



Worship Schedule:

All generations of the Temple Israel family are welcome during services. Childcare is available on Friday evenings if needed.

Friday, January 6 | 6:00 p.m.

Tot Shabbat followed by dinner. This experience is especially for families with young children. See page 7 for details and RSVP information.

Friday, January 6 | 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Evening Service
Music with Cantor Faith Steinsnyder

Saturday, January 7 | 10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Morning Minyan
All are welcome to join us for participatory prayer, and Torah reading and study, followed by a Kiddush lunch. If you are able to, please bring a dish to share. Be part of our warm and caring minyan.

Friday, January 13 | 6:00 p.m.

Savory Pre-Oneg | 5:30 p.m.

TGIS (Thank God It's Shabbat!)
Service followed by catered dinner by Memories by Omare. See page 2 for details. Music with Jenny Labow, Youth Choir, and the TI Band.

Friday, January 20 | 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Evening Service
Music with Cantor Faith Steinsnyder

Friday, January 27 | 6:30 p.m.

Indoor Picnic | 5:45 p.m.

Shabbat in the Round Service
Music with Jenny Labow
"Chizel Your Own Chocolate Oneg"

A Hanukkah teaching for the entire year

(Note: Regardless of when you receive the BulleTIn, I offer this teaching. If you receive this prior to January 2, Happy Hanukkah! Otherwise, Happy Super Bowl!)

In *The Power of Light*, Isaac Bashevis Singer's wonderful (but not well-known) collection of Hanukkah stories, Reb Berish, the central character, offers the following teaching to his students:



"Some people think that in olden times miracles were more frequent than today. That is not true. The truth is that miracles were rare in all times. If too many miracles occurred, people would rely on them too much. FREE CHOICE would cease. The Powers on High want people to do things; to make an effort, don't be lazy."

It is okay that we teach children the story of the great "NES" (miracle) of the oil that lasted for a full eight days. But as they get older, we need to also teach them, in Reb Berish's words, that our purpose in life is not to rely on or wait for miracles but rather to make our own miracles or at least be aware when miraculous things are occurring right beneath our eyes. Moses had this awareness, which is why he was Moses and you are not.

Perhaps the real "NES" (miracle) of Hanukkah is our ability to perform everyday miracles, to dig deep within ourselves to find reservoirs of strength we never thought we had, whether it is strength of faith, compassion, or patience.

When we perform these "miracles" we become very powerful people - we create warmth for a heart that is in winter, we create light for a soul darkened with pain, we create a human hanukkah within us that reminds us that every day we rededicate ourselves to a struggle against the tyranny of pain and despair.

Human miracle workers come closer to God's spirit. The *haftarah* for *Shabbat Hanukkah* is from *Zachariah*, who teaches, NOT BY

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MIGHT, NOT BY POWER, BUT BY SPIRIT ALONE. When we have God's spirit we have our own source of might and power which we use to counteract the might and power of life, what some call the "nightmares of life".

As Reb Berish taught, real miracles are rare. While they do happen, we are not to wait around for them." "Do something, Get busy", he tells his students, "You have free choice. Make your own miracles."

That, to me, is the real miracle - of not just Hanukkah, but through all of our lives.

TGIS: Thank God It's Shabbat! Friday, January 13 | 6:00 p.m.

Pre-Oneg | 5:30 p.m.

followed by catered dinner. Join your Temple family for a spirited, family-friendly service with the joyful music of Jenny Labow, the Youth Choir, and our band. All children and teens will be invited to stand under the tallit during the Hashkiveinu prayer. Anyone with a January birthday will be invited up to the bima for a special blessing. There will be prayers on a big screen, and siddurim available. Join along as we celebrate Shabbat, followed by Shabbat dinner catered by Memories by Omare.



The menu includes: Challah, Mixed greens salad, Lemon chicken breast, Garlic rosemary mashed potatoes, Sautéed green beans, Macaroni and cheese for kids, Apple pie, vanilla ice cream, and fruit for dessert, Vegetarian, Vegan, and Gluten-Free options available; indicate any dietary needs with your RSVP.

Please contact the Temple office at (918) 747-1309 or reservations@templetulsa.com to RSVP for dinner and payment by Wednesday, January 11. The cost is \$13 per adult; \$7 per child; youth who sing in the Youth Choir that evening and children 5 and younger are free. Financial assistance is available; please speak with Klara Bode.

