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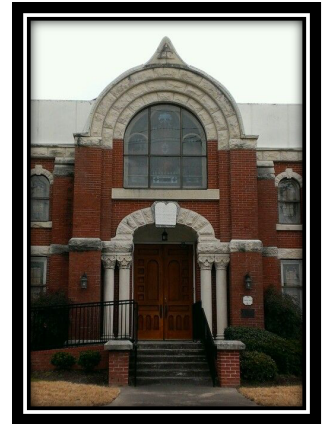
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July 2026

August 2026

Tammuz/Av 5786

Av/Elul 5786



WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

July 2026		Tammuz/Av 5786		August 2026		Av/Elul 5786	
Friday, July 3, 2026				Friday, August 7, 2026			
Pinchas				R'eih			
Torah: Numbers 27:1 – 20				Torah: Deuteronomy 12:29 – 13:12			
Haftarah: Jeremiah 1:1 – 2:3				Haftarah: Jeremiah 23:15 – 29			
				*Rabbi Sam Service			
Friday, July 10, 2026		6PM		Friday, August 14, 2026			
Mattot – Mas'ei				Shof'tim			
Torah: Numbers 32:1 – 19 / 35:9 – 34				Torah: Deuteronomy 18:1 – 22			
Haftarah: Jeremiah 2:4 – 28, 3:4, 4:1 – 2				Haftarah: Isaiah 51:12 – 52:12			
*Rabbi Sam Service							
Friday, July 17, 2026				Friday, August 21, 2026			
D'varim				Ki Teitzei			
Torah: Deuteronomy 1:21 – 38				Torah: Deuteronomy 23:22 – 24:18			
Haftarah: Isaiah 1:1 – 27				Haftarah: Malachi 2:10 – 3:7			
				*Rabbi Sam Service			
Friday, July 24, 2026				Friday, August 28, 2026			
Va-etchannan				Ki Tavo			
Torah: Deuteronomy 5:1 – 24				Torah: Deuteronomy 27:9 – 26			
Haftarah: Isaiah 40:1 – 26				Haftarah: Isaiah 61:1 – 10			
Friday, July 31, 2026							
Eikev							
Torah: Deuteronomy 10:1 – 22							
Haftarah: 1 Kings 8:1 – 9							
				In-Person Services			
				Friday Evening:		Saturday Morning:	
				July 10, 2026 (6PM)		July 11, 2026 (10AM)	
				Aug. 7, 2026 (6PM)		Aug. 8, 2026 (10AM)	
				Aug. 21, 2026 (6PM)		Aug. 22, 2026 (10AM)	

Mazel Tov!

Mazel Tov to Taylee Lacombe on passing her state board exams for estheticians. Taylee is the daughter of Kayla and Josh Singer and granddaughter of Ron and Sandy Desadier. Good luck, Taylee, as you take your nationals in August!

July Anniversaries

- 11 Leslie & David Katz
- 20 Karen & Harry Kleinman
- 28 Anne & David Reinauer

August Anniversaries

- 12 Simone & Stan Levy
- 23 Sandy & Ron Desadier
- 30 Rabbi & Linda Weinstein
- 31 Kayla & Josh Singer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July Birthdays:

- 2 Adel Barkat
- 2 Judy Davidson Katz
- 2 Jody Davidson
- 4 Scott Michel
- 9 Barry Holtzman
- 13 Lisa Garcia
- 17 Dexter Sternberg
- 18 Elizabeth Battestin
- 20 Josh Singer
- 21 Rachel Fuerst
- 22 Kathy Steirman
- 25 Joseph Garcia
- 26 Todd Riff
- 27 Mindy Desadier Barkat
- 29 Chris Blevins

August Birthdays:

- 3 Joseph Davidson
- 4 Terry Hodnett
- 6 Patrick Steirman
- 7 Kim Davidson Ruby
- 15 Jill Susan Greenberg
- 17 Stanley Levy III
- 19 Oliver Davidson
- 19 David Katz
- 19 Scott Levy
- 19 Stephen Michel
- 21 Gavin Starling
- 23 Aidan Starling
- 25 Jennifer Sternberg
- 27 Benjamin Holtzman
- 29 Ryan Kagan
- 29 Skylar Lacombe

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Message from the Rabbi:

Shalom Temple Sinai,

We live in a fast-paced world that is constantly changing. But there are some American traditions that will always stay the same. One of my favorite traditions is the mandatory playing of Alice Cooper's "School's Out" on the last day of school. More so than the summer solstice, for many, that song represents the beginning of summer.

Even though most of us are not currently in school or teaching at a school, the summer is a special time. Life slows down a bit. Many people take vacations; children enroll in camps or other extracurricular programs. Regardless of whether one can get away, most people find the time to enjoy the long summer days, taking a break from everyday life.

