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EREV SHAVUOT: THURSDAY, MAY 28
7:30 p.m. - Erev Shavuot Service
8:12 p.m. – Candle Lighting
8:30 p.m. - Tikkun Leil Shavuot/Study Session
Join Rabbi Siegel and Rabbi Kornsgold for thought provoking study and stimulating discussions. We gather together to study as we prepare ourselves for the receiving of the Torah on Shavuot.

SHAVUOT – DAY 1: FRIDAY, MAY 29
(TI Offices Closed)
9:30 a.m. - Yom Tov Morning Service
9:30 a.m. - Preschool Shavuot Program
6:15 p.m. - Yom Tov/Shabbat Evening Service

SHAVUOT – DAY 2: SATURDAY, MAY 30
9:30 a.m. - Yom Tov/Shabbat Morning Service, including Yizkor & Adult B’ni Mitzvah
7:30 p.m. - Evening Minyan

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We continue to drop off provisions to our homebound seniors and those in need. There are four easy ways to contribute via our Membership Outreach Fund:

1 - visit https://bit.ly/TI_Outreach and donate
2 - email SueAnn at sburroughs@templeisraelnc.org
3 - call our office at 704-362-2796
4 - mail contributions to:
   Temple Israel
   Attn: Maria
   4901 Providence Rd.
   Charlotte, NC 28226
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To view services, please use the following links:

Note: Private family lifecycle events will not be made available for viewing without prior permission.

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During the COVID-19 pandemic, our entire office will be working remotely. Monday-Friday, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., you can still reach Temple Israel at 704-362-2796. However, the building will be closed to the public.

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RABBI’S COLUMN
By Rabbi Howard Siegel

Each year I’m asked the same question, “How can we make the celebration of Passover more meaningful and enjoyable?”

A number of years ago, the Whizin Institute for Jewish Life of the American Jewish University made several recommendations for enhancing the Passover Seder. Listed below are just a few:

From Judy Elkin
1) Have the children clean out their Halloween stash from bedroom desks—eat it or throw it out.
2) As long as they’re at it, clean out drawers, giving clothes away to younger friends or shelters.
3) Take the kids food shopping for Pesach and let them see what leaves cupboards and what goes in.
4) Bring Hametz to food shelters and count Tzedakah box money to give to Maot Hittin—to help less fortunate Jews enjoy a Seder.
5) Have the kids participate in designing placecards for the Seder, writing extra questions to be asked, preparing candy cups for all young guests to be eaten during the 4 questions, work on skits based on sections of the Haggadah.

From Rabbi Bradley Shavit Artson
1) With small children (or even big ones) at the table, set down the Haggadah and instead act out the story. We actually act out Moses crossing the Red Sea by following the Sephardic custom of everyone marching around and over a bowl of water on our way to freedom. We have a blast at our Seder!

From Risa Gruberger
How about creating a Passover box? The way we store things in our homes conveys strong messages. Special things have special places. Items for Jewish holidays deserve their special place or box. Purchase a storage box, have the family decorate it, write PASSOVER in the middle of the lid and put all your Passover programming stuff in it. This is the place you put all those fabulous projects your kids bring home from school. When you have a Passover box your message to the family is, Passover is so important to us that our Passover things need to be treated special.

From Susie & Ron Wolfson
The secret to a great Seder is finding a way for everyone to participate. We like to create a “theme” for the evening that adds flair to the celebration. Some of our more memorable Seder themes include “the Froggy Seder” (the table decor featured frogs), “the Bedouin Seder” (held in a tented, heated patio), and a Seder featuring a movie title we called “The Shankbone Redemption.”

Bringing the story of Passover to life needn’t be repetitive or boring. A Seder should be exciting and fun, and at the same time a great Jewish learning opportunity.

Let me know if you have some unusual traditions that make the Passover Seder a “unique” annual tradition in your home.

Hag Sa’mayach
Rabbi Howard Siegel

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FOR AN ONLINE/DOWNLOADABLE VERSION, VISIT TEMPLEISRAELNC.ORG.
CANTOR’S COLUMN
by Cantor Shira Lissek

HEALING SERVICE
Saturday, May 16 (9-9:30 a.m.)

Adonai is close to the brokenhearted; those crushed in spirit God delivers.
– Psalms 34:18

Join Cantor Shira Lissek to experience our Healing Service on Shabbat morning, May 16. We will sing together, pray together, and reflect together in our individual and collective journeys of healing. The service will include musical accompaniment, poems, reflections, time for sharing, and prayers specifically for healing. May our songs and prayers reach up to God, and may we feel God’s closeness to us as we work towards healing together.

GO GREEN INITIATIVE
As part of our commitment to the Shalom Park Environmental Initiative, SHALOM GREEN, we are pleased to offer our readers the opportunity to receive a digital version of KOL YISRAEL sent directly to them via email, in lieu of receiving a hard copy in the mail.

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Now you can watch temple videos & special event recordings on our NEW YouTube page! Be sure to check out our weekly musical blog, Shira With Shira, featuring videos and recordings from Cantor Lissek at Temple Israel. Visit https://bit.ly/2EEiPV0.

PASSOVER SERVICE SCHEDULE – 2020/5780

TUESDAY, APRIL 7
Search for the Hametz (in your home)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8
Fast of the First Born
(Office Closes, 1 p.m.)
Siyyum Bekhorim (study session), 7:30 a.m.
Candle Lighting, 7:33 p.m.
No Evening Service First Seder

THURSDAY, APRIL 9
1st Day Pesach
Pesach Morning Service, 9:30 a.m.
Pesach Evening Service, 5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10
2nd Day Pesach
Pesach Morning Service 9:30 a.m.
Shabbat Evening Service, 6:15 p.m.
Candle Lighting, 7:34 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11
Hol Ha’Mo-ed Pesach
Shabbat Morning Service, 9:30 a.m.
Minyan, 5:30 p.m.
Havdallah, 8:35 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12
Hol Ha’Mo-ed Pesach
Morning Minyan, 9:30 a.m.
Evening Minyan, 5:30 p.m.

MONDAY, APRIL 13
Hol Ha’Mo-ed Pesach
Minyan, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, APRIL 14
Hol Ha’Mo-ed Pesach
Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15
7th Day Pesach
(Office closed)
Pesach Morning Service, 9:30 a.m.
Pesach Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.
Candle Lighting, 8:38 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16
8th Day Pesach
(Office closed)
Pesach Morning Service (Yizkor), 9:30 a.m.
Minyan, 7:30 p.m.
Passover ends/Havdallah, 8:39 p.m.

*All Candle Lighting Times are based on GPS location for Temple Israel.
President’s Message

by David Rosenthal

Dear Congregational Family,

In Yalkut Shimoni, Genesis 1:13, we are taught...

God gathered the dust [of the first human] from the four corners of the world - red, black, white and green. Red is the blood, black is the innards and green for the body. Why from the four corners of the earth? So that if one comes from the east to the west and arrives at the end of his life as he nears departing from the world, it will not be said to him, “This land is not the dust of your body, it’s of mine. Go back to where you were created.” Rather, every place that a person walks, from there she was created and from there she will return."

Our success depends on each and every one of you opting-in, engaging in our shared kehillah kedoshah, attending service offerings and Minyanim, lifelong learning opportunities, programs, events, celebrating and standing proud of our shared Judaism! This is also fundamental to combating anti-Semitism in America.

