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קולות ה.ק. עדת ישראל



**Middletown, Connecticut**  
**March 2026    adar/nisan 5786**

## ***Learning Lessons in Unexpected Places***

*Adam Finkelstein  
President*



When you're the president of a synagogue you tend to be the tip of the spear on the complaint hotline.

Suffice it to say that is one part of the job that I will not miss.

Nevertheless, it has still been a learning experience. First and foremost, it has been an exercise in patience, which is not my greatest virtue. More than that though, it has provided some very helpful perspective.

After several years now of listening to congregants express their thoughts and frustrations, I've noticed a commonality. No matter what the subject, no matter what the perspective, no matter what the context, the person has always believed they were right.

That may sound like sarcasm, but I mean it literally (there I go using that word again). They believe they are in the right, which means they know what's right. This is true not just for the small issues, but even ones of great significance. In fact, the more potentially serious the subject, inevitably, the more righteous the person feels in their viewpoint. They are mystified, perplexed, frustrated, sometimes angry, as to how anyone else could see it differently, which can lead to value judgements.

Of course, this is also a parallel for the times we live in – an increasingly polarized world that has less room for nuance and questions, only strong opinions that require us to declare a side that there is almost never any coming back from.

Now, I know what you're thinking... 'Isn't Adam the guy

who has been saying no politics in the synagogue for the last three-plus years?

Yes, I am. I felt then, and I still feel now, that our synagogue and community should be an escape from that polarized world, where everyone can feel welcomed without having to register all of their beliefs at the door.

Simultaneously though, I'm acknowledging that's easier said than done. So, other than avoiding potentially divisive topics, how do we stay united and connected even with people that we might have deep disagreements with?

I certainly am not claiming to be an expert, but I can tell you that my perspective has evolved in recent years, thanks in large part to being a synagogue president. I've had to have discussions, at length, with people I've disagreed with, and in many cases, represent not my own personal viewpoints, but that of a diverse membership.

No matter how much I disagreed, I haven't been able to challenge their moral clarity, disregard them, accuse them of gaslighting, or point out the hypocrisy of their logic.

Admittedly, in the moment, I'm usually fighting an internal battle to not do any of those things. Afterwards though, when I've had the opportunity to reflect, that's when I've realized that everyone really does believe they are in the right and morally sound. Moreover, their intentions are typically coming from a positive place. Very often, it's not that they don't care about people with differing viewpoints, they just think they know better. Sometimes, they "know" they know better.

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# DAN NICHOLS

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## IN CONCERT!



SATURDAY, MARCH 28  
8:00PM

MEMBERS \$18

NON-MEMBERS \$36

TO PURCHASE TICKETS, PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR CONTACT THE  
SYNAGOGUE OFFICE AT 860-346-4709 OR [OFFICE@ADATHISRAELCT.ORG](mailto:OFFICE@ADATHISRAELCT.ORG)

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So, what I offer you today, is just the gentle reminder that people who disagree with you or me, aren't all bad. Sometimes they just see an issue, perhaps just one issue, differently because they have different experiences, influences, or sources. Sometimes, hearing them out without judgement may not lead us to agree with them, but may help us to have a better understanding of where they're coming from. More often than not, at least I have found, that they're coming from a place of trying to make things better, even if we have different ideas about how that should look.

In short, I think most people are doing the best they can, in difficult times, and sometimes it's easy to forget that.

## WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

If you or anyone you know is ill or in need of support, please contact our Bikur Cholim (Compassionate Care) Committee.

Contact Michelle Grossman,  
[rickandmichelle360@gmail.com](mailto:rickandmichelle360@gmail.com);  
 Rabbi Nelly, [rabbi@adathisraelct.org](mailto:rabbi@adathisraelct.org);  
 or Joanna at the office.



Adath Israel

# TORAH STUDY

Weekly on Zoom:

**Wednesdays**  
 10:30am-12:00pm  
 Meeting ID: 837 9879 1910  
 Passcode: 963942

**Thursdays**  
 6:00-7:30pm  
 Meeting ID: 842 5337 5828  
 Passcode: 568266



**With Rabbi Nelly!**




## *Tikkun Olam/Fundraiser*



Save time, aggravation, and the planet while providing funds for important causes by donating your cleaned redeemable bottles & cans.

**January-March funds raised will benefit the Religious School.**

Please drop your **CLEANED** cans & bottles off in the designated bucket in front of the synagogue office.



