

Temple Israel



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the **BULLETIN**

March/April 2024

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INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR THE

**PASSOVER**  
*Seder*

A SEDER EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER

At Temple Israel, we're all family. Let's come together as one to tell the story of the ancient Israelites leaving Egypt on their way to the Promised Land. This will be an all ages affair, both young and the young at heart, will find meaning in our songs, in our feast, and amongst our company.

**MONDAY, APRIL 22nd- 5:30PM**

Temple members: Adults \$90 • Children (7-12) \$36  
Non members: Adults \$118 • Children (7-12) \$54  
Registration and payment required before April 15

**JOIN THE CELEBRATION**

**REGISTER:** <https://tiottawa.shulcloud.com/event/240422PS>



# Worship Schedule

Holiday	Dates	Times	
<b>SHABBAT</b>	Friday, March 1 Saturday, March 2	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parasha Ki Tisa
<b>SHABBAT with special Guest Rabbi Rozenblit</b>	Friday, March 8 Saturday, March 9	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service <b>led by TIRS</b> <b>POT LUCK</b> Shabbat Service, Parasha Vayakhel
<b>MORNING MINYAN</b>	Thursday, March 14	9:00 am	ZOOM Morning Minyan
<b>SHABBAT</b>	Friday, March 15 Saturday, March 16	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parasha Pekude
<b>SHABBAT with Student Cantor Ilana Mulcahy</b>	Friday, March 22 Saturday, March 23	5:30 pm 6:15 pm 10:15 am	Family Fun Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat Service <b>BIRTHDAY &amp; ANNIVERSARY BLESSING</b> Shabbat Service, Parasha Vayikra
<b>PURIM</b>	Saturday, March 23 Sunday, March 24		See page 6
<b>MORNING MINYAN</b>	Thursday, March 28	9:00 am	ZOOM Morning Minyan
<b>SHABBAT</b>	Friday, March 29 Saturday, March 30	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parsha Tzav
<b>SHABBAT with Student Cantor Ilana Mulcahy</b>	Friday, April 5 Saturday, April 6	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parasha Shemini <b>BAR MITZVAH ADAM FORER</b>
<b>MORNING MINYAN</b>	Thursday, April 11	9:00 am	ZOOM Morning Minyan
<b>SHABBAT</b>	Friday, April 12 Saturday, April 13	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service <b>led by TIRS</b> <b>Kulanu Anti-Semitism program</b> <b>POT LUCK</b> Shabbat Service, Parasha Tazria <b>BAR MITZVAH ASHER TAROF</b>
<b>SHABBAT</b>	Friday, April 19 Saturday, April 20	5:30 pm 6:15 pm 10:15 am	Family Fun Shabbat Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Parasha Metzora <b>BIRTHDAY &amp; ANNIVERSARY BLESSING</b>
<b>PASSOVER</b>	Monday, April 22 Tuesday, April 23	5:30pm 10:15 am	Passover Seder First Day of Passover Service
<b>MORNING MINYAN</b>	Thursday, April 25	9:00 am	ZOOM Morning Minyan
<b>SHABBAT</b>	Friday, April 26 Saturday, April 27	6:15 pm 10:15 am	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Service, Passover
<b>LAST DAY PASSOVER</b>	Monday, April 29	10:15 am	Last Day of Passover Service, Yizkor, Liturgical Choir, New memorial plaque dedication

## From the Pulpit



### Adar Multiplied by Two

One of the most complicated questions I get asked as a Rabbi is to explain our system of leap years. Seven times out of 19 years we have a 13 month calendar, when we celebrate Adar twice. This keeps our holidays in sync with the various festivals. How do the Rabbis determine which years to expand? They just do! It's good news for us, because traditionally when Adar arrives, happiness increases. That gives us two months to lift our spirits.

I know, happiness is in short supply this year. We are devastated by the ongoing tension in Israel, Gaza and the whole region. We continue to direct our prayers to the hostages and their families, to the IDF soldiers and their loved ones, to the thousands of homeless Israeli residents from the North and South, and to all civilians caught in the horrors of war. We cannot in good faith usher in joy until the region is once again calm, Hamas destroyed, everyone is home. We do the best that we can, we carry on not just for ourselves, but for the countless who cannot at this time. We hold them close to our hearts, now and always.

We will shortly have the opportunity to welcome in person Rabbi Orit Rozenblit, spiritual leader of our sister congregation Poteach Shearim. We know her well from our various zoom meetings. This is the culmination of our 3 year journey, that began during COVID. She will be with us for a Shabbat, sharing first hand experiences of her community as well as teaching traditional Torah. She is eager to finally get to know us beyond the screen. Please join us over Shabbat March 8-9.

Purim is almost here! However, because of the leap year we have to wait until the end of March. Our teens are hard at work preparing a Taylor Swift telling of Esther's story. There are two opportunities for you to see this Purim Spiel: Saturday, March 23rd evening and Sunday, March 24th during TIRS.

