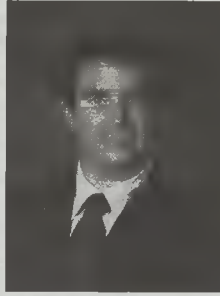


New Clergy Installation at Temple Beth El

On Friday, November 4, Temple Beth El will formally welcome Rabbi Jonathan Freirich and Cantor Mary Thomas into our Temple family and into the Charlotte Jewish community as our newest leaders and teachers. Why installation? After all, Rabbi Freirich and Cantor Thomas have already made considerable contributions to our community during the four busy and exciting months since their arrival. Like many significant ceremonies in Judaism, it is an opportunity to acknowledge and formalize the unique covenantal relationship between a community and its leaders. Just as we welcome bar and bat mitzvah stu-



Rabbi Jonathan Freirich

dents to our Temple family, or surround the wedding couple with our pledge of support during their

lives together, this is a time to celebrate all we look forward to in the months and years ahead, and to commit ourselves to supporting and lifting up our newest clergy as they strive to guide and care for all of us.

At our 8 PM service on November 4, special guests will join the board and staff of Temple Beth El for this service of installation. Rabbi Myra Soifer, rabbi emeritus of Temple Sinai in Reno, Nevada, will be the installation speaker. Rabbi Soifer, one of the first women to be ordained as a rabbi in the 1970s, has been a leader in the crusade for human rights for the past 25 years. She will share her wisdom with us and lift our worship as we gather to embrace Rabbi Freirich and Cantor Thomas with the warmth and spirit of our Temple Beth El family. ☆



Cantor Mary Thomas

Keshet's Inclusion Shabbat with Reverend Robin Tanner

Friday, November 18, 8 PM at Temple Beth El

Keshet, Beth El's GLBTQ programming and advocacy group, welcomes Rev. Robin Tanner as a guest at our 6:30 PM Shabbat dinner and to deliver the sermon at our 8 PM Shabbat service.

Keshet invited Rev. Tanner - an energetic young minister with a Harvard education, who also happens to be a lesbian and an advocate on LGBTQ issues - to share her personal journey as a woman, a minister and as an activist for equality in her new home city of Charlotte. Please don't miss this opportunity to learn about and discuss some of the most important issues facing our society today as we aim towards greater inclusion and equality for all.

Reverend Tanner hails from upstate New York and now leads the Piedmont Unitarian Universalist Church here in Charlotte. She moved to Charlotte

with her partner, Stephanie, as well as their two dogs, Katy and Lily, and their cat, Jasper.

Reverend Tanner's background is exemplary. She completed a Chaplain residency at Presbyterian Hospital in Albuquerque, NM; received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Religious Studies from the University of Rochester; and earned her Master of Divinity in Parish Ministry from Harvard Divinity School. She was ordained as a Minister in December 2009, and has preached since 2006.

The service is free and open to the public. The dinner is \$8/adults, \$6/children 12 and under. RSVP at www.beth-el.com/rsvp. ☆



Temple Beth El to Host Charlotte's 36th Annual Citywide Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Join us to celebrate Charlotte's 36th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, Tuesday, November 22, 7 PM at Temple Beth El. All are warmly welcomed to this free citywide event to celebrate and give thanks through the beauty and rich tapestry of faith traditions in our region.

Sponsored by Mecklenburg Ministries, this interfaith celebration invites Charlotteans of different races, cultures, and faiths to join together as one and give thanks. The evening will be filled with music by our 200-person-strong Interfaith Adult and Children's Choirs, words from the Mecklenburg Ministries' Youth Council, as well as the inspirational convergence of a list of interfaith clergy from throughout Charlotte. The central message will be delivered this year by

Msr. John McSweeney from St. Matthew Catholic Church. His message will focus on, "The Gratitude Factor."

Last year, close to 1,500 people attended and took part in our city's celebration of peace, thanksgiving, and unity. This year, you can be a part of this uplifting observance. Start your Thanksgiving week off on the right foot by coming together with the broader community and offering gratitude. Join us and represent the Jewish community by being a welcoming presence for the hundreds of individuals who will be coming to Shalom Park from across our city.

For more information, contact Temple Beth El at 704-366-1948, www.beth-el.com, or Mecklenburg Ministries at 704-565-5455, www.meckmin.org. ☆



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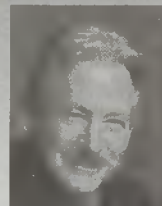
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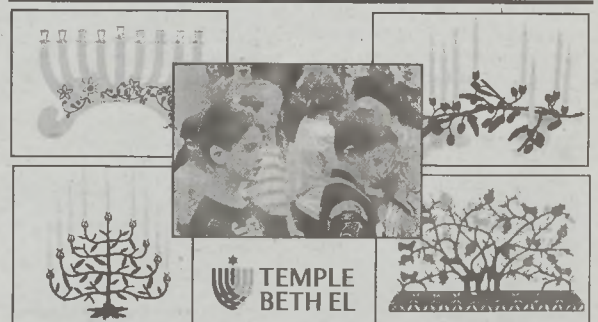
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