Education

Jennifer Selco

A preacher and a rabbi walk into a bar...



It was during America's civil rights movement when two spiritual leaders, a preacher and a rabbi became dear friends. Who were these men, and what lessons can we glean from their friendship today?

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was an African-American Baptist preacher from Atlanta, Georgia who preached and marched for equality during the 1960s. As a child, Dr. King experienced injustices and segregation firsthand. Abraham Joshua Heschel was a rabbi who grew up in Poland in the early 20th Century, when the Jewish people were not treated as equal citizens. Shortly after Heschel immigrated to America, his mother and three sisters perished in the Shoah (Hebrew word for whirlwind, used in place of the term, Holocaust).

Heschel spoke all around the country about equal rights and being created in the image of God. The Klu Klux Klan protested Heschel's teachings, yet Heschel persisted. King preached for equal rights for all, including the right to go to school and vote. When King called on his fellow citizens to join him in marches, Heschel knew that the two men shared the same message, and he had to join King. On March 21, 1965, in Selma, Alabama, Heschel and King joined hands and marched together. During this march, Heschel is quoted as saying "I feel like my legs are praying." The men's relationship grew and they came to be friends and supported each other's work toward a more just world. King spoke at Heschel's sixty-first birthday party, and Heschel spoke at King's funeral, saying "His mission is sacred...I call upon every Jew to share his vision." Their story is depicted beautifully in Richard Michelson's children's book, *As Good as Anybody*. You can check out this book and other stories about Jews in the Civil Rights Movement from our very own TI library.

In 2016, we march to affirm injustices which still exist. In 2016, we march side by side with fellow neighbors to remind us that we are all created in the image of God. In 2016, we march to commit ourselves to bring more love and justice into our world. Congregants of all ages are invited to join as we march in this year's Martin Luther King Day parade on Monday, January 16. The theme of this year's parade is "Love Conquers Hate" based on Dr. King's teaching, "I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear."

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Both men came from a religious background, emphasizing that loving kindness is the cornerstone of faith and justice. The concept of love is an important one in our tradition. In Leviticus, we are taught to “love your neighbor as yourself” (19:18), and Rabbi Hillel later teaches that this is the central text of the Torah. In our liturgy, specifically the Ahavat Olam, Ahavah Rabbah, and V’ahavtah prayers, we are reminded that God shows us love through Torah, and we are prompted to perform mitzvot to show our love for God. The 20th Century Jewish theologian Will Herberg correlated the practices of justice and love. He taught that “justice is the institutionalization of love in society.” We show love for others when we treat everyone the way we would like to be treated, and when our laws reflect this teaching, then justice arises.

Thank you to our Social Justice Committee for organizing TI’s participation in this Tulsa community-wide program. For details on how to participate, please refer to the Social Justice column on page 4 of the BulleTIn. I look forward to marching with you to a world filled with more love with you.

All in the Family

With sorrow, the congregation notes the deaths of:

Jack Kessler, cousin of Michael Rosenstein and wife Lynne and cousin of Stan Kessler and wife Cathey.

Dr. David Siegal, husband of Dr. Bonnie Siegal.

Rhoda Baker, sister of the late Martin Rownin and cofounder of the Rownin-Baker Handicapped Accessibility Fund.

Bruce Kaiser, brother of Louis Kaiser.

May their memories be a blessing.

GFC



Follow me down to GFC!

Although we are in the heart of winter, it is never too early to start thinking about summer! Registration is already open for Summer 2017 at Greene Family Camp (GFC) in Bruceville, Texas, our Reform Movement’s regional camp. Note that there are also other URJ camps throughout the country. Jewish camping provides opportunities for youth to be surrounded by their peers while providing an environment rich in Jewish tradition and culture.

With thanks to the generosity of Temple Israel, the Jewish Federation of Tulsa, and the Schusterman Family Foundation, money is never a reason for a child not to participate in a Jewish camping experience. There is truly no assistance program like the one in Tulsa! There are other grant opportunities for first-time full session campers.

If you have any questions about or would like to register your child for GFC or another URJ Camp (such as 6 Points Sci-Tech Academy, 6 Points Sports Academy, and the Creative Arts Experience at Kutz Camp), please be in touch with Jenn Selco. While we love for TI kids and teens to attend our regional URJ camp, there are amazing URJ camps to meet your child’s needs. Jenn looks forward to helping you and your child find the right camp experience!

