

WHAT'S ON AT KEDEM

Welcome to Kedem! We are a predominantly lay-led, innovative and progressive community that celebrates Shabbat, Festivals and Jewish life-cycle events with warmth, fun, music and food! We experience "joyful Jewish life" when we gather to socialize, learn, enjoy and care about the environment.

On May 1st 2021 Kedem was thrilled to return to in-person services at The King David School, after an absence of 14 months due to the pandemic. Currently we still provide a zoom option for most events.

In case of sudden changes, keep your eyes on our E news for the latest details, or contact Ruth or Rosi, to check whether events will be proceeding in-person.

Now that we are back at The King David School:

- *Mark a special event in your life with an Aliyah or by sponsoring a Kiddish – for a birthday, anniversary, travel, work or school achievement – we would love to share the naches with you and your family here at Kedem!*
- *Kedem provides lay leadership for life-cycle events, such as a funeral, minyan, shloshim, and a consecration.*
- *We provide a B'nei Mitzvah program for children. Adults: consider marking the anniversary of your B'nei Mitzvah with us, or having a ceremony for the first time!*

For further details for any of the events below, please contact Rosi on rosi.kedem@outlook.com, or Ruth Gross ruth.kedem@outlook.com or call the office on 0414 328 272.
Links for Zoom events will be in the E-news or contact Rosi.

MAY 2021

Thursday's 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th May: Living Calm: Gentle Jewish Yoga. Relax, meditate, stretch. Only on Zoom. 9 – 10.30 am. Register with Deb on 0419 340 684 or deborah.absler@bigpond.com

Saturday 1st May: Shabbat morning service 10.00 am at The King David School.

Friday 14th May: 7.00 pm. Kabbalat Shabbat Pot luck dinner at a home. **Register with Rosi to attend in-person.**

Saturday 15th May: Shabbat morning service 10.00 am at The King David School.

Sunday 16th May: 6 pm. Erev Shavuot. Catered dinner at The King David School to celebrate our return, Shavuot, and Ner Tamid presentation to Libby Appelboom. \$10 a head. Kids no charge. **Bookings with Rosi for dinner essential for catering.**

Monday 17th May: Shavuot morning service 10 am at The King David School. Includes Hallel and Yizkor.

Saturday 22nd May: Service for the Soul 10.00 am at a home. A reflective Shabbat celebration with singing, prayer, poetry and meditation. Pre and post chit-chat, 9.30 -10 and 12 -12.30. **Register with Ruth to attend in-person.**

Monday 24th May: Special General Meeting/Election. 7 – 8 pm on zoom.

JUNE 2021

Thursday's 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, June: Living Calm: Gentle Jewish Yoga. Relax, meditate, stretch. Only on Zoom. 9 – 10.30 am. Register with Deb on 0419 340 684 or deborah.absler@bigpond.com

Saturday 5th June: Shabbat morning service 10.00 am at The King David School.

Thursday 10th June: Text study group 8 – 9.30 pm. In-person and on Zoom. **Register with Bev to attend in-person.** bevgebart@gmail.com

Saturday 19th June: Shabbat morning service 10.00 am at The King David School.

Friday 11th June: 6.30 pm. Kabbalat Shabbat Pot luck dinner at a home. **Register with Rosi to attend in-person.**

Saturday 26th June: Service for the Soul 10.00 am at a home. A reflective Shabbat celebration with singing, prayer, poetry and meditation. Pre and post chit-chat, 9.30 -10 and 12 -12.30. **Register with Ruth to attend in-person.**



Tikkun Olam is a core value of Kedem and underpins our social action commitment.

*The Kedem community acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Boon Wurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and offer our respects to the elders, past and present.
We recognise and respect the cultural heritage of this land.*

If you have a Tikkun Olam project that you would like to initiate, or a project that you would like to suggest we take onboard, contact **Shaun Miller**, Tikkun Olam coordinator, Mobile: **0439 391 377** or email shaun@shaunmillerlawyers.com.au

Mazon Australia's Pesach food drive



Kedem is supporting Mazon Australia's Pesach food drive.

ARE KITNIYOT KOSHER FOR PESACH? WHO CARES: THEY FEED THE HUNGRY!

The debate over whether or not to eat Kitniyot (rice, corn, soybeans, peas, lentils and legumes) during Pesach has been waged for centuries. No matter which side of the debate you sit on, we can all agree that Kitniyot are essential for the diets of those who are hungry.

Our Pesach Food Drive allows us to act upon the command to "let all who are hungry come and eat".

Kedem donations will go directly to the emergency relief pantry at Christ Church Community Centre, St. Kilda.

Please contact Rosemary 0407 363 692 to arrange to drop off your donations to her and Robin's, and they will deliver to the church.

In addition to Kitniyot, the food and toiletry items we usually collect at the High Holydays can also be included.

REMEMBER: FOOD ITEMS MUST HAVE CURRENT USE BY DATES AND BE UN-OPENED.

If you would prefer, you can make a donation on the Mazon Australia website <https://www.mazonaustralia.org> and they will do the shopping for you.
All monetary donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

