's, OBC
Kitchen) Gift Cards**



Everyone who buys gift certificates from Bluegrass Hospitality Group may designate 20 percent of the purchase amount to Temple Adath Israel. Please note : This donation is available only with **ONLINE** purchases. Buyers are **NOT** able to make donations with gift cards purchased at BHG restaurants.

Just follow these simple steps:

1. Go to GiveBHG.com.
2. Select a BHG Gift at the bottom of the page and click on it. Fill in the amount and choose "Temple Adath Israel" from the dropdown list where it says "Charity Option."

Your gift card will be sent in the mail within two business days, and TAI will receive 20 percent of the gift card amount. It couldn't be easier!

Who doesn't buy groceries?

Register your Kroger Plus card, designate TAI as your charity of choice, and the temple will receive money each quarter based on a percentage of spending.

If you already have an online Kroger account but haven't designated TAI as your charity, go to Krogercommunityrewards.com and sign in. From the list of charity options, choose "Temple Adath Israel."

If you do not have a Kroger Plus card, you can get one at the customer service desk at any Kroger. Go to Krogercommunityrewards.com, then:

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2. Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering ZIP code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions. You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
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