

CONGREGATION CHILDREN OF SRAEL Est. 1845

Augusta's First Jewish Congregation

November — December 2014

Cheshvan - Kislev — Tevet 5775

TRI-FAITH SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

Monday, November 17, 7:30 PM to be held this year at the Episcopal Church of Our Savior 4227 Columbia Road, Martinez, GA 30909

Leading this service will be:

Rabbi Robert Klensin, Representing the Jewish Faith

Imam Jamal Daoudi

of the Islamic Society of Augusta, Representing the Islamic Faith

Father John West

of the Church of Our Savior, Episcopal Representing the Christian Faith

This Service of Thanksgiving will include readings from the Holy Writings of each faith represented, along with prayers and music.

Members of the three congregations and the general public are invited to attend.

Please bring a non-perishable food item for Golden Harvest Food Bank

Refreshments will follow the service.



Congregation Children of Israel Chanukah Dinner

Friday evening, December 19, at 6:00 PM

Members: \$5 per adult and children 6 and up

Nonmembers: \$10

No charge for children under 6

Reservations are required by December 12

Contact the Temple Office to make your reservations office@cciaugusta.org 706-736-3140





HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE

Thank you to all who brought food for this year's food drive for Golden Harvest during the High Holy Days.

Golden Harvest gratefully acknowledged our contribution.

Remember, we collect non perishable food year round for Golden Harvest.. Just drop off your contribution in the entryway of the Temple.

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We are about to celebrate our

170 Year History!!

Let's make it memorable – Your Volunteering will make a difference.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's hard to believe that it has been over a month since Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur! It was inspiring to see so many people attending services. So many congregants welcoming in the New Year and looking inward to make ourselves better than we were the previous year. What a wonderful gift from God - that even when we have sinned, hurt someone we love, or even God - we have an opportunity, not only to "turn ourselves around", but to surpass who we were and become better people. I can honestly say that I was moved and had tears in my eyes throughout the services.

I enjoy this time of year because the holidays continue. Sukkot and Simchat Torah were both beautiful services and fun to spend with the children of the congregation. I have to give a special thanks to Brotherhood, and Rabbi & Francine Klensin for helping to make these events run so smoothly. But honestly, it took many more people than just these to make these events happen.

Now, imagine, if it took a large handful of people to pull together Sukkot and Simchat Torah, the number of people it takes to put together an event like our annual Casino Night. Well, Casino Night is fast approaching - April 18, 2015 will be here quicker than you realize. Every congregant has a talent that can help make this event the success that we know it can be!

Step up and help us plan, coordinate, decorate or add your own uniqueness to this event. Contact me or the CCI office for more information.

Finally, I want to thank everyone for your support during this stressful time. I am touched by the concern and prayers that everyone has sent my way. Each one is accepted with humility and gratitude. As Louis Untermeyer wrote, *The Nature of Friendship:*

The quality of friendship, unlike that of mercy, is continually being strained. But it is the essence of friendship that it can stand the strain. Friendship is like love at its best: not blind but sympathetically all-seeing; a support which does not wait for understanding; an act of faith which does not need, but always has, reason.

It is through my friends and my faith that I know that everything will be OK, that I am not alone either in my suffering or in my struggle, and that, if I face every day with faith and friends, anything can be accomplished.

Thank you to everyone, Rachel Ray
President

RABBINIC REFLECTIONS



It is interesting to look back on memorable events in our Jewish lives, events that have influenced our Jewish commitment and involvement ever since. As I think back, so many different experiences come to mind, those from my childhood to those I am having now with our own grandchildren. One that I have been reminded of recently is the time I spent in Jewish summer camp. I was a camper, CIT, and then a junior counselor at the Reform movement's camp in Northern California. My camp experience led to my going to Israel for a year after high school on a Jewish youth leadership program representing NFTY, then deciding to become a Reform rabbi, but to first stay in Israel for another year to study in a yeshiva to learn about traditional Judaism. I felt that as a Reform rabbi I should know what I was reforming. The Union for Reform Judaism's (URJ) camp serving our area is

Camp Coleman in Northern Georgia. We have had many young people from our congregation go to Camp Coleman, although none is recent years. The camp has summer programs available for children and youth from grade 2 through high school. I urge those of you with children of that age to consider sending them to Camp Coleman, which has all the positive aspects of secular summer camps, but with the addition of positive, enjoyable, and memorable Jewish experiences. The camp is expensive, but a great investment in your child's life. Significant financial aid is available, from the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund, other CCI funds, and as explained on the camp's website. See page 9 of this newsletter for contact information. And, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Thanksgiving and Chanukah Events

