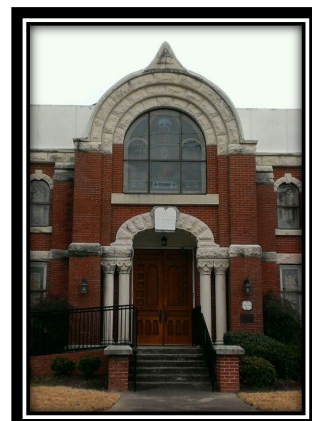


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May 2021
June 2021

Iyar/Sivan 5781
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WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

May 202

Iyar/Sivan 5781

Friday, May 7, 2021

26 Iyar 5781

6 PM online

Torah: B'har - B'chukotai: Leviticus 25:1-27:34

Haftarah: Jeremiah 16:19-17:14

Friday, May 14, 2021

4 Sivan 5781

6 PM online

Torah: B'midbar: Numbers 1:1-4:20

Haftarah: Hosea 2:1-22

Friday, May 21, 2021

11 Sivan 5781

6 PM online

Torah: Naso: Numbers 4:21-7:89

Haftarah: Judges 13:2-12

Friday, May 28, 2021

18 Sivan 5781

6 PM online

Torah: B'haalot'cha: Numbers 8:1-12:16

Haftarah: Zechariah 2:14-4:7

June 2021

Sivan/Tammuz 5781

Friday, June 4, 2021

25 Sivan 5781

6 PM online

Torah: Sh'lach L'cha: Numbers 13:1-15:41

Haftarah: Joshua 2:1-24

Friday, June 11, 2021

2 Tammuz 5781

6 PM online

Torah: Korach: Numbers 16:1-18:32

Haftarah: I Samuel 11:14-12:22

Friday, June 18, 2021

9 Tammuz 5781

6 PM online

Torah: Chukat: Numbers 19:1-22:1

Haftarah: Judges 11:1-33

Friday, June 25, 2021

16 Tammuz 5781

6 PM online

Torah: Balak: Numbers 22:2-25:9

Haftarah: Micah 5:6-6:8

Friday, June 4, 2021

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LIVE STREAMED SERVICES

Until further notice, the sanctuary will not be open for services for several reasons: 1) the renovation of the sanctuary ceiling, 2) the rise of COVID-19 numbers in our community again, and 3) the repairs being made following Hurricanes Laura and Delta. We will continue to stream services with Rabbi Barry, and we will keep everyone informed and updated as situations change.

You may watch past services and events on our YouTube Channel at [temple-sinai.tv](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPujIK_V4hMql5s5GXxqOTQ) -OR-

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In Loving Memory

Our heart-felt condolences go out to Jill Greenberg, Corene Davidson, and their families, for the loss of their mother, sister, and aunt, Reve Greenberg. May her memory be a blessing.



May Anniversaries:

None

June Anniversaries:

- 14 Susan & Bill Battestin
- 15 Micol & Barry Rosen
- 18 Judy & Bruce Katz
- 19 Lisa & Hector Garcia

Please help us keep everyone in the loop! If you have a Mazel Tov, Mi'she'bei'rach, or any other news to share, please notify Sandy Desadier (sdesadier@gmail.com) so that we can include these in our bimonthly bulletin.

Also, if you have a change of address, phone number, etc., it would be most helpful if you would email Sandy so she can keep our directory current. We know that with the various storms we've had, many of you have moved (some temporarily, some permanently). An updated directory will be in the making as soon as things settle from the storms and members are in their respective homes.

Kroger Reward Program

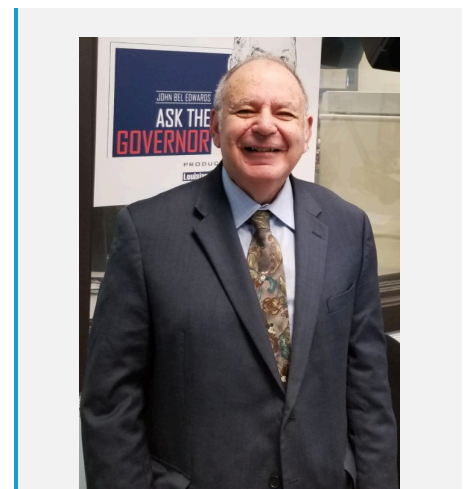
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Message from the Rabbi:

Life's Hellos and Goodbyes

As most of y'all know, we recently lost our beloved Reve, Of Blessed Memory. We shall long cherish our loving memories of our precious Reve. Her wonderful smile, her magnificent sense of humor, her devotion to her family and friends, and her nonstop support of our temple, will always live in our hearts and our memories. Reve always enjoyed sharing Yiddish expressions with me, and at the same time we both enjoyed hearty laughter. We shall also long be blessed with the noble manner in which Reve lived these past many months of Covid. Her grit and determination will always help us live with the same perseverance that characterized Reve's entire life. A Celebration of Reve's life will take place this Fall, and we shall keep you posted.