We are committed to reframing Conservative Judaism in America, shifting the Jewish American paradigm from one of scarcity and surviving to one of abundance and thriving. A Jewish America where we stand proud of and celebrate our Judaism. A Judaism capable of lighting a fire in every Jewish soul — and in the souls of everyone who throws in his or her lot with ours. Our focus is on actively nurturing a thriving, vibrant culture infused with music, inspiring all to enjoy meaningful connections with one another, the broader community, Torah and God through traditional and innovative expressions of Judaism in the 21st century.

Mark your calendars for our Annual Meeting to be held on Sunday, May 31, 2020, at which time we will also be dedicating the Temple Israel Courtyard and Amphitheater honoring and celebrating our past clergy, Rabbis and Cantors. A designated area will commemorate Rabbi Murray Ezring’s 25-year tenure with Temple Israel. We are accepting donations to offset construction costs and selling bricks to honor family members, simchas and other life events. Please contact Ariel DiDonato, Director of Events & Programs, (980) 960-2387 or adidonato@templeisraelnc.org.

“No matter how we interpret or formulate it, our humanity must be filtered through the constant awareness of responsibility for others, for all the others.”

- Emmanuel Lévinas

L’chaim tovim ul’shalom to you and your loved ones!

Signing off,

David
ENGAGEMENT
By Erin Goldstein
We know that many of our congregants are at higher risk for Covid-19 and are homebound right now. To address that, we do have a limited number of prepared meals that we want to make available to our congregants in need. In keeping with good social distancing practices, we are happy to drop a meal off at your door. These meals are frozen, so make sure to promptly put it in your freezer if you will not be using it right away. If you are interested in a meal, please email me directly and I will be in touch with delivery information.

We are also working on an effort to deliver pantry staples and other food items to our homebound seniors. If you have specific needs and are unable to reach out to family/friends for assistance, please contact me directly so that we can assist in getting the provisions to you. During this uncertain time, we want to make sure you feel connected to Temple Israel and know that even from afar, we are always here for you.

On a more positive note, Temple Israel has been growing and we are proud to welcome at least 10 new families from November 2019-March 2020 to our Kehillah. I would like to thank the members of our Membership Engagement Committee (Emily Greenberg, Harriet Weinstock, Deanna Silverman, Lisa Davidson, Ina Lubin, Tara Hubara and Susan Shure) for their help in organizing this event for our congregation:
- Gregory Vesper & Ester Polevoy
- Lauren & Phillip Wallace
- Lucy Margolis
- James & LeAndra Walker
- Moses Luski
- Morris Rosen
- Jordan Forsythe
- Perri Lisneck
- Paige Valencia
- Kenneth & Paula Kipperman

Once we are through this difficult time of quarantine and staying home, if you see our new congregants around, please extend them a hearty and warm welcome! The Membership Committee will be meeting virtually in late April to work on planning a New Member Pre-Oneg for September 11, 2020. We will send individual invitations closer to the date.

As we prepare to gear up for our renewal period, please note that some things will be changing this year. Every congregant will receive a paper copy of the renewal instructions, form and seating information to return to Temple Israel in by June 30. However, this year we will also offer the option to complete and submit your renewal info online. All instructions will be emailed to congregants. We are so excited to offer this opportunity to our families that find it easier to fill out information online! I am here to assist any congregant who has questions or needs help in completing this process.

If you know someone that is interested in joining Temple Israel or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Although we may not be able to take a tour of the building in person, I am more than happy to speak to potential congregants on the phone about The Charlotte Jewish Community and the Greater Charlotte Area.

I hope you have a Happy Pesach and L’Shana Haba’ah B’Yerushalayim!

Erin Goldstein, MSW
egoldstein@templeisraelnc.org/980-960-2380
LIFE EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES OF:

• Essia R. Acker, wife of Michael Acker (OBM); mother of Sheila (Adam) Acker Spitz; grandmother of Peri (Michael) Gruber and Hayley Spitz.

• Dr. Marvin Bernstein, father of Howard (Laura) Bernstein and Marcy Ammons [Detroit]; grandfather of Sonya, Rachel and Matthew; brother of Maryan Haffner [Detroit].

• Robert Stark, husband of Eva; father of Alan and Marcel (fiance Christa Cahill); grandfather of Dylan, Sloane, Grayson and Amelia.

• Klaas Schaap, husband of Marianne Schaap; father of Monique (Seth) Werner; grandfather of Harry and Max.

• Meredith (Mere) Leaptrot, mother of Jim (Helene), Scott and Mark (Amy) DeLoach; grandmother of Haley, Evan, Katie, Charles and William DeLoach.

• Judith (Judy) Morgan Biber, wife of Dan Biber; mother of Melissa Cominole, Caroline Biber, Miriam Biber-Peterson, and Ethan Biber; mother-in-Law of Jeremy Cominole, Chris Bishop, and Chris Biber-Peterson; grandmother of Miranda and Jacob Cominole; Eli, Naomi, and Aron Biber-Bishop; and James and Tristan Biber-Peterson.

BIRTHS

• Rena & Chris Todd (Apex, NC) joyfully welcomed the arrival of a baby girl, Vivian Ruth Todd. Proud family members include big brother Nathan, and grandparents Elaine & Harry Chernotsky.

• Laurie & Ross Mehlman joyfully welcomed the arrival of a baby girl, Olivia Jean Mehlman. The proud family includes big brother Carter; grandparents Marcy & Norman Mehlman and Dee & Stewart Cannell; great grandmother Anne Shuman.

• Rochelle & Moshe Wilensky joyfully welcomed the arrival of a baby girl, Shiri Ruth-Batya Wilensky. Proud family members include big sister is Keren; grandparents Michel & Jamie Rickoff (Greer SC) and Chellie & Jacob Wilensky (Chicago IL).

MAZEL TOV

• Irving Bienstock, who was featured in a story (“93-Year-Old Holocaust Survivor Fulfills His Dream of Visiting Israeli Soldiers on an IDF Base”) by Friends of the IDF & WBTV-Charlotte. (visit the TI website, under “About Us”, and “TI in the News,” for a link to the story)

• Wendy & Joel Kveskin, whose daughter Paula Kveskin was recently profiled in the media by Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA) in a story titled, “Jewish filmmaker Paula Kveskin Uses Storytelling to Give Voice to Oppressed Women.” (visit the TI website, under “About Us”, and “TI in the News,” for a link to the story)

LIFE EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to have your happy event, wedding, engagement or birth announcement published in Kol Yisrael, please submit your written information via email to marketing@templeisraelnc.org or fax it to (704) 362-1098. If you have an illness or a death in the family, please contact the Clergy Office at (704) 362-2796.

Our Mikvah Has Been Renovated!

Weekly/Monthly/Holidays (Preparing for Shabbat, niddah, holidays)

Congregant rate: $18
Community member rate: $36

For Lifecycle Passages/Personal Transitions (conversions, pre-wedding, celebration, healing, etc.), please contact Ariel DiDonato at adidonato@templeisraelnc.org

*Our mikvah was featured in the May 6, 2019 edition of JPOD Charlotte. To learn more about the traditions surrounding mikvah usage in this special podcast, visit http://bit.ly/TI_Mikvah.
The Illustrated Torah

The Illustrated Torah, created with the gifted hand of Israeli artist Michal Meron, is a beautiful, hand painted scroll that represents the stories within the 54 weekly parshiot of our traditional Torah through highlighted texts and vibrant images. You can feel it, interact with it, experience it and learn from it.