Adults Only Megillah Reading

# PURIM

March 2<sup>nd</sup>  
6:30pm

Nester Center  
16 Broad St,  
Middletown

Wine, mocktails,  
hors d'oeuvres,  
hamantaschen!

**Suggested Donation \$18pp, Patron \$36pp**

**Costumes strongly encouraged!**

Please RSVP to the synagogue at  
860-346-4709 or [office@adathisraelct.org](mailto:office@adathisraelct.org)

\*A portion of each donation will go toward the mitzvah of *matanot l'evyonim*, giving support to those who need help.



## Community News

*Honor Edmands  
Education &  
Community Life  
Director*

Shalom! I know we are all thinking about Purim, but I want to spend a few moments kvelling about a program we held early in February, Tu B'shevat L'chol Adat (for Everyone). The morning began with Rabbi Nelly leading a Tu B'shevat seder. In the seder, each season of the year is symbolized by a category of fruit that grows on trees (from those you can't eat at all to those you can eat in their entirety) and grape juice/wine on a continuum of white to red. After Rabbi Nelly described each season and the gifts it bestows, we recited the blessings for fruit of the tree and fruit of the vine and sampled some of its symbolic fruits and grape juice mixture to celebrate it. For example, in celebration of winter we ate fruits that have a pit, or other inedible center and added a splash of red grape juice to our glass of white. Traditionally, there are at least two fruits that we eat for each season, making the seder a delicious adventure! We also learned about the Jewish symbolism and deeper meaning behind each part of the year.

After our seder, with our minds and bellies full, it was time to think of others in our community who may not be as lucky as we are by preparing salads & desserts for the Sunday Meals program at St. Vincent de Paul's soup kitchen. There was a lot to be done, with the older kids helping to cut & slice vegetables, and younger students helping to wash the vegetables & package cookies. Through this work, they helped to

improve their communities and feed the hungry. Thank you, Larry Rosenberg and Eileen & Michael Daling for providing the beautiful food for us to prepare.

The final portion of our Tu B'shevat celebration was a collaborative art project inspired by the Grassroots Jewish Women of CT art piece that was displayed at Adath Israel. With the students, we discussed the different Jewish symbols they found in the piece - from Stars of David to Israel's national flower, the Red Poppy to the blue & white colors used throughout. Each student then created a painting that represented what Judaism meant to them. We are working on assembling their individual contributions into a final piece, and I look forward to sharing the final result! Todah rabah (Thank you!) to Miryam Welbourne for arranging to bring the original painting to Adath Israel and for helping our students understand the process by which art can meld the individual visions of many into a cohesive work of beauty.

This time that the school spent learning about Tu B'shevat feels special to me. I think that it is special to have older students learning & doing alongside younger students; it nurtures important relationships in their lives. I also believe that emphasizing the significance of service work and striving to make the world a better place helps to shape a student's beliefs about their place and responsibility in the world. Finally, making Judaism a creative and expressive experience opens young minds to new possibilities. Believing that you can be a maker of change shifts your perspective of the world.

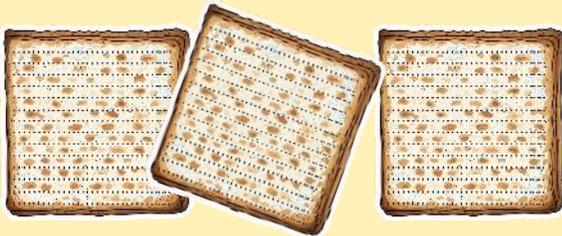
This month there are more special times in store for our students and their families with Shabbat L'chol Adat on March 14 and the Children's Megillah Reading and Purim Carnival on March 8.



## Photos from Tu B'Shevat L'chol Adat



## Matza Fund



Your donation to The Matza Fund assists those in our community without the means to make Passover a reality. Distribution priority is given to Adath Israel congregants. Any funds in excess of need will be donated to Jewish charities for Passover allocation. All funds are allocated in the strictest of confidence.

Please send all contributions to the office by March 18, 2026 so that distribution can take place prior to Passover.



## Member Resources

The following resources are available to members:

- 2025-26 Member Directory
- 2025-26 Life of the Congregation & Synagogue Leadership
- By-Laws of the Congregation
- Chevra Kadisha Rules & Regulations

Please contact the office to receive your copy.

