

THE BULLETIN

May/June 2026

Iyar/Sivan/Tammuz 5786

Friday May 1

7:30 pm - Family Shabbat Evening Service & Bring a friend shabbat

Saturday May 2

10:00 am - Daniella Feinberg Bat Mitzvah MAZAL TOV!!

Friday May 8

6:30 pm - Sisterhood Reception
7:30 pm - Sisterhood Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday May 9

10:00 am - Zach Nossen Bar Mitzvah MAZAL TOV!!

Friday May 15

6:00 pm - AEFTY Shabbat Dinner
7:30 pm - AEFTY Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday May 16

10:00 am - Samantha Kurtz Bat Mitzvah MAZAL TOV!!

Thursday May 21

7:00 pm - Erev Shavuot and Confirmation class of 5786

Friday May 22

10:00 pm - Shavuot Day & Yizkor service followed by Potluck lunch
7:30 pm - Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday May 23

10:00 am - Simply Shabbat Service

Friday May 29

5:30 pm - ECC Art Show
6:00 pm - Erev Mindfulness & Meditation Service

Saturday May 30

10:00 am - Dylan Fine Bar Mitzvah MAZAL TOV!!

Friday June 5

5:30 pm - End of the year Tot Shabbat
7:30 pm - Family Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday June 6

10:00 am - Eliana & Leah Massry B'not Mitzvah MAZAL TOV!!

Friday June 12

7:30 pm - Pride Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday June 13

10:00 am - Grace Waters Bat Mitzvah MAZAL TOV!!

Friday June 19

6:30 pm - Circle of Giving Reception
7:30 pm - Men's Club Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday June 20

10:00 am - Mattson Kay Bar Mitzvah MAZAL TOV!!

Friday June 26

7:30 pm - Installation Shabbat Evening Service

Saturday June 27

10:00 am - Simply Shabbat Service



Rabbi Amy L. Memis-Foler | rabbi@adathemanuel.com

About eight years before we became dog owners, I began serving a congregation that held an annual Blessing of the Animals. I was not much of a pet person at the time, but seeing that this ritual was an important part of the yearly rhythm of this community, I learned and led.

In addition to dogs and cats, people surprisingly brought unique animals such as a ferret, turtles, and a bearded dragon. I also didn't expect how profound this ritual would be for our members. I learned about the unconditional love a pet can express for its owner and how walking a dog in a new neighborhood can be a conduit for meeting new people and building meaningful human relationships.

Expressing kindness to animals is an ancient Jewish value. *צער בַּעֲלֵי חַיִּים* *Tzaar ba'alei chayim*, literally translated as the "suffering of living creatures," teaches us to prevent the suffering of animals. We find examples in the Torah of helping even an enemy raise an animal which has fallen under its load. The Talmud teaches us that we are to feed our animals before tasting our own meal.

In embracing these values of giving honor to the animals in our lives, Adath Emanu-El will be holding our first **Blessing of the Animals** ceremony on **Sunday, May 3rd at 12:45 pm**. Well behaved pets are invited, but you need not have an animal to attend and celebrate all God's creatures. See page 31 for more details.

It's now over ten years since our family brought a dog into our home. I'm now a pet person, and I, too, have found these Blessing of the Animals ceremonies most meaningful and a beautiful way to honor all God's creatures.

L'shalom,

Rabbi Amy L. Memis-Foler

What does Judaism Say About...?

Rabbi's next class will be held on Wednesday May 6, at 10:00 AM

NEW Adath policy

Misheberach List Policy Update Effective January 1, 2026

Dear Friends,

One of the most sacred responsibilities we hold as a community is to pray for the healing of those who are ill. Our Misheberach list allows us to lift up the names of loved ones in need of physical, emotional, or spiritual healing. It is an honor to do so together every Shabbat.

In recent years, our list has grown very long and we have found that many names remain even after the need for healing has passed; sometimes because people simply forgot to notify us. In order to make sure that our prayers are focused and timely as possible, we will be updating our policy beginning January 1, 2026.

New Misheberach List Policy

1. Names will remain on the Misheberach list for one month at a time.

*When you add a loved one to the Misheberach list, their name will automatically stay on for **one month** unless you request the name to be removed sooner.*

2. To keep a name on the list longer, please contact the office.

*If continued prayers are needed, we kindly ask that you **call or email the office** before the end of the month to keep your loved one on the list for the following month. (If special circumstances apply, please let us know as we are here to support you)*

3. If we do not hear from you, names will be kindly removed.

This helps us to ensure that the list reflects those currently in need of prayer.

We make this change with care, respect, and with the goal of honoring each name we recite. Thank you for helping us to keep our community's prayers meaningful and up to date.