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At TIRS we have been studying Passover, the festival of freedom and deliverance. We remember that we were slaves in Egypt and God set us free. B’chol dor V’dor, in every generation we must see ourselves as if we left Egypt. Celebrating Passover reminds us it is our obligation to fight not only for our own freedom, but for the freedom of all people. We have been learning the story, songs, mitzvot and minhagim (customs) associated with Passover. The school celebrated during a virtual assembly where Cantor Lissek led us in song, including a spirited rendition of the frog song! Although this year we were not able to give each family a Bedikat Chametz kit, you make one of these kits at home. You might be asking the same question as the students ask me, “What is Bedikat Chametz?” Continue reading to find out...

The formal search for leaven, חמץ בדיקת, and the process of creating a chametz-free home comes to an end on the night before Passover. This act symbolizes the final removal of leaven from the home. Before the search, it is customary to deposit small pieces of bread (ten pieces, according to kabbalistic lore) in strategic places so that the inspection should have a purpose. It is traditionally carried out by the light of a candle, with a feather and a wooden spoon to collect the chametz, and a paper bag for collecting any chametz found. All this is set aside until morning. (Note: if erev Pesach occurs on Shabbat, we search for chametz on Thursday evening). There is a blessing recited prior to the search, as well as a declaration made after the search, nullifying all unknown chametz and relinquishing it from your possession.

Before the search recite:

ברוך אתה ה' אלהינו מלך העולם אשר קדשנו במצותיו וצינו על בführ חמצו

Baruch atah Adonai Eloheinu melech haolam, asher kid’shanu b’mitzvotav, v’etzivanu al biur chametz. Praised are You Adonai our God, who rules the universe, instilling in us the holiness of mitzvot by commanding us to remove all chametz.

After the search, recite:


Kol hamira v’hamia d’ika virshutti, d’la hamiteih u’dla viarteih u’dla y’dana leih, libateil v’lehevei hefkeir k’a’fra d’ara.

All chametz in my possession which I have not seen or removed, or of which I am unaware, is hereby nullified and ownerless as the dust of the earth.

The next morning, after the last meal of chametz is consumed, leftovers are added to the crumbs gathered the previous night. These are burned or thrown out. This concludes the ritual of banishing chametz from our dwellings. Then, the following is recited:

All chametz in my possession, whether I have seen it or not, whether I have removed it or not, is hereby nullified and ownerless as the dust of the earth.

Now, you are ready for Passover. While this Passover looks different than other years and it is likely there are less people sitting around your Seder table, remember that we will get through this together. We are truly in the midst of experiencing our own “Mitzrayim” (this is the word we use for Egypt). The word “Mitzrayim” means “confined places”, and indeed, this is our experience this year. However, we must continue to have hope and remember as we read in Haggadah, L’shana Haba B’yerushalayim. Next year, may we be free and celebrate in Jerusalem!

My husband Alon and my dog Bailey join me in wishing you a Chag Kasher v’Sameach!

Rabbi Helene Kengled

B’NAI MITZVAH
MAZEL TOV TO OUR B’NAI MITZVAH

Max Harr
May 24 (subject to change)
Parents: Samantha & Graig Harr
Max is a 7th grader at South Charlotte Middle School where he plays trombone in the Symphonic Band. He enjoys playing basketball for the LJCC and attending sporting events. For his Mitzvah project, Max has been preparing and delivering sandwiches for Operation Sandwich to help the homeless. As the great grandchild of Holocaust survivors, Max feels so fortunate to be able to carry on the traditions of his parents, as well as his grandparents, Brian Harr, Marsha Condon, and Mindy & Zigmund Stern and those before them.
YOUTH
For more information about Youth Programs & Events contact Alan Johnathan, Director of Youth and Family Engagement, at ajohnathan@templeisraelnc.org or (704) 944-6772.

VIRTUAL ACTIVITIES & INFORMATION
Teens and Coronavirus: Living Life During a Pandemic
https://www.movingtraditions.org/coronavirus/

Supporting and Empowering Our Teens During Challenging Times: COVID-19

BBYO On-Demand
https://azabbg.bbyo.org/on-demand/home

Hillel @ Home
https://welcome.hillel.org/hillelathome/

USYfi - List of virtual events for Kadima (6-8 grade) and USY (9-12 grade)
www.usy.org/events/

Free lessons and activities for PreK-9th grade from SCHOLASTIC
https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html

RAMAH Ba-Bayit. All the fun of Ramah at home.
https://www.campramah.org/ramah-ba-bayit?view=calendar&month=03-2020

Social Action
Performing Acts of Loving Kindness, Together!
Our vision for Social Action is to live Jewish Values as we help those in need. In December and January, our efforts are aligned with critical needs in the Jewish and broader Charlotte Community, as well as Jews in Israel. We encourage you get involved, you will be glad you did.

Jonathan and Tess Berger, Chair Persons
Cell: 704-995-1732, Email: jbergertisa@gmail.com

What it’s Like to Volunteer at Huntingtonwne Farms Elementary School
By Linda Levy, Temple Israel HFES Volunteer Coordinator

With the 2019-2020 school year almost over, Temple Israel volunteers have been working with their students for many months now, and their dedication is beginning to reap rewards. Here are a few comments from some of our volunteers:

AUGUSTINE LITERACY PROJECT TUTORS
Bob Abel. “Some members participate in the Augustine Literacy Project, an organization that works with young students from low income backgrounds in grades 1 through 3 to improve their reading, spelling, and writing skills. These tutors go through an intensive training program and commit to work on a one-on-one basis with a particular student for a minimum of sixty hours over a school year. The program relies on a research-based methodology that has been demonstrated to significantly help in bringing these students up to par in reading with their classmates.”

Harriet Meetz. “I am utilizing my Augustine Literacy skills and previous literacy tutoring experience to work with the HFES kindergarten coach, Mrs. Kayla Trinca. Mrs. Trinca identified scholars from four kindergarten classes at the same levels, advanced readers and readers below grade level benefiting from additional tutor time. Two mornings a week I work with/tutor advanced readers, challenging them to read 1 to 1.5 years ahead of chronological classroom lessons. We focus on reading, writing answers, and comprehension skills. I work with/tutor a group of five scholars “on the bubble” for achieving grade level skills by the end of year testing. We focus on sight words, blending sounds/phonemes, reading and comprehension skills for Kindergarten level. Rewards are 10 minutes of such games as dot-to-dot associated with the story, word search or puzzles with their current sight words.”

Julie Levine. “I am working with a second grader. This is our second year together. She has made tremendous progress in just over a year!”

Two of our Mahar kid’s favorite part of the Chocolate Bar in a Car event:
“Making a chocolate snowman” - Ethan S.
“Making and eating chocolate” - Ian S.
READING BUDDY WITH THE Y READERS PLUS

Y Readers Plus is a new pilot project of the YMCA’s nationally recognized literacy program that serves students in grades K-3 who are reading below grade level. The pilot program at HFES is under the excellent leadership of the Harris YMCA Volunteer Administrator, and operates as an extension of the summer Y Readers program for the duration of the school year. Volunteers read 1:1 with the same assigned student each week for 45 minutes.

