**JANUARY-JUNE 2024** 

# PROGRAM GUIDE

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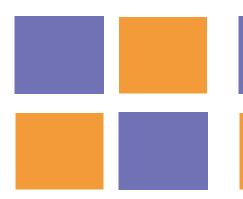
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#### **Fridays**

Erev Shabbat Services | 6:00 pm

#### **Saturdays**

Shabbat Morning | 10:30 am

#### **Daily Minyan**

9:45 am: Sundays and Federal holidays

5:45 pm: Mondays-Thursdays

#### **MESSAGE FROM RABBI KRAMER**

I know that over the last few months we have all needed community and comfort like never before. The Jewish people have faced challenges we hoped we would never live through again. Throughout these troubling times, B'nai Jehudah has continued to be the hub for community and connection in Kansas City. We are the frontline for progressive Judaism and innovation, and we are striving to serve your needs through a myriad of opportunities. I am excited for all we have to offer this coming season and look forward to seeing you. Our goal is to be an open door for anyone looking for Jewish life. Our entire clergy team is here for you. We are committed to prayer, study, social action, community, and pastoral care. We are here for you and your family from cradle to grave and all the sacred moments in between. If you or a loved one is ill or in the hospital--give us a call! We can't visit or call unless you let us know as hospitals can no longer inform us. Getting married? We would love to stand with you under the chuppah! Having a baby? Mazel Tov! We would love to talk to you about a Brit or a Baby Naming that is crafted just for you. Moving into a new home? We would love to come over and help you hang a mezuzah on your doorpost! Please never hesitate to reach out. Whether sitting with someone at a coffee shop, in a hospital room, at a simcha, at a community event, or in a house of mourning, God's presence is there. It's through these moments that relationships - and community - are built.

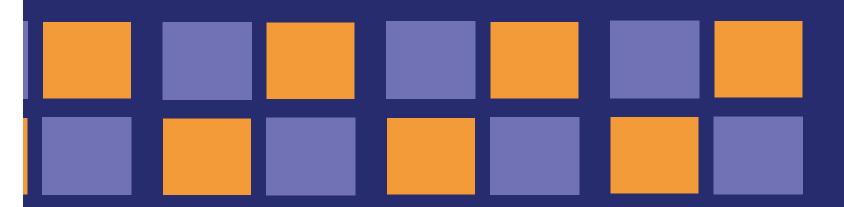
#### Rabbi Stephanie Kramer



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#### **Anniversary of a Death**

Remembering those who have come before us is an important part of Jewish life. At the end of every Shabbat service, we read the list of those people who died at that time in previous years (the anniversary or yahrzeit of their death) as well as those who recently died. Help us keep track of those you have loved and lost by providing their names and dates of their death. Our rabbis would welcome any inquiry about mourning practices in Jewish tradition and at B'nai Jehudah.



## **SHABBAT**

Friday evenings | 6:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah/virtual Saturday mornings | 10:30 am | B'nai Jehudah/virtual

January 5: Shabbat Simcha

January 12: Rabbi's Table with Rabbi Michael Zedek

January 19: 3rd & 4th Grade Yalla Shabbat & Dinner

January 26: Tu B'Shvat Shabbat

February 2: Learner's Shabbat

February 9: Erev Shabbat Service

February 16: Shabbat Simcha

February 23: 1st & 2nd Grade Yalla Shabbat & Dinner

March 1: Erev Shabbat Service

March 8: Erev Shabbat Service

March 15: Shabbat Simcha

March 22: Erev Shabbat Service

March 29: L'Taken Shabbat

April 5: Learner's Shabbat

April 12: Sermon in Song Erev Shabbat Service

April 19: Rabbi's Table with Rabbi David Meyer

April 26: Broadway Passover Shabbat Seder

May 3: Confirmation Shabbat Dinner

May 10: Camp/Graduation Shabbat/Shabbat Simcha

May 17: Confirmation Shabbat Service

May 24: Erev Shabbat Service

May 31: Board Installation Shabbat

June 7: Erev Shabbat Service

June 14: Erev Shabbat Service

June 21: New Member Shabbat

June 28: Erev Shabbat Service

#### **SHARE SHABBAT**

Once a month on Fridays 5:00 pm | Location varies

This family-friendly service has music, stories, and a special activity. Please register at TheJKC.org/events

January 19: TTCBJ

February 9: The J KC

March 8: TTCBJ

(with Fire Departments)

April 5: The J KC

May 3: TTCBJ

June 14: Village Shalom





### VILLAGE SHALOM SHABBAT HAPPY HOUR

February 23, April 19 | 1:30-2:30 pm | Village Shalom June 14 |5:00 pm | Village Shalom

Join B'nai Jehudah residents of Village Shalom for a Shabbat Happy Hour in the Fireside Lounge. We'll do Shabbat blessings and schmooze while enjoying challah and wine. Non-members are always welcome.

