



The Voice

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Which is more important, The Declaration of Independence or The Constitution?



Rabbi Marc A. Gruber

I relish displays of fireworks. July is a great month; if I am lucky I can enjoy

the fireworks for the Fourth in several different communities. Upon reflection one might think that September should be our month for colors bursting in the night sky. Why do we celebrate the Fourth of July with great fanfare and barely notice September 17th, the day the Constitution was adopted? We could ask the same question of ourselves as Jews, "Why do expend so much energy to celebrate *Pesah* and neglect *Shavu'ot*?"

It would seem that we enjoy freedom much more than responsibility. In fact, some people might define *freedom* as the *absence of responsibility*. Psychologically, it is

Our Mission

To be an inclusive Reform Jewish congregation that is family-focused, community-oriented, emphasizes spiritual and cultural identity, and is dedicated to the Jewish education of all generations.

All Good Things ...

Dan Sieger, President



..... must come to an end. This is my final Voice article as President of Congregation Kol Ami of Frederick. It has been a challenging three years. From handling

normal day to day operations, dealing with personnel issues, moving offices, the ebb and flow of congregants, searching for a new Rabbi and let us not forget, services and High Holidays during Covid-19. But even with all of that , it has been a very rewarding experience. I have had the opportunity to work with some really great people, built some truly great friendships and helped guide Congregation Kol Ami of Frederick towards the future.

Over the years, I have spoken about being accountable for your words and actions. I have written about speaking the facts , not just those that help your side of the issue .State what happened, state what went wrong (not who), provide ideas to help correct the issue and to make sure that it does not happen again. I have shared thoughts about believing what you say (not just saying it to hear your own voice or to get a reaction). Be able to be presented with

facts. Be able to have a civil conversation and be open and not afraid to have your mind/opinion changed.

I feel, like we do at the UU, I am leaving the Presidency in a better place than when I received it. Before someone goes and tells Joanna I am throwing shade her way ; she had her own issues and handled them wonderfully. I feel that we all have worked to get CKAF in a much better place that it has been in years. Rabbi Gruber is a wealth of knowledge, compassionate, and a great addition to the CKAF family.

In these articles, as well as in my High Holiday speeches, I have stated that CKAF only operates on the dues, fundraising and contributions from our members and friends. We also only function on the backs of our volunteers. Like with the legs of a chair, when anyone comes up short, the chair will wobble but the others will keep it from falling. When more than one leg comes up short , the chair gets lower and lower, until you are sitting on the floor and unable to participate in what is happening at the table. Please consider getting involved. You will be helping yourself, your friends, your religious home and there is a really good chance that you will like it.

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easier to thank God for freeing us from slavery in Egypt than binding us to the responsibility of observing the commandments at Sinai.

In both cases, the two events weave a single fabric. The *declarations of independence* establish the core values and the standard by which we judge the *constitutions*. The Declaration of Independence proclaims that all persons are created equal. In time, we amended the Constitution to abolish slavery and establish suffrage for women, placing black people and women among those protected by the Constitution. We still need to uproot the White supremacy and male dominance that underpins the *American way* in our society, culture, and institutions. Our Torah teaches us that human life is sacred and our rabbis have changed the *halakha* over the generations to help us live up to the goal.

Four decades ago, our movement began calling persons who convert to Judaism, *Jews by choice*. I have always felt that this was peculiar as this designation contains an irony. In the modern era, all Jews are Jews by choice; as we have become more accepted into American society, this irony has grown. Leonard Saxe, a social psychologist and director of the Cohen Center for Modern Jewish Studies at Brandeis University, noted (*On Jewish Identity*, *Contact*, Winter 2012):

Being Jewish is not only a matter of choice; it has become individuated. Steven M. Cohen and Arnold M. Eisen use the term “sovereign self” to characterize such self-focused Jewish identity. One indicator is that denominational movements no longer have the central role in promoting shared practices; increasingly, American Jews identify as “Just Jewish.”

Some of these individuals are highly engaged in Jewish life. For them, “Just Jewish” is a post-denominational label. For others, however, “Just Jewish” signals their identification with the Jewish people, but their disinterest in Judaism *per se*.

