

Upcoming Fun at Temple Beth Or!

Capital Campaign Lag BaOmer Celebration

Sunday, May 7, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, TBO

Please join us on May 7 to celebrate the success of our Capital Campaign and the holiday Lag BaOmer. There will be a bonfire, music with **Noah Zeichner**, a catered lunch, a speaker, plus activities for the kids. All members are welcome to attend, and those who have pledged to the campaign will receive a gift – a beautiful commemorative mezuzah designed by **Paul Vexler (z"l)** and made by Paul and Temple members from trees that once stood in front of the Temple. The speaker is **Jim Dean**, Executive Director of the Interfaith Association of Northwest Washington, who will speak to our congregation's value in the greater Everett/Snohomish County community. Please contact **Leslie Elsemore** for more information.

Registration (all attendees): Please register by May 2 so we are able to plan ahead for catering templebethor.org/service-registration/.



Pajama Shabbat: Family Shabbat Service and Shavuot Celebration

Friday, May 26, 7:00 pm

with Rabbi Rachel Kort and Jordan Somers (in-person and online)



Our entire Temple Beth Or community is invited to a special Shabbat and Shavuot holiday celebration designed to nurture and engage our community's children. The evening will include songs, prayers, a story, an opportunity to hear the Ten Commandments read from the Torah, and our *Kaddish* – mourner's prayer. It is a tradition to enjoy dairy foods on Shavuot; we'll enjoy ice cream (with a non-dairy option) at our *oneg* after our service, which will last about 45 minutes. ***Many Jewish communities have the tradition of staying up all night studying Torah on Shavuot; to help honor this tradition, you are invited, but not required, to wear pajamas and bring a stuffie to services.*

Registration: Members do not need to register in order to attend. Guests - to attend in person please register at: templebethor.org/service-registration/. Registration ends May 25, 3:00 pm. Guests are welcome to attend on Zoom without registration.



The History of Lag BaOmer: Honoring a Jewish Legacy of Building for the Future

The Torah explains that we are to count the Omer, the seven-week period between Passover and Shavuot (Leviticus 23:5), but the Torah does not say anything about the minor Jewish festival, Lag BaOmer, which falls on the 33rd day of the Omer. Rabbinic tradition connects Lag BaOmer with stories of Jewish leaders from the time of the Roman siege of Jerusalem, including Rabbi Akiva (c. 50-135 CE). There was a plague that killed many of Rabbi Akiva's students, and it is said that the plague ended on the 33rd day of the Omer (Talmud Bavli, Yevomot 62b).

Rabbi Akiva and his generation could not defeat the Roman army. Akiva died a martyr after refusing the Roman command to stop teaching. Rabbinic tradition explains that despite plague and persecution, Rabbi Akiva helped save Judaism after the Temple was destroyed. Rabbi Akiva ensured Jewish survival by interpreting Torah for the next generation and training the next generation of Jewish scholars.

A famous story in the Talmud imagines God introducing Moses to Rabbi Akiva (Menachot 29b).

When Moses died and ascended to the heavens, he saw the letters of the Torah that God had shown him and that he had given to the Jewish people. Moses had made sure that each letter was perfect, crafted exactly as God had instructed. But these letters appeared different now. There were decorations on some of the letters. Moses asked why God was attaching 'things' to the letters of the Torah.

From the heavens, God showed Moses the future. Moses was transported to the classroom of Rabbi Akiva. Moses was frustrated that he did not know the law that Rabbi Akiva was teaching his students. Moses asks God, 'What is the source of this law? Where is it found in the Torah?' God explains to Moses, 'Many years after your time, there will come a person named Akiva Ben Yosef who will be a great teacher to thousands of students and his lessons and insights will expand upon the Torah that you and your generation received. In times to come, people will learn our laws and build on them. They will interpret them for the times and make sure they will last. The crowns on the Torah are in honor of Rabbi Akiva and are in honor of all those who interpret Torah for the future.'

