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**VOLUNTEER
RECOGNITION
SHABBAT**

**friday
january 8, 2010
kabbalat service 6pm
dinner 7pm**

FRIDAY

DETAILS

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FROM THE RABBI: COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!



Rabbi Mordecai Miller

In b'Midbar, the book of Numbers, we pick up the story of the journey the Israelites took from Egypt to the borders of the land of Canaan. The book opens with a date: "the first day of the second

month in the second year after they came out of Egypt..." (Numbers 1:1). Just a little later (chapter 13 and following) we read how God condemns the Israelites to wander in the Sinai peninsula for forty years. Chapter 15 starts with commandments which will apply "when they (the Israelites) have come into the land!" Our rabbis suggest that the events of Chapter 15 actually take place once the forty years are over. They go on to suggest that in all that time, Moses never received any revelation from God. The reason was that God had no need to speak to the Israelites and so God had no need to speak to Moses, great a leader though he was! Moses's mission had no purpose without the Children of Israel. Moses "needed" the Jewish People in order to receive prophecy and deliver the words of Torah.

Scene change: I'm on the plane flying Southwest Airlines to the United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism Convention in Philadelphia and I take a look at their magazine. There's usually a letter from their CEO in the front. Gary Kelly (Chairman, President and CEO) comments on what a difficult year 2009 has been for the airline industry: astronomical fuel prices combined with one of the worst recessions anyone could remember. Yet at the same time that the company was willing to eliminate some unproductive flights it opened up flights to four new cities. By the end of the year they could count their blessings. For the most part, Mr.

Kelly made the point that no matter what strategy they company tried, they couldn't have survived without the loyalty of their customers.

It certainly occurs to me just how true this is about you, our members. But while loyalty to an airline may involve simply purchasing tickets to fly to your given destination, I depend on every single member of BSKI to give meaning to my task and to make the mission of the synagogue worthwhile. We also depend heavily on our loyal band of volunteers who give generously of their time and talents to allow us to serve our own congregants as well as individuals in our community.

From helping in the office to social action, serving as gabbai to volunteering in the Sisterhood gift shop, leading services to singing in the choir, everyone has a vital part to play.

So it is that Friday evening, January 8th we are calling on all our volunteers to join us for **Volunteer Recognition Shabbat** so that we may show our appreciation to them for their labor, loyalty and love. Following dinner, we will have the chance to hear Hannah Rosenthal and a friend speak about their experiences in Cultural Leadership. Please join us as we honor our wonderful volunteers.

"Couldn't do it without you!"

Rabbi Mordecai Miller

Please join us for these upcoming t'fillot

Saturday, January 2

Torah Portion:
Vayechi

Saturday, January 9

Torah Portion:
Shemot
Torah Talk

Saturday, January 16

Torah Portion:
Vaera
Bar Mitzvah of David Mendel
Play and Pray
Shalom Yeladim

Saturday, January 23

Torah Portion:
Bo

Saturday, January 30

Tu B'Shevat
Torah Portion:
Beshallah
Gansner/Hinden Baby-naming

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BAR MITZVAH OF
DAVID MENDEL
SON OF MICHAEL AND
JILL MENDEL
JANUARY 16, 2010

BSKI VOLUNTEER
RECOGNITION
SHABBAT

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8

6 PM

KABBALAT SHABBAT

including aspecial d'var Torah by
BSKI President Rick Kodner
plus a special presentation
by BSKI youth regarding
Jewish-Black youth relations

7 PM

DINNER

\$12/adult

\$8/children

Free/5 and under
catered by Paula Hamvas
of Kosher Katering

Please RSVP by January 5 by calling
the BSKI office at 314-725-6230 or
by emailing reservations@e-bski.org

QUEEN ESTHER'S PURIM PROM

BRITH SHOLOM KNESETH ISRAEL
Saturday, February 27, 2010
Time: 8pm



SAVE
THE
DATE

DRESS: PROM-ESQUE (SEMI-FORMAL AND, LADIES, GRAB THOSE DRESSES FROM THE BACK OF YOUR CLOSETS!)

