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Rabbi's Message

I couldn't sleep on Thursday night.

Images of Minneapolis, with its police station on fire, were swirling in my brain.

My heart hurt for the family of George Floyd and for the African American community. I spent the night tossing and turning, and thinking a lot about my own privilege. And then, sometime around 6:00am, I decided to click the link to an article in The Atlantic about reparations, a link included in a list of seventy-five things that white

people can do for racial justice, that has been circulating on social media over the past few weeks. It was truly eye-opening.

I grew up in a home that encouraged love and respect for all human beings, where the color of one's skin was never an issue. It wasn't terribly unusual, in the 1980's and beyond, but this "colorblind" approach to life, I think, had an unintended consequence. Because I grew up believing in the equal value of all human beings, I had little concept of the disparity between my own life's experiences, and those of the African American community. Until the last decade, I am ashamed to say that I had little understanding of my own privilege as a white person living in America.

A video I saw recently made the reality tangible:

A group of people, black and white, are standing in a line at a park. They are told that they are going to race for a one-hundred dollar bill. But, before they begin, a list of statements is presented and participants are told that if the statement made applies to them, they should take two steps forward. The list of statements begins with "my parents are still married," and goes on to include "I did not grow up in a single parent home," "I had a stable father

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figure in my home,” etc. By time the race was ready to begin, the Caucasian participants were already a quarter of the way there, while their black counterparts remained at the starting line. This is white privilege. These are factors that contribute to a broken system that we have to do everything in our own power to fix.

Racism has long been a problem in our country. Dating back to the time of slavery, when African Americans were bought, sold, and traded like pieces of meat, physically abused by their owners, and treated as sub-human, and until just a few weeks ago, when a white police officer, sworn to protect and serve the public, put his knee - and consequently, his full body weight - onto the neck of a black man, and stayed there for almost nine minutes, hateful and violent actions have been a part of the everyday lives of African Americans in America for centuries. But that most certainly does not make it right or even okay. It isn't just a part of life with which we all must live. It is a sickness, a cancer, which we must cut out and begin to treat! Systemic and systematic change are crucial if we are to put an end to this long-standing, unacceptable trend, and that change begins with each of us.

Listening to members of the African American community speak over the past few days, I have heard that it isn't the blatant racists that they fear. Rather, it is the uninformed Caucasian person, who swears he or she is not a racist, but in an instant, such as the case of the white woman in the park who was asked by a black man to leash her dog, immediately turns to race to defend him or herself when he or she feels threatened without just cause. (The woman in the park, by the way, called police to say that a black man was threatening her life...). It is long past time for the white community to say “I didn't know this was going on,” or “I didn't realize,” says CNN's Van Jones. The White community must educate itself, and begin to change the way in which the system continues to disproportionately mistreat

the black community.

The list of seventy-five things white people can do is an ongoing effort. A few suggestions include:

#6. Work on ensuring that black educators are hired where black children are being taught.

#8. Donate to anti-white supremacy work.

#9. Support black businesses.

#12. Read up about mandatory minimum sentences and watch videos about this on Families Against Mandatory Minimums website.

#39. Listen without ego and defensiveness to people of color. Truly listen. Don't scroll past articles written by people of color - read them.

#40. Don't be silent about that racist joke. Silence is support.

You can see the whole list at <https://medium.com/equality-includes-you/what-white-people-can-do-for-racial-justice-f2d18b0e0234>

As is so often the case, education is key. Now, while you are stuck at home and looking for things to do, look up this list and read some of the articles and books it mentions, or watch the movies they suggest. As Hillel taught: If not now, when?

I am proud that Shir Tikvah has always been and continues to be a warm and welcoming community. Let us continue to live out the values of justice and loving our neighbors, and let us emphasize the words on the sign that hangs in Shir Tikvah's front window: Hate has no home here!

~Rabbi Carmit Harari

Presidents' Message



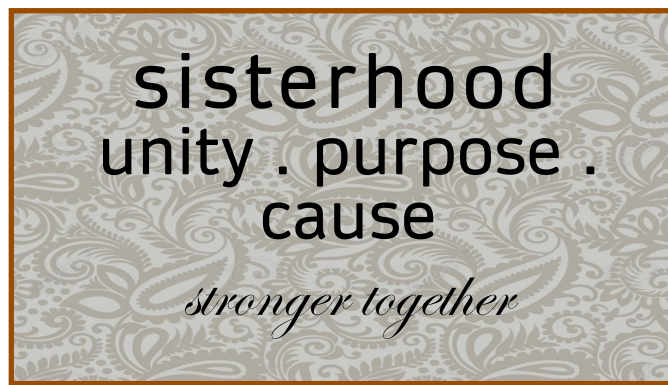
Annual Meeting

Sunday, June 7th at 10:00 am on Zoom

Dear Fellow Congregant,

Please join us on Zoom for the President's message at the Shir Tikvah Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 7th at 10:00 am.