# CHILDREN'S MEGILLAH READING & LISA GOODMAN PURIM CARNIVAL

SUNDAY, MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>  
9AM

Megillah reading will begin in  
the Nester Center  
Carnival will follow in the social  
hall

For about \$10, you can have a  
morning full of food, games &  
fun!

For more info contact the office at  
860-346-4709 or  
office@adathisraelct.org

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## March (Book) Madness is Here!

*“Maybe this is why we read, and why in moments of darkness we return to books: to find words for what we already know.”*

- Alberto Manguel

While thinking about this month’s newsletter, I came across this quote, and it hit me that so much of our understanding of the world comes from reading. We are most certainly living through a moment of darkness right now. I hope you find it as comforting as I do knowing books will always be there for us - for personal growth, remembrance and for escape.

This month, we read the Megillah or **Book of Esther** for Purim.

This month, the Book Club reads **Queen Esther** by John Irving. What’s the connection? Join us on **March 17th** and find out!

The Book Club meetings are held at The Nester Center at 7 p.m. as well as via Zoom. We use a hybrid model so that more people can participate. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting ID: **886 4652 0065**  
Passcode: **196174**

Happy Reading!

ROBERTA  
Roberta Levine Glass, [rjlevine610@gmail.com](mailto:rjlevine610@gmail.com),  
302-593-7581 (cell)



Did we miss your anniversary? Please call the office, and let us make it right.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

David Willis  
Rabbi Michael Kohn  
Ben Eisner  
Re’ut Ben-Zeev  
Liz Hibino  
Rabbi Michael Leipziger  
Raisa Filler  
Dorothy Kaplan  
Bern Padawer  
Katrina Axelrod  
Louise Feldman  
Alexander Fooy  
Isla Bonito  
Melanie Login

Andy Bauer  
Robert Baskin  
David Norman  
Darcy Searle  
Jan Weiss  
David Goodman  
Jonathan Shapiro  
Beth Shapiro  
Laurie O’Brien-Schwarz  
Denis Caron  
Luanne Paley  
Susan Goldberg  
Susan Massicott  
Jenna Dickes  
Rebecca Dubin  
Matthew Dubin

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## **SIMCHA MENORAH**

Whether celebrating a wedding, birth, b’nei mitzvah, “special” birthday, or anniversary, share your joy with our synagogue community –**FOREVER**.

Only \$136.00 – A gift that endures

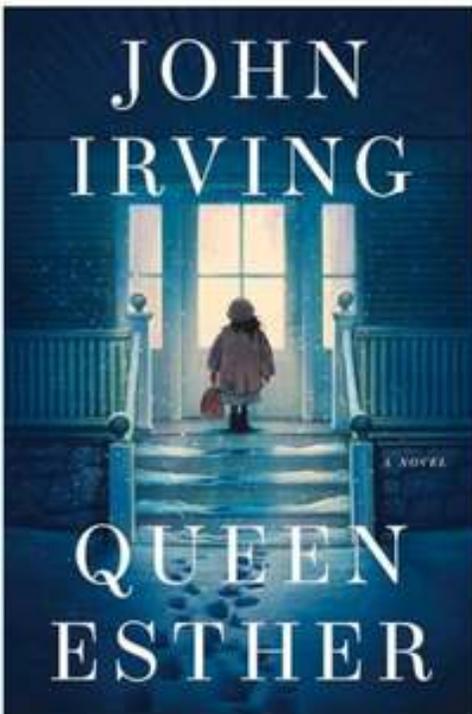
Please contact the office to order.



Join us!  
New members welcome

# BOOK CLUB

*Queen Esther* by John Irving



**MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
**7:00 PM**

*In-person at the Nester Center & on Zoom*

Adath Israel Book Club is free & open to anyone who desires great discussions about fascinating books on Jewish topics

**Zoom Info:**

Meeting ID: 886 4652 0065

Passcode: 196174

For more information please

contact **Roberta Glass:**

**[rjlevine610@gmail.com](mailto:rjlevine610@gmail.com)**

**302-593-7581**



[adathisraelct.org](http://adathisraelct.org)

## Jewish Camp/Israel Trip Scholarships

The Congregation is blessed with two scholarship funds which provide support for children of members in good standing wishing to send their children to Jewish summer camps or to experience Israel.