FEATURING JEREMIAH ALLEN'S BIG BAND AND THE TALENTED BELLY DANCING OF RANOOSH'S OWN ERICA THE BELLY DANCER

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MOVING UP THE LADDER: MAKING CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM ACCESSIBLE FOR 20'S AND 30'S AMERICAN JEWS



Roland Roth

Shalom! Rabbi Miller, President Rick Kodner, Todd Kaufman and I represented BSKI at last month's United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism Biennial conference. It was my first time attending the Biennial and it was a wonderful experience.

Thank you to the BSKI leadership for allowing me the opportunity to attend! I took detailed notes on my Blackberry and look forward to implementing much of what I and we learned at this conference for Conservative synagogue leadership.

We met, learned from, studied with, and dined with the past leadership of our movement and the incoming new leadership of USCJ, including Rabbi Steven Wernick, USCJ's new Executive Vice President and CEO. Rabbi Wernick represents a new, fresh face for our movement and is a perfect example of a youngish rabbi (he's in his early 40's) who can be a new face for Conservative Judaism.

I write you this message this month to tell you about one of many sessions and plenaries I attended that impacted the way I see my role as your employee and my role as a Conservative Jew.

The closing plenary was led by Dr. Steven Cohen and was all about **connecting and reconnecting Jews in their 20's and 30's to Judaism and to Conservative Judaism. It was all about "Next Dor"... the next Generation of Jews who, for the most part, are not affiliating with any synagogue, be it Conservative or otherwise.**

Dr. Cohen focused on four key areas that are of concern for targeting 20's and 30's. He called it the ABCD's of connecting:

A. Jews in their 20's and 30's feel **alienated**. They feel like synagogues today do not do enough to reach out to them, to make them welcome, to make them part of their leadership, and to make them feel like investing financially in a synagogue membership is worth their while.

B. Synagogues, according to his research, are viewed by 20's and 30's as **bland and boring**. The Judaism expressed by synagogues today, and not just Conservative synagogues, is not of interest to them.

C. Shuls today are **coercive**. We tell 20's and 30's what to believe on issues like Israeli internal affairs, on marriages (vis-à-vis gay marriage and interfaith marriage), and on patrilineal/matrilineal descent. They find today's synagogues to have "too many rules, too many boundaries" with regard to membership and identification.

Dr. Cohen discussed the need to make

avenues of welcoming more inclusive and resistant to artificial boundaries, that we need to allow people greater ease in "moving up the ladder" of observance. He talked about a havurah where the Rabbi kept a kosher home and did not drive on Shabbat. He said the Rabbi did not discourage people who did not keep kosher or who drove on Shabbat from coming to her havurah. She did, though, encourage them to "move up the ladder" of observance in any way they felt comfortable with. Dr. Cohen also shared that 60% of 20's and 30's who are in relationships "wake up" next to someone who's not Jewish, meaning that if we think that our future synagogue leadership and Jewish community leadership is not in relationships with non-Jews, which lead to marrying non-Jews, then we're mistaken.

D. 20's and 30's find organized synagogue life to be **divisive**; they don't want to "do their Jewish" in shul. They want to do Jewish in other places, like bars, private homes, clubs, etc.

"Our children are leading this great moment," Dr. Cohen shared. "We are (continued on next page)

3RD FRIDAYS

A monthly 20's & 30's Shabbat experience that is:

- **Open to All (anyone in their 20's and 30's - Jewish, in a relationship with a Jew, keep Kosher (or not), just like challah, LGBT, haven't done Jewish since Bar/Bat Mitzvah, whatever)**
- **No RSVP Required** (seriously, don't even try)
- **Free** (yes, free) ... in a different house each month!
- **Happening the 3rd Friday of every month** (hence the name).