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President's Message



Dear Adath Emanu-El Family,

As we head into May and June, there is a certain shift in the air. I am enjoying the longer days, beautiful sunshine, and spending more time outdoors. Our synagogue continues to be a warm, welcoming, and extremely busy place of community! I have seen so many of you over the past few months either at services, taking part in programs, engaging in classes, volunteering your time, or simply staying connected in your own way. Community is not something we take for granted and it has been especially nice to see so many familiar and new faces coming together.

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With Passover behind us and Shavuot just around the corner, I hope to see more of you as we come together to celebrate the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai and support our Confirmation students as they affirm their commitment to Judaism. They have put so much time and effort into their studies, over many years, to get to this point and I hope you will join me on Thursday May 21st at 7PM, in commemorating this important milestone for them.

As summer approaches, things might feel a little more relaxed. However, that does not mean it is quiet here at Adath Emanu-El! We have a variety of programs and gatherings in the works; with something for everyone. Think a little learning, a little socializing, and plenty of opportunities to just enjoy being together. Summer is also a wonderful time to pop in, reconnect, maybe try something new, and meet new members. We are always open to ideas, feedback, and fresh energy. Do not be shy about reaching out or getting involved.

Mostly, I hope you will take advantage of the season by spending time with family and friends, going outside, having some ice cream, and finding moments of joy. And when you can, come spend some of that time with us. Wishing you a wonderful spring and start to summer.

L'Shalom,

Shira Y. Keet

President, Adath Emanu-El

Early Childhood Center



Where did the school year go? May and June will bring the school year to an end, and we still have celebrations to attend. We will begin the first week of May celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week. This entire week is dedicated to the love, respect, and dedication of our talented teachers that greet our children every morning with a smile and go above and beyond to make each day enriching in the lives of their students. I am blessed and fortunate to have an outstanding group of teachers that bring their own dynamic personalities and creativity to their classrooms. *Todah Rabbah* to Morah Jen, Morah Juliana, Morah Lesly, Morah Aubrey, Morah Jayne, Morah Colleen, Morah Cindy, Miss Riley, Miss Lisa, Miss Sarah, and Miss Swetha!

The month of May culminates with one of my favorite annual events, The ECC Art Show. Each classroom has been working on art projects throughout the year, which have been saved for this very special evening. Numerous pieces of artwork will be on display in our Social Hall as our students excitedly take their families on a tour of their masterpieces. This art show serves as our annual end-of-year fundraiser. Guests will enjoy a 50/50 raffle and multiple raffle baskets. The money we raise will support enrichment programs for our ECC such as Soccer Shots, Yoga, and Wee Play Language. Thank you to all of my families that will be attending and volunteering their time to make our art show a successful evening

We will close out the school year with our last Tot Shabbat on Friday, June 5th. I would like to take this time to thank Rabbi Memis-Foler for joining me to make our Shabbats dynamic and enriching for our families. *Todah Rabbah!*

Lastly, I want to thank my hard-working PTA for not only organizing our Art Show and Teacher Appreciation Week but also for the various fundraisers during this school year. Thank you to my families that have supported the success of our ECC.

We are looking forward to another season of Camp Shemesh and registration for the 26-27 school year remains open.

Wishing everyone a fun filled and safe summer!

Lisa Greenberg
ECC Director, Adath Emanu-El



Early Childhood Center

T.G.I. SHABBAT

ECC TOT SHABBAT
Friday, June 5th
5:30-6:30

Join us for our last Tot Shabbat.
 Optional Pizza Dinner @ 5:30 and
 interactive Shabbat service @ 6:00.

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Religious School



What a fantastic year we had at our Religious School! We learned about holidays, prayers, Israel, conversational Hebrew, Torah, and ethics. We hosted guest speakers and learned more about the people in the building. We made crafts to take home and social action projects to donate. We sang songs and prayers, shot baskets during break, ate a lot of pretzels, and baked hamentaschen. We spent time in the sukkah, shopped for Chanukah gifts for our families and enjoyed Family Education events with our parents and siblings. We made friends and had playdates after Hebrew school. We had a blast at the Purim carnival and posted our projects in the hallways proudly. Some of us mastered the Alef-Bet and others mastered the Haftarah blessings, and many fell in between those two milestones! Some of us are “graduating” from Sunday school and moving up to Teen Night. Teens created Jewish crafts, did a LOT of cooking and baking, played Jewish Sports, created a Chanukah play, learned about the Wildlife of Israel and how faith and science are connected. Attached are some photos from our annual Passover Seder at JCC Camp. It was a chilly but fun day for everyone.

We end our school year on May 17th. After our early dismissal, there will be a BBQ Celebration for families to enjoy together before going their separate ways for the long summer. I wish everyone a fun, relaxing, energizing, exciting summer full of adventures that I can't wait to hear about when we return in September. But in between trips, camp, and pool days, please set aside some time for students to glance at Hebrew. There will be online work posted in Google Classroom for all students in Grades 2-6. Practicing Hebrew, even if for a few minutes a week, will be incredibly helpful in preventing the dreaded “summer slide” in which students lose a great deal of the progress that they made during the previous year. Another great way to keep Hebrew fresh in the minds of our children is to attend Shabbat services here at Adath. I hope to see you there!