#### RABBI'S TABLE

A new way to welcome in Shabbat! Join us for a catered Shabbat dinner and learn from our special guest speakers. This replaces the Erev Shabbat Service (Mourner's Kaddish will still be read). Cost is \$18/person. Space is limited so please register early. Rabbi's Table is generously sponsored by Patricia Werthan Uhlmann.



#### Rabbi's Table with Rabbi Michael Zedek January 12| 6:00 pm

"Tzedek, Tzedek Tirdof" (Justice, Justice, you shall pursue). More than his namesake (Zedek and Tzedek are the same word), the challenge of contributing to a better and more just world is always with us. The annual MLK commemorations are meant to be much more than lip service to that commitment. If we are to fulfill our mission to be "a light to the nations," then there is always work to be done. Register by January 5 at ttcbj.com/rabbistable12.



#### Rabbi's Table with Rabbi David Meyer April 19| 6:00 pm

Since our very beginnings, the wonder and awe evoked by the heaven's expanse has been an essential aspect of Jewish spirituality, worship and wisdom. As philosopher, Abraham Joshua Heschel has written, "The beginning of awe is wonder, and the beginning of wisdom is awe." We will explore traditional Jewish texts on the insights gained by the Jewish spiritual discipline of looking up! Our study will take place only a few days following a total solar eclipse to be witnessed in wide swaths across the United States, so we will also share some personal and timely reflections. Register by April 12 at ttcbj.com/rabbistable19.

### **HOLIDAYS**

#### **Purim**

"Pour"im Wine Tasting | Saturday, March 23 | 7:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah Kikar

Enjoy a wine tasting fit for a queen! We'll begin with a formal presentation about wines and how to sample them from local connoisseur, Pat Allen.Then,



you'll be led through a tasting and learn which foods pair best with certain grapes. Light bites will accompany the tasting. Non-alcoholic options will be available for those who would like to just shmooze. \$10/person if tasting wine; \$5/person if not. Adults only. Register by March 10 at ttcbj.com/pourimwinetour24.



SAVE THE DATE!

Community Wide Purim Carnival Sunday, March 24

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Hamantaschen Sale Sunday, March 24 Stay tuned for more details!

#### **Passover**



# Passover Yizkor Service Monday, April 29 | 10:30 am | B'nai Jehudah Small Prayer Space

We end Passover with this Festival Morning/Yizkor Service.



PJ Library Passover Program Sunday, April 14



#### Celebrate Israel

# In the Kitchen with Kramer: Hummus & Falafel Tuesday, May 7 | 5:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah

Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel's Independence Day) is right around the corner. Join Rabbi Kramer and Josh Hoffman for a handson Middle Eastern cooking class. We will learn the art of making creamy hummus, and freshly fried falafel! There will be laughter, schmoozing and delicious food to share! Cost is \$12/person. Register at ttcbj.com/kramerkitchen7











#### Yom HaZikaron | Monday, May 13| 5:45 pm | Virtual only

Please join us for a Yom HaZikaron Daily Minyan on Monday, May 13th at 5:45 pm on Facebook live.

#### Yom Ha'atzmaut with B'nai Jehudah Tuesday, May 14| 6:00 pm | Virtual only

In honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut, we're going to celebrate Israel's independence with a discussion of Daniel Gordis' book Impossible Takes Longer, a book about Israel's founding and how close it has come to achieving the goals set by its founders.



Please come prepared to discuss the book which is available in print and on Kindle. This program will be 100% virtual facilitated by Rabbi Rothstein. Register by May 7 at ttcbj.com/yomhaatzmaut24

#### Shavuot

Shavuot Yizkor Service Wednesday, June 12 | 10:30 am | B'nai Jehudah Small Prayer Space

We celebrate Shavuot with this Festival Morning Yizkor Service.