Speaking of memorable experiences, the cover page of this newsletter features two holidays, two rather different holidays – Thanksgiving and Chanukah. Both holidays include great food and messages of religious freedom. Actually, the information on page one is about communal celebrations of Thanksgiving and Chanukah. All too often in our country today, people forget the real meaning of the holidays, thinking more about vacations and sales. The very important messages of days like Labor Day, the 4th of July, President's day and other national holidays are often forgotten. I have even heard people wishing each other a "happy Memorial Day."

Again this year we will have our Tri-Faith Service of Thanksgiving, bringing together Jews, Christians, and Muslims. For several years we have held this joint service rotating locations from Congregation Children of Israel, to the Islamic Center of Augusta, to the Episcopal Church of Our Savior, with participation of the religious leaders of each congregation. On Thanksgiving, we commemorate the first Thanksgiving bringing together Native Americans with those who had arrived more recently, seeking freedom to observe their religion in their own way. During these Tri-Faith Services we bring together people of different religions, recognizing together all we have for which to be thankful. We are reminded that we should be especially thankful for the diversity and religious freedom we have in this country. Yes, there are very real differences among our practices and beliefs, but we have a great deal in common. I hope to see you at this Tri-Faith Service of Thanksgiving.

The other event is our annual Chanukah dinner. Of course, on Chanukah we think about *latkes*, and in Israel, *sufganiot*, jelly donuts. As children remind us, there are the presents. We light the *Chanukiah*, often explaining the reason for the holiday as being because when the Jews rededicated the Temple in Jerusalem, after it had been desecrated by the Syrian Hellenists, miraculously, the container of oil which contained only enough oil for one day burned for eight days. Our children play *dreidel* (*sivivon* in Hebrew), and know what the four letters mean in terms of the game, but we often forget that the letters stand for the words "a great miracle happened there." This is a nice story, which was written down long after the time of the re-consecration of the Temple, but not a narrative that describes the real importance of Chanukah or the miracle. We had been told that we must worship idols and deny our Judaism. Chanukah is about a small group of Jews who were willing to give their lives for the survival of our Judaism. They fought for three years against their much stronger enemies, and finally prevailed. Chanukah is about religious freedom, about separation of church (religion) and state.

We need to remember the real meaning of all our holidays. We need to remember that there is so much for which we should be thankful and that we too must do our part to assure the continuation of our Judaism.

Rabbí Robert Klensín

First Friday at Congregation Children of Israel

The 1st Friday of November 6:00 PM Intergenerational Service 7:30 PM Shabbat Dinner Friday, November 7

Brisket, potato, vegetable & salad

Reservations required by Wednesday,
November 5

Contact the Temple office (office@cciaugusta.org or 706-736-3140)

With reservations: Adults \$10.00, Children 6-12 \$5.00, Under 6 free Immediate family maximum \$25.00

Save the Date
Congregation Children of Israel

Chanukah Dinner
Friday Evening, December 19



Hanukkah Open House

The Judaica Collection
(At Congregation Children of Israel)

Sunday, November 9, gift shop will be open after Brotherhood/Sisterhood program **special discount for everyone attending program**

Sunday, November 16, 10-1pm

EXTRA

\$5.00 off-- \$30 purchase \$10.00 off-- \$50 purchase \$15.00 off-- \$75 purchase \$20.00 off--\$100 purchase

menorahs, dreidels, jewelry, toys, and more...

SISTERHOOD FALL NEWS 2014

Our Sisterhood year began with the appointment of Wendy Epter to the position of treasurer, replacing Suzanne Shapiro, who passed away in April 2014. Also, bills were sent out for dues along with Oneg Yom Tov and Oneg Shabbat information. A letter accompanied them with information about Sisterhood.

Cathy Goldenberg was in charge of the Oneg Yom Tov which was lovely. Kathy Rafoth, did a beautiful job with the centerpiece for the Oneg Yom Tov table. Sisterhood and Brotherhood joined together to provide the Break Fast following Yom Kippur services.

