

Shabbat and Service Schedule April 2024

Please check the <u>website</u> and Shavuon for the most current information.

Friday, April 5 Candle Lighting	6:57 pm
Saturday, April 6 Parashat Sh'mini Shabbat Morning Service with Rabbi Ashira using Mishkan T'filah	9:30 am
Friday, April 12 Candle Lighting Soup Shabbat	7:05 pm 6:30 pm
Saturday, April 13 Parashat Tazria Shabbat Morning Service with Elisheva Pripas using Sim Shalom Weekly Parasha Study	9:30 am 1:00 pm
Friday, April 19 Candle Lighting	7:13 pm
Saturday, April 20 Parashat M'izora Shabbat Morning Service with Rabbi Ashira using Sim Shalom Israel Chavurah	9:30 am noon
Tuesday, April 23 Pesach I Service	9:30 am
Friday, April 26 Candle Lighting	7:21 pm
Saturday, April 27 Pesach V Shabbat Morning Service with Rabbi Ashira using Sim Shalom Wookly Penacha Study	9:30 am
Weekly Parasha Study Tuesday, April 30 Pesach VIII with Yizkor	1:00 pm 9:30 am
Friday, May 3 Candle Lighting	7:29 pm

Yom HaSho'ah Evening Service

7:00 pm



Dear chevre,

Spring is in the air!

The rabbis of the Mishnah considered the first of Nisan, the month we are about to enter, as the new year for kings and festivals. That is, the month of Nisan is the first month of the

Jewish calendar even though the calendar year renews in the fall at Rosh HaShanah. I often think of the Jewish year cycle in two parts—the fall season and the spring season. In the fall, we celebrate the new Jewish year and the end of the harvest. In the spring, we have another new year, and we celebrate the beginning of the agricultural cycle.

Just as we have a flurry of holidays in the fall, so too we have much to celebrate and observe in the spring. Most of our holiday energy during Nisan will be directed toward preparing for and celebrating Pesach, Passover. Pesach is one of three pilgrimage festivals, Shavuot and Sukkot being the other two.

When the ancient Temple still stood, Israelites were expected to travel to Jerusalem for each of these three festivals, where they would observe the rituals facilitated by the kohanim, the priests.

All three pilgrimage festivals have agricultural and historical connections, which we can explore in their own times. Pesach marks the beginning of the barley harvest in Israel, and it commemorates our liberation from slavery in Egypt. This year, as I considered these very different focal points of the holiday, I realized the agricultural and historical themes have something in common. Both the harvest and the liberation were accomplished through the combined effort of the Israelite community. In the Babylonian Talmud, the barley harvest involved a beit din (three knowledgeable Jewish adults), the emissaries who would travel to Jerusalem for the festival, and all the inhabitants of the town so that the barley would be harvested with great fanfare. In the story of the Exodus from Egypt, we read about how every household had to prepare to leave. Then God told Moses to speak to the whole community about how to commemorate the occasion in the future, including the command to share their Pesach lamb with their neighbors.

In our times, we continue to observe Pesach individually and as a whole community. Each of us individually prepares our homes in anticipation of the seders we will enjoy with our friends and family.

Although Jewish law does not require a minyan, a group of ten people, for a seder, we are obligated to tell the story of what God did for each of us when God brought us out of Egypt.

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RABBI'S MESSAGE

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Storytelling requires at least more than one person, and preferably happens in a group. This year, Temple Emanu-El will host a community seder on Sunday April 21 at 5:00 pm. You might have noticed that our congregational seder happens on the day before Pesach actually begins. This date was chosen in part not to conflict with any plans you might have made for other nights of Pesach. Please consider bringing a favorite dairy or pareve Passover dish to share. This event is intended to be welcoming to all of our members and any friends and relations you would like to invite. To put it more plainly, come one and all, all ages and stages!

In addition to our community seder, I want to invite you to a few other events coming up this month.