On Lag BaOmer we are invited to celebrate the leadership of Rabbi Akiva, who dedicated his life and scholarship to the well-being of future Jewish generations. A few months ago, our TBO leadership approached me and asked, "Would it be appropriate to celebrate our successful Capital Campaign on the holiday of Lag BaOmer?" I think Lag BaOmer is a wonderful day for our TBO community to celebrate the success of our Capital Campaign and our commitment to building our future.

Rabbi Rachel Kort (she/her)

Rabbi Kort invites you to call upon her for help, support, or just to talk. Please contact Rabbi Kort directly to make an appointment. She's working remotely and is happy to set up a virtual meeting over Zoom or by phone.

Phone: (425)954-1223; Email: RabbiKort@TempleBethOr.org

Rabbi Kort's sermons and writings can be found on the TBO website under "About Us/Our Rabbi."

Let's Celebrate!

It is important that we take time in our busy lives to celebrate milestones and accomplishments, big and small. Early in May, Mark and I will celebrate our fortieth wedding anniversary with a weekend away together. It's hard to believe it has been that long as the years have flown by. Soon thereafter, we will be in Bend, Oregon, for Mother's Day to honor Mark's dear 90-year-old mom, who remains full of love and life. Later in May, our son and daughter-in-law celebrate their first anniversary. So for us, May is full of celebrations.



May is also a time of celebration with our TBO family. On Sunday, May 7, we will celebrate both Lag B'Omer and the success of our Capital Campaign with a bonfire and barbeque.

Our small community has thus far raised \$1.7 million towards our remodel, which is a remarkable feat and I feel proud of our accomplishment. It speaks to our members' commitment to making TBO accessible for all and to providing for future generations. A huge shout-out to our Capital Campaign Task Force chaired by **Jess Vexler Burgamy** and **Jeff Napp**. They have been working hard for months, and now it is time to party!

Our community has a second significant celebration on May 20 when our Adult B'nei Mitzvah class is called to the Torah. For the past year and a half, this group has been studying and learning in preparation for this honor. The class of thirteen has a beautiful mix of those new to Judaism, those who grew up Jewish but were not observant, and one member who was only allowed to read haftarah since she was a girl. *Mazal tov* to each of them!

The celebrations already mentioned mark bigger events and occasions. Yet, let's remember to also celebrate the little successes we each experience on a daily basis; maybe it's mastering a new skill such as making the perfect pie crust, or handling a difficult parenting moment without losing your cool, or hearing "a job well done" at work. You don't always need decorations, presents, or even a special dinner to savor a great moment. Just take a moment to notice the achievement and mark it in some way with a high five, a pat on the back, a bouquet of flowers, or a toast. Acknowledging our good moments buffers us against the hard times and makes it easier to handle the daily challenges, which can be stressful. They allow us to relax and unwind in the midst of our busy lives. Celebrations also give us something to look forward to, add excitement to our lives, and bring us together. They make our lives richer and fuller. So let's celebrate!

Wanda Bresnick, President (she/her)



Hebrew Free Loan Association Can Help You Pay for College!

HFLA offers interest-free, no fee loans of up to \$7,500 for students seeking post-secondary education for bachelors, masters, vocational, technical and community college degrees through our Student Access Fund (SAF). The SAF loan program offers \$7,500 for post-secondary education with no interest and fees. It is managed by a nonprofit and doesn't influence credit ratings in any way.

Tzedakah - Righteous Giving

One of the major tenets of Judaism is giving *tzedakah*. The word means "righteous giving." An important part of how we live a just and righteous life is to improve the world by helping others. The Talmud tells us, "*Tzedakah* and acts of kindness are the equivalent of all the *mitzvot* of the Torah."

We encourage everyone who is able to consider donating to the *Tzedakah* Box Fund and/or to the Community Giving Fund. The *Tzedakah* Box Fund recipients are designated quarterly with the Social Action Committee, and the Community Giving Fund recipients are selected annually with Rabbi Kort and the Social Action Committee. It is easy to donate online on the TBO website and when you are paying your quarterly Sacred Commitment. There is also a beautiful wood *tzedakah* box in the foyer (made by **Paul Vexler, z"l**) of Temple Beth Or now that we are back in person.