**Applications for the Maxine Thumim Camp Scholarship and the Dr. Arthur & Gladys Weiss Scholarship are available from the Synagogue office.**

**Completed applications should be returned to the office by April 15, 2026.**

## ADATH ISRAEL ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship Committee of Adath Israel is pleased to announce that the Application Forms and Rules and Regulation Guidelines for the Annual Adath Israel Post Secondary School Scholarships are available from the synagogue office.

Students who are seniors in high school through graduate school, and whose family meets the membership requirements are encouraged to apply.

All questions concerning the application process should be directed to **Fred Zierler**, Committee Chair at (203) 631-9567 or via email, [fzierler@gmail.com](mailto:fzierler@gmail.com).

Completed applications should be returned to the synagogue office by May 8, 2026.

FREE PROGRAM!

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# Mazel Tots

## Community Events!

Megillah Reading and Purim Carnival 3/8 - 9:00am

Tot Shabbat Saturday 3/14 - 11:30am

Classes

- ▶ 3/1 - Purim Mitzvot
- ▶ 3/8 - NO CLASS
- ▶ 3/22 - The Passover Table
- ▶ 3/29 - Rugrats Passover Bingo

games

crafts

music



Location: Central Middletown, CT 06457  
www.adathisraelct.org  
Contact: 860-346-4709, mazeltotheadath@gmail.com



# FRIENDS OF YIDDISH



NEW

Zoom Group that meets monthly on Sunday mornings  
10:30am-12:00pm

## Upcoming Meeting: What We Offer

• March 15

Zoom info:

Meeting ID: 908 489 3632  
Passcode: Yiddish

- Hear Yiddish stories & music
- Learn words & phrases
- Schmooze
- Prior Yiddish knowledge helpful but not required!

JOIN US!

Contact Larry Rosenberg at  
[rosenberg@transoncol.com](mailto:rosenberg@transoncol.com) or 475-559-8407





# EARLY RISERS MINYAN

**KIDDUSH  
BREAKFAST  
FOLLOWING  
SERVICE**

**MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup> \* 7:00 AM**

## IT'S NEWS

## MAZAL TOV!

**Cooper Bruno** on becoming a Bar Mitzvah



## TODAH RABAH

## Acts of Kindness

**Meals & Shopping:** Phil Saxe, Harriet, Aaron, and Marcey Thiela, Paula Goldstein

**Picking up food at the Crown:** Fred Zierler

**Proofreading:** Phil Saxe

**Helping with mailings:** Barbara Sequenzia

**Washing linens from the kitchen:** Joanna Schnurman

**Returning bottles:** Eileen & Mike Daling



**“Where there is no food there is no Torah”**

### Sunday Meals at St Vincent de Paul Sponsors & Helpers

Larry Rosenberg, Suzanne Goldberg, Ben Eisner, Barbara Sequenzia, Richard Kamins, and the Religious School

### Early Risers Minyan Sponsors & Helpers

Scott Levy, Paula Goldstein, and Phil Saxe

### Pray-Eat-Sing Sponsors & Helpers

Aaron Thiela, Marcey Thiela, Harriet Thiela, Phil Saxe; Anita Hennessey, Naomi & Richard Kamins, Andy Bauer, and Laurie & Rabbi Marshal Press

Josephine Trotta Poliner in loving memory of Myron Poliner

### Oneg, Kiddush, or Refreshments Sponsors

IN MEMORY OF

Edith Adler-Kiner by Leah Adler & Stu Epstein

### Bagel Break Sponsors & Helpers

The Friedman Family, Marilyn Finkelstein, Melissa Olczak



### SPEEDY RECOVERY

We'd like to wish a "Refua Shleima" to the following: Katrina Axelrod, Bob Baskin, Eileen Daling, Phyllis Frydenberg, Suzanne Goldberg, Paula Goldstein, Ray Irizarry, Shari Lynn Kochman, Jean Lawrence, David Schwarz, Stephen Shapiro, and Harriet Thiela

## IN MEMORIAM

**May God grant comfort to**

Loretta Rubin on the recent passing of her brother,  
Norman Lazarson



### IF YOU OR A LOVED ONE IS IN THE HOSPITAL OR OTHER HEALTH CARE FACILITY

Patient privacy laws prohibit the hospitals & other healthcare facilities from notifying Adath Israel if you are admitted unless you specifically request it. Upon admission, please list Judaism as your religion and request spiritual care or a visit from the chaplain. The hospital chaplain will contact the synagogue. If you do not wish to go through the hospital, please contact the synagogue directly if you or a loved one would like a pastoral visit.