Harvey Barer. “As part of the Y Readers program to enhance comprehension, I take a story that has exciting events. My student and I alternate reading, and I require that the readings be done in a dramatic manner to reflect the essence of the events. To do the dramatic reading, the student has to comprehend the true nature of the events being read.”

Wendy Petricoff. “I participate in the HFES Y Readers program with a second grader named Miguel. We work on literacy skills every week. When I get him from his classroom, he always springs up from his chair and greets me with a tall tale and a smile. He has a vivid imagination and always asks lots of thoughtful questions when we read together. He especially likes funny books and learning new vocabulary words. I really look forward to spending 45 minutes a week with Miguel and have also enjoyed getting to know the other volunteers.”

Aren’t these comments heart-warming? Other tutoring programs at HFES include the HELPS Fluency Reading Tutor, a scripted, evidence-based program proven to build 3rd grade students’ fluency and comprehension skills; and Heart Math Tutoring where, with the support of an on-site coordinator, volunteers use an easy-to-follow, proven curriculum featuring hands-on-activities and games.

If you’re interested in volunteering at HFES, contact Linda Levy at 704-366-6362 or levyllie@aol.com.

OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Blessings in a Backpack

Blessings in a Backpack is an organization whose mission is to provide food for Elementary Education Students who may otherwise have little or no food to eat on weekends during the school year. Volunteers from Temple Israel provide food to children in need at our partnership school, Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School, throughout the school year.

To get involved in this wonderful program, please contact:

Debbie Porter:
porterdeb@yahoo.com

Men’s Shelter of Charlotte

Temple Israel supports the Men’s Shelter of Charlotte’s mission to end homelessness in Charlotte by providing their guests with meals along with warm clothing and toiletries.

Mark your calendars!

We will be cooking a healthy, delicious, dinner at Temple Israel, and serving the dinner to 120+ Men in need at the Statesville Ave Men’s Shelter on:

- Sunday November 22, 2020 (Sunday before Thanksgiving)
- Thursday December 24, 2020 (Christmas Eve)

We also bring gifts of warm clothes and toiletries for each Men’s Shelter Guest these days.

To volunteer to help cook/serve please contact:
Jonathan Berger (c) 704-995-1732 or email: jbergertisa@gmail.com

REPAIR THE WORLD - Caring for Sick in Times of Crisis

Lifelong Learning

Virtual Learning Opportunities

Rabbi Siegel’s Swimming in the Sea of Talmud, Sundays at 11 a.m.
https://zoom.us/j/648753797

Eli Talks - series of thought-provoking videos*
https://www.myjewishlearning.com/eli-talks/

Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS) - Online Mini-Courses
http://www.jtsa.edu/events-calendar?cat=2371

American Jewish University - B’Yachad Together
https://www.aju.edu/byachad-together

My Jewish Learning
https://www.myjewishlearning.com/eli-talks/

*Eli Talks is similar to Ted talks, involving Judaism

SOCIAL CLUB

Temple Israel Social Club welcomes all Jewish adults 55 and older from Charlotte and the surrounding areas. The Social Club holds a variety of activities for its members during most months of the year. This organization offers an opportunity to make new friends with existing members. Membership dues are $20 per person for the calendar year. Join now and your membership will be good through December 2020.

Save the Date
(conditions permitting):

“GUYS AND DOLLS”
AT MATTHEWS PLAYHOUSE
Sunday, June 14, 3 p.m.

On Sunday, June 14, we plan to attend a performance of “Guys and Dolls” at the Matthews Playhouse. Tickets for members are $22, and $26 for guests. After the show, we plan to dine in Matthews at a local restaurant. If you need transportation, please contact Ruth Goldberg.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE TI SOCIAL CLUB, CONTACT CO-PRESIDENTS:

RUTH GOLDBERG (704) 366-8903 or IRVING BIENSTOCK (704) 542-0094.

We currently have 116 families who have made Temple Israel part of their legacy. For information, please contact Membership Director Erin Goldstein at (980) 960-2380 or egoldstein@templeisraelnc.org.
Friends,
I hope you are doing what you need to stay healthy. This is a difficult time and, as women, our burdens are greater than ever. We are caretakers, working professionals, home schoolers, launderesses, cooks, housekeepers, and more. My hope is that you are able to find space and time for yourselves each day, and you will reach out when you feel overwhelmed.

Over the past couple of years, WoTI has built a positive and strong Temple Israel community for women. During these trying times, we can rely on our community to combat loneliness and fear and uplift our souls. Although we have canceled our planned WoTI programming through May, we will do our best to extend the benefits of community to our members.

- WoTI is working with Cantor Lissek to offer a virtual gathering of women that will focus on gratitude and spiritual preparation for Pesach. Please check the TI website for details.
- Share your favorite Passover memories, recipes and humorous stories on the WoTI Facebook page.
- Mark your calendars for our Members-only Luncheon on June 28.

Our Social Action team will not be able to prepare and serve a homecooked meal for women and children at Safe Alliance, as planned, but WoTI is honoring our commitment to Safe Alliance in other ways. Like the rest of us, Safe Alliance is practicing social distancing, and clients receive pre-packaged meals. WoTI is providing tzedakah to supplement the cost of a meal made with high quality and varied ingredients. In addition, WoTI will drop off donations of snacks which we collected at Pinot & Painting and from local grocers. The women and children at Safe Alliance will appreciate these treats now more than ever. Lastly, we will use tzedakah generated from our Nosh events this year to purchase a microwave and car booster seats for Safe Alliance.

The Governing Board of WoTI feels it is prudent to put our nominating process on hold for now, but we encourage you to consider ways you can become involved on the next WoTI board and on our committees. If interested, please reach out to me (kknoble@bellsouth.net) or Adina Loewensteiner (adinaloew@yahoo.com).

Traditionally, Passover is a celebration of freedom, renewal and hope. Passover will undoubtedly feel different this year, and I encourage you to think about how you can reach out to others. Let’s focus on the “social” in social distancing. We have amazing technology at our fingertips. Let’s talk, laugh, and give solace to one another.

Chag Sameach,
Karen, WoTI President

MEN’S CLUB

Shalom Chaverim—Hello Friends!
In January and February your Men’s Club tried some new, smaller scale relationship builders with a Beer and a Bracha at the Wooden Robot Brewery, and Havdallah at Halftime during the first UNC-Duke game, at Justin Bregman’s house. We are striving to give our TI community opportunities to get to know each other better, make new friends, serve others, and have fun in a Jewish context. We also celebrated a successful World Wide Wrap, the Conservative/Masorti movement’s celebration of the Mitzvah of Tefillin. Nearly 5,000 people around the world participated, including first timers from the Women of the Wall in Israel to Jews in Australia, Europe, and Uganda—yes Uganda! We had a great turnout at Temple Israel, including our 6th & 7th grade students and parents, for a memorable event.

As we prepare for Spring, we will be doing our small part to remember the Holocaust by distributing special yellow Yahrzeit candles. This year we will distribute them to all families in our religious school and we will have a supply at the TI office for others who would like one. We are not asking for donations this year (but we won’t say no!). It’s important to keep the memory of the Righteous alive.

We would like to create (or re-create) past successful programs for the men of TI like a Men’s Seder, a Father-Daughter dance, special programs together with TIRS like a Holocaust Education Trip and more, but we need your help. Please consider stepping up to help grow our organization as we work to fulfill our mission and our promise. Drop me an email at info@templeisraelmen.com or leave a message at 704-779-0768.

