

Temple Sinai

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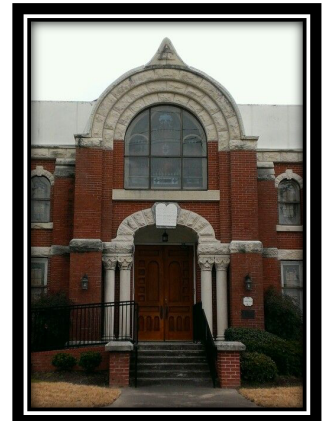
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July, 2020

August, 2020

Tamuz 5780

Av/Elul 5780



WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

July 2020 – Tamuz / Av 5780

July 3, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: Chukat/Balak: Num. 19:1-25:9

Haftarah: Mic. 5:6-6:8

July 10, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: Pinchas: Num. 25:10-30:1

Haftarah: Jer. 1:1-2:3

July 17, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: Matot/Mas'ei: Num. 30:2-36:13

Haftarah: Jer. 2:4-28; 3:4; 4:1-2

July 24, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: D'varim: Deut. 1:1-3:22

Haftarah: Isa. 1:1-27

Chazon

July 31, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: Va-et'chanan: Deut. 3:23-7:11

Haftarah: Isa. 40:1-26

Nachamu

August 2020 – Av / Elul 5780

August 7, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: Eikev: Deut. 7:12-11:25

Haftarah: Isa. 49:14-51:3

August 14, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: R'ei: Deut. 11:26-16:17

Haftarah: Isa. 54:11-55:5

August 21, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: Shof'tim: Deut. 16:18-21:9

Haftarah: Isa. 51:12-52:12

August 28, 2020 **6 PM**

Torah: Ki Teitzei: Deut. 21:10-25:19

Haftarah: Isa. 54:1-10

Temple Sinai's Shabbat Services will be streamed live on YouTube at temple-sinai.tv until further notice.

SERVICE LEADERS

Until further notice, the sanctuary will not be open for services for several reasons: 1) the renovation of the sanctuary ceiling, and 2) the rise of COVID-19 numbers in our community again. We will continue to stream services with Rabbi Barry, and we will keep everyone informed and updated as situations change, especially regarding High Holiday services.

You may watch past services and events on our YouTube Channel at [temple-sinai.tv](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPujlK_V4hMql5s5GXxqOTQ) -OR-

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPujlK_V4hMql5s5GXxqOTQ

July & August Anniversaries:

July 11	Leslie & David Katz
20	Karen & Harry Kleinman
24	Linda & Mark Wygoda
28	Anne & David Reinauer
Aug 12	Simone & Stan Levy
23	Sandy & Ron Desadier

Mi' she' bei' rach

Wishing a refuah shleimah, a complete and speedy recovery, to:

Bob Ginsburgh, who is in the Alexandria hospital due to a Covid-19 diagnosis.



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Mazel Tov!

- Mazel Tov to Tevya Desadier & Matt Turner on their engagement and on the purchase of their new home in Lake Charles!
 - Mazel Tov to Sarah Katz on her acceptance to Georgia State for Grad School! She will be pursuing a master's degree in Diet & Nutrition.
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log in, and renew your card with:

Organization Name:

Temple Sinai

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Message from the Rabbi:

Coming home

Over the years Linda and I have been asked more than a few times when we would be relocating to Lake Charles. Recently, I inquired of the board of trustees of our temple if I could apply to become resident Rabbi for Temple Sinai and Lake Charles! As part of my "Application," I offered to submit letters of recommendation and character references to the board, but the board was most gracious in turning down my respectful request!! Thankfully, as you may have heard from Randy a week or so ago during our virtual service, and you will read in this newsletter, the board has accepted the request of me and Linda to relocate to Lake Charles, Baruch Ha Shem, Thank G-d.

Linda and I, and our daughter Amy, are eagerly looking forward to our relocation to Lake Charles. Though it has been several years since I have served in a full-time capacity as Rabbi, I am most confident that I shall return to my duties in a most suitable fashion. Even though I have been commuting back-and-forth from Baton Rouge, I have done my best to serve our beloved congregation as though I had been a full-time Rabbi.

Linda, Amy, and I look forward with limitless gratitude to this most exciting new chapter in our family's life. We hold each and every one of you so very deep in our prayers and we express our immense gratitude to all of you for inviting us to reside in Lake Charles and for me to become your resident Rabbi.

May G-d Bless all of us with continuing vigor and strength, and always with the best of health and goodness.