Professional Development

Our staff professionals on the road - learning, growing and networking. Mid-January, Klara Bode will attend a joint convention sponsored by the National Association of Temple Administrators (NATA) and the National Association of Synagogue Administrators (NASA) in Nashville. Over 400 Reform and Conservative Executive Directors will meet to study, share ideas, network, and explore common problems. In the middle of January, Jennifer Selco will attend the annual conference of the Association of Reform Jewish Educators (ARJE). Jennifer will meet with 300 of the most talented Reform Jewish educators in the United States for a program that includes study, sharing of new and innovative programs, and opportunities to meet with educators who face the same challenges as we do. Rabbi Simon will be in Tahlequah to attend national Board meetings of two organizations where he sits on the national board- the American Automobile Association (AAA) and the National Geographic Society (NGS) .



Sisterhood

Since Hanukkah makes it into 2017 twice, we are offering a deal that's twice as nice. 40% off all Hanukkah items in the Sisterhood Gift shop during the whole month of January!

Brotherhood

The next TI Brotherhood After Hours will take place on **Wednesday, January 11, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** All Brotherhood members (and guests) are invited to an evening of fun and fellowship at the Elgin Park Brewpub, 216 North Elgin. No RSVP is necessary. Contact Brotherhood President Peter Rao at peteralanrao@sbcglobal.net with any questions.

Join us for our monthly Brotherhood Board Meeting on **Tuesday, January 17 at 7:30 p.m.** at the Temple.

Interfaith Dinner

Join Temple Israel Brotherhood and Sisterhood and our guests on **Sunday evening, January 22 at 6:00 p.m.** for an evening of good food, fellowship, and learning. The cost of the meal for Temple Israel members is \$13 per person. Complimentary babysitting is available, please indicate the name(s) and age(s) of children with your reservation. Refer to the invitation you receive in the mail for details about our guests, the program, and menu. For more information or to RSVP by **Wednesday, January 18**, please contact Jory in the TI office at (918) 747-1309 or reservations@templetulsa.com.



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Social Justice

Mitzvah of the Month: March in the 2016 Tulsa MLK Parade: Congregants of all ages are invited to join as we march in this year's Martin Luther King Day parade on **Monday, January 16**. The theme of this year's parade is "*Love Conquers Hate*." We will meet downtown at **10:30 a.m.** Jenn Selco will provide an exact location the week before the parade. The parade officially begins at **11:00 a.m.**, and we will likely be done by noon. Following the parade, all who are interested may enjoy a meal together downtown and engage in an intergenerational conversation about ways to bring more love and peace into our world. Jenn is working on making arrangements so that kids whose parents have to work can still participate in the festivities. The Social Justice Committee will provide each TI participant with a complimentary t-shirt. If you are interested in marching with TI, please be in touch with Jennifer Selco by **Monday, January 9** at jennifer@templetulsa.com or (918) 392-8483. To learn about the connection between Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the Jewish community, refer to Jennifer's article on page 2.

Young Kehillah

Congregants in their 20s, 30s, and 40s are invited to an evening of fun and games at Main Event on **Saturday, January 14 at 6:30 p.m.** The cost is \$10 per person and includes dinner and games. Complimentary babysitting is available. Contact Jenn Selco at jennifer@templetulsa.com to RSVP.

Sunday Morning Adult Education Series Sundays, January 8, 22, 29 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

All adults are welcome to participate. Come enjoy a bagel and a good cup of coffee, and good study. Open to parents, grandparents, and all other adults. Learn while the kids are in classes. The educational theme is "Oh, the Jewish Places You'll Go: Synagogue, Land, and Home." Each session in January will focus on a different aspect of Israel, and our relationship to the Jewish homeland.

Library

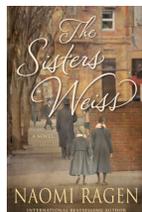
Read-Alikes

Do you feel sad upon finishing a book that you really enjoyed? The enjoyment can continue with books that are similar, known as a “read-alike.” Here are some available from the Temple Library:

Similar popular Biblical Fiction books include Anita Diamant’s **The Red Tent**, Rebecca Kohn’s **The Gilded Chamber**, Mark Halter’s **Zipporah, Wife of Moses**, India Edghill’s **Game of Queens**, Eva Etzioni-Halevy’s **Triumph of Deborah**, **The Garden of Ruth**, and **The Song of Hannah**, Rebecca Kanner’s **Esther, Sinners and the Sea**, and **Seven Days to the Sea**.



