

Tuesday Tidbits

~October 6, 2020~

Congratulations Amy Ahmed!

What is Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ)

Founded in 1913 as an affiliate of the Union for Reform Judaism, WRJ strengthens the voice of women worldwide and empowers them to create caring communities, nurture congregations, cultivate personal and spiritual growth, and advocate for and promote progressive Jewish values. To fulfill this vision, WRJ engages tens of thousands of women through a global network of hundreds of sisterhoods and women's groups. Stronger together, we ensure that these women make a difference in the world.

We thank Amy Ahmed for representing our temple and Sisterhood in such a positive and productive way with her commitment to this important organization.

CONGRATULATIONS AMY for being chosen for the position of State Vice President of GANS (Georgia, Alabama, North and South Carolina) by WRJ. She will be installed at the WRJSE District virtual convention on Sunday, October 25.
You make us proud Amy!



We want to thank our volunteers who have continued to dedicate their time and effort to delivering Meals on Wheels to so many in our community. You are truly appreciated by all the lives you touch. The Community Service Program director brags on each of you stating that we are one of only a few that never misses our allotted times of delivery. Some of you have even made extra deliveries for groups that did not show up for their route. Thank you for representing our temple in such a positive and caring way.

Thank You!

We would like to thank Greg Goldstein for trimming the crape myrtles aka "the squirrel highway" to our roof. Also, Kevin and Lisa Besnoy have sent out online Religious School assignments for our older students. Thanks for their efforts to keep our kids engaged and learning during this crazy time.

Pumpkin Cranberry Spice Challah



INGREDIENTS

8 cups of flour
1 1/2 cup pumpkin puree (or mashed sweet potato or butternut squash)
4 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
2 packages (2 scant tablespoons) dry yeast
1/4 cup sugar
1 tablespoon salt
1 tablespoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon cloves
2 teaspoons ground ginger
2 cups dried cranberries
About 3 cups lukewarm water
1 egg

DIRECTIONS

1. In an electric mixer with a dough hook (or by hand), blend flour, yeast, sugar, salt, cinnamon, cloves, ginger, and cranberries.
2. With mixer on, gradually add pumpkin, melted butter and water, checking to be sure dough does not get too sticky. Add water or flour, as needed, until dough forms a ball. Knead until smooth and elastic.
3. Place dough in greased bowl, cover with plastic wrap or a dish towel until doubled in size, about 1 hour.
4. Punch down dough and divide into four pieces for 4 medium challahs, or two pieces for 2 large loaves. Divide each piece into three sections, roll into ropes and braid, pinching the ends tightly. Place two medium challahs several inches apart on a greased baking sheet. Larger loaves should use separate pans.
5. Brush with egg yolk beaten with 1 teaspoon of water for a shiny golden crust.
6. Let rise until almost doubled, about 30 minutes for medium loaves, 40 minutes for large loaves.
7. Place in preheated 375°F degree oven. Bake until crusty and golden brown, about 30 min for medium loaves, 45 min for large loaves. Bottom should be deep brown and sound hollow when tapped. Remove onto cooling rack.

Zoom Shabbat Service | Friday, October 9, 2020 | 6PM - 7PM

Join here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89547739615>

Temple Emanu-El Meeting ID: 895 4773 9615

OR dial-in if you wish only audio: 312-626-6799

Zoom Virtual Torah Study | Sunday, October 11, 2020 | 10AM - 11AM

Join here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87870980013>

Temple Emanu-El Meeting ID: 878 7098 0013

OR dial-in if you wish only audio: 312-626-6799

Here is the link for the Shabbat prayer book:

<https://www.ccarnet.org/publications/resources-repaginated/>

Yahrzeits:

Oct 9-10

Elsie Rosenbush 10 06 1949

Abe Applebaum 10 06 1968

Regina Rosenfeld 10 06 1997

Phillip Bernatz 10 06 2010

Norton Waterman 10 06 2017

Harry Cohen 10 07 2007

Charles Temerson 10 08 2001

Jennie Wilensky 10 10 1997

This week's Torah Portion: Sh'mini Atzeret – Simchat Torah

8th Day of Assembly

Haftarah: Joshua 1:1-18

This is the blessing with which Moses, the man of God, bade the Israelites farewell before he died. - Deuteronomy 33:1

SUMMARY

On Simchat Torah, the day on which we literally celebrate the Torah, we read the very end of Deuteronomy and the very beginning of Genesis. In the final verses of Torah, we read Moses' blessing of the Israelites, offered before the prophet dies. Moses then ascends Mount Nebo, from which he sees the Promised Land and takes his final breath. God buries Moses and we are told there will never be another prophet like him. From this passage, we immediately begin our new cycle of Torah reading with the story of creation from the beginning of Genesis. And we create a new year of studying Torah. While each year we return to the same verses, it is we who are different. With each passing year, we grow and change, celebrate and mourn. And it is as if we are reading these sacred words for the very first time.