In August we had eight ladies go to Artsy Me to paint a variety of objects. It was very enjoyable. Our opening meeting was held on September 17, 2014, with author, Lucy Adams, who is from Augusta. Lucy's presentation was enjoyable, interesting, and humorous. Some of her books were available for purchase. Delicious and beautiful cupcakes were served.

On November 9, 2014, Sisterhood and Brotherhood will sponsor a presentation by best selling author, Karin Gillespie. Brunch will be served.

Jeanie Brody, Sisterhood president

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

November and December Birthdays

November 2: Robert Bissell

November 3: Alice Rosenthal, David Silver

November 4: Emilee Friedman

November 5: Josh Smith November 7: Jaclyn Zibman

November 12: Jeff Wolf

November 14: Franklin Williams

November 17: Victoria Bennett, Cantine Jones

November 19: Noah Rigg

November 20: Lauren Helling

November 21: Robert Bledsoe

November 23: Susan Simowitz

November 25: Gail Erlitz, Barbara Feldman.

Marc Gottlieb, Jon Simowitz

November 27: Risa Gay

December 1: Corinne Bobrow-Williams, Heather Milne

December 5: Liz Haynie

December 6: Sara Bledsoe, Robert Klensin

December 7: Sydney Epter December 8: Trevor Sorkin December 13: Isaac Jolles December 14: Victoria Resnick, Joshua Scharff

December 15: Danielle Rigg, Shayna Sorkin

December 16: Sue Richardson December 18: Dana Friedman

December 19: Patty Ginsburg

December 22: SaraBeth Budenstein

December 23: Susan Salisbury

December 25: Michael Prisant

December 27: Helen Bissell

December 28: Bryce Bennett, Milton Snapperman,

Michael Zibman

December 29: Sandy Helling, Ron Jensen, Jessica Punshon

November and December Anniversaries

November 6: Burt & June Kunkel

November 29: Robert & Francine Klensin

December 13: Sandy & Eric Helling December 21: Jeff & Jessica Punshon December 25: David & Mervl Alalof.

Louis & Dot Scharff

December 28: Mort & Boots Wittenberg

Mazal Tov

To Rabbi Robert & Francine Klensin

On the birth of their grandson

Jonah Hayden Greenberg

July 7, 2014

To Kathy Rafoth

On the birth of her granddaughter

Alice Elizabeth Rafoth

September 6, 2014

To Jason and Jaime Henle

On the birth of their daughter

Skylar Victoria Henle

September 8, 2014

To Jean Brody

On the birth of her twin grandchildren

Zac and Lyla Brody

September 10, 2014



Don't forget to like CCI on Facebook!

www.facebook.com/pages/Congregation-Children-of-Israel-Augusta-GA

Learning to Read & Chant the Blessings From the Reform Judaism website

http://www.reformjudaism.org/shabbat-worship-services

Prayers in the Shabbat Service

Including the blessing over the candles, the Kiddush and the Torah blessings

Do you have questions about
Judaism in general
or specifically about Reform Judaism
or would you just like to learn more?
Go to:

Reform Judaism.org



SUNDAY FUNDAY MONTHLY BULLETIN

The High Holy Days at AJCSS were amazing! Our Sukkot and Simchat Torah programs were an example. I would like to thank Loretta Levi for the music and Israeli Dancing, caring teachers, Madrichim for the extra effort in setting up the snacks in the Sukkah and wonderful Torah making project, and Rabbi David Sirull for his words regarding respect for the Torah and importance of understanding its content. Take a look at some of the pictures below:













2014-2015 Calendar of Events

November 2 – Normal Sessions

November 9 – Fellow Visit, B&B

November 16 - Normal Session

November 23 and 30 – NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

December 7 – Parents' Meeting/Hanukkah Bazaar/B&B

December 14 – Normal Sessions

December 21 & 28 – Winter Break



Become part of our tradition of excellence. Please call me if you have any questions!! Thanks! L'hitraot – until later, Elliot Price, Principal 706 339-3798

Shmira - Sitting with the Deceased Who Should Keep Watch

(This is about our Congregation – Please read.)

Jewish tradition encourages, as an act of great respect, that when a person passes away, he or she not be left alone from the time of death until burial. The shomer (sitter) who performs the Shmira can be a family member, friend, or member of the community.

It has been a custom at Congregation Children of Israel to provide these volunteers to sit with the deceased until burial. We usually do this in two hour blocks from the time of arrival at the funeral home until burial. The coffin is placed in a furnished room where you can sit quietly, read, or meditate. There is always someone from the funeral home on duty during this time, and all is done in accordance with the wishes of the family.