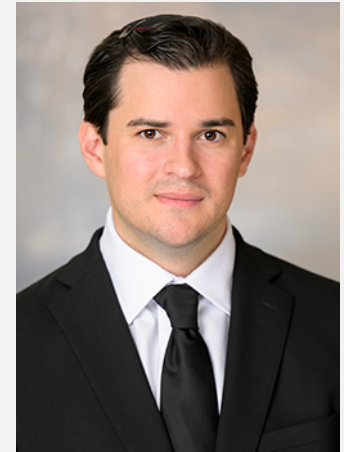
But Judaism does not know how to "slow down." We still celebrate Shabbat and Rosh Chodesh, the start of the Hebrew month. We also observe solemn days such as Tisha B'Av, the 9th of Av, when we mourn the destruction of the First and Second Temples. On that day, we remember that it was internal strife, baseless hatred, and divisiveness that led to destruction. Tisha B'Av also reminds us of our responsibility not to repeat those mistakes.

This summer, we celebrate the United States of America's 250th Independence Day. While this day may be filled with barbecues, parades, fireworks, and much fanfare, the 4th of July is also a reminder of how blessed we are to call the United States home. Reflecting on the lessons of Tisha B'Av, we are reminded how important it is never to take our country, or the freedoms and opportunities it provides, for granted.

May the celebrations and observances in these months inspire us to cherish our blessings, support one another, and build a more compassionate community.

B'rakhah, with blessing,

Rabbi Sam Rheins



Condolences

Our heartfelt condolences go out to Lee Wallace on the death of his brother, Ricky. Ricky passed on June 21st in Houston, Texas.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

As the long days of summer stretch before us, there is something especially sweet about this season. It invites us to slow down, gather with family and friends, enjoy moments of rest, and appreciate the beauty that surrounds us. Summer reminds us that joy is often found in simple pleasures—a shared meal, a warm evening breeze, a day at the beach, and the comfort of being together.

Our congregation is much the same. While many of us travel or enjoy different summer routines, our community remains a constant source of connection and belonging. Whether you join us in person or online, you are an important part of our synagogue family. Each person who walks through our doors or joins us online helps make our congregation the warm, welcoming place we cherish.



As we savor the sweetness of summer, may we also carry with us a spirit of gratitude—for the blessings we enjoy, for the friendships we've built, and for the opportunity to share in Jewish life together. I hope you'll take time to relax and recharge, and I look forward to seeing you at our summer services and gatherings. (And if you can't make it for some reason, don't forget to join us online at <https://templesinailakecharles.com/services/> or on YouTube at this address – <https://www.youtube.com/@TempleSinailc>.)

Speaking of services, Rabbi Sam will return on Friday, July 10th for a regular Shabbat evening service, followed by Saturday morning Torah service and Torah study immediately following. If you haven't experienced a Torah service and study with Rabbi Sam, you are missing out! I encourage everyone to join us during this next visit!

Lastly, I would also like to take this time to give a huge shout out and thank you to Judy and Bruce Katz and Sandy Desadier for organizing, cooking, and setting up the family night dinners and Onegs that we have all enjoyed. Thank you also to everyone who has helped out by bringing desserts and side dishes and everyone who has stayed to help clean up after. We all enjoy the fellowship that your efforts allow us to enjoy.

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to me if I can be of any assistance or if you have any questions or concerns. Also, if you have items that you would like added to the bulletin, please let myself or Sandy Desadier know.

B'Shalom,

Terya Turner

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Zichronam Livracha May their memories be a blessing



July 3, 2026

Allen Kristal (June 28)	Husband of Edith Kristal
Morris Tankel (28)	
Ethel Horn (28)	
Ben Rosen (28)	
George Kamm (28)	
Edward M. Strauss (29)	
William Coleman, Jr. (30)	Brother of Anne Reinauer
Benjamin Reinauer (July 1)	Uncle of David Reinauer
Lily Kushner (2)	Mother of Bill Kushner
Ida Schwartzberg (2)	Grandmother of Michael Schwartzberg
Dot Edelstein (3)	
Esther Levy (3)	Grandmother of Lilly Ray Levy
Meyer Schwartzberg (3)	Grandfather of Michael Schwartzberg

July 10, 2026

Charles S. Petrova (4)	Father of Beverly Hickman
Grethe Anderson (5)	Grandmother of Dexter Sternberg
Julie Ann Marx Strauss (5)	Mother of Susan Battestin
Rabbi Leo R. Wolkow (5)	
Maurice Muller (7)	Uncle of David Reinauer
Patricia Brown (8)	Mother of Deborah Brown
Henry Greenwood (8)	
Susanna Amara (9)	

July 17, 2026

Kayleen Feldman (11)	Cousin of Davidsons & Greenbergs
Samuel Lipsey (11)	
Pearl Muller (13)	Aunt of David Reinauer
Mamie Burnett (14)	Grandmother of Brenda Goldman
Donald Benjamin Levy (14)	Grandfather of Stan Levy, Jr.
Harold Goldberg (15)	Brother-in-Law of Gay Gold
Lillie Frank Abercrombie (16)	
Walter J. Armentor, Sr. (16)	Grandfather of Gail Johnson