### Phishing Awareness: Avoid Taking the Bait

Every month or so it seems, scammers send out emails pretending to be from

Rabbi Nelly or a member of the Board. Below are some tips on how to avoid getting snagged by one of these phishing expeditions.

Common warning signs of phishing include:

- Unfamiliar greeting or tone
- Unsolicited messages
- Grammar and spelling errors
- Sense of urgency
- Suspicious links or attachments
- Requests for personal information
- Inconsistencies in email addresses, links, etc.
- Unusual requests
- Alerts that you've won something

Please remember: **No one from Adath Israel will ever ask you for personal information or financial assistance via an email.** If you have *any* question, do not respond to the email. Contact the person it claims to be from via a trusted method. **DO NOT** use any email, website, or phone number included in the suspicious message. If it is spam, please report it to your email provider.



**MARCH 9**  
**at Perk on Main**



Join us for breakfast following morning minyan.  
Please note: While the great conversation is free,  
participants are responsible for what they order.

## **ADATH ISRAEL DEDICATED FUNDS**

**ADATH ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND** (SOPHIE & JULIUS BARKER, EVELYN & ABRAHAM GROSSMAN, SARAH ZIETZ PIERSON, RABBI ALBERT & ROSALYN TROY, SYLVIA GROSS WASSERMAN, MAX CHEIKIN, BERNIE SEIDON, AND JEAN STERN ARON SCHOLARSHIPS)

*Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending an accredited college, university or school of higher learning*

IN MEMORY OF

Robin Levine by Risa & Fred Zierler

**DR. ARTHUR & GLADYS WEISS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending Jewish camp, Jewish content special programs, and trips to Israel*

**BEIT-PALEY FUND**

*Supports Torah repair*

**CHEVRA KADISHA**

*Supports maintenance and enhancement of the cemetery*

**ARTHUR & EDYTHE DIRECTOR FAMILY FUND**

*Supports music in the ritual, educational, and cultural gatherings at Adath Israel*

**ETERNAL LIGHT FUND**

*Supports the general operation of Adath Israel*

**HOWARD FELDMAN BEAUTIFICATION FUND**

*Supports the beautification of our synagogue building and grounds and the Nester Center*

IN MEMORY OF

Robin Levine by Marge & Stan Sadinsky

**LYNN BENNETT RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

*Supports the upgrade of our religious school*

IN HONOR OF

Ruth & Mike Sigal on the birth of their granddaughter, Eloise Margot by Laurie & Rabbi Marshal Press

IN MEMORY OF

Robin Levine by Laurie & Rabbi Marshal Press

**MAXINE THUMIM CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

*Provides scholarships to children of Adath Israel members attending Jewish camp or travelling to Israel*

Eileen & Michael Daling

IN MEMORY OF

Robin Levine by

- Eileen & Michael Daling
- Joanna Schnurman

**MICHAEL FASSLER FUND**

*Supports early childhood education at Adath Israel*

IN MEMORY OF

Norman Lazarson by

- Laura Pels
- Lisa & Barry Firestone
- Hyla Rubin & Steve Rosenberg
- Joanna Schnurman & Andy Bauer

**MUSEUM FUND**

*Supports purchases and maintenance of Adath Israel's museum*

**NATHAN OLSHIN SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE-FUND**

*Supports annual scholar-in-residence program*

IN MEMORY OF

Adolf Kahn by Bobette Reed Kahn & Jeffrey S. Kahn

**RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND**

*Allows the rabbi to support individuals and causes in our community anonymously*