AND, come and enchant us all at **"Temple's Got Talent"** following the Purim Performance. Prepare your costumes, instruments, poetry, juggling balls, etc. See page 6 for details.

Building on our success from last year, we'll have a Congregational Family Passover Seder on Monday April 22nd. There will be fun for all and lots of matzah balls! Make sure to register, info on the cover.

Let's make the most of these two Adars continuing to pray for Israel and celebrating our Spring festivals with cheer.

*Rabbi Daniel Mikelberg*

## President's Message



As the days start to get longer, excitement for spring is beginning. Purim and then Passover are on the horizon and planning is well underway! Lots of other exciting news is in the works too!

We are all closely attuned to the news and developments in Israel, and we continue to pray for the safe return of the hostages and an end to the conflict. You may have noticed the Chair on the Bima draped in yellow. It is there so we have a visual reminder to keep the hostages in our prayers. Next time you come to Temple, have a look and say a little brucha (prayer) for their safe return.

I am so excited to announce that at last Thursday's Board meeting, the Executive Director Search Committee recommended a candidate for the Executive Director position and approval was given to move to the next stage and negotiate a contract with her! This candidate is full of energy and has the right background and experience that our Temple family needs to move us forward. I can't wait to share more news very soon!

Purim is on Saturday, March 23 and the religious life committee is planning something for everyone. At 5:00pm – Taylor Swift-inspired Purim Spiel with Megillah Readings; at 6:00pm – Potluck Dinner and at 7:00pm – **Temple Israel's Got Talent**. Bring your costume and your talent! Student cantor, Ilana Mulcahy, will be in town that weekend and I suspect she will be participating in the talent show as well. I hope you all come out with your talents and give Ilana a run for her money – and I'm guessing – the Rabbi too!

The school committee has been working hard to try to keep up with Dovi and Ranit's ruach! They have started a Parent Ambassador Program so parents and families can connect socially. Soon, they will be looking at fundraising for the confirmation trip and I hope everyone will support them wholeheartedly!

Kulanu is hard at work and will hold the first Kulanu - Temple Israel initiative on Friday, April 12th with an Interfaith Shabbat Program. Other initiatives aimed at TIRS High School students and FROSTY kids to talk about bridge-building and combatting antisemitism are in the works.

The Building Condition Report (BCR) has been received from the engineers! The TIIP Committee (Temple Israel Improvement Project) is back at work and developing a renovation plan and a longer-term building maintenance plan. Priorities will be accessibility and security. The BCR also included the Bayit and a maintenance plan will be developed for that property as well.

Finally, a word about participation and leadership. We would love to have you join a committee or perhaps another role, such as torah reader, lay cantor, usher... we would love to have you join in the many aspects of Temple life!

*Miriam Burke*

**TIRS Led Kabbalat Shabbat**  
FOLLOWED BY POT LUCK DINNER

**March 8th** W/ Special Guest Rabbi Orit 6:15pm

**April 12th** Passover Theme 6:15pm

JOIN US AND OUR STUDENTS AS WE WELCOME IN SHABBAT! BRING YOUR FAVOURITE DISH FOR POT LUCK!!

IS THIS YOUR FIRST POT LUCK AT TEMPLE? REACH OUT TO THE OFFICE AND WE WILL MATCH YOU WITH A FAMILY!

**PURIM SPECTACULAR**  
SCHOOL WIDE PURIM CELEBRATION  
**MARCH 24TH**  
CELEBRATION BEGINS AT 10:30 AM  
WE ASK PARENTS TO PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL BY 10:45 AM

**COSTUME PARADE**  
**MAGICIAN**  
**CARNIVAL SNACKS**  
**GAMES!**  
**HAMENTACHEN MAKING**

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**Coffee House**  
**ISRAELI DANCING**  
with Phil Kretzmar

**JOIN US FRIDAY**  
**March 1st**

**AFTER SERVICES**  
Kabbalat shabbat services start at 6:15 pm program will follow services

Come and join us and share in the joy of Israeli folk dancing on Friday night March 1st after Services. No experience required. We will learn some simple, easy and lively dances, move our bodies and have fun. Or simply come and watch and feel the joy.

Please Register: <https://tiottawa.shulcloud.com/event/240301ID>

1301 Prince of Wales Dr.

**Friday April 5th**  
**Next GENERATION**

Calling out to Ottawa's Young Adults (20's and 30's)!

We're celebrating you as our next generation of Jewish leaders with a special Shabbat dinner. We'll be having breakfast for supper, as in challah french toast, tater tots, and poutine. Food will be vegetarian kosher style. We hope this will be the first of many opportunities to welcome you.

**Services at 6:15 pm Dinner at 7:30 pm**

Event Co-Chairs: Michael Kent, Sierra Cwinn, Avi Agulnik and Tamar Spitzer featuring culinary stylings of Yannick Clement.

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**Virtual Morning Minyan**

What a great way to start your day!

Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am  
Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am

Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am  
Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am

**Rise & Shine!**



## Upcoming Events

Shabbat



with **Rabbi Orit Rozenblit**

Since 2020, we have been building our relationship to Congregation Poteach Shearim in Northern Israel. We look to Rabbi Orit Rozenblit as a member of our extended family. Rabbi Rozenblit is delighted to visit Ottawa and Temple Israel for the first time. She will teach us on both Friday night and Saturday morning, sharing her wisdom of Torah as well as carrying the recent narrative of her community that is currently evacuated from Northern Israel.

**FRIDAY**  
March 8  
at 6:15 pm

**SATURDAY**  
March 9  
at 10:15 am




We are excited to announce that the first Kulanu Temple Israel initiative will be held on **Friday, April 12th** and will be an Interfaith Shabbat Program.

Temple Israel members are encouraged to invite non-Jewish friends and family to the Shabbat service at 6:15pm on Friday which will be followed by dinner then a presentation on antisemitism for adults starting at 8pm. During the presentation on antisemitism, children will be downstairs for separate programming.

This is a fantastic opportunity for Temple Israel members to provide their non-Jewish friends/family with the opportunity to learn more about our traditions and culture. Anti-Semitism and how it affects the Jewish community will be discussed.

In order to plan for this event if you can you please RSVP to <https://tiottawa.shulcloud.com/event/240412K>

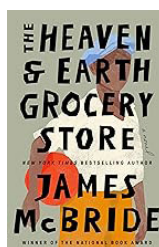
If you have any questions, please reach out to Tamara ([tamara.taub@gmail.com](mailto:tamara.taub@gmail.com)) and/or the office (Cathy Loves).



Books and Bagels is returning to hybrid format (live and on Zoom) at Temple Israel. Please join us for a bagel breakfast at 9:30 a.m. followed by a book review at 10. There is no charge for breakfast but donations are welcome. A zoom link will be sent for the 10:00 am presentation. Books are usually available at the OPL and Greenberg Libraries.

We look forward to seeing you on the following dates:

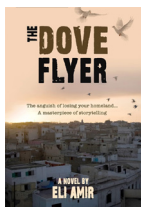
### **March 17, 2024- 10:00 am**



**"The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store"** by James MacBride will be reviewed by *Sophie Kohn Kaminsky*. Named a best book of the year by NPR, Washington Post and Time Magazine, this book opens with the discovery of a skeleton in a well and then flashes back to explore its connection to a town's Black, Jewish and immigrant history.

This is a murder mystery described as "charming, smart, heart-blistering, and heart-healing."

### **April 14, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.**



**"The Dove Flyer"** by Eli Amir will be reviewed by Charlie Khazzam in the context of his family's experience as Jews living in Baghdad of the 1950s and emigrating to Israel.

Although availability of this book is limited, this session will provide an opportunity to learn about this period of Jewish history and it is not necessary to have read the book to enjoy the presentation.

For more information, please contact Lily Cox at [lilycox@bell.net](mailto:lilycox@bell.net)

### **Torah Readers Wanted**



As the heart of our Shabbat celebration, the Torah holds a special place in our communal worship. Temple warmly invites all Torah readers within our community to contribute their voices and presence to our Shabbat morning services.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Hillel Taub by email to [hilleltaub@yahoo.ca](mailto:hilleltaub@yahoo.ca)



**FRIDAY, MARCH 22**  
**5:30 PM**

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## PURIM FAMILY FUN

Typically we wear our formal attire for Shabbat. Tonight we get to don costumes and in particular masks. Our youngest of friends (ages 2-8) are invited to join Rabbi Daniel and Student Cantor Ilana for a Purim AND Shabbat celebration. There will be songs, stories, games and of course hamantaschen. Oh, and pizza for dinner too!

**YOU DON'T WANNA MISS THE FUN!**

PLEASE RSVP TO:  
<https://tiottawa.shulcloud.com/event/240322FF>



## TEMPLE ISRAEL'S GOT TALENT

**Time to Shine like a ★ Star**

★ **Following Potluck Dinner** ★

**SATURDAY March 23**  
**7:00 pm**

By Royal Decree, King Achashverosh requests the presence of all members of Temple Israel. Who is destined to win top prize as we dazzle our synagogue community with our unique skills? Whether in song, poetry, comedy, juggling. Come share your talent with us in this fun filled evening. Wear a mask and get ready for FUN as we celebrate, PURIM style. Please register and let us know if you'd like to perform.

Please contact Hillel Taub [hilleltaub@yahoo.ca](mailto:hilleltaub@yahoo.ca) or the office if you would like to showcase your talent



## PURIM CELEBRATIONS

**SATURDAY MARCH 23, 2024**

**5:00 PM SPIEL**

Over Purim we tell the story of Queen Swift and her rule over ancient Shushan as dynamic performer and advocate for feminism and human rights. Well not quite, but we will use Taylor's biggest hits to tell the traditional Purim narrative with a modern lens. Our high school students are hard at work and will dazzle the young and the young at heart with this fun production that will include megillah readings too.

