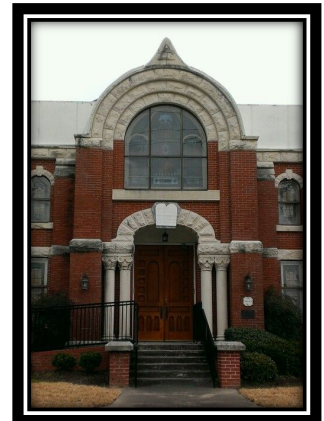


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WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

July 2022 Tammuz/Av 5782

Friday, July 1, 2022 6 PM

Korach / קורח

Numbers 16:1-18:32

Haftarah: I Samuel 11:14 - 12:22

Friday, July 8, 2022 6 PM

Chukat / חקת

Numbers 19:1-22:1

Haftarah: Judges 11:1 - 11:33

Friday, July 15, 2022 6 PM

Balak / בלק

Numbers 22:2-25:9

Haftarah: Micah 5:6 - 6:8

Friday, July 22, 2022 6 PM

Pinchas / פינחס

Numbers 25:10-30:1

Haftarah: Jeremiah 1:1 - 2:3

Friday, July 29, 2022 6 PM

Matot - Mas-ei / מטות-מסעי

Numbers 30:2-36:13

Haftarah: Jeremiah 2:4 - 2:28; 3:4

August 2022 Av 5782

Friday, August 5, 2022 6 PM

D'varim / דברים

Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22

Haftarah: Isaiah 1:1 - 1:27

Shabbat Chazon

Friday, August 12, 2022 6 PM

Va-et'chanan / ואֶתְחַנֵּן

Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11

Haftarah: Isaiah 40:1 - 40:26

Shabbat Nachamu

Friday, August 19, 2022 6 PM

Eikev / עֵקֶב

Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25

Haftarah: Isaiah 49:14 - 51:3

Friday, August 26, 2022 6 PM

R'eh / רֵאֵה

Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17

Haftarah: Isaiah 54:11-55:5

AND Isaiah 66:1 - 66:13, 23

Shabbat Rosh Chodesh

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July Birthdays:

2 Judy Davidson Katz
2 Jody Davidson
4 Scott Michel
9 Barry Holtzman
13 Brenda Goldman
13 Lisa Garcia
14 Maurice Gold
16 Tony Kushner
17 Debbie Gold
18 Elizabeth Battestin
21 Rachel Fuerst
22 Kathy Steirman
25 Joseph Garcia
26 Todd Riff
26 Lisa Green
27 Mindy Desadier Barkat
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
11 Deborah Darbonne
15 Jill Susan 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 Skylar Lacombe

July Anniversaries:

11 Leslie & David Katz
20 Karen & Harry Kleinman
24 Linda & Mark Wygoda
28 Anne & David Reinauer

August Anniversaries:

12 Simone & Stan Levy
23 Sandy & Ron Desadier



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

Linda Weinstein

Charlene Blevins

Message from the Rabbi:

Caution: Don't Rush When Saying Goodbye

Once upon a time I had a dear elderly friend, a fine gentleman. He was known to be quite brilliant, a fine teacher, and an active helper of those in need. During the years of our friendship, he'd often become concerned as a phone conversation was ending, and the caller would say "I Love You," upon saying, "Goodbye." He was puzzled about what to say in return! Of course, I encouraged him to simply say "I love You," but he couldn't understand why to do so.

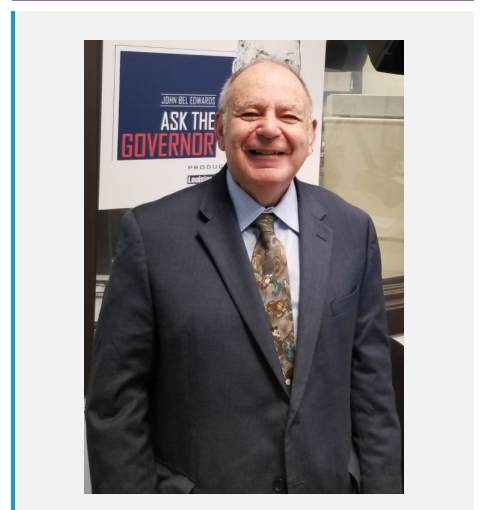
All of this came to mind recently as I heard a song - it must have been 'Country' - about being sure to say, "I love you," as we say "Goodbye!" I've searched and searched for the song but have failed to find it. If you come upon it, I'd be so grateful to download it! Some will know that I have something of a passion for songs of this nature. Is it my age?

