

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




Coffee House

ISRAELI DANCING

with Phil Kretzmar



March 1st

JOIN US FRIDAY

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.

Virtual Morning Minyan

What a great way to start your day!

Thursday, March 14th at 9:00 am
Thursday, March 28th at 9:00 am

Thursday, April 11th at 9:00 am
Thursday, April 25th at 9:00 am



Rise & Shine!

Upcoming Events

Shabbat



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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>

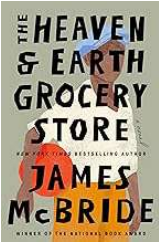
If you have any questions, please reach out to Tamara (tamara.taub@gmail.com) and/or the office (Cathy Loves).



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

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

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FRIDAY, MARCH 22
5:30 PM

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**

SATURDAY
March 23
7:00 pm

★ Following Potluck Dinner ★

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 or the office if you would like to showcase your talent

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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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TIRS
Temple Israel Religious School
All that's missing is you

ESTHER'S STORY PURIM SPIEL

.SWIFT

23.03.2024 5:00 PM

FEATURING ALL OF YOUR FAVOURITE TAYLOR SWIFT MEGA HITS

PERFORMANCE BY TIRS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Passover



**Family Fun
Passover**

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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_RF1g4q6WxqvChiO3kWI8X7OCzkDUoauX5vYL25uW1G1xw/viewform?usp=sf_link

If you have any questions please reach out to us at 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

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

March Anniversaries

Sharon & Darwin Evans
Leah & Daniel Stolarki

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

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 & Kate Batta
In honour of his Bar Mitzvah,
Adam will donate to the Youth & Music
Israel Charity
<https://www.youth-music.org.il/about-us>



TIRS grade 2 students receiving of the Torah



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.

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

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 to request an application form.

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

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.*



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

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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
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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 Poteah 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.



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



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).

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



TEMPLE ISRAEL STANDS WITH

ISRAEL



Temple Donations

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;

Door to the Future; Ellen Asherman Liturgical Resource Library; Bernard Pearl Landscaping; Heather Cohen Appreciation Fund; CCRJ Camp George; Giving; Library; Joseph Ginsberg Educational; Kiddush Fund; Oneg; Pentateuch Prayerbook; Piano; Rabbi's Discretionary; Rabbi Garten Fund for Jewish Living & Education; Ritual Music; Social Action; Potechin Accessibility Fund; Sylvia Goldblatt Leadership Youth Development; Temple Israel; TIRS; Youth Scholarship

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.

Karen Rhines tel 613-852-8279
email donationskaren@templeisraelottawa.com
Diane Parkin tel 613-612-2229
email donationsdp@templeisraelottawa.com

ELLEN ASHERMAN LITURGICAL RESOURCE FUND

In memory of Victor Giaccone

Andrea Purcell

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General

Anonymous

In memory of Stephen Goldstein

Evan & Marilyn Weiner

In memory of Evelyn Librach

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In memory of Tom Purcell

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In memory of Elizabeth Nimmo

Evan & Marilyn Weiner

In memory of Robert Wener

Evan & Marilyn Weiner

In memory of Ada Kessler

Evan & Marilyn Weiner

Mazal Tov to Alanna & Joe McGeough in honour of their son Shaun's marriage

Evan & Marilyn Weiner

Mazal Tov to Heather Cohen on her retirement

Evan & Marilyn Weiner

In memory of Victor Giaccone

Evan & Marilyn Weiner

Wishing David Delicate a speedy recovery

Bobbi & Rick Soderstrom

In memory of Chana Szajnfarber

Karen Shiller

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Mazal Tov to Heather Cohen on her retirement

Angus Smith

Lynne Oreck-Wener

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In memory of Chana Szajnfarber

Anonymous

Pierre Coulombe & Ann Heathcote

In memory of Stephen Michael Silburt

Pierre Coulombe & Ann Heathcote

PENTATEUCH PRAYERBOOK FUND

Margot Montgomery

PIANO FUND

In appreciation of a wonderful winter concert

Margot Montgomery

POTECHIN ACCESSIBILITY FUND

In memory of Victor Giaccone

Sue Potechin & Mark Kamins

Mazal Tov to Leora Taub-Handelman on her Bat Mitzvah

Robin Chernick & Norm Leckie

Mazal Tov to Julie & Hillel Taub on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter Leora Taub-Handelman

Robin Chernick & Norm Leckie

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

General

Anonymous

In memory of Stephen Goldstein

Deborah Cosman

In appreciation of Rabbi Mikelberg

Lisa Rosen

Simeon Mitchell

Mazal Tov to Mona Klinger and Michael Takefman on their son Evan's marriage to Lauren Meadowcroft

Janet Werk

Mazal Tov to Lisa Rosen on her son, Levi becoming Bar Mitzvah

Brian & Annalee Schnurr

RABBI GARTEN FUND FOR JEWISH LIVING AND EDUCATION

In memory of Stephen Michael Silburt

Fran Klodawsky & Aron Spector

Temple Donations

In memory of Chana Szajnfarber
Sandy Bennett

TEMPLE ISRAEL FUND/GENERAL FUND
In appreciation of Temple
Deidre Butler
Emma Vicuna

In memory of Stephen Asherman
Aviva Witenoff

In observance of the yahrzeit of Ethel Wallace
Herbert Wallace

In memory of Chana Szajnfarber
Fran Klodawsky & Aron Spector

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Deirdre Gillieson

Did you miss these events



There was a lovely turn-out for our Sunday afternoon Winter concert "**Hebraique 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 Kasprovicz
Wiktor Kasprovicz
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 Lievan
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 <i>with Rabbi Rozenblit</i> POTLUCK	9 29 Adar I Torah Study Shabbat Services <i>with Rabbi Rozenblit</i>
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	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
31 21 Adar II NO TIRS						

TEMPLE VISION STATEMENT

Temple Israel is Ottawa's Reform congregation where Jewish Life Happens --committing ourselves to Kehilah, K'lal Yisrael, and Tikun Olam.

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 ADAM FORER BAR MITZVAH STUDENT CANTOR ILANA MULCAHY
7 28 Adar II TIRS Over 60's program	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 POT LUCK	13 5 Nisan Torah Study Shabbat Services ASHER TAROF BAR MITZVAH
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 Family Fun Passover Kabbalat Shabbat	20 12 Nisan Torah Study Shabbat Services April Birthday & Anniversary Blessing
21 13 Nisan TIRS	22 14 Nisan NO TIRS PASSOVER SEDER	23 15 Nisan FIRST DAY PASSOVER SERVICE	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 LAST DAY PASSOVER SERVICE 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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