Similar popular family dramas include Lynda Cohen Loigman’s **The Two-Family House**, Jennifer Gilmore’s **Golden Country**, Naomi Ragen’s **The Sisters Weiss**, Kristin Hannah’s **The Nightingale**, Stephanie Feldman’s **The Angel of Losses**, Pam Jenoff’s **The Winter Guest** and Dara Horn’s **A Guide for the Perplexed**.



Similar popular spy and police novels include **The English Teacher** by Yiftach Reicher Atir, **Duet in Beirut** and **Forbidden Love in St. Petersburg** by Mishka Ben-David, **The Lie** by Hesh Kestin, **Ten Thousand Lovers**, **Look for Me** and **A Wall of Light** by Edeet Ravel, and Daniel Silva’s many books in the Gabriel Allon series.



Pj Library
JEWISH BEDTIME STORIES and SONGS

Help your own children’s sense of Jewish identity grow strong by sending Jewish-themed books and CDs each month! This program is a gift to all children in the Tulsa area, ages 6 months – 6.5 years old.

Sign up today at www.PJLIBRARY.org
or contact: Mindy Prescott at 918.495.1100 / mprescott@jewishtulsa.org

Save the Dates!

FEBRUARY 2017

TGIS! SERVICE
Friday, February 3
6:00 p.m.

followed by a catered dinner

TUBISHVAT SEDER
Sunday, February 12
11:00 a.m.

**THE MARCIA
JANKOWSKY MEMORIAL
CANTORIAL CONCERT**
Sunday, February 19
7:00 p.m.

Coffeehouse Cantors:
Songs of Patriotism and Pride
with Cantor Faith Steinsnyder,
Cantor David Perper,
Cantor Dana Anesi,
Cantor Jordan Franzel,
Cantor Ilan Mamber,
the multi-talented Eliot Glaser
and special guests.

Executive Committee

On **Sunday, November 20th from 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**, the Temple Israel Board of Trustees met at the Charles Schusterman Jewish Community Center for a retreat. The opportunity for discussion and learning was led by Jane Aronoff. Jane is an extraordinarily experienced and talented board workshop leader for the URJ. She customized our day of work based on a survey of the trustees and conversations with our clergy and staff.

There were three major “take-aways” from the retreat: how to be a good trustee, productive methods for discussion and decision making with a large group, and three major tasks to work on.

How to be a good Trustee:

The morning began with a Torah lesson from Rabbi Simon. We studied the daughters of Zelophechad and their leadership. Three main traits of a good leader are: drawing on agreement from others to strengthen a message, having the courage to act in an unpopular way, and not thinking about one’s own gains but instead implications for the entire community.

Following an activity to get to know one another better, we discussed best practices for board members. Like in our Torah lesson, we must see to it that the Temple achieves what it is capable of, resolves obstacles to those achievements, sets consistent policies and delegates specific actions. There was a productive discussion about what our obstacles are to achieving this high level of function. As a transition from individual goals for being a good Trustee into setting goals, we did a self-evaluation of the board. We reviewed how the board is doing on six primary functions and concluded that we need to work harder on “visioning,” picturing a better tomorrow, and “advocacy,” board members working from consensus, building and supporting decisions. Methods for discussion and decision-making:

How did such a large group of people decide what is needed to be a productive board and choose two functions to work on? At times we completed rating forms on our own and then each explained our thoughts with Jane tallying the answers. For other matters we broke into small groups of 4-7 people, used specific prompts to share ideas and then one person from each group reported back to everyone. We continued through the remainder of the retreat in this fashion, each of us individually or in a small

group came up with ideas and then returned to put it all together in a visual way with a list on a poster or stickers to mark big ideas. Commonalities showed up easily this way and everyone had an opportunity to speak.

Three major tasks:

At the end of the day we were tired! We were thoughtful, discussed challenges, expressed frustrations and really listened to one another. The final activity concluded with the decision to prioritize three of the board goals to work on:

- Creating a mission and/or vision statement for the Temple as a step toward strategic planning,
- Successfully engaging and retaining members.
- Creating a strong transition committee with specific directives to ensure the success of our next Senior Rabbi.