We hold Corene and Jill so very, very close in our hearts and our prayers. May Corene and Jill be blessed with the gifts of courage and strength from the loving memories of Reve as loving sister and mother. Reve will forever be our Woman of Valor.

I am certain y'all will agree that Matt and Marissa have been a real joy to have in our congregation! Even more, I know y'all will be so pleased to learn that Matt has completed his entire process of Adoption of Judaism. He has been studying with me and our Shabbes Minyan for a very long time. His Bet Din Rabbinical interview was outstanding! In addition, he recently completed Mikveh. Thus, we are thrilled for Matt and Marissa as he now has become fully part of Am Yisrael, our Jewish People. Also, I must share with y'all that by the time you read this Matt shall have left for his new career position in Seattle, Washington. Matt will be working with Sharebuilder 401k as a client consultant. Then, in a few weeks, Marissa will depart for her new assignment at Fort Lewis, where she will be a member of the Joint Multi-Domain Task Force. Marissa will continue as a Captain in the United States Army. We thank Marissa for her continuing Service to our nation as we also thank Matt for his several years of Service to our country in the United States Army. Also, we wish Matt and Marissa the very best of success and good health in their new home! I shall "virtually" offer a blessing for Matt and Marissa during our weekly Shabbes evening Worship Service on Friday April 16 at 6 pm. I hope y'all will be able to join us to wish our very best to Matt and Marissa. As usual, our address is: temple-sinai.tv

This news about Matt and Marissa is our reminder that our lives are filled with "Hellos" and "Good-byes". As we approach the "Sh'lo'shim" for our beloved Reve Of Blessed Memory, the traditional Thirty Days of Mourning, one of the stages in Jewish Mourning, we are once again reminded that life is filled with Hellos and Goodbyes. In Judaism we are taught to cherish each day with which we are blessed.

In this spirit we thank G-d for each and every day our beloved Reve was with us. At the same time, and in the same spirit, we know that Reve's loving neshama will be part of who we are and whom we shall become. As we bid a fond farewell to Matt and Marissa, we know that their dedication to our temple will always shine within our hearts.

Yes, it is true, life is filled with hellos and goodbyes. It seems to me it is our job to make the very best of each and every day with which we are blessed, and to treasure every moment we have with one another, with cherished family and friends. In this way, we surely will craft loving relationships that will endure forever.

Rabbi Barry

Mi' she' bei' rach

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

Linda Weinstein
Tony DiBartolo

Brenda Bachrach
Roland Bodin

MAZEL TOV!

- Ben Katz on completing his MBA program at George Washington University, and on his position with the National Football League Players' Association.
- Matthew Sturgiss on his new job in Seattle, Washington and on his completion of adopting Judaism.
- Marissa Liebman on her new assignment at Fort Lewis, where she will be a member of the Joint Multi-Domain Task Force.

Temple Birthdays

May Birthdays:

- 1 Corene Davidson
- 2 Daniel Gall
- 4 Dawana Holtzman
- 6 Alexandra Battestin Foster
- 8 Randy Fuerst
- 11 Lee Schwalben
- 15 Linda Riff Parker
- 15 Millie Mylander
- 16 Elizabeth Dondis
- 16 Lee Garcia
- 17 Barbara Peck
- 18 Hannah Gold
- 19 Ellen Michel Raley
- 20 Benjamin Katz
- 20 Richmond Reinauer
- 22 Heidi Hankin Walker
- 24 Craig Ferguson
- 26 Bailey Ferguson

June Birthdays:

- 4 Robby Reinauer
- 5 Taylee Lcomb
- 8 Sarah Katz
- 10 William Battestin
- 11 Mitchell Darbonne
- 12 Linda Wygoda
- 16 Stan Levy, Jr.
- 16 Mary Katherine Ginsburgh
- 21 Matt Turner
- 24 Ruth Bachrack Gerrard
- 25 Matthew Goldsmith
- 29 Percy Johnson

RABBI BARRY'S WORD OF THE MONTH: EMET

Emet: Truth!