Please check the alphabetized list below of people who have performed this mitzvot, many of whom have done so several times. If you do not see your name and would like to be called upon, please e-mail me and let me know. Needless to say, all these arrangements must be done at the last minute.

As we do not bury on Saturday and some local cemeteries will not bury on Sunday, it may be necessary to schedule the Shomrim (sitters) for as much as 48 hours. As you can see from the list, we have had several AYS members who have agreed to sit for our members. It would be gratifying to have more of our own congregants step forward to volunteer for this sacred commitment.

Please e-mail me if you wish to submit your name along with the best phone number to reach you. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call me. I would be happy to discuss any details with you. I look forward to hearing from you.

L'Shalom, Meryl Alalof

(Please note that this list reflects those who have been sitters this year. If you have sat in the past and are not on this list, please let me know).

Abramovitz, Ila	Budenstein, Sam	Jolles, Nathan	Ronen, Charlie (AYS-CCI)
Alalof, David	Copenhaver, Karel	Jolles, Lauren	Saitow, Twila
Alalof, Meryl	Daitch, Fred (AYS)	Jones, Cantine	Scharff, Lou
Albrecht, Bill (AYS)	David, George	Korn, Joey	Scharff, Michael
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Bateman, Jennifer	Feldman, Barbara	Kronowski, Elyse	Shapiro, Marian
Bledsoe, Jan	Foreman, Jeffrey (AYS)	Kruskol, Nathan	Shapiro, Jack
Blum, Ronald (AYS)	Goldberg, Todd (AYS)	Miller, Arthur	Shoenholz, Jonathan (AYS)
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Brody, Jeanie	Gottlieb, Marc	Price, Bonnie	Steinberg, Jack (AYS)
Bronson, Matt	Handfinger, Harvey	Ray, Rachel	Waxman, Larry (AYS)

CHANUKAH BLESSINGS

Chanukah begins this year with the lighting of the first candle on Tuesday evening, December 16

Candles are added to the *Hanukiyah* from right to left, but are kindled from left to right. The newest candle is lit first. (On the Shabbat of Chanukah, kindle the Chanukah lights first and then the Shabbat candles.)
Light the Shamash - the helper candle - first using it to kindle the rest of the Chanukah light; say or sing:

The First Blessing

Praised are You, Adonai,
Our God, Ruler of the universe,
Who made us holy through Your commandments
and commanded us
to kindle the Hanukah lights.

The Second Blessing

Praised are You, Adonai, Our God, Ruler of the universe, Who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in those ancient days at this season.

The Third Blessing (First Night Only)

Praised are You, Adonai, Our God, Ruler of the universe, Who has given us life and sustained us and enabled us to reach this season.

בּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה Baruch atah Adonai
בּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה Baruch atah Adonai
בּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה Eloheinu melech ha-olam
אשר קדשנו במצותיו
Asher kideshanu b'mitzvotav

יְצְנָנוּ Vitzivanu הַרְלִיק גַר שַׁל חֲנַבָּה. L'hadlik ner shel Chanukkah

בּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה Baruch atah Adonai בּרוּךְ אַתָּלְךְ הָעוֹלְם Eloheinu melech ha-olam שַׁעְשָׂה נָסִים לַאֲבוֹתֵינוּ Sheh'asah nissim la'avoteinu

Ba-yamin ha-heim בּוְמֵן הַזָּה. Ba-z'man ha-zeh

Baruch atah Adonai בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יהוה

בּאַלהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלֶם Eloheinu melech ha-olam

shehecheyanu וְקּיְמָנוּ v'ki-y'manu יְהָנְיִנְנוּ v'higiyanu

lazman hazeh

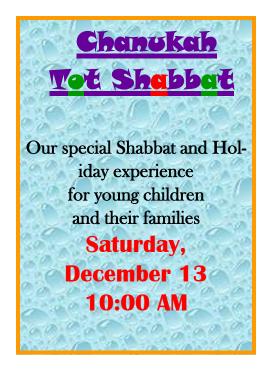
Please join us on Saturday, November 8 At 10:00 AM for our Shabbat Morning Service when

Raven Nícole Flícek

Daughter of John and Pauline Flicek

will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah

This is a Congregational event.
All are welcome and invited to attend.