Practice hiddur mitzvah, beautify the



commandments! Make a work of art celebrating Passover: a Seder plate, a painting of Moses parting the Red Sea, an illustration of the Four Children in the Haggadah, or anything else you can imagine! This contest is open to all congregants, and the winner will have their artwork reproduced on a B'nai Jehudah greeting card. Second prize will receive two seats at Broadway Shabbat Seder and third prize is a huge box of matzah!

Art work submission deadline March 1st at https://rb.gy/56upew

### THE LEGACY SOCIETY

"We are worth what we are willing to share with others." - Rabbi Jonathan Sachs

Thank you to our members who have committed to securing the future of The Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah, with planned giving.

If you would like to become a part of our Legacy Society please contact our office.

**The Legacy Committee**: Jocelyn Fry, Howard Mayer, Rick Klein, Donna Thalblum, Gail Weinberg and Gary Weinberg



### **ADULT EDUCATION**

# Torah Study Wednesdays | 10:00-11:30 am | B'nai Jehudah Library & virtual

Join one of the rabbis each week for a lively discussion as we learn insights from the weekly Torah portion. No registration required.

# Mussar Class Thursdays, beginning January 18 | 6:30-8:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah Library

Join facilitator Emily Williams for a Mussar journey into self-reflecting, study, and bettering oneself. Based in Jewish values and text, Mussar is the study of middot (soul traits) like humility, patience, and gratitude to hone into your connection to God and your best self. A minimum of 10 participants is required. Register by January 11 at ttcbj.com/mussar24

# Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class Saturdays, beginning February 3| 1:00-2:30 pm | B'nai Jehudah Library

Becoming a B'nai Mitzvah is a deeply meaningful way to connect with one's Judaism and celebrate one's commitment to our community, Torah, and tradition. Join our Adult B'nai Mitzvah class and work towards this meaningful milestone alongside your B'nai Jehudah friends and family! Sign up with someone you know or make new friends among our class cohort. We will study together for a year before we hold our class B'nai Mitzvah Service in February 2025. No previous Hebrew knowledge required. Contact Rabbi Brazner with questions! Course fee is \$360. Register by January 26 at ttcbj. com/adultbnaimitzvah24

# Responsa Class Tuesdays, March 5, 19, 26 | 7:00-8:30 pm | B'nai Jehudah Library & virtual

Join Rabbi Brazner for another round of one-off classes on Reform Movement Responsa. The Reform Movement's rabbinic Responsa Committee provides answers to questions that are submitted concerning contemporary issues in Jewish life and living, applying Jewish scholarship and tradition to modern inquiries. The Responsa Committee has tackled topics ranging from nuclear proliferation to abortion rights; the issues are broad and can spark fierce debate! Join us for one or all the sessions; specific session topics to be released soon! Register at ttcbj.com/responsaspring24

#### B'dikat Hametz: The Meaning Behind Clearing Our Homes for Passover Thursday, March 28 | 12:00-1:30 pm | B'nai Jehudah Library

Join Rabbi Levin in this session where we will reconsider the traditional Passover search and ridding the home of hametz [leavened grains], utilizing a little known yet traditional spiritual and social justice prayer. This class seeks to increase the relevance and importance among Jewish families and communities of refraining from hametz, introducing a meaningful traditional idea equating leavening with the yetzer hara, the inclination to evil. We will make the ritual both more relevant and family and community friendly. Register at ttcbj.com/adulted28

# Esther Brown and the Fight for Civil Rights in Johnson County Tuesday, April 9 | 7:00-8:30 pm | B'nai Jehudah Community Commons

Who was Esther Brown? Dan Margolies shares the fruits of his ongoing research about this past B'nai Jehudah member's lifelong fight for civil rights in Johnson County. Register at ttcbi.com/esther9

#### Getting the Words Right: Crafting a Persuasive Op-Ed Thursday, April 18 | 7:00-8:30 pm | B'nai Jehudah Library

Have something to say and want to make sure it hits its mark? Dr. Diana Carlin leads a session on how to write an opinion/editorial essay that delivers your message effectively. Dr. Carlin is Professor Emerita at Saint Louis University and is a specialist in the field of political communication. Register by April 15 at ttcbj.com/adulted18

