



Congregation Ahavath Sholom

The Creative Spirit Dwells Here

A Message From Our Rabbi



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February is a short month and it shaves a few days off of the waiting until Spring. Not that March is particularly kind in the Berkshires but it definitely means that warmer weather is coming and the glorious spring is creeping closer. It's hard to believe looking at the frozen ground that all of that lushness is sleeping...waiting to resurface to delight our senses and our spirits.

I do feel responsible to share that, unfortunately, tomorrow has been declared a day of hate by white supremacist and neo-nazi (intentionally not capitalized) groups and the Jewish community is on alert for potential incidents. We can't put our heads in the sand and wish we didn't have to hear about such things. What we can do is be vigilant, stay safe, and refuse to be cowed by hateful ignorant people. Such as it is....such it has always been...nothing new under the sun.

Am Yisrael Chai...the People of Israel lives!!!!

Sending love and strength and peace,
Shabbat Shalom, Barbara

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