~Sherry and Sherman



As we have said for the last couple of months, we are not doing much at the present time. We will send out our membership forms and holiday greetings in July. We are also trying to work out the logistics for our challah sale. We hope to get our plans finalized soon.

We will have an installation for our officers by Zoom in July.

Here is the continuing board for the Women of Shir Tikvah:

President - Gayle Weil

Secretary - Barb Schwarz

Treasurer - Donelle Macey

Membership - Diane Schwab

Tributes - Carol Zucker

Directors: Susan Bayer, Deedee DuBrow, Carole Fefferman, Harlene Friedman, Ruth Friedman, Ginny Gilbert, Bea Kamen, Judy Lieb, Bonnie Mosbacher, Alene Rutzky, and Penny Shnay

Stay safe,

Gayle

Zoom Invites go out for Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturday services via the MailChimp emails.

Download the Zoom App on your device so you can join in.

See you on Zoom!

REMIX JUDAISM: PRESERVING TRADITION IN A DIVERSE WORLD (ROWMAN & LITTLEFIELD, 2020)



Professor Roberta Rosenthal Kwall will discuss her book on Sunday morning, July 19th at 10:00 via Zoom.

Remix Judaism sets out a process of selection, rejection, and modification of rituals that allow for a focus on Jewish tradition rather than on the technicalities of Jewish law. Professor Kwall's goal is to encourage readers to find their own personal meaning in Judaism outside the dictates of Commandment by broadening their understanding of how law, culture and tradition fit together. She inspires her audience to be intentional and mindful about the space they allocate for these elements in defining their individual Jewish journeys and identities.

Roberta Rosenthal Kwall is a professor at DePaul University College of Law. She also is the author of *The Myth of the Cultural Jew: Culture and Law in Jewish Tradition* and *The Soul of Creativity*. Her OpEds and articles on topics related to the Jewish community have appeared in *The*

Chicago Tribune, *JTA*, *Commentary*, *The Forward*, *The Jewish Journal*, *The Jewish Week* and *Jewish Philanthropy*. She has published over 30 scholarly articles and book chapters on Jewish law and culture, authorship rights, and intellectual property. She is co-editing *The Oxford Handbook of Jewish Law* as well as writing an essay for this volume about lawmaking in the Conservative Movement. Kwall is a frequent visiting professor at Radzyner Law School in Israel where she teaches a course on The American Jewish Movements and Jewish law.

You are encouraged to read the book in advance of the discussion. The book can be purchased from Amazon at <https://amzn.to/2kY8gFo>, the book's publisher Roman & Littlefield, and other booksellers.

The Zoom meeting ID, password, and link will be provided.

Shabbat Scripture Readings for June 2020
All services in our building are cancelled based on the
coronavirus restrictions.
Please check your emails for our virtual services on Zoom

Virtual Zoom Services

Fridays, June 5, 12, 19, 26

5:30pm

**Candle Lighting, welcoming Shabbat, and
Kaddish on Zoom**

Tuesdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

7:00pm

Virtual Oneg & check in

**Shabbat Readings & Virtual
Services**

Saturday, June 6

Shabbat Morning Conservative Service on Zoom

9:45 am

Parashat Nasso

Torah: Numbers 4:21-5:10

Haftarah: Judges 13:2-25

Saturday, June 13

Shabbat Morning Reform Service on Zoom

10:15 am

Parashat Becha'alotcha

Torah: Numbers 8:1-9:14

Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7

Saturday, June 20

Shabbat Morning Conservative Service on Zoom

9:45 am

Parashat Sh'lach

Torah: Numbers 13:1-14:7

Haftarah: Joshua 2:1-24

Saturday, June 27

Shabbat Morning Reform Service on Zoom

10:15 am

Parashat Korach

Torah: Numbers 16:1-17:15

Haftarah: 1 Samuel 11:14-12:22

Emails are sent with Zoom invites. You may download the ZOOM app on your device, either smart phone, tablet or computer. ZOOM works best with a microphone and camera.

If you do not have a smart phone, computer or a tablet, you can call in to the services on your phone.

At the correct time, call 312-626-6799

and follow the prompts to enter the meeting ID and password. This will allow you to hear the virtual service.

Please call the office and leave a message if you would like the meeting IDs and Passwords or help to know how to do this.