To adapt a computer metaphor that reflects our technology-saturated cul-

ture, Jewish identity is a program that, for many, resides in memory. Jewish identity is accessed as needed, and only if it is compatible with other programs that are running. Jewishness is thus one of many identities available to a person, and the key is whether it is synchronous or not. It is a choice not only to enact the identity, but also to decide which features of the identity to embrace. Jewishness is one of many identities, each of which is situationally contingent.

The aforementioned Steven M. Cohen, then Research Professor of Jewish Social Policy at HUC-JIR and Director of the Berman Jewish Policy Archive at NYU Wagner, explained (*What’s Wrong with “Jewish Identity, Contact*, Winter 2012) that even the terminology of *Jewish identity* is misleading. He preferred defining members of our group through descriptive words such as *Jewish engagement* or *Jewish involvement*.

He explained that “It carries with it three misleading, and ultimately distorting, messages:

Being Jewish resides in the individual; it is part of his/her identity.

Being Jewish is about subjective feelings; identity is the stuff that we carry around in our heart and minds.

Being Jewish is a fixed quality; if it’s an identity, it doesn’t change much, kind of like what we used to think was intelligence.”

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Religious School



Religious School Update

Joanna Sieger, Director of Education

The Education Committee is working on plans for next year. We hope to be back in person and are currently working on finding space for our school. We do have an opening for a 7th grade teacher, so please let me know if that interests you. We are also seeking a Hebrew Teacher – so if that’s your specialty, please let me know. We will be using the Shalom Learning platform next year. I have been active in Congregation Kol Ami of Frederick for over 12 years. I began that activity co-teaching 4th grade and taught that for 8 years before becoming President and then Education Director. During that time, I found a love of this community. I met many families and took joy in the work of teaching our

students. One of my favorite lessons is comparing the holidays of Chanukah, Passover, and Purim – different places, different foods, but pretty much the same story. I have held many positions in CKAF but I got my start as a teacher. I encourage each of you to get involved where you can. Congregation Kol Ami of Frederick has numerous places where we need you to share your talents with us. We always need teachers – even if it is to substitute. We always need help on committees. We need you to get involved. Don’t know where to start? Please reach out to me. I’ve held many positions from committee member to President and everything in between and it’s time to pass that torch. Some may think that there is a group who makes all the decisions and I would say

that’s simply not true. There is a core group who has volunteered for years, who are active, and wants CKAF to be the best and with that - all are welcome and needed to make things happen. Volunteer, find your people! Toward that end, many of you have met Katelyn Vaughan. I worked with Katelyn at Beth Shalom and I know her to be articulate, organized and competent. She is kind, friendly and receptive and I encourage you to meet her, if you haven’t already. Katelyn has more than 12 years of professional office experience, mostly in the fields of Education, Office Management and General HR Management. She earned a bachelor of arts in history and two masters of arts in humanities from Hood College, with concentrations in Medieval and Renaissance studies.

From Joanna Sieger

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Katelyn lives in the Frederick area with her three sons and four cats. She enjoys spending time with her family, playing with her cats, traveling and reading. She has been a member of Kol Ami since 2018 and is looking forward to serving as our Education Director.

From the President

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So, in conclusion... I want to say a Thank You to all my officers and all the different board members over the years; and a HUGE Thank You to all of you, members of Congregation Kol Ami of Frederick, members of the CKAF family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bar Mitzvah of Drew Goldstein

May 22, 2021

Drew is the son of Sonya Goldstein, Dov Goldstein and Earl Morrissey. He is in the 8th grade at Walkersville Middle School. Drew is an avid sports enthusiast and enjoys playing football, fishing, obstacle course racing and being outdoors. He is a nationally ranked Kids Spartan athlete and has competed in the world championships 2 times. He is also a talented artist, is the administrator of his own Xbox server and enjoys spending time with family, friends and his varied menagerie of pets.

