



Newsletter

March 2009 / Adar 5769

March Calendar

Date	Event
7	9:45 AM, Shabbat service (Lutheran Church)
9	7-10PM, Purim Celebration, with reading of the Megillah, Klezmer music, original songs and skits, and refreshments following the Ma'ariv service (Lutheran Church)
14	9:45 AM, Shabbat service (Lutheran Church)
15	3-4:30 PM, Mayyim Hayyim Tour [1838 Washington St (Rt 16), Newton]
21	9:30 AM, Breakfast study with Rabbi Audrey Marcus-Berkman & service (Lutheran Church)
27	6:30 PM, Friday night wervice, potluck, singing (at a member's home)
28	No Saturday service

Setup & Kiddush Schedule

Date	Setup/Cleanup	Kiddush
Mar 7	Kaplan & Vidockler	Jaffe
14	Carlen	Helft/Schwartz (breakfast TBD)
21	Lindy & E Morris	Yospin
21	Breakfast;	Rose/Rosen
28	No Service	(Friday night service)
Apr 4	Forman	Spencer/Perkins
11	Jaffe	Walitt/Nemser
18	H & M Morris	Bridger

Purim Celebration

Monday evening, March 9, 7 - 9:30 pm
Lutheran Church

Plan join us to celebrate the holiday. Following a Ma'ariv service, there will be a Megillah reading, dancing to the music of our Klezmer band, and a half hour of "open mike" entertainment featuring original songs, poems & short skits provided by talented volunteers (you) before a costumed audience (your haverim). Refreshments provided. We'll collect for Tzedakah. Feel free to invite guests, especially those who may be looking for a new home.

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Lauren and Bill Gabovitch to be Honored by Synagogue Council

The Synagogue Council of Massachusetts will be presenting the K'lal Yisrael award to Lauren and Bill at the SCM Annual Meeting, May 14th at Temple Shir Tikvah in Wayland. The award is presented to individuals who exemplify the spirit of K'lal Yisrael and the appreciation of religious diversity. Members of Shir Hadash can join in honoring Lauren and Bill and support the efforts of the Council by attending the Annual Meeting and by sponsoring a message in the Tribute Book.

You should have received a mailing recently from SCM with all the details. See www.synagoguecouncil.org/ or contact Ruth or Aaron Seidman for more information

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SAVE THE DATE

RETREAT JUNE 26-28

The 2009 annual retreat will be the weekend of June 26-28. As in previous years, it will be at the Craigville Conference Center on Cape Cod. Be sure to mark the dates in your calendar. Details will follow.

As usual, I welcome all ideas and offers of help.

Thanks,
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Results from Tzedakah Night

After a lively discussion led by Henry Morris on Maimonides' writings on Tzedakah, the members in attendance on Feb 20, 2009 agreed to make the following donations from our budgeted \$2,300 for Tzedakah. Websites for each group as available are listed to permit anyone to find out more information and consider making personal donations.

Recipient	Allocation	Web Site
Brandeis University Annual Fund	50	givingto.brandeis.edu
Carroll Center for the Blind	125	www.carroll.org/
Center for Jewish and Arab Economic Development	50	www.cjaed.org.il/
FINCA International	100	www.villagebanking.org
Full Life Gospel Center Food Pantry	350	www.bmc.org/pediatrics/services/
Grow Clinic	100	Specialty/Development/Grow%20Clinic/overview.html
Israel Free Loan Association	200	www.freeloan.org.il
Jewish Family Service of Metrowest Hillel (Israel)	100	www.jfsmw.org
Mathari Fund, Nairobi, Kenya	75	www.hillel.org.il
Mazon	175	www.mathari.org
Mali Project – Empowered Woman	175	www.mazon.org
Second Step	275	www.projectmuso.org
Yad Chesed	125	www.thesecondstep.org/
	400	www.yadchessed.org