Volunteering your time is another form of giving *tzedakah*. The Social Action Committee would love to hear about where people donate their time and efforts in our community. Please contact **Naomi Katsh Barger** if you want to share your volunteer story.

Several TBO members have been volunteering with Refugee and Immigrant Services Northwest (RISNW) to welcome refugees from Ukraine. There are several other faith groups involved in this effort, so not as many volunteers from TBO are needed every week. There may be some other opportunities over the next few months. Please let **Vicki Schwartz** or **Naomi Katsh Barger** know if you are still interested in working with RISNW.

Tzedakah Box



The April - June *Tzedakah* Box recipient is Everytown for Gun Safety Support Fund. This is an independent, nonpartisan 501(c)(3) organization that seeks to improve our understanding of the causes of gun violence and help to reduce it by conducting groundbreaking original research, developing evidence-based policies, and communicating gun safety knowledge to the American public. Two of their programs are:

- Everytown for Safer Cities - provides grants and training for community-based violence intervention programs aimed at reducing gun violence in cities; and
- Be SMART - a public education campaign which educates parents and other caregivers on secure gun storage to prevent children from accessing a gun.

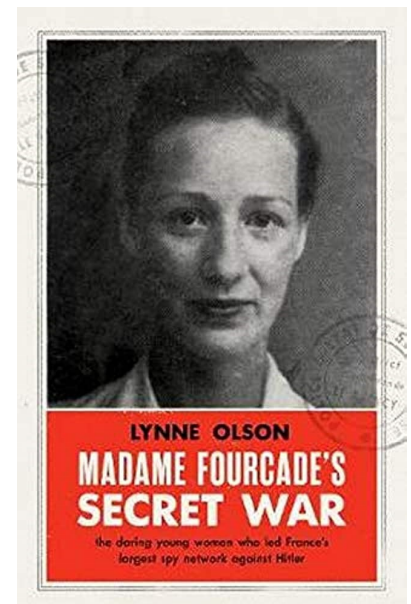
Book Club

Sunday, May 21, 10:00 am - Noon at TBO

The Book Club selection for May is *Madame Fourcade's Secret War, The Daring Young Woman Who Led France's Largest Spy Network Against Hitler* by Lynne Olson. This biography, named one of the best books of the year by NPR and Washington Post, is the little-known true story of the woman who headed the largest spy network in Vichy France during World War II.

This will be the last Book Club meeting before we take a break for the summer. If you would like to get a head start for the September 10 discussion, we will be reading *The Blood is Life* by David Carrico.

We welcome new participants to the book club discussion; stay for our whole meeting or stop by to say hello. For more information, please contact **Nancy Rosen**.



May Services and Events

All regular Shabbat services are now accessed using the same Zoom link. We will still use unique links for *b'nei mitzvah* and special events.

Shabbat Zoom: tinyurl.com/tboshabbatzoom

Meeting ID: 837 4187 0594 Passcode: 531760 For Dial In Users: (253) 215-8782

In the event of Zoom link errors, please join the meeting by manually entering the Meeting ID and Passcode into the Zoom app or website.

Pre-registration for in-person services: Pre-registration is required for in-person attendance for nonmembers only unless otherwise specified. To register, please visit: templebethor.org/service-registration.



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K'hillah - Community Shabbat

Friday, May 12, 7:30 pm

with Rabbi Rachel Kort and Shoshana Stombaugh (in-person and online)

Join us for a multigenerational, musical Shabbat worship experience that includes both creative and traditional prayers and opportunities for the entire community to engage with our Shabbat rituals. There will be an opportunity to remember loved ones with our *Kaddish* — mourner's prayer. We will use our prayer book *Mishkan T'filah*. This service is great for all ages and will last about an hour.

Registration: Members do not need to register in order to attend. Guests - to attend in person please register at: templebethor.org/service-registration. Registration ends May 12, 3:00 pm. Guests are welcome to attend on Zoom without registration.



