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***Shabbat* Morning Service**

Introduction to the Saturday Morning Service



Often, at the Saturday morning service, we celebrate a *Bar* or *Bat Mitzvah*, a 13 year old's rite of passage into Judaism. "*Bar Mitzvah*" literally means "son of the commandment." "*Bar*" is "son" and "*Bat*" is "daughter." "*Mitzvah*" is "commandment" in Hebrew.

The *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* ceremony formally marks the occasion when one has the right to take part in leading religious services and to perform *mitzvot*/commandments. It is an opportunity to welcome the man/woman into our congregation as an official member of the Jewish community.

In its earliest and most basic form, a *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* is the celebrant's first *Aliyah* (literally "going up"), the honor of saying the blessings before and after the reading of the *Torah* (the handwritten scroll of the 5 books of Moses). The *Torah* is the first part of the Hebrew Bible, also known as the *Tanakh*, which also includes the Prophets (e.g. Jeremiah, Isaiah) and the Writings (e.g. Psalms, Proverbs).

At Rodeph Shalom, a *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* student learns and recites the weekly *Torah* portion and the *haftarah* portion (selection from the Prophets) in its traditional chant (*trope*). In our congregation, the celebrant also leads part of the service and gives a *D'var Torah* (literally a "word of *Torah*"), commonly referred to as the *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* speech. This speech gives the students a chance to speak about lessons that can be learned from reading, and interpret the weekly *Torah* portion.

A *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* is not the goal of a Jewish education, nor does it mark the end of a person's Jewish education. Rodeph Shalom encourages our teens to stay involved through high school, and offers further educational programs that culminate in a confirmation ceremony. It is customary to wish a hearty *Mazel Tov* (wish of congratulations) to the *Bar/Bat Mitzvah* and their families. Congregation Rodeph Shalom wishes you a *Shabbat Shalom* – peaceful Sabbath.

Saturday, *Shabbat* Morning Service

June 19, 2021

Led by: Rabbi Jill Maderer, Rabbi Eli Freedman,
Cantor Rita Glassman

Bar Mitzvah: Evan Lance Steiner, son of Holly & Kenneth Steiner

Evan Lance Steiner, son of Holly & Ken Steiner and brother of Drew, will become a *Bar Mitzvah* on Saturday, June 19. Evan is a 7th grader at Julia R. Masterman School. For his *mitzvah* project, Evan volunteered at Philly Friendship Circle and was part of the MVP program. Evan learned a lot about individuals with special needs and then was able to interact and engage with these individuals to grow meaningful friendships. Evan enjoys playing ice hockey and baseball.



Shabbat Morning Torah Reading

Parashat Chukat: Numbers 20:6 - 17

6 Moses and Aaron came away from the congregation to the entrance of the Tent of Meeting, and fell on their faces. The Presence of The Eternal appeared to them, 7 and The Eternal spoke to Moses, saying, 8 “You and your brother Aaron take the rod and assemble the community, and before their very eyes order the rock to yield its water. Thus you shall produce water for them from the rock and provide drink for the congregation and their beasts.” 9 Moses took the rod from before The Eternal, as God had commanded him. 10 Moses and Aaron assembled the congregation in front of the rock; and he said to them, “Listen, you rebels, shall we get water for you out of this rock?” 11 And Moses raised his hand and struck the rock twice with his rod. Out came copious water, and the community and their beasts drank. 12 But The Eternal said to Moses and Aaron, “Because you did not trust Me enough to affirm My sanctity in the sight of the Israelite people, therefore you shall not lead this congregation into the land that I have given them.” 13 Those are the Waters of Meribah—meaning that the Israelites quarreled with The Eternal—through which He affirmed His sanctity. 14 From Kadesh, Moses sent messengers to the king of Edom: “Thus says your brother Israel: You know all the hardships that have befallen us; 15 that our ancestors went down to Egypt, that we dwelt in Egypt a long time, and that the Egyptians dealt harshly with us and our ancestors. 16 We cried to The Eternal and He heard our plea, and He sent a messenger who freed us from Egypt. Now we are in Kadesh, the town on the border of your territory. 17 Allow us, then, to cross your country. We will not pass through fields or vineyards, and we will not drink water from wells. We will follow the king’s highway, turning off neither to the right nor to the left until we have crossed your territory.”