The Temple Board of Trustees left the retreat with a direction and purpose. Utilizing the techniques Jane taught us for discussion, drawing consensus and how to speak with one voice we can develop the specific activities it will take to move the congregation forward.





Tot Shabbat

Friday, January 6 at 6:00 p.m.

This special Shabbat experience is designed for families with babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers, and young elementary school children. The whole mishpacha (family) is welcome to attend, including grandparents! Our 30-minute service will include singing, a story, a Torah parade, and more. Following the service, there will be a delicious dinner, and activities for the kids. For more information or to RSVP for the dinner, please contact Jenn Selco at (918) 392-8483 or jennifer@templetulsa.com.

Knippa Lecture

The Reformation After 500 Years:
Seeds of Religious Unity?, 30th Knippa Lecture
January 29, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.
Grace Lutheran Church, 2331 E. 5th Place

Born in Eisleben, Germany, in 1483, Martin Luther went on to become one of Western history's most significant figures. Luther spent his early years in relative anonymity as a monk and scholar. But in 1517 Luther penned a document known as the "95 Theses". Popular legend has it that on October 31, 1517 Martin Luther nailed a copy of his 95 Theses to the door of the Wittenberg Castle church which was to spark the Protestant Reformation. Check out the History Channel for more information.

On January 29, 2017, 500 years later, Reverend Timothy J. Wengert will be speaking about the 95 Theses. Dr. Wengert is a Lutheran scholar who received his Doctorate from Duke University and has written multiple books and articles about Martin Luther and Lutheran traditions. He is part of an international team of scholars producing an ecumenical translation and annotations of the 95 Theses of Martin Luther in German. Come join with the congregation of Grace Lutheran Church to hear from this exciting and much in demand speaker.

Did You Know?

Mary Clare

- There are nearly 42,000 Zip Codes in the country? The lowest Zip Code is 00501, a unique Zip Code for the Internal Revenue Service in New York. The highest Zip Code is 99950 in Arizona. The easiest Zip Code to remember is 12345, a unique Zip Code for General Electric in New York.
- The longest rural delivery route is in Mangum, OK. The carrier travels 187.6 miles daily and delivers to 240 boxes. The shortest rural delivery route is in Carrollton, TX. The carrier travels 1.2 miles daily and delivers to 312 central delivery boxes.
- The Postal Service moves mail using planes, trains, trucks, cars, boats, ferries, helicopters, subways, float planes, hovercraft, mules, bicycles and feet.
- More than 652,000 tires were used on the postal fleet in 2015. If stretched end-to-end, these tires would span 144 miles.
- The Postal Service ordered more than 888 million rubber bands in 2015.

Temple Israel relies on the United States Postal Service to deliver our mail in a timely manner to the congregation. They aren't perfect, but we are grateful for their perseverance to deliver in sun, wind, rain, sleet and snow.

At Temple Israel we are able to take advantage of postage discounts and mail the bulletin via bulk mail. Bulk mail sometimes takes a little longer to arrive at your home. Some congregants receive their bulletin the very next day. Other times it shows up weeks or months later. And even a few times it's been returned "undeliverable" to Temple Israel several months later, only to find out that the mailing has the correct address on it. Go figure!

If you are not receiving the bulletin, feel free to contact the Temple office to ensure we have your correct address on file. Also, if you move, remember to contact us with your new mailing address. Since the bulletin is available on Temple Israel's website, if you would prefer not receive a paper copy we can accommodate that! Call or send an email to mary@templetulsa.com and I'll be happy to update your mailing address or your mailing preferences.

ARZA

Mark Lobo, TI ARZA Chair

ARZA - Because You Are Jewish

"Who is a Jew?" is a question that has been raised in Israel since the founding of the modern state in 1948. It is a natural question, because Israel was created in the aftermath of World War II and the Holocaust, as a homeland for Jews rejected by countries they inhabited. One weird answer to the question was provided by the Nazi party that had carefully researched and defined the "Jew" in order to isolate and remove them from society. "Was your mother Jewish?", a traditional question that had provided the definition, was not key; all a person needed to have was a single Jewish grandparent to get a number tattooed on their arm.

