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RABBI HUGENHOLTZ INSTALLATION

Agudas Achim welcomes and congratulates Rabbi Esther Hugenholtz on her installation! We're glad it's finally official!



From left to right: Rabbi Henry Karp, Emeritus Rabbi Quad Cities; Rabbi Jeffrey Lipschultz, Rabbi Rock Island TriCity Jewish Center; Rabbi Dr. Jackie Tabick, Convenor of the European Reform Beit Din; Rabbi Steven Wernick, CEO of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism; Rabbi Esther Hugenholtz, Rabbi Agudas Achim Congregation; Rabbi Jeff Portman, Emeritus Rabbi Agudas Achim Congregation.

FROM THE RABBI

Rabbi Esther Hugenholtz

The thing about clichés is that they are, invariably true. I often like to quip that a large part of a successful rabbinate is stating the obvious. ‘Hineh ma tov u’ma na’im, shevet Achim gam yachad’ is such a cliché, sung at summer camps, youth groups and Friday night services the world over. ‘How good and how pleasant it is for siblings to dwell together.’ (Psalm 133:1)

There’s no denying the truth of this verse from Psalms and it rang a deeper truth during my Installation Weekend. There was an energy in the air all weekend and I’m still buzzing. From the delicious Yom ha’Atzma’ut Dinner on the Thursday preceding the weekend to the beautiful, moving Concert of Commemoration that Sunday, it was four amazing days of celebration and appreciation. We at Agudas Achim punch way above our weight class, being honored to welcome Rabbis Dr. Jackie Tabick and Steven Wernick who brought their compassionate, scholarly insights and conversations to our congregation. The most touching moment for me personally, however, was the Installation Ceremony itself. Now that we are dealing in the art of clichés, I will admit that I was a little misty-eyed when our visiting rabbis, and more importantly, our own Emeritus Rabbi, blessed me. There are many, many things I value about this congregation and my relationship with all of you, but one of the most precious and unique aspects of this is my relationship with Rabbi Jeff Portman. I am deeply indebted to Rabbi Portman, not only for the graciousness and superhuman patience he demonstrated in filling in until my visa came through, but also for his wisdom, wit and friendship that he has given me now that I am ‘in situ’. I feel humbled and privileged to walk in his ways and my family and I are personally (not only professionally) grateful that Gail and Rabbi Jeff have stayed in Iowa City as our friendship has blossomed.

There are too many people to thank: so many people contributed time, energy, support, creative powers, delicious desserts, beautiful flowers and boundless love and friendship. I would, however, like to thank our Synagogue President, Kathy Jacobs. During the Installation of the Board last Fall, she indicated that she wanted to ‘have the new Rabbi’s back’ and she has stayed true to that promise. Our partnership is one of the special (though perhaps slightly hidden) blessings of working at Agudas Achim. Moreover, I was deeply touched by the attendance of so many of our interfaith friends and partners: it has whetted my appetite to engage more deeply with the wider community and our many friends and allies there.

Now that the semester is drawing to a close, I would be tempted to say that the summer will quieten down but I suspect that will be far from the case! We have special programming lined up for Shavu’ot, including the welcoming of our third Torah Scroll, from the B’nei Jacob Synagogue in Ottumwa, with profound thanks to Sue Weinberg and Robert Armstrong. We have Rabbi Juan Mejia coming in early June for our special Adult Education Program on ‘Global Judaism and Emergent Communities’, as well as another Dr. Cargill Lecture and some teaching opportunities for yours truly, on conversion and ‘digital Judaism’ respectively. And before we know it, we will be planning for the High Holidays in the Fall. While that feels far off, it will be very special for me to go into my second cycle of High Holidays with you all, a capstone to a transformative, intense and fulfilling first rabbinic year at Agudas Achim.

I couldn’t think of a better way to go from Winter into Summer (what happened to Spring?) Thank you all.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Kathy Jacobs

I enjoyed all the installation events last month; I hope you did too. Please excuse me for being emotional, but I was filled with love for the members of our community as we celebrated together. It was so wonderful to share the fun of Yom HaAtzmaut party and that week's Shabbat services with you, even if the Parashah was about skin diseases. It seemed appropriate that our celebration moved from the joy of celebration to the solemn concert of commemoration, since a rabbi's role is to support us through joy as well as grief.

