



**EVENTS &
ANNOUNCEMENTS**
Continued...

January, February dates for programs led by Rabbi Koas

Torah Study Every Shabbat at 9:00 to 9:45 am, when Rabbi Koas leads Services, which will follow at 9:45 a.m.

Rabbi Koas teaches this class which focuses on a thoughtful reading of the parashah of the week and explores the historical, ethical and spiritual questions raised by the text. People of all levels and backgrounds are welcome. Hebrew knowledge is not required. It is not necessary to read ahead or prepare. Drop-in attendance is welcomed.

Torah on Trails: January 12, February 23, usually Second Sunday of the month at 10:30 am We'll speak about God and the wonders of creation. We'll stop along the way to admire the beauty of nature and share thoughts and feelings. If you won't be going to the breakfast beforehand, email the rabbi for the meeting place: rabbi@bethamisr.org

Prayers and Breakfast, January 12, February 23, at 9 am; On the second Sunday of the month (usually) at 9 am we'll meet at Beth Ami for weekday morning minyan services (shorter than Shabbat!) and breakfast.

Lunch and Learn: January 8 and February 19, usually 2nd Wednesday of the month: lunch at noon, class 12:30 to 1:30 pm Starting with the book *Why Be Different? A Look into Judaism*, we'll use stories and questions to deepen our understanding of Judaism. Order a Veggie Wrap or Tuna Sandwich (box lunch, chips and a drink for \$12). Please order through the office at 707-360-3000 by the Monday prior to class.

Torah on Tap: January 16 at 7:00 pm We provide the beer. You provide the nosh. (Veggie only – please follow potluck guidelines.) Our wide-ranging conversations will start with a timely article about a current issue.



Torah on Tap: February 13 at 6:30 pm Tu B'Shevat seder: a meeting of nature and Kabbalah celebrating the birthday of trees. We will provide the symbolic fruits and wines. **February 27 Torah on Tap discussion.**

Havdalah Gathering: January 11, February 22, 7:00 pm Gather round to end Shabbat together. Each gathering will segue into the week with a fun activity, accompanied by drinks and a nosh. You bring the drinks, we'll bring the nosh. January 11th we'll do Karaoke. On February 8th we'll have a game night or other activity. Future Havdalah night ideas: painting night, storytelling, poetry, mic night, movies. Have other ideas? Send them to office@bethamisr.org. Please put "Havdalah gatherings" in the subject line.

Purely for fun... Biking with the rabbi Join Rabbi Koas every Tuesday (that he's in town) for food, socializing, and riding your bike/trike. All ages participate. Meet at 5:30 pm at 550 Silva Ave (the JC overflow parking lot.) Pedals up at 6 pm. For more details, see <https://www.downtownsantarosa.org/events/santa-rosa-taco-tuesday-ride/> or call Rabbi Koas for more information: 732-998-1029.

Introduction to Judaism / Bnai Mitzvah Class Wednesday February 19 and 26 at 7:00 pm. How to be Jewish for beginners. A step-by-step guide to gaining an understanding of Judaism and Jewish life. **Contact Rabbi Koas if you are interested** rabbi@bethamisr.org.

All are welcome at Beth Ami's programs.