The only way to build stronger relationships is one to one, and we need your help.

B’Shalom,
Mike Eisner
ONLINE RESOURCES
During this time, here are some online activities, resources and opportunities for enrichment.

EXERCISE

Yoga Videos on YouTube
https://www.yourtango.com/2018317900/15-best-free-yoga-videos-youtube-has-offer

EXERCISE INFORMATION & VIDEO FOR SENIORS

11 Chair Exercises for Seniors
https://bit.ly/SrExercise1

14 Exercises Seniors Can Do to Improve Their Balance

Video: 15-minute Sample Workout for Older Adults from Go4Life
(National Institute on Aging)

VIRTUAL RESOURCES FOR AT-HOME ENJOYMENT

National Parks - Virtual Tours

World’s Largest Live Nature Network
https://explore.org/livecams

Monterey Bay Aquarium
https://www.montereybayaquarium.org/animals/live-cams

At Home Learning with Georgia Aquarium
https://www.georgiaaquarium.org/at-home-learning-with-georgia-aquarium/

Philly Zoo Live @ 2
https://www.facebook.com/philadelphiazoo/

Cincinnati Zoo - Home Safari
https://www.facebook.com/pg/cincinnatizoo/events/?ref=page_internal

12 Major Museums – Virtual
http://bit.ly/Museums_Virtual

Kennedy Center Digital Stage
https://www.kennedy-center.org/digitalstage/

Art at Home – Resource Guide
http://bit.ly/Art_At_Home

Free Online Drawing Classes
https://www.thoughtco.com/free-online-drawing-classes-1098200

Free Online Art Classes
https://www.free-online-art-classes.com/

Dance Classes and Streamed Dance Performances
https://www.dancingalonetogether.org/

Celebrate National Poetry Month in April with a Poem-A-Day
https://poets.org/poem-a-day

Complete Archive of Folk Music for All Countries
https://folkcloud.com/?fbclid=IwAR3eE4id68bqceR02Fg0dFAHvxl_mhxEpWB6hQhF1ThxIHRkq10WO0Cghag

Levine JCC
https://www.charlottejcc.org/

TELL US WHAT YOU’RE DOING

Feel free to share your favorite interest and/or activity websites on Temple Israel’s Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/TempleIsraelNC
EVERYONE HAS A VOICE AND VALUE

Celebrating more than 70 years of nonprofit service, Aldersgate is a Life Plan Community on a mission: We honor elders and are committed to creating and fostering diverse, caring communities where everyone has a voice and value. We are inclusive, caring and social – inside and out. We are the largest employer in East Charlotte and committed to be a kind and good neighbor to all people. Learn more about our visionary community at aldersgateccrc.com.
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APRIL 1
Kevin & Stacey Cohen
John & Deborah Formica
Jeffrey & Lauren Halperin

APRIL 3
Rael & Gabrielle Gorelick

APRIL 4
C. David & Risa Miller
Jered & Elizabeth Mond

APRIL 11
David & Beth Thrope

APRIL 16
Gordon Hull & Maya Socolovsky

APRIL 17
Lucky & Lisa Levinson

APRIL 19
Eric & Lisa Seitlin

APRIL 21
Wayne Petrea & Julie Bradlow
Arthur & Terri Roth

APRIL 22
Andrew Korczynski & Rachel Seymour

APRIL 30
Simon & Susan Estroff
Mark & Iris Simon
Robert & Ellie Valenstein

ANNIVERSARIES - MAY 2020

MAY 4
Aaron & Suzanne Woland

MAY 8
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble
Gregory & Margaret Musa

MAY 9
Daniel & Leigh Levine

MAY 10
Stormy & Helena Scott

MAY 12
Neal & Gail Kronovet

MAY 13
Seth Bernanke & Ellen Goldberg
Harold & Patricia Shapiro

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Steven & Edel Berlin

MAY 16
Stuart & Shari-Ellen Goldstein
William & Debra Porter

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Glenn & Lauri Kaufman
Adrian & Andrea Mesoznik
Norman & Jean Steinman

MAY 20
Frank & Wendy Rosen
Marc & Kim Wojnowich

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Dan & Stacy Levinson
Joshua & Adina Loewensteiner

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Arnold & Ginger Snitz

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David & Rachel Cohen

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Jim Bolger & Bari Caplan-Bolger
Albert & Janice Nalibotsky

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Elias & Linda Roochvarg

MAY 26
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Franklin & Hannah Kaunitz
Daniel & Lorin Stiefel
Ian & Rachel Reifkind
Darren & Andrea Hirsch
Elliot & Stephanie Meadow
Michael & Susan Edgerley

MAY 27
Andrew & Leia Bagli
Nicholas & Leigh Rose
David & Julie Sheffer

MAY 28
David & Rebecca Burack
Eric & Nancy Levine
Richard & Marlene Pomerantz
Eugene & Elena Zilber

MAY 29
Hyman & Susan Bruck
Scott & Marnie Moskowitz

MAY 30
Jim & Melissa Duller
Jonathan & Julie Fisher
Todd & Stacy Gorelick
Marvin & Anita Shapiro
Jason & Karen Spiegler

MAY 31
Andrew & Megan Harkavy
Graig & Samantha Harr

FUND SPOTLIGHT:

MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH FUND

By contributing to the Membership Outreach Fund, you support prospective, new, and long-time Temple Israel members in ways that include bringing meals to ill or recently hospitalized individuals, programs for young adults, and efforts to welcome new members to our community.
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Kenneth Prushik  
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Lisa Bayer Carpenter  
Isabella Weill | **APRIL 6** | Nathan Piahsance  
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Claudia Cohen  
Morte Usadi  
Stacy Gorelick  
Richard Zander | **APRIL 7** | Robin Becker  
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Shelton Goldstein  
Emily Hollander  
Ralph Besnay  
Elyssa Gorelick  
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Susan Shure | **APRIL 15** | Hannah Ross | **APRIL 16** | Carol Speizman  
Jonathan Rubin  
Cary Chairmain  
Ian Miller  
Michelle Bamford  
Margot Richek  
Robert Jacobson  
Nicolas Nussbaum  
Lucy Margolis  
George Schneider | **APRIL 17** | Wilbur Gorelick  
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Elissa Vining  
David Warshaw |
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Robin Husney  
Jessica Goldfarb  
Joel Albaum  
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Willoughby  
Richard Pomerantz  
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Brian Goldsmith  
Max Harr |
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MAY THEIR MEMORIES BE A BLESSING

*Denotes a plaque

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Leonard Arenson*
William “Bill” Barman
David Berkowitz*
Faye Berman
Fanny R. Blumenthal*
Esfr Vogner
Blanche Brownstein*
Ernest Bukatman*
Rubin Cohen
Jerome Darhoft*
S. William Flack*
Ida Fligel*
Isadore Freidman
Ida Friedman*
Marcia Roz Friedman
Ruth Glick
Arthur Goldberg*
Emma Goldberg*
Maxine S. Goldberg
Lewis Goldsticker*
Beverly Kay Goodman*
Tobye Hirsh*
Harry Katz*
Dave Lerner*
Fannie Levenkrone*
Alec Levey
Arnold Levy*
Harry Meiltsner*
Julia Portnoy
Jeanne Richards
Gertrude Rigberg
Dorothy G. Rosenblatt*
Herbert Rosenfeld
Jean F. Roskind*
Ann Scharfglass*
Otto Schneider*
Sadie Shoshana
Schwartz*
Louis Segal*
Libby Serber*
Morton Silverstein*
Hatye Smith Sinkoe*
Iris Stessel
Helen Sundheimer*
Sylvia Taffet
Rosa Baer Weinstein*
Joe Weiser