This is the English rendering of the Hebrew word *Emet*. I especially enjoy the Hebrew word for truth because within its Hebrew letters we find a wonderful lesson. As Edith Samuel points out in Your Jewish Lexicon (UAHC, New York, 1982, p. 42): "Its first letter, *alef*, opens the Hebrew alphabet; its middle letter *mem*, is the middle letter of the alphabet; and its final letter, *tav*, is the final letter of the Hebrew alphabet. Hence, said the Rabbis *emet* is the beginning, the middle, and the end of all things."

Edith Samuels also points out that the Talmudic Sages, view the idea of *emet* very important in a specific way. They regarded it as the "Seal of G-d." In Exodus 34:6 we learn that the Holy One is viewed as "Rav cheesed ve-emet, abundant in goodness and truth."

For the Rabbis, *emet*, truth, is one part of the tripods that "sustains the world, the other two being *din*, justice, and *shalom*, peace." Among the nations of the world, "truth must prevail lest the whole world collapse into chaos." We are also quite familiar with the blessing, "Baruch Dayan ha-emet. Blessed is the Judge of truth, or the righteous judge." As Samuels reminds us, this most important b'racha reminds us of our submission to G-d's will even at the time of deepest sadness. And some of us will remember the old TV program of the previous Century: "To Tell The Truth!"

"Classic game show in which a person of some notoriety and two impostors try to match wits with a panel of four celebrities. The object of the game is to try to fool the celebrities into voting for the two impostors. Each wrong vote would be worth \$250 (\$100 in the daytime version)." (Brian Washington <Sargebri@att.net>) Gary Moore was host in the 1970's and some of its well-known panelists included Kitty Carlilse, Tom Post and Orson Bean.

And from the Book of Proverbs: "He who speaks truth shows forth righteousness, but a false witness deceit. (Proverbs 12:17)

One of my favorite Yiddish Proverbs on Truth is: "The best lie is the truth."

Rabbi Barry

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

April 2021

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

As we move into May, we have all been enjoying some well-deserved weather. I pray that all of you are doing well and staying safe and rebuilding your homes if you were impacted by the Hurricanes of 2020.

We have had some additional monies provided by our insurance company on our claim. By no means are we close to being made whole, yet it will allow us to move forward on the Sanctuary. The Board voted to have the Sanctuary completed for worship in time for Rosh Hashanah, September 6, 2021. Volunteers will begin this weekend and through the month of May removing all the contents, including the pews, moving everything into the social hall. If you are interested in helping, please let me know. This will allow our contractor to repair the complete interior. We still do not know the severity of the exterior walls including the beautiful stain glass windows, yet we are working diligent to determine the magnitude of the scope of work to be performed.

Rabbi, Linda and Amy's home is about complete! They will continue to live between their Baton Rouge home and their "new" Lake Charles home. Rabbi and the Board is continually making plans on how to best serve our community while the repairs of our Temple property take place. I am so pleased with their commitment to our community and flexibility during these unprecedented times.

The 116th Annual Congregational Meeting was held Monday, March 1, 2021 via Zoom. We had an excellent turnout and covered many subjects. The current Board was recognized, and special thanks was given to Tevya for her service as Secretary and Michael for serving as Treasure along with being on the Board. Michael, Tevya and Joel were rolling off this year; Pat Seamons, Barbara Maxey and Dan Boitnot have two years remaining and Anita, Karen and Randy have one year remaining. Joel was elected for one more term along with Charlene Blevins and Sandy Desadier as our new board members to replace Michael and Tevya.

Lastly, I want to share an incredible story of giving.

Joel Wallins, Regional Sales Manager for Hampton Farms and the President of Gates of Prayer in New Iberia called me after seeing the impact of the two hurricanes of 2020. Mr. Wallins wanted to help support the needs of our community and offered to donate a pallet of Peanut Butter (756 jars) to our area. Libby Leone, Exec. Director for CARC and President of The Kiwanis Club of Lake Charles offered to receive the pallet and store it until we could develop a plan to distribute. Rabbi



Barry Weinstein, also a member of The Kiwanis Club of Lake Charles met with Denise Durel, Exec Dir of the United Way of SWLA.

