Passover is Coming!
With Passover arriving on a Saturday night (March 27), we are rearranging our First Friday schedule to accommodate the holiday.
We will have a Friday night service at 6:30 p.m. on March 26 at 6:30 p.m. You may want to purchase egg matzot, as we cannot eat bread after burning chametz Friday morning, and we can’t eat matza until Saturday night! We will celebrate the night before Pesach with some words of wisdom from the Drezeks.
We will celebrate the 7th day of Passover with all the trimmings on Saturday, April 3. Services will include Hallel and a brief Yizkor.

Chag Sameach! Happy Holiday!

Rabbi Marcy
We are happy to announce that Rabbi Marcy Greene will be with us on the following Saturdays:
- Mar. 20 Parshat Vayikra
- Apr. 24 Parshat Achare Mot/Kedoshi
There will also be an additional Shabbat visit to make up for the frigid week before Feb. 20, when the rabbi’s ceiling came tumbling down.

Zoom with Beth Am
If you would like to help lead any future services, contact Gary Kurzban at 210/826-4890 or Kurzban_ruiz@grandecom.net.

Thank You
To those who helped with Zoom Shabbat and Purim services in February: Karen Berkowitz, Marion Bernstein, Marianne Kestenbaum, Gary Kurzban, Nancy Oseasohn and Vivian Weinstein.
To our Megillah readers: Rona Aduna, Karen Berkowitz, Marion Bernstein, Ana Blancarte-Gravin, Andy Gravin, Marianne Kestenbaum, Lenny Kestenbaum, Gary Kurzban, Nancy Oseasohn and Mark Shiver.
To Stan and Wendy Drezek for their Purim lessons.
To Gary Kurzban and Mark Shiver, who moved the ark and other ritual items at the Unitarian Universalist Church in order to make room for immigrants awaiting resettlement.
To Henry Bernstein for his ongoing technical support with Zoom, as well as his Zoom committee: Andy Gravin, Gary Kurzban and Mark Shiver.

Refuah Shleimah: A Healing Ritual Marking a Year of Pandemic
Thursday, March 11, 12 p.m. EST
Join Ritualwell to mark the one-year anniversary of the pandemic with a ritual to hold our losses and create hope for healing. We will mourn those we have lost, pray for those who are sick, acknowledge the changes in our lives, express gratitude for the vaccine, and set intentions for better days to come.
As a prequel to the movement’s 2022 Convention and in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Judith Kaplan Eisenstein becoming a Bat Mitzvah, we are offering a once-a-month virtual class for those studying for their B-Mitzvah or recommitting to Reconstructionist learning.

Through a Reconstructionist Lens: An Adult B-/Re-Mitzvah Program will offer a once-a-month asynchronous class for those studying for their B- or Re-Mitzvah.

The goal of this class is to engage with adult learners in exploring evolving Reconstructionist thought and practice today. A secondary goal is to connect and weave together adult learners from different communities.

If your community is interested in using one or more of the learning modules for adult study, you may do so in the month they become available.

Find more information about the program at the Reconstructing Judaism web site.

Yahrzeits
18 Adar (March 2) Gladys Lazarus, mother of James Lazarus
20 Adar (March 4) Carol Salit, sister of Rona Aduna
20 Adar (March 4) Genesia Epstein Greenburg, mother of Jayne Greenburg
27 Adar (March 11) Diane Maltz, sister of Debra Maltz

8 Nisan (March 21) John Goss Skelton, congregate
11 Nisan (March 24) Col. Bernard Pusin, congregate
14 Nisan (March 27) Israel Garfinkel, grandfather of Marianne Kestenbaum
15 Nisan (March 28) Rabbi Jerome Kestenbaum, father of Lenny Kestenbaum
15 Nisan (March 28) Felicita Navarro Ruiz, grandmother of Teresa Ruiz
18 Nisan (March 31) Rhoda Gershenhorn, mother of Susan Gershenhorn

March Shabbat/Holiday Services
Services are conducted on Zoom. If you would like to be invited, please notify Marion Bernstein at hlb@texas.net.

March 6: Ki Tissa/Shabbat Parah Shaliach Tzibbur: Marion Bernstein; Torah: Karen Berkowitz; Haftarah: Lenny Kestenbaum; D’var Torah: Rhoda Rappaport
March 13: VaYakhel-Pekudei/Shabbat haChodesh Shaliach Tzibbur: Marion Bernstein; Torah: Jennifer Janes; Haftarah: Vivian Weinstein; D’var Torah: Marianne Kestenbaum.
March 20: VaYikra Shaliach Tzibbur: Marion Bernstein; Torah: Rabbi Marcy Greene; Haftarah: Karen Berkowitz; D’var Torah: Rabbi Marcy
March 26: Shabbat HaGadol/Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 pm. Pre-Passover learning: the Drezeks
April 3: Shabbat Pesach Shaliach Tzibbur and Hallel: Marion Bernstein; Torah: Karen Berkowitz; Haftarah: TBA; D’var Torah: Nancy Oseasohn

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