WEEK OF APRIL 10
Joseph Bachenheimer*
Ethel Berkowitz
Ida Marie Berman*
Gary Caplan
Louis Carr
Leela Chemiak
Margie Claymon
Rose Cohen*
Sarah Cohen
Flora M. El-Kodsi*
Tillie Farber*
Helene Feldman
Leah D. Fine
Sheila Fisher*
Fannie Garen
Nettie Goldberg*
Lewis Halpert*
Elizabeth Hirsch*
Adam Matthew Hirsch
David William Hirsch
Charles Levinson*
Nina Levy
Robert Lurie*
Jay Malher
Esther Mehman
Herman Meiselman*
Edward Moore
Emil Oppenheimer*
Max Powell
Abraham Richmond
Pauline Riffl*
Margaret Sass
Lawrence Schena
Helen Scheib
Eleanor Schlager*
Seymour Schnitzer*
Esther Schwartz*
Sarah Rachel Schwartz*
Victor Schwartz*
Freyda Pransky Siegel
Pauline Suskinkind*
Sarah Thaler
Murray Van Glish
Gerald Warshaw
Lola Wheeler
Selma Widis*
Henry Zucker

WEEK OF APRIL 14
Andrew Fox*
Ethel Goodhart*
Roseanne Grant
Florence Green*
Miriam Mary Greenman*
Joseph Greenspan
Samuel Greenspan*
Charles Hale*
Walter Heskins*
Irvign Hirsch*
Sol Jaffa*
Herbert Kandall
Esther Kaufman*
Nathan Kaye*
Esther Koss
Irene Kossove*
Regina Gelfand Landis
Helen Lapping
Daniel Litvak*
Wilhelmina Newman
Mackler*
Jeanne Major
Michael Meiselman*
Carlo Michel
Esther Michel
Ethel Montag
Harry Nelson*
Christopher M. Newman*
Julius Newman
Bessie Oker*
Gertrude “Polly” Poliakoff
Pressman*
Helen Reichard
Salomon Rechenberg*
Michael Roocvaart*
Rachel Rosenbaum
Harold W. Ross*
Louis Rotker*
Kristiana Rouff
Sheppard Shapiro*
Joan Slade
Bella S. Smith*
Cyril F. Speizman*
Bevery Spiegler
Irwin Thaller
Mildred Thaler
Helen Weinstein

WEEK OF APRIL 17
Elisa Joy Barman
Sheldon Bobrow
Sandro Bock
S. I. (Sam) Citron*
David Daumit
Harry Diamond*
Fanny Epstein
Annie Estroff
Paul Fixman*

WEEK OF APRIL 24
Wolf Ashendorf*
Jacob Baicovitz*
Kimberly Susan Bates*
Aaron Berman*
Sadie Boyle
Pamela Godwin Carroll
Steven Cole
Sara Dixon
Esther Dorris
Irving Epstein
Molly Fabricant
Jacob Feldman
Janyse G. Friedland*
Leona Gartner
Charles Ginsberg*
Gabriel Gliberman*
Beatrice Goodman*
Arthur Gordon*
Lundy Levine Hartis*
Irving Hochstat*
M. Marty Husney
Irving K. Jacobson*
Janet Jaffa*
Julius M. Katzen*
Phillip Elliott Katzen*
Sheila Kitzter
Libby Levinson*
Bette Miller
Esther Mourad
Philip Nalibotsky
Dora Nelson*
Natalie Podlofsky
Helga Rosenberger*
Celia Rubin*
Maynie Schaffer*
Ira Schulman*
Mary Sfredlo*
M. David Silverman*
Shirley Silverstein*
Johanna Simons*
Rachel Wolk Sinko*
Elizabeth Savadkin Smil*
Selwyn Taubman
Herman Winokuer
Gary Witt
Harry Wolfert*

WEEK OF MAY 1
Dora Abel*
Lottie Ashendorf*
Joan August
Ruth Bograd
Gertrude Cohen*
Sidney Effross
Harry Farber*
Charles Fine*
Selma Firestone*
Morris Gilbert
Anna Ginsberg*
Joel Goldman
Harry Morris Green*
Adelle Grossman*
David Haymond
Samuel Hellman*
Isaac Katzenelson*
Morris Kauffman*
Herman Kleeger
Philip Klein
Celia Krasno
Helen Levine

WEEK OF MAY 8
Sally G. Albertson*
Terry Wayne Aron*
Charles Barnes
Stefan Berger
Bella Seeherman Berger*
Melvin Berman*
Bernard Bernhardt*
Ida Greenberg Blitzer*
Pearl Bregman
Dora Burke
Gerald Crystal
Roberta Farb-Kapiloff
E. Jerry Fisher*
Jacob Fishman*
Hyman Frank*
Harold N. Friedman
Anna Glassman
Dora Gliberman*
Bernard Goodman*
Brad Grey
Thebe Halle*
Celia Heskins*
Aaron Hirshman
Lee Hopmeier
Sophia Jacobson
Miriam Jomsky*
Rebecca S. Kirschbaum*
Sara Klirs
Stuart Kornstein
Langman*
Sadie Pittle Lazarus*
Betty Lipschitz

Arnold Levinson
Leiza Lichtin
Frank Lubin
David Meiltsner
Milton Robert Olshan
Raymond Oppenheimer
Bernice Pinchuk*
Nathaniel Roberts*
Hugo Rosenberger*
Lillian Rosenfeld*
Norman Rubin
Harry Schaffer*
Marian Schneider*
Donald Segal
Henry Seid*
Milton Shumaker*
Judy Sutker
Morton Turk*
Donald Vinnik*
Yetta Weiss*
Joseph Wernick*
Lawrence Williams
Shifra Wise
Max Zander
Robert Zeisler
Into God’s Hand I Commit My Spirit

The Solitary Flame of the Yahrzeit light is a silent tribute to the preciousness and eternity of the human soul. Attending services, reciting Kaddish and contributing to tzedakah (charity) are appropriate ways to commemorate your loved one’s memory.

If you are interested in purchasing a permanent Memorial Plaque and have it placed in our Memorial Gallery, please call the Clergy Office (980) 960-2379 for more information.
TEMPLE ISRAEL ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Did you know that Temple Israel has nearly 20 endowment funds that help to support Temple Israel’s ongoing operational needs, specific program efforts and our Temple members through financial assistance and religious school scholarships? In addition, the Temple has more than 20 in-house funds that support the Temple’s outreach efforts to members, ongoing maintenance and repair needs, scholarships, holiday and annual programs, and other operational needs.

Each month, dozens of Temple members and friends make contributions to these funds in honor or in memory of loved ones and friends. These generous gifts make it possible for our endowment and in-house funds to provide ongoing support to the Temple on an annual basis that supplements the operating budget and ensures that sufficient funding is available to meet the needs of our members.

Thank you to all of the generous donors who regularly contribute to Temple Israel’s endowment and in-house funds. Your donations truly make a difference!

