



Temple Sinai

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March 2026
April 2026

Adar/Nisan 5786
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WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

March 2026

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Tuesday, March 3 **Purim**
The Book of Esther

Friday, April 3 **Chol Ha-mo'ed Pesach**
Exodus 13:3 – 10
Isaiah 11:1 – 12:6

Friday, March 6 **Ki Tissa**
Exodus 32:7 – 20
Ezekiel 36:23 – 38

Friday, April 10 **Sh'mini**
Leviticus 10:1 – 15
2 Samuel 6:1 – 12

Friday, March 13 **Va-yakhel – P'kudei**
Exodus 35:20 – 35 / 39:2 – 20
2 Kings 23:1 – 27

Friday, April 17 **Tazria – M'tzora**
Leviticus 13:38 – 46 / 14:21 – 32
Micha 4:1 – 13

Friday, March 20 **Va-yikra**
Leviticus 2:7 – 3:18
Isaiah 44:6 – 23
6PM @ Temple Sinai

Friday, April 24 **Acharei Mot – K'doshim**
Leviticus 16:29 – 17:7
Isaiah 5:1 – 16
6PM @ Temple Sinai

Friday, March 27 **Tzav**
Leviticus 7:22 – 38
Malachi 3:4 – 24

Special Visits
March 20 – 21: David Scott
April 1 – 2: Rabbi Sam (Passover)
April 24 – 25: David Scott

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Temple Sinai

Organization Number:

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Mi' she' bei' rach

*Wishing a Refuah Sh'leimah, a complete
and speedy recovery, to:*

Matt Turner

MAZEL TOV

Mazel tov to Joel & Jan Davidson on the Bar Mitzvah of
their grandson, Charley Simon Davidson. Charley is the son
of Joseph & Chelsey Davidson.



March Anniversaries:

- 6 Sarah & Terry Hodnett
- 8 Mindy & Adel Barkat

Temple Birthdays

March Birthdays:

- 2 Barbara Maxey
- 3 Leslie Goldsmith Katz
- 4 Aaron Ginsburgh
- 9 Tevya Desadier Turner
- 16 Garrett O'Quain
- 20 Olivia Barkat
- 22 Marc Davidson
- 22 Karen Kleinman
- 25 Susan Strauss Battestin
- 29 Eli Kagan

April Birthdays:

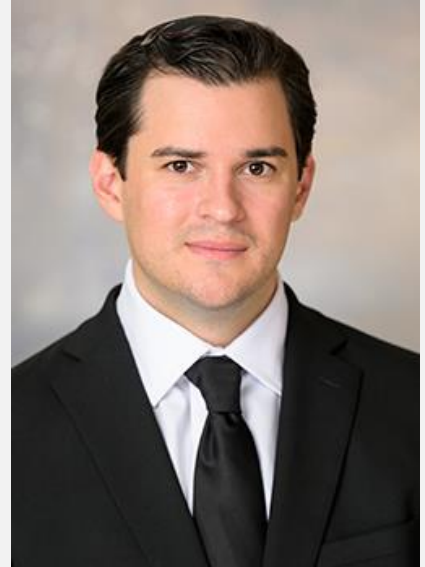
- 1 Ross Raley
- 1 Anne Reinauer
- 3 Sadie Segall & Ann
Kathryn Ginsburgh
- 13 Kayla Desadier Singer
- 22 Adam Raley
- 24 Scott Holtzman
- 24 Mary Amanda Reinauer
- 28 Cale Ferguson
- 30 Todd Holtzman

Message from the Rabbi:

Shalom,

At the time of writing, Israel and the United States have launched a preemptive strike on Iran. For decades Iran has been open about its quest for nuclear weapons. Iran has committed vast resources to build its arsenal of long-range ballistic missiles, sponsoring terror and terrorist organizations around the world, and worked to undermine regional and global stability. Time and time again the Iranian state has stated its intention to destroy the Jewish State of Israel and the United States of America. We take threats to our existence very seriously.

The coordinated strike on Iran had widespread support across every political party in Israel. In a country marked by political division, issues of national security unite everyone. We will continue to pray for the safety of Israel, and we pray for the well-being and success of the Israel Defense Force and the United States Military.



We are currently between Purim and Passover, two holidays that, on the surface, seem to have little in common with one another. Yet they do. In their own unique ways, Purim and Passover tell the story of how our ancestors survived and overcame tyrannical leaders. During Purim, we celebrate the heroism of Mordechai and Esther who stood up for their people and defeated the evil Haman. On Passover, we recall the miracles that God performed and how God rescued us from Egyptian slavery and defeated the cruel pharaoh. Each of these holidays addresses different ways in which redemption comes. Sometimes it comes through human intervention, sometimes through Divine, but most often it is a combination of the two. Like our ancestors, let us work and pray for redemption from the forces that seek to harm us.