Bar Mitzvah of Owen Yancer

June 5, 2021



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Bat Mitzvah of

Maggie Polak

June 19, 2021

Maggie is the daughter of Andie Sante and Oren Polak and younger brother J.D. Maggie is a 7th grader and is home schooled. Maggie loves

chemistry, art, ballet, and baking. She has won awards for her drawing and Lego displays. She is writing a book and also loves to play Animal Crossing. She adores her cats Crystal, Pickle, and Wiskers, and her Bat Mitzvah project is a supply drive for a local cat rescue organization. Maggie has been attending Kol Ami religious school since kindergarten and is thrilled to be taking this next step in her Jewish life. She would also like to thank her Saba, David Polak for working on her Hebrew every week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us for Torah Study

Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

May 10th and 17th

June 7, 14, 21 and 28th

Join us for Services

May 7th, and 21st

June 4, 5, 18, and 19th

Save the Date

Annual Congregational Meeting

Monday June 7th

7:00pm

Sisterhood Book Club - May12, 2021, 12:30 PM—*Four Winds* by Kristina Hannah

Texas, 1921. A time of abundance. The Great War is over, the bounty of the land is plentiful, and America is on the brink of a new and optimistic era. But for Elsa Wolcott, deemed too old to marry in a time when marriage is a woman's only option, the future seems bleak. Until the night she meets Rafe Martinelli and decides to change the direction of her life. With her reputation in ruin, there is only one respectable choice: marriage to a man she barely knows.

By 1934, the world has changed; millions are out of work and drought has devastated the Great Plains. Farmers are fighting to keep their land and their livelihoods as crops fail and water dries up and the earth cracks open. Dust storms roll relentlessly across the plains. Everything on the Martinelli farm is dying, including Elsa's tenuous marriage; each day is a desperate battle against nature and a fight to keep her children alive.

In this uncertain and perilous time, Elsa—like so many of her neighbors—must make an agonizing choice: fight for the land she loves or leave it behind and go west, to California, in search of a better life for her family.

The Four Winds is a rich, sweeping novel that stunningly brings to life the Great Depression and the people who lived

through it—the harsh realities that divided us as a nation and the enduring battle between the haves and the have-nots. A testament to hope, resilience, and the strength of the human spirit to survive adversity, *The Four Winds* is an indelible portrait of America and the American dream, as seen through the eyes of one indomitable woman whose courage and sacrifice will come to define a generation. ***The Four Winds* seems eerily prescient in 2021 . . . Its message is galvanizing and hopeful: We are a nation of scrappy survivors. We've been in dire straits before; we will be again. Hold your people close.**—*The New York Times*

"A spectacular tour de force that shines a spotlight on the indispensable but often overlooked role of Greatest Generation women."—*People*

"Through one woman's survival during the harsh and haunting Dust Bowl, master storyteller, Kristin Hannah, reminds us that the human heart and our Earth are as tough, yet as fragile, as a change in the wind." —Delia Owens, author of *Where the Crawdads Sing*

From the number-one bestselling author of *The Nightingale* and *The Great Alone* comes a powerful American epic about love and heroism and hope, set during the Great Depression.

Wish your friends a 'Happy Birthday' and benefit Kol Ami

Everyone likes to be remembered, and it's time to celebrate our June and July birthday congregants.

All you have to do is cut out the list, place a checkmark next to the name(s) of those you want to send a greeting, (at \$1.00 per greeting), and sign the list the way you want your name written on the card. Please make your check out to Congregation Kol Ami of Frederick, and mail it to Harriet Buxbaum, 2651 Brook Valley Road, Frederick, MD 21701. OR (preferred) send Harriet an email (hhokey@comcast.net) listing all those to whom you wish to send greetings AND pay CKAF directly by going to the CKAF website(<https://www.kolamifrederick.org/>), click on DONATE NOW and complete the transaction. Please use "Miscellaneous Fundraising" for donation category

Harriet's Team (Val Lazerowich, Brenda Silberman & Charolette Mayberry) will send out a festive card, to each recipient, with the names of those sending birthday wishes. Please respond ASAP but no later than **May 25** for both months.

Very Important: Please check the list and make sure we did not omit your name or the name(s) of your family members. If you have any questions, please call Harriet at (301) 471-8692.

