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Celebrating Legacies and New Beginnings Friday, June 30: Join Us As All Three Rabbis Lead Us Forward Together



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### **Our Story**

A Jewish journey is about history. Where you are going, and where you have been. It is about times, and places, and people. It is about quiet moments with oneself and with God. It is about joyous moments spent with others.

Congregation Kol Ami's Jewish journey began in 1923 when the Jewish Community Center of White Plains was formed and land was purchased on Sterling Avenue in White Plains to build a religious school and a temple. As the temple and the school expanded, in 1944 seven and a half acres of land were purchased at Soundview Avenue.

In May 1995 the Jewish Community Center of White Plains changed its name to Congregation Kol Ami, meaning "The Voice of My People". From the start, and continuing today, our purpose has been to nurture the divine spark within, and to connect each of us to a meaningful Jewish journey.

Whatever your "Jewish" is, you'll find it at Kol Ami.

Here, our members-of every age and with diverse backgrounds and identities- are our heartbeat.

Here, we cultivate relationships with family, friends, staff, and clergy.

Here, we are rooted in our synagogue, in our community, in our country and in Israel.

Here, we celebrate Jewish traditions and culture, nourish our souls through music and arts, and explore relationships with God.

Here, we evolve and challenge ourselves. Here, we worship, we learn, we celebrate, we engage. Here, we practice Tikkun Olam. "Kol Ami" means "the voice of my people".

Here, hear your voice.

### Moving Forward Rabbi Tom Weiner and Rabbi Shira Milgrom

Dear Friends,

There are so many changes ahead and so much rich emotion as we come to the end of our tenure as Rabbis of Kol Ami. With a mixture of joy, excitement, and trepidation we all take these next steps together towards our Synagogue's future.





The excitement is building as we are now just weeks away from welcoming our new Rabbi! For the two of us, Rabbi Fenster's arrival at Kol Ami fills us with confidence, excitement, and optimism for this wonderful community as we enter our second 100 years.

One thing we have enjoyed over these decades is having people refer to us as "my Rabbis". How lucky we have been that so many of you have room in your minds and hearts for both of us! And now we all have a new rabbi to embrace! How blessed the two of us are in the knowledge that Jason Fenster will be our rabbi as well, leading our synagogue with Cantor Danny into that new century.

Beginning this summer, the two of us will begin our time as Rabbis Emeriti, retired rabbis and now members of the Kol Ami community. We look forward to the times when we will worship with you at services, sitting with you and with our own families as "Jews in the pews". We will be able to share family news, laugh together, worry about the world with you and celebrate occasions together as fellow members of Kol Ami.

We now turn to Rabbi Jason Fenster to guide our community, lead our worship services with Cantor Danny, celebrate simchas with us, and guide us through tough times. With great joy we look forward to this new chapter in our journeys together.

From strength to strength!

All of our love,

Tom Min

### For The Longest Time Rabbi Shira Milgrom

I sang these words (to the tune of Billy Joel's For The Longest Time) at the Purim Gala - with help from Cantors Danny Mendelson and Mo Glazman. I didn't cry when I sang them (I was too nervous) - but I do, from the fullness of life - the joy, the loss, and most of all, the gratitude.

#### For the Longest Time

Whoa – oh oh oh - for the longest time Whoa – oh oh oh – for the longest time

When I came in 1986 Three little kids and a baby on my hips I was so young then Didn't know my feelings would spin That I would love you for the longest time.

We lived in a castle with a moat We hosted you for Shabbos and Sukkot And then in White Plains We have shared your joys and pains And we have loved you for the longest time.

Whoa – oh oh oh – for the longest time Whoa – oh oh oh – for the longest time

Yom kippur we hear the shofar call But the greatest holiday of all Is masquerading Silliness and fun parading We've celebrated for the longest time.

Hatred, hunger, so much is wrong But we fed and marched – where we all belong Rising, dancing, praying with our feet Creating this world of courage and kindness

Friday nights are filled with the divine Each of us brings spirit – yours and mine We come together Blessing rainbows, stormy weather We've prayed together for the longest time.

I had second thoughts at the start Would we find our souls, our spirit and heart Now I know it was all meant to be The blessings abound and my cup runneth over

When we're here our spirit comes alive And I know that Kol Ami will thrive Trust one another Let the spirit flow through you And I intend to love you for the longest time.



### Mah Tovu: Entering Your House Through Your Abundant Love Rabbi Jason Fenster



#### מַה טֹבוּ אֹהָלֶיךָ יַעֲקֹב מִשִׁכּנֹתֵיךָ יִשִׂרָאֵל

Mah tovu ohalecha Ya'akov mishk'notecha Yisrael,

How lovely are your tents O Jacob, your dwelling-places, O Israel.

I love Jewish liturgy. Our siddur is just... brilliant. I'll refer you to page 47 of the newest prayer book on my shelf, *Entrances to Holiness are Everywhere.* The words that open the morning service ring with earnest truth. As if the worshipper has walked in off the street, they enter the sanctuary and are amazed by the beauty they find within. How good to be in that place. But what compels them is not the architecture, no matter how stunning it may be. It's the love and kindness they see inside. They ask, humbly, to enter so they might join in the blessing of being part of that community.

We enter the sanctuary with awe, humility, and love.