6 וַיָּבֹאוּ מֹשֶׁה וְאַהֲרֹן מִקְּהַל הַקָּהָל אֶל־פֶּתַח אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד וַיִּפְּלוּ עַל־פְּנֵיהֶם וַיֵּרָא כְבוֹד־יְהוָה אֲלֵיהֶם: (פ) 7 וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוָה אֶל־מֹשֶׁה לֵאמֹר: 8 קַח אֶת־הַמַּטֵּה וְהַקְהֵל אֶת־הָעֵדָה אִתָּה וְאַהֲרֹן אַחִיךָ וְדַבְּרֶתֶם אֶל־הַסֵּלַע לְעֵינֵיהֶם וְנָתַן מִיָּמֶיךָ וְהוֹצֵאתָ לָהֶם מַיִם מִן־הַסֵּלַע וְהִשְׁקִיתָ אֶת־הָעֵדָה וְאֶת־בְּעִירָם: 9 וַיִּקַּח מֹשֶׁה אֶת־הַמַּטֵּה מִלִּפְנֵי יְהוָה כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוָּהוּ: 10 וַיִּקְהֲלוּ מֹשֶׁה וְאַהֲרֹן אֶת־הַקָּהָל אֶל־פְּנֵי הַסֵּלַע וַיֹּאמֶר לָהֶם שְׁמַעוּ־נָא הַמְּרִים הַמֵּן־הַסֵּלַע הַזֶּה נוֹצֵיא לָכֶם מַיִם: 11 וַיָּרֶם מֹשֶׁה אֶת־יָדוֹ וַיִּךְ אֶת־הַסֵּלַע בַּמַּטֵּהוּ פַעַמַיִם וַיֵּצְאוּ מַיִם רַבִּים וַתִּשְׁתַּהֲעֵדָה וּבְעִירָם: (ס) 12 וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה אֶל־מֹשֶׁה וְאַל־אַהֲרֹן לַעֲן לֹא־הִאֲמַנְתֶּם בִּי לְהַקְדִישֵׁנִי לְעֵינֵי בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל לָכֵן לֹא תָבִיאוּ אֶת־הַקָּהָל הַזֶּה אֶל־הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר־נָתַתִּי לָהֶם: 13 הֲמָה מִי מְרִיבָה אֲשֶׁר־רָבוּ בְנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת־יְהוָה וַיִּקְדַּשׁ בָּם: (ס) 14 וַיִּשְׁלַח מֹשֶׁה מַלְאָכִים מִקְדָּשׁ אֶל־מֶלֶךְ אֲדוֹם כֹּה אָמַר אַחִיךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל אִתָּה יָדַעְתָּ אֵת כָּל־הַתְּלָאָה אֲשֶׁר מְצַאֲתָנוּ: 15 וַיֵּרְדוּ אֲבֹתֵינוּ מִצְרַיִמָה וַנִּשָּׁב בְּמִצְרַיִם יָמִים רַבִּים וַיִּרְעוּ לָנוּ מִצְרַיִם וְלֹאֲבֹתֵינוּ: 16 וַנִּצְעַק אֶל־יְהוָה וַיִּשְׁמַע קוֹלֵנוּ וַיִּשְׁלַח מַלְאָךְ וַיִּצְאָנוּ מִמִּצְרַיִם וְהִנֵּה אֲנַחְנוּ בְּקֶדֶשׁ עִיר קְצֵה גְבוּלְךָ: 17 נַעֲבְרָה־נָא בְּאֶרְצְךָ לֹא נַעֲבֹר בְּשָׂדֶה וּבְכָרֶם וְלֹא נִשְׁתָּה מִי בְּאֵר דָּרוֹם הַמֶּלֶךְ גְּלוּלָה לֹא נִטָּה יָמִין וּשְׂמֹאלוֹל עַד אֲשֶׁר־נַעֲבֹר גְּבוּלְךָ:

Shabbat Morning Haftarah Reading

Judges 11:1 - 3

1 Jephthah the Gileadite was an able warrior, who was the son of a prostitute. Jephthah's father was Gilead; 2 but Gilead also had sons by his wife, and when the wife's sons grew up, they drove Jephthah out. They said to him, "You shall have no share in our father's property, for you are the son of an outsider."
3 So Jephthah fled from his brothers and settled in the Tob country. Men of low character gathered about Jephthah and went out raiding with him.