Another song in particular that has always been so important to me is "If Tomorrow Never Comes" by Garth Brooks. His song with these closing words:

So tell that someone that you love
Just what you're thinking of
If tomorrow never comes

The song of which I write has a connection to "If tomorrow never comes." It's this relationship that my cherished friend of long ago found so difficult to understand. As I chat on the phone with a loved one, friend, neighbor, or congregant, and the end of our conversation draws near, it's important for me not to rush my 'Goodbye!' Doing so, would not leave enough time for me to say, "I Love You!" This is the gist of the song which I cannot identify: We ought not rush when saying goodbye, as that will prevent us from saying "I Love You!"

When we say "Goodbye" in Hebrew, many of us enjoy saying L'hit'ra'ot, - "Until We Meet Again!" This Hebrew expression carries with it clear confidence that indeed, we shall meet again! In Spanish "Hasta la vista" is similar: "Till we 'view' one another again!" Whether in Hebrew, Spanish, or English, I'm sure all of us wish that our taking leave of one another will



only be for a short time. Still, I somehow feel more complete, more whole, as I say goodbye if I add these three little words, "I Love You!"

Growing up, Mother would always tell me and my late brother that she loved us - always! Whether ending a phone conversation, leaving to go to a movie, and surely at bedtime. In our home, my family is accustomed in the same way, being sure to share these words of love frequently without pause.

These thoughts must have been with me during 2020 when I began streaming Shabbos Eve Services. This was an entirely new experience for me, and it's still a real challenge in terms of doing my best to help our service be as "Connected" and "Intimate" as possible even though we are not together "In person." It wasn't long before I included in my closing of the service, bidding Shabbat Shalom, that I began clearly adding, "I Love You!"

So of course, this article concludes "I Love You!"

Rabbi Barry

Mazel Tov!

Congratulations to Ellen & Scott Raley on the birth of another beautiful granddaughter! Bobbi Lea Raley was born June 19th to Chelsey & Ross Raley.



RABBI BARRY'S WORD OF THE MONTH: TALLIT – טלית

TALLIT!

Most of us are familiar with this important word in Jewish life. The word TALLIT originally referred to a “cloak” or a “gown.” It is of course the traditional prayer shawl worn for worship in traditional Judaism by boys upon becoming Bar Mitzvah. It is also important to note that in some Orthodox circles only married men wear the Tallit. It is also extremely important to note that the “Tzitzit,” the ritual fringes, are placed on each of the four corners of the Tallit in keeping with the law found in Torah.

As the person wearing the Tallit looks at the Tzitzit, s/he “will recall all the commandments of G-d and observe them so as not to go astray after one’s heart and eyes.” (B’midbar - Numbers 15:38)

Regarding the remainder of the day when not in worship, one dons a smaller Tallit, worn under a shirt but not directly on the body. This Tallit is known as the “Tallit Katan – A Small Tallit.” It’s also known as “Arba Kanfot- Four Corners” and as simply “Tzitzit - Fringes.” This Tallit Katan, distinct from the larger Tallit worn by adults, is worn by even young boys. In this manner, the law in B’midbar is translated into the reality of everyday living, as the Tzitzit are visible to the wearer throughout the day.

When we prepare to place the Tallit upon us before worship, we recite this blessing as we enfold ourselves in the Tallit, covering our head:

“Blessed are You, Ad—ai our G-d,
Sovereign of the Universe,
Who hallows us with mitzvot,
Commanding us to wrap ourselves in the Tzitzit (fringes).”

After we say the blessing, it’s customary for most of us to offer a silent prayer as we stand with ourselves enwrapped in the Tallit and as it’s over our head. This very moment (or two!) for me is one of the most inspirational moments before worship or before my private morning prayers.

I shall long treasure my memories of receiving my first Tallit upon my Bar Mitzvah. Even though this day was nearly sixty-seven years ago, I still vividly remember when my late father Z’L presented my Tallit to me, helping me recite the blessing as I wrapped myself

in the Tallit. Every time I recite this blessing, whether privately, or before our worship services, I always sense that as well as wrapping myself in the Tzitzit, in a very real way I am wrapping myself in the entirety of Jewish Life and Tradition over thousands of years. Even more, I am somehow connecting myself to my family ancestors who similarly recited this blessing many, many years ago. Looking upon the Tallit is our reminder of all the Mitzvot and our Jewish Values:

Tzedakah - Acts of Righteousness for those less fortunate than ourselves, Lovingkindness - bringing the blessings of Love and Kindness to those near and dear to us, Tikkun Olam - deeds to repair the ills of our world: hunger, homelessness, bigotry, racism, hatred, spoilation of the earth, poverty, war, Keeping Shabbes together with our Festivals and Holy Days, Study of Torah, and Support of our Congregation and our Jewish Community.