Find us on Facebook, MySpace, and through BSKI
314-725-6230 www.myspace.com/3rdFridaysSTL

For the 411 call Roland Roth,
BSKI Dir. of Programming,
at 314-725-6230

ROSH ROLAND'S WRITINGS

ideologically successful as a movement but institutionally vulnerable.”

The question is then raised: How do we bring together the generations? This is the question of our time if we want to see our synagogues survive the next ten, twenty, thirty years. The panel present with Dr. Cohen shared their insights:

Deborah Zimmerman, the Director of Engagement for Synagogue 3000, says it's about creating a home where people feel warm and welcome. She told us about **Next Dor** and how it is currently in five pilot sites around the country, including here in St. Louis. She talked about how important it is for young people to connect and to reconnect.

Leora Skulnick was also on the panel. She is a SSDS graduate, attended Ramah as a camper and as a counselor, did USY, is the daughter of a rabbi, and has been a Jewish professional for the past three years. She is also engaged to a student at the Rabbinical School at JTS. Yet even she feels alienated as a young Jewish adult. “Either they want the seriousness of it or they don't want any of it at all,” she shared. “They want, they have such amazing knowledge, but synagogue joining is not on their radar screen. **So unsettled in regular life are young people that joining a synagogue is a non-issue.**”

Final panelist Josh Nelson (www.joshnelsonproject.com) was connected but it wasn't until his USY Pilgrimage experience that his life was transformed. Then he went to college and “got lost. I got more and more lost,” he said, “until I walked away completely. And this isn't just my story, it's a story that's all too common. All I needed was a *dor* that was welcoming and open. Thanks to Jewish music, now, I am reconnected and spend 40 weeks a year on the road in synagogues all over the world. We need to reach out to the disaffected in a way that is comfortable and caring. **It's all about *kavanah* (focused intention) and caring.**”

Dr. Cohen wrapped up the closing plenary by saying that to connect with this “lost generation” we need to get back to creating personal, meaningful relationships with young people. “A shift of relationships between and among Jews must happen,” Dr. Cohen said. “Young people are our dry kindling, they just need a spark and will be torched... and it's finally starting to happen. We are as a movement and as a people facing serious numerical decline. Fewer places exist for davening. There is a fear of demography. We need to break our old ways and the way we are and change the system. **To get control you have to give up control.**”

In closing, I proudly shared our 3rd Fridays program as an innovative example of a shul creating an experience for 20's and 30's that follows the model of what the research says this generations wants: community, not in the shul, no membership required, free, no RSVP, and warm and welcoming. We're blessed to have a *Next Dor* here in St. Louis and I and their leader, Yoni Sarason, have become quick friends. In fact... guess where the December 3rd Fridays was?

Yup, *Next Dor*.

Let's together contemplate ways to connect our future leadership with our current and past leadership, instilling continuity and future for our congregation and community. It's time to welcome in new, younger leadership. The future is calling, and it's boarding time.

Rosh Roland Roth
Director of Programming

GOT KIDS? LOVE SHABBAT? THINK BSKI.

18 MO & UNDER AND
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The 3rd Shabbat of every month in a special baby-friendly room with special guest each month (doctor, travel agent, etc.) **10:30 am**

KIDS 5ISH & UNDER:
TOT SHABBAT
The 1st Friday of every month (except January 1), a musical Friday night Shabbat for young children and their families, including kiddie kiddush!
6 pm

KIDS 2ISH - 5ISH:
SHALOM YELADIM
Meeting the 3rd Shabbat of every month, “Shalom Yeladim” means “Hello Children” and is a musical Saturday morning Shabbat experience for kids 5 & under and their families.
10:30 am

KIDS 6ISH - 12ISH:
JUNIOR CONGREGATION
Each week join Rosh Roland, BSKI Director of Programming, for a fun, interactive, musical Shabbat experience, snacks included! **10:30 am**

YOUTH 13ISH - 18ISH:
YOUTH MINYAN
Every month or so join our amazing USY Youth Group, plus friends from other synagogues, for a teen-led, teens-only Shabbat morning experience. **10 am**

For more information visit our website:
www.e-bski.org
or call 314-725-6230. All Shabbat Programs are Free and Open to All.