Candle Lighting Times

Friday, June 5

8:03 pm

Friday, June 12

8:07 pm

Friday, June 19

8:09 pm

Friday, June 26

8:10pm

Candle lighting times are for Homewood, IL

Yahrzeits

WEEK OF

6/5/2020

Bertha Arvey
Jack Brin
Lotte Buchsbaum
Morris Distelheim
Alfred Eisen
Lillian Fendelman
Jack Fisdell
Alex Garden
Max Goldstein
Ruth Kaiser
Madeline Kuhn
Helen Lang
Sidney Lasker
Sylvia Lasker
Abraham Lippman
Jacob Noven
Ben Pollock
Ruth Reisler
Haskell Rosen
Miriam Rutzky
Florence Schechter
Dora Schneider
Louis Schneider
Morris Shabelman
Fannie Sherman
Kate Goldman Singer
Lee Wohl

Amelia Gaby
Jacob Ginsberg
Irving Ginsburg
Manfred Goldschmidt
Samuel Gorelick
Sam Hasan
Anna Jaffe
Ben Kaplan
Joseph Kessler
Darwin Krucoff
Edythe Leibowitz
Tillie Levin
Alma Levy
Pauline Litton
Edna Lustig
Sam Lustig
Miriam Marcado
Rose Moeckler
Adolph Pahn
Esther Papermaster
Mae Podwol
Saul Ritter
Sylvia Sherow
Celia Silverman
Harold Silverman
Helen Singer
Sarah Singer
Flora Sostheim
Irwin Srulovitz
Sol Tannebaum
Leo Wagner
Matilda Yochelson

Jean Eulenberg
Boris Faynshteyn
Raymond Fleischer
Sam Garb
Irma Jane Gordon
Isidore Kharasch
Esther Koslen
Phillip Laks
Joe Mollin
Dr. Herbert C. Pollack
Dan Ritter
Mollie Weiner Rosen
Goldie L. Rubin
Solomon Salk
Max Sherman
Leonard Silverman
Adeline Stern
Herman Stern
Max Wasserman

Barbara Kaminsky
Leopold Kaufmann
Bertha Kosofsky
Paula Kraft
Sarah Lacob
Minnie Lazar
Charles Levin
Rebecca Levinson
Augusta Levy
Max Levy
Hazel Lewin
Pearl Moeckler
Luis Neves-Hatchwell
Dr. Harry Noskin
Ida Pfeffer
Alfred Reisler
Etta Roven
Barry Ruche
Aida Tihay Schwager
Max Shepet
Isidore Sherman
Lena Shuchter
Anne Chiz Stern
Dr. Saul Sultan
Irving Weinberg
Adele Weinhouse
Sylvia Weiss
Rebecca Yellen

WEEK OF

6/12/2020

Moses Adler
Frank Ascher
Sophie David
Elaine Dworkin
Belle Ephraim
John Eulenberg
Shirley Feigenbaum
Gladyce Friedman
Jeanette Friessner

WEEK OF

6/19/2020

David Anger
Reuben Brower
Bella Brown
Emma Bruder
Miriam Chesler
Louis Cohen
Bessie Deicher

WEEK OF

6/26/2020

Israel Arvey
Florence Baker
Ida Brenner
DeVera Brill
Hannah Cahan
Leland Cohen
Jacob Deicher
Rose Dwartz
Marjorie Epstein
Theodore Fanta
Morris J. Figatner
Anna Freis
Rose Friedman
Barbara Gerber
Molly Gilbert
Elizabeth Goodman
Marilyn Himmel
Samuel Hirschbruch



June Birthdays

6/1 Caryl Chudwin
 6/2 Anthony DeFilippo
 6/3 Shelley Ritter
 6/5 Jeffrey Sporn
 6/8 Rachel Malis
 6/11 Margo Rannells
 6/12 Andreatte Brachman
 6/12 Jeremy Lieb
 6/13 Nancy Burrows
 6/14 Susan Johnson
 6/14 Sharon Lorsch
 6/15 Marilyn Goldberg
 6/16 Ben Ritter
 6/18 Alice Davis
 6/19 Stephanie Greenberg
 6/21 Sanford Rusnak
 6/24 Mandy Sigale
 6/25 Eric Rusnak
 6/26 Alexander Reich