On April 6 at 9:30 am, we will celebrate and offer our blessings to Cory Goldstein, son of Loren and Michelle, and Amy Aisenberg when they are called up to Torah in honor of their upcoming wedding. The Goldstein family will be hosting a kiddush luncheon after services. This aufruf is a joyful occasion to give well-wishes while also connecting with the community.

On April 12 at 6:30 pm, we will enjoy another Soup Shabbat. I look forward to continuing this Friday program throughout the year and would welcome your suggestions for a warm weather name and any feedback on the experience.

Finally, the congregational annual meeting will take place on Sunday April 28 at 12:00 pm. I encourage all members in good standing to attend the meeting to learn more about our congregation. Please reach out to Lisa Anthony with any questions about your membership.

On a final note, Pesach and spring bring to my mind the beautiful sacred text of Shir HaShirim, the Song of Songs. This book is traditionally read at Pesach partly because of its nature imagery. Within its exquisite verses is the story of two lovers calling to each other and inviting each other to be together. Although the medieval commentators understood the poetry to be an allegory for the relationship between God and the people Israel, the words can be read through many lenses, including understanding the verses as an aspirational vision of any relationship.

In chapter four, we read:
Awake, north wind!
O south wind, come,
Breathe upon my garden,
Let its perfumes flow.
Let my lover come into his garden

And taste its luscious fruits!

As the weather starts to warm up and the flowers and trees begin to wake up after their winter slumber, I invite you to think of the Temple Emanu-El as a beautiful garden, rich with the delicious fruits of a loving

spiritual community. Come into this garden to enjoy what it has to offer!

Bivracha, With blessing,

Rabbi Ashira



Upcoming Temple Meetings

Religious Practices Committee April 3 @ 7:30 pm

Executive Committee April 10 @ 7:00 pm

Board of Directors April 24 @ 7:00 pm

COMMUNITY NEWS MAZAL TOV

Loren and Michelle Goldstein on the marriage of their son Cory Goldstein to Amy Aisenberg

Rabbi Alissa Platcow, daughter of Phil Platcow, on joining the clergy team and the congregation of Westchester Reform Temple in the role of Assitant Rabbi

Alma Klinetsky on the marriages of her grandchildren
Austin Maier to Amanda Fisher
Ilana Maier to Scott Berlin
Dovid Sugar to Maayan Mogilner

TODAH RABBAH

Phil Platcow for leading Shabbat services
Karen Godek, Ann Jacobson, Judy Kroner, Wilson-Taty
Kapanga-Ndjibu for the gift of your Torah reading
Morry Korinow for reading haftarah
Scott Hannula for your drash (teaching)

Hamantashen bakers, packagers and deliverers: Morry Korinow, Amy Sherr, Wilson Kapanga-Ndjibu, Doreen Robotnick, Irene Chalek, Wendy Lebowitz, Rebecca Alpert, /Judy Kroner, Ann/Mike Jacobson, Susan Shwom, Carole Taut, Sharyn Russell, Roz Broch

Zoom techs, Luna Bakalyar, Shoshana Dodge, Jenn Lampron and Joy Silvey

CONDOLENCES

Charles Chernov and Michelle Howden, on the death of their son and stepson, Andrew Chernov Robin Zaremba, on the death of her mother, Betty Tobias

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy Spring Temple Congregants!

As Spring shapes up, we get ready to cleanse our houses of chameytz and get ready for Passover. Additionally, we get ready for our Temple's annual meeting, which will be at the end of Passover. As we prepare for this, we are always looking for more volunteers to staff or Board of Directors and our committees. Please reach out Rabbi, Lisa, or I if you are able and willing. We are always looking for leaders in the congregation!