#### Klein Collection Field Trip to Toy & Miniature Museum Sunday, April 28 | 12:00 pm Lunch at B'nai Jehudah | 2 pm Tour begins at museum

Enjoy a private tour of the amazing National Museum of Toys and Miniatures with a special focus on the Jewish objects in their collection. Optional lunch at B'nai Jehudah is included with registration. Register by April 25 at ttcbj.com/toymuseum28

#### Jewish Mourning Rituals | Tuesdays, May 21, 28 | 12:30-2:00 pm

Rabbi Kramer will explain Shiva-Shloshim-Yahrzeit. A two-part class to explain and explore the different Jewish mourning rituals. What do they mean? What should I do? What is allowed? A safe place to ask all the questions you have been wondering about. Register now at ttcbj.com/mourningrituals24

#### Klein Collection Programs

Klein Collection Learning Group | Wednesdays, Jan. 10, Feb. 14, Apr. 10, May 8 | 11:30 am | B'nai Jehudah Prophet's Pod A monthly, informal learning session on topics represented by objects in the Klein Collection. Register at ttcbj.com/kleinlearningspring24

#### Beautifying the Mitzvot: The Michael Klein Collection Melton Series | Tuesdays, January 9-February 13 | 7:00-8:30 pm | B'nai Jehudah Library

How and why do we decorate the Torah? What kind of jewelry would a Jewish bride in Afghanistan wear? Where can I store an etrog during Sukkot? This six-week course will answer these questions as we explore the field of Judaica through the extensive Michael Klein Collection. Register at www.thejkc.org/meltonkc



# BROTHERHOOD/ SISTERHOOD

SAVE THE DATE!

Brotherhood Baseball Outing Sunday, April 21

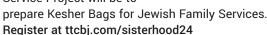
Brotherhood Card Game Night Monday, February 12 | 6:00-9:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah Social Hall

Join us for a Brotherhood Game Night! More info to come.



Sisterhood Member Appreciation Brunch January 21 | 10:00 am | B'nai Jehudah Social Hall

All Sisterhood Members are invited to an Appreciation Brunch at the Temple! There may be wine (!) Our Community Service Project will be to





#### **Sundays with Sisterhood**

Monthly on Sundays at 9:15am January 14 | Mimosas and Paint

Paint your very own beautiful Hamsa, as guided by Pinot's Palette, while sipping Mimosas! No painting experience required, the teacher will provide instruction and guidance as needed. This is by registration only and will be limited to 25 participants. Cost is \$10. Please register by January 11 at ttcbj.com/pour24

#### February 11 | Mind and Body Restoration with Aimee Bernstein

Join us for Mind and Body Restoration with Aimee Bernstein. This session will include a focus on meditation, core strength building and stretching. Register at ttcbj.com/mindbody24

#### March 24 | Hamantaschen Baking

Baking for the 2024 Purim Hamantaschen Fundraiser. Join us for our favorite event of the year-Hamantaschen baking! Register at ttcbj.com/hamantaschen24

#### April 14 | Passover Recipe/Book Exchange

Bring a book that you love for our book exchange AND a Passover recipe so that we can compile a Passover Cookbook. Register at ttcbj.com/bookexchange24

#### May 19 | Mitzvah Garden

Come join us to top off the year with your families at the Mitzvah Garden! Breakfast will be provided. Come ready to work! Register at ttcbj.com/mitzvahgarden24

#### Girls Night/Day Out

#### February 4 | 10:30 am | Nelson Atkins Museum (Day)

Join us for Sunday GDO (Girls Day Out!) as we tour the "Monet and his Modern Legacy Exhibit" at the Nelson Atkins Museum of Art. This tour will be led by a personal docent. Following the tour, we will have lunch in Rozelle Court at the Nelson. This exhibit is in honor of the 150th anniversary of the birth of Impressionism. (Featuring 3 remarkable loans from the Musee Marmottan Monet in Paris, and additional works by Monet. Automatic free admission to the adjacent Evelyn Hofer Eves on the City Exhibit.) Space is limited to 12 Sisters so please register at ttcbj.com/nelson24

#### March 7 | 6:15 pm | Fiorella's Jack Stack BBQ (Night)

Reserved tables at the best BBQ in town. Limited to 20 Sisters so please make sure you register at ttcbj.com/gnofiorellas7

#### April 14 | 12:00 pm | Kansas City Zoo Aquarium (Day)

Complimentary Panera lunch followed by aquarium tour. Sisterhood Member Tickets: \$11 each, maximum 4 tickets Register at ttcbj.com/gdozoo24





#### **JOIN THE HOODS!**

Join Brotherhood and/or Sisterhood and reap the rewards of these amazing groups! Below is information to begin or renew your membership.