Shabbat Morning Adult B'nei Mitzvah Celebration

Saturday, May 20, 10:00 am (in-person and streamed via Zoom)**

Adult B'nei Mitzvah Community with Rabbi Kort and Noah Zeichner

The entire Temple Beth Or community is invited to share in the joy of the accomplishments of our Adult B'nei Mitzvah community. For more than a year, this group of individuals have prepared to read from Torah and offer their wisdom and leadership at this special Shabbat Morning service. *Mazal tov to: Jennifer Cail, Sarah Davis, Melanie Field, Lexie Halle, Niles Murphy, Patrigna Murphy, Raphael Noar, Dana Sanders, Melissa VonAschen-Cook, Kiah Webster, Randi Weiss, Tempe Yenna, and Tovah Yenna.* Thank you to our member **Nancy Rosen**, our Adult B'nei Mitzvah Hebrew teacher and mentor.

Registration: Members do not need to register in order to attend. Guests - to attend in person please register at: templebethor.org/service-registration. Registration ends May 19, 3:00 pm. Guests are welcome to attend on Zoom without registration. ****Streaming available on the regular Shabbat Zoom link.**



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Jewish Stage at the 52nd Annual Northwest Folklife Festival

Sunday, May 28, Time TBA (morning), Seattle Center

Come celebrate Jewish culture and cheer on Rabbi Kort and family as they perform with the multigenerational community Klezmer orchestra, *The Klez Kids*, at the Northwest Folklife Festival. Performance time and exact location TBA.

Meet Dana Sanders, TBO Board Member and First Chapter Chair



Dana Sanders is the Assistant to the VP of Community and Engagement, working with VP **Jeff Napp**. Dana is restarting the First Chapter program for families, teaches the Tots program, and is part of the Atidaynu Class. Dana, Meghan, and their two children Alma, 7, and Skelly, 4, joined TBO summer of 2021.

Dana is excited to plan events for TBO families. Especially after isolating during COVID-19, we're all craving connection. Through First Chapter, Dana is planning a series of family engagement programming with concurrent adult learning opportunities, and is excited to create spaces for members to build relationships.

Dana is a consultant working to find technology solutions for nonprofit organizations. In the little spare time available, Dana likes to sew and garden. Dana's wife, **Meghan Lefrancois-Hanson**, is a music teacher and assistant orchestra coach.

Membership Committee Connects Members In New Ways

The TBO Membership Committee is trying something new to connect and reconnect with TBO members. Each month prior to an in-person service, we will host either a dinner or breakfast and invite families. We hosted a breakfast prior to services in March and a dinner prior to services in April.

Please join TBO friends for an opportunity to get reacquainted with members of our community, make new friends, and celebrate Shabbat together in community. We look forward to celebrating Shabbat with you and your family. Our next opportunity will be **Saturday morning, June 3**. If you would like to be included, please reach out to **Sarah Davis** in the office or **Leslie Elsemore**.

Next Chapter Whodunnit

A fun time was had by all at the recent Next Chapter Whodunnit event. Awards were given in several categories: Best Actor **Mark Bresnick**, Best Actress **Sherrie Cooper**, and Best Dressed **Doug Wallis**. After interviewing suspects and searching for clues, the mystery was solved by the team including **Wanda Bresnick**, **Mike Glosser**, and **Sonia Siegel Vexler**.

Next Chapter is open to all TBO members who are approaching the post-middle-age stage in their life and experiencing a home without children. Watch for future Next Chapter events, join the fun, and connect with TBO friends.



L to R: Sonia Siegel Vexler, Melanie Field, Leslie Elsemore



Wanda Bresnick and Bob Goodmark



TBO Religious School Experience Passover Project

Four Questions :

- What do balloons, science experiments, architecture, and candy have in common?
- What's the biggest mitzvah on Passover?
- Why did we invite guests to our Passover event?
- Why didn't we have a model seder?

Anyone at our inaugural Experience Passover Project (or EPP) can tell you! On Passover, the most important mitzvah is not to have a seder, but to tell the story of the Exodus. We are taught that everyone should be involved in the retelling of the Passover story. Very simply, when we retell the story, it helps us remember it. The *magid* (Passover story) is a perfect opportunity for experiential learning, each experience helping us connect personally to the story. We also traditionally invite guests into our homes on Passover, making this the perfect occasion to welcome guests into our Jewish home at TBO.