Thank you Kineret Zabner and Mark Bernat for arranging the concert, Serena Collins for reading the words of Anne Frank, and the concert sponsors who make the event possible each year.

You wouldn't be blamed for thinking that Rabbi Tabick and Rabbi Wernick were old friends, they got along so well and had so much fun together. I had made goodie baskets to welcome them when they arrived at the hotel. Rabbi Wernick tweeted about his basket, writing that he has traveled far and wide but this was the first time he received a basket. Rita Marcus, Susan Simon and their husbands provided evening meals for all the rabbis. Thank you all.

I was so pleased that so many local clergy persons came to celebrate with our rabbi. The afternoon Mincha service that included the installation was so moving. Hillel Director David Weltman spent the day with us to read Torah so beautifully for that service. Rabbis Portman, Tabick and Wernick each offered a special blessing for Rabbi Hugenholtz.

I'm happy we closed the service with the ritual of Havdallah. It marked the end of Shabbat as well as the end of the service. Rabbis Portman, Tabick, Wernick, and Hugenholtz signed the document memorializing the relationship the installation formalized between our new rabbi and our members. After the service, members who were present signed the document too. If you weren't

able to sign it you may still add your signature by stopping by the office during our Monday through Thursday office hours during the next two weeks. After that time I'll be sending it out for framing.

I need to thank several people for their work to make these events special for the rabbi and our membership. The members of the Social Committee, ably led by Beverly Jones, provided a great Kiddush lunch after Saturday Services. Karen Lipman successfully led the sisterhood in providing the post-installation reception.

These groups always rise to the challenges we set for them; they certainly did so this time.

Thanks also need to go to those who led the effort to find our interim rabbi and then recommended hiring Rabbi Esther Hugenholtz. Led first by Michael Flaum, and then by Susan Simon and Sally Scott, the committee worked long and hard to learn members needs and desires. Their research not only guided their process, but the prioritized list of desired results they identified have guided the efforts of our boards since that time. Thank you search committee members.

Our office team, Administrator Karen Brady, Secretary John Wertz, did an amazing job getting out invitations and preparing our building for the big event. Thank you for attending to all the details that made our events such a great success. Beverly Jones, Janice Weiner, and Rabbi Portman helped create the lists of invitees. Janice also accompanied Rabbi Wernick in his walk back to the hotel the first evening.

Thank you, Rabbi Portman, for agreeing to serve as "emeritus interim rabbi" as we lingered in the wilderness of the visa process. And thank you Rabbi Hugenholtz for being the rabbi we need.

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SHABBAT AND FESTIVAL SERVICE SCHEDULE

Torah Portion	Date	Service Time	Service
Emor			
<i>(Leviticus 21:1–24:23)</i>	Friday, May 4	7:30 p.m.	Brit Mitzvah of Cael Jones (Reform)
	Saturday, May 5	9:30 a.m.	Brit Mitzvah of Cael Jones
Behar – Bechukotai			
<i>(Leviticus 25:1–27:34)</i>	Friday, May 11	7:30 p.m.	Mishkan T'filah
	Saturday, May 12	9:30 a.m.	Sim Shalom Landon Elkind / Jill Evans Aufruf
Bamidbar			
<i>(Numbers 1:1–4:20)</i>	Friday, May 18	7:30 p.m.	Mishkan T'filah
	Saturday, May 19	9:30 a.m.	Sim Shalom
Shavuot 1			
	Sunday, May 20	9:30 a.m.	Shavuot Service Dedication of B'nai Jacob Torah
Shavuot 2			
	Monday, May 21	9:30 a.m.	Yizkor Shavuot Service
Naso			
<i>(Numbers 4:21–7:89)</i>	Friday, May 25	6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Family Chavurah Mishkan T'filah
	Saturday, May 26	9:30 a.m.	Sim Shalom

TALMUD STUDY GROUP

The Talmud study group meets at **9:00 a.m. on Sundays!** Everyone is invited. No Hebrew language skill is required. Materials will be provided. For more information contact Rabbi Portman at jrportman@gmail.com. **Note: No Talmud group May 20.**

SCHOOL NEWS

Sonja Spear

We had a gloriously sunny, only slightly chilly, day for the Sunday School picnic! The kids gobbled up a surprising number of hot dogs with all the fixings. We quickly developed a bun shortage! Fortunately Jennifer Teitel arrived with a fresh supply of kosher buns. I am also grateful to Nora Patterson for helping me deal with the sticky consequences of arming children with juice boxes and giving them all free access to ketchup.