As my family and I prepare to enter this sacred community, we find ourselves in a Mah Tovu moment. Since we first came Kol Ami and in each visit since, we have been in awe of the warmth, vibrancy, creativity, and dedication of this congregation and the professionals who serve it. I am honored to inherit that culture and get to work building meaningful Jewish community and experiences with you and the people you love. I strive to enter this moment humbly. This congregation is yours. Kol Ami doesn't belong to the rabbi or the cantor. It belongs to you. And because of that, I am eager for you to be my teachers. I'll need you to show me and my family who and what Kol Ami is and will be, to help us learn the culture and touchstones that make this your home. Of course, you have hired a talented and devoted team of clergy, educators, and professionals to serve and ideate with you. And what you have built and sustained with Rabbi Shira and Rabbi Tom during these past many years is truly remarkable. As I enter, and particularly with Kol Ami's 100th anniversary around the corner, I know that there is an inspiring history and legacy to honor and celebrate. I take that responsibility seriously.

Most importantly, as we walk through the doors at 252 Soundview Avenue, we enter with love. My first and most important priority for the year ahead is to come to know you. I want to know you, your families, your joys, and your passions. Not just because it's the rabbi's job to meet and know the people. I need to know you because my theology, how I understand God and the nature of Torah and Jewish obligation, is deeply rooted in relationship. When we know each other, we can change our own lives and we change the world. That is what we will set out to do together. Here, we will hear each other's voices, and with our collective voices, we will discover meaning and purpose and build a world worthy of our hopes and prayers.

*Mah tovu ohalecha Ya'akov.* How good is this tent, O Kol Ami. I cannot wait to arrive, to meet you, to know you, and to get to work.



### Continuing Our Journey of Dreaming Big Together Cantor Daniel Mendelson



Much of my time here has been spent on-boarding a thoughtfully designed synagogue structure that took decades to put into place. As strange as it has been to grow up around this community, and then to be

officially initiated into it over a zoom screen, my clergy partners have provided a consistent, nurturing source of encouragement and inspiration. Planning services together, solving problems together, singing together and listening together...l've been blessed to work alongside our two magnificent Rabbi's for these past few years.

In so many ways, we are back to business here at Congregation Kol Ami. 2022 High Holy Days felt much closer to normal. Truthfully, "normal" is the wrong word to describe the Days of Awe at Kol Ami. The spiritual energy in the room, the powerful sermons, having our gorgeous instrumental ensemble, our sublime professional quartet, having our wonderful Adult Choir back on the bimah for Erev Rosh Hashanah, having beautiful solos offered and lively family services. Shuls across the board rightly pull out all the stops for the Jewish Super Bowl...but no one does it quite like Kol Ami... The same can be said for our B'nei Mitzvah program, our Religious School and ECP programming, and our spirited musical energy on Shabbat. And while we keep all of this up at fullspeed, we are somehow saying goodbye to our co-senior Rabbi's who've helped shape this place into the vibrant, innovative house of worship and connection that it's been for sometime. Admittedly, a part of me has been in denial about the coming Rabbinic transition. I may have arrived toward the end of Rabbi Shira and Rabbi Tom's tenure at Kol Ami, but the fact that we were able to gel so quickly and sweetly, even while facing a global pandemic, is a testament to their spirits, talents and professionalism.

It is also a testament to our thoughtful and caring leadership that we've chosen Rabbi Jason Fenster, a passionate, innovative and loving Rabbi to guide us forward as we build the future of Congregation Kol Ami together. Part of the blessing of getting to work with Rabbi Fenster is that we get to plan, build and try things with you. We get to figure out what song we want to sing, what parts to sing out loud with joy and what parts to just hear...together...This is the charge of our sacred community: to dream together, to sing together, and to listen together.

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### A Message from our President Hank Rouda



The beauty of hindsight is knowing where you went, how you got there and how it all turned out. Rarely, however, can we anticipate those same destinations while looking ahead. It's with this in mind that

I look back on the past 3 years starting when Jonathan Litt and Gerri Sommers (the then co-chairs of the Nominating Committee) asked me to serve as President once again. I readily accepted and thought about what lay ahead. I knew that we would need to start planning for the retirement of our two beloved rabbis and I also thought that we'd be able to work on leadership issues – both leadership development and rethinking our approach to Board service. And, as the saying goes, it was at this point that G-d laughed!

The start of (and really the entirety of) my second Presidency was focused on security – both medical and physical. We spent much of the first two years continuing the courageous work of my predecessors, Susan Kohn Arovas and Scott Musoff. Without the incredibly difficult decisions that they made at the start of the pandemic, we would not have been able to keep this holy community safe, connected and engaged. And thanks to the generosity of Elizabeth and Andrew Ward we were able to upgrade our technology to ensure that we could all be together even when we were so physically distant.

Every decision that we've made over the past 3 years has been made with the thought of *pikuach nefesh*, saving a life. This applies to the decisions

that we made concerning COVID, as well as those that relate to our physical safety. While the world may have changed, our focus on ensuring that we remain, at heart, a caring community who welcomes both the stranger and the friend, but does so in a way that treats everyone with respect and concern, remains steadfast.