A few things to add to your calendar:

- The Aufruf for Cory Goldstein and Amy Aisenberg on April 6th at 9:30 AM in the sanctuary Mazel Tov to the Goldstein family on the upcoming wedding!
- Tax Day April 15th... Did you have fewer nonprofit donations than you had hoped for? Get in those donations to increase them for 2024!
- Community Seder April 21st at 5:00 PM
- Annual Meeting April 28th at noon

At this time of year, we typically have a Telethon where the Board of Directors calls homes and ask for pledges. But, since people have fewer home telephones, we are changing this pledge for support to a "**Fund a Need**" within our congregation. This year, please pledge to help fund part or all of one of the following needs:

- An upgrade to the sound and broadcasting in the sanctuary, estimated at \$30,000
- Fuel expenses, which we expect to total \$24,000 based on high heat and energy costs
- Building repairs
 - Repair Main Street doors \$4,000
 - Repair 3rd Floor Ceiling from damage from Roof leaks \$8,000
 - Repair 11th Avenue entrance \$6,000
 - Security, police details for HHD \$2,500

Like all synagogues, we are feel financially constrained between decreasing revenue and high inflation. Any financial support you can provide is greatly appreciated.

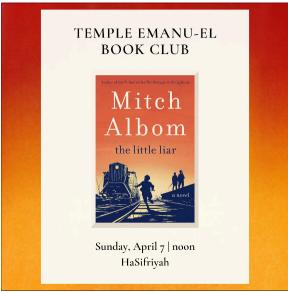
As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, concerns, feedback.

Chag Pesach Sameach, Jenn



UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

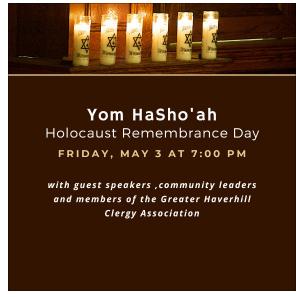












PESACH 5784 AT TEMPLE EMANU-EL



COMMUNITY PESACH SEDER SUNDAY, APRIL 21 | 5:00 PM

Please bring your favorite dairy or pareve dish to share.

RSVP by April 17 at Office@TempleEmanu-El.org

Haggadot and supplements can be picked up at the temple (Brindis/10th Avenue entrance)

Tuesday, April 16–Thursday, April 18, 10:00 am–3:00pm

PASSOVER SHABBAT SERVICES

Hybrid; Wise Chapel and via Zoom

Tuesday, April 23 | 9:30 am Tuesday, April 30 | 9:30 am (with Yizkor**)**

TEMPLE COMMUNITY



ANNUAL MEETING

SUNDAY, APRIL 28,2024 12:00 PM

- 🔯 Election of officers 🔯
- 🔯 Committee reports 🔯

The annual meeting is for Temple members only.

We look forward to your participation
at this important meeting.



TEMPLE COMMUNITY

Temple Committees

Contact <u>Lisa Anthony</u> or any of the chairs below to join a committee.

Adult Education Lynn Dreyfuss Martin

Anti-racism Karen Godek **Budget** Judd Nathan Chesed Sharyn Russell Kevin Miller Dues Fundraising In need of chair HaSifriyah (Library) Paula Breger House In need of chair Investment Judd Nathan Membership Outreach Shelly Gladstein Music Rachel Hanson

PTO Alicia and Morry Korinow Religious Practices Sandra Kassin-Deardorff

Religious Practices

Religious School

Renovations

Security

Social

Social Action

Trusts/Wills/Bequests

Sandra Kassin-Deardorff

Shoshana Dodge

Kevin Miller

In need of chair

Scott Hannula

In need of chair

In need of chair

In need of chair

In need of chair

Sheila Brown, Bookkeeper



Board of Directors

Bookkeeper@TempleEmanu-El.org

Temple Leadership and Administration 2023–2024

Executive Committee

Jennifer Lampron	President	Shelly Gladstein	2024
Scott Hannula	Secretary	Karen Godek	2025
Paula Breger	Assistant Secretary	Rachel Hanson	2025
Judd Nathan	Treasurer	Sandra Kassin-Deardorff	
Loren Goldstein	Past President	Joy Silvey	2025

Temple Administration

Ashira Stevens, Rabbi

Ira L. Korinow, Rabbi Emeritus

Mindy Harris, Religious School Director

Lisa A. Anthony, Executive Administrator

Lynn Dreyfuss Martin, Religious School Administrative Assistant

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MINDY'S MUSINGS / RELIGIOUS SCHOOL



Greetings Everyone,

We've successfully made it past daylight savings time and onward toward spring. The days are getting longer, the weather is warmer, and our Passover holiday is slowly approaching.

