Religious School News

FEBRUARY 8, 2021

We braved the cold and the computer screens and it was another great day of learning. This week we introduced the value of K'hillah/Community. You can find the Family Schmooze here.

3rd-6th grade can find the Challenge Card here.

Cantor Avery will begin teaching the La-bri-ut song this coming week. You can find the video here.

We hope the lively music reminds you of the important values you are learning this year.

We are closely watching the weather for next week, but it looks like both sessions will be online. We will confirm by Wednesday. We are planning special experiences for t’fillah/worship this week. I will also share more details once they are confirmed.

Debbie
Deborah Niederman, RJE
Director of Religious School & Young Family Programming

Upcoming dates and events: Be sure to RSVP for events!

February 10: GFC Information Night - page 5
February 13: Munchkin Minyan (Special Purim programming for families with children in 2nd grade & younger.) page 3
February 21: NO Religious School
Purim Drive-Thru, Family Hamantaschen Bake & Family Escape Room Event - page 3
February 26 & 27: Family Shabbat Celebrations (It's not too early to RSVP!) page 4
February 28: NO Religious School
March 6: Havdallah & Kids Movie Night (It's not too early to RSVP!) page 4

Click here to view the 2020-2021 Religious School Calendar.
Inclement Weather

In case of inclement weather and in-person religious school has to be cancelled, you will be notified by text and/or email. In the event we are unable to meet in person, we will meet via Zoom. Below is the link, ID and code.

Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84249425481
Meeting ID: 842 4942
5481 Passcode: 225473

Please make sure your child’s camera is on and they are in a quiet place without distractions so they can participate fully. If you have internet connection issues it is often easier to use the phone for audio. Please let Debbie know if you are having any difficulties with connectivity or audio that are disrupting your child’s ability to participate.

REMIND SIGN UP
In the event of inclement weather, a Remind text will be sent out. If you have not previously responded to the Remind invitation, please contact Karen at kthompson@templeshalomdallas.org to receive the code.

For up-to-date information on school and events, please join the Religious School Facebook Group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/178243039416847
PURIM DRIVE THRU EVENT

Sunday, February 21st
10:30am-Noon
Temple Shalom

Pick up a Shalach Manot bag
Filled with Purim treats & supplies
for our virtual hamantaschen bake.
Wear your Purim costume & take pics.

Matanot L’evyonim
Fulfill the mitzvah of gifts
for the needy.

Drop off gently used baby
through teenage clothing.

Use your Purim bag for
our virtual celebrations!
1:30-2:30pm – Hamantaschen
Community Bake
4-5pm – Family Escape Room Event
sponsored by #Partnership GFC

Event for Temple Shalom members only.
RSVP required by 2/15 for all events at
https://templeshalomdallas.org/purim-2021/
Questions? Email purim@templeshalomdallas.org.
All events sponsored by Temple Shalom Brotherhood & Sisterhood
www.templeshalomdallas.org

Temple Shalom Purim Munchkin Minyan

Join us on the Temple Shalom Lawn
February 13 10:30am

Bring a picnic blanket to sit on. Wear masks, all social distancing protocols strictly enforced.

Wear your Purim costume & join us for a morning of Purim learning, singing, magic, crafts &
of course, hamantaschen!

Families with children in Grade 2
& younger welcome!

RSVP required by 2/9 to https://templeshalomdallas.org/munchkin-minyan/

www.templeshalomdallas.org
Temple Shalom Religious School
Family Shabbat Experience

One weekend each month Religious School Families will come together to connect & learn. Please join us for this opportunity to learn & pray together—to create & share in community.

February 26: Shabbat Service, 6:00pm-7:30pm - Grades 3-4
February 27: Shabbat morning, 10:30am-Noon - Grades 5-6
February 27: Havdallah, 5:00pm-6:30pm - Grades K-2

Remember: No in-person or Online religious school or Hebrew on Sunday, February 28th

Friday night – Shabbat Service
welcome Shabbat, bring a picnic style Shabbat dinner & join in worship services outside in the Temple Shalom Picnic Area.

Shabbat morning – study the weekly Torah portion, family activities & worship outside in the Temple Shalom picnic area.

Havdallah service – reflect on the sacred nature of the day & together say farewell to Shabbat outside on the Temple Shalom lawn.

RSVP by 2/23 to https://templeshalomdallas.org/family-shabbat-experience/

Last Experience of the Year:
April 23: Shabbat Service - Grades K-2
April 24: Shabbat Morning - Grades 3-4
April 24: Havdallah - Grades 5-6

YOUTH PROGRAMMING EVENTS OF 2021

Mark your Calendars! Get ready for a semester of amazing programs! For all events, all grades are invited to participate.

February
21st at 4 pm - "Bagels and Locks"
Online Purim Escape Room

March
6th at 6:30 pm - Kids Only Havdallah Movie Night
23rd at 5:30 pm - Family Passover Cooking Extravaganza

Keep an eye in your email to see what we have planned for April and May!
Do you have a 1st-10th grader? Would they enjoy having an incredible, life-changing summer?

If so, we invite you to join Temple Shalom and learn more about the unforgettable experiences, lifelong friendships, and the strong Jewish community that Greene Family Camp has to offer. GFC is the Reform Jewish summer camp for children in Texas and Oklahoma, and is located in Bruceville, Texas.

Greene Family Camp is offering an information session on Wednesday, February 10th at 7:00 pm. Please click the link to register: Wednesday, February 10th at 7:00 pm.

Join the GFC Camp Director and staff for an interactive information session on Zoom. This virtual experience is for both parents AND potential campers!

Please join us to meet the GFC staff, meet other members of the camp community, and to learn more about the exciting opportunities available at Greene Family Camp! Please contact Melissa Essler (messler@urj.org) with any questions.

We look forward to seeing you!

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The Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas is now accepting applications for need-based scholarships for teens who are attending summer programs in Israel. In order to qualify for the scholarships, applicants must:

1. Live in Dallas
2. Demonstrate financial need
3. Be a current high school student and have the same status at the time of the Israel program.
4. Plan to participate in a recognized Israel experience program that is longer than 10 days and has educational content.

Students applying to attend summer programs in Israel must submit their completed application no later than March 15, 2021. More details can be found on the website.

For questions, please contact Peta Silansky, Manager, Israel & Overseas, Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas, 214-615-5250