L'Shalom,
Abby Wolf



Day at JCC Camps Medford



3-6 Shabbat Dinner



Cradle Roll

CRADLE ROLL

Cradle Roll is a series of holiday programs for pre-school children ages 2-1/2 to 5. The programs include crafts (sometimes food related edible crafts), stories, games, songs and a snack at the end of the program! Cradle Roll is sponsored by the Sisterhood of Adath Emanu-El. There is no cost to participants and the programs are open to the community.

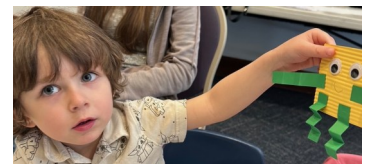
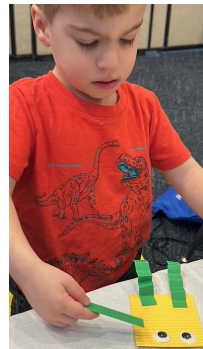
Cradle Roll invitations/notices of programs are sent via email to families with children 2-1/2 to 5 years of age. If you are not receiving emails, please let me know. You do not need to register for cradle roll; however, you MUST be sure to RSVP before each program.

We had a great time at our Purim cradle roll making groggers and crowns and some delicious hamantaschen! We also had fun at our Passover cradle roll making a beautiful matzah cover and our own charoset! And it was so fun to hear that the parsley planted at Tu B'shevat was growing and ready for Passover!

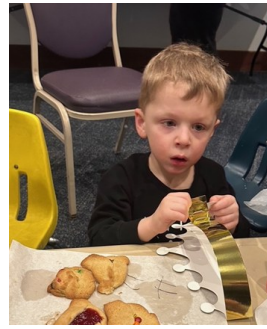
We are looking forward to another fun year ahead! Look for our 2026-2027 cradle roll dates soon! Have a great summer!

B'Shalom!
Karen Federman-Ellner

Cradle Roll: Passover



Cradle Roll Purim



AEFTY - Adath Emanu-El Federation of Temple Youth



AEFTY events are the extra-curricular activities of our religious school where we can continue creating meaningful experiences outside of the classroom and can foster lasting friendships! We hope that you will participate in our activities, meet one another and help us continue to create a wonderful caring community! Our AEFTY Teen Board and Youth Activities Committee continue to work hard planning exciting events and activities geared to all our Adath students and parents too!

AEFTY Teen and Family Shabbat Dinner and Congregational service will be held May 15. We are excited to have this opportunity for Adath teens and their families to meet and enjoy a Shabbat dinner together. Following the dinner, the teens and their families will attend the congregational Shabbat service. The teens will help lead the service, and during the service all the Adath teens will be called to the bima for a blessing and to thank them for all they do for our community. All teens graduating high school will be called to the bima for an additional blessing. We hope that the whole congregation will be in attendance to support our teens on this special evening.

AEFTY teens will be helping out at the Adath Fun Day to be held on May 17. We will be helping with the games and crafts. We hope to see everyone on that day!

The AEFTY Teen final event of the year will be on May 31, when we will go to Ocean City, NJ for the day.

As we begin to plan for next year, if you have an AEFTY Teen who would like to be a part of the planning of AEFTY Teen events and be part of the AEFTY Teen board, please let me know. We look forward to meeting you and seeing you and your students at our upcoming events!

B'shalom

Karen Federman-Ellner

AEFTY Advisor (youth@adathemanuel.com)

Baking for a Cause

AEFTY



AEFTY Teen and Family Shabbat

Friday, May 15, 2026

Join us as we call our Adath Teens, and teens graduating high school this year to the bima for a special blessing!



Please join us for our Teen and Family Shabbat dinner before the service beginning at 6:15pm. Menu: Pasta buffet including cheese tortellini, spaghetti, and gluten free spaghetti, choices of sauce (marinara, alfredo, and blush), salad, garlic bread, and mozzarella sticks.

Cost: \$5.00 per person

Please join with the whole family!

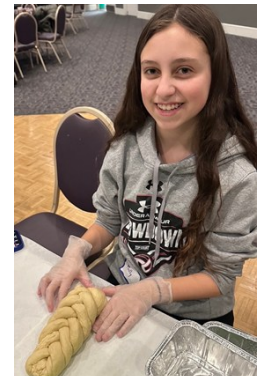
RSVP by May 10 using the QR Code or THIS LINK.

We are looking for teens to participate in the service - leading a prayer, or a reading, singing or playing a musical instrument. If interested let Karen know by April 15!

Join us following the service for an Ice Cream Sundae bar at the Oneg!