**6:00 PM POTLUCK DINNER**  
Bring your dinner to share

**7:00 PM TEMPLE ISRAEL'S GOT TALENT**  
Have a talent you want to share? Sign up and show us!



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**ESTHER'S STORY PURIM SPIEL**

**23.03.2024 5:00 PM**

**.SWIFT**

FEATURING ALL OF YOUR FAVOURITE TAYLOR SWIFT MEGA HITS

PERFORMANCE BY TIRS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



## Passover



**Family Fun**  
**Passover**  
Friday, April 19, 2024 at 5:30 pm

Once we were enslaved, now we are free. Our youngest of friends (aged 2-8) are invited to explore the themes of Passover and Shabbat. We'll build up our repertoire of seder music, we'll take a look at the symbols of the festival, and we'll imagine ourselves demanding freedom from the Pharaoh.

We'll enjoy an Italian matzah-like bread, also known as pizza for dinner. After all, we need to get our chametz in before the holiday arrives.



## PASSOVER SERVICES

### FIRST DAY PASSOVER SERVICE

**TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024 AT 10:15AM**

### LAST DAY PASSOVER SERVICE

**MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024 AT 10:15AM**

with the Temple Liturgical Choir,  
Yizkor and Plaque dedication

## Community

The **Jewish Parents of Ottawa Students Association** (JPOSA) was founded in November 2023 by two Temple Israel members and has grown into a community of over 135 families. We are an association of parents with Jewish children currently attending publicly funded elementary and high schools in Ottawa. The goal of our association is to ensure that Jewish children feel safe, comfortable, and included at school. We formed this association because of the concerning levels of antisemitism and Jew hate experienced by our children at their schools in Ottawa. The ensuing frustration experienced by students and parents when incidents are either not appropriately addressed or not taken seriously is palpable. Too often, the atmosphere in schools is such that children do not feel safe being known as Jewish or self-identifying as Jewish.

JPOSA has been busy reviewing school board policies, meeting with school boards, and working with various Jewish organizations, such as the Jewish Federation of Ottawa, The Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs, and Stand With Us to advocate and ensure the safety and inclusion of Jewish students in publicly funded schools in Ottawa.

We have recently developed a survey to get a sense of the school experiences of Jewish students in the public school system in Ottawa. The survey is for Jewish students from Grade 6-12 and should take about 5 minutes. Please note that no personal information will be collected and answers will be kept anonymous and confidential. The responses provided will be combined with the responses of other survey participants. We ask that you encourage your kids to take part in this survey as it will provide us with the student perspective on what it is like to be Jewish in schools in Ottawa - how it feels and how they feel. This information will be extremely important as we start to have discussions with the school boards and look at ways to hold schools and school boards accountable to ensure that Jewish students feel safe, comfortable and included at school.

The link to the survey is below.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdV\\_RF1g4q6WxqvChIO3kWI8X7OCzk-DUoauX5vYL25uW1G1xw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdV_RF1g4q6WxqvChIO3kWI8X7OCzk-DUoauX5vYL25uW1G1xw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

If you have any questions please reach out to us at [jposaboard@jposa.ca](mailto:jposaboard@jposa.ca)

### **Celebrating a milestone, simcha or a special event?**

If you would like to make a donation in honour of an occasion, please see our website, contact our volunteers (see TIOF on page 10 or Temple information on page 12) or the office and we will make it easy for you!

# Temple Celebrations



Mazel Tov to Kelsey Burns and Neil Fine on the birth of their daughter, Molly

## Mazel Tov!

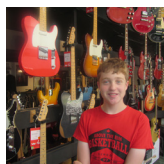
ARE YOU CELEBRATING?  
JOIN US FOR OUR MONTHLY

*Birthday & Anniversary Blessing*

FRIDAY, MARCH 22nd at 6:15 pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 20th at 10:15 am

## B'nai Mitzvah



Saturday April 6, 2024  
**Bar Mitzvah of ADAM FORER**

Son of Ben Forer

In honour of his Bar Mitzvah,  
Adam will donate to the Youth & Music  
Israel Charity

<https://www.youth-music.org.il/about-us>



Saturday April 13, 2024  
**Bar Mitzvah of ASHER TAROF**

Son of Rachel Hincke & Daniel Tarof

In honour of his Bar Mitzvah,  
Asher will donate to CANVAS - A creative  
and arts charity which connects North  
American and Israeli Jewish visual artists  
and funds collaborations and individual  
projects.

## Was your child born in 2013?

If the answer is yes, and you have not yet booked a Bar/  
Bat Mitzvah date, please contact Cathy at  
**[cathy@templeisraelottawa.com](mailto:cathy@templeisraelottawa.com)** to request an appli-  
cation form.

We are now booking Bar/Bat dates through the end of  
June 2025.