At the EPP, participants sang Passover tunes with **Noah Zeichner**, escaped Pharaoh and helped the (balloon) Red Sea part, made mini edible seder plates, were matzah architects and taste testers, performed a STEM experiment to part the Red (pepper) Sea, and welcomed new friends to TBO. Todah Rabah to everyone who made our first EPP one we'll never forget! Next year at TBO!

Save Your Books for the Religious School Book Drive

TBO Religious School is excited to partner with the Social Action Committee for a children's book drive benefitting the Interfaith Family Shelter. Do some spring cleaning and a mitzvah. It's a win-win! Accepted donations include new and gently used books, in particular, board books, picture books, school-age chapter books and sturdy toddler toys (no small pieces). Donations accepted from now until May 21. Collection bins are downstairs at the bottom of the stairwell.

ORacle Info

The purpose of the *ORacle* is to be a primary communication and marketing tool for Temple Beth Or. A typical *ORacle* is 12-16 pages and released monthly (occasionally bimonthly). We are reliant on an editor, publisher, proofreaders, committee chairs, and members to create each issue. It truly takes our Temple village.

Who is your *ORacle* team?

- **Kathie Roon**, Editor - receiving and approving submissions, article placement, and proofreading
- **Sarah Davis**, Publisher - layout, proofreading, printing and distribution
- **Nancy Sosnove, Mila Lowery, Melanie Field** - proofreading
- **Wanda Bresnick, JonaRose Feinberg, Rabbi Rachel Kort** - consulting, proofreading
- **You!** We need the community at large to submit articles, photos, and *simchahs* to help make a diverse and interesting publication. We are also open to adding more proofreaders or anyone interested in participating in the *ORacle's* production.



How to participate:

- Reach out to **Kathie Roon** and **Sarah Davis** with your submission, and please email both. Kathie will review your submission and Sarah will verify that we have space for it.
- Make sure to check deadlines. The *ORacle* deadline falls around the 15th of the month but varies based on weekends and holidays. *ORacle* deadlines can be found on the TBO calendar - templebethor.org/calendar.
- If you are planning an event, please make sure to also submit a Calendar Submission Form. This will add the event to the calendar and distribute the information to the Communications Committee - templebethor.org/calendar-submission.
- We are open to requests to present information in a special or highlighted format as appropriate and space allows. Please reach out to **Kathie Roon** with your request.

TBO Nametags: Voluntary Addition of Personal Pronouns



We are happy to invite members to request a new TBO nametag that includes their personal pronouns. The idea came from a recommendation by TBO's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Task Force and is supported by the Membership Committee and the TBO Governing Board.

A person's pronouns indicate their gender identity. By using the correct pronouns, we are showing respect and building community. This also acknowledges what a member knows about themselves and affirms their identity. The action of using our members' correct

pronouns helps to make TBO a more welcoming space for people of all genders. If you are interested in reading more about the Jewishness of using people's preferred pronouns please visit tinyurl.com/pronounsjewish. Please help us to live up to our mission statement: "Temple Beth Or is a warm, compassionate, vibrant, spirited, inclusive, and participatory Reform Jewish community."

Notary Service for Members

Did you know our Office Administrator, **Sarah Davis**, is a notary? The office occasionally needs the services of a notary, so we now have our own. Sarah will also be available for notary services for our members during office hours for a donation to the Temple. Just be sure to make an appointment to let her know you are coming. Win-win!

Temple Beth Or's Capital Campaign Mezuzot



These mezuzot were grown, designed, and created by your fellow Temple Beth Or members. They come from five Columnar European Hornbeam trees that were planted in front of the Temple around 1990. Hornbeams grow straight and tall, and their wood is so strong it was once used for ox yokes and wagon wheel axles. Our Temple project to plant these trees was headed up by **Doug Ewing**, a member of our congregation. He worked with the City of Everett and **William Talley**, a University of Washington landscape architect.

In 2019, we found out that the tree roots were working their way into the Temple's sewer line. We sadly understood that the trees would have to come down. In January 2020, **Carolyn Henri** led the process to have them removed.