**SANFORD BEIT MINYAN FUND**

*Supports the creation and building of community over Kiddush*

**SYNAGOGUE FUND**

*Supports the general operation of Adath Israel*

IN MEMORY OF

Robin Levine by Ruth & Mike Sigal

**YAHRTZEIT FUND**

*Supports the general operation of Adath Israel*

Libby Stoller by Sandra & Paul Beckman

David Beckman by Sandra & Paul Beckman

Morris Sheftel by Cyndi & Barry Sheftel

Jerry Kosofsky by M. Jane Kosofsky

Muriel Schulman by Laurie & Richmond Dickerson

Alan Steele by Gertrude Steele

Bernard Mordechai Schwartz by Nancy L. Schwartz

Adele & Jerry Wettenstein by Barbara Sequenzia

Dolly Rosenfield by Patty Netherland

Irene Hopenhajm by Ruth Borsuk

Irving Wagner by Jesse Wagner

Fannie Wrubel by Gayle Wrubel Winkler

Samuel Wrubel by Gayle Wrubel Winkler

Anita Bernstein by Paula D. Eisner

Rebecca Sheftel by Barry & Cyndi Sheftel

Bertha Goldberg Fass by Heidi Geiges & Beth Katz

Robin Weiss by Barbara & Steven Weiss

Dr. Edward Becker by Andrew Becker

Eleanor Lowell by Dahlia Grossman

George Shapiro by Ernie Shapiro

Sarah Lurie by Mark, Pam & Stewart Paley

Rifka Paley by Mark, Pam & Stewart Paley

Benjamin Pollack by Ruth Kahn

Sylvia Korfin by Fran Goldberg



# PRAY EAT SING

## - MARCH MADNESS -

### WITH GAMEDAY FOOD!

FRIDAY, MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>  
6:00PM

RSVP BY MARCH 13TH  
TO [OFFICE@ADATHISRAELCT.ORG](mailto:OFFICE@ADATHISRAELCT.ORG)

**FREE TO MEMBERS!**  
**OTHERS \$10/PERSON, \$18/FAMILY**

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- Stanley Stein by Sue Massiccott
- Sarah Jabes bat Moshe
- Etta Weiss by Barbara & Steven Weiss
- Morris & Ruth Berlind by Allan Berlind



**Passover Supplement  
Coming Soon!**

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Adath Israel  
*Celebrate Jewish Life*

# MAH JONGG

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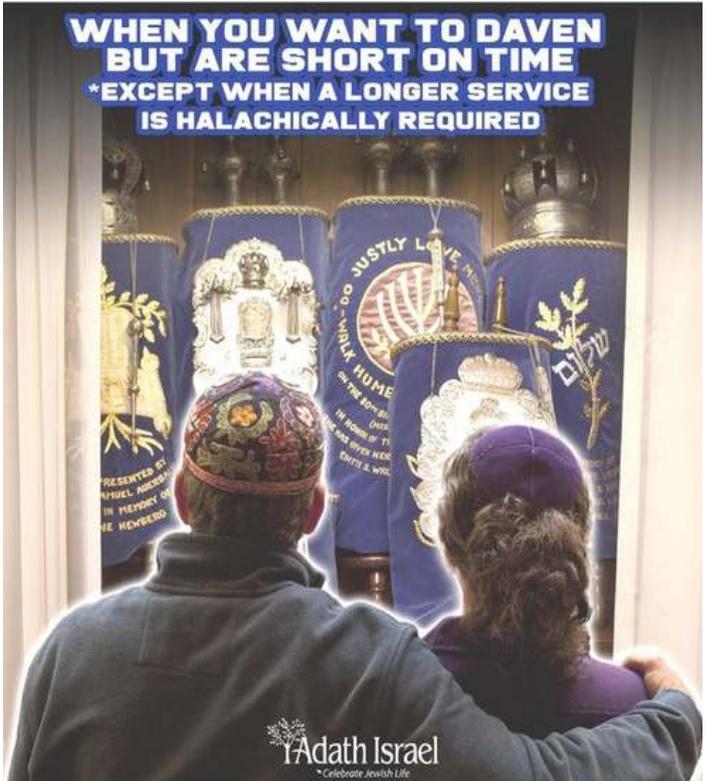
11:00am-1:30pm  
and  
12:30pm-3:00pm

**All Levels Welcome!**

Please reach out to  
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for more info

**EXPRESS MINYAN**  
EVERY WEDNESDAY 8:00AM\*

**WHEN YOU WANT TO DAVEN  
BUT ARE SHORT ON TIME**  
\*EXCEPT WHEN A LONGER SERVICE  
IS HALACHICALLY REQUIRED



Kolot Issue	Deadline
April	03/09
May	04/13
June (Summer)	05/04
September	08/03
October/November	09/07

**Office Hours**

Monday: 8am - 1:30pm  
Tuesday: 8am - 1:30pm  
Wednesday: 9am - 5:30pm  
Thursday: 8am - 1:30pm  
Friday: 8am - 12pm

