Torah, Jewish History and Jewish Thought, the Arts, Contemporary Issues, Family Education, Book Reviews, Personal Reflection, Small Group and Large Group activities … something for everyone. It is all here at our Temple. Learning and celebrating, building lasting relationships, sharing ideas, participating in Judaism’s three thousand-year-old conversation, cultivating community … these are the many ways through which our tradition has thrived and survived.

Come and join the conversation! Come and share in the pleasure of each other’s company! Come and rejoice and learn and celebrate and feel the vitality of our Temple community. “Turn it and turn it, for everything is in it.” These immortal words from the *Pirke Avot* express the powerful idea that the act of discovery … and self-discovery … is open to all of us. Each of us is called, is challenged, to find his or her place within our tradition. And that tradition is rich with possibility … “everything is in it”… whether it be study or ritual or family or community or Israel or national convocations or congregational travel or the arts … or all of the above!

So come and join us! We look forward to another year of stimulating and fulfilling activities centered on the many facets of Jewish Learning.

Shalom,
Rabbi Jonathan Cohen, Rabbi Roger C. Klein,
Rabbi Stacy L. Schlein, Cantor Kathryn Wolfe Sebo
ADULT LEARNING AT THE TEMPLE

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SHABBAT MORNING TORAH STUDY
Led by Rabbi Klein
Shabbat mornings at 9:15 a.m. beginning Saturday, September 7
Parsha and Poetry

This year we return to a study of the Torah Portion of the week. There are 54 Torah portions in the Humash (The Torah, The Five Books of Moses, The Pentateuch), one for each week of the year. The Torah as a whole features a wide variety of genres: story, law, ritual, genealogy, poetry, instruction, lament and more. In addition, there are several master themes that weave their way through the Torah as a whole. Among them are: the formation and fortunes of covenant between human beings and G-d, the [incomplete; incompletable?] journey from vulnerability (the patriarchal and matriarchal period) and slavery (in Egypt) to security and freedom, the development of the ethical, ritual and historical foundations of community, the interplay between human assertion and divine command, the meaning and purpose of the historical process. The Torah’s stories are exciting, the laws and ethics challenging, and leading personalities and relationships complex and deeply human.

We will begin each session with the brief reading and discussion of a biblical psalm. This means that over the many months of weekly Torah study, we will cover almost a third of the Psalter’s 150 psalms. After a consideration of the psalm, we will take up the Torah portion for that week. Since the new cycle (starting with the Creation Story at the beginning of Genesis) does not commence this year until October 26, we will have plenty of time for an overview of the Bible: its formation; its structure, contents and high points; its many uses throughout our history, its “demand” for interpretation and for personal response from the reader.

Bagels and coffee are served! All are welcome ... open to long-time participants and newcomers alike!

HAVDALAH AND CONVERSATION
Led by Rabbi Cohen
One Saturday a month at 5:30 p.m.

Join Rabbi Jonathan Cohen and others for a wonderful conclusion to Shabbat featuring singing, conversation and community. This evening, geared to adults and open to all, will feature learning and discussion, hors d’oeuvres, and music. Enjoy this opportunity to socialize with other congregants for a beautiful communal experience.

September 7; October 26; November 16; December 28;
January 25; March 21; April 18; May 9
LIVING ROOM LEARNING
Discussion led by Rabbi Klein and Participants
Second Tuesday of the month from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

*God in the Qur’an* by Jack Miles

An opportunity for temple members to learn together in a small group which meets in homes once a month for eight or nine Tuesday evenings. This year we will read *God in the Qur’an* by Jack Miles. Miles is the author of the highly regarded *God: A Biography* (The God of the Hebrew Scriptures), *Christ: A Crisis in the Life of God* (The God of the New Testament) and now, the third of Miles’ considerations of God in the various scriptures, *God in the Qur’an*. Quoting from the book’s dust jacket: “Who is Allah? What does He ask of those who submit to His teachings? In the spirit of his two earlier books, *God*, a trailblazing ‘biography’ of the protagonist of the Old Testament, and *Christ*, a brilliant portrait of the biblical Jesus, Miles undertakes to answer these questions with his characteristic sensitivity, perspicacity, and prodigious command of the subject.”

