



Religious School News

MAY 3, 2023

Friends,

We look forward to celebrating this year of learning on Sunday with a presentation, slide show and ice cream – because, Torah is...SWEET. Please join us Sunday morning at 11:30 in the sanctuary for our celebrations.

This week 3rd-6th graders participated in final reflections for the year.

Our 3rd and 4th graders designed their own Kehillah Kedoshah / holy community, beginning with the core values they believed should shape their community. At the top of the values list were: freedom, education, health and safety, nature and Tikkun Olam. Ask your 3rd & 4th graders about what their values were and what they designed. Stop by the Lifelong Learning office to see their communities.



5th and 6th graders reflected on our Essential Questions for this semester's BIG QUESTION:

How do Jews Pray?

- What do I need to be able to pray in a way that is personally meaningful?
- How is prayer meaningful to ME?
- What is the order of the worship service and how does it help me concentrate?
- What are the major parts of the worship service and how do they connect me to others and our history?

I was lucky enough to hear some of their reflections and read their journals. Here is some of what I learned:

Prayer is meaningful to me because it helps me feel more whole and connected...After I pray, no matter how tired, sad or unhappy I am, I always feel better about myself...

Prayer makes me feel calm and mindful.

Prayer helps me feel connected to God and to Jews around the world.

Be sure to ask your 5th & 6th graders about which questions they answered and what their thoughts were. As we conclude the year we will begin to look ahead at our BIG QUESTIONS for next year. Spend some time thinking about Jewish stories and family stories with your children to help them craft our questions for next year.

Debbie

Deborah Niederman, RJE
Director of Lifelong Learning

Complete a simple registration form for next year and get a special gift!

See Debbie or stop by the office for the form and gift...

- **May 7** - Tots Academy
- **May 7** - slide show & celebration of our 7th & 12th graders
- **May 7** - T-shirt Contest Designs are due



We will end the year with delicious ice cream for all our students, because Torah is...SWEET!





Temple Shalom Religious School
T-Shirt Design
CONTEST

Help us create a Religious School t-shirt!

Theme: Friendship, Joy, Wonder & Holy Community

Rules: Create a one-sided design using no more than three colors

Due date: May 7

Drop off your original design at Temple Shalom Religious School office or submit a png and your name to tshirts@templeshalomdallas.org

Winner will receive a special prize

TEMPLE SHALOM

Open to all Religious School students
Tots Academy-12th Grade

Rock'N Roll Shabbat

May 12, 2023

6:00pm Rock'n Oneg

6:30pm Rock'n Shabbat Service
Featuring the Temple Shalom T'filah Band!

- The band is back, so wear your favorite concert or band shirt!





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Rock This World

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Shavuot
is a time to celebrate our first fruits & welcome new babies.

Join us for a morning of **learning, singing, crafts & blessings.**

New parents & grandparents will receive a special blessing.

Open to the community for families with new babies and young children!

SATURDAY, MAY 27
10:30 AM
TEMPLE SHALOM

Register by 5/24 at <https://templeshalomdallas.org/blessing-of-the-babies/>