



From the Desk of Rabbi Steven Rosenberg

On behalf of Temple Isaiah, I wish to thank you for being a vital part of this wonderful congregation and community. Our members are truly the heart of our synagogue. May we always be worthy of the trust and faith that you have bestowed upon us.

We have weathered over two years of a challenging pandemic, and have returned as a stronger and more committed congregation. I am proud to say that during the entire COVID crisis, we did not miss one Shabbat, Torah study, Holiday, Festival or educational program. Even though we are back in-person, we will continue to broadcast our Shabbat services, classes and programming on Facebook Live and Zoom. Indeed, every week, people join us both at our beautiful Temple and from all over the country, online, to be part of our Shabbat community.

This year, we went back to our very successful in-person Nosh and Drash Torah study and discussion on Shabbat mornings, Jewish University and Adult B'nai Mitzvah classes, Bereavement Support Group, via Zoom, which has allowed for greater participation, and also the Rabbi's Table. Additionally, our Chanukah BBQ featured great fun and delicious food!

Our "In Conversation" series continues, featuring discussions vital to many different segments of our community. These topics ranged from issues affecting LGBTQ+, seniors, concerns about rising rates of anti-Semitism, staying well during COVID, as well as many others. We also expanded our partnership with UCR in offering some dynamic lectures, this year online and in the future back to in-person.

This year has brought some tremendous successes. We came back together for the Palm Springs Jewish Film Festival and had record attendance. Temple Isaiah celebrated Modernism with sold out tours, Mitchel Karp's epic fashion show and the Curated Vintage Event, all which had tremendous attendance from across Southern California and beyond. In spite of so many challenges, we had beautiful In-person High Holiday services and Chaggim. With all of these activities and more, it is very clear that Temple Isaiah has become the vital Center for Jewish Life in the Coachella Valley.

This year's Pride Shabbat service was a great success with wonderful attendance. Our guest speaker, Pastor Tim Edmondson from River of Hope Church was truly inspiring.

I am very proud of Temple Isaiah's culture as a welcoming and loving community.

We are truly blessed to have a committed Temple board, led by our president, Mitchel Karp, who continually goes above and beyond, helping to chart a bright future for our congregation and cares so much about Temple Isaiah, both in his words and deeds. Our Temple Executive Office Administrator, Shawna Owens, runs our office and operations with such precision, grace and caring. The Temple Isaiah Sisterhood is a vital partner in helping to staff our events and programs, along with many amazing volunteers.

Our prayers and good thoughts are with Doug Morton, who continues to recover. Doug's strength, optimism and positive attitude are an inspiration to us all.



We are already working on the upcoming High Holiday services in September and putting together a tremendously inspirational cantorial and musical team. Look for updates in the next few weeks on what is going to be a truly wonderful High Holiday season. I wish to also thank Dr. Sarah Sela, who has been doing an outstanding job serving as our cantorial and tefilah soloist, with her beautiful voice and excellent Torah chanting skills.

We will continue to create the same sense of joyful spirituality, community connectedness, dynamic learning and contemporary Jewish expression that has been so warmly received by all those who came through our portals.

Temple Isaiah is committed to being an open tent, a special place that welcomes all people who are seeking a caring and compassionate congregation, dedicated to a contemporary, progressive and joyful expression of Judaism. We offer a plethora of programs and activities at Temple Isaiah to support our congregation and the greater Coachella Valley Community:

The "Welcome Back to the Sukkah Celebration", Modernism events such as our In-person Tours, Fashion Show, the Curated Vintage Event, Chanukah BBQ, Adult B'nai Mitzvah classes, Nosh and Drash, Bereavement Support Group, Breakfast with the Rabbi, Twice Blessed, Pride Shabbat and outreach to the LGBTQ+ Community, Community Passover Seder and producing the Palm Springs Jewish Film Festival. All of this programming contributes to providing an important Jewish connection and joyful experience to every participant.

In the Pirkei Avot (Ethics of our Fathers) (1:5), Yose ben Yochanan says, "May your home be open wide." According to Rabbeinu Yonah, our homes (and synagogues) should be modeled after Abraham and Sarah's tent, which was open on all four sides. We strive to embody this ideal by ensuring that everyone is welcome, no one is judged and there are *no barriers* to participation.

As we continue to build a Vital Center for Jewish Life for the Greater Palm Springs area, the most important ingredient is YOU! I thank you for the continued commitment, generosity and support you provide to our wonderful community. We need your involvement now more than ever, as we endeavor to continue creating innovative and community building programs. You have an important role in helping grow our congregation, where everyone has a seat at the table, no reservations needed.

From innovative, relevant and welcoming Shabbat services to robust, eclectic and highly participatory education programs, as well as social and cultural opportunities, this will be an exciting year of growth and renewal.

I am always available, if you would like to visit for a while, either in person or by phone, video chat or text/email. Please feel free to get in touch with me at 956-566-9358 or email me at [rabbisteven.rosenberg@gmail.com](mailto:rabbisteven.rosenberg@gmail.com)

Let us build together in friendship and community.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rabbi Steven Rosenberg".

Rabbi Steven Rosenberg

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Dear Congregants,

It is with great pleasure that I write you as Temple President. Another fantastic year of Membership is around the corner. We have had a stellar year filled with countless opportunities for congregants to attend, become involved, and even host.

We are committed to making The Jewish Community Center and Temple Isaiah the center of Jewish life in the Coachella Valley. We host meaningful and joyous Shabbat services in our inspiring historic synagogue. Rabbi Steven Rosenberg has continued to conduct our services, torah studies, Jewish University, life-cycle events and fascinating lectures and discussions. Rabbi Rosenberg is always willing and able to spend time speaking with and caring about each of us. Temple Isaiah offers solitude, comfort and spiritual growth for all its members.

