



Temple Sinai

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January, 2019
February, 2019

Tevet/Sh'vat 5779
Sh'vat/Adar I 5779

WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

January 2019 Tevet/Sh'vat 5779

January 4 **6:00 PM**

TORAH: Va-eira: Ex. 6:2-9:35
HAFTARAH: Eze. 28:25-29:21

January 11 **6:00 PM**

TORAH: Bo: Ex. 10:1-13:16
HAFTARAH: Jer. 46:13-28

January 18 **6:00 PM**

TORAH: B'shalach: Ex. 13:17-17:16
HAFTARAH: Jud. 4:4-5:31
Shirah

January 25 **6:00 PM**

TORAH: Yitro: Ex. 18:1-20:23
HAFTARAH: Isa. 6:1-7:6; 9:5-6

February 2019 Sh'vat/Adar I 5779

February 1 **6:00 PM**

TORAH: Mishpatim: Ex. 21:1-24:18
HAFTARAH: Jer. 34:8-22; 33:25-26

February 8 **6:00 PM**

TORAH: T'rumah: Ex. 25:1-27:19
HAFTARAH: I Kings 5:26-6:13

February 15 **6:00 PM**

TORAH: T'tzaveh: Ex. 27:20-30:10
HAFTARAH: Eze. 43:10-27

February 22 **6:00 PM**

TORAH: Ki Tisa: Ex. 30:11-34:35
HAFTARAH: I Kings 18:1-39

*There will be no services on March 1 due to Mardi Gras Merchant's Parade.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE LEADERS

January 4 – Rabbi Weinstein
January 11 – Dan Boitnot
January 18 – Rabbi Weinstein
January 25 – George Bodin

February 1 – Rabbi Weinstein
February 8 – Mike Schwartzberg
February 15 – George Bodin
February 22 – Rabbi Weinstein

114TH ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, February 26, 2019
7:00PM
Temple Sinai Social Hall

Mazel Tov!

Congratulations to Bekah and Saul Mag on the birth of their son, Gracen Vaughn, on Friday, December 7, 2018, and to big sister Isabela and proud grandparents, Brenda and Michael Goldman!

Talk to the President...

If any member of Temple Sinai in good standing has questions, comments, or concerns that you would like me to address, or if it is something that a committee should take under consideration, please send them to me in writing by letter or by email. Good or bad, your thoughtful insight will be greatly appreciated.

George Bodin
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Lake Charles, LA 70607
Email: gbodin@suddenlink.net

Kroger Reward Program

If you have not already renewed your Kroger rewards card, please go to

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log in, and renew your card with:

Organization Name:
Temple Sinai
Organization Number:
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Message from the Rabbi:

When Is The NEW Year?

New Year! For Jewish life Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mark the beginning of our New Year. And yet, most of us enjoy welcoming the secular New Year the evening of December 31. I have often pondered the manner in which these two New Year celebrations differ and what they share in common. Of course the secular New Year finds us with those funny little hats and the noisy paper horns! At midnight many will watch the ball drop in New York City Times Square and then sing "Auld Lang Zyne."

Years ago Linda and I were in downtown Las Vegas during a visit to my family. The tumult and the noise as Vegas welcomed the New Year still resound in my memory! Here in Baton Rouge on the eve of the New Year dogs inevitably begin to bark as fire crackers boom in our neighborhoods.

How different is the Jewish manner of welcoming the new Jewish year! This is the season when prayer and worship become central for Jews the world over. We return to synagogue to express our deepest longings as the new Jewish year begins. Then, just ten days into the new Jewish year, we abstain from food and pray for forgiveness. During those first ten days of the new Jewish year we are expected to seek those whom we have wronged in the past year, begging their forgiveness. Then on Yom Kippur we pray to G-d for forgiveness of our sins against the Holy One. With the arrival of sunset on Yom Kippur and the Break Fast we look forward with confidence and hope.

