

Gesherim (6th Graders and their Parent(s))

Meets 9:30am - Noon (Students Only)

Meets 9:30 to 10:40am (Students and Parent(s) for child/children who have B'nai Mitzvah dates from 9/10/22 through 3/18/23)

Meets 10:50am to Noon (Students and Parent(s) for child/children who have B'nai Mitzvah dates after 3/25/23)

(Gesherim meets approximately two times per month)

Sixth grade is a special time for your child. Although 6th graders continue to attend mid-week Rimon Hebrew, they will no longer attend the "traditional" Sunday Rimon program. What they *will do* is, along with their families, enter an experience that will lead them to the start their own future Jewish journey.

Gesherim is a unique program designed to guide you and your child, both separately and together, on a path to Bar/Bat Mitzvah and beyond. Led by dynamic and experienced educators, your child will meet monthly with their peers. Additionally, students and parent(s) will meet monthly as a group. Each gathering will build upon the important elements of starting the process of Jewish "adulthood". Experiences will include in-house gatherings, field trips, and social action opportunities.

The strand that ties all of this important work together is a personal Torah project. Each family will meet with Rabbi Rigler to be introduced to and seek understanding of your child's Torah portion for their Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Torah project presentations will be scheduled either during mid-year or at the end of the year, depending on the date of their Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

2021-2022 Gesherim Calendar:

October

17 - Students - 9:30-Noon at Temple Shalom

31 - Students and Parent(s) come either 9:30-10:40am/10:50am-Noon at Temple Shalom

November

7 - Students - 9:30-Noon at Temple Shalom

December

12 - Students- 9:30-Noon at Temple Shalom

19 - Torah Presentations - 9:30-Noon - Students and Families (These presentations will be in two shifts with the option to watch all the presentations remotely.)

January

9 - Students and Parent(s) come either 9:30-10:40am/10:50am-Noon at Temple Sholom

23 - Students- 9:30-Noon at Temple Sholom

February

11 - Geshirim Friday Evening Shabbat Service at Temple Sholom- Students and Families - 7:00pm

13 - Cantor Marx leads B'nei Mitzvah Workshop - Students and Parent(s) come either 9:30-10:40am/10:50am-Noon at Temple Sholom

27 - Students- 9:30-Noon at Temple Sholom

March

20 - Students and Parent(s) (Time TBD) at Temple Sholom

27 - Students- 9:30-Noon at Temple Sholom

April

3- Students and Families - 6th Grade Moving Up Ceremony (Time TBD) at Temple Sholom

24- 9:30-Noon - Students and Families (These presentations will be in two shifts with the option to watch all the presentations remotely.)

May

1 - Final Session - Details TBD

15 - School Picnic (information to follow)