Currently, that question is central to modern political debate in Israel, and the Orthodox movement there still controls the rules. If there is any doubt about a person there having a Jewish mother, they must undergo conversion by an Orthodox rabbi in order to be considered Jewish. That leaves many of us at Temple Israel questioning those rules. How in the world do we reconcile that our Judaism only applies here, but not necessarily in Israel, our homeland?

We can fix the definition of Jew by joining ARZA through Temple Israel, supporting our movement that continues to break down the barriers to Reform Judaism in Israel.

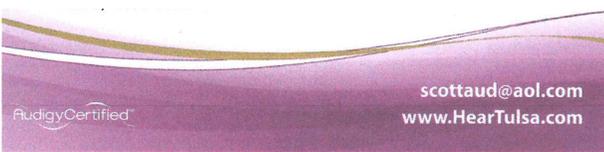


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Cantorial Concert

The Marcia Jankowsky Memorial Cantorial Concert Save The Date ... Sunday, February 19 at 7 p.m.

Be with us on Presidents Weekend as we are pleased to present..."Coffeehouse Cantors: Songs of Patriotism and Pride", with Cantor Faith Steinsnyder, Cantor-in-Residence at Temple Israel and Professor of Cantorial Studies at HUC-JIR, NYC, her husband, Cantor David Perper of Congregation Beth Haverim Shir Shalom in Mahwah, NJ, Cantor Dana Anesi of the Temple for Universal Judaism in New York and Fieldwork Coordinator for the Debbie Friedman School of Sacred Music at HUC-JIR, Cantor Jordan Franzel of Or Ami in Lafayette Hill, PA, Cantor Ilan Mamber of Temple Beth Rishon, Wyckoff, NJ, with our own multi-talented Eliot Glaser and featuring special guests!! Come join us for an inspiring evening of song!

Get to Know Us

Get to know our staff a little bit better. This month we are featuring our Cantorial Soloist, **Jenny Labow**. Ten tidbits about Jenny:

1. She moved to Stillwater, Oklahoma from Toronto, Canada in 1985.
2. She became a Naturalized U.S. Citizen at the age of 18.
3. She majored in Bass Clarinet Performance at Oklahoma State University.
4. She attended the Hava Nashira song leading session at Olan Sang Ruby Union Institute (OSRUI) in Wisconsin this past June.
5. Jenny has one "tuxedo" cat named "Oreo", 3 years old.
6. She recently became "Aunt Jenny" to niece "Liv Labow" and nephew "Leo Labow".
7. She has two brothers, one of whom is a Cantor in New Jersey (Ted Labow).
8. Her Hebrew name is "Elisheva".
9. She loves to try new recipes when she has time.
10. Jenny is passionate about Jewish music, and about how music is used as a gateway to prayer in our services and in our lives.

