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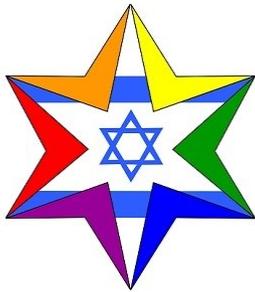
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Hazzan's Notes



Dear Friends,

Now that we have concluded our major festivals in the yearly cycle, we focus our attention on the upcoming summer months. This month, as the state of California begins to really open itself up and things really begin to start to trend toward normalcy, we will be following the new state and county guidelines toward re-opening for in-person services that will come out this month. Though we probably will not officially have people back in the sanctuary until right before the high holydays, much planning will go on from now till then to make sure all are kept safe and can enjoy our services live with some possible modifications as directed by the new guidelines.

As things do open, we will continue to have our live services broadcast online on our Facebook page for those who would like to remain at home or the un-vaccinated. More details on this will emerge on this as we receive direction from the county and state on worship services in-person. You should also know that First Friends Church is embarking on an ambitious project of permanent installation of cameras in the sanctuary so that we and they can make the broadcast of our services as wonderful as possible for those who cannot join us in person. More details on this will follow as well.

As you can tell, a lot will be yet forthcoming on how services and meetings will be handled from the summer and ongoing. Please keep watching your weeklies and announcements as we start the process to see you soon for in-person services.

Hazzan Lance H. Tapper

From our President

Hello Everyone,

May has been a very mixed month. The Covid-19 news (especially in California) has been very good. We are all looking forward to the expected lifting of most of the Covid restrictions on June 15th. The statistics of deaths and sicknesses are certainly signs for hope that we are beating down this scourge. Thanks to all of you who have gotten or are in the process of getting vaccinated. If you have not and want any information about the vaccinations or how to get them, please call the office and they will give you my number. I will be happy to help.

We had a beautiful Shavuot Service, thanks to the usual awesome performance of Hazzan Lance and Mark Peterson.

On the other side, the instances of antisemitism have risen drastically. The ADL with the support of the Federation, Women's League and many other groups are working hard to bring this to the attention of our elected officials and enlist their support. We are forwarding information to everyone as it comes to us. I have reminded the Whittier Police Department of where we are now and when we are there and asked for drive by's. The church has installed a new fence around the courtyard that should help with security. When we resume in-person services, our usual security team will be there.

I hope everyone is well and enjoying some of our new semi-normalcy. On a personal note, I am a proud "foster parent" to two baby hummingbirds. They have a nest just outside of our back door, under the eaves of our house. We watched the mama sit on the eggs and when I didn't see her there for a couple of days, I had my very tall grandson look inside the nest. He said there were no eggs but there were two baby birds. We are all having lot's of fun watching them grow!

Shalom,
Lila

Facts of 16th and 17th of Tammuz

The 16th of Tammuz (26 June 2021) is the date before the day that Moses comes down from Mount Sinai with the stone tablets. Moses has been absent for 40 days and the people are restless and angry. They are convinced that 40 days have passed. They ask Aaron, who is experienced in gold to make them a symbol of the divine they can see and touch. Aaron makes them a Golden Calf (Exodus 32:1).

Hur, an Israelite leader, is the son of Caleb and Miriam (Babylonian Talmud Sotah 11b). Hur objects to the calf saying that the people are ungrateful to the Divine. In anger the mob attacks Hur and kills him. A terrified Aaron sees the murder and does what the mob wants in order to save his own life (Exodus Rabbah 41:7).

Violence in the name of religion is one of the great scourges of the world. Yet in the bible, it is Moses and the Levites who kill those who built the Golden Calf and allow Aaron who acted in duress to live. Concisely, Moses and the Levites show their unwillingness to tolerate a spiritual practice that angers them. In the months of Tammuz and Av we seek peace among religious traditions as well as nations and individuals.

The 17th of Tammuz is a fast day from sunrise to sunset. It is a day of devastation in ancient Jerusalem. The Talmud tells us it was the day on which Moses, angry over the building of the Golden Calf, broke the stone tablets on which the commandments were written. All that is deemed eternal breaks and falls on the 17th of Tammuz. This day begins a period of mourning known as the Three Weeks, 21 days, culminating with the fast of the ninth of Av.

The shattered walls of Jerusalem; the defiled Temple in the year 70AD; and the broken tablets all represent events that our people held sacred. Events caused by mistrust and violence. Always remember, never to forget, that there is always hope and repair. Yes repair is our main work in the world: to put back together that which was destroyed and as we pray in our daily prayers rebuild our Temple again.

Sam Pearlman

Clergy Schedule

Note: All Beth Shalom services at this time will be held via Beth Shalom of Whittier Facebook page.

June 4- 7:23 pm --Prelude, Service--7:30 pm -- Hazzan Lance and Mark Peterson

June 11- 7:23 pm --Prelude, Service--7:30 pm -- Hazzan Lance and Mark Peterson

June 18-- Service--7:30 pm -- Rabbi Kenneth Milhander

June 25-- Service--7:30 pm -- Rabbi Kenneth Milhander

Directions for viewing livestream services:

If you are a current Facebook subscriber, you need only to go to our Facebook page, **Beth Shalom of Whittier**, to view these announcements and videos. If you are not a current Facebook subscriber, you need to go to www.facebook.com and sign up with a username and password and then you can access our page at that point.



