



HIGHLAND PARK  
CONSERVATIVE TEMPLE  
*Congregation Anshe Emeth*

## 17<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL DR. JULIUS AND ETHEL MINTZ SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE SHABBAT

With Scholar-in-Residence:

# BENJAMIN KAMINE

DECEMBER 6 AND 7, 2024  
AT THE TEMPLE



## Midrash and Meaning: How Midrash Shapes our Stories and our Lives

Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup> - 5:30 p.m.

**Kabbalat Shabbat followed by Chinese Buffet Shabbat Dinner**

*(reservations required for the dinner ONLY—see QR Code)*

All are welcome after dinner, to hear Benjamin speak on  
“Ascending and Descending”: Close Reading and the Midrashim of Jacob’s Ladder

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

Morning Services, 9:00 a.m.

During Services, Benjamin will speak on “Leah Was Hated”: *Lashon Hara and the Midrashic Conversation Between Leah and God.*

Following a light Kiddush Lunch:

Benjamin will focus *Did Chazal Do Interreligious Dialogue?: Co-produced Stories in Medieval Midrashim*

**There is a fee only for Shabbat dinner. Reservations for this meal must be  
made by Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>.**

**Benjamin Kamine** a PhD candidate in Midrash at the Jewish Theological Seminary, works as an adjunct instructor in Rabbinic Literatures and Cultures. His doctoral research explores how early Rabbinic heretic material reveals the contours of third-century Rabbinic identity both in what the rabbis prohibit and in how they express those prohibitions. As interreligious dialogue and facilitator, he also serves as the Associate Director of JTS’ Milstein Center for Interreligious Dialogue and adjunct faculty in Interreligious Engagement at Union Theological Seminary. Benjamin’s recent publications include: “From Midrash to Dialogue: Teaching Judaism in Interreligious Spaces.”



**Chinese Buffet Shabbat Dinner Reservations deadline is November 26<sup>th</sup>.**

For RSVP’s <https://www.hpct-cae.org/mintz-dinner/>