



Temple B'nai Israel

A Note From Our Spiritual Leader

Each and every Passover we are taught to see ourselves as being liberated from slavery in Egypt. *Miztrayim* (Egypt), from the Hebrew root צר meaning "narrow," is not about a specific place, but rather a narrow state of mind or set of circumstances that obstructs our ability to live healthy and satisfying lives.

The rabbis invite us to draw inspiration from the Passover story and dream a journey of freedom that applies to our own lives and the societies in which we live. Redemption is not a one-time occurrence that happened to our ancestors thousands of years ago; it is an ongoing experience that requires our utmost attention.

We are invited to ask ourselves many questions. What are the narrow places of our time? What are the vulnerable spots? Who are the Pharaohs? Who are the oppressors? Who are the victims? Who are the marginalized? What must be done to free ourselves and our neighbors from such negative circumstances?

In answering these questions, Rabbi Arthur Waskow wants us to consider a "truthful" economics as a path to liberation, with an ecological world-view that is nurturing for all, and committed to "an inclusive democratic economy and an ecologically attuned planet, instead of obedience to top-down corporations." He urges us to contemplate the kind of changes we would have to make in order to carve out a new transformational future for the planet.

Reciting Psalm 118:5 can help us reflect upon and awaken to the voice of wisdom and possibility in our movement toward freedom and positive transformation.

מְרַחֵם צָר קָרָאתִי יְהוָה עֲנֵנִי בְמִרְחֵב יְהוָה

Min hameitzar karati Yah anani vamerchav Yah.

*From the narrow place I called out to God
who answered me with broad-minded possibility.*

(Psalms 118:5)*

Chag Pesach Sameach,
Hazzan Gabrielle

* Enjoy a beautiful musical setting of Psalm 118:5 by Devorah Sacks Mintz,
<https://youtu.be/EMe4-ggSkdY>

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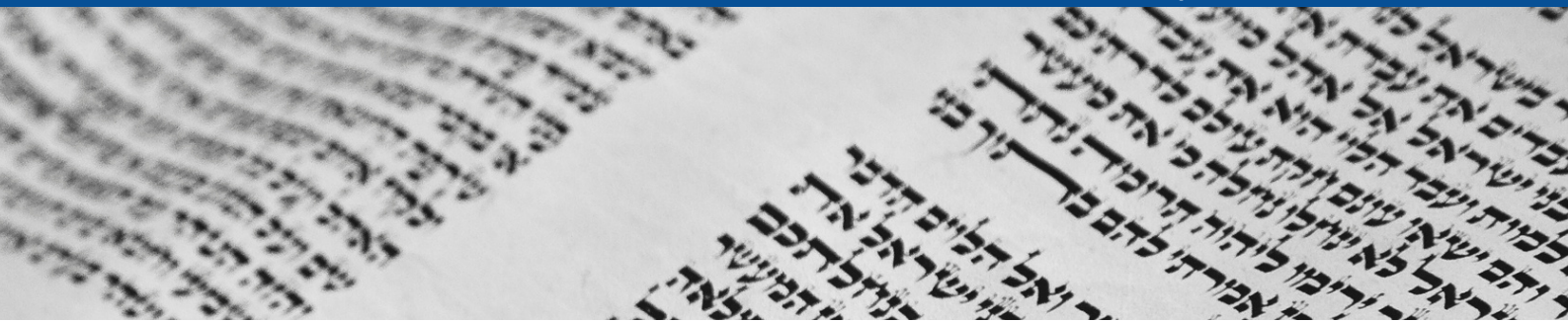
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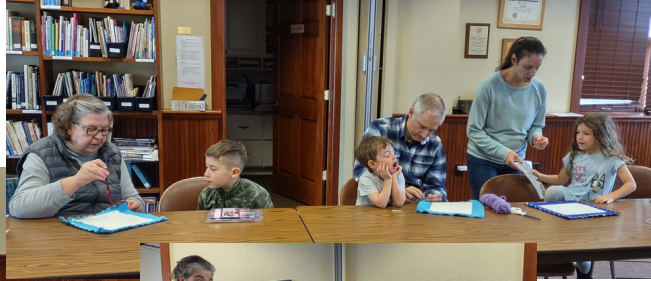
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Passover Seder

TBI's Community Passover Seder will be on **Saturday, April 8th at 5pm**. If you planning to join us, please let us know how many will be attending by sending an email to tbipetoskey@gmail.com. A potluck Signup Genius will be sent via our regular email blast.

EVENTS

- **April 5th - 5pm** - Community Passover Seder
- **April 10th - 7pm** - TBI Board Meeting (Zoom)
- **April 14th - 7pm** - Kabbalat Shabbat
- **April 15th - 10am** - Torah Study w/ Hazzan Gabrielle
- **April 16th - 10am** - Sunday School
- **April 21st - 7pm** - Kabbalat Shabbat
- **April 22nd - 10am** - Torah Study w/ Debbie Massarano
7pm - Havdalah Service
- **April 23rd - 10am** - Sunday School
- **April 29th - 7pm** - Havdalah Service w/ Nate DeGroot
- **April 30th - 10am** - Torah Study w/ Nate DeGroot

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All Temple events are open to the public, including Sunday School sponsored programs!

For questions about programs, please contact:

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April 2023

Nissan/Ayar 5783

Su M Tu W Th F Sa

						1 Parsha: Tzav
2	3	4	5 Passover	6 Passover	7 Candle: 7:57pm Passover	8 5pm Community Seder Passover
9 Passover	10 7pm TBI Board Meeting Passover	11 Passover	12 Passover	13	14 7pm Kabbalat Shabbat Candle: 8:06pm	15 10am Study w/ Gabrielle Parsha: Shemini
16 10am Sunday School	17	18	19	20	21 7pm Kabbalat Shabbat Candle: 8:15pm	22 Rosh Chodesh 10am Study w/ Debbie M. 7pm Havdalah Parsha: Tazria- Metzora
23 10am Sunday School 30 10am Study w/ Nate DeGroot	24	25	26	27	28 Candle: 8:24pm	29 Parsha: Acharei- Kedoshim 7pm Havdalah w/ Nate DeGroot