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*In these unprecedented times, the way we gather has needed to be different. We are still holding services and finding ways to come together as a community. Please stay connected with us at [tberochester.org](http://tberochester.org), where you can find up-to-date information and content*

### Shacharit:

Sunday: 8:30 am

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am

Rosh Hodesh: 7:15 am

Secular Holidays: 8:30 am

### Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday-Friday: 6:00 pm

### Shabbat Shacharit:

Shacharit: 10:00 am | Torah Reading: 10:30 am

### Shabbat Mincha ONLY ON ZOOM:

45 minutes before Havdallah



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# UPCOMING EVENTS

Zoom links can be found at [www.tberochester.org/calendar/](http://www.tberochester.org/calendar/)

## Every Monday-The Week's Insight: Weekly Parsha in Depth

This weekly class will give a deeper look into the Parsha, insights will include traditional and modern commentators. Contemporary lessons will help actualize the Torah and make it relevant in one's daily life.

10:00 am on Zoom

## February 6 - PJ Havdallah

Prepare for Purim with Pj's and Havdalah. In conjunction with PJ Library we will have virtual activities and crafts that focus on Jewish bedtime rituals. Musical Havdallah will be led by Mike Miller. Snacks and crafts will be available for pickup before the event.

6:30 pm on Zoom

## Sunday February 7- World Wide Wrap

Join Men's Club our their annual World Wide Wrap Program. The world wide wrap is an international effort by the Federation of Jewish Mens's Clubs to educate an encourage the use of performing the deeply spiritual mitzvah of donning tefillin.

8:30 am on Zoom

## Sunday February 7- Zoom Webinar- Hunger in Our Community

Join Men's Club for their virtual Zoom webinar program titled "Hunger in Our Community". This program will be presented by Mitch Gruber (Foodlink and Rochester City Council).

10:00 am on Zoom

## February 12th & 19th- The Whole Megillah

Hazzan Levin's guide to reading ,listening to, and enjoying the Book of Esther"a two-part interactive introduction to the thematic, interpretive, and performative aspects of Megillat Esther. A two-part interactive introduction to the thematic, interpretive, and performative aspects of Megillat Esther.

10:00 am on Zoom

## Resumes February 13th: Saturdays- Together & Apart: The Future of the Jewish Peoplehood

A Shalom Hartman Institute Study Series Led by Rabbi Jeremy Winaker Explore one of the most pressing issues facing the jewish world today— how we move frome being a people with no home to one with two permanent homes

1:00 pm on Zoom | Meeting Id: 845 7796 4069 Pw: 15698

## Thursday February 18- Bake with Beth El: Hamentashen & Cookies

This February for our monthly baking series we will come together as a community (virtually) to bake Hamentashen with our guest, host Barb Schron. Purchase a kit complete with all you need to bake, or just tune in with your own supplies. We also offer a special add-on - your own TBE apron! It's the Jewish way, come bake and nosh with us!

6:30 pm on Zoom

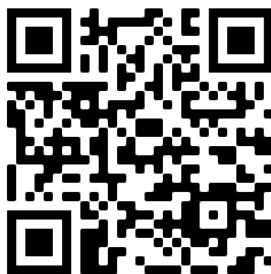
## Thursday February 25-Purim!

Stay tuned for more information on how we will be celebrating purim this year!

TBA!

# JDAIM

*February is Jewish Disability Awareness, Acceptance and Inclusion Month! TBE joins a unified initiative to raise disability awareness and support efforts to foster inclusion. A special thank you to Betsy Brugg for giving the D'var today!*



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# RABBI'S CORNER

Yitro (Jethro), Moses' father-in-law, learns about Moses and all that God has done for the Israelites. Yitro takes Tzipporah, Moses' wife, and Moses' two sons, and brings them to Moses. He offers a sacrifice to God and suggests a court and judicial system. We are on the third month after the Exodus, Israel stand at Mount Sinai and awaits the Ten Commandments. God charges them to become a "Kingdom of Priests and a Holy Nation." On the third day, there was thunder and lightening and a dense cloud covered the mountain. The people were afraid, Moses climbed the holy mountain to receive the Ten Commandments.

Why, then, is this parsha named after Yitro, a non-Israelite, a Midian priest? The Parashiot are usually named after the first significant word in the reading. Perhaps the reason was to note how the world noticed God's miracles and the liberation of Israelite slaves, Yitro is not an Israelite but he is personally committed to follow Israel and Moses.

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