AEFTY Challah Bake



AFTY BAGEL SALES



AFTY TOP POT HOT POT



AEFTY : PURIM CARNIVAL



Sisterhood



Hard to believe, but this is my last Bulletin article as Sisterhood President! I have really enjoyed serving in this position and have learned so much over the last four years. I've met so many new friends and deepened the friendships I had. It has been the experience of a lifetime! While my time as President is over, I am looking forward to being involved in many more great times with Sisterhood. I hope you will join us for Sisterhood Shabbat where we will celebrate rest, renewal and how we grow within ourselves and as a community. On Mother's Day we will have our annual flower sale and at the end of the month we will welcome our new Board. Finally, we will enjoy a final event together before we embark on our personal summer plans. So much to look forward to, don't miss your chance to make more great memories!

Robin Shaffer

Sisterhood President, Adath Emanu-El

Sisterhood Sips

Join us for wine and light bites as we gather in community before our Sisterhood Shabbat Service

**Friday, May 8th
6:30 to 7:20 PM
Tapestry Room**

This special pre-service gathering is open to all Sisterhood members and those interested in joining

No cost to attend
Kindly RSVP by May 6th:
<https://forms.gle/xTC3B3cDeYd235yx8>

SHAPING WHAT IS SACRED

Sisterhood Shabbat
Friday, May 8th, 7:30 PM
Adath Emanu-El

You are warmly invited to share in an uplifting Shabbat evening led by the Sisterhood of Adath, as we reflect on the sacred rhythms of rest and renewal, and on the ways we nurture and grow within ourselves and our community.

This special service will feature music, prayers, and reflections honoring the women of our congregation. All are welcome, whether longtime members or first-time guests, so please bring family and friends.

Following services, we invite you to a special one featuring a display of unique and beautiful Judaica pieces created by the Teen Night students. Together, we celebrate creativity, connection, and the shared spirit of our community.

For questions, please contact: Tarashugar@gmail.com

Sisterhood

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SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2026
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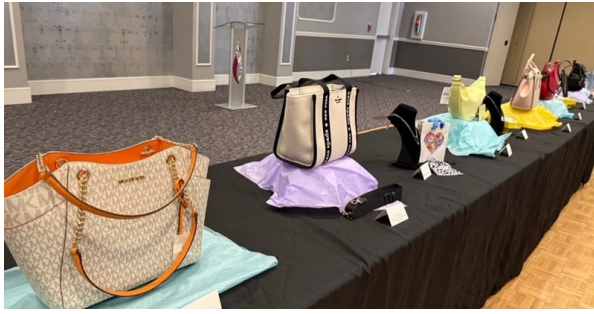
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Social Action: Ways to Contribute in our Community

Tikkum Olam, Repairing the World.....this is a year-long commitment and it takes a village. We have partnered with Sisterhood, Men's Club, Life Long Learning, and Green Team to bring you programs and collection events.

YEAR-ROUND

- We volunteer the 4th Sunday of each month at St Paul's Episcopal Church in Camden to help feed breakfast to the homeless.
- We promote and coordinate food donations throughout the year benefiting JFCS food pantry.
- We provide meals for Providence House Domestic Abuse shelter.
- We work, in partnership with InterFaith Rise, to support individual local refugee families in our community.
- We partner with Men's Club, Sisterhood, and Life Long Learning to bring you speaker programs which expand our world view and understanding.
- We work with GREEN TEAM by collecting reusable grocery bags to donate to the food pantry.

FALL/WINTER

- We support AFTY in the annual High Holiday collection of food for the Jewish Family and Children's Service Betsy & Peter Fischer Food Pantry.
- In November, we collect hats, gloves, and scarves for InterFaith RISE, a local refugee support program in the Camden County area and St. Paul's Interfaith homeless outreach program.
- We encourage support for Sisterhood's Giving Dreidel program benefiting JFCS clients for Hanukkah.
- We collect chapsticks for "Goodie Bags" for St. Paul's Homeless Outreach project in December.
- We participate in Adath EmanuEl's MLK day in January.

SPRING/SUMMER

- In March-April, we partnered with InterFaith RISE collect personal care items for immigrant clients in the area.
- In August, we hold our annual collection of school bags and school supplies to benefit local school children.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Adath Emanu-El's Social Action/Social Justice committee has been working with RAC-NJ, in coalition with our immigration partners, to pass legislation to protect our immigrant neighbors in NJ. We are pleased to report The Safe Communities Act, Immigrant Trust Directive Codification and the Privacy Protection Act have all been passed and signed into law by the Governor.

We are proud of the congregational response to our advocacy requests. When we asked you to contact your members of Congress, you did so-by participating in weekly phone calls and emails to our NJ legislators.

When we asked for people to go personally to Trenton to assist with lobbying, you showed up. A special thank you to Rabbi Amy Memis-Foler for her support.



Social Action: Ways to Contribute in our Community



Giving Back



Youth Mentoring

What do we do?