After finishing their lunch, the kids went outside to play. They chased each other across the lawn and burrowed into the sandpits. I am always impressed by how well the kids organize themselves when they aren't being corralled by adults into soccer games and ballet practice. One of the nice things about Sunday School is that there is time and space for the kids to bond with other Jewish kids.

That willingness to cooperate came through in their final projects. In the hour before the picnic, the **fourth and fifth graders** would zip into the hall in pairs to consult the large Styrofoam map of Israel. (Thank you, Alan Weinstein!) After a moment of earnest debate they would suddenly dart back into the classroom again, where the class was working on a quiz show for the whole school.

That map is still there, populated with camels, melting ice cream cones (signifying heat) and apples. I was puzzled by the apples,

but the **second and third graders** informed me that they represented the celebration of Rosh Hashanah. (Rosh Hashanah seems to be located in the Galilee).

The **second and third graders** wrote letters to their future selves to open on the occasion of their bar and bat mitzvahs, including hopes for moral improvement. ("I will stop teasing my sister so much.")

The **Kindergarten**, meanwhile, finished a mixed-media series illustrating the days of creation (paint and Cheerios on paper plates). They are quite vivid! Look for them in the school hallway.



In Hebrew School, most of the students are assembling year books featuring pictures of each other, their favorite prayers (illustrated), and their favorite colors (in Hebrew). The more advanced students have concluded their study of Aleinu by copying and illustrating it. My hope is that by drawing and writing, as a supplement to reading and reciting, they will build a sense of the meaning of the prayers.

It has been a fun year! I always feel privileged to work with so many bright young kids and their wonderful, engaged and dedicated teachers.



SISTERHOOD NEWS

Beverly Jones

Installation Reception

A very big thank you to everyone who helped make Rabbi Hugenholtz's Installation Reception a success. We want to thank Karen Lipman who was the major force in organizing the Reception. We also want to thank the following people who brought desserts to the Reception: Peter Rubenstein, Ellen Caplan, Susan Ausman, Dina Janzen, Nancy Goldsmith, Sarah Frank, Donna Rodnitzky, Susan Enzle, Kathy Jacobs, Sue Weinberg, Sandra Denburg, Doug Jones, Jeanne Cadoret, Nancy Sprince, Esther Retish, Diane Sunshine, Jeanne Abrons, and Martha Lubaroff. Our apologies if any names have been omitted.

Mitzvah Fund Brunch

Our annual Mitzvah Fund Brunch will take place on Sunday, June 24, 11:00 a.m. at Vesta, 849 Quarry Road in the Iowa River Landing district. We are very pleased to announce that our guest speaker will be Agudas Achim member, Dr. Deb Carneol, who will

talk about her successful completion of a 7-day, 7-continent marathon. On January 28, 2018 the 777 World Marathon began in Novo (Antarctica), followed by marathons in Cape Town (South Africa), Perth (Australia), Dubai (United Arab Emirates), Madrid (Spain), Barranquilla (Columbia), ending in Miami on February 5. Deb chose Clubfoot Solutions, which manufactures and distributes the Iowa Brace (designed by Dr. Ignacio Ponseti of the University of Iowa) to clubfoot children around the world, as the charity she would support through her participation in the 777 World Marathon.

Proceeds from the lunch will support the Torah Fund of Women's League of Conservative Judaism, the YES Fund of Women of Reform Judaism, and in honor of our speaker, Clubfoot Solutions. We are requesting a minimum donation of \$18.00 over the cost of the lunch. This event is open to all synagogue women, their spouses, partners and guests. To RSVP, or if you have questions, please contact sisterhood@agudasachimic.org.

