



Congregation Beth Sholom
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Good afternoon CBS family,

Now that Pesach has come to an end, we at CBS are looking ahead to many spiritual, educational, and entertaining events in the coming weeks and months. We hope you will all join us for some or all of these special programs.

Thanks to Barry Brill for leading last Friday evening's lovely Shabbat Service and to Steve Schwartz who led us in prayer on Tuesday for a beautiful and meaningful Yizkor morning service. We thank all of you who attended.

Join us tonight at 6 pm on ZOOM for our weekly Parsha reading. The Parsha for this week is *Achare*.

This Friday evening, May 3rd at 7 pm (Hybrid), we are thrilled to welcome once again the incomparable duo, Cantor George and Carole Mason. They will lead a special Yom Hashoa Service in memory of the Six Million. We will also be honoring all our congregants celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in the month of May. Join us for the Remembrance Service and stay after for our First Friday Oneg.

On Shabbat morning, May 4 at 9:45 am (Hybrid), Steve Schwartz will lead us in morning prayers and a discussion in pursuit of these questions: Has one person satisfied his religious duties when they are performed by another person? Would we expect a Jew and a Christian to answer that question differently? Light Kiddush lunch following the service.

Join us this Sunday afternoon at 2pm for our "Plant and Prune" party. We will spend some time "tidying up" our Memorial Garden and grounds. Following this we will each plant a "patio pot" of flowers to take home just in time for Mother's Day. We have soil and plants. Please bring your favorite flower pot, gloves, and a trowel if you have one. Water bottles and packing peanuts are also useful for water drainage. Any "leftover" plants for your garden will gladly be accepted as well. If you have none of the above, just bring Yourself! Rain date TBD!

Don't Forget to light your Shoah Yellow Candles this Sunday evening, May 5th. Candles are still available at the Synagogue and donations are appreciated.

The CBS Board of Directions will have their monthly meeting on May 6th at 6:30 pm on ZOOM. All members may attend.

We will be holding a rehearsal this Tuesday evening at 5pm in preparation for our Friday night Rosh Chodesh Service, led by Janet Rennie on May 10 at 7 pm (Hybrid). Please join us or contact Janet if you wish to participate in the Service.

The CBS choir returns on Tuesday May 7th at 6 pm (Hybrid) for practice following the Women's Service rehearsal. We are practicing some new pieces for our next service on May 31. All are welcome to join the choir.

Today is *day 8* of the 49 days of the Omer (days of mourning). This is a period of reflection and special prayers. We remember our family and friends in Israel and the hostages still in captivity. We will continue to pray for all of those who are suffering due to this horrible conflict.

Prayers for Peace,

Shalom,

Gwen Stubbolo, President

****Please refer to this email for all ZOOM information****