



Shabbat Evening Programs

This year (2019) we commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Isaac Mayer Wise (*left*), the founder of American Reform Judaism. So much of the Judaism that we

know and love is exactly what Rabbi Wise imagined and, simultaneously completely new and exciting. Join us for these two special Shabbat evenings where we will have opportunity to learn from dynamic rabbinic leaders.

Friday, October 26

6:00pm - Shabbat Service

7:00pm - Shabbat Dinner

RSVP required at www.bethhillel.info.

8:00pm - Program: #whatrabbisdo

Rabbis serve the community in a variety of capacities. Come and hear from some of the amazing rabbinic leadership in the city of Los Angeles including:

Rabbi Karen Bender, Los Angeles Jewish Home

Rabbi Karen Fox, LMFT, Rabbi Emerita Wilshire Boulevard Temple

Friday, January 25

6:00pm - Shabbat Service

7:00pm - Shabbat Dinner

RSVP required at www.bethhillel.info.

8:00pm - Program: All in the Family

A special panel of rabbis from across the generations reflect on the past, present, and future of the American Reform Judaism of which Isaac Mayer Wise dreamed. Speakers include:

Rabbi Denise L. Eger, Congregation Kol Ami

Rabbi Stephen Einstein, Emeritus at Congregation B'nai Tzedek

Rabbi Sarah Hronsky, TBH

Rabbi Eleanor Steinman, TBH

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Dear Learner,

In Jewish tradition, there is a blessing for everything. When one sets out on a trip or journey they are to recite:

May it be Your will, our God and God of our ancestors, that You lead us in peace and help us reach our destination safely, joyfully, and peacefully. May You protect us on our leaving and on our return, and rescue us from any harm, and may You bless the work of our hands, and may our deeds merit honor for You. Praise to You, Adonai, Protector of Israel. (CCAR Daily Blessings App).

This blessing alludes to the unique challenges and opportunities that can present themselves on a trip. It also may serve as a reminder to the traveler that journeys are exciting. There are so many things that we can learn and do.

In truth, our lives are journeys of a different sort. From cradle to grave we are blessed with opportunities to explore, learn, grow, and develop. While this is often most evident with children, adults are changing all the time.

It is our hope that this year you, an adult member of our community, will take advantage of the variety of learning opportunities at Temple Beth Hillel. You can study Torah, learn new ways to strike a balance, explore our character through the study of Mussar, read new books and discuss them, and so much more. I invite you to join us on this journey.

May we all have *masa'im tovim*, good journeys.

L'shalom,
Rabbi Eleanor Steinman



Torah Tuesdays

Tuesdays from 12:30–1:30pm

Free of charge. Torah study is the foundation of Jewish life and learning. Come study Torah in a relaxed environment. No prior knowledge is required, only a desire to learn. You are welcome to bring your lunch.

Starting October 2, 2018

TBH Book Club

Wednesday evenings from 7:00–8:30pm

Free of charge. Please join us as we begin another year of exploring Jewish books! The TBH Book Club is open to all members of the congregation. All you need is the love of a good book and the desire to talk about it with others! The Book Club will meet once a month and our discussions will be led by our clergy as well as by your fellow congregants. Please see the schedule and book choices below. We strongly encourage both men and women of all ages to participate. Mark your calendars now and start reading!

October 17 – Rabbi Steinman, *Letters to My Palestinian Neighbor* by Yossi Klein Halevi

November 14 – Jan Goldsmith, *The Last of the Just* by Andre Schwarz-Bart

December 19 – Jean Pearlstein, *My Name is Asher Lev* by Chaim Potok

January 16 – Rabbi Hronsky, *Black Power, Jewish Politics: Reinventing the Alliance in the 1960s* by Marc Dollinger

February 20 – Sharon Adato, *Waking Lions* by Ayelet Gundar-Goshen

April 17 – Sheila Milov, *The Bridal Chair: A Novel* by Gloria Goldreich

May 15 – Rabbi Kaufman, *If All the Seas were Ink* by Ilana Kursh (This won the Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature for 2018)

June 19 – Cindy Finder, *All the Rivers: A Novel* by Dorit Babinyan

מסעים טובים *Masa'im tovim: Good journeys!*

Sunday mornings from 10:30–11:15am

Life is a journey, and through Mussar we can work towards making it a good journey! Mussar is a Jewish practice that helps us explore our character, and how we can continue its development. Through the process of exploration, we will touch into our core traits and help define our personal pathways towards spiritual growth and transformations. Life is a journey, and there is time for growth along our way!

\$50 members/\$100 non-members.
Please RSVP with payment to nrivkin@tbhla.org.

January 6
January 13
January 27

February 24
March 10
March 17

Modern Living, Maintaining Balance

Tuesday evenings from 7:30–9:30pm

Searching for ways to find balance in our lives is a recurring theme in modern living. Throughout this course texts will be studied related to the various elements of our lives that are constantly hanging in the balance. Taught by Rabbi Jonathan Jaffe Bernhard of Adat Ari El and Rabbi Eleanor Steinman.

Locations provided with registration; 2 at TBH,
2 at ADAT. Please RSVP to nrivkin@tbhla.org.

February 5
February 12
February 19
February 26

Adult B'nai Mitzvah

This is the second-year of a two year program. The B'nai Mitzvah ceremony will be held on May 24, 2019. Please contact nrivkin@tbhla.org for dates. Time is 9:00-10:30am. Cost is \$150. (Includes all materials. TBH membership required).