After the trees were felled and cut into pieces, the wood was left in front of the Temple for people to take. **Sonia Siegel Vexler** decided to take some wood home for a future Temple project. The wood was dried and stored in **Paul Vexler's (z"l)** shop. Sonia had the great idea to use this wood to create a mezuzah as a commemorative gift for each household pledging to the Capital Campaign. She shared many designs with Paul, who finalized the design and added walnut accents to the hornbeam body.

A group of Temple members came together one Sunday to make almost 200 mezuzot in Paul's shop. Another group sewed bags using cloth from this year's Sukkah for the mezuzah, screws, a drill bit, and instructions for how to hang it. Why a drill bit? Paul wanted to make sure that everyone had the correct-sized bit to make the holes in their doorposts.

May these strong hornbeam mezuzot guard the doorposts of your home and remind you not only of the Commandments, but also of your community that lovingly created the mezuzot to say "thank you" for your dedication and support of Temple Beth Or. Todah Rabah!

If you were unable to pick up your mezuzah at the Capital Campaign/Lag BaOmer celebration, please email the office to arrange a convenient time to retrieve it. If you would like a mezuzah for your home, but have not yet pledged, it is not too late. Pledges can be made through our website (templebethor.org/building/pledge).

Have You Moved Recently? Need A New Directory?

If you have moved recently or need to update your information, please contact Sarah in the office to make sure we have your correct contact details.

If you have an old directory and would like a more current one, please email the office (office@templebethor.org) for the latest edition. Please specify if you would like your copy emailed or via USPS. A new directory is made at the beginning of every month, and you are welcome to ask for the most recent directory at any time.



Leadership News

During the Governing Board Meeting on April 16, 2022, the Board did the following:

1. Approved the minutes from the March 12 Governing Board meeting.
2. Approved the minutes from the email vote authorizing the HHD Cantorial Search Task Force to offer a contract to **Steven Chaitman**.
3. Discussed areas where TBO could improve.
4. This month our Meet the Committee was Life and Legacy. **Harold Dash**, chair, and **Rachel Rosenman** from the Seattle Jewish Federation made an informative and inspiring presentation.
5. After an update from our Capital Campaign and Remodel Task Forces, the Board discussed how to proceed. The Board was in agreement that the two classroom (\$2.1 million) option is not adequate space and we need a minimum of four classrooms (\$2.8 million). We discussed ways to fund this and whether we will be able to generate the necessary funds.
6. **James Feinberg** reported on the grant that the Safety and Security Committee will be applying for later this month.
7. Passed a motion to create a Religious School *Tzedakah* Fund. The intent is to encourage TBO Religious School families in *tzedakah*, and give the students agency over fund recipients.
8. Discussed the Semiannual Membership Meeting, which we agreed will be a hybrid meeting. We will encourage members to participate in person.
9. Reviewed Finance, Committee, and President's reports.



Help Needed: 10-minute Sunday Night Mitzvah

Once Religious School is out for the summer, we will need someone to stop by the Temple on Sunday evenings to put out the garbage. If we put it out on Friday or Saturday, we tend to have issues with cans being tipped over or stolen.

This simply entails unlocking the garbage shed and wheeling the can(s) 10 feet to the alley so the truck can get them on Monday morning. It doesn't involve any bagging or garbage, and you don't even need to go in the Temple. We currently have one household assisting, and would like to have more to spread out the work. If you live close by and can help, please reach out to the office.

The Building Committee Needs You!

Over the past year and a half, **Koby Wexler** has been our "go-to" person for many of our facility needs. From changing light bulbs, to fixing computer issues, scheduling repairs on our heating system, and dealing with security issues, Koby has been the one to call. We are thrilled and grateful that he has agreed to officially step up to chair our Building Committee, which deals with our facility needs. He is in need of committee members who can also be on call for small repairs and facilities needs at the Temple. If you can lend a hand, please contact the office.