*The group is limited in size and there are only a few openings. To put your name on our waiting list, call Rabbi Klein’s assistant, Cyndi Wilson, at 216.455.1695.*
**Our Judaism: Text, History, and Living Ritual**

**Led by Rabbi Cohen**

**Shabbat afternoons from 3:20 to 5:00 p.m. beginning September 7**

In this weekly adult learning series we will examine foundational Jewish notions of time, calendar, ritual, and Jewish values as they are anchored in biblical and rabbinic texts. We will also consider the implications of these notions to our religious identities and contemporary sensibilities. Our series will include a sequence of four units on specific calendrical topics. Our first and introductory topic will touch on the calendar in general, its calculation, observance, and sources; the second – on the unfolding of events and textual evidence that are associated with our Hanukkah celebration; the third – on our reading of parts of the Esther scroll, its interpretations, and the evolving meaning of Purim; and the fourth – on our understanding of the story of Ruth and its implications for our understandings of Jewish belonging and identity. Our study of each of these topics will include opportunities for both interfaith discussion and the exploration key Hebrew terms. A small set of secondary sources will be made available to participants to supplement each unit upon request. Throughout this year-long series (corresponding to the Learning Center schedule,) we will develop and discuss both the contribution and legacy of Reform Judaism to our religious identities as well as the legacy of our Temple and its leaders. All are welcome!

**Shabbaton**

**Led by Rabbi Schlein**

**Shabbat Afternoons from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. during the school year**

Shabbaton is an innovative alternative to our Sunday Learning Program that provides Jewish education for the entire family. It is an opportunity to spend quality Jewish time together, learn in a warm informal atmosphere and create memories that will last a lifetime.

This Saturday afternoon program meets from 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. and is geared to families with children, pre-kindergarten through sixth grade. Shabbaton includes a separate adult study session, grade level cohorts, family learning and whole-group worship and singing.

The major emphasis this coming year will be monthly Social Justice projects. Children younger than four years old have a separate play program on Saturday afternoon called ShabbaTots. Older siblings (grades 7-12) of children still enrolled in Shabbaton with their parent(s) serve as Madrichim (teaching assistants) in Shabbaton classrooms. Families will choose between Parent-Child Hebrew or grade level Hebrew classes that also meet once midweek based on enrollment.
ADULT B’NAI MITZVAH

Led by Cantor Kathy Sebo

Are you ready for one of the great thrills of Jewish life? Have you always wanted to become a Bar or Bat Mitzvah? The Temple will honor our next cohort of Adult B’na Mitzvah in a special Shabbat service on Friday, May 1, 2020. We hope you will join us on this meaningful journey.

To reserve your spot in the class, please contact Cyndi Wilson at cwilson@ttti.org or call 216.455.1695.

GANON GIL PARENT NIGHTS

Lori Kowit, Director of Early Childhood Education
The Early Learning Center, Ganon Gil

Join us for these programs geared toward parents/grandparents with young children (birth to 5 years old) for a combination of social programs and learning experiences.

Temple Game Night - Mahj and More
Wednesday, November 6 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Do you play with a Mahj group or have you ever wanted to learn how to play? How about Rummikub or Sequence? Grab your friends and join us here at The Temple for a night of fun and games. There will be a nosh, kibitzing and a variety of games to keep everyone engaged and having fun. This program is hosted by The Temple-Tifereth Israel Early Learning Center, Ganon Gil.

To RSVP, contact Mariah Ornstein at mornstein@ttti.org.

Children’s Book Bank & Dinner
Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00 p.m.
Watch for details in The Temple Times.

Israeli Cooking
Thursday, April 23 at 7:00 p.m.
Watch for details in The Temple Times.
LITERARY BOOK CLUB DISCUSSIONS

Andrea Davidson, Librarian

One Wednesday a month at 1:00 p.m.