SHAARE SHALOM NEWS

I have a very clear memory from my childhood in El Paso, Texas of the time from January through March. We would return from winter break and we would go straight through to mid-March without a break or vacation of any kind. My mom (z"l) taught for 35 years. I remember her saying what a great time of year it was for teachers. They could do so much and cover a tremendous amount of ground during this period. As I remember it, we students had a slightly different view of things: everyday lasted a year and the entire period was at least a lifetime or two.

Such is no longer the case. These days we have MLK, Jr. weekend off. We have Presidents weekend off and here in St. Louis we are as likely as not to have a day or two off for snow. As opposed to my mom's excitement, these days the time crunch that teachers naturally feel might even be heightened at this time. There is so much we want to do and we find ourselves interrupted time and again. I think Martin Luther King, Jr. was a very special man worthy of honor, and I am an American History buff and I love learning about the presidents, but I am also a school administrator and I wish we had about 150% more time to do everything we want to do.

Therefore, I turn to you, the parents of

Shaare Shalom Religious School. Please make every effort to ensure that your child is at school every day and that they arrive on time, ready to go. Our teachers are looking forward to sharing so much with your children—we want to take advantage of every single day. Please do your best to help us make that happen.

In December we were very busy. Thank you to the Shaare Zedek Men's Club for coming and making Hannukiyot with our Bet class and to Harvey Leader of BSKI for his constant flexibility and help. Also, a huge thank you to everyone who turned out for our Hanukkah Celebration: Bob and Joyce Olshan giving of their time to lead Israeli dancing, Hazzan Joanna Dulkan for leading our singing and Rabbi Miller and Rabbi Fasman for stepping out of their regular classroom roles and teaching the larger groups. Thanks also to my committee chairs, Beth Rubin of Shaare Zedek and Ellen Scholten of BSKI, for shopping and helping to get everything ready; in them I have true partners. Thanks to Jeff Miller of Shaare Zedek for being so accommodating and helpful. Finally, for making this program possible, thanks to the Jewish Federation of St. Louis and the generosity of the Gladys K. Crown Foundation, honoring the memory of



Bet class with Hannukiyot

Shirlee Green, and the Rich Education Fund of the Jewish Federation.

As the year moves on we have a number of events planned. Please watch your mail and email and for the flyers distributed at school in order to ensure your child's maximum participation. My family and I hope that you have a fantastic 2010 filled with fun, personal growth and intellectual challenge.

Michael S. Raileanu, M.A.Ed., Director
Shaare Shalom Religious School

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Pre-K and Kindergarten students and teachers making Hanukkiyot at the SSRS Hanukkah Celebration

JUNIOR CONGREGATION!

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Youth
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60+ PROGRAM

AT BSKI

JANUARY 21

12:30 PM

LUNCH AND MOVIE, *BEAU JEST*

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OFFICE AT 314-725-6230

CHOICES

Jewish College Fair 2010

Looking at Colleges through Jewish Eyes

Sunday, January 31, 2010

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Temple Israel #1 Rabbi Alvan D. Rubin Dr. St. Louis, MO 63141

Meet college reps from around the country and have your specific questions answered **one on one.**

Over 50 colleges & universities represented!

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Men's Club Moves Up

As has been said, "The play's the thing!" and Men's Club is going to put on a play! This is the first call for volunteers to actively participate in a play to be presented at BSKI in December 2010. We are starting early, we will be well organized and we want interested and enthusiastic volunteers. If you have theater and production experience, that is great. But even if you don't have experience, and you are willing to work to act in and produce a play, please let me know.

We have been given a play by Dr. David Crespy, Associate Professor of Playwriting and Director of Undergraduate Theater Studies at Mizzou. Dr. Crespy will direct the play and has waived royalties for this program.

We will need production, business office, actors and actresses, as well as sales and marketing help. This will be a fun and worthwhile program that will be enjoyed by the community as a whole. If you are interested, let me know.