Sukkot and Simchat Torah are not far away and we again join together for these festive, joyous celebrations. Often I'm invited to officiate weddings on the eve of the secular New Year. These couples surely will always find their secular new year's eve to be doubly excited occasions! As December 31, 2018, fast approaches, I give thanks for all the goodness that this year has given us in our homes as here in our beloved Temple Sinai.

At the same time I look forward and deeply hope for a more peaceful, safe world, especially for Jewish life here in our nation, in Israel, and around the world. "Auld Lang Syne" opens with the question "Should old acquaintance be forgot and never brought to mind?" I answer very Jewishly this day and every day as I cherish each and every friendship life has brought me while treasuring forever loving memories of family, friends and loved ones no longer with us.

Rabbi Weinstein's Schedule:

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For us as Jews each and every day really is the beginning of a new year, a time to thank G-d for the gift of life, a time to seek forgiveness for our offenses against others and surely against the Source of life, a time to cherish and love each of our family and friends.

This is my hope for all of us in our precious congregation now and always.

And of course,

Happy New Year!

Rabbi Barry

RABBI BARRY'S WORD OF THE MONTH: TANACH

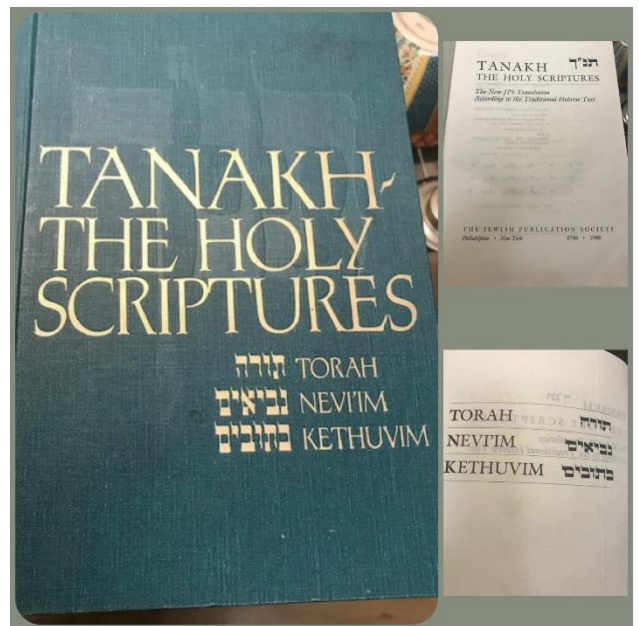
TANACH תנ"ך

As Edith Samuel has written in Your Jewish Lexicon (UAHC 1982), "While we Jews are the am ha safer, the people of the Book, many modern Jews don't know the correct title of our Book.

The "Bible," the "Hebrew Bible," or the "Holy Scriptures" we all do, but what the proper name for Jews to use is the Tanach." This word, Tanach, is a Hebrew acronym!

The **ת** "Tav" (Letter T) is Torah, specifically the first five books of the Hebrew Bible. (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy).

The **נ** "Nun" (Letter N) is Nevi'im, the Prophets: Joshua, Judges, I Samuel, II Samuel, I Kings, II Kings, Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel, and The Twelve Minor Prophets: Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zachariah, and Malachi.



The ך "Khaf" (Letters CH) is Ketuvim, The Writings: Psalms, Proverbs, Job, The Song of Songs, Ruth, Lamentations, Ecclesiastes, Esther, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah, I Chronicles, and II Chronicles.

Together these are the three sections of the Hebrew Bible, totaling 39 separate Books. Thus the next time you are referring to the Hebrew Bible, the very best term to employ is TANACH!!

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK...

A big "Thank you!" to all of those who made our Family Night Chanukah Celebration a hit! Thank you to Judy and Bruce Katz and their helpers for the latkes, to Sandy Desadier for organizing and decorating, and to everyone who brought food, helped set up, helped clean, and just helped in general.

George Bodin



Special Thanks to Bruce!

Bruce Katz hosted the annual visit by the sixth-graders from Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic School this past November 30th. He gave an excellent presentation on Judaism, and the kids just loved it. They asked great questions and were very excited to see the Torah.

In sixth grade, they learn specifically about their religion's Jewish foundations, and this presentation was a perfect addition to that study!