Best Selling Author Karin Gillespie

November 9, 2014
Brunch at 10 AM
Presentation will begin at 10:30
Congregation Children of Israel
3005 Walton Way

Creative Writing for Fun (And Very Little Profit)

Do you think you have a book in you? According to a recent survey 81 percent of Americans believe they do and if you're among their numbers, this presentation will help wrangle it out of you. Or maybe you don't want to write a book, but just want to know more about the writing life and some of its pitfalls and rewards. Speaker Karin Gillespie is the

national bestselling author of five novels and has been published in the *New York Times*, the *Washington Post* and *Writer* magazine. She also has a monthly humor column in *Augusta Magazine* and frequently blogs about the numerous thorny issues writers face.

This event is sponsored by CCI Brotherhood and Sisterhood



is an overnight camp community of fun, friendship, and Jewish living where campers can enjoy outdoor adventures, aquatics, sports, creative arts, and so much more!





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When making a contribution to a Sisterhood or Brotherhood Fund please make the check payable to CCI Sisterhood or CCI Brotherhood.

Condolences

When cherished ties are broken, our burden of sadness is made lighter by the sympathy and comfort of friends. The congregation extends its sympathy to the families of:

MYRNA SILVER

June 14, 2014

SHIRLEY SONENSHINE

Mother of Hal Cohen June 28, 2014

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Mother of Karel Copenhaver September 27, 2014

YAHRZEITS

November 7: Maurice Cohen, Stanley Feldman, Natalie Jolles Miller, David Rubenstein,

Sadie Rose Entin, Louis Brooks, George Gorman, Roslyn Levinson, Harry Robin, Louis Cohen, Harry Stark, Alvin Werner, Robert Thornton Bledsoe, Rhea Dolin, Frances Greenberg, Lionel Paul Solursh, Mollie Fishbein, Merle Markowitz, Leopold Mothner, Betty G. Padilla, Germaine Schlifka Quatrevaux, John Franklin Ray, Harry Stepakof, Rose Trincher, Steven W. Patch, Harriett M. Schneider

November 14: Dorothy Feinberg, Herman Selwyn, Donald Anderson, Esther Gottlieb, Charles Entin, Rose S. Harkins, Sadoc Avzaradel, Gregory Brody

November 21: Dora Burns, Elsie Ocuin, Margaret Wittenberg, David Rubin, Edith Steinberg, Harvey Haas, Abram Pomerance, Rhea Siegel, Florence Stavins, Charles A. Freedman, Rae B. Silbert, Hyman Stadiem, Harry Feldman, Barbara Steiner, Lillian Hillis, Alex Shapiro, Dorothy Shapiro

November 28: Helen Juanita Lepianka Harry Horowitz, Sam Simowitz, Frank Davis, Belle Siegel, Helen Ruby Brigmon, Rosina P. Benjamin

December 5: Mildred Greenberg, Morris Tad Siegel, Louis Simowitz, Julia Epstein, Elliot C. Serotta, Benjamin Hammer, Nathan M. Needleman, Barbara Rosen, Henry Milton Simowitz, Simon Brown, Lee G. Sinsheimer, Louis Shapiro

December 12: Walter Lee Brandenburg, Leon Entin, Risa Schneider Dreilanger, Stephen Nachman, Allan Silver, Martin Michael Prisant, Carolyn Bolton, Leonard Goldstein, Joseph Silver, Dora W. Prisant, Vanessa Abazary

December 19: Esther Baris, Ray C. Fuerth, Isadore Brown, Adolph Lesser, Frederick Nevegold, Ronnie Baker III, Doris G. Shlaer, Sylvia Aronow, Ethel W. Lutin, Edward Siegelson

December 26: Fannie Brooks, Mitchell Barrett Gross, Helen Dolinsky Rifkin, Shirley Shapiro Arenstein, William Melcher, Thaddeus Joseph Stiffel, Jr., Louis Pintchuck, Leah Schrameck, Frances C. Land, Jerome Goldsmith, Moses Slusky, Rose Shapiro,

January 2: Rose Kraft, Dorothy Brown, Rodney Brody, Jeanette Goldberg, Helen Gottlieb, John W. Dudley, Jr., Ida Gordon Margolis, Dorothy Jolles Robin, Henri Leon Schlifka, Frances Schulman, Doris Burnstein, Sara B. Dessauer, John Erlitz, Milton Prisant