A series of thought-provoking discussions, led by a variety of presenters, provides opportunities for social interaction and the pleasure of discussing important and timely books of Jewish interest.

October 16  The Flight Portfolio by Julie Orringer (led by Andrea Davidson)
November 13  “J” by Howard Jacobson (led by Dr. Toby Helfand)
December 18  Inheritance by Dani Shapiro (led by Ellen Harris)
January 15  The Bridal Chair by Gloria Goldreich (led by Candy Anker)
February 19  The Weight of Ink by Rachel Kadish (led by Claudia Woods)
March 19  To be announced (led by Jeremy Sosin)
April 15  The Limits of the World by Jennifer Acker (led by Rita Saslaw)
May 13  To be announced (led by Rabbi Klein)

The Temple provides beverages and dessert. Please call Andrea Davidson, Judaica Librarian, at 216.455.1724 for information.
TEMPLE ARTS PROGRAM (TAP)

Rob Ross, Temple Arts Director

“Those Who Sing Pray Twice”

Congregational Choir

“All You Need Is Love”... that is, a love for singing. Our Congregational Choir rehearses 2-3 times a month from September through May and regularly enhances our erev Shabbat worship experience throughout the year. The choir performs in our annual Winter and Spring concerts as well as FestAviv biennially. The Congregational Choir is open to adult members of The Temple and non-members. Join Cantor Kathy Sebo and a wonderful community of music lovers for a great time singing at The Temple.

Kol Isha - A Singing Ensemble for Women of The Temple

If you are looking for an opportunity to expand your vocal talents, Kol Isha (the voice of a woman) is for you. Entering its fifth season, Kol Isha promises to be a rewarding and enjoyable experience as we prepare 3-part arrangements for performances and for special erev Shabbat services. Under the direction of Cantor Kathy Sebo, Kol Isha is open to women who are members of The Temple.

Temple Adult Ensemble

For those who play an instrument and want to be part of a fun, talented group of musicians, we welcome you! Led by CIM professor and local impresario Marshall Griffith, the Adult Ensemble meets regularly to practice on Sunday mornings. The group performs at a variety of Temple and community events throughout the year.

TAP Photography Club

First Monday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Join master photographer Scott Gloger for a monthly exploration of spirituality, Judaism, and the lens. All levels of expertise and cameras are welcome, from the fanciest SLRs to the iPhone. We will discuss and show our work with a focus on both the technical and artistic aspects of photography and take regular “photo safaris” to local attractions.

SmART Sundays

SmART Sundays is a series of exciting and engaging courses that meet on various Sunday mornings.

Stay tuned for information about specific SmART Sunday courses!

To sign up for these TAP Programs, please contact Rob Ross, Temple Arts Director, at 216.455.1699, or email rross@tti.org.
HOW TO LIVE: INSIGHTS FROM PROPHETS, PHILOSOPHERS, POETS, PHYSICIANS AND COACHES

A 3-Part Series led by Rabbi Klein

Sundays, March 22, 29 & April 5 at 10:30 a.m.

From time-immemorial people have been pondering questions like: What makes life worth living? What should I strive for? What do I really need? What are my primary obligations? How do I judge between my individual needs and those of my family and community? What role does religion play in a life worth living? In these sessions we will explore important attempts to answer these questions.

- **Biblical Prophets:** Micah on “what the Lord requires of us;” Isaiah on “the true fast”
- **Philosophers:** Aristotle on virtue as happiness; Montaigne on a Life of Moderation
- **Doctors:** Abraham Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs; Atul Gawande’s *Being Mortal* and the worthwhile life
- **Coaches:** John Wooden’s Pyramid of Success; Fred Heinlen’s Persistence, Concentration & Anticipation
- **Poets:** William Carlos Williams, Homer, Judah Halevi, Matthew Arnold
TEMPLE WOMEN’S ASSOCIATION

Presidental Council:
Ilene Kammer, Ruth Mayers,
Marcy O’Connell, Suzanne Singerman
Cantor Kathy Sebo, Advisor

