



# CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

## Shabbat Evening Service

Rabbi David A. Lyon  
Rabbi Adrienne P. Scott  
Cantor Kenneth J. Feibush

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VAYEISHEV

GENESIS 37:1-40:23

Sara & Ehud Zweig

Family of Ethan Israel

Aaron Bensoussan

Rachelle Nelson

Salomon Sulzer

Chant

Sol Zim

Dan Nichols

Chant

Jeff Klepper, Dan Freeland

Benjie Ellen Schiller

Debbie Friedman

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Rabbi David Lyon

Mark Mittenenthal, Lori Israel, Larry Israel,

Lauren Israel, Eric Israel, Ethan Israel

Chant

Ethan Israel

Ed Wolff

Julie Silver

Rabbi David Lyon

### Musicians:

Mark Vogel, Music Director, Piano  
David Craig, Bass · Sasha Loukachine, Drums

Senior Rabbi, David A. Lyon, D.D.  
Senior Associate Rabbi, Adrienne P. Scott  
Assistant Rabbi, Samuel I. Rheins  
Cantor Kenneth J. Feibush

Casey Cole, Executive Director  
Dr. Michelle Barton, Head of The Shlenker School  
Dr. Tom Cole, Director of the Center for Spiritual Direction  
Marsha Gilbert, Director of Special Events & Catering  
Michael Kirstein, Cemetery Director  
Mike Mason, Director of Campus Operations & Young Jewish Life  
Hannah Schiff, Director of Marketing & Communications  
David M. Scott, RJE, Director of Lifelong Learning & Engagement

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and its traditions through worship, community, and lifelong learning.*

*The Bimah flowers are given in honor of  
the Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Israel  
from Lauren & Eric Israel.*

### Bimah Guests

Ed Wolff · Vice President

Sabria Lewis · Trustee

Lauren Israel, Eric Israel, Ethan Israel

### Saturday, December 13

8:30 AM · Shabbat Morning Minyan

9:45 AM · Torah Study with Cantor Kenneth Feibush

11:00 AM · Saturday Morning Service

Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Israel

### Shabbat Evening Chanukah Service

Friday, December 19 · 6:30 PM

We invite you to celebrate Chanukah at our annual Festival of Lights celebration! Bring your menorahs to light with us, enjoy special prayers and music led by our full clergy team, and indulge in delicious latkes, jelly donuts, and more. We'll illuminate Wolff-Toomim Hall with the lighting of the Maltz Menorah and rejoice in the spirit of Chanukah, together. Learn more and register by scanning the QR code on the reverse side or at [beth-israel.shulcloud.com/calendar](http://beth-israel.shulcloud.com/calendar).

### Lunch & Learn with David Scott, RJE

Thursday, December 18 · 12:00 PM

Our Adult Education Committee's final Lunch & Learn of this series, led by David Scott, RJE, will inspire a timely conversation around Chanukah and the New Year. Chanukah means "dedication," and during this session, we'll explore what it means to dedicate ourselves to the world around us. Where do we find God's voice calling to us, and how did our biblical ancestors, including the Maccabees, hear God's voice calling to them? Learn more and register by scanning the QR code on the reverse side or at [beth-israel.shulcloud.com/calendar](http://beth-israel.shulcloud.com/calendar).

## DEATH

Shirley Gurwitch

## IN MEMORIAM

Marvin Aronowitz	Sarah Kolodkin	Harvey Rosen
Allen Becker	Justin Komiss	Beatrice Rothenberg
Joel Berman	Leyla Kornhaber	Evelyn Rubenstein
Edwin "Ed" Bersin	Walter Lazarus	Laura Schick
Ruth Caesar	Milton Lesser	Ralph Schnitzer, Sr.
Harold Coleman, Sr.	Morton Levin	Claire Schwab
Annette Davis	Rachel Levin	Ella Schwartz
Ann Finnerman	William Levine	Arthur Schwarz, Sr.
Malka Fleischer	Rose Lichtenstein	Mandel Selber, Sr.
Charles Ford	Leon Lieber	Sterling Simon
Fanny Gertzenstein	Joseph Liebling	Stephen Smith
Howard Gillary	Sylvia Markowitz	Wayne Smith
Minnie Ginsburg	Miriam Mazow	Abbey Taylor
Lillyan Gold	Mary Miller	Erwin Thal
Anne Goldberg	Rose Miller	Allen Thompson
Khana Goldsheyder	Malka Mirkina	Rona Tritsch
Civia Govshteyn	Josephine Nafegar	Dora Wadler
Hyman Haimes	Sylvia Paccione	Marilyn Weil
Marvin Hertz	Nancy Pines	Abraham Werch
Regina Hochman	Robert Racusin	Ferne Winograd
Dennis M. Horn	Joan Reisman	Leona Wolff
Bernard Kay	Susan Roberts	Herbert Zwelling
Leon Kluger	Ann Rolnick	

### H-Town Jews Chanukah Hangout

Sunday, December 21 · 6:00 PM

All Jewish 20s and 30s are invited to celebrate the last night of Chanukah with DIY donuts (decorate and fill to your liking), crispy latkes and refreshments, time to socialize, and lighting the menorah. Location details will be shared upon registration. This event is generously underwritten by the Joan and Stanford Alexander Family. Learn more and register by scanning the QR code below or at [beth-israel.shulcloud.com/calendar](https://beth-israel.shulcloud.com/calendar).

### Rabbi Michael Marmur, Scholar-in-Residence

Friday, January 9 & Saturday, January 10

A distinguished professor at the Jerusalem Taube campus of HUC-JIR, Rabbi Michael Marmur, PhD, will teach us about the development of modern Jewish thought and how key Jewish philosophers have shaped the way we understand faith, ethics, and contemporary Jewish life. Learn more and register by scanning the QR code below or at [beth-israel.shulcloud.com/calendar](https://beth-israel.shulcloud.com/calendar).

### Temple Holiday Hours

Please note that Congregation Beth Israel will be closed on Wednesday, December 24, Thursday, December 25, and Thursday, January 1. If you have any questions regarding these closures, please contact us ahead of time at 713-771-6221 or [info@beth-israel.org](mailto:info@beth-israel.org).

SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO LEARN MORE &  
REGISTER FOR ALL  
UPCOMING EVENTS



### RABBI DAVID A. LYON ON THE RADIO

Rabbi Lyon can be heard on Sunday mornings at 6:45 AM on KODA, Sunny 99.1 FM radio. Each segment will then be available as a podcast called "Heart to Heart with Rabbi David Lyon." Go to [beth-israel.org/radiorabbi](https://beth-israel.org/radiorabbi), [sunny99.com](https://sunny99.com) ("Blogs & Podcasts"), or download the iHeartRadio app.

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