**July Birthdays**

7/1 Ray Hamad
 7/1 Willard Bransky
 7/2 Susan Bayer
 7/3 Diane Wolf
 7/5 Richard Zucker
 7/9 Manny Katz
 7/10 Jerry Golland
 7/10 Dr. Lauren Kern
 7/11 Ruth Friedman
 7/13 Bari Wolf
 7/14 Jake Eisenwasser
 7/14 Fawn Gottlieb
 7/18 Larry Simon
 7/19 Mitchell Simon
 7/21 Hillary Sigale
 7/22 Bea Kamen
 7/25 Marcia Sime
 7/26 John Kern
 7/27 Rachel Latman
 7/27 Henry Lorsch
 7/28 Leslie Sigale
 7/29 Ron Rutzky
 7/29 Barbara Sitrin
 7/29 Peter Wilkins
 7/30 Ignacio Tejada
 7/30 Irwin Friedman
 7/31 Ron Dieckman
 7/31 Miriam Nissly

June Anniversaries

6/2 Dr. Bernard & Marcia Heilicser
 6/8 Dr. Douglas & Eila Koltun
 6/8 Keigh & Larry Malis
 6/9 Mike & Sheri Larks
 6/12 Debbie & Dan Greenberg
 6/15 Rabbi Leo & Helen Wolkow
 6/17 Lenny & Burt Zeiger
 6/18 Shari Cohen & Robert Mayer
 6/18 Carol & Tom Gilbert
 6/18 Ellen & Richard Kaplan
 6/19 Arnie & Cheryl Bernstein
 6/21 Barry & Susan Bayer
 6/23 Joel & Gail Kaufman
 6/24 Marcie & Harold Reisler
 6/24 Gary & Barbara Schwarz
 6/25 Robin & Brian Latman
 6/29 Janet & David Herbstman
 6/29 Sherry & Scott Wolf
 6/29 Sara & Barry Marks
 6/30 David & Bonnie Rubin

**July Anniversaries**

7/2 Linda & Peter Wilkins
 7/5 Sandi & Keith Reich
 7/5 Richard & Carol Zucker
 7/6 Dr. T. Michael & Ida Anger
 7/12 Barbara & Lawrence Cohen
 7/15 Walter & Gretchen Falk
 7/27 Stuart & Nancy Friedman

Tributes

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

In Memory of

Joseph Warshaw from Cheryl Warshaw
 Richard Wolf from Diane Wolf and Family
 Valentine Brazzale from Joan M. Brazzale
 Gordon Hely, Barbara Marton from Ed & Ev Rappaport
 Dorothy Ulman from Barb & Larry Cohan
 Marilyn Kay Levinson from Ronda Lebold
 Ethel Sheffey from Mike & Ida Anger
 Joseph Katz from Lenny & Burt Zeiger
 Jack Sevelow from Jill Sevelow
 Gertrude Paskin from Amy & Nancy Schneider
 Loved ones from Andreatte & Mark Brachman
 Alan Narter from Rori Narter and family
 Abraham I. Freis and Milton Freis from Mona & Harold Shabelman
 Abraham Kamenetsky, Joseph Kamen, Rose & Louis Gershowitz, Leah Gershowitz from Bea Kamen
 Burt Garbow from Ed & Ev Rappaport

Choir Fund

In Memory of

Rose G. Burrows from Larry & Nancy Burrows
 Peggy Eisenstein from Larry & Nancy Burrows

General Fund

In Memory of

Rebecca Gabovitch from Janice Heiss
 Eva Machtinger from Dory & Larry Machtinger
 Shirley Levinthal from Arlene & Kenneth Freedman
 Maureen Miller from Paul Miller
 Milton Lowe from Jeffrey, Bettie, Barbara and Melissa Gilbert
 Walter Sporn from Alan and Rebecca Sporn
 Ralph Wilkins from Peter Wilkins
 Kadem Algamis from Elena Morone
 Seymour Schneider, Richarch Kahn, Madeline Kahn, and Dora Schneider from Amy & Nancy Schneider
 Gertie Paskin from Barb & Larry Cohan

Mazel Tov

To Sarah Smason on her birthday from Edith Feldmann

Sympathy

To the Rappaport Family in memory of their son, Gerald, from Bea Kamen, Amy Schneider
 To Miriam Garbow in memory of her husband, Burt, from Bea Kamen, Amy Schneider, Edith Feldmann
 To the Narter family in memory of Alan from Amy Schneider, Leo Wolfson, Judy Lohr-Safcik
 To the Proctor family in memory of Marjorie from Leo Wolfson, Linda & Larry Simon

To Rori Narter in memory of her husband, Alan, from Ruth & Sherman Friedman
 To Sharon & Henry Lorsch in memory of Frances Leibowitz
 To Beverly Sokol in memory her husband, Ed, from Alene & Ron Rutzky

