



## Congregation Beth Sholom Weekly Newsletter

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Good afternoon CBS family,

Happy Passover! We hope that you had a lovely and meaningful Sedar and enjoyed spending time with friends and family in celebration of Pesach. Pesach continues throughout the week and will conclude on Tuesday evening at sundown.

Newton's Parsha reading group WILL be held this evening, Wednesday 5/24 at 6 pm, Zoom only. We will be reading a special Parsha for Passover. Please join us.

This Friday, our Shabbat service will be led by Steve Schwartz at 7 pm. We hope you can attend this special *Chol Hamoed* service.

Steve will also hold services on Tuesday morning, April 30, at 9:30 am, as we conclude this year's Pesach week. *Yiskor*, (prayer for departed loved ones) will be included in the service. Please attend this special service in honor of our loved ones who have passed this life. Join us in person or on the Temple's Zoom.

Our CBS choir is currently working on some beautiful pieces for our next service in May. The choir will be on Hiatus through the Pesach week and will return for practice on Tuesday, May 7 at 6 pm. Please join us. It is a great opportunity to sing, learn, have fun, and make friends.

We continue to count the 49 days of the Omer (days of mourning) which we began at the beginning of Passover. This is a period of reflection and special prayers. While we celebrate Passover, we remember our family in Israel and the hostages still in captivity. We will continue to pray for our soldiers, victims, and all of those who are suffering due to this horrible conflict.

In a time when we may feel powerless to make a big difference, consider making a small one. Attached you will find information about planting a tree in Israel. Planting a tree is an act of faith and hope for the future.

Save the date! Join us on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm for an afternoon of mulching and gardening. We will be spending a few hours beautifying our Temple grounds. No experience or equipment needed. Any help is appreciated. If you would like to help but cannot participate, you may drop off bags of brown mulch or consider a donation for gardening supplies.

We continue to wish everyone in our CBS family and extended family "*A zissen und frailich Pesach*" (A sweet and joyous Passover). Continue to stay well and enjoy the balance of this Holiday and the "new life" of Spring. Have a great week and I look forward to seeing all of you soon at our events.

*Prayers for Peace,*

***Shalom,***

Gwen Stubbolo, President

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