MAY Yahrzeits

Louise Allweiss
Grace Bernstein
Emma Braverman
Anna Brenner
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Helene Colen
Ana Cotler
Gitel Dicker
Hy Dicker
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Katie Fishman
Steven Frankel
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Jessica Thurston
Etta Tunik
Ruth Maxine Berg Waldman
Irving Warren
Walter Zukin

CLOSING OF OTTUMWA SYNAGOGUE

Dear friends,

The sad day has finally come. After 103 years B'nai Jacob Synagogue in Ottumwa will be closing its doors. You are cordially invited to our final Torah service, led by Rabbi Portman, on Saturday May 19, at 10:00 a.m. at B'nai Jacob Synagogue, 529 E. Main St, Ottumwa IA. A Kiddush lunch in our usual style will follow.



B'nai Jacob will be donating one of their Torahs to Agudas Achim, so a bit of B'nai Jacob will live on. We are hoping to identify and donate the Torah that was donated to B'nai Jacob by our great-grandparents.

The day following the final service is Shavuot, which commemorates the giving of the Torah. At Rabbi Hugenholtz's suggestion, this seemed a fitting occasion to present the

B'nai Jacob Torah to Agudas Achim, so there will be a short ceremony during Shavuot services on Sunday, May 20 at Agudas Achim.

We hope you can attend one or both of these services to bid farewell to B'nai Jacob and welcome a bit of her history to Agudas Achim. Please feel free to forward this to anyone who might be interested.

Sue and Ellen Weinberg,
Robert Armstrong



CARGILL TALK: ISAIAH BULLA

SUNDAY, MAY 6

11:00 AM, SOCIAL HALL

IN HONOR OF YOM YERUSHALAYIM (which is actually May 13)

DR. ROBERT CARGILL (U. of Iowa, Religious Studies)

“IS THE JERUSALEM ISAIAH BULLA ALSO AMONG THE PROPHETS?”



At the Ophel, located at the foot of the southern wall of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, in February of 2018, archaeologists found an 8th century BCE seal impression that might just come from the hand of the prophet Isaiah. On its legible portion, there is an inscription with First Temple Hebrew letters that seem to spell out the name l'Yesha'yah[u] (Belonging to Isaiah). On a line below, there is the partial word *nvy*, which presumably spells out “prophet.” What, Dr. Cargill asks, are we to make of this exceptional find?

Social Hall, Agudas Achim Congregation, 401 East Oakdale Blvd., Coralville IA

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BAR MITZVAH OF CAEL JONES



WITH GREAT PRIDE, JOY AND LOVE
WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US AS
CAEL DAVID JONES
IS CALLED TO THE TORAH,
ENTERING THE BRIT MITZVAH
(COVENANT OF THE COMMANDMENT)
ON SATURDAY, 5 MAY 2018
AT 9:30 IN THE MORNING

ONEG FOLLOWING FRIDAY SERVICE;
RECEPTION FOLLOWING SATURDAY SERVICE.

LUNCH & LEARN: CONVERSION

Shavuot Lunch & Learn:

“SHOULD JEWS MAKE CONVERTS?”

SUNDAY, May 20, 12:30 p.m.

‘Jews don’t make converts’ is an oft-repeated refrain. Usually, it’s seen as a point of pride. In a changing and increasingly open world, is it time for us to be less shy about sharing our path to holiness and wisdom with others?

If you are interested in the Jewish future and conversion, **Rabbi Juan Mejia of Oklahoma city** will give a talk at **11:00 a.m. on June 3** about global Judaism and emergent communities.



MUSICAL JEWS

SMALL GROUP: MUSICAL JEWS

Wednesday,
May 2
7:30 p.m.

Consider joining us for this small group meeting if you play, sing, or enjoy listening to music. All are welcome.