I have had the joy of working with an excellent Board of Trustees and Executive Committee and I want to thank all of you for all that you continue to do for our community. And speaking of joy, one could not ask for a better partner than Judy Sarch. She is a caring, responsive and thoughtful leader and the congregation could not be in better hands with her and her new Co-President, Andrew Levenson (another truly caring leader).

I am so excited that Rabbi Jason Fenster will be joining us as of July 1. With Rabbi Fenster and Cantor Mendelson, we can move forward into our next millennium with confidence and eager anticipation of how this truly special community will continue to flourish.

I want to thank you for giving me the honor of helping to lead you for the past 3 years and for letting me be part of your lives. I have been blessed by all of you and I hope that I was able to give back a small portion of the love and respect that you have given to me. I want to thank you for the gift that you have bestowed upon me by allowing me to be such an integral part of the life of this congregation that my family and I so deeply cherish. I am proud of what we have accomplished, and I look forward to being a part of our future. So, in Hebrew, I could say shalom, but instead of saying goodbye, I'll say *l'hitraot*, I'll see you again soon.

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### THANK YOU! Jess Lorden, Executive Director



Gratitude is the act of recognizing and acknowledging the good things that happen resulting in a state of appreciation. In positive psychology research, gratitude is strongly and consistently associated with

greater happiness. In addition, it turns out that being thankful can lead to many positive health effects. Gratitude can lead to more motivation and engagement. Gratitude helps people feel more positive, optimistic emotions and less depression, relish good experiences, deal with adversity, and build strong, intimate relationships all of which will improve overall health and mental well-being.

So, what can we do to feel more grateful? Studies show that listing things for which you are grateful, big and small, on a daily basis for even two weeks can make a difference in your overall mood. Here is a list of just a few things for which I am grateful:

- Rabbis Shira and Tom my clergy, colleagues, and friends
- Cantor Danny whose beautiful voice makes my heart soar

- Our incredible Kol Ami community caring, creative, innovative. It is my pleasure to share your simchas and my privilege to support you in challenging times. I eagerly await the Fall and the start of celebrations planned for our 100th anniversary as a holy community
- Spectacular sunrises and colorful sunsets
- The sound of waves crashing on the beach and collecting seashells
- Seeing beautiful flowers in the garden and the flowers Dave brings home for me
- Working out in the morning is the greatest way to start a day
- Good health
- Cherished friends who enrich our lives
- Family we continue to welcome incredible new members into our family

Wishing all of you a wonderful summer and many moments of gratitude.

In fondness and appreciation,

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### A Heartfelt Thank You! Zoë Shannon, Director of Youth Engagement



Rabbi Shira and Rabbi Tom were the Rabbis I knew growing up. As fate would have it, my journey with Rabbi Shira and Rabbi Tom took an unexpected turn when we became colleagues this past year. While I am saddened by their departure,

I am also elated for them as they enter a new phase of their personal journeys. Their impact on our lives will forever be etched in our memories and hearts. It is now our responsibility, as beneficiaries of their teachings and guidance, to carry the torch and continue their legacy of love, compassion, and faith.

Working alongside them has allowed me to witness firsthand their tireless commitment to their sacred calling. The opportunity to collaborate, exchange ideas, and contribute to the spiritual growth of our congregation has been an enriching experience. Their mentorship has extended beyond my formative years, and I am grateful for the invaluable insights they have shared during our time as colleagues.

Rabbi Tom's passion for nurturing the minds and spirits of young individuals has been a driving force in the development of enriching youth programming. Recognizing the importance of engaging youth within the community, he has devoted his energy to create vibrant and inclusive spaces where young minds can explore, learn, and grow in their faith. Rabbi Shira's exceptional ability to bridge diverse communities is testament to her unwavering dedication to fostering understanding and unity. Recognizing the strength that lies in embracing diversity, she has worked tirelessly to create connections that transcend boundaries and borders. Rabbi Shira has created interfaith dialogues and initiatives that promote harmony and mutual respect; witnessing this in Alabama this year was a privilege of a lifetime.

Rabbi Tom and Rabbi Shira's leadership has been a source of inspiration and transformation within our community. Through their respective talents, they have nurtured an inclusive and vibrant community where intergenerational connections flourish, and diverse voices are valued. As we express our gratitude for their unwavering commitment and dedication, we acknowledge the profound impact they have had on our lives and the legacy they leave behind. May their retirement be filled with joy and fulfillment, knowing that their contributions have shaped the lives of countless individuals and will continue to resonate within our community for years to come.



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### Early Childhood Program Highlights

The ECP took a field trip to "Israel" in honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel's birthday). The children packed their bags, grabbed their passports, and boarded an ELAL plane to Israel. Jess Lorden and Alison Adler stamped each child's passport as she or he went through security and customs. Pam Pass, Gina, Rabbi Tom, Cantor Danny, Leslie and Kay helped the ECP children tour the different parts of the country and participate in different and unique experiences. Some of our favorite activities are shown below. -The ECP Team

ISRAEL



# Kol Ami TOT SHABBAT

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 10**

Tot Shabbat meets monthly on Saturday mornings at 9am. These warm, music-filled services are led by Rabbi Shira and are followed by a nosh, crafts and play. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the joys of Shabbat with friends, old and new. Save the dates listed above and bring a friend - all are welcome to join!