June Birthdays

- Colt Black
- Harriet Buxbaum
- Milo Cary
- Cody Duckhorn
- Matthew Goldstein
- Dianne Heins
- Adam Hoffrichter
- Hayden Lazochak
- Faith Miller
- Earl Morrisey
- Charlie Nail

- Marguerite Polak
- Cathy Reifman
- Andie Sante
- Ryan Schwab
- Dan Sieger
- Sarah Sieger
- Ethan Yospin

July Birthdays

- Julie Constantino
- William Fawley
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Kol Ami Committees in Action

Social Action

The Social Action Committee was approached in January and asked if we could help organize a dinner at the Frederick Soup Kitchen on April 4. The United Church of Christ in Middletown generally provides dinners there on the first Sunday of each month. However, the first Sunday in April fell on Easter, so they were unable to do it that day. After ascertaining that there were enough congregants interested in helping, we agreed to organize this mitzvah. We received a great response to our requests for volunteers with 14 people from both the SAC and the congregation at large offering to help. The menu was selected to provide a hot meal that was inexpensive, healthy and easy to prepare. It included baked chicken, roasted potatoes, cole slaw and fresh fruit. The group from the UCC was able to bake in advance to provide fresh baked goods for dessert. Thirteen volunteers and their families shopped, cooked and filled to-go cartons with 10 individual meals each. These 130 meals were then transported via several cars to the Soup Kitchen. Other Soup Kitchen volunteers brought about 40 of the meals to a hotel where some homeless clients were staying. The rest

of the meals were given to people at the Soup Kitchen who had the choice of staying there to eat them or taking the meals to-go. A few CKAF volunteers stayed at the Soup Kitchen to serve and then help clean up at the end of the meal. The entire day progressed without any hitches and was appreciated by the Soup Kitchen staff and clients as well as the UCC in Middletown.



Judi Feldman's grand-kids help pack coleslaw

Fund Raising



Trivia Night - Social Distancing Style, Part 3

On April 10, the third Trivia Social Distancing Style contest was held as a fundraiser for Kol Ami. 24 participants were given 20 questions to answer, such as:

" In which city is Jim Morrison of The Doors buried--London; Rome; Madrid; Paris?", and

" Globe and Jerusalem are types of what-- oranges; apples, artichokes; bananas?"

Participants submitted how many questions they got correct, and there was a 3-way tie among Charolette Mayberry, Brenda Silberman and Gerald Cohen, who each got 17 correct answers.

A 5 question tiebreaker was sent out to Charolette, Brenda and Gerald and Gerald Cohen was the winner based on getting 3 of the 5 tie-breaker questions correct. Gerald received a Starbucks gift card as the winner!

Thanks to all who participated in our CKAF Trivia Social Distancing Style contest!!

(Answers to the above questions; Jim Morrison is buried in Paris. Globe and Jerusalem are types of artichokes!)

Numbering Our Days

Franna Ruddell

Limnot yameinu, kein hoda v'navi l'vav chochma," advises the psalmist in Psalm 90:12. "Teach us to treasure each day that we may open our hearts to your wisdom."

Do we ever NOT need this reminder to treasure each day? I sure do. Having known about the tradition of Counting the Omer for years (and failing in a few solo attempts), this year, for the first time, I have joined a group of "Omer counters" who meet on Zoom every evening except Shabbat to study and count the 49 days together. We have been meeting and counting since Pesach and will finish the day before Shavuot, The Feast of Weeks. I was worried about the commitment at first but now I am ALL IN.

Omer refers to the measure of a sheaf of the first barley harvest brought to the Temple on the day after Passover, the second day of Passover for those of us in Diaspora. This offering was actually commanded in Leviticus 23: 10-11, "You shall bring an omer of the first fruits of your harvest to the priest; and he shall wave the omer before God to be accepted for you." The harvesting of the barley was an elaborate community event. The priests held up the omer/sheaf and waved it in the six directions: north, south, east, west, then up towards heaven and down towards earth as an acknowledgement of the role of the Divine in nourishing the crop to a successful harvest. Only after this wave offering/gratitude offering could the people partake of the barley crop or any other spring harvest.

From this ritual offering of gratitude we count 49 days (7 days x 7 weeks) as the wheat harvest grows and ripens. On the day after the count was completed, day 50, our ancestors brought two loaves made from the flour of the just cut wheat. "You shall count off seven weeks; start to count the seven weeks when the sickle is first put to the standing grain (barley). Then you shall observe the Feast of Weeks for the Lord your God, offering your freewill

contribution (wheat loaves) according as the Lord your God has blessed you," (Deuteronomy 16: 9-10).

