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# ***Shabbat* Morning Service**

## **Introduction to the Saturday Morning Service**



Often, during our Saturday morning service, we celebrate *b'nai mitzvah*. In Jewish tradition, this is when a young person begins to take on the rights and responsibilities of an adult in the religious community at the age of thirteen. At that age, those who identify as boys become “*bar mitzvah*,” which means a “son of the commandments.” Those who identify as girls become “*bat mitzvah*,” or “daughter of the commandments.” The plural is “*b'nai mitzvah*” – children of the commandments – which also is a term used by some children who identify as non-binary or gender fluid.

The *b'nai mitzvah* ceremony formally marks the occasion when one has the right to take part in leading religious services and the responsibility to perform *mitzvot* (commandments). It is an opportunity to welcome the young person into our congregation as a full spiritual member of the Jewish community.

In its earliest and most basic form, a *b'nai 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 *b'nai mitzvah* student learns and recites the weekly *Torah* portion and the *haftarah* portion (selection from the Prophets) in its traditional chant (*trope*). The celebrant also leads part of the worship service and gives a *d'var Torah* (literally a “word of *Torah*”), which is a teaching that reflects their understanding of their *Torah* portion and how it applies to life today.

*B'nai mitzvah* generally occurs during 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade. At Rodeph Shalom, Jewish learning continues through 12<sup>th</sup> grade and culminates in a special community celebration of all that the teens have learned and the relationships they have built.

It is customary to wish a hearty “*mazel tov*” (wish of congratulations) to the *b'nai mitzvah* and their families. Congregation Rodeph Shalom wishes you a *Shabbat Shalom* – a peaceful Sabbath.

# Saturday *Shabbat* Morning Service

## October 8, 2022

**Led by:** Rabbi Jill Maderer, Rabbi Eli Freedman,  
Cantor Bradley Hyman

***Bat Mitzvah:*** Mikaela Haas Orenstein,  
daughter of Martine Haas & Mitchell Orenstein

**Mikaela Haas Orenstein**, daughter of Martine Haas & Mitchell Orenstein, will become a *Bat Mitzvah* on Saturday, October 8. Mikaela is an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Julia R. Masterman School. For her *mitzvah* project, Mikaela volunteered at Bebashi - Transition to Hope, Change 3000, and the Masterman School library, where she held a book drive, volunteered at her school library, and distributed food. Mikaela says the most meaningful part of her *Bat Mitzvah* journey at Rodeph Shalom has been the people who supported her, challenged her, taught her, and have been through it all. She is forever grateful for them.

# Shabbat Morning Torah Reading

## Parashat Ha'azinu Deuteronomy 32:1 - 12

1 Give ear, O heavens, let me speak; Let the earth hear the words I utter! 2 May my discourse come down as the rain, my speech distill as the dew, like showers on young growth, like droplets on the grass. 3 For the name of יהוה I proclaim; Give glory to our God! 4 The Rock!—whose deeds are perfect, Yea, all God's ways are just; A faithful God, never false, true and upright indeed. 5 Unworthy children— that crooked, |perverse generation—their baseness has played God false. 6 Do you thus requite יהוה O dull and witless people? Is not this the Father who created you—fashioned you and made you endure! 7 Remember the days of old, consider the years of ages past; Ask your parent, who will inform you, your elders, who will tell you: 8 When the Most High gave nations their homes and set the divisions of humanity, [God] fixed the boundaries of peoples in relation to Israel's numbers. 9 For יהוה's portion is this people; Jacob, God's own allotment. 10 [God] found them in a desert region, in an empty howling waste. [God] engirded them, watched over them, guarded them as the pupil of God's eye. 11 Like an eagle who rouses its nestlings, gliding down to its young, so did [God] spread wings and take them, bear them along on pinions; 12 יהוה alone did guide them, no alien god alongside.