The Men's Club dues will now be included on the super bill to insure that you are given proper tax information.

The Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle Program material has arrived to start our planning. As you may know, the majority of Men's Club money used for scholarships and other programming comes from our annual efforts to memorialize Yom HaShoah through the Yellow Candle Program. In 2010, the Yellow Candle will be lighted April 11-12. If you would like to be involved and volunteer to work on that important project, let me know.

We are working to make the BSKI Men's Club more of an active and important arm of our congregation. Join us.

Thanks,
Don Pearline (December 6, 2009)

Join the Men's Club in our activities to support and aid BSKI and come to our meetings, generally the first Sunday of the month after morning services.

EVENTS

LITERARY WEEKEND WITH JANET R. KIRCHHEIMER

Sponsored by BSKI's Adult Education Committee

Join acclaimed poet Janet R. Kirchheimer for two exciting activities at BSKI the weekend of March 6 and 7.

MARCH 6

7:30 PM—9:30 PM

COFFEEHOUSE

featuring Janet and local poets,
with musical entertainment

MARCH 7

10 AM—12 PM

WORKSHOP

“Personal Responsibility: Am I My Brother's Keeper and Just Whose Brother is it Anyway?”

Janet is a Teaching Fellow at Clal—The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership. In addition to teaching leadership development, presenting readings and speaking about the Holocaust, she conducts writing workshops, including, “Changing the World with Words” teaching adults and teens about Judaism using creative writing exercises and poetry, and leads a “Poetry Shmooze” where participants read and discuss Jewish-themed poems. Her poetry has appeared in several journals, and she was nominated for Pushcart Prize in 2007.

Janet's book, *How To Spot One Of Us* (Fall '07), is a collection of over 90 poems inspired by her family's tragedy in the Holocaust. Honoring their memory, she provides a moving tribute to the powers of faith and hope for the future. In addition to Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel, this book is endorsed by author Rabbi Harold Kushner, historian Sir Martin Gilbert, and poet Mary Stewart Hammond, among others. Janet has also published many poems that are not related to the Holocaust and will read some of them at the Coffeehouse.

Come to the literary weekend on March 6 and 7. Light refreshments will be served at both events. There is no charge.

BSKI 2009 WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

During October and November, BSKI congregants responded to the 2009 Winter Clothing Drive by donating new and gently used coats, jackets, sweaters, hats, shoes, gloves, scarves, blankets and other clothing, to help our neighbors in the local community survive the cold this winter.

Social Action Committee volunteers Shirley Portman and Bev Fogelman sorted and re-bagged 30 bags of new and used clothing. Marilyn and Saul Dien delivered these essential clothing items to the Grace Hill Health Center Clothes Closet. Grace Hill provides primary and preventive health care through five community health centers

serving low income and uninsured residents. Of the nearly 38,000 patients Grace Hill serves, nearly 31 percent are children, 24 percent are homeless, and another 18 percent are public housing residents. 90 percent are under the federal poverty line.

Our Winter Clothing Drive was successful because of the willingness of so many people at BSKI to help their neighbors.

Today Rabah!

**Our next clothing drive will be on
Mitzvah Day, April 25.**

TORAH TALK JANUARY 9

Welcome to the Book Of Exodus, the chronicle of our nation building as Jacob's family becomes the people of Israel. In the opening parsha, Shemot, the Hebrews are enslaved, Moses grows from baby in basket to royal pain in Pharaoh's royal side with his “Let my people go” speech. Would you believe Moses or choose him as your leader? What does the name Hashem tells Moses at the burning bush, “I Will Be What I Will Be” mean? Read this portion with fresh eyes. Bring your questions and comments to Torah Talk; be ready for a lively discussion. We meet in the library 15 minutes after services.

