



February 2020 Shevat/Adar 5780

HIGHLIGHTS

Celebrating Trees

Friday, February 7, Betenu will celebrate Tu B'shevat with our annual community seder and potluck dinner. Rav Sam will lead us through the celebration of trees and their fruits as we try all sorts of fruits. Don't forget to RSVP and choose a seder plate contribution.

You may remember celebrating Tu B'shevat or another holiday by contributing the Jewish National Fund (JNF) to have a tree planted in Israel. The JNF has planted more than 250 million trees since its establishment in 1901. While initial plantings were primarily pine trees, today's plantings include different species to increase diversity in the forests. Water conservation is also a major part of the organization's goals.

In addition to supporting the planting of trees in Israel, Tu B'shevat is a good opportunity to think about trees in our own community. February is not a time for planting here, but we can start to think about what we can plant in the spring. Trees help preserve our environment, by removing carbon dioxide and absorbing pollutants.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 <i>Bo</i>
2 Sunday School, 9 am	3	4	5	6	7 Rav Sam led Tu B'shevat seder, 6:30 pm, setup 6 pm	8 <i>Beshalach</i>
9 Sunday School, 9 am Parent Mtg, 9:15 am Adult Ed, 1 pm	10	11	12	13	14 Family-friendly service with Bar Mitzvah/ Confirmation classes, 7 pm	15 <i>Yitro</i>
16 Sunday School, 9 am	17 Board Meeting, 6:30 pm	18 UNO's Fundraiser, all day	19 UNO's Fundraiser, all day	20	21 No service	22 <i>Mishpatim</i>
23 No Sunday School	24	25	26	27	28 Lay-led Shabbat service, 7:30 pm	29 <i>Terumah</i>