1 הָאֲזִינוּ הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאִדְבְּרָה וְתִשְׁמַע הָאָרֶץ אִמְרֵי-פִי:  
2 יַעֲרֹף כַּמָּטֵר לִקְחֵי תִגְזַל כִּפְטֹל אִמְרָתִי כַּשְּׁעִירָם  
עַל-יְדֵי-דֹשָׁא וְכַרְבִּיבִים עַל-יַעֲשׂוֹב: 3 כִּי שֵׁם יְהוָה  
אֶקְרָא הִבּוּ גִדְל לְאֵלֵהֶינוּ: 4 הַצּוֹר תַּמִּים פִּעְלֹו כִּי  
כָל-דַּרְכָּיו מִשְׁפָּט אֵל אֲמוּנָה וְאֵין עֹול צַדִּיק וַיִּנְשֹׂר  
הוּא: 5 שִׁחַת לֹו לֹא בָנָיו מוֹמָם דֹּור עַקֵּשׁ וּפְתִלְתֵּל:  
6 הִ לְיְהוָה תִּגְמְלוּ-זֹאת עִם נָבֵל וְלֹא חֲכָם  
הֲלוֹא-הוּא אָבִיהָ קִנְיָהּ הוּא עֲשֵׂהָ וַיִּכְנֹנֶהָ: 7 זְכֹר  
מְוֹת עוֹלָם בְּיַנּוּ שְׁנוֹת דֶּר-וָדָר שָׂאל אֲבִיהָ וַיִּגְדֶּהָ  
זְקֵנֶיהָ וַיֹּאמְרוּ לָהּ: 8 בְּהַנְחֵל עֲלִיוֹן גּוֹיִם בְּהַפְרִידוּ  
בְנֵי אָדָם יִצַּב גְּבֻלֹת עַמִּים לְמִסְפַּר בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל:  
9 כִּי תִלַּק יְהוָה עִמּוֹ יַעֲקֹב תִּקַּב תִּכְלַל נַחֲלָתוֹ:  
10 יִמְצְאוּהוּ בְּאָרֶץ מִדְבָּר וּבְתֵהוּ יִלֵּל יִשְׁמֹן יִסְבְּכֶנְהוּ  
יְכַוְנֶנְהוּ יִצְרְנֶהוּ כְּאִישׁוֹן עֵינָו: 11 כְּנֹשֶׁר יַעִיר קִנּוֹ  
עַל-גּוֹזְלָיו יִרְחַף יִפְרֹשׁ כְּנַפָּיו יִקְחֶהוּ יִשְׂאֶהוּ  
עַל-אֲבֵרָתוֹ: 12 יְהוָה בְּדָד יִנְחֶנּוּ וְאֵין עִמּוֹ אֵל נֹכַר:

# *Shabbat Morning Haftarah Reading*

## II Samuel 22:1 - 6

1 David addressed the words of this song to The Eternal, after The Eternal had saved him from the hands of all his enemies and from the hands of Saul. 2 He said: O Eternal, my crag, my fastness, my deliverer! 3 O God, the rock wherein I take shelter: My shield, my mighty champion, my fortress and refuge! My savior, You who rescue me from violence! 4 All praise! I called on The Eternal, and I was delivered from my enemies. 5 For the breakers of Death encompassed me, the torrents of Belial terrified me; 6 The snares of Sheol encircled me, the coils of Death engulfed me.

1 וַיִּדְבֹר דָּוִד לַיהוָה אֶת־דְּבָרֵי הַשִּׁירָה הַזֹּאת בְּיוֹם הַצִּיל יְהוָה אֹתוֹ מִכַּף כָּל־אֹיְבָיו וּמִכַּף שְׂאוּל: 2 וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה סִלְעִי וּמִצְדֹתַי וּמִפְלֹטֵי־לִי: 3 אֱלֹהֵי צוּרֵי אַחְסֵה־בּוֹ מִגִּבֵּי וַיִּקְרַן יְשׁוּעֵי מִשְׁגָּבַי וּמִבוֹסֵי מִשְׁעֵי מַחְמָס תִּשְׁעֵנִי: 4 מִהֲלֵל אֶקְרָא יְהוָה וּמֵאֹיְבֵי אֲנֹשֶׁעַ: 5 כִּי אֶפְגְּגֵי מִשְׁבְּרֵי־מָוֶת נַחְלֵי בְּלִיעַל יִבְעַתְּנֵי: 6 חֲבָלֵי שְׂאוּל סָבְגוּ קִדְמָי מִקִּוְשֵׁי מָוֶת:

