



Temple Israel Bulletin

October 2023 / Tishri - Cheshvan 5784

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*"Temple Israel is a welcoming and vibrant center of Jewish life for our region,
l'dor vador... from generation to generation"*

Weekly Schedule

Join us for
Torah Study Fridays at NOON via Zoom;
and for in-person
Shabbat Services Fridays at 6:00pm &
Saturdays at 10:00am. Simulcast on Zoom
Requests for the recurring Zoom links can
be directed to the Temple Israel Office
admin@jewishduluth.org

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Temple Israel
Calendar
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Office Hours

8:30am - 12:00pm
Tuesday – Friday

We are here to help
(218) 724-8857
admin@jewishduluth.org

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Chag Samayach! What a busy month at Temple Israel. It was wonderful seeing so many of you over the last couple of weeks in synagogue and online. A special thank you to Rabbi David for leading our High Holidays worship, our choir and accompanists for enriching the services, lay leaders for their engagement and our staff and ushers for keeping us safe, fed and comfortable! Perhaps you are like me and still humming some of the melodies? Speaking of tunes, please mark your calendars and spread the word about the upcoming Bill Hindin event "The Great Jewish American Songbook" on October 15th! Our programming and fundraising committees are creating a fantastic event for Duluth. We do appreciate everyone adopting the use of name badges readily. Both as a security measure and an easy entry into conversation, having name badges will build community among our congregation. As a foundational topic of my Rosh Hashanah speech, I would continue to ask the question - what resource can you lend to strengthen our community this coming year? Your talent, time and or money are all gratefully sought. We have recently revived our Education Committee and would welcome your participation or input on our current programs

and how we can continue to best serve and support our children, parents and educators. It is a crucial topic as creating a platform that allows our children to thrive and create lifetime connections to our community start with all of us and will define the future of Temple Israel. Lastly, as we enter into the final quarter of our fiscal year I would ask that everyone review their dues status and come up with a plan to be current and paid in full by year end. Our revenues from membership continue to slide and we need everyone to do their part in light of the inflationary period we find ourselves in. See you at temple - Bart

🔊 Calling all USHERS! 🔊

We are looking for congregants to sign up as ushers for Shabbat services. ANY Temple Israel member can usher, you need not be a board member. Click on the link below to sign up for a date or 2!

[Sign up to USHER HERE](#)

FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY:

Let me take this opportunity to express my thanks to everyone who helped make our High Holiday services so beautiful and meaningful.

In particular, todah rabbah/ thanks very much to:

Mike Grossman for changing our Torah and Bima covers; all of our ushers; David Vosen and Marti Mullens for being "Zoom Co-Hosts"; Jim Perlman and Linda Glaser for their original poetry; all of our Torah and Haftarah readers; everyone who did English readings; everyone who accepted ritual honors (aliyot, hagbahah/gelilah, carrying Torah scrolls, ark curtain openings, gabbais, etc.); our Ba'alei Tekiah (shofar players) Gerry Wallace and Maureen O'Brien; Erin Aldridge for her beautiful violin playing on the first morning of Rosh Hashanah; our High Holiday Choir members along with our wonderful accompanist Laila Seidakhmetova and great instrumental solos by Casey Goldberg (clarinet and guitar) and Kathy Levine (flute); and again to Kathy Levine for leading Tashlikh at Lester Park on the first day of Rosh Hashanah (That was a nice new location, by the way, even if it might be just for this one year) and for co-leading the Avodah service on Yom Kippur with me; Freya Thurmer for organizing and leading children's activities and the children's service on the first day of Rosh Hashanah; Nicole Widdes and Toby Sillanpa for helping recruit and coordinate the many congregant roles in the various services; Marco Jukic for everything he does at all seasons (not least of which is his famous kugel at our break-fast); the Goldfine family for sponsoring the Yom Kippur break-the-fast; and Bart Polacsek for recruiting a new catering company that prepared it (with significant assistance from our own Temple staff) including Nicole, Marco, Susan Wiste and Peter Pierce).

This year some of my Jewish clergy colleagues were posting online a new name for the day after Yom Kippur. They called it "Yom Kaput." And, indeed, I was glad to have the chance to take the day off on Tuesday after that final shofar blast that concluded Yom Kippur on Monday evening September 25th. The High Holiday season is an exhausting time of year, but I love it.

Now it's one day later, as I write these words on Wednesday morning, September 26th and ---

guess what! Another couple of major Jewish holidays are about to begin!