## March Anniversaries

Sharon & Darwin Evans  
Leah & Daniel Stolarksi

## April Anniversaries

Grace & Barrett Brickell  
Citas & Rodney Capstick  
Susan Fried & Jean Favreau  
Sarah & Aaron Good  
Kamla Swami & Paul Hacker  
Jennifer & Mike Martin  
Sharon & David Michaelson  
Magozata Sadowska & Claude Weil  
Dario Romero & Daniel Willis  
Patricia & Clive Wolff



TIRS grade 2 students  
receiving of the Torah

**A leaf has been donated on the Past  
Presidents' Tree of Life**

**In appreciation of Heather Cohen  
on her retirement**

*From your Temple Israel Family*



**Student cantor Ilana  
Mulcahy will be with us  
once again for services**

**Please join us:  
March 22-23, 2024  
&  
April 5-6, 2024**





## Life & Legacy

### Pass On Values Instead of Taxes

With careful planning, a legacy gift from retirement assets can perpetuate values and traditions meaningful to you and reduce the estate tax burden for loved ones.\*



**Life & Legacy**  
ASSURE JEWISH  
TOMORROWS

Be remembered forever with a gift to Temple Israel in your will, trust, retirement account, or life insurance policy.

To learn more about leaving a legacy contact  
lifeandlegacy@templeisraelottawa.com or Cathy at 613.224.1802 ext 5

\*Seek advice from a financial advisor, attorney, or tax professional to discuss your personal situation.



## Condolences



זכרונם לברכה

*May their memory forever  
be a blessing.*

Condolences are extended to the families of:

**Vittorio Giaccone**, beloved father of Roberto Giaccone  
(Penny Gershon-Giaccone)

**Stephen (Skip) Silburt**, beloved brother of Allan  
Silburt (Miriam Vanderhoff-Silburt)

**Lisa Saban**, beloved grandmother of Jeremy Saban  
(Christie Watts)

**Fanny Schneiderman**, beloved mother of Lily  
Schneiderman

**Desiree Hincke**, beloved grandmother of Rachel  
Hincke

**Chana Szajnfarber**, beloved mother of Lily (John) Cox

### Thinking of making a donation?

If you would like to make a donation to Temple to honour the memory of a loved one, to celebrate an occasion, or simply to show your appreciation, there is a variety of ways you can do this.

You can access the donations section on the Temple website <https://templeisraelottawa.ca/>.

You can access your member page in Shulcloud <https://tiottawa.shulcloud.com/>

You can call the office or either Karen Rhines or Diane Parkin who help Temple to send out cards (see page 11).

If you would like to make your donation with a **stock transfer**, please contact the office to obtain a form for this purposes.

### Want to send your own Temple cards?

A package of 10 Temple donation cards/envelopes may be purchased for you to send yourself.

Please contact the office to arrange. Cost is \$175 for the package. A tax receipt is given for this donation.

If you provide card details to the office, the information will be included in our Bulletin.

# TIOF

## Temple Israel Ottawa Foundation

*In Our Hands, Our Future*

Mark Klyman, President      Allan Maslove, Treasurer

To support one of these funds with a donation, call Bobbi Soderstrom 613 230-5865 or email [foundation@templeisraelottawa.com](mailto:foundation@templeisraelottawa.com)

### Endowment Funds:

Abbey Family; Remy & Alain Albagli Memorial; Anne & Howard Alper; Mort & Nancy Bercovitch; B'nai Mitzvah; Bradbury-Klyman; Congregants & Friends of Temple Israel; Evelyne Dreyfus; Shlomo Feldberg Memorial; Finkelstein/Scales Fund; Freeman/Burgess Family; Rabbi Steven Garten & Lisa Hans; Brian and Susan Gold Family; Hannah & Gerald Halpern Family; Halton Weiss Family; Merle Haltrecht-Matte Family; John Holzman; Suzanne Lepine & Paul Lyons Family; Richard & Patty Levitan Family; Marsha & Allan Maslove Family; Mendel & Spunt Families; Marcia Saïpe & Ted Miller; Moon/Salamon Family; Royer/Mallek Family; Ned & Gail Segal Family; David & Rose Shentow Family; Irv & Elaine Singer; Ricarda Smith; Sokoloff-Sabourin; Laura & Gordon Spergel; Steingarten Family; Hillel & Julie Taub & Family; Gary & Debra Viner; Wall Family; Walsh/Rosenkrantz Family; Weiner/Maddams

### FREEMAN/BURGESS FUND

In memory of Stephen (Skip) Silburt  
Martin Freeman & Joanne Burgess

In memory of Chana Szajnfarber  
Martin Freeman & Joanne Burgess

### HOLZMAN FUND

Wishing Linda Slotin a happy special birthday  
Mark & Debbie Holzman

In observance of the yahrzeit of John Holzman  
Mark & Debbie Holzman

In observance of the yahrzeits of Art and Helen Sparks  
Mark & Debbie Holzman

In memory of Stephen Goldstein  
Mark & Debbie Holzman

In memory of Ada Kessler  
Mark & Debbie Holzman

### MASLOVE FAMILY FUND

In memory of Norman Shulman  
Marsha & Allan Maslove

### TAUB FAMILY FUND

In appreciation to Hillel Taub  
Tamara Taub, David Handelman & Leora Taub-Handelman