# In Memoriam: October 2 to October 8, 2022

*Yahrzeit* (anniversary of death)

Helen C. Bacharach	Alfred P. Fishman	Eugene Michelson
Mina Bacharach	Aidla R. Friedberg	George Miller
Estelle Bandler	Morris Fuchs	Irene Moses
Sophie K. Batt	Adam Gershon	Hattie Neumann
Jay B. Beneman	Anne Gold	Eleanor Viener Nieman
Harry Bishow	Harold L. Goldburgh	Leon J. Obermayer
Philip J. Blanckensee	Elizabeth Greenberg	Hermann Obermayer
Rose Woolf Block	Maurice Gross	Hyman Poland
Florence W. Blumenthal	Paul J. Gutman	Samuel H. Popkin
Ronald Boyask	Irma Hallo	William Rosen
Sidney Broder	Henry Hirsh	Edna Stern Rosenblatt
Stanley Irving Broude	Henry Walter Isenberg	Alan Schreiber
Harry Buchbinder	Clara R. Jacobs	Abe Schwartz
Sally Buchbinder	Zelda Jaffe	Sophie Selbst
Sarah Carmosin	Abe Jaffe	David J. Sickles
Linda P. Charleston	Rev. Dr. Marcus M. Jastrow	Hanche Sickles
Abraham Chorney	Harold Joseph	Peggy Hahn Sinrich
Stanley Chorney	Henry P. King	Joseph Sinsheimer
Joseph Chudnoff	Irene Kliger	Harry Stanley
Albert M. Cohen	Tillie Kobb	Dorothy Bluthenthal Stein
Celia Cohen	Samuel Korn	Isaac Stein
Herman Allen Costow	Irving Krakow	Jacob Sternberg
Julie H. S. Daniel	Henrietta Krumholz	Sonya Gross Stiffel
Abraham Diamond	Arthur "Terry" Lefco	Bernard Stoumen
Maty Djerassi	Abraham Leopold	Frank Tapper
Minnie Edelman	Alan Lerner	Charles H. Vendig
Beatrice Ehrlich	Jennie Robinson Leventon	Arthur Viener
Reta Eisenberg	Elizabeth Levi	Louis H. Weinberger
Samuel Jonah Elman	Jean Levin	Valentine L. Wilson, Sr.
Sophie Ettelson	Louis Liebman	Helen N. Wise
Ruth Feld	Cecelia Steinberg Loewenstein	Benedict Wolf
Eugene S. Felderman	Solomon Lowenstein	Ruth M. Wotiz
David N. Feldman	David Mandel, Jr.	Lowell Yemin
Melvin Finn	David I. Marder	Edith Zitwer
Keith Fish	Henrietta Mayer	

## ***Shloshim*** (30 days of mourning)

Stanford Gross   Edward Glassman   Edwin Kutler   Eileen Pardys  
Dulcie Pomerantz Romm   Thelma Rubin   Helen Shecora  
William H. Simon   Joel Winetz

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

# 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 is welcome here at Congregation Rodeph Shalom?

### Whether you are...

- ◆ Black, brown, white, Latinx, Asian, Indigenous, or multi-racial
- ◆ Queer, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, questioning, or straight
- ◆ Three days old, 30 years old, or 103 years old
- ◆ Single, married, with/without kids, divorced, widowed, or partnered
- ◆ Living in Philadelphia, the suburbs, or elsewhere
- ◆ Struggling with addictions or know someone in that position
- ◆ A student, looking for a job, or gainfully employed
- ◆ Disabled, able-bodied, or a person of differing abilities
- ◆ Neurodiverse or neurotypical
- ◆ New to Judaism or a lifelong member
- ◆ Seeking your path, Jewish or not

You belong here at Rodeph Shalom!

Where equity, inclusion, and diversity are our congregational values!

Thank you to our EID (Equity, Inclusion, Diversity) Task Force for its ongoing leadership, crafting this message and for helping to pursue our congregational vision.

We would like to follow-up with you...

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