Thursday, September 19 at 11:30 AM - Opening Luncheon
Featuring guest speaker, Adam Miller, Director of Content, WKYC

Tuesday, November 12* - Membership Event
Tuesday, December 17 - Staff Appreciation Breakfast
Tuesday, February 11* - Winter Program
Tuesday, March 3 - Rita Lurie Purim Luncheon
Tuesday, April 18* - Women’s Retreat
Thursday, May 14* - Closing Dinner
* Evening Program

TWA hosts a wine and cheese Pre-Oneg before Shabbat services throughout the year and supports many Temple projects, affiliate groups, and programs.

BROTHERTHOOD

Chuck Miller, Chair
Rabbi Roger Klein, Advisor

The Brotherhood sponsors a wide array of activities throughout the year. Our goals are: to serve The Temple, to advance The Temple’s mission to be “a warm, welcoming synagogue family where each individual matters,” and to enrich the connections among the men of The Temple. Here is a partial list of the activities that The Temple Brotherhood sponsors:

September 8 - Pancake Breakfast for the first day of Sunday Learning
Saturday, October 12 at 2:30 p.m. - Sukkah building
Fall - The Temple Tailgate Party for a Browns game
December - Volunteering at the Food Bank
February - Brotherhood Schvitz Night
March - Volunteering at the Purim Carnival
May - Sponsoring the Friday Night Pasta Dinner
Summer - Baseball outing to the Lake County Captains Game

Watch your Temple Times and E-Times for dates and more information!
TEMPLE FAMILY CONNECTIONS
Leslie Kittredge and Amy Karfeld, Co-Chairs
Jamie Collins and Rabbi Stacy Schlein

TFC is a warm, welcoming community for all members of The Temple who have children in preschool through 8th grade. TFC welcomes and invites all Temple families to attend and participate!

**Sunday, October 13 - Pizza in the Hut**
Pizza lunch, Sukkah decorating, and blessings in the Sukkah at noon.

**Friday, December 13 - Hanukkah Celebration**
Hanukkah crafts and festive dinner followed by Rock My Soul Shabbat Service. Oneg to follow.

**Friday, February 7 - Tu B’Shevat Seder**
Craft projects followed by Seder and dinner.

**Sunday, March 8 - Purim Carnival**
Join us for a Megillah reading at 10:00 a.m. followed by the Purim Carnival’s games and fun at 11:00 a.m.

THE CHAI LIFERS
Barbara Kuby and Eti Ganin, Chairs
Rabbi Roger Klein, Advisor

A community of vibrant and energetic adults who participate in a variety of culture, learning and Tikkun Olam activities.

**A Matter of Balance - September 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24 and 26**
*This program is currently full. To put your name on our waiting list, call Rabbi Klein's assistant, Cyndi Wilson, at 216.455.1695.*

**Julius Caesar at The Great Lakes Theatre and Dinner - Sunday, October 20**
Co-sponsored with The Temple’s Shakespeare Reading Group

**Leonard Bernstein Exhibition at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage - Thursday, November 7**
Lunch and a program with Cantor Sebo, Marshall Griffith and Virginia Crabtree

**Cleveland Museum of Art - Michaelangelo Exhibition - Tuesday, December 10**

**Interfaith Marriage Dialogue Panel and Lunch - Sundays, January 12 & 26**

**Health, Fitness, Meditation and Lunch - Date to be announced**

**Cleveland Museum of Art - African Artists Exhibition - Tuesday, March 3**

**Jewish Identity and Learning Led by Rabbis Cohen & Klein - April 2020**

**Wooster Light Opera & The Shaw Festival in Niagara, Ontario - July 2020**
The Temple Museum of Jewish Art, Religion and Culture
Sue Braham Koletsky, Museum Director


In 1950, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver founded The Temple Museum of Religious Art, now renamed The Temple Museum of Jewish Art, Religion and Culture, to commemorate the centennial anniversary of The Temple. The Temple Museum is a collecting museum and appreciates donations of Jewish art to continue growing and expanding its collection. The Museum Committee actively participates in all museum planning, programs and events.