### VINER FAMILY FUND

Wishing David Delicate a speedy recovery  
Debra & Gary Viner

In memory of Stephen (Skip) Silburt  
Debra & Gary Viner

In memory of Victor Giaccone  
Debra & Gary Viner

In memory of Chana Szajnfarber  
Debra & Gary Viner

### WALSH/ROSENKRANTZ FAMILY FUND

In memory of Victor Giaccone  
Lisa Rosenkrantz

In memory of Chana Szajnfarber  
Lisa Rosenkrantz & Michael Walsh

## Ongoing Programs



JOIN RABBI GARTEN FOR HIS  
WEEKLY VIRTUAL  
**TALMUD**  
CLASS

*Wednesdays at 12:30pm*  
SEE THE WEEKLY EMAIL OR TEMPLE  
WEBSITE FOR ZOOM INFORMATION

Watch the weekly emails for any updates.



WEEKLY  
**Torah Study**  
with Rabbi Mikelberg

Saturday Mornings 9am

Watch the weekly emails for details



# Todah



Dear Frainds,

Feb. 11, 24

As of October 7, 2023, the residents of Kiryat Shmona and Etzba HaGalil (the Northern Galilee) dispersed throughout the country, as did the community members of Poteach Shearim. Few community members remained in Kiryat Shmona and most of the congregants were evacuated to hotels in Tiberius and all over the country. That includes the lay leaders and stuff of our congregation. As a result, the Poteach Sha'arim community has not met face to face for 3 months. Since many of the members of the community are not connected to technology, we hardly had any virtual activity either. Over time, the need and desire of community members for a human encounter rose.

I am happy to share with you that we managed to create an opportunity for a meeting. We arranged a day tour with many of our congregants for the first time since our community dispersed. (The tour took place on Tuesday 16.1.24) The tour was made possible by the initiative of community members, and the organization of our community leadership. Thanks to your generous donation that helped us produce the tour, we were also able to rent a bus that collected and gathered the community members from the evacuee centers in the north - from Kiryat Shmona and Tiberius.



With your support, we were blessed with a day full of spiritual interest and love in the city of Shafaram, located in the Lower Galilee. A city that was Jewish during the Mishna and Talmud periods and today is the largest Arab city in the Lower Galilee (more than 40,000 inhabitants) and contains Muslims Christian and Druze.

The tour of the city was guided by Mazen Ayoub, a Muslim resident of the city, who, beyond familiarity with the city, brought added value in his deep belief in living together and in peace. Led by him, we visited the ancient synagogue in the city as well as the church, and saw the mosque from the outside (due to prayer time). Later in the day we stayed at the home of the khnifess family, one of the leading Druze families in the city. We learned about the covenant of blood and the covenant of life between the Druze community and the State of Israel. We ended the meeting singing Hebrew and Druze songs together. The very choice of a tour in an Arab settlement restored to many of us the optimism and faith in a shared life, without this topic being a direct topic of the tour.



We ended the day with a meal together at the Yizrael Winery in Hanaton. There we were exposed to the possibility of a common Jewish life (orthodox, conservative, reform and secular).



We were blessed with a day full of inspiration, stories, landscapes, tastes, and above all, the important opportunity for us these days to ventilate, for love between each other and for the love of the beautiful country we live in.

I have no doubt that despite the organizational and budgetary challenges, it is very important for us to continue meeting face to face. More meetings like this will be a high priority in the near future.

We will do and succeed!

Thank you for being part of all our activities.

Rabbi Oriit Rozenblit



## OTTAWA JEWISH SINGLES 60+

We are excited to announce the creation of a new group named "Ottawa Jewish Singles 60+".

With the help of a microgrant from the Jewish Federation of Ottawa, our launch will take place on Sunday, April 7, 2024 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at the JCC Social Hall. Join us for schmoozing, fun, activities, brainstorming ideas for future events, yummy sandwiches and snacks. All Jewish Singles 60 years of age and over who live in or around Ottawa are welcome.

\* Pre-registration is required, fee for the afternoon is \$10.00

\* Tickets will not be available at the door

\* To register, please go to the JCCOttawa.com website and select "Register", then "Programs and services", then "Educational and cultural" then "Special interest" and finally, our April 7th program.

We look forward to welcoming you!

For further information please contact Jan Jones at [jjottawa@hotmail.com](mailto:jjottawa@hotmail.com)



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Temple donation cards are a lovely way to wish someone mazel tov, celebrate a birth, extend condolences, and for any and all occasions.

Please choose from one of various funds for Temple Israel;

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Please note: donations are \$18 minimum. Tax receipts are given. You can also call either Karen or Diane (contact information below) and they will send a card on your behalf.