We work with clients ages 15 to 24 years old by connecting them to caring adult mentors who meet with them regularly in groups or individually to help them achieve their academic, occupational, and/or social goals. We also provide supplemental case management.

Ways to Participate

<h4 style="text-align: center;">1:1 Mentoring</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet weekly or biweekly for 3 to 6 months to help mentee achieve their goals Potential goals: Applying to college, filling the FAFSA, practicing English, etc. Help clients gain important knowledge and skills that can lead to success and self-sufficiency 	<h4 style="text-align: center;">Cohorts</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead a multi-week online program with a group of mentees who speak the same language (Translation provided if needed) Teach various topics like knowing their rights, post high school options, managing stress, interviewing, etc. (Lessons provided) Help cultivate in-group connections and provide resources. Lessons are provided!
<h4 style="text-align: center;">Conversation Groups</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead a weekly online small group of 3-7 students and facilitating informal conversations in English Encourage and empower students in their English language learning journey Conversation starters provided and in-session support and feedback available as needed. 	<h4 style="text-align: center;">Other Services</h4> <p>Help Students</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research and enroll in college, GED prep classes, job training, English classes, etc. Find opportunities for appropriate social and/or civic engagement Learn how to take the bus Obtain their library card



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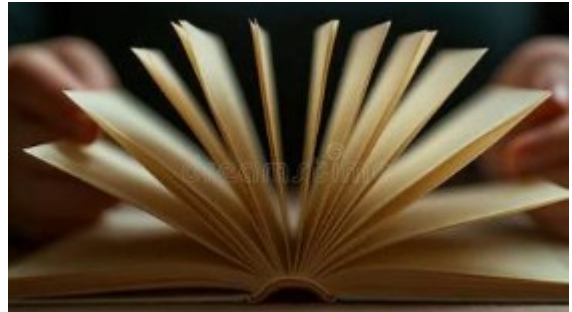
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Saturday, May 9, 2026
6:00pm

Femmina Italian Grill
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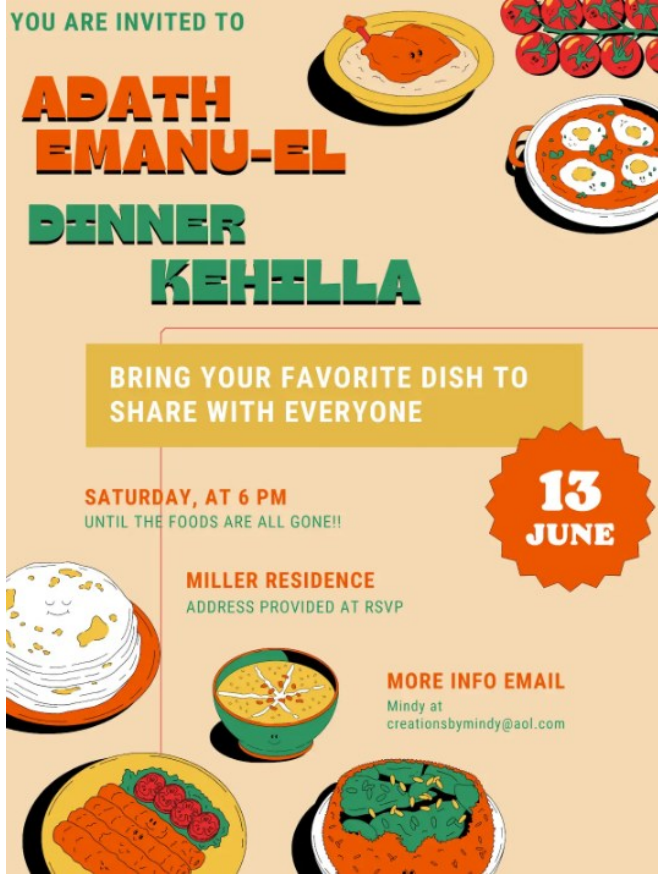
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GREEN TEAM

News From the Green Team

More Good News for the New Jersey Environment

"Skip the Stuff" was signed into law by Gov Murphy on January 20, 2026 and will take effect on August 1, 2026.



Key Provisions of the Skip the Stuff Law":

- Businesses can only provide single-use plastic cutlery and condiments when requested. Any food service business that supplies these items shall only provide the types and amounts expressly requested.
- Self-serve condiment stations may be displayed in which only an individual single-use utensil is provided. NO cutlery bundles may be provided beginning February 2027.
- Applies to take-out businesses, and dine-in full-service restaurants with seating capacity of 10 or more.
- Applies to food service businesses regardless of whether the customer's meal order is placed in person, over the phone, online or using other means or methods. The default selection for online ordering must be "no utensils or condiments".
- Public or nonpublic preschools through 12th grade schools, county or State correctional facilities and health care facilities are exempt.
- Food courts have a 2 year exemption.
- Single-use sauce cups for dine-in are exempt.
- A 180 day education campaign will be developed to educate people on the financial and environmental benefits of reducing single-use utensils and condiments.
- Penalties of non-compliance are as follows: a warning followed by \$100 fine with 3rd subsequent fines of \$250 during a period of 12 months. Monies collected from penalties will be deposited into the Clean Communities Program Fund. Municipalities or entities certified pursuant to County Environmental Health Act may retain 20 percent of the penalty funds.