### A Year Filled With Loving, Memorable Tributes and Warm Welcomes.

As we close in on the end of our rabbinic transition, we are reminded of the many beautiful moments we have shared honoring Rabbi Shira and Tom and welcoming in Rabbi Fenster. Each event has been heartwarming as it has brought us together to embrace the past accomplishments of our beloved Rabbis Shira and Tom and to eagerly anticipate the guidance and leadership of Rabbi Fenster. These celebrations symbolize the continuity and growth of our Kol Ami community, fostering a sense of unity and shared purpose. It's been a time to express our collective love and gratitude and look ahead joyfully with hope and excitement.

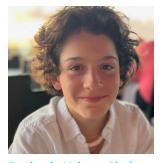


### B'nai Mitzvah

With love and tremendous pride, we look forward to having these B'nai Mitzvah students lead us in worship, carry our sacred scroll through the congregation, and chant from the Torah. We rejoice with them and their families as they share their intellectual gifts by teaching us from the weekly Torah portion and deliver their "D'var Torah."



Sasha Bernstein, is a 7th grader at Highlands Middle School in White Plains. She loves to play ice hockey, volleyball, swim, and is an honor roll student. She looks forward celebrating her Bat Mitzvah with her loving parents, Lisa & Rob and her three brothers, Gabriel, Ari & Reece.



Benjamin Kalman Shuker, son of Jenifer Johnson and Jason Shuker, brother of Simon and Elliot, will be called to the Torah as Bar Mitzvah on June 10th, 2023. Ben is in 7th grade at **Edgemont Junior High School** and plays for their modified baseball team. He has also played for the Westchester Bulldogs, the Heat, and was part of the Elmsford 2022 District Champion team. In the off season, Ben has become an excellent snowboarder and enjoys spending time on the mountain riding with his brothers, mom and dad, and his friends. While he has gone to Camp Chateaugay for the summer in the past, this year he will be playing ball at the 2023 JCC Maccabi games. For Ben's mitzvah project, he is volunteering to help maintain the Elmsford Little League baseball grounds. Ben is super excited to share his special day with family and friends.



Leo Vujnovich, son of Erika and Michael Vujnovich, and brother to Bode, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on June 3, 2023. Leo is in 7th grade at Ardsley Middle School and spends most of his time on the ball field playing baseball for several local teams and is gearing up for a trip to play at Cooperstown this coming summer! When not on the field, you can find Leo cheering on the NY Yankees and Brooklyn Nets. For Leo's mitzvah project he is a buddy for the Miracle League of Westchester, a baseball league for special needs children and adults. Leo will be celebrating his special day with lots of friends and family while cheering on his Yankees from afar!

### B'nai Mitzvah



Gavin Weisberg, son of Jason and Jill Weisberg, and brother to Sophie, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on June 10, 2023. Gavin is in 7th grade at Highlands Middle School in White Plains. He is an avid soccer player, playing competitively with his travel club team at World Class FC. He also loves playing guitar, video games and hanging with his friends. For his mitzvah project, Gavin was able to donate soccer equipment to underprivileged children in Brazil over the last school break. He hopes to continue the process in the states as well. Gavin is excited to share this momentous occasion with his family that has come from near and far to be with him.



Maya Ziff, daughter of Heather and Aaron Ziff, and sister to Ethan, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on June 3, 2023. Maya is in 7th grade at Highlands Middle School in White Plains. Maya enjoys playing sports, specifically soccer and basketball. She also loves spending time with her family and friends. For her mitzvah project, Maya started an equipment drive with Game Changes New York to collect sports equipment to donate to kids locally. She loves playing sports and believes all kids should have the opportunity to play. Maya is excited to celebrate her Bat Mitzvah with her family and friends!

#### WEEKLY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

#### 6:15pm Friday Kabbalat Shabbat Service:

Our weekly Kabbalat Shabbat service takes place in our Main Sanctuary with Rabbis Shira Milgrom and Tom Weiner, and Cantor Danny Mendelson. Kabbalat Shabbat services are also streamed weekly on our website, FaceBook, and Youtube pages.

#### 9:30am Saturday Shabbat Lift and Service:

Join Rabbi Shira Milgrom and fellow congregants for community, Torah study, and Shabbat services. Join for all or part of the morning. Bring your curiosity! Join us in person or via Zoom. https:// us02web.zoom.us/j/8795388 3896?pwd=UmlHUzljSTJSTF dvUzR2QXBKcEpPQT09 Meeting ID: 879 5388 3896 Passcode: PA5z5t Dial-In Number: (646) 876-9923

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#### **JUNE 2023**

#### Week ending June 3, 2023 Parashat Naso II Numbers 6:1-7:89

In this second part of the parashah of Naso, the obligations of a nazarite vow are explained. They include abstaining from alcohol and not cutting one's hair. The parashah's concluding section begins with the Priestly Blessing and culminates with a list of the offerings brought by the tribal heads for the ceremony of the dedication of the Tabernacle.