Membership Committee

The Membership Committee in coordination with the Budget and Finance Committee, and with the approval of the Board of Trustees is excited to announce 5 new Membership Levels for Congregation Children of Israel and clarification of our Out of Town level of membership. The new levels of membership are:

Young Adult - Single: for persons age 18 - 26 and not living with their parents @ \$100/yr

Young Adult - Couple: for 18-26 year old couple @ \$200/yr

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To clarify what the Out of Town Membership is, it is for persons NOT residing in the following counties: Richmond, Columbia, Lincoln, Burke, McDuffie and Jefferson Counties in Georgia, or Aiken and Edgefield Counties in South Carolina.

Members of the Membership Committee are Gail Erlitz (chair), George David (Brotherhood Rep), Jean Brody (Sisterhood Rep), Lauren Jolles (Board Member) and Heather Linn (Congregational Rep). If you have any questions about membership or would like to discuss membership, please don't hesitate to contact us at membership@cciaugusta.org.

Gail Erlitz Chair

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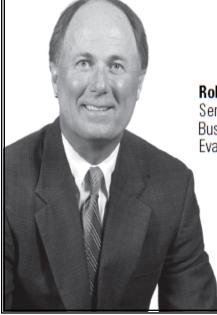
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Cheshvan - Kislev - Tevet 5775

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 10:00a AJCSS at AYS 7:00p Board Meeting	27	28	29 5:00p Weekday Hebrew	30	31 7:30p Shabbat Service	November 1 Parshat Lech Lecha Genesis 12:1-17:27
2 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS 10:00a AJCSS at AYS	3	4	5 5:00p Weekday Hebrew 10:00a Sisterhood Board Meeting	6 7:30p Choir Rehearsal	7 6:00p Intergenerational Shabbat Service 7:30 Shabbat Dinner	8 10:00a Shabbat Morning Service Bat Mitzvah Raven Flicek Parshat Vayera Genesis 18:1— 22:24
9 10:00a Brotherhood/ Sisterhood Program Judaica Collection Open House following Program 10:00a AJCSS at AYS 5:30 CITY meeting 7:00p Executive Committee Meeting	10	11	12 5:00p Weekday Hebrew	13 7:30p Choir Rehearsal	14 7:30p Shabbat Service With Choir	Parshat Chayei Sara Genesis 23:1-25:18
16 10:00a Judaica Collection Open House 10:00a AJCSS at AYS 7:00p Board Meeting	17 7:30p Tri-Faith Service of Thanksgiving at Episcopal Church of Our Savior	18	19 5:00p Weekday Hebrew	20	21 7:30p Shabbat Service	22 Parshat Toldot Genesis 25:19 - 28:9
23	24 (office closed)	25 (office closed)	26 (office closed)	27 THANKSGIVING (office closed)	28 7:30p Shabbat Service (office closed)	29 Parshat Vayetzei Genesis 28:10 - 32:3
30	December 1	2	3 5:00p Weekday Hebrew 7:30 Sisterhood Board	4 7:30p Choir Rehearsal	5 6:00p Intergenerational Shabbat Service	6 Parshat Vayishlach Genesis 32:4-36:43
7 10:00a AJCSS at AYS 7:00p Executive Commit- tee Meeting	8	9	10 5:00p Weekday Hebrew	11	12 7:30p Shabbat Service	13 Parshat Vayeshev Genesis 37:1-40:23 10:00p Chanukah Tot Shabbat
14 10:00a AJCSS at AYS	15	16 CHANUKAH 1st Candle	17 CHANUKAH 2nd Candle 5:00p Weekday Hebrew	18 CHANUKAH 3rd Candle 7:30p Choir Rehearsal	19 CHANUKAH 4th Candle 6:00p Chanukah dinner 7:30p Shabbat Service With Choir	20 CHANUKAH 5th Candle Parshat Miketz Genesis 41:1-44:17
21 CHANUKAH 6th Candle	22 CHANUKAH 7th Candle	23 CHANUKAH 8th Candle	24 (office closed)	25 (office closed)	26 7:30p Shabbat Service (office closed)	27 Parshat Vayigash Genesis 44:18-47:27
28	29 (office closed)	30 (office closed)	31 (office closed)	January 1 (office closed)	2 6:00p Intergenerational Shabbat Service (office closed)	3 Parshat Vayechi Genesis 47:28-50:26