Dear AJ Friends,

The AJ Rabbi Search Committee has been hard at work over the last two months completing a questionnaire to the Placement Office of the Rabbinical Assembly, reviewing candidates’ resumes, and conducting phone and online video interviews. We have narrowed our search, thus far, to two interesting and qualified candidates, Rabbi Moshe Saks (enclosed) and Rabbi Shai Cherry (enclosed).

In March, over two separate weekends, we will all have the opportunity to personally meet these rabbinical candidates. Both are excited to meet you, and to learn more about what makes AJ so special.

During their respective weekend visits, please join us for Kabbalat Shabbat with Strings Attached on Friday evening at 6:15 PM, followed by an Oneg Shabbat, where you will have a chance to mingle. Then come to Shabbat services at 9:30 AM on Saturday morning, in the sanctuary, where each rabbi will participate in services. We will gather in the Orleans Auditorium after services for an extended Kiddush lunch, where you will have a further opportunity to mingle and ask questions. Then join us for Mincha, Ma’ariv and Havdalah services on Saturday evening. Finally, each rabbi will be at AJ for a Meet, Greet, and Eat on Sunday morning at 9:00 AM after morning minyan, where you will have one more opportunity to meet him and ask him questions.

March 1–3: Rabbi Moshe Saks and his wife, Meira, from Scranton, PA

- March 1: Strings Attached and Oneg, beginning at 6:15 PM
- March 2: Shabbat morning service beginning at 9:30 AM, followed by an extended Kiddush lunch
- March 2: Mincha, Ma’ariv and Havdalah service, 5:20 PM, followed by a visit to the Preschool fundraiser
- March 3: Meet, Greet, and Eat. 9:00 AM, after morning minyan

March 22–24: Rabbi Shai Cherry and his wife, Dr. Rebecca Cherry, from Solana Beach, CA

- March 22: Strings Attached and Oneg, beginning at 6:15 PM
- March 23: Shabbat morning service beginning at 9:30 AM, followed by an extended Kiddush lunch
- March 23: Mincha, Ma’ariv and Havdalah service, 6:45 PM
- March 24: Meet, Greet, and Eat. 9:00 AM, after morning minyan

We strongly encourage you to come out for these events. We want you to meet the candidate rabbis and let them know how unique our synagogue and community are. After each candidate’s visit, you will receive an online survey to provide your input on each. This is your opportunity to tell us how you feel and give us your feedback. Your participation is vital, so please complete the survey.

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We need you to RSVP if you plan to attend the Oneg Shabbat on Friday evening, the Kiddush luncheon on Saturday, and/or the Meet, Greet, and Eat event on Sunday. Please send an email to us at rsvp@adathjeshurun.info and note whether you will be attending the Friday night Oneg, the Kiddish luncheon on Saturday, and/or the Meet, Greet, and Eat event on Sunday. Let us know how many in your family will be attending. Alternatively, you can call the synagogue office at 215.635.6611.

Thank you in advance for your interest and involvement in these important events for AJ’s future.

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