TEMPLE ISRAEL ENDOWMENTS

Aaron & Rhoda Gleiberman
Simchat Torah Celebration Endowment Fund
– To provide financial assistance to subsidize the costs of annual Simchat Torah celebrations

Alber & Mary Kathleen Miller Endowment Fund
– To provide religious school scholarships and youth programming including trips, camp and Israel travel experiences

Alene & Samuel Strause Emergency Endowment Fund
– To provide emergency assistance for individuals and families

Ashendorf/Citron/Boxer Medical Endowment Fund
– To assist with medical expenses

Barbara & Jerry Levin Religious School Endowment Fund
– To provide religious school scholarships and financial assistance

Cissy Wollman Membership Scholarships Endowment Fund
– To provide financial assistance to subsidize the cost of Temple membership

David Silverman School Scholarship Endowment Fund
– To provide religious school scholarships and financial assistance

Doris & Albert Rousso Purim Endowment Fund
– To provide Purim programs and celebrations

Etta & Louis Greenspon Senior Citizen Endowment Fund
– To provide senior activity programs

Harold & Bette Wolfson Schapiro Senior Programs Endowment Fund
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Maurice A. & Rosa B. Weinstein Adult Education Endowment Fund
– To provide adult education programs

Michael Meiselman TI Operational Support Endowment Fund
– To provide annual operational support to Temple Israel

Michael Meiselman Legacy Program Endowment Fund
– To provide support for Temple Israel programming

Pearl & Ralph Kier Sukkot Endowment Fund
– To provide Sukkot celebrations

Shelton Gorelick Family Endowment Fund for Temple Israel
– To provide youth programming including trips, camp and Israel travel experiences

Sherman & Alyce Levine Social Action Endowment Fund
– To provide social action programming

Shirley & Sol Levine Religious School Teacher Education Endowment Fund
– To subsidize the costs of teacher education

Temple Israel Building Endowment Fund
– To maintain the Temple building

Temple Israel Education Endowment Fund
– To subsidize religious school and education related expenses

Temple Israel Endowment Fund
– To provide annual operational support to Temple Israel

Temple Israel Endowment Fund
– To support annual Yom Hashoah commemoration

General Fund
– To provide unrestricted operational support to the Temple

Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School Fox Fund
– To support the children at Huntingtowne Farms Elementary School

Kristallnacht Fund
– To support annual Kristallnacht program or other Holocaust education programs

Madans Family Shivah Fund
– To provide comfort to mourners and visitors and foster meaningful experiences for shivah services held at the temple.

Memorial Endowment Fund
– To provide financial assistance to subsidize the cost of Temple membership

TEMPLE ISRAEL IN-HOUSE FUNDS

B’na’i Mitzvah Kiddush Fund
– To help offset expenses of the Bar and Bat Mitzvah families in need of financial assistance

Cantor Elias Rochevarg Music Fund
– To be used at the discretion of Cantor Shira Lissek to provide musical programs and activities

Celia Scher Holocaust Fund
– To support annual Yom Hashoah commemoration

General Fund
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Pransky Family Camp Ramah Scholarship Fund
– To help religious school students attend Camp Ramah

Sadie Starr/Anita & Marvin Shapiro Silver Fund
– To purchase silver for the Social Hall and other items needed for the temple that can be enjoyed by the entire congregation.

Sam Lerner Memorial Garden Fund
– To provide support for the memorial garden and associated programs

Senior Rabbi’s Tzedakah Fund
– To be used at the Senior Rabbi’s discretion

Shai Richardson Camp Scholarship Fund
– To help children attend a Jewish Camp

Women of Temple Israel Youth Program Fund
– To support youth programming

Social Action Fund
– To support social action programs including Room in the Inn and the Men’s Shelter

Steinberger Yahzeit Fund
– To offset the cost of the Book of Remembrance and assist families with the cost of memorial plaques

Stuart Ostrow Youth Fund
– To provide youth programs and activities

Sunday Morning Minyan Breakfast Fund
– To supplement the costs of breakfast

FEES: Temple Israel does not pass along any transaction or processing fees to our members and friends for any payments made using a credit card. A minimum of $18 is requested for charitable donations when honoring or memorializing friends and loved ones.

PLEASE NOTE: Temple Israel can no longer send acknowledgements prior to receiving payment for donations. We will happily keep a card on file to assist you in quickly, and easily, making donations in honor or memory of your loved ones and friends. Thank you for your continued support.
Temple Israel gratefully acknowledges these donations made between January 1 through February 29

AARON & RHODA GLEIBERMAN SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Jeffrey & Marcia Gleiberman, in memory of Essa Acker.

ALENE & SAMUEL STRAUSE EMERGENCY ENDOWMENT FUND
Lisa & Lucky Levinson, in memory of Carol Gorelick.
Lisa & Lucky Levinson, in memory of William Goldstein.

BARBARA & JERRY LEVIN RELIGIOUS SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND
Jerry & Barbara Levin, in memory of Lynette Mazer.
Jerry & Barbara Levin, in memory of Steve Miller.
Jerry & Barbara Levin, in memory of Lorraine Kornblatt.

DAVID SILVERMAN SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT FUND
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in memory of Martin Freiman.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in memory of Philip Singer.

HARRY & MICKY SCHWARTZ EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Monty Bennett, in honor of the birth of Shiri Ruth Batya Wilensky.

LEONARD & ANN SLEINGER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Robert Jacobson, in honor of Ed Bograd's 80th birthday.
Robert Jacobson, in honor of the birth of Barry & Laura Reich's granddaughter, Robin Leah Reich.
Robert Jacobson, in honor of the birth of Mark & Emily Greenberg's daughter, Sadie Isabel Greenberg.
Robert Jacobson, in honor of the birth of Alan & Sandy Rosenberg’s granddaughter, Remi Korrick Lewkowitz.
Robert Jacobson, in honor of Lois Schneider's 75th birthday.

MAURICE & ROSA WEINSTEIN ADULT EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Stephen & Elisabeth Stillitano, yahrzeit of Edith Gordon.

SHELTON GORELICK FAMILY ENDOWMENT FUND FOR TEMPLE ISRAEL
Scott & Dana Gorelick, in memory of Steve Miller.
Simone Praver, in honor of Bari Gorelick's birthday.

SHIRLEY & SOL LEVINE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL TEACHER EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in memory of Marvin Bernstein.

TEMPLE ISRAEL BUILDING ENDOWMENT FUND
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in memory of Essa Acker.
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in memory of Steve Miller.

TEMPLE ISRAEL EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND
Harriet & Barney Weinstock, in memory of Philip Gold.

TEMPLE ISRAEL ENDOWMENT FUND
Leslie & Michael Goldberg, in honor of Ruth & Alan Goldberg upon receiving the Shofar Award.
Alla Mogilevsky, in memory of Gisya Libman.
Abraham Willoughby

WENDY & FRANK ROSEN ENDOWMENT FUND
Robert Jacobson, in honor of Frank Rosen’s 70th birthday.
Frank & Wendy Rosen, in memory of Martin Freiman.
Frank & Wendy Rosen, in memory of Steve Miller.

B’NAI MITZVAH KIDDUSSH FUND
Leonard & Berna Berkowitz, yahrzeit of Cecile Berkowitz.
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in memory of Lorraine Kornblatt.
Albert & Phyllis Garten, in memory of Esther Shapiro.
Albert & Phyllis Garten, in memory of Sarah Isaacs.
Albert & Phyllis Garten, in memory of Yetta Kadin.
Albert & Phyllis Garten, in memory of Martin Freiman.