A wonderful benefit of being a Temple member is access to The Temple-Tifereth Israel Gallery at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage. Please identify yourself as a Temple member and enjoy the Gallery for free!

Exhibits on display this Fall at The Temple:

**Men of Steel and Women of Valor: Comic Book Papercuts by Isaac Brynjegard-Bialik**

*The Hartzmark Center*

Artists-in-Residence, Rabbi Shawna and Isaac Brynjegard-Bialik will join us at The Temple from Friday, October 11- Sunday, October 13. Visiting from Los Angeles, this husband and wife “dynamic duo” spend a lot of their time talking about Judaism, comic books, and art. Isaac cuts up comic books and reassembles them into paper cuts that explore the stories of the Jewish people, connecting popular culture with sacred texts. Rabbi Shawna adapts traditional Jewish concepts to a modern Reform context, bringing deep Jewish scholarship together with a contemporary reinterpretation.

During their residency, there will be many learning opportunities for adults. See *The Temple Times* for details.

**Join us for a special Artists-in-Residence Workshop led by Rabbi Shawna and Isaac Brynjegard-Bialik**

**Friday, October 11 from Noon to 3:00 PM**

Create your own beautiful papercut artwork in a 3-hour workshop. Cost - $36 includes all supplies and refreshments. Space is limited.

*Reserve your space and make payment online at bit.ly/tttiartworkshops*
We Remember: A Selection from The Holocaust Wall Hangings by Judith Weinshall Liberman
Upper Hartzmark Center
This exhibition of six wall hangings from The Temple Museum collection focuses on the destruction of Jewish life in Europe during the Holocaust.

The Shape of Color by Bonnie Dolin
Chapel Corridor
Temple member Bonnie Dolin is a recognized Cleveland area artist who has been painting her entire life. Her most recent works have been abstract and are concerned with shifting light and color.

ART TALKS
Selected Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

ART TALKS are informal gatherings held at The Temple (unless otherwise noted) where we talk to artists about their work, learn about art in our Temple and Temple Museum collection, and share Jewish art.

Monday, September 16 - Sculptor and artist Norbert Koehn will talk about designing The Temple Sanctuary Ark, The Chapel Ark, and the new portable Ark.

Wednesday, September 18 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. - Join us for a behind-the-scenes tour of Norbert Koehn’s artist studio at 1936 South Green Road, South Euclid.

Monday, October 7 - Artist and temple member, Bonnie Dolin, will discuss her current exhibit, The Shape of Color, on display in the Chapel Corridor.

Monday, November 4 - Sue Koletsky, Museum Director, will discuss the Judith Weinshall Liberman exhibit We Remember in the Upper Hartzmark Center.

Monday, November 18 - Tour of the Maltz Performing Arts Center at Case Western Reserve University. We will see and discuss the beautiful building’s transformation.

Monday, December 16 - Sue Koletsky will share dreidels from The Temple Museum collection. Bring your own dreidels to share!

Temple Artists Group
Gather with other artists for a group experience that involves Jewish learning with the intention of sparking your own creativity. Contact Sue Koletsky at skoletsky@ttti.org for more information on being part of this group.
**Family Trip to Israel with Rabbi Cohen**

Spring/Summer 2020

Watch for information on this exciting opportunity to travel to Israel with Rabbi Cohen.

**Two Holiday Study Sessions**

Led by Rabbi Klein

Join other Temple members for two special holiday study sessions.

**Yom Kippur - Wednesday, October 9 at Noon**

Rabbi Klein will lead the annual Yom Kippur noontime study session at University Circle.

**Erev Shavuot - Thursday, May 28 at 7:30 p.m.**

Rabbi Klein will lead the annual Erev Shavuot study session on a topic related to the holiday at The Temple.
FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES AT THE TEMPLE, CONTACT RABBI KLEIN’S OFFICE AT 216.831.3233