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*Evan & Marilyn Weiner*

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*Evan & Marilyn Weiner*

**Mazal Tov to Heather Cohen on her retirement**

*Evan & Marilyn Weiner*

**In memory of Victor Giaccone**

*Evan & Marilyn Weiner*

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*Bobbi & Rick Soderstrom*

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## Did you miss these events



There was a lovely turn-out for our Sunday afternoon Winter concert "**Hebraïque Suite**" performed by Paul Marleyn, Dina Namer & Jethro Marks

Barbara Crook brought 25 baby Temple quilts made by Temple Quilters' to Haifa, Israel



Debbie Cosman showed a 1926 photo of her mother playing cello to the performers at the Winter Concert

Join Us for our Shabbat

# POTLUCK

Dinners

Following 6:15pm services

FRIDAY, March 8th, 2024  
FRIDAY, April 12th, 2024

Shabbat is about community, prayer and ...food. All are invited for Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat with Potluck dinner to follow

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# Yahrzeits

## March 1-2 Ki Tisa

Lawrence Adams  
Michael Bambiger  
Louisa Gisele Chemla  
Edward Cherry  
Shlomo Feldberg  
Morty Greenspon  
Alicia Balbina Grumach  
Leon Leibovitch  
Clara Rubinchick  
Lisa Silverman  
Marvin Spector  
Fanny Stern

## March 8-9 Vayakhel

Ruth Backman  
Michael Berns  
Dora Levitt Bernstein  
James Bisback  
Marvin W. Jason  
Yolande Latour  
Michael Levison  
Harold Pearl  
Harold Spinder  
Maria Van der Hoff  
Sylvia Weinstein

## March 15-16 Pekude

Ely Braileanu  
Rachel Chait  
Jean Davis  
Ferdinand Fried  
Sylvia Garber-Easdown  
Janet Greene  
Jacob Kummermann  
Theresa Mortimer  
Anne O'Neil  
Esther Padolsky  
Simon Reisman  
Berta Sonnino  
Vivian Spilg  
Isaac Stern

## March 22-23 Vayikra

Joseph Bambiger  
Samuel Bradford  
Shirley Zagerman Cohen  
Edward Cohen  
Eva Fine  
Glen Fisher  
Harold Sydney Freeman  
Wilma Gordon  
Rochelle Greenberg  
Rose Morris  
Saul Shusterman  
Sam Silburt  
Lawrence Tomiuk  
Sara Weinberg  
Chadvereh Wolch

## March 29-30 Tzav

Max Alper  
Steve (Saltiel) Angel  
Abraham Cohen  
Reuben Fisher  
Elisabeth Frankel Kane  
Emma Ginsburg  
Meta Kasprowitz  
Wiktor Kasprowitz  
Roslinde Klyman  
Shirley Levine  
Sam Martin  
Leonna Leibhoff Merson  
Rose Mindell  
Sophie Ruth Noble  
Isadore Potechin  
Benjamin Shapiro  
Albert Sheldon Wener  
Madeline Wylie

## April 5-6 Shemini

Ethel Ettie Beare  
Alec Dollin  
Arthur Calvin Farrow  
Rose Goldstein  
Harry Goodman  
Benjamin Heitin  
Judit Jozsef  
Isaac Labow  
Max Michaelson  
Eva Michelson  
Henry Mikelberg  
Simon Paknadel  
Anita Holtzman Rappaport  
Teresa Terry Schwarzfeld  
Beth Silburt

## April 12-13 Tazria

Rachel Catran  
Abe Chad  
Samuel Cotsman  
Eva Deri  
Rachael Fine  
Lillian Gold Freeman  
Eileen Gardner  
Hanette Gibson  
Maxwell Gordon  
Sarah Kanofsky  
Gica Leonescu  
Lois Rheta McKercher  
Harley Moon  
Teresa Allerhand Poleski  
Sarah Portigal  
Barbara Sabourin  
Henry Schneider  
Connie Schwartz  
Molly Silverman  
Stanley Smith  
Ignaz Speilmann  
Arthur Wallace  
Morty Zameck

## April 19-20 Metzora

Beatrice Chochinov  
Flora Dubinsky  
Zvi Feldberg  
Mildred Korn  
Ann Lazear  
Lilyan Lean  
Morris Lebofsky  
John McKercher  
Libby Moraff  
Sharon Nicolin  
Joel Niznick  
Marie Bright Paknadel  
Marian Pufeles - Poleski  
Benjamin Raskin  
Joy Rudolph  
Rosario Sicuso  
Earl Steingarten  
Joseph Sweeney  
Lloyd Sweeney  
John Weiss-Vondra  
Harry Witenoff

## April 26-27 Passover

Alain Albagli  
Russell Albert  
Philip Angel  
Edith Teller Brickell  
Sarah Esrock  
Max Ginsburg  
Doris Goorman  
Eric Hammer  
Abe Hislop  
David Kaan  
Rubin Kessler  
Karl Leimovici  
Sydney Mortimer  
Francis Paknadel  
Helene Goldberg Siegel  
Joel Takefman

## May 3-4 Ki Tisa

Sidney Frank  
Alvyn Garten  
Cesare Giaccone  
Rose Goldberg  
Hannah Jiji  
John Levitan  
Rose Levitan  
Peter Liebel  
Marilyn Pontuck  
Zinovi Rogov  
Lillian Saslove  
Eva Segall  
Simon Skoll  
Becky Waxman  
Bertha Weiss



## Yahrzeit Plaques

Memorialize your loved ones with a purchase of a Yahrzeit Plaque. Donation is \$400 (tax receipt is issued for this amount).

