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*Kiddush:* The Kiddush this week is being sponsored by the Temple Beth Zion. Thank you for attending services and we wish everyone a Good Shabbas!

*Donations have been received*

*In Memory of      Remembered by*

*Our continued Thoughts and Prayers go out to Lena Levy, Ralph H. Weintraub, David Moss, Dr. Camelia Habib Isaac, Florence Chest, Beverly Setser, Leslie Steiner, Gary Stamler, Anne Davine, Sarah Mourad, Marion Sheppard, Grace Peshkin, John Beber, Marlene Kamienny, Faye Schecter, Michael & Gail Gerber, Arlene Epstein, and Barry Schoer. May they continue on the Road to Recovery. May they all have a Refuah Shlayma. GET WELL SOON..*

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## ***Tribute Cards***

*You can remember your loved ones with tribute cards for all occasions: Births, Birthdays, Weddings, Anniversaries, Get Wells, Retirements, and Condolences, etc., etc. Remember besides giving a donation in honor of, in memory of, or for the good health of someone you know or love, you will also be helping out the Temple with your contributions. Please call Marion Sheppard with your tribute wishes at her home, (323) 938 1334.*

*We remember those who have departed during the past year, whose names are inscribed on the memorial plaques in the Steinman Chapel and in the Sanctuary, and /or in our Hearts.*

Barry Bass	Greg Polin
Rose Rockmaker	Sam Devine
Arthur Rosen	Ida Delman
Frances Rosen	Joy Sharp
Annette Greenberg	Gila Fluhr
Stuart Simon	Brian Kaplon
Jane Steinman	Lynne Sturt Weintraub
Minna Kaye	Judy Wolf
Ben Wolf	

*Lights will be kindled this week on the occasion of the Yahrtzeit:*

Eddie Atkins	J. Marvin Berkson
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Bella Klein	Bertha Gerber
Marco Kalish	Philip Michael Feldman
Morris Kogan	Harry Saul
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Louis Borden	Carl C. Cohen
Ida Goldstein	Annette Grace Greenberg

## ***OTHER YAHRTZEITS:***

Beverly Sherman	Sam Brown
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Harry Saul	Sam Plaskow
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*Maftir: Exodus 20:19-20:23*

**Parashat Yithro**

**Exodus - Shemoth (18:00-21.3)**

After God parted the Red Sea and all the Egyptian soldiers drowned, the Israelites sang praise to God's miracles. The Israelites journeyed and camped at Marah. At first there was no food and only bitter water. The Hebrews were angry at God and quarreled with Moses. Moses, though angry with the people for testing God, asked God for help. And God provides. Then God commands Moses to have the Hebrews make the seventh day of the week a holy day, a Sabbath, for resting and honoring God.

Jethro, Moses' father in law and a priest who worshiped idols, brought Zipporah, Moses' wife and their two sons to meet Moses at their camp by the Mountain of God. Immediately Moses told Jethro everything that God did to bring the Israelites to freedom. And Jethro said, "Blessed be the Lord of Israel. Now I know that your Lord is greater than all the other gods." Jethro then made a sacrifice to God and everyone feasts. The next day Jethro helped Moses set up a system of judges to settle problems between the people according to God's laws.

At Mt. Sinai God had Moses say to the Israelites, "You have seen what I, God, did to the Egyptians and how I brought you here. Now, if you obey Me faithfully and keep My covenant, you shall be My people and a holy nation." The people answered together, "We promise that everything God says we will do." God then said to Moses, "In 3 days, I

will come to you in a thick cloud and all the people will hear when I speak to you. Tell them to be completely clean for Me." On the 3rd day, there was thunder, lightning, fire and smoke on Mt. Sinai. The shofar blew louder and louder and the people were scared. Then God spoke so all could hear:

"I the Lord am your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt out of the house of bondage. • You shall have no other god beside Me. You shall not make any image of Me nor serve any other god. • You shall not take the Lord's name in vain. • Remember the Sabbath and make it holy. Six days you may work but the on the Sabbath you may not work because God created everything in six days and rested on the seventh. • Honor your father and your mother. • You shall not murder. • You shall not commit sexual impropriety. • You shall not steal. • You shall not lie. • You shall not covet anything that belongs to someone else.

The people were scared to hear God. They said, "You talk and listen to God, Moses. We will listen to you." Moses answered "Remember your fear of God so that you will obey God's commandments and not sin. Honor God with offerings. Every time you honor God, God will bless you."

**Questions:** 1) What is the hardest commandment for you to keep? What is the easiest? 2) Why does God not want us to make an image of God? 3) What is wrong with coveting and wanting what belongs to someone else? **Illustration Ideas:** Jethro honoring God Almighty...The Hebrews promising to do what God wants...Mt. Sinai with thunder and lightening and fire when God gives the Ten Commandments...The people being afraid.... nancy reuben greenfield

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