The result was we created a Kiwanis One Day. All the Kiwanis Clubs of our region worked along with members of Temple Sinai and many other volunteers to distribute groceries for the people in need of food on April 5th at the Lake Charles Civic Center. We provided groceries, pet food and Peanut Butter (creamy and delicious) to over 1,000 families of SWLA. Most importantly we all had much fun and fellowship while meeting new giving people. The greatest result was we provided needed services to our community!

Stay positive, stay focused on your needs, and please communicate if you would like to talk. We are a community, not individuals alone.

Shalom,

Joel Davidson, President
337-529-6710

Happy 95th Birthday to Corene Davidson!



Temple Yahrzeits:

(Week Ending)

May 7, 2021

Edward Hewitt Clapham (1)
William Prater (1)
Henry Avner (2)
Martha Levy (2)
Morris Guttman (3)
Elizabeth Helman (3)
Solomon Paymar (3)
George Cohen (4)
Shirley Reinaur Cohn (4)
E.J. "Buddy" Gillespie (4)
Sol B. Klaus (4)
Daniel Louis Kleinman (4)
Doris "Sis" Bowsky Armentor (5)
Shannon Cox (5)
Harriet Fink (5)
Bessie Heller (5)
Bill Barnhart (6)
Meyer Love (7)

May 14, 2021

Lois Cowen (8)
Benjamin Schoolsky (9)
William Holtzman (10)
David Lehman (10)
Ruth Chozen (12)
Rosalind Kaufman (14)
Arthur Landsman (14)
Rita Donn Raphael (14)

May 21, 2021

David Dwight Barnhart (15)
Tommy McManus (15)
Helen Wise (15)
Sarah Levin (17)
Anna Gorin (18)
Isaac T. Hart (18)
Hermann Wygoda (18)
Henry Milstein (20)
Esther Painter (20)
Beatrice Smith (20)

Mazel Tov to Maddy O'Quain!

Maddy graduates from Barbe High School on May 23rd and was accepted to LSU's College of Agriculture. Maddy will major in Natural Resource Ecology and Management, with a career focus in Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation.



Mazel Tov to Terya & Matt

on their May 1st Wedding!



Temple Yahrzeits:

(Week Ending)

May 28, 2021

Edith Kristal (22)
Jeannette Fry (23)
Udith Milford (23)
Clyde Arabie (26)
Augusta Fish (26)
Charles Fredrick Mylander (28)
John Robert Toerner (28)

June 4, 2021

Adolph Marx (May 29)
Shirley Goldsmith (May 30)
Jane Kleinman (June 1)
Jessie Winner (1)
Leanora M. Hoffman (2)

June 11, 2021

Nellie Edelstein (5)
Isadore K. Bowsky (6)
Gertrude Lowenthal (7)
Joseph Liebman (9)
Riva Roseman (9)
Marie Berkowitz Schoolskey (9)
Ray Weill Weil (9)
Estelle Frank Craft (10)
Gertrude Adler (11)

June 18, 2021

Simon Davidson (12)
Manuel Lowenthal (13)
Beatrice Zakroff (13)
Estelle Stopnik (14)
Hyman Roseman (15)
Alex Fish (16)
Edward Eliyahu Weinstein (16)
Julia Greenberg Rosenthal (17)
Cathy Greenberg Milgrom (18)

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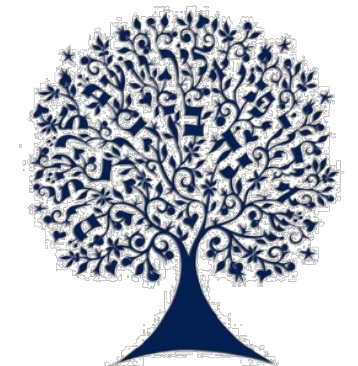
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Temple Yahrzeits:

(Week Ending)

June 25, 2021

Joel Adler (20)
J. Leo Gross (21)
Abraham Lindenberg (21)
Pauline Kaufman (22)
Solomon Reinaur (22)
Alexander Helman (25)

July 2, 2021

John Blevins (26)
Marie Ferguson (26)
Ethel Horn (June 28)
George Kamm (28)
Allen Kristal (28)
Ben Rosen (28)
Morris Tankel (28)
William Coleman, Jr. (30)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We are happy to welcome Millie Mylander and Earl Barton back to the Temple Sinai family!

We are grateful for these contributions:

Tikkun Olam Fund:

From: Charlene & Tim Blevins

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From: LK Greer

In Memory of: Abner Horn

From: Barbara & Tony DiBartolo

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