Look for exciting news from the Green Team in the next Bulletin about how the Taschlich ceremony following the morning Rosh Hashanah Service will be more environmentally friendly.

Consider joining the Green Team as we continue to make Adath and our world a healthier place to live. We meet via Zoom. If interested please contact our Chair, Janice Bate at chrisbate2@comcast.net.

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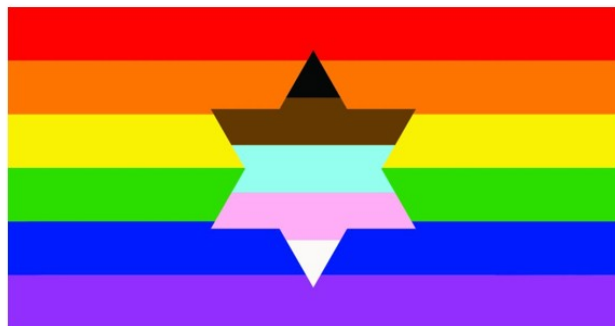
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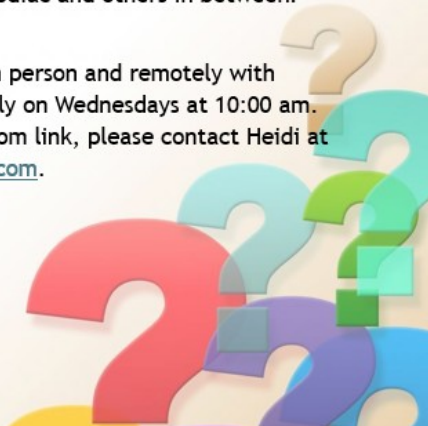
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Wednesdays at 10:00 am
May 6, 2026 (last class of the semester)

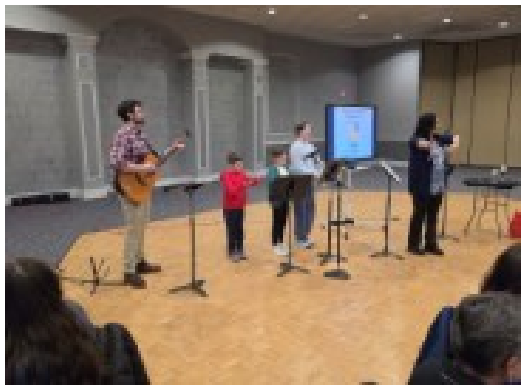
Are you interested in knowing what Judaism has to say about topics from Abortion to Zodiac and others in between?

Come learn and discuss in person and remotely with Rabbi Memis-Foler monthly on Wednesdays at 10:00 am. To receive the remote Zoom link, please contact Heidi at hkramer@adathemanuel.com.



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To Joseph & Lexi Amoriello

On the birth of their son Anthony Joseph Amoriello

Newest grandson of Keri Amoriello

Spotlight: B'nei Mitzvah



Daniella Feinberg

May 2, 2026

Daniella attends Rosa International Middle School in Cherry Hill. Her hobbies include sewing, theater, dancing, fashion, designing, and bedazzling. Daniella sewed, collected, and donated pillowcases to “Ryan’s Cases for Smiles.” This non-profit provides colorful pillowcases to help brighten the days of hospitalized children with serious illnesses.

Some of Daniella’s favorite things are shopping, playing with fidgets, eating ribs, watching weird 80’s movies, and spending time with family and her animals: Daisy Mae (dog), Toby Joe (dog), and Molly (cat). She follows in her brother, Nathan’s, footsteps, as he was called to the Torah in March 2023.

Zachary Nossen

May 9, 2026

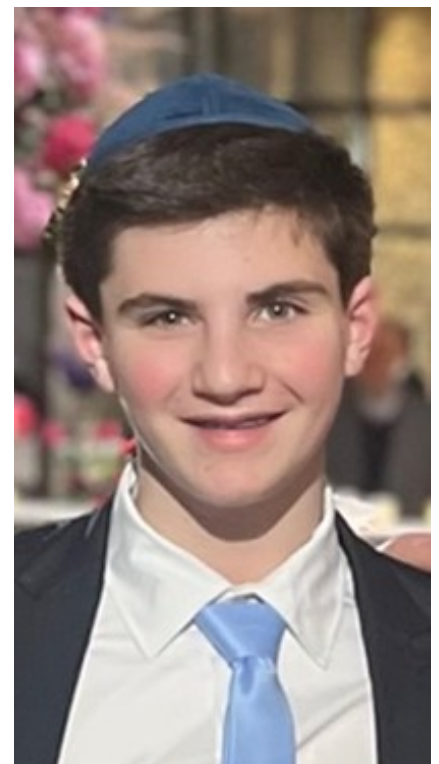
Zachary Nossen attends Harrington Middle School.