#### Week ending June 10, 2023 Parashat B'haalot'cha Numbers 8:1-12:16

In this parashah, God instructs Moses to appoint elders to share the burden of ruling the people and settling their many issues. A cloud by day and fire by night show God's Presence over the Tabernacle. When the cloud lifts from the Tabernacle, the people leave Sinai, setting out on their journey tribe by tribe. The parashah concludes with Aaron and Miriam saying disparaging things about their younger brother Moses. As a result, Miriam is struck with a skin disease, manifested as white, itchy scales. Aaron appeals to Moses, who offers a praver to God on his sister's behalf.

#### Week ending June 17, 2023 Parashat Sh'lach L'cha Numbers 13:1–15:41

This week's parashah continues the story of the Israelites wandering through the desert. Moses sends twelve emissaries to scout out the Land of Israel. Only two, Joshua and Caleb, return with a message of hope. The other ten spies report that the land is filled with giants, and the people react with fear and panic. As a result of this behavior, God threatens to wipe out the Children of Israel, but relents when Moses intercedes on their behalf. Instead, God announces that members of this generation will not be allowed to enter the Promised Land and will wander the desert for another 38 years.

#### Week ending June 24, 2023 Parashat Korach Numbers 16:1-18:32

Three rebels hatch an ill-fated "coup-détat" against the leadership of Aaron and Moses in this week's parashah, Korach, Datan, and Abiram challenge Moses' and Aaron's leadership in front of the whole Israelite community. Moses offers the people a choice - remain with Dathan, Abiram, and Korach or separate from them and stand by Moses and Aaron. Those who persist in rebelling face dire punishment. For Dathan, Abiram, and their group, the earth bursts asunder, swallowing them. For Korach and his followers, fire and plaque bring death and havoc.

#### **JULY 2023**

#### Week ending July 1, 2023 Parashat Chukat - Balak Numbers 19:1–25:9

In the first part of this double portion, Chukat begins with the death of Miriam, Moses' and Aaron's sister, at Kadesh. When the people complain that they have no water to drink, God instructs Moses to take his rod and order a rock to bring forth water. In his anger against the cantankerous people, Moses strikes the rock with his rod. As a result of this action, God tells Moses that he will not be allowed to lead the people into the Land of Israel. This responsibility will ultimately be given to Joshua. Moses' brother Aaron dies at Mount Hor and Aaron's son, Eleazer, becomes Aaron's successor. In the parashah of Balak, the King of Moab, persuades the prophet Balaam to curse the Israelites so that he can defeat them and drive them out of the region. However, when Balaam speaks, the words that come out of his mouth bless

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the Children of Israel instead. He prophesies that Israel's enemies will be defeated, saying "Ma Tovu, ohalecha Ya-akov, mishk'notecha Yisrael – How lovely are your tents O Jacob, your dwelling places, O Israel." The parashah ends with God punishing the Israelites with a plague after an Israelite man consorts with a Moabite woman. The plague ends when Pinchas kills them.

#### Week ending July 8, 2023 Parashat Pinchas Numbers 25:10-30:1

The parashah begins with God rewarding Pinchas for killing the Israelite and the Midianite woman who profaned God, with a covenant of peace for all time, and continues with the taking of a second census. Moses allocates the land to each tribe according to its size. The daughters of Zelophehad appeal to Moses to inherit their father's land since their father died leaving no sons. God confirms their claim and instructs Moses to change the laws of inheritance. The parashah concludes with a description of the sacrificial ritual for all festival occasions.

#### Week ending July 15, 2023 Parashat Matot – Mas'ei Numbers 30:2-36:13

In the first part of this double parashah, the laws for making vows are described. Moses agrees to allow the tribes of Gad and Reuben to stay in the land east of the Jordan rather than enter the Land of Israel, as long as they lend their support in settling the Promised Land. Masei recounts the forty years of journeys that the Israelites have made since leaving Egypt. The Book of Numbers concludes with Moses providing instructions for conquering the Land of Israel, defining its

borders, and dividing it among the tribes.

#### Week ending July 22, 2023 Parashat D'varim Deuteronomy 1:1–3:22

D'varim is the first parashah in the Book of Deuteronomy, which begins a series of speeches by Moses to the Israelites as they are preparing to enter the Land of Israel. In this parashah, Moses, who will not be allowed to enter the Land of Israel and will die in Moab, reminds this generation that they are about to take possession of the land that was promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Moses recounts the route of travel and the challenges, chastisements, and triumphs that occurred along the way.

#### Week ending July 29, 2023 Parashat Va-et'chanan Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11

In this parashah, Moses' appeal to God to allow him to enter the Land of Israel is again denied. Moses continues his oration to the people, reminding them of the covenant at Sinai and the Ten Commandments, and exhorting them to follow the laws given by God. Specific areas of the land are set aside to serve as cities of refuge for those who commit unintentional homicide.

#### **AUGUST 2023**

#### Week ending August 5, 2023 Parashat Eikev

Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25 Moses continues to tell the Israelites that, if they maintain their covenant with God by observing all the commandments, God will make them fruitful and victorious over their enemies. Moses reminds them of the times that the Israelites disobeyed God's commandments and the consequences that befell them. He continues by saying that the land will flow with milk and honey if the people obey God's commandments and teach them to their children.

#### Week ending August 12, 2023 Parashat R'eih

Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17 In this week's parashah, the people are instructed on how they are to enter and live in the Land of Israel, and on the behavior expected of them once they have settled there. Rules about sacrifices, tithes, and care for the Levites are discussed, along with regulations for slaughtering and eating meat.