Rabbi Barry

Temple Birthdays:

July Birthdays

2	Judy Davidson Katz
2	Jody Davidson
4	Scott Michel
6	Marissa Liebman
9	Barry Holtzman
13	Brenda Goldman
13	Lisa Garcia
14	Maurice Gold
16	Tony Kushner
17	Debbie Gold
18	Elizabeth Battestin
19	Juan Rivera
21	Rachel Fuerst
22	Kathy Steirman
25	Joseph Garcia
26	Todd Riff
26	Lisa Green
27	Mindy Desadier Barkat
28	Greg Mezey
29	Chris Blevins

August Birthdays

2	Leah Holtzman Eisen
2	Rhoda Gorin
3	Joseph Davidson
4	Terry Hodnett
6	Patrick Steirman
7	Kim Davidson Ruby
15	Jill Greenberg
17	Stanley Levy III
19	Scott Levy
19	Stephen Michel
19	David Katz
23	Jacob Ecker
24	Joseph Gall
27	Brenda Bachrack
27	Benjamin Holtzman
29	Daniel Wygoda
29	Skylar Lacombe

RABBI BARRY'S WORD OF THE MONTH: MAZEL TOV

Most of us are familiar with these two words. Their meaning in English: Congratulations! However, their derivation is of interest.

In Hebrew, as Rabbi Benjamin Bleich points out in More Secrets of Hebrew Words (Jason Aronson Inc. 1993) "Mazal refers to the constellations. On a simple level, it expresses the hope that the stars be aligned in a proper manner so that good fortune will follow."

Rabbi Blech also teaches: "We know, however, that true Mazal is nothing other than Divine Destiny; good fortune is the finger of G-d indelibly inscribing the handwriting on the wall of our future. Mazal is G-d being gracious unto us."

May I offer a heartfelt "Mazal Tov" to our precious Temple Sinai upon us soon having once again a "Resident Rabbi and Family!"

Rabbi Barry

In Loving Memory

It is with great sadness that we send our condolences to Simone Weil Levy and Stan Levy, Dinah Weil, and Jon Weil, on the loss of their mother, Ray Weill Weil. Ray passed away at the age of 96 ½ years old on June 9, 2020, at her home in Livonia, Louisiana.

Temple Yahrzeits:

(Week Ending)

July 3, 2020

Benjamin Reinauer (1)
Lily Kushner (2)
Ida Schwartzberg (2)
Dot Edelstein (3)
Esther Levy (3)
Meyer Schwartzberg (3)

July 10, 2020

Charles S. Petrova (4)
Julie Ann Marx Strauss (5)
Maurice Muller (7)
Patricia Brown (8)
Henry Greenwood (8)

July 17, 2020

Kayleen Feldman (11)
Samuel Lipsey (11)
Pearl Muller (13)
Mamie Burnett (14)
Donald Benjamin Levy (14)
Harold Goldberg (15)
Lillie Frank Abercrombie (16)
Max Altman (17)
Susanna Amara (17)
Freda Fannie Paymar (17)

July 24, 2020

Stanley Levy (18)
Barbara Deborah Levy (20)
Joseph Raley (22)
M. Gerald Edelstein (23)
Fannie Goldberg (23)
Morris Helman (23)
Sydney David Kay (23)
Barry M. Kleinman (23)
Abe L. Kushner (23)
Julie Reims (23)
Simon Goldsmith (24)
Elias Raas Kaufman (24)
Bonnye Godchaux Levy (24)

Temple Contributions

Funds:

Sisterhood:

Decorating Fund
General Fund
Meal of Consolation

Send Checks to:

Ellen Raley
4270 Indigo Place
Lake Charles, LA 70605

Temple:

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Courtyard Fund
General Fund
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Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
Tree of Life Fund

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avoid any confusion during the acknowledging process.)



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(Week Ending)

July 31, 2020

Ruth Nelson Chosen (July 27)
Michael Gold (28)
Eddie Rikess (28)
Florian Levy (29)
Jennie Moss (29)
Joseph Paymar (30)
Morele Kay Rosenfeld (30)
Minnie Sternberg (30)
Raymond Holtzman (31)
Bernard Levy (31)
Samuel Sternberg (31)

August 7, 2020

Sarah Holtzman (2)
Irving Gorin (3)
Albert Prater (4)
Hana Sukiennik (4)
Jack Rosenthal (6)
Louis Samuel Brewer (7)
Thelma Seamons (8)
Louis Lipsey (9)
Kate Milstein (9)
Sara Gordon (11)
Mike Hutkin (12)
Vera Levy (12)
Bernard Loftin (12)
Alice Fiellse Farrar (14)
John Runte (14)
Earl Eugene Toerner (14)