March was a very busy month, with lots going on around Purim. Some THANK YOU's to folks who have helped out in the

recent months:

Morry Korinow – thank you so much for spearheading our Hamantashen-baking effort in collaboration with the Chesed committee, and for taking care of our games and food supply for the Purim Carnival.

Sharyn Russell & Amy Sherr – thank you for coordinating Hamantashen-making with our Religious School and for all your leadership remember our at-home members.

Andi Hannula – thank you so much for your donation of candy and prizes and decorations for the Purim Carnival. You are the event expert and are so generous with your contributions.

Scott Hannula, Ross & Amy Moldoff, Lisa Desberg and Angie Lucia – thank you so much for volunteering to help out with our Purim Carnival!

Wendy Lebowitz and Wilson Kapanga-Ndjibu - thank you for helping us with Hamantashen-baking!

Rachel Lefebvre, PJ Library - thank you to Rachel for co-sponsoring our Purim Carnival with PJ Library and for helping out with facepainting!

Amy Moldoff – thank you for helping out preparing our kiddos for Faculty Appreciation Shabbat.

Kim Callan, Rachel Hanson, Karen Godek – thank you for your ongoing creativity and imagination and support with all our holiday/family events!

Rabbi Ashira – thank you for leading Torah Together in March and inspiring our younger families.

As you may have heard from our recent email newsletters, our teachers Kimberly Callan and Rachel Hanson will be moving on from their positions with Temple Emanu-El Religious School at the end of this school year. They have been amazing educators and brought incredible energy and excitement to our kids. Kim has been in her classroom for many decades – and we are very sad to see both of them go. We were so happy to celebrate Kim and Rachel at our Faculty Appreciation Shabbat in March. Please share with them your gratitude whenever you see them at school! More opportunities to say our Thank You's before the end of the year. Stay tuned!

Please note that we will have no school over the beginning of MA April vacation, the weekend of April 14th, but we will have school at the end of that week – April 21st. Look out for a fun April J-Play! on Sunday, April 21st with a Passover Scavenger Hunt!

I hope that April brings some new light and hope to your life and to your Passover tables. It is indeed time for new beginnings and paths towards freedom. I hope you find freedom in your life from that which binds you, and that Passover brings you a sense of personal wholeness and revitalization.

See you in school!

Warmly,



TEMPLE EMANU-EL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

END-OF-SCHOOL-YEAR GOODBYE PARTY

Sunday, May 5 | noon Starensier Assembly Temple Emanu-El

Join us as we wish a fond farewell to Kim Callan, our • beloved Hebrew and Judaics teacher, after two decades of teaching at Temple Emanu-El.

Potluck – please Sign Up <u>HERE</u> for a potluck dish. Dairy only – and please remember, no nuts, per our Temple Emanu-El allergy policy.

PURIM AT TEMPLE EMANU-EL

























PURIM CARNIVAL AT TEMPLE EMANU-EL



























DONATIONS

BRODY FAMILY FUND

Jennifer, Derik, Jocelyne and Jacqueline Lampron, in loving memory of Pearl Shyavitz

DR. HAROLD COHEN AND FAMILY FUND

Ronnie Cohen, in loving memory of her father, Archie Markson and her stepmother, Gertrude Katz Markson, on their yahrzeits

SAMUEL & SOPHIE FLEET FUND

Pamela Manzi Healy, in loving memory of her uncle Harry M. Fleet, on his yahrzeit