#### Week ending August19, 2023 Parashat Shof'tim Deuteronomy 16:18–21:9

The Israelites remain on the plateau of Moab, across the Jordan River, while Moses communicates God's prescriptions and proscriptions for governance. The parashah opens with the command to appoint judges and the regulations for choosing a leader, including a warning that this leader should follow the laws of Torah faithfully. The Israelites are told that they should pursue justice in all of their dealings.

#### Week ending August 26, 2023 Parashat Ki Teitzei

Deuteronomy 21:10–25:19 Ki Teitzei contains the greatest number of mitzvot of any single Torah portion, 72 in all, dealing with diverse subjects. These laws cover a wide variety of situations including family, animals, property, interaction with non-Israelites, and commerce. The portion concludes with a warning to remember how the Amalekites attacked the weary Israelites in the desert.

### CALENDAR

#### JUNE

#### Jun 6 Kol Ami Staying Active Kick-Off Party 6:00PM

#### in the Gallery

Calling all members, aged 62+! Join us for the launch of Kol Ami Staying Active (KASA) and learn more about the wide-range of activities we are planning to enhance the quality of life, expand interests, reduce signs of aging, and promote a sense of wellbeing for older congregants. Pizza and beverages will be served. *To RSVP or to learn more, please email pmillian@yahoo.com* 

#### Jun 8

#### Brandeis Lecture Series Presents #Me Too: Jewish Women and Sexual Violence in Tsarist Russia 12:45PM

#### Chapel in the Woods

Brandeis Professor and Chair of Modern Jewish Studies, Chae Ra Freeze, will discuss the trailblazing Jewish women who made their voices heard in Russian secular courts and women around the world who are asserting themselves today. All Kol Ami members are welcome, free of charge.

#### Jun 9

#### Kabbalat Shabbat with Special Guest, Rabbi Rick Jacobs 6:15PM

Join us in welcoming URJ President, Rabbi Rick Jacobs, to Kol Ami in honor of Rabbi Shira and Rabbi Tom's retirements. Rabbi Rick Jacobs is the president of the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ), the congregational arm of the Reform movement in North America which represents an estimated 1.5 million Reform Jews in nearly 900 synagogues across the United States and Canada. We are honored to have him worshipping and speaking to our community. In addition, we will be celebrating our High School graduates who will soon be moving onto their college years, and also recognizing our long-time congregants with milestone membership anniversaries.

#### Jun 10 Tot Shabbat 9:00AM

Get ready to sing, dance and celebrate Shabbat! Join Rabbi Shira for a lively, interactive Shabbat service geared to our youngest members. Challah, juice and snacks will follow. Stay for Shabbat themed crafts, games and playtime led by our Young Family Ambassador, Joele Levenson, ECP Teva Art Specialist, Candice Moscoe-Polner and Religious School Teacher, Debra Zitrin.

#### Jun 10 Torah Study and Lift Service with Guest Speaker, Rabbi Noa Sattath 9:45AM

In conjunction with the New Israel Fund, we welcome Rabbi Noa Sattath, the Executive Director of Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI) for a timely discussion of Israel's democracy. The formation of the extreme right-wing government and its proposed judicial reforms raise deep concerns for Israel's democracy. It is important that we in the U.S. understand what is at stake and learn from Israelis who are pushing back against the unacceptable agenda of this

government. Rabbi Noa will speak to the ongoing struggle for democracy in Israel and the situation in the occupied Palestinian territories.

#### Jun 11 Coachman Spring BBQ 5:00-8:00PM

We welcome our friends from the Coachman Family Center for a traditional spring BBQ with hotdogs, hamburgers and all the fixings! Volunteers are needed to help greet, serve, lead crafts, sports and games. This is a wonderful opportunity for our families to engage in Tikkun Olam and to bring some much-needed joy to families residing at the Coachman. *To volunteer, click here* 

#### Jun 12 Fighting for Dear Life 7:00PM at Hitchcock

#### **Presbyterian Church**

Join Rabbi Shira Milgrom, Reverend Katherine Pater, Reverend Kelly Rogers and playwright, Shara Feit, for an intimate and bold evening around reproductive justice. Shara Feit will share a dramatic reading from her play, little lives, a pro choice play about shared humanity across ideological lines, queerness and religion, the casualities of the abortion wars and the true cost of fighting for true life. *To register, click here.* 

### CALENDAR

#### Jun 16 Contemplative Garden Dedication 5:30PM

Join us for a dedication of the newly completed Contemplative Garden next to the Chapel in the Woods. This is a beautiful new outdoor space for personal reflection or group activities including classes, services, and life cycle events. It features engravings of Rabbi Shira's Seven-Fold Path of Judaism. The garden is being dedicated in honor of Rabbi Shira's 37 years of compassionate guidance at Kol Ami.

#### Jun 16

#### Pride Shabbat with Special Guest Speaker, Gabriel Blau 6:15PM

Following the Contemplative Garden Dedication, please join us for an evening of song, prayer and special readings to honor and celebrate our LGBTQ+ community.