Another similarity between Purim and Passover is that both holidays have festive meals during which we celebrate redemption. An old Jewish joke speaks to this point. "Explain to me this Jewish holiday? They tried to kill us. They failed. Let's eat!" While there is some truth to this, the holiday meals serve a greater purpose. When we gather for a festive holiday meal, it is meant to be a time of celebration. In fact, our tradition teaches that we should use these meals specifically to increase our joy! Our ancestors taught us that no matter what it is going on, it is still important that we have *simchah*, joy in our lives.

May our redemption come quickly, and may we continue to sanctify and celebrate life.

Rabbi Sam

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Shalom friends,

As we move from the joyful noise of Purim into the fresh promise of spring, I'm filled with gratitude for our warm, caring community. Purim reminds us that courage, humor, and the willingness to stand up for one another can turn despair into joy. Thank you to everyone who helped bring together our pre-Purim celebration. Thank you to Rabbi Sam for the meaningful service and partial Megillah reading. Thank you to Judy & Bruce for the meal and to Sandy for the delicious hamantaschen and Karen for the yummy brownies!

Looking ahead to Passover, this season invites reflection on freedom, renewal, and the stories that bind us across generations. Whether you join us at services, a seder, or in study, I hope these weeks offer moments to reconnect with family, explore our traditions, and notice new growth all around us — in our lives and in the springtime outdoors.

Please watch your email announcements for service dates and community seder information. If you can help with cooking and preparation, there will be a need! Your involvement makes all the difference.

It was so nice to see everyone who came out for our 121st Annual Congregational Meeting on Tuesday, March 3rd. We had a lovely pre-oneg at 6:30 before the meeting.

Wishing you a joyous Purim, a meaningful preparation for Passover, and a season renewed by hope and community.

B'Shalom,

Tevya

Temple Sinai President
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THANK YOU

Thank you to the Davidson & Kleinman families for the beautiful new Torah mantles.



CONGREGATIONAL SEDER

Temple Sinai invites you to attend the First Night Congregational Seder on Wednesday, April 1, 2026, at 6:30PM at Temple Sinai in the Social Hall.

We will not be catering this year. Judy & Bruce Katz and Sandy Desadier will be in charge.

DUE TO LIMITED SEATING IN THE SOCIAL HALL, IT WILL BE "FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE"!

We will be limited to the first 40. YOUR CHECK WITH THE BELOW FORM WILL BE YOUR RESERVATION!

Please fill out the reservation form below, and send it with your check,

payable to Temple Sinai Sisterhood, to:

Sandy Desadier

4310 Hearth Street

Lake Charles, LA 70605

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: March 18,2026

NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE MADE WITHOUT PAYMENT ENCLOSED.

Temple Sinai Congregational Seder Reservation Form

NAME(S): _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____ EMAIL: _____

_____ ADULTS at \$30.00 each \$ _____

_____ CHILDREN (under 12) at \$15.00 each \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____



Zichronam Livracha
 May their memories be a blessing



March 6, 2026

Bernard Sternberg (1)
 James S. Greenberg (2)
 Ethel Faye Barnhart (6)
 Helen Marx Zander (6)

Grandfather of Dexter Sternberg
 Grandfather of Jill Greenberg
 Aunt of Barbara Peck
 Gr Aunt of Susan Battestin

March 13, 2026

Mrs. Simon Goldsmith (7)
 Bettie E. Hoffman (7)
 Wolf Hoffman (7)
 Jake Kushner (7)
 Carrie Klaus Armentor (8)
 Pauline Oshen Beilin (9)
 Harold Greenberg (9)
 Fred Hart (9)
 Elaine Judith Bresler Weiss (9)
 Ann Batsell (10)
 Mary Callsen (10)
 Julius Frank (10)
 Abner Horn (13)
 Brandala Rachel Johnson (13)

Great-grandmother of Leslie Katz

 Uncle of Bill Kushner
 Grandmother of Gail Johnson
 Grandmother of Robert Landry

 Cousin of Tootsie Fournet

 Friend of DiBartolos

March 20, 2026

Lynne Holtzman (14)
 Manny Sachs (14)
 Charles Houston Wells (14)
 Gertrude Atlas (15)
 Ella Bachrack (15)
 Max Edelstein (15)
 Bessie Kaufman Mayer (15)
 Gladys Triche (15)
 Mary Warshaw (15)

Mother of Todd & Barry Holtzman

 Father of Charlene Blevins
 Aunt of Corene Davidson & Reve Greenberg
 Mother-in-Law of Brenda Bachrack
 Father of Francis Rogers

 Cousin of Barbara Peck



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March 20, 2026, cont.