August 21, 2020

Samuel Beilin (18)

August 28, 2020

Hattie T. Berther (22)
Giles Cowen (23)
Bernice Goldberg (24)
Selma Abelman (25)
Sylvia D. Kushner (27)

We are grateful for these contributions:

General Fund:

From: Pat Seamons
In Memory of: Rose Katz

From: Rose Katz Estate
Memorial Plaque in Memory of Rose & Sol Katz

From: Tim & Charlene Blevins

From: Dr. & Mrs. Ronald Lahasky
In Memory of: Joshua Lahasky

From: Paul & Susan Miller
Memorial Plaque in Memory of Rosa Lucille Hart

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund:

From: Barbara & Tony DiBartolo
In Memory of: Rose Katz, a very special person

From: Barbara & Tony DiBartolo
In Honor Appreciation of: Rabbi Barry & Team
Responsible for the virtual services. Job well done!

Tree of Life Fund:

From: Karen & Harry Kleinman
In Memory of: Rose Katz
In Honor of: Dan Boitnot for his engineering
Expertise & dedication

From: Barbara Maxey
In Memory of: Sarah Levin

Camp/Youth Fund:

From: Helane Rosen & Nathan Sukiennik
In Memory of: Rose Katz

Courtyard Paver:

From: Sandy & Ronnie Desadier, Joel & Jan Davidson,
Jody & Paige Davidson, Marc & Pattie Davidson, and
Kim & Pete Ruby
In Memory of: Rose Katz

Temple Yahrzeits:

(Week Ending)

September 4, 2020

Harold Bachrack (August 29)
Jennie Shavzin (29)
Andrew Kenneth Strauss (29)
Jackie Jaffe Smith (31)
Louis Holtzman (31)

Building Fund:

From: Carol & Charlie St. Dizier
In Memory of: Sam Schoolsky

From: Tim & Charlene Blevins

From: Pat Seamons

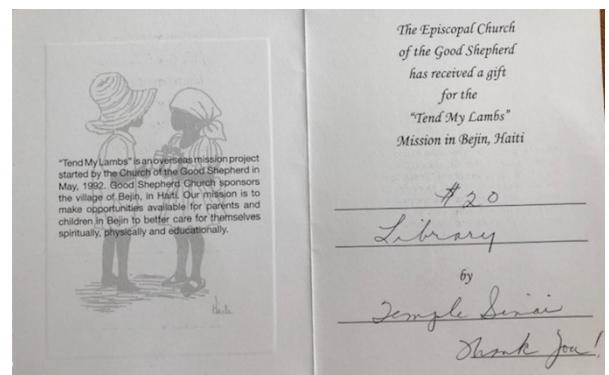
Courtyard Fund:

From: Lois Mohlenbrok
In Memory of: Sam Schoolsky

From: Mr. & Mrs. Scott Levy
In Memory of: Martha Levy

From: Paul & Susan Miller
In Memory of: I.T. Hart

From: Bev & Rick Given
In Memory of: Rose Katz



RESOURCES FROM THE URJ:

1. COVID-19: Judaism Under Quarantine



<https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-life/covid-19-judaism-under-quarantine>

2. Reform Jewish Leadership Statement: Black Lives Matter is a Jewish Value

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https://urj.org/blog/2020/06/12/reform-jewish-leadership-statement-black-lives-matter-jewish-value?utm_source=BulletinBytes&utm_medium=email&utm_content=2020_6_24

3. URJ Response To President Trump's Call To Immediately Open Houses of Worship

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Contact: [Lauren Theodore](#) at 212-650-4154

May 22, 2020; New York, NY – Rabbi Rick Jacobs, President of the Union for Reform Judaism, issued the following statement:

“Mr. President, we have known for millennia that houses of worship are essential institutions. While we long to gather in person, we believe that there is no higher value than *pikuach nefesh*, saving a life. We are entrusted with the holy responsibility of being God’s partners in that work. The Reform Jewish Movement will continue to look to the wisdom of medical professionals to guide us on when reopening our synagogues can be done safely [in keeping with our values](#).”

<https://urj.org/blog/2020/05/22/urj-response-president-trumps-call-immediately-open-houses-worship>

Please keep Rabbi Barry and/or Sandy Desadier advised of any happenings in your life of which you would like the congregation informed. We do not want to inadvertently leave out someone or a special event.
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