He enjoys lacrosse, robotics, video games, 3D printing, and fishing. Since he enjoys eating and food, Zach’s Mitzvah Project was with a non-profit called “Lasagna Love.”

He baked lasagnas biweekly for families in need of a home-cooked meal for any reason.

Zachary loves turtles and the color green. He also has a cat named Taco Cat. (Because it’s a palindrome.)

Zachary has an older brother, Harvey, who became a Bar Mitzvah in June 2023.



Spotlight: B'nei Mitzvah

Samantha Kurtz

May 16, 2026

Sam is an honor roll student at Harrington Middle School in Mount Laure. For her Mitzvah Project, Sam gave a presentation (for the fourth year in a row) on autism and Phelan-McDermid Syndrome at her former elementary school, Parkway. This topic is close to her heart as her older brother, Benjamin, is diagnosed with both conditions. Sam enjoys performing in the theater. She was recently in "Annie" and will soon be in "High School Musical." She loves to read, write stories, bake, listen to music, and make crafts. You can also hear her beautiful voice in the Habonim Youth Choir at Adath. Sam loves anything related to cats, but especially her tuxedo cat, Trixie.



Dylan Fine

May 30, 2026

Dylan is in 7th grade at Northern Burlington Middle School. He is an excellent student and an amazing kid. Dylan is a talented guitarist and golfer. He has a passion for cars, expressing interest since age 2! He also enjoys cooking. (Dylan makes the best chocolate-covered matzah.) So, he decided to combine both passions and selected "Meals on Wheels" for his Mitzvah Project. When Dylan is off from school, he delivers meals to people in need in Mercer County. It was a rewarding experience and time well spent with Mom & Dad. Dylan is the middle of 3 boys.



His older brother is Liam, and his younger brother is Caleb. Dylan has 2 dogs: Penny, a Cavachon, and Oliver, an Italian Greyhound.

Dylan is a very sweet and friendly kid. He is inclusive of everyone and goes out of his way to get to know people and be their friend. His parents are so proud of him!

Spotlight: B'not Mitzvah

Eliana Massry



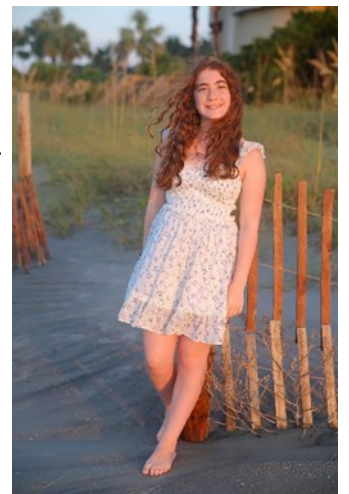
June 6, 2026

Eliana attends Beck Middle School. She participated in USAG gymnastics, with her favorite event this season being the vault. Her favorite things are the beach, cats, pasta, vacations, spending time with family, relaxing, puzzles, yo-yos, and telling jokes. Eliana loves her cats, Nala and Cosmo and volunteered to spend time with kittens and their moms at Kitkat Playroom. She also volunteered at gymnastics meets to help the judges.

Leah Massry

June 6, 2026

While Eliana is flipping and flopping, Leah is splishing and splashing in the pool. She is a year-round swimmer with the Wahoos, and a member of the summer swim team with Woodstream. Besides swimming, Leah takes vocal lessons and enjoys singing and musical theater. Her most recent show was "The Little Mermaid Jr." with Had-donfield Play & Players. Leah's favorite things are reading, singing, listening to music, drawing, pool/beach, cats, vacations, spending time with family, and relaxing. She also loves her cats, Nala & Cosmo, and based her Mitzvah Project on spending time with kittens and their moms at Kitkat Playroom. She also collected and donated books. Just like her twin sister, Eliana, Leah attends Beck Middle School.



*Mazel-Tov
On Your
Bat-Mitzvah*

Spotlight: Bar Mitzvah

Mattson Kay

June 20, 2026

Mattson attends Harring Middle School in Mount Laurel. He has been roaming the halls of Adath since he was 3 years old and continues to bring his positive attitude to all. He LOVES sports: football, basketball, baseball, and watching all sports. In fact, even his dog's name is Kelce! Besides sports, Mattson loves to be at the beach. He follows in his sister, Brynna's, footsteps, who became a Bat Mitzvah in September 2024. At this time, his Mitzvah Project is undecided, but likely that it will have a sports theme.