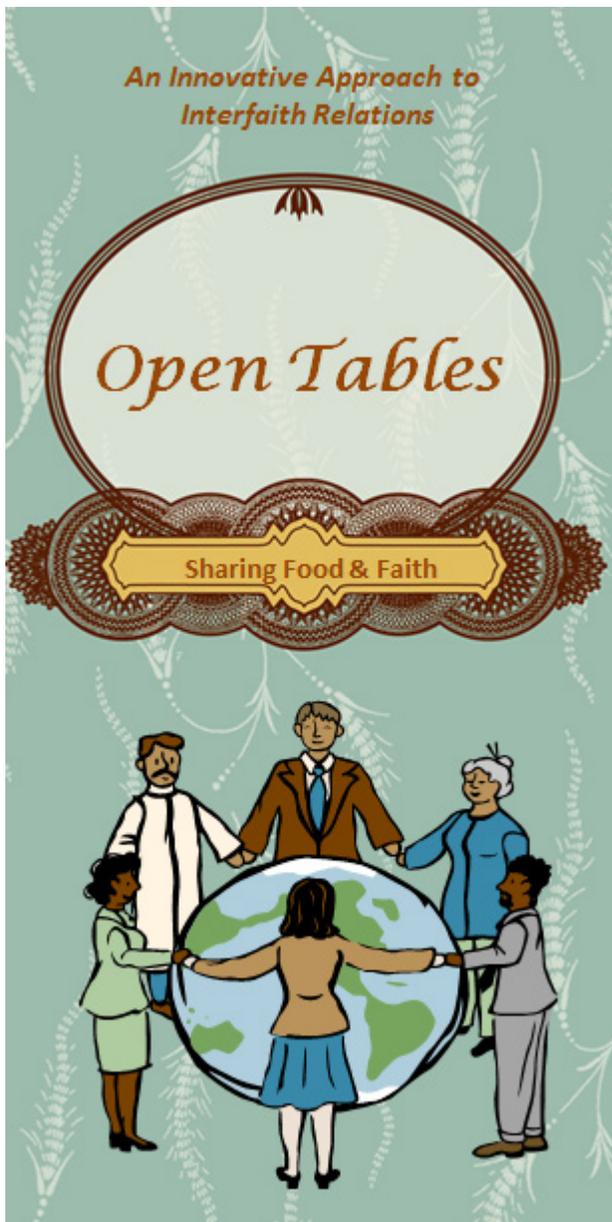
Open Tables

The purpose of Open Tables is to build relationships and better understand persons of differing faiths through potluck style dinner, feeding and being fed by our neighbors. The event is in partnership with Boston Avenue UMC, the Islamic Society of Tulsa, OCCJ, the Jewish Federation of Tulsa, the Turkish Raindrop House/Dialogue Institute Southwest, and the Hindu Temple of Greater Tulsa.

The next potluck dinner dates and locations are:
January 8, 2017 at the Jewish Federation of Tulsa, 2012 E. 71st, Tulsa

March 26, 2017 at Masjid al-Salam, IST, 4620 S. Irvington Ave, Tulsa

Both dinners will be held at **5:30 p.m.**



Tot Shabbat Highlights



N'davot - Offerings

*"Whoever is charitable and just fills the entire world with kindness."
- Talmud*

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Save the Date for the Institute of Adult Jewish Studies

IAJS takes place on Monday evenings, starting **January 23, through February 27, 2017**. March 6 will be a make-up date in the event of inclement weather. Course listings and times are noted below. For more details, visit the Jewish Federation of Tulsa website. Winter semester classes will be held at the Charles Schusterman Jewish Community Center at 2021 East 71st Street.

Hour One: 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

The Crazy Mind of the Talmud

Gossipers are Murderers

Talmud Interactive (2 hour course)

Ancient Sounds: Haftorah Trope Cantillation

Building a Community

Around the Mahj Table

Demography in Israel

After Auschwitz - Poetry of the Holocaust

Beginning Hebrew: Part II

Hour Two: 8:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Intro to Judaism: Part II

Politics in Israel

The Art of Welcoming

Israeli Dancing with Aya Rikin

Intermediate Hebrew: Part II

Camp Katan

Camp Katan is a great opportunity for children 12-36 months to play together, sing Jewish songs, and through multi-sensory experiences, begin to become familiar with Jewish values and holidays. A snack will be provided. Please send your child with a water cup, diapers, and wipes for the morning. Sarah Beth Gordon will be the lead teacher of this group, and will

also have teen madrichim (assistants) with her. Our next Camp Katan session will take place on **Sunday, January 29 from 9:45 a.m.** until noon. Parents are encouraged to come for the last 10 minutes for a closing circle activity. In order to ensure adequate staffing, please let Jenn Selco know if your child will be there by **Thursday, January 26.**

January

2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Happy New Year! No Shorashim RS	2 TI Office Closed	3	4 6:30 p.m. Midrasha Dinner @ TI 7:00-8:30 p.m. Midrasha @ TI	5	6 6:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat Service and dinner 7:30 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	7 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service followed by Kiddush Lunch
8 9:30 a.m.-Noon Shorashim RS 10:00 a.m. Adult Learning 11:00 a.m. S-hood Board Mtg 12:15 p.m.- 2:00 p.m. Shorashim Team Mtg	9 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Sewing Circle	10 6:00 p.m. Exec Comm Mtg 7:30 p.m. Board of Trustees Mtg	11 4:15-5:30 p.m. Hebrew Learning 5:30 p.m. B'hood After Hours @ Elgin Park Brewpub 6:30 p.m. Midrasha Dinner @ TI 7:00-8:30 p.m. Midrasha @ TI	12	13 5:30 p.m. Pre-Oneg 6:00 p.m. TGIS! Service followed by catered dinner	14 6:30 p.m. Young Kehillah at Main Event
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