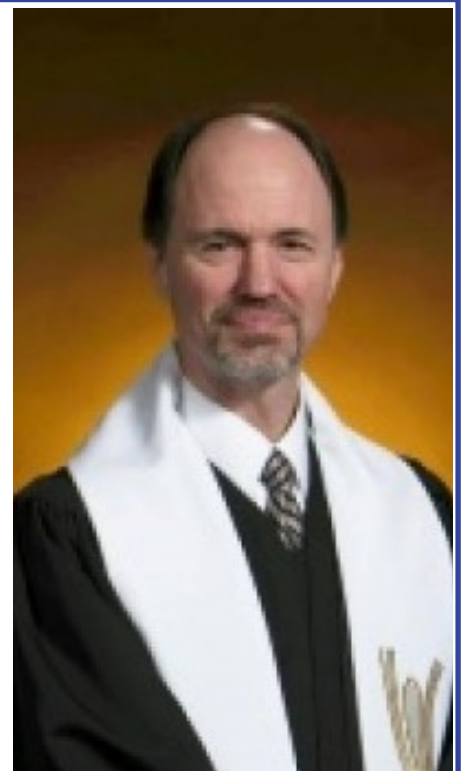
AGUDAS
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PULPIT SWAP WITH REV. BILL LOVIN



Sunday, May 13, 10:00 a.m.
Rabbi Hugenholtz will speak at the Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, 30 N. Clinton St., Iowa City.

Saturday, May 26, 9:30 a.m.
Rev. William Lovin will speak here at Agudas Achim during our Shabbat morning service.



RUSSIAN GUITAR CONCERT



IARMAC

The International Academy for Russian Music, Arts, and Culture

IARGUS 2018: JEWISH MUSIC (CLASSICAL, KLEZMER, CLARINET)

Wednesday May 16, 2018, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Adults: \$15; Students and seniors: \$12

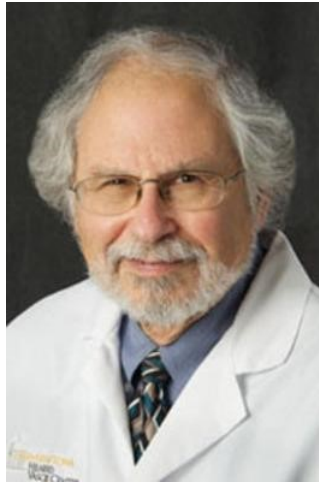
On May 16 –20, 2018, we will once again congregate in Iowa City to celebrate our 12th Annual Russian Guitar Festival! The overarching theme of IARGUS 2018 will be music by Russian women composers of the 18th century. But there will be much more!

[Click here for the IARGUS 2018 Concert Schedule.](#)



Richard E Kerber Memorial HeartSafe Initiative

“Who saves a life saves a world.”



Our Initiative has begun! When you enter the synagogue, look to your right: on the wall you will see a case with an Automatic External Defibrillator [AED]—a key element in resuscitating someone who has gone into cardiac arrest. The other key element is the response of bystanders who recognize that Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation [CPR] is required and are prepared to administer it, along with using the AED.

The medical literature is clear and emphatic. Although we have remarkably responsive 911 teams in both Iowa City and Coralville, survival declines by 5-10% for every minute without CPR; deprived of oxygen, brains begin to decline within 3 minutes. The most recent medical report [from cardiologists whose team Dick was originally part of] concluded “It is clear that continued emphasis on increasing the number of individuals shocked by a bystander is a public health imperative.” [Circulation, Feb. 2018] The Fire Departments of both cities are delighted to have more people who know CPR in our community.

On March 25, 2018, 17 community members (and one visitor from Japan) were trained in CPR and the Heimlich maneuver at the synagogue by Red Cross specialists from Des Moines. [As we began, Rabbi Esther told us the harrowing story of how her own life had been saved when she was 11 only because her mother knew the Heimlich Maneuver [to expel food or anything on which someone is choking.]

From now on, the Coralville Fire Department will train us. They are prepared to come to the synagogue to train groups of approximately 20 people at a time. Those who cannot make the scheduled times can arrange to go in small groups of 3 or 4 to be trained at the Coralville Fire Station. The only fee for this training is \$8/per person, for national certification. We are planning more sessions. Dates have not yet been announced.