*The office is closed weekends, legal holidays, and Jewish holy days.*

# COMMUNITY SEDER

MONDAY, APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup> AT 6:00PM



**\$48 ADULT \$24 CHILD (5-12)**

**CHILDREN UNDER 5 FREE**

**\$125 MAX PER FAMILY (PARENTS/GUARDIANS & MINOR CHILDREN)**

**RSVP BY MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup> TO [OFFICE@ADATHISRAELCT.ORG](mailto:OFFICE@ADATHISRAELCT.ORG)  
OR 860-346-4709. PLEASE INCLUDE CHOICE OF MEAT  
OR VEGETARIAN ENTREE**

# ADATH ISRAEL EMERGENCY CANCELATION & CLOSING PROCEDURES

## RELIGIOUS SCHOOL:

**THE DIRECTOR WILL CONTACT STAFF & STUDENTS' FAMILIES DIRECTLY & POST IT ON OUR WEBSITE.**

## ALL OTHER CANCELATIONS & CLOSINGS:

**CHECK TV CHANNEL WFSB (EYEWITNESS3) OR WWW.WFSB.COM.**

## SHARE THE JOY WITH A SPONSORED ONEG OR KIDDUSH

Share a family simcha, honor a friend or relative, or remember a loved one by sponsoring a Friday night Oneg Shabbat or a Shabbat Morning Kiddush. This is a delightful way to let others in our community celebrate a special occasion or share a memory with you. Our hope is that you would be present which will only add to the occasion.

The new Kiddush menus will be prepared and tastefully arranged by the Crown Supermarket in West Hartford. **Please call the synagogue office at 860-346-4709 at least a week in advance to make ordering and pick-up arrangements with the office administrator.**

The following is a breakdown of the new menus and costs for a Shabbat Morning Kiddush:

**Traditional Kiddush (up to 15 people): \$150**  
**(16-30 people): \$225**

Bagels, Tuna salad, Egg salad, cuke, tomato, & onion platter, lox spread, plain & chive cream cheese, fruit salad, pastry, cold & hot drinks

**Deluxe Kiddush (up to 15 people): \$225**  
**(16-30 people): \$350**

Bagels, tuna salad, egg salad, lox & sliced veggie platter, whitefish salad, plain & chive cream cheese, sesame noodles, kugel, fruit salad, pastry, cold & hot drinks

**Friday Night Oneg Shabbat (15 people): \$54**

Pretzels, fruit, M&M's, pastry, cold & hot drinks

Prices for both a Kiddush and/or an Oneg Shabbat will be adjusted if there is a larger group in attendance for special life cycle events (Bar/Bat Mitzvah, baby naming, or wedding, etc.).

Of course, you can always purchase the food, bring it to the synagogue and do the set up yourself while also following the synagogue's Kashrut guidelines. Some assistance may be available on the day of your Kiddush.



# SHABBAT L'CHOL ADAT



for the whole  
community!

Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

**9:30am**

Tot Shabbat

**11:30am**



# March 2026

## Adar – Nisan 5786

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
12th of Adar 9a Minyan 9a Religious School 10:30a Mazel Tots 1:00p Drag Purim!	13th of Adar 5:02a Fast begins 8a Minyan 6:30p Adult Megillah Reading	14th of Adar 8a Minyan 11a Mah Jongg 12:30p Mah Jongg 7p Al Anon & Alateen	15th of Adar 7a Early Risers Minyan 10:30a Torah Study, Zoom 4p Religious School	16th of Adar 8a Minyan 6p Torah Study, Zoom	17th of Adar 8a Minyan 7p Shabbat Evening Services	18th of Adar 9:30a Shabbat Morning Services
19th of Adar 9a Minyan 9a Children's Megillah Reading & Purim Carnival	20th of Adar Ta'anit Esther Erev Purim April Kolot Deadline 8a Minyan Breakfast Bunch following services	21st of Adar Purim 8a Minyan 11a Mah Jongg 12:30p Mah Jongg 7p Al Anon & Alateen	22nd of Adar Shushan Purim 8a Express Minyan 10:30a Torah Study, Zoom 4p Religious School 7p Board of Directors Meeting	23rd of Adar 8a Minyan 6p Torah Study, Zoom	24th of Adar Pray Eat Sing RSVP Deadline 8a Minyan 7p Shabbat Evening Services	25th of Adar 14 9:30a Shabbat L'chol Adat Morning Services 11:30a Tot Shabbat Parashat Vayakhel-Pekudei Shabbat HaChodesh 7:37p Havdalah
26th of Adar 9a Minyan 9a Religious School 10:30a Mazel Tots	27th of Adar 8a Minyan	28th of Adar 8a Minyan 11a Mah Jongg 12:30p Mah Jongg 7p Al Anon & Alateen 7p Book Club	29th of Adar 18 Community Seeder RSVP Deadline 8a Express Minyan 10:30a Torah Study, Zoom 4p Religious School	1st of Nisan 8a Minyan 6p Torah Study, Zoom	2nd of Nisan 20 8a Minyan 6p Pray Eat Sing Shabbat Evening Services & Dinner	3rd of Nisan 21 9:30m Shabbat Morning Services
4th of Nisan 9a Minyan 9a Religious School 10:30a Mazel Tots 12p Post B'nei Mitzvah Class	5th of Nisan 8a Minyan	6th of Nisan 8a Minyan 11a Mah Jongg 12:30p Mah Jongg 7p Al Anon & Alateen	7th of Nisan 25 8a Express Minyan 10:30a Torah Study, Zoom 4p Religious School	8th of Nisan 26 8a Minyan 6p Torah Study, Zoom	9th of Nisan 27 8a Minyan 7p Shabbat Evening Services	10th of Nisan 28 9:30a Shabbat Morning Services 8p Dan Nichols show!
11th of Nisan 29 9a Minyan 9a Religious School 10:30a Mazel Tots	12th of Nisan 30 8a Minyan	13th of Nisan 31 8a Minyan 11a Mah Jongg 12:30p Mah Jongg 7p Al Anon & Alateen			6:52p Candle lighting	Parashat Tzav Shabbat HaGadol 7:53p Havdalah

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
18th of Nisan <b>5</b> No Religious School or Mazel Tots 9a Minyan	19th of Nisan <b>6</b> 8a Minyan 6p Community Seder	20th of Nisan <b>7</b> 8a Minyan	21st of Nisan <b>8</b> Office Closed No Religious School No Torah Study 8a Festival Minyan	22nd of Nisan <b>9</b> Office Closed No Torah Study 8a Festival Minyan	23rd of Nisan <b>10</b> 8a Minyan 7p Shabbat Evening Services	24th of Nisan <b>11</b> 9:30a Shabbat Morning Services
25th of Nisan <b>12</b> No Religious School or Mazel Tots 9a Minyan	26th of Nisan <b>13</b> May Kolot Deadline 8a Minyan 8a Minyan 5:30p Yom HaShoah Program, Meriden Public Library	27th of Nisan <b>14</b> 8a Minyan 11a Mah Jongg 12:30p Mah Jongg	28th of Nisan <b>15</b> No Religious School 7a Early Risers Minyan in the Nestor Center 10:30a Torah Study, Zoom	29th of Nisan <b>16</b> 8a Minyan 6p Torah Study, Zoom	30th of Nisan <b>17</b> 8a Minyan 7p Shabbat Evening Services	1st of Iyyar <b>18</b> 9:30a Shabbat Morning Services
2nd of Iyyar <b>19</b> No Religious School or Mazel Tots 9a Minyan	3rd of Iyyar <b>20</b> 8a Minyan	4th of Iyyar <b>21</b> 8a Minyan 11a Mah Jongg 12:30p Mah Jongg	5th of Iyyar <b>22</b> 8a Express Minyan 10:30a Torah Study, Zoom 4p Religious School	6th of Iyyar <b>23</b> 8a Minyan 6p Torah Study, Zoom	7th of Iyyar <b>24</b> 8a Minyan 7p Shabbat Evening Services	8th of Iyyar <b>25</b> 9:30a Shabbat Morning Services
9th of Iyyar <b>26</b> 9a Minyan 9a Religious School 10:30a Mazel Tots 12p Post B'nei Mitzvah	10th of Iyyar <b>27</b> 8a Minyan	11th of Iyyar <b>28</b> 8a Minyan 11a Mah Jongg 12:30p Mah Jongg	12th of Iyyar <b>29</b> 8a Express Minyan 10:30a Torah Study, Zoom 4p Religious School	13th of Iyyar <b>30</b> 8a Minyan 6p Torah Study, Zoom	13th of Iyyar <b>30</b> 7:23p Candle lighting	14th of Iyyar <b>31</b> Parashat Achrei Mot- Kedoshim 8:27p Havdalah



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