CANTOR ELIAS ROCHVARG MUSIC FUND
Steven & Sharon Hockfield, in memory of Essa Acker.
Steven & Sharon Hockfield, in memory of Steve Miller.
Barry & Lorrie Klemons, in memory of Steve Miller.
Barry & Lorrie Klemons, in memory of Lorraine Kornblatt and Iris Comen Kaplan.
Simone Praver, in honor of Lori Sklut's birthday.
Chantal Rubin, in appreciation of Cantor Lissek and Rabbi Siegel making the Friday night service so spectacular.

CEILIA SCHER HOLOCAUST FUND
Monty Bennett, in memory of Robert Stark.

GENERAL FUND
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, in memory of Steve Miller.
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, in memory of Carol Gorelick.
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, in memory of Martin Freiman.
Bernard & Teri Ackerman, in memory of Robert Stark.
Monty Bennett, in memory of Steve Miller.
Sara & Martin Bernstein, in memory of Steve Miller.
Sam & Nancy Bernstein, in memory of Steve Miller.
Elliot & Peggy Gartner, in honor of David Warshaw's promotion to Brigadier General.
Elliot & Peggy Gartner, in memory of Martin Freiman.

HUNTINGTOWNE FARMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOX FUND
Jonathan & Tess Berger, wishing Hannah Kaunitz a speedy recovery
Jonathan & Tess Berger, in honor of the birth of Marcy & Norman Mehlman’s granddaughter, Olivia Jean.
Stephen & Elisabeth Stillitano, yahrzeit of Olivia Feir.
Ron & Janice Weiner, in memory of Lorraine Kornblatt.

KRISTALLNACHT FUND
Elliot & Peggy Gartner, in memory of Essa Acker.
Elliot & Peggy Gartner, in memory of Robert Stark.

MADANS FAMILY SHIVAH FUND
Audrey Madans, in memory of Steve Miller.
Audrey Madans, in memory of Jeffrey Brinn’s Mother.
Audrey Madans, in memory of Eliot Meadow's birthday.
Audrey Madans, in memory of Robert Stark.

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Elliot & Peggy Gartner, in memory of Martin Freiman.

HOLOCAUST FUND
CELIA SCHER

MUSIC FUND
Berta Straz, yahrzeit of Sandra Goldman a Refuah Shleimah.
Berta Straz, in honor of Eva & Robert Stark's wedding anniversary.
Berta Straz, yahrzeit of Feigel Luski.
Berta Straz, in honor of Ellen Bottner's new grandson and her son's engagement.
Berta Straz, in memory of Steve Miller.
Berta Straz, in memory of Carol Gorelick.

ENDOWMENT FUND
Barbara & Jerry Levin

GENERAL FUND
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, in memory of the yahrzeit of Cecile Berkowitz.

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MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH FUND
Davan Mani, in memory of Millie Miller Fuerstman.
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PRANSKY FAMILY CAMP
RAMAH SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Daniel & Sandy Pransky and Family, and Glenn Pransky & Terry Snyder and Family, in honor of Baila Pransky.
Glenn Pransky and Terry Snyder, in honor of Baila Pransky.
Baila Pransky, yahrzeit of John H. Pransky.
Baila Pransky, in memory of Carol Gorelick.

SADIE STARR/ANITA & MARVIN SHAPIRO SILVER FUND
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in memory of Clifford.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, wishing the best to the Asrael Family.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in memory of Faye Davis’ sister.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, thinking of Dr. Phil & Ellen Singer.
Mark & Jean Kirsch, in honor of Toby Gordon’s birthday.

SENIOR RABBI’S TZEDakah FUND
Tammy & Andy Cohen, in memory of Steve Miller.

SHAI RICHARDSON CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Alan & Ruth Goldberg, in memory of Robert Stark.

SOCIAL ACTION FUND
Robert August
Marvin Barman, in appreciation of Jonathan Berger.
Jonathan & Tessa Berger, in memory of Stefan and Renate Berger.
Jonathan & Tessa Berger, in appreciation of Eliana and Amy and their work with Torah on Tap.
Barry Bobrow & Karen Knoble, for the speedy recovery of Steve Thrope.
Ellen & Steven Bottner, in memory of Robert Stark.
Joel Goldberg, in honor of the Esposito family.
Stephen & Beth Stillitano, yahrzeit of Anthony Stillitano.

STEINBERGER YAHHRZEIT FUND
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Steve Miller.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Martin Freiman.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Paula Holstein.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Stuart Singer.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Charles Markman.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Marlene Cohn.
Robert Jacobson, in memory of Samuel Leder.
Marlene Shraga, yahrzeit of Binem Shraga.
Michael & Denise Abadi, in memory of Robert Stark.

STUART OSTROW YOUTH FUND
Connie Ostrow, in memory of Carl Scheer.
Connie Ostrow, in memory of Carol Gorelick.
Connie Ostrow, in honor of Debbie & Rory Vitale’s 30th wedding anniversary.

SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN BREAKFAST FUND
Leonard & Bernna Berkowitz, yahrzeit of Cecile Berkowitz.
Bruce & Louise Kantor, in memory of Dr. Steven Engel.
Robert Jacobson, in honor of Jan Raznick’s 80th birthday.
Alan & Jeanette Raznick, wishing Richard Herd to get well soon.
Alan & Jeanette Raznick, in honor of Jerry Levin’s 95th birthday.
Alan & Jeanette Raznick, in honor of Ruth and Alan Goldberg receiving the Shofar award.
Alan & Jeanette Raznick, yahrzeit of Rebecca Sovatsky Raznick.

WOTI (WOMEN OF TEMPLE ISRAEL) YOUTH PROGRAM FUND
Stephen & Beth Stillitano, in memory of Essia Acker.
TIRS got in the festive spirit for Purim!

Women of Temple Israel (WoTI) had a fantastic turnout and a wonderful time at their Pinot & Painting with Artist-in-Residence Mordechai Rosenstein

Torah On Tap’s March Mitzvah Madness was great fun & a success, with over $900 raised for Jewish Family Services!

TI Youth: Kadima (6th-7th grades) spent a fun day on skates at Extreme Ice Center (Feb. 2020)
World Wide Wrap

We had a great turnout for the Men's Club's 20th Annual World Wide Wrap, which takes place on Super Bowl Sunday morning at Temple Israel.
MISSION STATEMENT
Temple Israel is a welcoming and progressive Conservative community fostering personal growth and a meaningful engaged life through these pillars of our faith:

- Personal connections with God, leading to an enriched life
- Practicing Halakham (Jewish Law) and Mitzvot (Commandments), to better our lives and those around us
- Celebrating lifecycle events, holidays and Shabbat bringing a spiritual meaning to our Jewish journey
- Mishpacha (Family) including the gifts of youth and the wisdom of elders, to continue the cycle of growth in our community
- Tikun Olam- the healing of the world for the benefit of everyone
- Lifelong learning for all
- Support for the state of Israel to preserve our homeland.

LIVESTREAM SERVICES
During this time, Temple Israel services can be viewed from home via our livestream service.

To view services, please use the following links:


Note: Private family lifecycle events will not be made available for viewing without prior permission.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, our entire office will be working remotely. Monday-Friday, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., you can still reach Temple Israel at 704-362-2796. However, the building will be closed to the public.

For the latest information from Temple Israel, visit templeisraelnc.org.