#### Jun 17

Juneteenth - Temple Offices and Building Closed

#### Jun 23

#### Kabbalat Shabbat in Honor of Co-President Hank Rouda 6:15pm

Join us for a spiritually uplifting service filled with music in honor of outgoing Co-President Hank Rouda. Help fill our sanctuary with appreciation and gratitude for his leadership and guidance over the past three years. An elaborate, festive oneg will follow.

#### Jun 30

#### Kabbalat Shabbat with Rabbi Shira Milgrom, Rabbi Tom Weiner and Rabbi Jason Fenster 6:15PM

Join us for a very special Shabbat as we rejoice with Rabbis Shira and Tom, and welcome Rabbi Jason Fenster to his new, spiritual home. We will come together as one community, in celebration, in tribute and in excitement as we move forward under new rabbinic leadership. It will be an incredibly memorable Shabbat filled with music, joy and love, and one that our retiring rabbis and our incoming, new Rabbi look forward to sharing with all of you.

#### JULY

#### Jul 1

#### Shabbat Morning Service and Torah Study with Rabbi Jason Fenster 9:30AM

#### Chapel in the Woods

Join Rabbi Fenster as he leads his first morning Shabbat service at Kol Ami. All are invited to stay for a luncheon following services to welcome and get further acquainted with our new Rabbi.

#### Jul 3-4

#### Temple Offices and Building Closed in honor of Independence Day

#### **Jul 12** Stars and Stripes Concert and Dinner

Join Cantor Danny and our talented Kol Ami musicians for a night of music under the stars. Get ready to enjoy an array of Americana music and a pizza dinner on the front lawn.

#### Jul 16 Kol Ami Goes to CitiField 1:40PM

Root, root, root for the home team as the NY Mets take on the LA Dodgers. Rabbi Fenster and his family will be leading the way, and Cantor Danny Mendelson will be belting out the National Anthem from home plate. An afternoon of community fun you don't want to miss. To learn more, please contact our Temple Office.

#### **Jul 22**

#### Havdalah and Ice Cream for Young Families 4:00PM

Chill with us! Join Rabbi Fenster and his young family for some outdoor summer fun. Pack up picnic blankets, lawn chairs and swimsuits for the little ones and join us for an afternoon of lawn games and water play, followed by Havdalah and ice cream.

#### AUGUST

#### Aug 10 WRT Summerstage Concert at Kol Ami 7:00PM

Kol Ami joins forces with Westchester Reform Temple for another outdoor, summer stage concert. We will enjoy the voices and talents of both communities as we settle in for another incredible evening of music under the stars.

#### Aug 27

#### Young Families BBQ with Rabbi Fenster 11:00AM

#### Ridge Road Park in Hartsdale

Come join us for this last bit of summer fun! We invite our young families with children from newborn through second grade to join us for an afternoon filled with musical entertainment, a magic show, outdoor sports, games and playtime and a summer BBQ feast. More details to follow.



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June 12 at 7:00pm

#### Location: Hitchcock Presbyterian Church

### 7 pm Dramatic reading from Shara Feit's play *little lives*

a pro-choice play about shared humanity across ideological lines, queerness and religion, the casualties of the abortion wars and the true cost of fighting for dear life.

#### 8 pm Conversation

**Emily Kadar** NYS Director of Women's Affairs

#### Rabbi Dennis Ross

Concerned Clergy for Choice Matters and the Hudson Peconic Planned Parenthood

### 9 pm Dessert Reception

#### **CLICK HERE TO RSVP**



Shara's play *little lives* was a 2019 finalist for National Playwrights Conference at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre Center and her play Ties received the 2017 Northwestern University Agnes Nixon Award. Shara was a 2020 BRIO Award Recipient from the Bronx Council on the Arts and attained a B.A. from Northwestern University.

THE EVENT IS BEING SPONSORED BY:







### LIFE CYCLES\*

#### CONGRATULATIONS

To Sara & Joshua Shulman on the birth of their daughter *Gemma Romi Shulman* 

To Ingrid Hauptman on the birth of her grandson, Aharon Hirsch Shannon

To Zoe Shannon on the birth of her nephew, Aharon Hirsch Shannon

To Elizabeth Cohn Stuntz & Mayo Stuntz on the engagement of their daughter, Katherine (Katy) Stuntz, to Tyler Johnson

To Marsha and Paul Geller on the marriage of their daughter, Sheree Geller, to Russel Brayton and on the engagement of their son, Douglas Geller, to Alexa Spieler

To Donna Joseph on the birth of her granddaughter, Aurora James Joseph

To Sara and Joshua Shulman on the birth of their daughter, Gemma Romi Shulman To June Helm and Kenneth Cohen on the birth of their grandson August Ori Koenbaum

#### CONDOLENCES

To Barbara Block on the passing of her son-in-law, Richard Aryeh Nanas

To Sandy Carol on the passing of her brother, Martin Root

To Fran Pantaleo on the passing of her mother, Isabella Pantaleo

To Gail Young and family on the passing of Gail's mother, Shirley Young

To Jodi Breitbart & family on the passing of Jodi's mother, Sondra Gesner

To Stewart Levy & family on the passing of Stewart's brother, Herbert Levy

To Alice Seidman & family on the passing of Alice's grandson, Joshua Seidman To Rebecca Burnstein Lam & family on the passing of Rebecca's father, Robert Burnstein