Thank you Bruce!



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Barbara & Tony DiBartolo
19 Carol & Charlie St Dizier

Mi' she' bei' rach

Wishing continued health improvements to:

- Barbara Peck: recovering from surgery to repair both wrists being shattered in a fall
- Tony DiBartolo: recovering from a medical procedure
 - Jody Davidson: continued recovery
 - Jill Greenberg: continued recovery
 - Lisa Garcia: recovering from a fall

THANK YOU

*Judy & Bruce Katz & Maddy O'Quain for making the best yet latkes for our Chanukah family celebration.

*Diane McCarthy & Barbara Maxey for help with setting up.

*All those who brought sides and desserts and those who stayed to help clean up following dinner.

*Charlie St Dizier for his dedication in securing lay leaders so that we can have services when Rabbi Barry is not with us.

Temple Birthdays:

January Birthdays

- 3 Joel Dondis
4 Elba Rivera
6 Sandy Desadier
9 Benjamin Gall
12 Leona Avner
16 Robert Levy
21 David Holtzman
25 Hayes Michel
25 Jeff Hankin
27 Barbara DiBartolo
28 Calvin Billings
31 Ellen Steirman
31 Spencer Thorn

February Birthdays

- 8 Bruce Katz
10 Rose Katz
12 Jennifer Goldman Pollack
18 Shirley Riff Billings
22 Ron Desadier
22 Julissa Rivera
23 Susan Chozen Reichstein
25 Alexis May
25 Mark Holtzman
26 Sarah Hodnett
27 Sallie Dondis

Temple Contributions

Funds:

Sisterhood:

Decorating Fund
General Fund
Meal of Consolation

Send Checks to:

Ellen Raley
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Lake Charles, LA 70605

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Temple Jahrzeits:

(Week Ending)

January 4, 2019

Minnie Pearl Levy
Roy Prater
Jacob Winner
Isaac Reinauer
Vergie Comeaux
Kenneth Hartman
Rebecca Reinauer

January 11, 2019

Esther Goldman
Sarah Rebecca Wolf Klaus
Bertha Greenwood Runte
Dora Thibodeaux
Irving Bachrack
Marlene Levite
Adele Hohenemaser Greenberg

January 18, 2019

Theo Frank
Florence Eisen Rosenthal
Robert Levite
Ray C. Fredrick
Ruth Buncher
Beck Rikess
Robert Stopnik
Lois Cowen
Sarah Levin
G. B. Walker
John Blevins

January 25, 2019

Ethyl Landau Jacobs
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Henry Packman
Eugene Earl Toerner

We are grateful for these contributions:

General Fund:

From: Charlene & Tim Blevins

Courtyard Fund:

From: John F. Raggio, MD

In Memory of: Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA

From: Barbara Maxey

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From: Rabbi & Linda Weinstein

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Courtyard Paver:

From: Shirley Riff & Cal Billings

Inscription: Shirley Riff & Cal Billings

Tree of Life Fund:

From: Karen & Harry Kleinman

In Honor of: Jacob & Nolia's Wedding – Mazel Tov!

Camp Fund:

From: Barbara & Tony DiBartolo

For: Speedy Recovery for Brenda Goldman

Temple Yahrzeits:

(Week Ending)

January 25, 2019 (Con't)

Alfred Levin

Sidney Hoffman

Fannie Sorkow

Joseph Szell

Blanche Michel

Carolyn Bess (Betsy) Ecker

Julia Gross

Nanette Hess

Marjorie Hebert

Joey Stoner

February 1, 2019

Lena Messer

Robert F. Michel

Leon Gordon

Jack Labovitch

Sanford Gold

Lucy Manoff

Michael Helman

Leha Bohn Gordon

Samuel Milstein

Marx Weill

Fannie Hart

Freda Marcus

Isidora Reinauer

February 8, 2019

Rose Margulis

Irving S. Stein

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Hinda Stopnik

Harry Bressler

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Ann Luce

Mrs. Julius Goldsmith

Clara Spector

Robert Kennelly

February 15, 2019

Jacob Gorin

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We are grateful for these contributions:

