

# Shaarey Tzedek



**Conservative Jewish Synagogue Montgomery County Texas**

Entrance at 26510 Oak Ridge Rd. Building B, Suite 100 77380

## WELCOME~ בְּרוּכִים הַבָּאִים

In the last three years, our synagogue has flourished significantly due to the generous contributions from our founding members and a select few others. Their support has allowed us to furnish our sacred space with essential religious items and to provide everything necessary for our social gatherings. Additionally, the food for our Onegs and Jewish celebrations has been graciously donated, enriching our community's shared experiences. However, as we continue, now that we have a place, we call our own, we strongly encourage every member of our community to contribute with financial assistance. The reliance on a small group of donors is no longer sustainable for our expanding needs. We invite you to open your hearts and be generous with your contributions, ensuring that we can maintain our operations and potentially expand our offerings for everyone to enjoy.

In addition, we are committed to maintaining 100% transparency regarding the financial operations of our synagogue. We believe that every community member deserves to know how their contributions are being utilized. Every donation has been allocated to essential areas, including the presence of clergy during our services, such as Shabbat, Jewish Holidays, Passover and High Holidays, as well as the costs associated with sustaining the roof over our heads. Your trust is invaluable to us, and we want you to feel confident that your support directly contributes to the vitality and sustainability of our synagogue community.

We are excited to announce that Rabbi Deborah Schloss will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from The Jewish Theological Seminary during a Convocation on Monday, March 3, 2025.

This ceremony will honor Rabbi Schloss for her remarkable accomplishments throughout the years. This significant milestone is a source of accomplishment, and we look forward to celebrating it with great recognition and enthusiasm.

Mazel Tov to her!

You can make donations in her honor at: [donations](#)



**March 13  
6:30 PM**

**Purim Celebration**



**March 29  
9:30 AM**

**Shabbat Kodesh Minyan**

**Dedicating the Schmulson Torah**

**In memory of**

**Mike & Susie Schmulson z"l**

**and**

**Dedicating the Hane Torah**

**In memory of**

**Salomon & Susie Hane z"l**

**Followed by a luncheon  
sponsored by  
Schmulson-Hane Families**

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I appreciate those who braved the cold, rainy weather to join us for our latest *Havdalah* service and social gathering. It was lovely having the chance to visit with each one of you who attended and being together in community after witnessing just two days prior the somber and grotesque spectacle of the return of the corpses of babies Ariel and Kfir Bibas, what was claimed to be the body of their mother Shiri, and that of Oded Lifschitz.

It was comforting to be together and reminded me of the tremendous power of community. And having our youngest Shaarey Tzedek member, 9-month-old Hannah help hold the challah and later stand up holding onto a chair brought a huge smile to our faces!

This year, the 1<sup>st</sup> of Adar falls on March 1<sup>st</sup> ~ what lovely symmetry! Our celebration of Purim begins the evening of the 13<sup>th</sup> of Adar (March 13). And perhaps you have heard of Shushan Purim? Interestingly, Purim is the only Jewish holiday whose date depends upon where you celebrate it!

After Haman's decree against the Jews, our ancestors were allowed to defend themselves on the 13<sup>th</sup> of Adar, during which time they defeated their enemies. Queen Esther decreed Purim to be celebrated the day AFTER our ancestors defended themselves. **In this way Purim does not celebrate Jews being victorious over our enemies. Rather, it celebrates the following day of "feasting and gladness" which took place on the 14<sup>th</sup> of Adar** (Esther 9:17).

We learn in *Megillat Esther* that King Achashverosh allowed the Jews to defend themselves for an extra day in the capital city of Shushan, Persia, which was a walled city. So, the Jews of Shushan didn't celebrate Purim until the 15<sup>th</sup> of Adar. For Jews living in Jerusalem, Shushan, or any walled city during the time of Joshua's conquest, they celebrate Shushan Purim a day later than the rest of us.

The Talmud (*Ta'anit* 29a) teaches that "When Adar arrives, we increase our joy." May it be so!

Warmly (in cold Houston), Rabbi Deborah

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Cathy Wilkins

In memory of  
Zeev Gurwitz z"l

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In honor of Soli, Danny, Yarden & Steven  
Schmulson for the birth of  
Maya Schmulson

Miriam & Alan Leitko

In honor of Laurie & Phil Goldfeder  
for the birth of their grandson  
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Maya Schmulson

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In memory of  
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In memory of  
Mike & Susie Schmulson z"l &  
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Thank you to:

Janessa Welch, Vickie Strong,  
Soli Schmulson, Sheryl Riffle,  
Marti Stein & Miriam Leitko

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Join us for a special Shabbat Hakodesh  
**UNVEILING AND DEDICATION OF 2 TORAHS**

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 and  
 Hane Torah  
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 honor of the Torahs



# Shaarey Tzedek Synagogue

**JOIN US FOR A  
 PASSOVER SEDER EXPERIENCE**

RABBI  
**DEBORAH SCHLOSS**



**SUNDAY APRIL 13 AT 5:00 PM**  
**26510 OAK RIDGE DR**  
**THE WOODLANDS, 77380**

**Kosher dinner, wine, Haggadah reading  
 and Passover songs to sing along !**

**\$48 adult; \$18 youngsters 13-18; under 13 free**

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**Shabbat & Havdallah**