We welcome all of you to continue to be a part of our community. Our Executive Office Administrator, Shawna Owens spends her time coordinating the day-to-day operations of the Temple doing the work of two people while Douglas Morton is out on medical leave.

We are fortunate and very appreciative of all amazing volunteers who help run the Temple. We currently have armed security guards for Temple events to make sure the building is safe for everyone. Our Board and staff have worked in concert to obtain emergency funding so that we meet our financial obligations.

Below is a sampling of current programs for our Temple:

- In person services
- Weekly Shabbat services brought directly to your home via Facebook live
- Weekly Torah studies – in-person or Zoom
- Weekly Jewish University
- Weekly B’nai Mitzvah classes
- Bi-weekly evening discussions with Rabbi Steven Rosenberg and his interesting guests
- Passover Seders
- Monthly visiting Cantors
- Shavuot services with a cheesecake party
- Gift shop with exciting Jewish items
- Chanukah and Purim parties in our Temple



- Modernism Week tours of Temple Isaiah, Fashion Show and Vintage shopping for unique shopping opportunities
- An incredible annual Palm Springs Jewish Film Festival, now working on our 10<sup>th</sup> Festival!
- A committed Sisterhood with whom we could not function without
- And much more!

We need your support and involvement. Please join us and find where you best fit in. We want you and will help you accomplish just that. We relish having volunteers with great ideas. Members in good standing are welcome to attend monthly board meetings to share and learn about our community.

With everything increasing these days, we are EXCITED to tell you that our dues for all members will remain at the same fee structure for the forthcoming year. We offer a discount to members who pay their dues by July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022. If you have financial constraints contact us to work with you, nobody will be turned away. We look forward to seeing you at services and getting involved!

Zeir Gezunt

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mitchel Karp". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "M".

Mitchel Karp  
President, Board of Trustees



# SERVICES

## HIGH HOLY DAYS 5783

### Havdalah/Selichot

Saturday

September 17th, 7:30 PM

### Rosh Hashanah

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, September 25, 2022, 7:30 PM

First Day Rosh Hashanah

Monday, September 26, 2022, 9:00 AM

Second Day Rosh Hashanah

Tuesday, September 27, 2022, 9:00 AM

### Yom Kippur

Kol Nidre

Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 7:00 PM

Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 5, 2022, 9:00 AM

Mincha, Yizkor and Ne'ilah begin at 4:30 PM



# SUKKOT

Erev Sukkot/Shabbat	Sunday, October 9, 7:30 PM
Sukkot Day One/Shabbat	Monday, October 10, 10:00 AM
Sukkot Day Two	Tuesday, October 11, 10:00 AM

# Shemini Atzeret

Shemini Atzeret/Shabbat/Yizkor	Monday, October 17th, 10:00 AM
Havdalah/Simchat Torah	Monday, October 17th, 7:00 PM
Simchat Torah	Tuesday, October 18th, 10:00 AM





## PAYMENT FORM

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Membership category:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

YIZKOR MEMORIAL BOOK (INCLUDE FORM):

*Included with Megillah membership*

\*Up to 3 names - \$20 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Additional Names - \$15 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

EXTRA HIGH HOLIDAY TICKETS

\*\*\$250 per adult (children under 12 free) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*2 included with Menorah, included with Megillah*

HIGH HOLIDAY ANGEL FUND DONATION \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MEMORIAL PLAQUES / TREE OF LIFE \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CANTORIAL FUND \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Megillah Members – No additional fee

\*\*High Holy Days guest names: \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment

Early bird applicable (payment in full)     Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge my credit card:     Visa     MasterCard     American Express

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as it appears on the card (print): \_\_\_\_\_

3 (4 for AE) digit security code: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Charge my credit card quarterly     Charge my credit card monthly

*For special circumstances, please contact the office at 760-325-2281*



## Yahrzeits

Name:	Date:	Relationship:	Notification in Hebr. or Eng:
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## Yizkor Memorial Book & Yizkor Scroll

Each year we prepare a Memorial Book with the names of our departed as part of our Yom Kippur Memorial Service. The Yizkor Memorial Book provides us with a fitting occasion to make a contribution (a *Nedavah*) to the Temple in memory of our departed. Additionally, these names are inscribed on our YIZKOR SCROLL and placed in the Ark next to the Torah at the Yom Kippur Service. An enlarged poster of this Scroll is displayed in our lobby at all Memorial “Yizkor” Services.

Please list the names you would like us to include in the Yizkor Memorial Book for Yom Kippur. The first three names are \$20 each, additional name(s) are \$15 each. Include payment on the Payment Form.

Please print names **clearly**:

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Remembered by: \_\_\_\_\_

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We invite you to help enhance and beautify our Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Services by becoming a “Temple Angel.” Contributions may be made on the Payment Form.

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Please let us know if you are interested in any of the following activities:

- Book Club
- Hiking Club
- Singles Club
- Social Action Club
- Sisterhood
- Men's Group
- Auxiliary Group
- Palm Springs Jewish Film Festival
- Wine Club
- Chavurah – Please specify type
- Other – Please specify type

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Best contact phone number and email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form with your renewal package.

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## MEMBERSHIP RECORD

Please return the Membership Record, Payment Form, Yizkor & Yahrzeit forms with your payment option.

### ADULT ONE

### ADULT TWO

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname, if preferred: \_\_\_\_\_

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Hebrew Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please add my email to the weekly **Shabbat-O-Gram** information email blast list

Do not use my name or information in the Temple Directory

### Children in the Home

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_