#### Sisterhood

The heart of Sisterhood lies in our community of amazing women! Your contribution enables Sisterhood to fulfill its mission of providing essential support to the Congregation, its youth and the community. Your membership is important! Sisterhood is for all ages. Become a member at bnaijehudah.org/sisterhood/.

#### **Brotherhood**

Your Brotherhood dues help provide and support many social, spiritual, environmental and educational programs for our B'nai Jehudah families! This includes Brotherhood Breakfast Cafe, Fishing Derby, Hanukkah treats, Religious School Support, Confirmation Essay Contests, and other special events. Begin or renew your membership today! Become a member at bnaijehudah.org/community/brotherhood/



# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

# Coffee with Kramer | Jan.11, Feb. 22, Mar. 7, Apr. 18 | 1:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah Community Commons

Come for coffee, conversation and connections at Bnai Jehudah with Rabbi Kramer! We'll chat over coffee and get to know more about our fellow B'nai Jehudah members. This free, casual event is for B'nai Jehudah members ages 60+; no registration needed, walk-ins welcome!

#### Babies & Tots | Jan. 21, Feb. 25, May 19 | 9:00-10:00 am | B'nai Jehudah

Have little ones that are too young for Yalla, and not sure what to do with them after you drop your kids off, or just want to connect



with other young Jewish families in Kansas City? Join Rabbi Rothstein for an engaging and music-filled hour where parents can get to know each other and where kids can play! All are welcome, even if you don't have kids in Yalla, or aren't a member of B'nai Jehudah. We'll meet in the Kikar and head to our Youth Lounge for an interactive hour of Jewish music, socializing and fun. Register at ttcbj.com/babiestots24

#### In the Kitchen with Kramer: Bagel Making with Stephen Steigman | February 25 | 9:15-11:45 am | B'nai Jehudah

Who doesn't love a good bagel?? But do you know how to make one? Join Rabbi Kramer with special guest Stephen Steigman in our B'nai Jehudah kitchen for this how-to bagel making workshop! Laugh with friends, learn a new recipe, and join us for Sunday morning cooking fun! Cost is \$12/person. Register at ttcbj.com/kramerbagels25

# In the Kitchen with Kramer: Hummus & Falafel Tuesday, May 7 | 5:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah

Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel's Independence Day) is right around the corner. Join Rabbi Kramer and Josh Hoffman for a handson Middle Eastern cooking class. We will learn the art of making creamy hummus, and freshly fried falafel! There will be laughter, schmoozing and delicious food to share! Cost is \$12/person. Register at ttcbj.com/kramerkitchen7

# Gen'ies' Tour & Lunch at the Nerman Art Gallery | March 2 | 11 am | Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art

Join others born in the 1930s, 40s and 50s for a guided tour of the Nerman Art Gallery located at the Johnson County Community College. We'll tour their collection for an hour and wrap up with lunch nearby. Register by February 23 at ttcbj. com/geniesnerman

#### Gen'ies' Trivia | June 6 | 6:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah Social Hall

Gen "ies" will test their history, pop culture, music and Jewish knowledge at this FREE trivia event for people born in the 1930s, 1940s, and 1950s. If you would like to play with a team, please make sure everyone registers. Register by May 30 at ttcbj.com/geniestrivia6

#### Classic Songs of Freedom & Peace: A Pre-Passover Sing-along with Rabbi Larry Karol | April 4 | 11:00 am | B'nai Jehudah Community Commons

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Rabbi Larry Karol will present songs from the 1950s and beyond (Turn, Turn, Turn, If I Had a Hammer, and others) and songs from contemporary



Jewish songwriters that challenge us to uphold the ideals central to Passover. Come with your voice and your spirit! Register at ttcbj.com/singalong4

#### IMOT Serendipity Farm & Vine Shabbat April 19 | 5:30-7:30 pm | Serendipity Farm

Independent Mothers of the Tribe will bring in Shabbat at Serendipity Farm and Vineyard where we'll enjoy live music, wine and other beverages after doing Shabbat blessings. Appetizers on us, drinks on your own tab. IMOT events are for mothers of all ages. Register by April 12 at ttcbj.com/imot19