Dick Kerber was a long time synagogue member and a pioneer researcher in improving resuscitation strategies. [For more on his career, click here.](#)

SECURITY SYSTEM AUCTION

Fundraiser Auction



FOR SECURITY SYSTEM UPGRADE

AT AGUDAS ACHIM

June 3

Silent Auction and Reception begin at 3:00 P.M. in the Agudas Achim Social Hall.

LIVE AUCTION WILL BEGIN AT 4:30 P.M. WITH AUCTIONEER DR. ROBERT CARGILL.



WARM UP AMERICA *Constance Berman*



Warm Up America will not be meeting again until late June, probably on the 24th. We did deliver ten afghans to Shelter House last week.

MAY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
9:00am - 10:00am Talmud Study Group 10:00am - 12:00pm Fired Up! Event 10:00am - 12:00pm Sunday School 11:15am - 12:00pm End-of-year picnic 12:30pm - 1:30pm Small Group Foodie Jews 7:30pm - 9:30pm Introduction to Judaism	4:15pm - 6:15pm LAST Hebrew School 7:15pm - 8:15pm Social Committee Meeting	7:30pm - 8:30pm Jewish	7:30pm - 8:30pm Small Group: Musical Jews	7:00pm - 8:00pm Calendar Meeting	Cael Jones Bar Mitzvah Hillel Challah for Hunger Sale Office Closed 7:30pm - 8:30pm Shabbat Evening Services/Cael Jones Brit Mitzvah 8:30pm - 9:30pm Cael Jones Brit Mitzvah Oneg	9:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Services/Cael Jones Brit Mitzvah 12:00pm - 3:00pm Cael Jones Brit Mitzvah Luncheon and Reception
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:00am - 10:00am Talmud Study Group 11:00am - 12:00pm Cargill Lecture - Isaiah Bulla 7:30pm - 9:30pm Introduction to Judaism	7:00pm - 8:00pm Sisterhood Board Meeting	7:30pm - 8:30pm Jewish			Office Closed 6:00pm - 7:30pm New Member Dinner 7:30pm - 8:30pm Shabbat Evening Services	9:00am - 9:30am Landon Elkind / Jill Evans Aufruf 9:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Services
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:00am - 10:00am Talmud Study Group 7:30pm NO Introduction to Judaism	3:00pm - 4:00pm Tikun Olam 7:00pm - 8:00pm Exec. Committee	6:30pm - 7:30pm Adult Ed 7:30pm - 8:30pm Jewish	7:00pm - 9:00pm Russian Guitar Festival	7:30pm - 8:30pm Rabal Committee Meeting	Office Closed 6:00pm - 7:30pm Family Chavurah 7:30pm - 8:30pm Shabbat Evening Services	9:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Services 10:00am - 12:00pm Ottumwa Final Torah Service with Rabbi Jeff Portman 11:00am - 12:00pm Children's service 12:00pm - 1:00pm Ottumwa Final Kiddush Lunch
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9:00am NO Talmud Study Group 9:30am - 12:00pm Shavuot Service/Weinberg-Ottumwa Torah Gift Dedication 12:30pm - 1:30pm Lunch & Learn: Conversion 7:30pm - 9:30pm Introduction to Judaism	Office Closed 9:30am - 12:00pm Yizkor Shavuot Service	7:30pm - 8:30pm Jewish	11:30am - 1:00pm Free Lunch	7:00pm - 8:00pm Board Meeting	Office Closed 7:30pm - 8:30pm Shabbat Evening Services	9:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Services (Pulpit Swap with Rev. Bill Lovin)
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
9:00am - 10:00am Talmud Study Group 1:00pm - 2:00pm Created in God's Image 7:30pm - 9:30pm Introduction to Judaism	Office closed	7:30pm - 8:30pm Last Jewish	7:15pm - 8:15pm Social Committee		Office Closed 7:30pm - 8:30pm Shabbat Evening Services	9:30am - 12:00pm Shabbat Morning Services 11:00am - 12:00pm Children's service



“As tiny scales join to form a strong coat of armor, so little donations combine to form a large total of good”

From the Talmud

Should you desire to make a contribution, may we suggest any of the following synagogue funds:

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___ School Fund
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___ Torah Enhancement Fund
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