New plaques will be installed annually at our last day of Passover service.



## Yahrzeit: Remembering on the Anniversary of a Death

**Yahrzeit** is a Yiddish word meaning anniversary of a death. It is the yearly anniversary of a loved one's passing. Jews observe yahrzeit at home by lighting a special long-burning candle in memory of the deceased and at Temple **yahrzeit** is observed by reciting the Mourner's Kaddish at services. The yahrzeit names are read at the Shabbat services following the actual date, on both Friday nights and Saturdays.

In addition to lighting a **yahrzeit** candle, many individuals choose to make a donation to mark the observance of a **yahrzeit**. If you would like to make a donation to Temple or sponsor a Kiddush in observance of a loved one, please contact the office.



# Calendar

## MARCH 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1 21 Adar I Kabbalat Shabbat Israeli Dancing Coffee House	2 22 Adar I Torah Study Shabbat Services
3 23 Adar I TIRS	4 24 Adar I TIRS	5 25 Adar I	6 26 Adar I TALMUD CLASS TIRS	7 27 Adar I	8 28 Adar I Kabbalat Shabbat with Rabbi Rozenblit POTLUCK	9 29 Adar I Torah Study Shabbat Services with Rabbi Rozenblit
10 30 Adar I NO TIRS	11 1 Adar II NO TIRS	12 2 Adar II	13 3 Adar II TALMUD CLASS NO TIRS	14 4 Adar II ZOOM Morning Minyan	15 6 Adar II Kabbalat Shabbat	16 7 Adar II Torah Study Shabbat Services
17 7 Adar II NO TIRS BOOKS & BAGELS	18 8 Adar II TIRS	19 9 Adar II	20 10 Adar II TALMUD CLASS TIRS	21 11 Adar II	22 12 Adar II FAMILY FUN SHABBAT Kabbalat Shabbat STUDENT CANTOR ILANA MULCAHY March Birthday & Anniversary Blessing	23 13 Adar II Torah Study Shabbat Services STUDENT CANTOR ILANA MULCAHY PURIM Programs
24 14 Adar II TIRS PURIM 31 21 Adar II NO TIRS	25 15 Adar II TIRS	26 16 Adar II	27 17 Adar II TALMUD CLASS TIRS	28 18 Adar II ZOOM Morning Minyan	29 19 Adar II	30 20 Adar II

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We are a dynamic and welcoming congregation (Kehilah) where varied Jewish experiences offer pathways to learn and to experience God for all, respecting tradition and creating new celebrations.

We are an active liberal presence in the larger Jewish community (K'lal Yisrael).

We strive through social action to fulfill the Mitzvot of caring for others (Gimilut Chasadim) and repairing the world (Tikun Olam).

# Calendar

## APRIL 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1 22 Adar II NO TIRS	2 23 Adar II	3 24 Adar II TIRS	4 25 Adar II	5 26 Adar II Kabbalat Shabbat STUDENT CANTOR ILANA MULCAHY <i>Next Gen Program</i>	6 27 Adar II Torah Study Shabbat Services <b>ADAM FORER BAR MITZVAH</b> STUDENT CANTOR ILANA MULCAHY
7 28 Adar II TIRS <i>Over 60's program</i>	8 29 Adar II TIRS	9 1 Nisan	10 2 Nisan TALMUD CLASS TIRS	11 3 Nisan ZOOM Morning Minyan	12 4 Nisan Kabbalat Shabbat Kulanu Anti-Semitism Program <b>POT LUCK</b>	13 5 Nisan Torah Study Shabbat Services <b>ASHER TAROF BAR MITZVAH</b>
14 6 Nisan TIRS BOOKS & BAGELS	15 7 Nisan TIRS	16 8 Nisan	17 9 Nisan TALMUD CLASS TIRS	18 10 Nisan	19 11 Nisan <i>Family Fun Passover</i> Kabbalat Shabbat	20 12 Nisan Torah Study Shabbat Services <i>April Birthday &amp; Anniversary Blessing</i>
21 13 Nisan TIRS	22 14 Nisan NO TIRS <b>PASSOVER SEDER</b>	23 15 Nisan <b>FIRST DAY PASSOVER SERVICE</b>	24 16 Nisan TALMUD CLASS NO TIRS	25 17 Nisan ZOOM Morning Minyan	26 18 Nisan FAMILY FUN SHABBAT Kabbalat Shabbat LED BY TIRS GRADES 5&6	27 19 Nisan Torah Study Shabbat Services
28 20 Nisan TIRS	29 21 Nisan <b>LAST DAY PASSOVER SERVICE</b> NO TIRS	30 22 Nisan	1 23 Nisan TALMUD CLASS TIRS	2 24 Nisan	3 25 Nisan Kabbalat Shabbat	4 26 Nisan Torah Study Shabbat Services

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