#### **IMOT Chicken & Pickle**

#### June 15 | 7:00-8:00 pm | Chicken & Pickle, Overland Park

Join other Independent Mothers of the Tribe for a Saturday night out at Chicken and Pickle! All are welcome even if you don't know how to play, are new to the game, or just prefer to come and mingle. Appetizers on us, equipment rental on everyone's own tab. IMOT events are for mothers of all ages. Register by June 7 at ttcbj.com/imot15

#### **Mahjong Tournament**

#### May 2 | 10:30-3:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah

B'nai Jehudah will be hosting a community wide Mahjong competition that is open to any Mahjong lovers in Kansas City (Jewish and non-Jewish). \$45 entry fee, lunch included, plus prizes for the top 3 players as well as door prizes! A portion of the proceeds will be donated. Participants will be able to vote on the recipient organization at the Tournament. Register by April 18 at ttcbj.com/mahjong24

#### YOUTH

Drive-In Movie Party | B'nai Jehudah Social Hall January 14 |12:00pm-3:00pm | (Grade 6) January 21 | 12:00pm-3:00pm | (Grades 2-5)

Bring your pajamas and bunny slippers, a pillow and blanket, because it's time for a drive-in movie on our big screens! After designing your own cardboard car-fort, hunker down and enjoy the snacks as we spend the afternoon in our 'cozies' watching a movie together! Based on a group vote, the best cardboard-car wins a movie-themed-prize! Register at ttcbj.com/drivein2

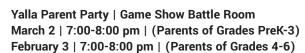
Shul-In | B'nai Jehudah Social Hall January 27-28 | 5:00 pm-9:00 am | (Grades 7-8) February 3-4 | 5:00 pm-9:00 am | (Grades 4-6)

Come enjoy a night to remember at the Shul-In! This fun-filled overnight includes dinner, sweet treats, lots of games, Gaga, a movie on our big screen, and all the fun they can handle! \$25 covers programming, dinner, snacks, breakfast - and more snacks! Register at ttcbj.com/overnight210

#### **Bowling**

February 11 | 12:00-3:00 pm | (Grades 2-3) February 25 | 12:00-3:00 pm | (Grades 6-8)

Who's ready to hit the lanes? Put up those bumpers (or don't!), grab your bowling shoes, and get ready for an afternoon at Bowlero! Whether you're a proper pro, or a nifty newbie, come bowling with us and have some fun! Register at ttcbj.com/bowling211



We are so excited that our Yalla community has continued to grow. The relationships and lifelong friendships that your kids build with each other are equally as important as the opportunity for the parents to form connections, community, and lifelong friendships as well. What better way to kick off a friendship than heading over to Game Show Battle Room and having lots of laughter and tons of fun together? Please join us on the date at 7pm to 8 pm for this amazing event. Registrations MUST BE made on or before 10 days prior to each event date to attend. We can't wait to see you there! Register at ttcbj.com/parentpartymarch24

#### Cooking Club: Matzo Ball Soup & Personal Pizza April 7 | 12:00-2:30 pm | B'nai Jehudah | (Grades 2-5)

Calling all young chefs in 2nd-5th Grade! Do you want to learn how to make a delicious pot of matzo ball soup? How about creating your own personal pizza? Come to our 'Cooking Club' event in the TTCBJ kitchen where we'll (safely!) chop, boil, and bake our way to a delicious lunch! With Passover coming up, brush up on your matzo ball-making skills and have fun with your B'nai Jehudah friends! Register at ttcbj.com/cookingclub47

#### Escape Room | Escape Room TBD April 21 | 12:00-3:00 pm | (Grades 6-8)

How are your detective skills? Are you a Sherlock Holmes in the making? Bring your thinking caps and get ready to have fun as we try to make our grand escape! Register at ttcbj. com/escaperoom421





B'nai Jehudah's Religious School program offers a student-centered, high-impact Jewish education that nurtures Jewish meaning, connection and continuity! Give your child(ren) the gift of a deeper understanding of their Jewish heritage and identity.