Over the centuries, beginning with the destruction of our Temple and the sacrificial system, the 49 days of the Omer have taken on more spiritual significance. The rabbis of the Talmud designated day fifty as the anniversary of our receiving our spiritual legacy, the Torah at Sinai. The Omer counting recalls the movement from a slave mentality of dependence, oppression and pessimism, to a more optimistic independent state of mind, free enough to willingly explore both the responsibilities and possibilities of freedom within the recipe for an ethical communal life contained in the Torah. The counting period became a period of preparation, especially spiritual preparation, for receiving Torah, similar to Elul for the High Holy Days.

This preparation process was extensively elaborated by the Kabbalist mystics of the 16th and 17th centuries who drew from their intricate concept of sefirot (emanations of qualities of G-d) to assign each week a Divine attribute upon which to concentrate. The first week's focus is chesed (lovingkindness), followed by gevurah (discipline, wise boundaries), tiferet (harmony, beauty), netzach (endurance), hod (gratitude, splendor), yesod (foundation, bonding) and malchut (kingdom, leadership). Each of those Hebrew words represents a whole cluster of qualities, a body part, ancestral archetypes, a Divine name and even one of the Jewish holidays! Whew! And THEN this system assigns a sefira to each day of the week so the first day of the first week is chesed (day) within chesed (week), the second day is gevurah (day) within chesed (week) until day 49 which is malchut within malchut.

In modern Israel, counting is easy. You simply turn the radio or TV on each evening just after sundown and the new day is counted for the nation. You can dismiss, pause for a few seconds, consider or treasure the day for as long as you wish. Fortunately, English speaking Diaspora Jews who are intrigued enough to try counting the Omer have an abun-

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The crux of the matter is that to cultivate a *Jewish identity*, we must *behave Jewishly* interacting with *other Jews*. We often take pride in the fact that our tradition promotes right living - deed - over right believing - creed. This is required for vibrant Jewish life. We know from our core values and standards of family, *minyan*, and community that most Jewish doing is performed with others. Social networking is fundamentally a Jewish enterprise. Jewish continuity is born of participation and connections to others.

These studies are a decade old. Recently, the Pew Center released a finding that for the first time more Americans were unaffiliated with a church, mosque, temple, or synagogue than those who are affiliated. This trend underscores the conclusions of Saxe and Cohen about the Jewish community.

Shavu'ot is one of the three major pilgrimage festivals described in the Bible. Passover is widely celebrated, as we eat matzah and remember our escape from slavery in Egypt. We shoot fireworks on the Fourth of July declaring our freedom from British tyranny. Yet physical or material freedom, without any rules or laws to guide our behavior, leads to anarchy. So it is that the Torah and our tradition established *Shavu'ot* among our most important holy days.

We celebrate our escape on *Pesah*; we neglect that we established a covenant relationship with God when we fail to rejoice on *Shavu'ot*. The narrative is powerful, God gave the Jews the Ten Commandments and the Torah at Mount Sinai on *Shavu'ot*. The Torah asserts that this covenant - *brit* - was established for all the generations of Jews to come. We read these words on Yom Kippur (Deuteronomy 29: 13-14), "Not with you alone do I make this covenant and this oath, but with everyone who stands here with us this day before *Adonai* our God, and also with everyone who is not here with us this day."

The Ten Commandments, the Torah, and our tradition's interpretations are among our people's major contributions to western civilization. Without *Shavu'ot*, the Jewish people would have assimilated into the myriad of cultures among which we have lived. In the Torah (see Leviticus 23), we are told that three times a year we have an appointment with God; we are to come to the place of God's abode, gather with other Jews, and proclaim a sacred observance. Please mark our next appointment on

your calendar now: Sunday evening May 16, 6:30.

If you have never celebrated this wonderful holiday, these are among the *Shavu'ot* traditions: the Torah tells us that our ancestors prepared for three days at Sinai, and the Rabbis teach us that they refrained from eating meat during this period. Two customs have grown from this narrative. Firstly, Torah study is an important element of celebrating this holy day. Secondly, it is traditional to eat dairy for the festival. So you should enjoy some customary foods like blintzes and cheesecake, and new additions like ice cream sundaes. Although some folks may need to prepare with Lactaid, everyone will enjoy a terrific and tasty festival.

Jewish teaching says that we all *stood* at Sinai. We will build a stronger community when we can remind one another that we saw each other at the foot of the mountain.