Our thanks to Rabbi Harari and all our Shir Tikvah friends for the donations, kind thoughts and fruit baskets in memory of Gerald.
 The Rappaport & Katz Families

Sisterhood Tributes

Speedy Recovery

To Helen Wolkow from the Sisterhood, Penny & Jerry Shnay, Gayle & Norm Weil, Bonnie Mosbacher, Judy Lohr-Safcik
 To Jake Eisenwasser from the Sisterhood, Penny & Jerry Shnay, Gayle & Norm Weil, Bonnie Mosbacher, Judy Lohr-Safcik
 To Doug Koltun from the Sisterhood, Penny & Jerry Shnay, Bonnie Mosbacher, Judy Lohr-Safcik
 To David Schoeneman from the Sisterhood, Penny & Jerry Shnay, Gayle & Norm Weil

Sympathy

To Fern & Manny Katz in memory of Joseph Katz from Alene & Ron Rutzky, the Sisterhood, Penny & Jerry Shnay, Bonnie Mosbacher
 To Fern & Manny Katz in memory of Gerald from Alene & Ron Rutzky, Ruth & Sherman Friedman, Bonnie Mosbacher
 BJ & Jay Heiferman in memory of their father, Bert, from Alene & Ron Rutzky
 To Cathy Burnett & Family from Ruth & Sherman Friedman, Judy Lohr-Safcik
 To Evelyn & Ed Rappaport in memory of their son, Gerald, from Ruth & Sherman Friedman

The family of Alan Narter appreciates and thanks you all for your kind expressions of sympathy.



*We mourn the death of
 Fran Leibowitz
 We mourn the death of
 Edwin Sokol*

May their memories forever be a blessing to all who loved them and may their families be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.



Sunday school wrapped up the year with virtual classes May 3rd and 17th. Students reviewed mitzvot that they can observe during the summer months.

Hebrew School practiced Modim, learned a tune for Ozi v'zimrat Yah, and will work on Shavuot additions for the Amidah.

If schedules can be coordinated, there may be other summer sessions.

Thanks to the parents, students, and teachers for making virtual classes work!

Barbara Cohan, Shir Tikvah School Coordinator

Virtual Sisterhood Birthday Luncheons Normally, the Sisterhood celebrates birthdays on the first Wednesday at 12:30pm at Aurelio's Pizza in Homewood. However, due to COVID-19 they are meeting virtually instead. Please contact Gayle Weil to find out how to join the online party at gweill19@yahoo.com or call her directly!

Support the Sisterhood by purchasing Jewel Cards! We receive a percentage from each card we sell. Denominations are \$50 and \$100 and are available by emailing the office. Diedre has them at home and will get them to you! Thanks for your support!



SHALOM TRANSPORTATION

Is a subsidized senior transportation option for Jewish seniors facing transportation barriers in the Southern Suburbs. This program broadens our transportation service area to better serve the Jewish community.



For more info, please contact Amy Bloomberg, the South Suburban Coordinator, at 708-249-6086.

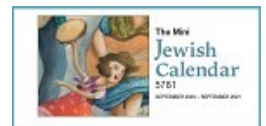
Order Your Calendars and Books from Karben

Elliott Greenberg is once again able to take your orders for books and calendars for 5781 at an excellent discount! You may visit www.karben.com to explore the possibilities and then call Elliott directly at 708-748-9327 to give him your order.

Please— no early morning calls and remember to talk slowly and loudly!

His hearing is not as good as it used to be!

This year, Janet Herbstman is taking over the ordering of the Luachs so please let her know if you'd like one for 5781.



JUNE 2020 SIVAN-TAMMUZ 5780

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 7:00 pm Virtual Oneg on Zoom	3 Proxy Voting Deadline	4	5 5:30 pm Virtual Candle Lighting and Kaddish on Zoom  8:03pm	6 9:45 am Conservative Service on Zoom
7 10:00 am Shir Tikvah Annual Meeting on Zoom	8	9 7:00 pm Virtual Oneg on Zoom	10	11	12 5:30 pm Virtual Candle Lighting and Kaddish on Zoom  8:07pm	13 10:15 am Reform Service on Zoom
14	15	16 7:00 pm Virtual Oneg on Zoom	17	18	19 5:30 pm Virtual Candle Lighting and Kaddish on Zoom  8:09pm	20 9:45 am Conservative Service on Zoom
21	22	23 7:00 pm Virtual Oneg on Zoom	24	25	26 5:30 pm Virtual Candle Lighting and Kaddish on Zoom  8:10pm	27 10:15 am Reform Service on Zoom
28	29	30 7:00 pm Virtual Oneg on Zoom				