#### Yalla for grades pre-K-6:

(Hebrew included for 4th-6th graders) Sundays, 9:00 am-noon

#### Kesher for grades 7-9:

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:15 pm with pizza dinner at 6:30 pm

#### Confirmation for grade 10:

Select Wednesdays, 7:00-8:15 pm with pizza dinner at 6:30 pm

**Questions?** Contact Dayna Gershon, Director of Youth Education, at: education@bnaijehudah.org.

HAVEN'T ENROLLED IN YALLA YET? IT'S EASY!
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YOUR STUDENTS' ENROLLMENT FORMS.



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#### **SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE**

We have established a new Social Justice Committee and would welcome all who are interested. The Congregation has joined the multi-faith Good Faith Network which is organizing thousands of residents of Johnson County to have an impact on local justice issues surrounding housing insecurity and establishing an emergency Johnson County Mental Crisis Center. This organization's work culminates in a presentation to the head of the Johnson County Commission and is attended by thousands of members. We have also officially joined KIFA, Kansas Interfaith Action which is a Kansas wide multi-faith advocacy organization. If you want to be a part of Social Justice at TTCBJ please consider joining us. You can contact Leea Clark for more information at Rabbiadmin@bnaijehudah.org.

**Good Faith Network Save the Dates:** 

**April 14**: Solutions Briefing

May 7: The Nehemiah Action Meeting

#### YAHRZEIT PLAQUES

B'nai Jehudah's Yahrzeit tablets create an intimate place for reflection and prayer in the Small Prayer Space, helping us remember and embrace those who came before us.

The names listed on each Yahrzeit tablet will be read annually, commemorating our loved ones into perpetuity.

Memorialize your loved one and order tablets today.

Each tablet costs \$500. Tablets only include the name of the deceased and their date of death. You can also pre-order a tablet for yourself.



#### **MITZVAH MOMENTS**

Create some good in the world through one of these meaningful mitzvah opportunities!

#### **Baking for Shabbat**

3rd Monday of the month | 2:00 - 4:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah kitchen

Help prepare cookie dough for the next 4 Shabbats! Share your favorite (freezer-friendly) recipe if you like and we'll prepare the dough as a group. Space is limited.

#### **Feed Our Neighbors**

3rd Monday of the month | 1:00 - 2:00 pm | B'nai Jehudah

Join us every 3rd Monday to create 125 PB&J sandwiches for Micah Ministries on Independence Boulevard. This is a time-honored tradition that is hallmarked on one of the Klein Collection murals. We are happy to bring it back post-pandemic! Sign up for one or all!

#### **Keeping People Warm**

If you love to sew, knit, or craft, please consider creating adult items for Care Beyond the Boulevard (CBB). These items will be delivered to houseless individuals across KC. We are seeking adult sized (medium or larger) handmade hats, gloves, scarves, blankets, and shawls. A collection box will be in the Mitzvah Room at B'nai Jehudah. Questions? Contact Barbie Rogoff at bjrogoff@gmail.com.

We will drop off the items to CBB every 3rd Monday of the month so if you have scrap yarn or material, please help us put it to good use.



#### WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

#### **Baby Naming**

We are elated to help welcome a new child into your family and the family of the Jewish people! We understand that every family is unique. Meeting with you to understand what you need is the first step in creating a Jewish ritual to celebrate your new baby. Whether it is a brit milah (circumcision also known as a bris) or a Simchat bat (baby naming for a girl) we would be happy to help celebrate with you, either in the synagogue at a Shabbat service, or in your home

#### **Funerals & Memorial Services**

If someone you love dies, we want to be there for you through what can be a very difficult time. It is never too early or too late to call when death touches your home. Whether it be helping to plan a funeral, or officiating at a memorial, they are there to assist you. It is a mitzvah (a commandment) to comfort the mourner and Judaism offers a few rituals to help the mourner cope with grief. At B'nai Jehudah, we often have a short service at the home of the deceased, a minyan, shortly after the funeral. Food is also a comfort we can provide. We are here to help. Reach out to us so we can be there for you.

#### Housewarming

We are happy to come celebrate your new home with a Chanukat HaBayit (dedication of the house). During this brief ceremony we will help you affix a mezuzah to your front door (you can purchase one in our gift shop). It is also traditional to infuse the start of a new home with blessings, warmth and holiness. So, after you've moved in and unpacked your boxes, invite family and friends to join you in this lovely ritual; no previous knowledge required! Come talk to one of our rabbis about how to make this a meaningful experience for you.





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