By the time you read these words we will be into the zeman simchateinu ("season of our joy"), otherwise known as the Festival of Sukkot. I hope many of you will have the opportunity to experience the joy of "dwelling" in a sukkah and of shaking the lulav. And that, when Sukkot ends, you will join in as we dance with our Torah scrolls on Simchat Torah when we (and our fellow Jews all around the world) begin again our yearly Torah reading cycle.

It's also the start of our new Religious and Hebrew School year and I'm so grateful for the dedication of our Youth Education Director, Andrea Buck, and all of our teachers; for the commitment of our Hebrew and Religious School families; and --- most of whole --- for the enthusiasm of the students themselves who will be the Jewish leaders of tomorrow.

May we all move forward together into this new year 5784 with joy, caring, hope and optimism.

L'shalom,

Rabbi David Steinberg

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NEWS FROM RELIGIOUS & HEBREW SCHOOLS

We're off to a great start! Hebrew and Religious/Judaic studies classes have resumed. And we got the sukkah up and decorated so you all can enjoy Sukkot at Temple Israel. Chag Sameach!





Let me introduce our incredible teaching team
for 5784:

Religious and Judaic Studies

PreK -- Elizabeth Kaplan

K/1 -- Lyndsey Krenzen Manning and
Heather Lassard

Chai 2 -- Tom Buck

Chai 3/4 -- Freya Thurmer

Chai 6/7 -- Andrea Buck

Assistant and Substitute Teacher -- Raina
Kronfeld

Music -- Danny Frank

Music -- Kathy Levine

Cooking -- Jeff Wallace

Hebrew Studies

Alef -- Andrea Novel Buck

Bet -- Heather Lassard

Hay/B'nai Mitzvah -- Rabbi David Steinberg

Andrea Novel Buck

Youth Education Director

anbuck@jewishduluth.org

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Simchat Torah

Friday, October 6th
6:00 PM Simchat Torah Celebration – come and dance 3 Hakafot

Saturday, October 7th
10:00 AM Simchat Torah Celebration – come and dance 4 Hakafot and roll the scroll!



ADVANCE TICKETS \$18

Bill Hindin
Playing
"The Great Jewish American Songbook"

Sunday, October 15th, 2023
1:00pm
ALL AGES WELCOME
Temple Israel
Overman Hall
1602 East 2nd Street
Duluth, MN

For Advance tickets visit:
BillHindin-TempleIsrael.eventbrite.com

Funding provided by the Mordechai Kaplan Fund, a legacy fund of the Twin Ports Jewish Federation
RBC Wealth Management
North Shore Bank of Commerce

Mark your calendars for a musical Sunday afternoon at Temple Israel! Tickets are on sale now for the Bill Hindin performance of "The Great Jewish American Songbook"!

When: Sunday, October 15th, 2023
Time: 1:00 pm! Doors open at 12:30 pm!
Where: Temple Israel - in the Overman Social Hall

Tickets: \$18 available online via EventBrite.
(Day of purchase tickets with cash or credit card \$20.)

[Purchase TICKETS Here](#)

This event is open to the public. We will have security detail before, during, and after the event. And...the Fundraising and Programming Committees need your help. Are you interested in setting up or taking down chairs, helping usher at the door or during the event, scanning tickets, or being available "as needed"? Please let us know!

Contact Allyz Kramer Polacsek or Jack Seiler. Our phone numbers and email addresses are in the Temple directory.



Mark Your Calendars

NEW MEMBER SHABBAT & DINNER
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023



Chum is having a “Golden Gala” in honor of their 50 years in our community.

As the current delegate for Temple Israel, I am a table captain. We all know the importance of Chum in our community and the unique governance of Chum as an interfaith organization collaborating to help our neighbors. This will be a fun way for our congregation to invest in the critically needed shelter expansion, and Chum's success for the next 50 years.

It would be lovely to have a Temple Israel table... or 2, or 3!

Where: DECC Lake Superior Ballroom

When: Oct 17, doors open 5:30, dinner at 6:30

Register by: Oct 1

Ticket price: \$100.

Please see the link below to learn more about the event and to register.

When you register, please answer these questions as follows:

Table Host: Debbie Freedman

Congregation: Temple Israel

Seat me with: Temple Israel

<https://www.chumduluth.org/gala>

ZOOM Shabbat Services

If you need the link or experience difficulties with Zoom, please contact the [Temple Israel Office](#).