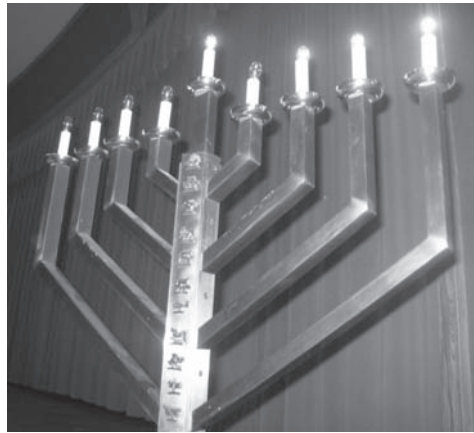


2ND ANNUAL WEEKEND OF
TWINNING BETWEEN
BSKI AND DAAR UL-ISLAM MASJID
DECEMBER 4-6, 2009



Photos by Dr. Nasir Siddiqi

CHANUKAH AT BSKI



Photos by Scott Rosen



TODAH RABAH

We would like to thank our BSKI family for all your kind words and caring condolences. Your affection and respect for our father was gratifying and consoling in our time of grief.

The family of Maurice J. Frankel:
Harlie, Helene, George, Leslie and Judy

TODAH RABAH

We would like to thank a very special and giving person, Bill Solomon for honoring us at the Karen Solomon Memorial Luncheon. It will be a wonderful memory for the years to come.

Marilyn and Saul Dien



WHERE WILL YOU COUNT THE STARS ON FEBRUARY 6?

Our sages taught that Shabbat ends when three stars can be counted in the evening sky. Even if the night is cloudy, the stars at the Planetarium will shine brightly.

HAVDALAH UNDER THE STARS • JAMES S. McDONNELL PLANETARIUM IN FOREST PARK
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2010

DOORS OPEN AT 6:45 PM • HAVDALAH SERVICES AT 7:15 PM & 8:15 PM

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We Want to Count the Stars!

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OR REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.CAJESTL.ORG (SEARCH KEY - HAVDALAH) BY JANUARY 27.

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ADDRESS: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL: _____ CONGREGATION: _____

NUMBER OF ADULTS: _____ NUMBER OF CHILDREN: _____

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UPCOMING DEADLINES

Please note the change!

The deadline for the February issue will be **January 5**.

The deadline for the March issue will be **January 28**.

Please note that submissions received after the deadline cannot be guaranteed space in the issue. Send your submissions to bskibulletin@gmail.com or send a typed copy to the office.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Evening Service 4:20 pm Candlelighting 4:32 pm	2 Parshat Vayechei Junior Congregation 10:30 am Evening Service 4 pm
3 Men's Club Meeting after morning service No Shaare Shalom	4	5	6 Women's League Meeting 9:30 am	7 Adult Ed. Meeting 6 pm	8 Mincha 4:30 pm Candlelighting 4:38 pm Volunteer Recognition Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat 6 pm Dinner 7 pm	9 Parshat Shemot Junior Congregation 10:30 am Torah Talk after morning services Evening Service 4:10 pm
10 Shaare Shalom 10 am Social Action Committee Meeting 10 am	11	12	13 Photo Directory Pictures (call the office to sign up for a time)	14 Photo Directory Pictures	15 Evening Service 4:35 pm Candlelighting 4:56 pm	16 Parshat Vaera Rosh Chodesh Shevat Bar Mitzvah of David Mendel Junior Congregation 10:30 am Pray and Play 10:30 am Shalom Yeladim 10:30 am Evening Service 4:15 pm
17 No Shaare Shalom Photo Directory Pictures (18 Photo Directory Pictures	19 Photo Directory Pictures	20	21 60+ Lunch and Movie at BSKI 12:30 pm	22	23 Parshat Bo Junior Congregation 10:30 am Evening Service 4:25 pm
24 No Shaare Shalom 31	25	26 Board of Trustees Meeting 7:30 pm	27	28	29 Evening Service 4:30 pm Candlelighting 5:01 pm	30 Parshat Beshalach Tu B'Shevat Gansner/Hinden Baby-naming Junior Congregation 10:30 am Evening Service 4:30 pm

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