For our Reform movement, the celebration of confirmation is joined to the festival of *Shavu'ot*. This year Brady Duckhorn and Grant Lieberman will lead us in worship and teach us Torah as they confirm their commitment to *Am Yisra'el* and Judaism. They do so in a much more adult manner than celebrating *bar mitzvah*. Mark the holy day and rejoice with our confirmands.

At this time, we will reenact the events at Mount Sinai, when God gave the holy Torah and gave birth to Judaism as a religion. Today is the perfect opportunity to rededicate ourselves to Judaism - the religion. It is a chance to learn the basics. It is a chance to find what Judaism says about the decisions we make, those that are momentous and our daily choices. I invite you to engage in Jewish activity with our community. Let us take Judaism seriously for a better life and a better world.

\With blessing - *B'vrakha* - vfrcc,

Rabbi *Marc A. Gruber*

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counters with teachings for each day. There are calendars as well as several apps for your phone. Suggestions run from just reciting the bare bones blessing to chanting the two Kabbalistic sephiroth of the day 112 times, to ideas for trying to embody an attribute in your daily life and on and on!

For those who wish to recite the prayer of intention, it follows:

“For the sake of the unification of the Holy One, with presence and awareness, in awe and love to unify the name YHVH—in complete unity, in the name of all of Israel, --Hineni—Here I am—prepared and ready to perform the mitzvah of Counting the Omer. As is written in Torah: “You are to count from the morrow of the rest day from the day you brought the omer offering that is waved—there are to be seven complete weeks. You are to count until the day after the seventh week, 50 day, and then an offering, a new gift to G-d, “Leviticus 23: 15-16.

My group counts with a beautiful translation by R. Yael Levy :

Blessed is the mystery that flows through time and space. You infuse us with holiness and call us into connection through the counting of the Omer. Today is the ___ day of the Omer. That makes ___ week(s) and ___ day(s) of the Omer. (You will probably find the traditional version of the prayer in your Haggadah after the 3rd cup of wine, all ready for those who are doing a second night seder).

As I write this , I have just finished count-praying in the week of tiferet with my friends. In two weeks and one day we have already grown into a micro community . We have shared sorrows, joys, challenges and secrets on the journey towards becoming better people and more compassionate, committed, knowledgeable, and, hopefully, wiser-hearted Jews. We are feeling a connection to our ancient grain - growing G-d seeking ancestors, to the rabbis of the Talmud who layered on added meaning in the Exodus to Sinai transformation, and to the ever-imaginative Kabbalistic mystics. We are counting and treasuring the days...

(Gratitude to R. Min Kantrowitz in [Counting the Omer](#) whose detailed explanations of origins I have condensed and R. Yael Levy for her translations and insights in [Journey through the Wilderness](#).)

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March/April 2021 Upcoming Events

May 2021

Wednesday, May 5,	Womens' Coffee	10:00 AM
Friday, May 7,	Family Shabbat Service	6:30 PM
Monday, May 10,	EC Meeting	7:00 PM
Monday, May 10,	Torah Study	12:30 PM
Wednesday, May 12,	CKAF Book Club	12:30 PM
Monday, May 17,	Torah Study	12:30 PM
Friday, May 21,	Erev Shabbat Service	6:30 PM
Saturday, May 22,	Shabbat Morning service - Bar Mitzvah of Drew Gold-	10:00 AM
Monday, May 24,	Board of Trustees Meeting	7:00 PM

June 2021

Wednesday, June 2,	Womens' Coffee	10:00 AM
Friday, June 4,	Family Shabbat Service	6:30 PM
Saturday, June 5,	Shabbat Morning service - Bar Mitzvah of Owen Yancer	10:00 AM
Monday, June 7,	Congregational Annual Meeting	7:00 PM
Monday, June 7,	Torah Study	12:30 PM
Monday, June 14,	EC Meeting	7:00 PM
Monday, June 14,	Torah Study	12:30 PM
Friday, June 18,	Erev Shabbat Service	6:30 PM
Saturday, June 19,	Shabbat Morning service - Bat Mitzvah of Maggie Polak	10:00 AM
Monday, June 21,	Torah Study	12:30 PM
Thursday, June 24, 2021	Board of Trustees Meeting	7:00 PM
Monday, June 28,	Torah Study	12:30 PM