BETTY AND LEO GOLDBERG FAMILY FUND

Carol Ann Goldberg, in loving memory of her mother, Betty Jane Goldberg, on her yahrzeit

RABBI ABRAHAM AND SONIA JACOBSON FAMILY FUND

Ruth and Marshall Myers, in loving memory of her grandfather Jacob Pavloff, on his yahrzeit

JEWISH CONTINUITY

Jennifer, Derik, Jocelyne and Jacqueline Lampron, in loving memory of Jennifer's grandmother Thelma Cohen Finkelstein, on her yahrzeit and in loving memory of Judd Nathan's father, Saul Nathan and Charles Chernov and Michelle Howden's son and stepson, Andrew Chernov Andi, Scott, Adam and Zack Hannula, in loving memory of Judd Nathan's father Saul Nathan

Kathy Bassard, in appreciation

Amy and Ross Moldoff, Yom HaSho'ah piano accompanist and in honor of Cory Goldstein and Amy Aisenberg's wedding

Jennifer, Derik, Jocelyne and Jacqueline Lampron, Yom HaSho'ah piano accompanist

Daniel and Vera Goldberg, in appreciation for the Purim celebration

Hannah Lillian Rizzo, in appreciation

Nancy and Michael LaFleur, in loving memory of Robin Zaremba's mother, Betty Tobias

Amy and Michael Sherr, in loving memory of Robin Zaremba's mother, Betty Tobias

RICHARD & MIRIAM LEWIS FUND

Miriam Lewis Levinson, in loving memory of her father, Joseph Hazan and her mother-in-law Ruth Lewis, on their yahrzeits

AIDA & ARNOLD KATZ FUND

David Katz, in loving memory of his grandmother Annie Katz, on her yahrzeit

LITVACK HALPERN FAMILY FUND

Renee Halpern Graham, in loving memory of her mother, Norma R. Halpern, on her yahrzeit

ABRAHAM AND ESTHER ROSEN FAMILY FUND

Dr. Howard Shapiro, in loving memory of his uncle Hyman Rosen, on his yahrzeit

YAHRZEIT FUND

Mary Haverback, in loving memory of her mother-in-law, Tillie Haverback, on her yahrzeit

Robert Sitro, in loving memory of his stepfather, David Freedman, on his yahrzeit

Steven Pollack, in loving memory of his father and mother, Herbert and Hilda Pollack, on their yahrzeits

Richard Traister, in loving memory of his mother, Lucille Traister, on her yahrzeit

Richard Rosengard, in loving memory of his father and mother, Joseph and Esther Rosengard, on their yahrzeits

Iris Adams, in loving memory of her brother Donald Berkovitz, on his yahrzeit

Margie Berkovich, in loving memory of her uncle Norman Berkovich, on his yahrzeit

Jane Carroll, in loving memory of her father and mother, Shirley and Samuel Yanku, her sister Arlene Perham, her grandparents Morris and Lena Bakerman and Joseph and Miriam Shain, her great grandfather David Suvalle, her uncle Marvin Bakerman, her aunts Janet F. Deitch and Nathalie Rosenfield and her cousin Alan Deitch, on their yahrzeits

Brian Gordon, in loving memory of his grandfather Rueben Hall, on his yahrzeit

Michael Jacobson, in loving memory of his father, David Jacobson, on his yahrzeit

Scott Freedman, in loving memory of his uncle Sidney Klickstein, on his yahrzeit

Jonathan Harris, in loving memory of his mother, Dorothea R. Harris, on her yahrzeit

Karen Jacobs, in loving memory of her father, Jason Roberts, on his yahrzeit

TRUDY ZAKIN FAMILY CONTINUITY FUND

Trudy and Mitch Zakin, in loving memory of her mother, Marlene Dress, on her yahrzeit