1 וַיִּפְתָּח הַגִּלְעָדִי הָיָה גִבּוֹר חָיִל וְהוּא בֶן-אִשָּׁה
זוּנָה וַיּוֹלֵד גִּלְעָד אֶת-יִפְתָּח: 2 וַתֵּלֶד אִשָּׁת-גִּלְעָד
לוֹ בָנִים וַיִּגְדְּלוּ בְנֵי-הָאִשָּׁה וַיִּגְרְשׁוּ אֶת-יִפְתָּח
וַיֹּאמְרוּ לוֹ לֹא-תִנְחַל בְּבַיִת-אֲבוֹנֵנוּ כִּי בֶן-אִשָּׁה
אֲחֵרָת אָתָּה: 3 וַיִּבְרַח יִפְתָּח מִפְּנֵי אֶחָיו וַיָּשֶׁב
בְּאֶרֶץ טוֹב וַיִּתְלַקְטוּ אֵלָיו יִפְתָּח אַנְשֵׁים רִיקִים
וַיֵּצְאוּ עִמּוֹ: {פ}

In Memoriam: June 13 to June 19, 2021

Yahrzeit (anniversary of death)

Sydney Abrams	Fred Indig	Joseph J. Rosenbluth
George Isaac Albert	Golembe Irving	Hettie Rosenstein
Frank Amandeo	Clara Schaffer Israel	Willie Rosenthal
Theodore Balbus	Josef Jaffe	Edward L. Ruberg
Abraham Bauer	Victor Kaehler	Sadie Sobel Sablosky
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Elsie Friedman Berg	Maurice Kins	Rhea Sahl
Anna E. Blank	Cecilia Kirschbaum	Frieda Sanders
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Faye Himmelstein Burns	Alvin Leopold Levi	Sylvan E. Sostman, Jr.
David J. Cohan	Myrna Linsenberg	Max Spector
Carrie Dannenbaum Cohen	Andrea "Deedy" Lipshutz	Rose Siedenbach Sterne
Norton Cooper	Abraham Loeb	Lucie F. Stiefel
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Helen Feinberg Fischbach	Sarah Wice Lyons	Carl W. Stursberg, Jr.
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Bernard "Bud" Freedman	Jack Maser	Frank Teller
Bella Freezman	William E. McKenna	Benjamin Trifeld
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Rudolph M. Hirschwald	Frederick Robinson	

Shloshim (30 days of mourning)

May the source of peace send peace to all who mourn and comfort to all who are bereaved

Bernard Clyman
Brenda Magaziner Flock
Paulette Bernay Goldweber

Mara Lipschutz
Andy Stern

Kenneth Syken
David Wisnia

Discover the Rodeph Shalom Vision Statement

◆ Immersed in Jewish time ◆ Guided by enduring values ◆ Compelled to moral action

We create profound connections

Immersed in Jewish time

Sustained by the sacred rhythms of the Jewish year, pivotal moments of the Jewish life cycle, and generations of Jewish history, we are part of something greater than ourselves. Living in Jewish time teaches us how to express meaning in the everyday, to gather as a community, and to walk with each other through the joys and sorrows of our lives.

Guided by enduring values

The timeless wisdom of our tradition inspires our intentional quest for truth, righteousness, and purpose amid the uncertainties we face in our world. We dedicate ourselves to Judaism's ethical messages to treat each other with loving-kindness. The faithful, the skeptic—and those who perceive God in different ways—wrestle to renew the teachings of Torah for our present and for the future of the Jewish people.

Compelled to moral action

In a broken world, we commit to be a voice of conscience and to engage in the work of social justice. From our doorstep to our neighborhood and beyond, we welcome the stranger and embrace our responsibility to connect with and learn from others.

We create profound connections

We seek meaning in shared experiences and cherish our diverse perspectives. We who are new to synagogue life or have extensive Jewish backgrounds; we who are Jewish or who share our lives with Jews; we who live within different family constellations, who are of all abilities, gender identities, sexual orientations, races, and generations: we enter the synagogue to celebrate, to learn, to laugh, to heal, to pray, to challenge ourselves, and to connect with others about the deepest questions of our lives.

Welcome to Congregation Rodeph Shalom

Who belongs here at Congregation Rodeph Shalom?

- ◆ If you are 3 days old, 30 years old, or 103 years old...
- ◆ If you have never stepped foot in a synagogue, or if this is your 1000th time here...
- ◆ If you are Jewish, or not...
- ◆ If you are faithful, doubting, or seeking...
- ◆ If you are single, married, with kids or without, divorced, widowed, or partnered...
- ◆ If you are black, brown, white, Latinx, Asian, or something else...
- ◆ If you are queer, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, questioning, or straight...
- ◆ If you have, or had, addictions, or have family members struggling...
- ◆ If you live in Center City, the suburbs, or you're just visiting our city...
- ◆ If you are a student, looking for a job, or in a successful position...
- ◆ If you are fully-abled, disabled, or a person of differing abilities...

You belong here at Rodeph Shalom!

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