Yes, you and I are so richly blessed to be part of Am Yisrael, the Jewish People, and to bring these Mitzvot and Eternal Values of our People into the reality of our everyday lives. How blessed are we to be so hallowed by G-d with these Commandments and Values of our Faith and our People.

Rabbi Barry



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

July 2022

To all Congregants & Friends of Temple Sinai of Lake Charles:

This is a “**Life**” President’s Message. Jan and I just completed Camp Davidson, 7 days with our 3 grandsons from Texas at our home in Lake Charles, without their parents (Joseph and Chelsey). It was a success, yet we were (are) exhausted. Jan and I both raised only children (previous marriages), so this was quite different for us to entertain, feed, clean and answer 3 kids (9, 6 & 4) at the same time, all the time! We survived!



I hope this finds everyone well and staying comfortable through an unusually hot June as we just passed through the summer solstice on Tuesday, June 21. This solstice marks the official beginning of summer in the Northern Hemisphere, occurring when Earth arrives at the point in its orbit where the North Pole is at its maximum tilt (about 23.5 degrees) toward the Sun, resulting in the longest day and shortest night of the calendar year. (By longest “day,” we mean the longest period of sunlight hours.) On the day of the June solstice, the Northern Hemisphere receives sunlight at the most direct angle of the year. In the Southern Hemisphere, the June solstice marks the [beginning of winter](#).

We have so much to be grateful for and our ability to stop, recognize and appreciate this is so important to one’s health, both mentally and physically. SWLA is rebuilding and the community in whole is continuing to work together in such a way that the national news seems “foreign”. I suggest to all to reach out to someone in need and provide some kindness and physical appreciation during these times of uncertainty.

Construction and rebuild continues at our beautiful historic Temple Sinai. We have reinforced the sagging sub-structure supporting our southern walls in the sanctuary. We are installing bookshelves for our new library this week. We will start the move into the religious wing with our books and contents and at the same time move back into the kitchen. This will free up the space in the social hall to allow us to complete the work required. The sanctuary will continue to progress as planned. We will open before the High Holidays for services... with G-d’s direction and support.

With the continued needs of many, always remember our “dedicated fund” for **Tzedakah**, thereby making a *tikkun olam* difference! Our Board chooses the ways that we can help

so let us know if you are aware of a need. Please consider giving to the **Tikkun Olam Fund**. We need and appreciate your support.

Please stay focused on your needs and please communicate if you need to talk or require any financial support. We are a K'hi'lah (a Jewish congregation), not individuals alone.

Shalom,

Joel Davidson

Temple Sinai President
337-529-6710

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, who has loaned us the use of their social hall many times and has been a very gracious host to us, has installed a new rector. As most of us know, they have been without a rector for quite some time. Mother "Boo" Kay and Father Jim have been filling in, but it has been stretching them. The new rector is Reverend Doctor Mitzi George, and I was invited to attend her installation. She is a long-time personal friend of mine, and also one of my teachers from high school. I was so delighted to hear that she had decided to take the job, and I believe that we will continue the strong relationship that we've had with Good Shepherd under her ministry. Congratulations to Mother Mitzi!



"Rev. Dr. Mitzi George and Student Rabbi Bodin"



Zichronam Livracha
May their memories be a blessing



July 1

Benjamin Reinauer (1)

Uncle of David Reinauer

July 8

Lily Kushner (2)

Ida Schwartzberg (2)

Dot Edelstein (3)

Esther Levy (3)

Meyer Schwartzberg (3)

Charles S. Petrova (4)

Julie Ann Marx Strauss (5)

Rabbi Leo R. Wolkow (5)

Maurice Muller (7)

Patricia Brown (8)

Henry Greenwood (8)

Grandmother of Michael Schwartzberg

Grandmother of Lilly Ray Levy

Grandfather of Michael Schwartzberg

Mother of Susan Battestin

Uncle of David Reinauer

July 15

Susanna Amara (9)

Kayleen Feldman (11)

Samuel Lipsey (11)

Pearl Muller (13)

Mamie Burnett (14)

Donald Benjamin Levy (14)

Harold Goldberg (15)

Daughter of Michael Goldman

Cousin of Corene Davidson

Aunt of David Reinauer

Grandmother of Brenda Goldman

Uncle of Stan Levy, Jr.