Remember those in care facilities

Carol Cohen, The Pines Three

Paul King, St Ann's

Rochelle Rubin, Benedictine Health Center

Aaron Glazman, Edgewood Vista

Harriet Pearlman, Viewcrest Health Center

Edward Shanblott, Benedictine – Marywood

Isabell Tusin - Superior Rehabilitation Center

Siddur at home

Unless otherwise indicated, all our worship services are held in person and simulcast on Zoom. However, the siddurim (prayerbooks) are not screen-shared. Temple members may borrow copies of the siddurim that we use at Temple for your home use. Please contact the Temple office if you wish to do so. The Temple Israel office can be reached at 218-724-8857 or office@jewishduluth.org

If you wish to view online versions of the various siddurim on a separate device while “Zooming” into Shabbat services, here are the links that will enable you to do so:

- For Saturday morning services: [HERE](#)
- For Friday evening services (other than family shabbat services): [HERE](#) and then click on the cover of the first book listed on that page (i.e., the Shabbat only version)
- For the monthly “Family Service” (first Friday of each month): Click [HERE](#)

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The siddur for the monthly “Family Service” (first Friday of each month) is out of print but some used copies for sale might be available at these links:

- Version with transliteration: [HERE](#)
- Version without transliteration: [HERE](#)



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The God-powered life : awakening to your divine purpose by David Aaron
Day by day : reflections on the themes of the Torah from literature, philosophy, and religious thought by Chaim Stern
Talking about Genesis : a resource guide by Public Affairs Television
The Jewish sabbath : a renewed encounter by Pinchas H. Peli
Open secrets : the letters of Reb Yerachmiel ben Yisrael by Rami M. Shapiro
Defining the role of the non-Jew in the synagogue : a guide for congregations by Angela Sacher
More beautiful than before : how suffering transforms us by Steven Z. Leder
Talking to God : personal prayers for times of joy, sadness, struggle, and celebration by Naomi Levy
Rising out of hatred : the awakening of a former white nationalist by Eli Saslow
Fighting terrorism : how democracies can defeat the international terrorist network by Binyamin Netanyahu
Eat! something already : food of our fathers, mothers, and others. A collection of recipes of the Twin Ports Jewish Community by Temple Israel
From the kingdom of memory : reminiscences by Elie Wiesel
The Black book : the Nazi crime against the Jewish people
On the eve : the Jews of Europe before the Second World War by Bernard Wasserstein

The avengers by Rich Cohen
The other Schindlers : why some people chose to save Jews in the Holocaust by Agnes Grunwald-Spier
Barred : the shameful refusal of FDR's State Department to save tens of thousands of Europe's Jews from extermination by Carl L. Steinhouse
Hiding in the spotlight : a musical prodigy's story of survival, 1941-1946 by Greg Dawson
Strangers in a stranger land : how one country's Jews fought an unwinnable war alongside Nazi troops ... and survived by John B. Simon
Hanukkah songs : my very own Hanukkah box by Phoebe Phillips
Celebrating Passover by Diane Hoyt-Goldsmith
Count the days of Hanukkah by Gail Herman
Eight candles and a tree by Simone Bloom Nathan
Yonah and the Mikveh Fish by Havivia Ner-David
Mitzvah pizza by Sarah Lynn Scheerger
[Be-khol levavkha] = With all your heart : a weekday prayer book by Brad Horwitz
Four mothers by Shifra Horn
The magician of Lublin by Isaac Bashevis Singer
The liberated bride by A. B. Yehoshua
The man from the other side by Uri Orlev



Temple Israel has a new date for
the Annual Meeting
Please circle
December 3rd, 2023 @ 11:00am
on your calendars!



Mazel Tov

Todah Rabbah

Please send your submissions to the Mazel Tov or
Todah Rabbah sections to admin@jewishduluth.org

Schedule of Shabbat Services and Torah Portions

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| Oct 6 & 7 - 6:00pm & 10:00am in-person & simulcast via Zoom - Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah | Oct 13 & 14 - 6:00pm & 10:00am in-person & simulcast via Zoom - Breshit (Genesis 1:1-6:8) | Oct 20 & 21 - 6:00pm & 10:00am in-person & simulcast via Zoom - Noach (Genesis 6:9- 11:32) | Oct 27 & 28 - 6:00pm & 10:00am in-person & simulcast via Zoom - Lech Lecha (12:1-17:27) |
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October



Birthdays

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| 2 Judy Gordon | 10 Moza Bernstein |
| 2 Mike Rosenzweig | 11 Cindy Seiler |
| 4 Ari Alexander | 13 Michael Baddin |
| 4 Chris Denzler | 14 Lev Frank |
| 5 Michael Altman | 14 Kathy Levine |
| 5 Sharon Schubitzke | 16 Paul Johnson |
| 7 Kayla LaTarte | 18 Jay Widdes |
| 8 Kay Bloom | 20 Andrea Chartier |
| 8 Francine Gunderson | 20 Donde Goldfine |
| 8 Heidi Yokel | 20 Daniel Slosburg |
| | 29 Jonah Bernstein |