Louis Avner (17)
 Louis Thibodeaux (17)

Father of Henry Avner
 Father of Pat Seamons

March 27, 2026

Jim Billings (21)
 Sam Schoolsky (21)
 Rose Stander (21)
 James Brown (22)
 Katherine Eucharist Toerner (22)
 Ralph Rubin (24)
 Joseph Schwartz (24)
 Millie Mylander (25)
 Faye Barnhart (26)
 Lena Bressler (26)
 Gabriel Paymar (26)
 Benjamin Stopnik (27)

Father of Calvin Billings

 Mother of Jerry Stander
 Father of Deborah Brown
 Grandmother of Barbara Peck

 Mother of Deborah Darbonne
 Aunt of Barbara Peck
 Mother of Elaine Weiss
 Uncle of Corene Davidson & Reve Greenberg
 Great-Grandfather of Davidson Siblings

April 3, 2026

Edward Geoffrey Clapham (Mar. 28)
 Billy Holman (28)
 Sterling Little (28)
 Kate Ordinsky (28)
 Edwin D. Steyerma (28)
 Joseph Camalo, Jr. (29)
 Sarah Deutscher (29)
 Bernard Sternberg (29)
 Leopold Kaufman (29)
 Lena D. DiBartolo (31)
 Henry Weiss (31)
 Reve Milstein Greenberg (April 1)
 Ellen Kaufman (1)
 James Landry (1)

Cousin of Millie Mylander
 Brother-in-Law of Pat Seamons
 Father of Nancy Schwartzberg
 Mother-in-Law of Eli Sorkow
 Father of Regina Steyerma
 Brother of Katherine Lipsy
 Mother-in-Law of Bill Kushner
 Grandfather of Dexter Sternberg

 Mother of Tony DiBartolo

 Mother of Jill Greenberg

 Husband of Hilda Landry, Father of Robert Landry



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April 3, 2026, cont.

Robert Levite (1)	Father of Beverly Buncher
Judy Wasserman (1)	Wife of Howard Wasserman
Gertrude Rose Clapham (2)	Grandmother of Millie Mylander
Rose Horn (3)	
Lucille Greenwood Levy (3)	Great Aunt of Carol St. Dizier

April 10, 2026

Edward Raymond Clapham (4)	Grandfather of Millie Mylander
Elaine Kushner (5)	Aunt of Bill Kushner
Jolene David (6)	Mother of Jan Davidson
Mayer Greenwood (6)	Gr Grandmother of Carol St. Dizier
Dr. Richard Harris (6)	Uncle of Davidson Siblings
Wilton Charles Mylander (6)	Father of Millie Mylander
Ruth Buncher (7)	Father of Alan Buncher
Charles A. Levy, Jr. (8)	Uncle of Stanley Levy, Jr.
Julie Kaufman Marx (9)	Grandmother of Susan Battestin
Diane McCarthy (10)	

April 17, 2026

Celia Greenberg (11)	Aunt of Sheldon Rosenthal
Myrtle Altman (12)	Aunt of Tootsie Fournet
Herman Fleckman (12)	Uncle of Tootsie Fournet
Arlene Mitchell (12)	Mother of Kathy Steirman
Hannah Hoffman (14)	
Valerie Whiting (14)	
Dolly Slaven (15)	Cousin of Davidson Siblings
Gus Weill (15)	Uncle of Simone Levy
Maurice Frank (17)	
Robert Goldsmith (17)	Father of Leslie Goldsmith Katz

April 24, 2026

Viola Coplen (19)	Gr Aunt of Carol St. Dizier
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April 24, 2026, con't.

Renee Wallace (19)

Tyler Dilyard (20)

Betty Parsons Heitsch (20)

Annie Hutkin (20)

Meyer Paymar (20)

Henry Hudson Weinstein (20)

Eda Green (21)

Maureen Bates (22)

Elaine Levy Dafour (22)

Melvin H. Gold (22)

Benjamin Goldsmith (22)

Mother of Lee Wallace

Grandson of Norma Levy

Uncle of Corene Davidson & Reve Greenberg

Father of Rabbi Barry Weinstein

Sister-in-Law of Eula Kleinman Green

Mother of Anita Fields-Gold

Grandfather of Leslie Katz

May 1, 2026

Rose Katz (April 26)

Bella Sandler (27)

Herschel Lowenthal (28)

Adeline Loeb Strauss (29)

Rabbi Jerome Mark (30)

Juliette Scott Onuf (30)

Randy Ryan (30)

Edward Hewitt Clapham (May 1)

William Prater (1)

Mother of Bruce and David Katz

Grandmother of Susan Battestin

Former Rabbi of Temple Sinai

Aunt of Robert Landry

Uncle of Millie Mylander

Father of Dan Prater

As always, if you have any corrections or additions that need to be made to our Yahrzeit list, please send this information to Sandy at sdesadier@gmail.com.



Temple Contributions

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General Fund
Meal of Consolation

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We are grateful for these contributions:

General Fund

From: Bill & Susan Battestin
In Appreciation of all that Si & Corene Davidson did for our community

From: Bill & Susan Battestin
In Appreciation of all that Jane & Maurice Kleinman did for our Temple & Community

From: Karen & Harry Kleinman
In Memory of: Gail Gilmore

From: Barbara & Tony DiBartolo
In Memory of: Diane McCarthy

From: Charlene Seamons
In Memory of: Marcia DiBartolo

From: Charlene & Tim Blevins

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From: Barbara & Tony DiBartolo
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In Memory of: Davidson & Milstein Families

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In Memory of: Kleinman & Winner Families