Temple Leadership

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Rachel Kort

Governing Board

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Committees & Task Forces

Atidaynu: Sheryl Shapiro

Adult Education: Vacant

Bereavement: Susan Cross

Book Club: Nancy Rosen

Building: Koby Wexler

Calendar: Sarah Davis

Campership: Sonia Siegel Vexler

College and Military Outreach: Sarah Davis

Capital Campaign: Jessica Burgamy & Jeff Napp

Combined COVID-19: Adam Goldstein

Communications: JonaRose Feinberg

Facebook: Deb Henry

Financial Administrator: Norm Black

First Chapter: Dana Sanders

Fundraising: Vacant

High Holy Days: TBD

Life & Legacy/Endowment: Harold Dash

Library: Melissa VonAschen-Cook

Membership: Leslie Elmore

Mitzvah Corps: Carolyn Wexler

Next Chapter: Sonia Siegel Vexler

Nominations: Sonia Siegel Vexler

Oleg Coordinator: Janet Karr

ORacle Editor: Kathie Roon

ORacle Publisher: Sarah Davis

ORbits: Lori Wolff

Remodel: Harold Dash & Melanie Field

Ruach and Ritual: Vacant

Safety and Security: Vacant

Social Action: Naomi Katsh &

Melissa VonAschen-Cook

Technology: James Feinberg

Website: JonaRose Feinberg

Youth Education: Mila Lowery & Kiah Webster

Staff

Office Administrator: Sarah Davis

Director of Youth Education: Stefanie Somers



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Finance Committee Meeting 7:00 pm Calendar Prep Meeting 7:00 pm	2 Adult BMZ Class 6:30 pm	3 Executive Board 7:00 pm	4 Remodel Team Meeting 7:30 pm	5 Liaison Mtg 10:00 am	6
7 Religious School Lag BaOmer/Capital Campaign Celebration 11:00 am MASSA Class 11:30 BMZ Rehearsal 1:30pm Atidaynu 4:00 pm	8 Communications Committee Meeting & Gov Board Meeting 7:00 pm	9 Lag BaOmer Adult BMZ Class 6:30 pm	10 Legacy Committee Meeting 10:00 am	11	12 <i>K'hillah</i> Community Shabbat 7:30 pm	13
14 Mother's Day No Religious School	15 Membership Committee Meeting 7:00 pm	16 Adult BMZ Class 6:30 pm	17 <i>ORacle</i> Submission Deadline	18	19	20 Shabbat and Adult B'nei Mitzvah 10:00 am
21 (1 Sivan) Last Day of Religious School TBO Tots, Book Club, and MASSA 10:00 am Atidaynu 4:00 pm	22 Rabbi Away 5/22-5/24	23	24 Safety & Security Committee Meeting 7:00 pm	25	26 Office Closed Shavuot & Shabbat Service 7:30 pm	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30	31 Executive Board 7:00 pm	Please save the date for the TBO Donor Dinner - July 22 Annual Summer BBQ - August 27		

Fill out the Calendar/Event Submission form to add an item to the calendar &/or set up a Zoom meeting; this includes all committee meetings. Please submit a form even if you are using a private Zoom. Thanks.
templebethor.org/calendar-submission

Note: Appointments are no longer required for visiting the building. During office hours, advanced notification of building access is requested for safety and security reasons. Please contact the office prior to entering the building (425-259-7125 x1). Office Hours are Tuesday - Friday from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm.

Check *ORbits*, TBO Facebook page, or the TBO website for the most up-to-date information.



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Return Service Requested



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Temple Beth Or Mission Statement

Temple Beth Or is a warm, compassionate, vibrant, spirited, inclusive, and participatory Reform Jewish community.

We are religiously and geographically diverse,
serving the northern Puget Sound region of Washington State.

As God's covenantal partners in fulfilling mitzvot, our priorities are:

- ***K'hilah*** (community)/***Mishpachah*** (family) — nurturing our interactive, multigenerational extended family;
 - ***Torah*** — lifelong learning, searching for meaning, and seeking comfort and healing;
 - ***Avodah*** — worship and celebration through the observance of meaningful, creative, and traditional rituals;
- ***Tikkun Olam*** — transforming ourselves and our world through *tzedakah* (fairness), social justice, and *g'milut chasadim* (acts of loving kindness).