To Andrew Craig & family on the passing of Andrew's mother, Cathy Craig

To Steven Schwartz & family on the passing of Steven's mother, Cynthia Schwartz

To Scott Musoff & family on the passing of Scott's father, Wally Musoff

To Lorraine Loddo Seicol & family on the passing of Lorraine's father, Nicholas D. Loddo

To Michael Florin & family on the passing of Michael's mother, Annette Florin

To Tracey Schweber on the passing of her fatherin-law, Stephen Schweber

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

Roger Seti Lois Stogel



#### We want to hear from you...

Kol Ami is about the ways we can care for each other in community through major life events. We can all sing and dance, share the joy of bride and groom, or celebrate the birth of a child. When we sing the prayer for healing in the synagogue, we learn who needs a visit or some other source of support. We see the mourners rise for Kaddish and know whom we must comfort. Our passage through life gains much meaning through our connections with other people when we share our most significant transitions.

### RABBI TOM WEINER'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In memory of his mother, Dorothea Knecht from Steven and Kristi Knecht

In honor of the bar mitzvah of their son, Ben from Michael and Suzy Weksel

In memory of Robert Burnstein, beloved husband, loving father and adored Gramps from his wife, Susan Razenson

In appreciation and support of youth programs from Anne Stafman

In appreciation from Robin and Adam Cohen

In appreciation and to support programs from Janet and Joe Zuckerman

In honor their son, Stuart's bar mitzvah from Jaime and Hal Lieber

In memory of his mother, Annette Florin from Michael and Aimee Florin

In memory of her husband, and father of Lori Upbin Abrams, Sol Upbin from Jeanne Upbin

In honor of their daugher Remi's bat mitzvah from Lauren and Michael Kraver

In memory of her husband, Neil Tucker *from Mindy Tucker* 

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In honor of his brother, Jim Sinkoff, and his partner, Carolyn Murphy, celebrating her Bat Mitzvah from Martin Sinkoff

In appreciation from Richard and Sheila Feron

In memory of Elaine Cyrille Gluck from Paul Gluck and Sara Lenes

In honor of Jory Probber becoming a bar mitzvah from Rena and Alan Steinfeld

In honor of Susan Rudnick becoming a bat mitzvah from Rena and Alan Steinfeld

In honor of Carolyn Murphy becoming a bat mitzvah from Rena and Alan Steinfeld

In honor of Jory Probber from Joan Pachner and Richard Newman

In memory of Patty Haskel and in appreciation from Betsy Bach With gratitude and to support the Refugee Resettlement program from the Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class 2023 (Ruth Berkowitz, Charlene Bodner, Jodi Breitbart, Esther Colbran, Elaine Josephson, Adriane Klein, Marua Lehr, Stephanie Levine, Debbie Linder, Jim Marell, Carolyn Murphy, Jory Probber, and Susan Rudnick)

In appreciation from Paul and Emily Kandel.

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In memory of his mother, Selma Cohen from Ken Cohen and June Helme

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In memory of Wally Musoff, father of Scott Musoff from Aileen and David Landes

In honor of their daughter Remi's bat mitzvah from Lauren and Michael Kraver

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In loving memory of her teacher, Rabbi Ruth Denison *from Jane Hein* 

In appreciation for saying Kaddish for her husband John, and her mother Edna Lichtenstein from Jane Hein

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In honor of Ernestina Sanchez from Janet & Mark Hershey

In honor of Rabbi Shira, David & the wonderful Friday night service from Patricia Hart & Ira Huttner

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In loving memory of Roger Seti from Joyce & Marvin Jeshiva

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In honor and appreciation of Betsy McCormack for taking the time to teach the ECP parents Mahjongg from Sarah & Adam Akst In appreciation of Regina carrying the Torah during the Yom Hashoah Event at the Garden of Remembrance from Regina & Kenny Berthhold

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#### KOL AMI CARES FUND

In loving memory of Patty Haskel "A lovely, warm and darling member of our B'nai Mitzvah class of 2021" from Susan and Joseph, Rozin

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In loving memory of Rosalind Oltsik, mother of Myra Oltsik from Linda & Milt Persily

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In loving memory of Shirley Young, mother of Gail Young from Frances Pantaleo and Bob Freedman

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Mazal tov to Carolyn Murphy on becoming a Bat Mitzvah from Jim Sinkoff

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In loving memory of Dorothea Knecht from Robert & Elise Holtzman

In loving memory of Wally Musoff from Shelby & Andrew Lipton

In loving memory of Wally Musoff from Stephanie & Andrew Falk & family

In loving memory of Wally Musoff from Jennifer & Douglas Scherr

#### FLOWER AND LANDSCAPING FUND

In honor of Rabbi Shira Milgrom for the Contemplative Garden from Ginny & Brian Ruder

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In honor of Pat Grossman's birthday and retirement from Beth Kava and her "Mah Jonggers Group" In appreciation of Rabbi Milgrom's love and support from Gerald & Brian Seti and the Seti Family

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In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of my granddaughter, Remi Kraver from Harriet Kraver

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To Harriet Kraver in honor of Mother's Day from Lauren & Michael Kraver and the Kraver family

In honor of Charlene Bodner becoming a Bat Mitzvah from Lauren, Michael, Remi and Ellis Kraver

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