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					1 Erev Family Shabbat & Bring a friend shabbat, 7:30PM	2 Torah Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Daniella Feinberg Bat Mitzvah, 10AM Mazal tov!
3 Blood Drive, 9AM Religious School, 9AM (1/2 day) Blessing of the Animals, 12:45AM	4 Mahjong Mondays, 1PM Beginner Mahjong, 6:30PM Finance, 7PM Executive, 8PM	5 Sisterhood Board Meeting, 7:30PM	6 What does Judaism say about..., 10AM Teen Night, 5:30PM Youth Choir, 5:30PM Confirmation Rehearsal, 7PM Adult Choir, 7PM	7 Mahjong Thursdays, 6PM	8 Sisterhood Reception, 6PM Sisterhood Erev Shabbat, 7:30PM	9 Torah Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Zach Nossen Bar Mitzvah, 10AM Mazal tov! Dinner Kehillah, 6PM
10 Religious School, 9AM (1/2 day) Mother's Day flower Sale, 9AM	11 Mahjong Mondays, 1PM Beginner Mahjong, 6:30PM Rabbis' Mussar Class, 7PM Men's Club Board Meeting, 7:30PM Social Action Meeting, 7PM	12 Congregational Board Meeting, 7:30PM	13 LAST Teen Night, 5:30PM Youth Choir, 5:30PM Confirmation Rehearsal, 7PM Adult Choir, 7PM	14 Mahjong Thursdays, 6PM	15 AEFTY Shabbat Dinner, 6PM AEFTY Erev Shabbat, 7:30PM	16 Torah Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Samantha Kurtz Bat Mitzvah, 10AM Mazal tov!
17 Religious School LAST SESSION, 9AM Book Club, 9:30PM Family Fun Day, 11AM JAHM festival @ JCC, 2PM	18 Mahjong Mondays, 1PM Sisterhood Board approval & Mixer, 7:30PM	19 Membership Meeting, 7PM	20 Youth Choir, 5:30PM FINAL Confirmation Rehearsal, 7PM Adult Choir, 7PM	21 Erev Shavuot & Confirmation Class of 5786, 7PM	22 OFFICE CLOSED Shavuot Service & Yizkor followed by Potluck, 10AM Erev Shabbat service, 7:30PM	23 Torah Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Simply Shabbat, 10AM
24	25 OFFICE CLOSED Green Team Meeting, 7PM Programming Meeting, 7PM	26 Ritual Committee Meeting, 7PM YAC Meeting, 7PM Men's Club Corn Hole, 7:30PM	27 Adult choir, 7PM Lifelong Learning Meeting, 7PM	28 Mahjong Thursdays, 6PM	29 ECC Art Show, 5:30PM Erev Mindfulness & Meditation Shabbat, 7:30PM	30 Torah Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Dylan Fine Bar Mitzvah, 10AM Mazal tov! 31

JUNE 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Mahjong Mondays, 1PM Finance meeting, 7PM Executive Committee, 8PM	2 Sisterhood Board meeting, 7:30PM	3 What does Judaism say about..., 10AM Adult Choir, 6:30PM	4 Mahjong Thursdays, 6PM	5 End of Year Tot Shabbat, 5:30PM Erev Family Shabbat, 7:30PM	6 Torah, Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Eliana and Leah Massry B'not Mitzvah, 10AM Mazal tov!
7 Congregational Meeting: Approval of Budget, 9:30AM Sisterhood Closing Event, 1PM	8 Mahjong Mondays, 1PM Men's Club Board Meeting, 7:30PM Rabbi's Mussar Class, 7PM	9 Congregational Board Meeting, 7:30PM	10 Adult Choir, 6:30PM	11 Mahjong Thursdays, 6PM	12 Erev Pride Shabbat, 7:30PM	13 Torah, Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Grace Waters Bat Mitzvah, 10AM Mazal tov! Dinner Kehillah, 6PM
14 Willingboro Brunch, 10AM	15 ECC closed Mahjong Mondays, 1PM Social Action Meeting, 7PM	16 ECC closed Membership Meeting, 7PM	17 ECC closed Adult Choir, 6:30PM	18 ECC closed Mahjong Thursdays, 6PM	19 ECC closed Mt Laurel Closed Circle of Giving Reception, 6:30PM Erev Men's Club Shabbat, 7:30PM	20 Torah, Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Mattson Kay Bar Mitzvah, 10AM Mazal tov!
21	22 1 st week of Camp! Mahjong Mondays, 1PM Green Team Meeting, 7PM Programming Meeting, 7PM	23 YAC Meeting, 7PM Men's Club Corn Hole, 7:30PM	24 Adult Choir, 6:30PM Lifelong Learning Meeting, 7PM	25 Mahjong Thursdays, 6PM	26 Erev Installation Shabbat, 7:30PM	27 Torah, Talk & Bagels, 8:45AM Simply Shabbat, 10AM
28	29 2 nd week of Camp! Mahjong Mondays, 1PM Programming Meeting, 7PM	30 ADL Antisemitism Event, 7PM				



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