BOOK CLUB NEWS

On Tuesday, June 15th, at 12:30 pm, we will be reading "The Seven Good Years" by Edgar Keret. A memoir after the birth of his son.

Our July meeting will be WEDNESDAY, July 14th at 12:30 pm.
The book is "Concealed" by Esther Amini.

Happy Reading.

If you have any questions, or want to join us,
please contact either Myra Weiss, or Michelle Hess.



June

Candle Lighting Times

June 4 —7:43

June 11—7:46

June 18—7:49

June 25—7:50



~~~~~ **This is Our Mishpacha**

Our Mishpacha is published monthly, on or near the first of the month.

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If you wish a printed copy mailed to you, please call the office (562) 941-8744.

Printed copies are also available in our lobby. \$18.00 per year for non-members.

The editor welcomes comments and suggestions. bswoffice@verizon.com

~~~~~ **ROSE HILLS CEMETERY PLOTS**

If you want to do your family the mitzvah of pre-planning, please call the office.

They can give you information as to what gravesites are available and what steps to take to secure your plot(s).

Plots are \$3500 each.

There are only a few plots remaining, so if you are interested, please let us know.

Beth Shalom of Whittier wishes you a Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary!!

Birthdays

Jo Ann Golden	June 5
Joel Golden	June 6
Barack O. Mandela	June 14
Christine Singer	June 14
Mark Singer	June 18
Barry Neville	June 29

Anniversaries

Stanley & Susan Kramer - 59 Years	June 10
Abdon & Lenore Barembaum - 22 Years	June 13
Sidney & Sandra Paul - 69 Years	June 22
Steve & Eileen Baptista - 37 Years	June 30



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Donations

Revekah Martinez

Yahrzeit Donations

Name	Beloved Departed	Relationship
Michelle Hess	Leon Morzinsky	Father
	Lillian Sandler	Grandmother
Barry Neville	Bonnie Neville	Wife
Sidney & Sandra Paul	Morris Lehman	Father of Sandra
	Sylvia Playberg	Sister of Sidney
	Edith Gottlieb	Step-Sister of Sidney
Klara Wein	Rachel Militeanu	Mother
	Miriam Militeanu	Grandmother

Tribute Cards

To send a Tribute Card in honor or in memory of someone,
 please contact Michelle Hess with your request @ michelleh3532@gmail.com*

*NOTE new email address.

Observing this Yahrzeit

Dear Departed

Robert Balma
Sydney Fink
Bea Fuhrman
Peter Herman
Fannie Klein
Ida Forman Lander
Sarah Litt
Rabbi Morris Moskowitz

Observed By

Beth Shalom of Whittier
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Dear Departed

Molly Pinck
Bina Bertha Sherman
Lena Wasserman
Edith Weinberg
Seymour Weinstein
Marge Weiss
Rose Weitzman
William Zelinkoff

<i>Observed By</i>	<i>Dear Departed</i>	<i>Relationship</i>
<i>Susan Lieberman</i>	<i>Harry Aronowitz</i>	<i>Uncle</i>
	<i>Ruth Stillman</i>	<i>Aunt</i>
<i>Myra Becker</i>	<i>Daniel B. Beck</i>	<i>Father</i>
	<i>Morris Beckelman</i>	<i>Grandfather</i>
	<i>Sol Beckelman</i>	<i>Uncle</i>
	<i>Ida Ninberg</i>	<i>Aunt</i>
	<i>Irving Ninberg</i>	<i>Uncle</i>
<i>Joel Golden</i>	<i>Isadore Golden</i>	<i>Grandfather</i>
<i>Pauline Kuhn</i>	<i>Anna Gross</i>	<i>Mother</i>
<i>Jeffrey Kolnick</i>	<i>Murray Kolnick</i>	<i>Father</i>
<i>Liz Herrera</i>	<i>Ines C. Lamb</i>	<i>Mother</i>
<i>Michelle Hess</i>	<i>Leon Morzinsky</i>	<i>Father</i>
	<i>Benjamin Steinhauer</i>	<i>Uncle</i>
<i>Loren Schneiderman</i>	<i>Alan Schneiderman</i>	<i>Father</i>
<i>Robert Schneiderman</i>	<i>Alan Schneiderman</i>	<i>Father</i>
<i>Jacqueline Starkman</i>	<i>Madelaine Starkman</i>	<i>Grandmother</i>
<i>David Starkman</i>	<i>Madelaine Starkman</i>	<i>Mother</i>
<i>Bernard Starkman</i>	<i>Madelaine Starkman</i>	<i>Wife</i>
<i>Hazzan Lance H Tapper</i>	<i>Donald D Tapper</i>	<i>Uncle</i>

We honor the memory of our loved ones who have departed this earth as we kindle the Yahrzeit candle in remembrance. May their memory endure as an eternal blessing.

June 2021
Sivan - Tammuz 5781

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 7:30p Shabbat Service	5 25 Sivan Parashat Shelah Lekha
6 10:30a BSW - Storage Unit Clean Out	7	8	9	10	11 7:30p Shabbat Service	12 2 Tammuz Parashat Korah
13	14	15 12:30p Book Club	16	17 7:00p Board of Director's Meeting	18 7:30p Shabbat Service	19 9 Tammuz Parashat Hukat
20	21	22	23	24	25 7:30p Shabbat Service	26 16 Tammuz Parashat Balak
27 10:00a Annual Congregational Meeting	28	29	30			



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