REMEMBERING THOSE AT YAHRZEIT

April 6 27th of Adar II

Nathalie Bercu David Freedman Judy Tye

April 12 & 13 5th of Nisan

Bessie Baker
Abraham Bender
Norris Bendetson
Donald Berkovitz
Malcolm Brown
Miriam Cook
Marlene Dress
Morris Eisenman
Joyce Gladstone
Jacob Goldman
Jack Gurowitz
Joanne Hurwitz
Luella Levine
Archie Markson
Stanley Miles

Samuel Mysel Jacob Pavloff Herbert Pollack Jason Roberts Melvin Shapiro Arnold Sidel Gabriel Silverman Lucille Traister

April 19 & 20 12th of Nisan

Harry M. Fleet
Edward Freedlender
Sarah Goldbaum
Betty Jane (Neiditz)
Goldberg
Eva Gorevitz
Sally Hartman Gould
Lee Greenbaum
Sydney Greene
Dorothea R. Harris
Annie Katz
Sidney Klickstein
Harvey Kopelman
Bessie Kotzen
Gertrude Katz Markson
Richard Novick
Hilda Pollack

Ethel Klayman Schlafman Evelyn Steinberg Natalie Stone Harry Zembler

April 27 19th of Nisan

Isa Bauer Cann Norman Berkovich Milton Berman Jerome Fishbein Grace Lillian Gordon Norma Halpern Tillie Haverback Joseph Hazan Gertrude Kleven Alice Kopel Mary Lavigne Ruth Lewis Benjamin Mandell Dorothy Albertson Myers Joseph Rosengard Jeanette Venner Samuel Yanku





To receive help in your time of need,

call one of the following LHH coordinators:

 Rabbi Stevens
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 Sharyn Russell
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Trusts, Wills, and Bequests

If you are interested in discussing gift and naming opportunities, please contact Rabbi Stevens (RabbiStevens@TempleEmanu-El.org)

Lisa (office@TempleEmanu-El.org).
Thank you!

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Honor Your Father and Your Mother

It is a widely observed Jewish tradition to commemorate the passing of a loved one by memorializing those that have departed with a vahrzeit plague on a dedicated memorial wall.

At Temple Emanu-El, these plaques are lit on the yahrzeit, or anniversary of death, and for Yizkor services.

Plaques are inscribed with the name of the deceased in both English and Hebrew as well as the date of the person's death. They are available to view whenever the sanctuary is open.

The one-time cost of the plaque is \$300. To purchase a plaque in honor of a departed loved one, <u>order online</u> or contact Lisa or Rabbi Stevens at 978.373.3861.

HALL OF FAME

Haverhill Citizens Hall of Fame to Induct Harold Livingston

The Haverhill Citizens Hall of Fame Committee will host an induction ceremony for Harold Livingston, Hollywood screenwriter, novelist and one of the founding fathers of the Israeli Air Force

Saturday, April 13, at 2 PM Johnson Auditorium Haverhill Public Library 99 Main Street

All are invited, and there is no admission charge.

click here for more information

April

	April 3	Religious Practices	7:30 pm
		Committee Meeting	
	April 6	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
		Aufruf Cory Goldstein Amy Aisen	berg
	April 7	Religious School	9:00 am
		Book Club	12:00 pm
		Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
	April 10	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
		Executive Committee Meeting	7:00 pm
7	April 12	Soup Shabbat	6:30 pm
	April 13	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
4		Weekly Parasha Study	1:00 pm
1	April 17	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
	April 20	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
		Israel Chavurah	12:00 pm
	April 21	Religious School	9:00 am
		J-Play!	9:30 am
		Community Pesach Seder	5:00 pm
	April 23	Pesach I Service	9:30 am
	April 24	Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm
		Board of Directors Meeting	7:00 pm
9	April 27	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 am
		Weekly Parasha Study	1:00 pm
	April 30	Pesach VIII with Yizkor	9:30 am
		Early May	
	May 3	Yom HaSho'ah Service	7:00pm





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