Shabbat Shalom!

Our Friday night Shabbat service for April 23rd, 2021 took place this evening. It included acknowledgement of Earth day.

As always, appreciation and thanks to David Stern and Bob Morris for enhancing our services musically. Thanks to those who participated in the service tonight. As usual, thanks to Rich Katz for the technical support.

If you want to have a role in services, please be in touch with Ronni Spudich about lighting candles, or Betty Stern about an Aliyah. If you want to lead a reading, please contact me.

Unfortunately, there was a software issue. Zoom and Facebook decided not to play nicely together, so we were not able to livestream the service. We will try to upload it, but that may not happen immediately.

If/when we do get it uploaded, you can view the recorded service from tonight on the Temple Facebook page here:

https://www.facebook.com/2550469431660054/videos/295540352013834

Meantime, here is the downloadable recording of the service from tonight: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1G1xNchnerVCpLwX9NM0Y1XOq8VIksM1R/view?usp=sharing

As always, if you wish to borrow a copy of the Mishkan T'fillah siddur for Shabbat services, please do so: contact us and arrange to pick it up from the bench in front of the Temple (on the Kanawha Blvd side, with the circular drive).

If you prefer, you can access the words in our Siddur (prayer book) via this link to a flip book online version of the Mishkan T'fillah for Shabbat

https://www.ccarnet.org/publications/mishkan-tfilah-for-shabbat/

The policy remains in effect that we are having no in-person meetings, events, or services in our building. As events unfold, we are carefully monitoring and evaluating the situation, in light of the best advice of experts. We are also making plans to accommodate changes needed to support hybrid (mixed in person and remote) services so that we will be ready and able to offer both options, as appropriate.

Covid-19 Vaccines - signups for appointment reservations are available. Sign up on the website vaccinate.wv.gov. Again, if you need assistance registering, please contact me and we can work out a way to make it work for you. PLEASE continue to be careful and follow the guidelines for wearing a mask, washing your hands, and maintaining social distancing. Please be safe, be kind, and be well.

As always, I would love to hear from you. If you want to chat for a few minutes, please let me know. We have many options available - on the phone, in a zoom meeting, or by text or email. Whatever works best for you. It can be during one of the check ins, or you can just let me know when you want to talk and we can arrange a time, or tell me when you are free and I can get in touch with you.

Today, Friday, I sent the Reminder LINKS Email with links and details about accessing all events coming up in the next week – please save it, or transfer the link information to your calendar. No other LINKS email will be sent out for these events. If you didn't get the LINKS Email, or any other, please contact me and I will re-send it to you.

If someone wishes to be added to our email list, we can arrange that – just ask them to let me know directly (by email or text), so we are sure not to 'spam' anyone.

Wishing you a Shabbat shalom. Stay safe and well. Looking forward to seeing you online soon!

Joe

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