Anniversaries

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| 3 Joshua and Nicole Widdes |
| 11 Bryan and Patricia Poulin |
| 15 Howard Kieffer |
| 25 Donald & Judy Schibel |
| 30 Paul & Terri Jo Johnson |
| 31 Bruce & Bonnie Lurye |



Donations
08/26/23 - 09/29/23

Cemetery Fund

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| Paul King | In memory of Dan King |
| Anne Scherer | In memory of Alan Scherer |
| Toby & John Sillanpa | In memory of Stanley Segal |
| Dennis & Hillary Davidson | In memory of Ruth Davidson |

Chris Crockett Music Fund

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| Allyz & Bart Polacsek | In honor of Rabbi David Steinberg |
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Endowment Fund

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| Jack & Cindy Seiler | In memory of Sylvia Seiler |
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General Fund

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| Mike & Betsy Rosenzweig | In honor of Reva Polacsek |
| Jack & Cindy Seiler | In memory of Jurgen Peters |
| Pam & Tom Griggs | In memory of Jurgen Peters |
| Linda Glaser & John Herold | In memory of Michael Carroll |
| Allyz & Bart Polacsek | In memory of Gertrude Polacsek |
| Allyz & Bart Polacsek | In memory of Phillip Kaspin |
| Bruce Manning | |
| Arno Kahn | In memory of Barbara S. Kahn |
| Arno Kahn | In memory of Aron Kahn |
| Dick Levey | |
| Sharyn Seiler | In memory of Shawn Seiler |
| Sharyn Seiler | In memory of Samuel Singer |
| Allyz & Bart Polacsek | In honor of Nicole Widdes |
| Marilyn & Frederic | In memory of Steven Spain |
| Clara Salveson | |

Harry Glazman Kiddush Fund

Steve Goldfine

Gary & Janice Latz

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| Allyz & Bart Polacsek | In memory of Gertrude Polacsek |
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| Allyz & Bart Polacsek | In memory of Barb Russ |
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Hebrew School

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| Allyz & Bart Polacsek | In honor of Mike Grossman & Holly Church |
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Marko Retirement

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| Toby & John Sillanpa | In memory of Stanley Segal |
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Memorial Fund

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| Alexander & Olga Chernyshev | In memory of Kisiel Chernyshev |
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Prayer Book Fund

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| Bruce & Susan Winthrop | In memory of Rosalyn Shamblott |
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| Bruce & Susan Winthrop | In memory of Marshall Shamblott |
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Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

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| David & Katherine Seigler | In memory of Lew Seigler |
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| Mike & Michelle Baddin | In memory of Thomas Tomanek |
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| Mike & Michelle Baddin | In memory of Jurgen Peters |
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Robin Doroshaw

Religious School

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| Allyz & Bart Polacsek | In honor of Phillip Kaspin |
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| Frieda & Scott Hall | In memory of David Atlas |
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| SUKKOT | INTERMEDIATE DAY | INTERMEDIATE DAY | INTERMEDIATE DAY | INTERMEDIATE DAY | HOSHANA RABBAH | 9:00am Hebrew School 10:00am Shabbat Morning service - Simchat Torah Celebration 10:00am Religious School SHEMINI ATZERET |
| 8 23 tishri | 9 24 tishri | 10 25 tishri | 11 26 tishri | 12 27 tishri | 13 28 tishri | 14 29 tishri |
| SIMCHAT TORAH | CANADIAN THANKSGIVING COLUMBUS DAY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY | | 1:00pm Mah Jongg 5:30-7:30pm Hebrew School | | 12:00 pm Torah Study 6:00 pm Shabbat evening service 3:00pm Unveiling for Lisa Abrahams @ Temple Emanuel | 9:00am Hebrew School 10:00am Shabbat Morning service Consecration 10:00am Religious School Breshit |
| 15 30 tishri 1pm Bill Hindin "Great Jewish American Songbook" | 16 1 cheshvan | 17 2 cheshvan | 18 3 cheshvan | 19 4 cheshvan | 20 5 cheshvan | 21 6 cheshvan |
| ROSH CHODESH | ROSH CHODESH | CHUM Gala @ DECC | 5:30-7:30pm Hebrew School | | 12:00 pm Torah Study 6:00 pm Shabbat evening service | 10:00am Shabbat Morning service No Hebrew/Religious School |
| 22 7 cheshvan 11:00am Unveiling for Sarah Segal & Barbara Segal @ Tifereth Israel Lunch @ Temple Israel | 23 8 cheshvan | 24 9 cheshvan | 25 10 cheshvan | 26 11 cheshvan | 27 12 cheshvan | 28 13 cheshvan |
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