Camp Fund (continued):

From: Karen & Harry Kleinman

In Memory of: Mike Rose

Youth Group Account:

From: Rochelle Miesel

In Honor of: Tootsie Helman Fournet's October Birthday

From: Rochelle Miesel

In Honor of: Ben Castoriano's October Birthday

From: Rochelle Miesel

In Honor of: Daniel Castoriano's October Birthday

From: Anonymous Donor

Temple Yahrzeits:

(Week Ending)

February 15, 2019 (Con't)

Florence "Titter" Wise

Sid Atlas

Joseph Fry

Alfred William Mayer

David Reims

Cecile Mandelbaum

Murray Seidenberg

Mary Gilbert

Francine Messer

February 22, 2019

Julius Goldsmith

Angus Jennings

Gay Gold

Louis Kushner

Mary Altman

Harry Goldman

Jennie Helman

Jacob Sukiennik

Muriel Fuerst

Alorene Greenwood

Stuart Greenberg

March 1, 2019

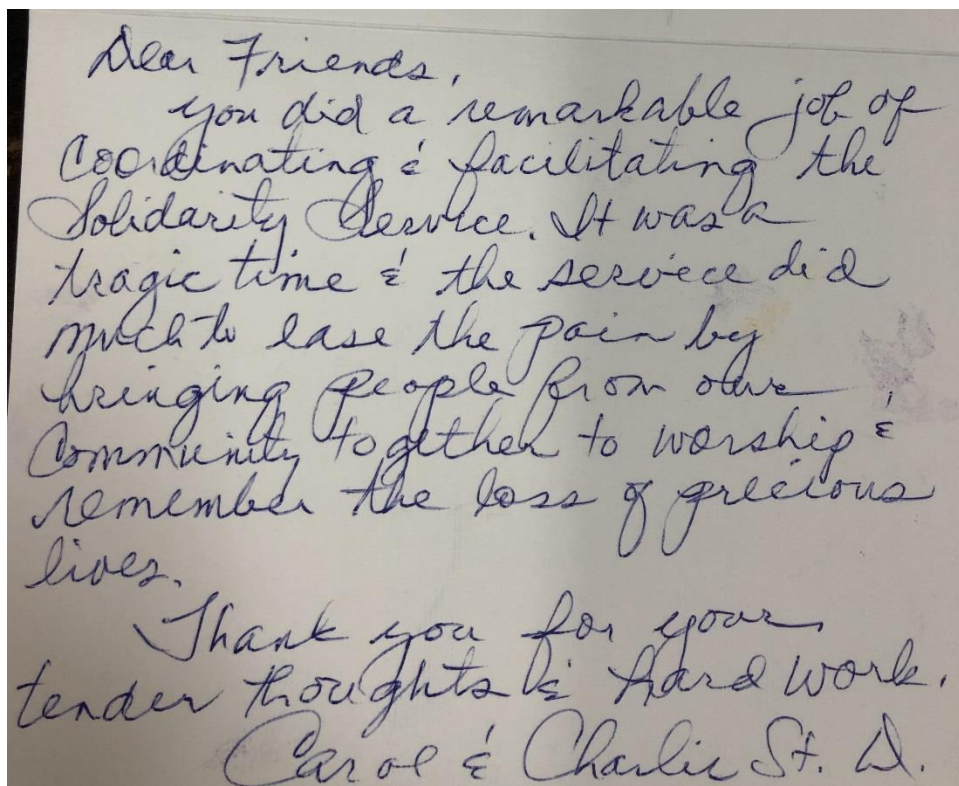
Elias Berwin

William Wilson McGhee

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Francis Austin

Marguerite Whiting



Dear Friends,
you did a remarkable job of
coordinating & facilitating the
Solidarity Service. It was a
tragic time & the service did
much to ease the pain by
bringing people from our
community together to worship &
remember the loss of precious
lives.
Thank you for your
tender thoughts & hard work.
Carol & Charlie St. A.