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July 17, 2026, continued

Max Altman (17)
Freda Fannie Paymar (17)

Grandfather of Tootsie Fournet
Aunt of Corene Davidson & Reve Greenberg

July 24, 2026

Stanley Levy, Sr. (18)
Barbara Deborah Levy (20)
Joseph Raley (22)
M. Gerald Edelstein (23)
Fannie Goldberg (23)
Morris Helman (23)
Sydney David Kay (23)
Barry M. Kleinman (23)
Abe L. Kushner (23)
Julie Reims (23)
Simon Goldsmith (24)
Elias Raas Kaufman (24)
Bonnye Godchaux Levy (24)

Father of Stan Levy, Jr.
Aunt of Stan Levy, Jr.
Father of Scott Raley

Mother-in-Law of Gay Gold
Grandfather of Tootsie Fournet
Grandfather of Karen Kleinman
Nephew of Maurice Kleinman
Uncle of Bill Kushner

Mother of Lottie Riff

July 31, 2026

Ruth Nelson Chozen (27)
Carolyn Hodnett (27)
Michael Gold (28)
Eddie Rikess (28)
Florian Levy (29)
Jennie Moss (29)
Joseph Paymar (30)
Morele Kay Rosenfeld (30)
Minnie Sternberg (30)
Raymond Holtzman (31)
Bernard Levy (31)
Samuel Sternberg (31)

Wife of Harry Chozen
Mother of Terry Hodnett
Son of Maurice Gold
Cousin of Corene Davidson and Reve Greenberg
Father of Bill Levy
Sister of Ruth Klaus
Uncle of Corene Davidson & Reve Greenberg
Mother of Karen Kleinman

Father of Todd Holtzman
Father of Lilly Ray Levy
Father of Dexter Sternberg



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August 7, 2026

William Hickman (2)
Sarah Holtzman (2)
Irving Gorin (3)
Albert Prater (4)
Hana Sukiennik (4)
Jack Rosenthal (6)
Louis Samuel Brewer (7)

Husband of Bev Hickman
Great Grandmother of Todd Holtzman
Husband of Rhoda Gorin
Friend of Tony & Barbara DiBartolo
Mother of Nathan Sukiennik
Father of Sheldon Rosenthal
Organist for Temple Sinai

August 14, 2026

Thelma Seamons (8)
Louis Lipsey (9)
Kate Milstein (9)
Sara Gordon (11)
Mike Hutkin (12)
Vera Levy (12)
Bernard Loftin (12)
Alice Fiellse Farrar (14)
John Runte (14)
Earl Eugene Toerner (14)

Mother-in-Law of Pat Seamons
Father of Sam Lipsey
Grandmother of Corene Davidson & Reve Greenberg
Mother of Shirley Billings

Grandmother of Stan Levy, Jr.
Father of John Loftin

Grandfather of Carol St. Dizier
Grandfather of Barbara Peck

August 21, 2026

Stanford Wallace (16)
Samuel Beilin (18)
Grace Marie DiBartolo (19)
Grace McCown (21)

Father of Lee Wallace
Grandfather of Robert Landry
Sister-in-Law of Tony DiBartolo
Sister of Pat Seamons

August 28, 2026

Hattie T. Berther (22)
Giles Cowen (23)
Lillie Ray Levy (23)
Bernice Goldberg (24)
Selma Abelman (25)
Edith Scott (25)

Great Aunt of Barbara Peck
Husband of Lois Cowen

Brother of Sam Lipsey
Mother of Henry Abelman



Zichronam Livracha
May their memories be a blessing



August 28, 2026, continued

Della Simona Montondon (26)
Sylvia D. Kushner (27)

Friend of Tony & Barbara DiBartolo
Mother of Tony Kushner

September 4, 2026

Harold Bachrack (Aug. 29)
Sarah Benjamin (29)
Jennie Shavzin (29)
Andrew Kenneth Strauss (29)
Jackie Jaffe Smith (31)
Louis Holtzman (31)
Florence Goldsmith (Sept. 1)
Donald Seamons (1)
Ruth Lewitter (2)
Sarah Lindenberg (3)
Samuel Levy (4)
Brian Willbur (4)

Husband of Brenda Bachrack
Friend of Tony & Barbara DiBartolo
Mother of Ida Tinkel
Brother of Susan Battestin
Mother-in-Law of Anna Silverstein
Grandfather of Todd Holtzman
Grandmother of Leslie Katz
Father-in-Law of Pat Seamons
Mother-in-Law of Kathy Steirman
Mother of Ethel Love
Grandfather of Lillie Ray Levy

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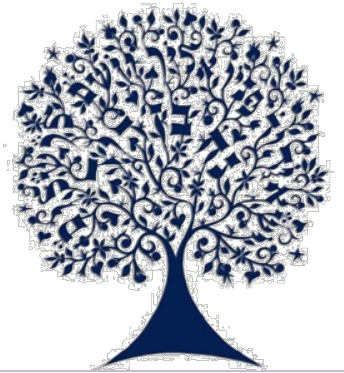
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