July 22

Lillie Frank Abercrombie (16)

Walter J. Armentor, Sr. (16)

Max Altman (17)

Freda Fannie Paymar (17)

Stanley Levy, Sr. (18)

Barbara Deborah Levy (20)

Joseph Raley (22)

Grandfather of Gail Johnson

Grandfather of Tootsie Fournet

Aunt of Corene Davidson

Father of Stan Levy, Jr.

Aunt of Stan Levy, Jr.

Father of Scott Raley



Zichronam Livracha May their memories be a blessing



July 29

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)

Ruth Nelson Chozen (July 27)

Carolyn Hodnett (27)

Michael Gold (28)

Eddie Rikess (28)

Florian Levy (29)

Jennie Moss (29)

Grandfather of Tootsie Fournet

Grandfather of Karen Kleinman

Cousin of Harry Kleinman

Mother of Terry Hodnett

Son of Maurice Gold

Cousin of Corene Davidson

Father of Bill Levy

August 5

Joseph Paymar (July 30)

Morele Kay Rosenfeld (30)

Minnie Sternberg (30)

Raymond Holtzman (31)

Bernard Levy (31)

Samuel Sternberg (31)

Sarah Holtzman (August 2)

Irving Gorin (3)

Albert Prater (4)

Hana Sukiennik (4)

Uncle of Corene Davidson

Mother of Karen Kleinman

Father of Todd Holtzman

Father of Lilly Ray Levy

Great Grandmother of Todd Holtzman

Husband of Rhoda Gorin

Friend of Tony & Barbara DiBartolo

August 12

Jack Rosenthal (6)

Louis Samuel Brewer (7)

Thelma Seamons (8)

Louis Lipsey (9)

Organist for Temple Sinai

Mother-in-Law of Pat Seamons



Zichronam Livracha
May their memories be a blessing



August 12 (Continued)

Kate Milstein (9)
Sara Gordon (11)
Mike Hutkin (12)
Vera Levy (12)
Bernard Loftin (12)

Grandmother of Corene Davidson
Grandmother of Leslie Katz

Grandmother of Stan Levy, Jr.

August 19

Alice Fiellse Farrar (14)
John Runte (14)
Earl Eugene Toerner (14)
Samuel Beilin (18)
Grace Marie DiBartolo (19)

Grandfather of Carol St. Dizier
Grandfather of Barbara Peck
Grandfather of Robert Landry
Sister-in-Law of Tony DiBartolo

August 26

Hattie T. Berther (22)
Giles Cowen (23)
Bernice Goldberg (24)
Selma Abelman (25)
Della Simona Montondon (26)

Great Aunt of Barbara Peck

Friend of Tony & Barbara DiBartolo

September 2

Sylvia D. Kushner (August 27)
Harold Bachrack (29)
Sarah Benjamin (29)
Jennie Shavzin (29)
Andrew Kenneth Strauss (29)
Jackie Jaffe Smith (31)
Louis Holtzman (31)

Husband of Brenda Bachrack
Friend of Tony & Barbara DiBartolo

Brother of Susan Battestin
Mother-in-Law of Anna Silverstein
Grandfather of Todd Holtzman

We have changed the format of our Yahrzeit list to include our congregate relationships to the remembered. We have filled in the list as best as we could with the current documentation on file.

If you have information that would help us complete this list, please send it to Sandy Desadier at sdesadier@gmail.com. As always, if you have any corrections or additions that need to be made to our Yahrzeit list, please send this information to Sandy as well.

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From: Stan & Simone Levy
In Memory of: Martha Levy

From: Scott & Ellen Raley
In Honor of: Corene Davidson's 96th Birthday

From: Tony & Barbara DiBartolo
In Memory of: Ben DiBartolo, Tony's Brother
(7 Years)

Building Fund

From: Percy & Gail Johnson
In Honor of: A Beautiful Passover

Youth Fund

From: Rabbi, Linda, & Amy Weinstein
In Memory of: Eliyahu Weinstein

Tikkun Olam Fund

From: Percy & Gail Johnson
In Memory of: Doris Sis Armentor

From: Paul & Susan Hart
In Memory of: IT Hart & Rosa Hart

From: LK Greer
In Memory of: Uvalde School Children &
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From: Ron & Sandy Desadier
In Loving Memory of: Si Davidson

General Fund

From: Tim & Charlene Blevins

From: Harry & Karen Kleinman
In Loving Memory of: Jane Kleinman

From: Tony & Barbara DiBartolo
In Honor of: Linda Weinstein's Speedy
Recovery

