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### A Letter from the President June 2024

I am currently reading Uncomfortable Conversations with a Jew by Emmanuel Acho and Noa Tishby. Amazon states: “no question about Jews is off-limits. They go there. They cover Jews and money. Jews and power. Jews and privilege. Jews and white privilege. The Black and Jewish struggle. Emmanuel asks, Did Jews kill Jesus? To which Noa responds, “Why are Jewish people history’s favorite scapegoat?” They unpack Judaism itself: Is it a religion, culture, a peoplehood, or a race? And: Are you antisemitic if you’re anti-Zionist? The questions—and answers—might make you squirm, but together, they explain the tropes, stereotypes, and catalysts of antisemitism in America today.” I would recommend this book to everyone!

Working in rural school districts in both Maryland (the KKK met in the county where I worked) and South Carolina, I have had many interesting and uncomfortable conversations. I was the city girl, the woman with a master’s degree and no babies, the northerner, the liberal, the white woman, the Jew. I believe that I prospered and developed relationships in these rural districts because I wasn’t afraid to have the hard conversations.

In Maryland, I carpooled with a teacher who was my opposite in all things political and physical. She was a conservative woman who believed her husband had more power in decision making than she had. She did all of the cooking and cleaning. She was into sports and going to the gym. She loved shopping but would wash the clothes that she bought to hide the fact that they were new. During our thirty-minute rides to and from school, we discussed everything and anything. We didn’t always agree but we learned from each other. We also respected each other’s uniqueness and found that our hearts for family, friends and students and our morality were very much the same.

In URJ’s Talk for a Change Toolkit, the writers propose that “We should not just talk, but listen, learn, and act. When we facilitate meaningful conversations, we build communities of belonging. People need safe spaces to learn, to grow, and to foster understanding.”

Participating in Temple Shalom’s services and activities has provided many of us with a community of belonging. During Book Club, Onegs, meals, and programs, we have engaged in meaningful conversations, sharing who we were, who we are and who we hope to be. We laugh and cry with each other, share celebrations and support each other in times of need. I am blessed to be part of our Temple Shalom family. “Everybody needs somebody sometime” ... join us.

With his permission, I am sharing Rich Orloff’s poem, “What Can I Offer You.” Please go to read it on page 4.



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## SHABBAT SERVICES

We meet at 4023 Belle Terre Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29579.

Our **Friday evening** services begin at 7:30pm. Saturday at 10:30 AM. Members who cannot physically attend Friday night or scheduled Saturday services can view services via Zoom. Contact [Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com](mailto:Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com) to request a Zoom invitation.

David Weissman Rabbi

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As a Jew and a rabbi who is a supporter of the State of Israel, I've asked how I should answer the following question: "How can Israel justify the great devastation which has occurred as a result of the war in Gaza?"

This is the wrong question to ask. The question should not be to blame Israel for the carnage, but to blame Hamas and ask Hamas how it can justify the carnage. Israel obtained control of Gaza from Egypt as a result of the 1967 Six Day War. But in 2005, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon removed all Israeli troops from Gaza and dismantled all Israeli settlements in Gaza. In an election in 2006, the citizens of Gaza voted to give control of Gaza's government to Hamas. And this is the last election that was held in Gaza. The Hamas Government has not held an election since it was voted into power in 2006.

So what does Hamas stand for?

Hamas' Charter calls for the destruction of the State of Israel. After taking power, Hamas began sending missiles into Israel. In response, Israel blocked the waters around Gaza to prevent Gaza's importation of weapons.

When students on college campuses protest in support of Hamas and state that Hamas is dedicated to fighting for the liberation of the Palestinian people from Israeli control, they are spreading a gross falsehood. Hamas is a terrorist organization and Hamas has established a dictatorship over Gaza. The dictatorship is run by Palestinians, but, nonetheless, it is a dictatorship and the residents of Gaza do not enjoy the civil liberties that we enjoy in the United States or that Arabs living in Israel properly enjoy. And it is interesting to note that the political Hamas leaders of Gaza don't live in poverty in Gaza, but in luxury in Qatar.

So what did Hamas hope to achieve when it staged its terrorist attack in Israel last October?

Since Hamas has its military command posts and weapons depots in heavily-populated civilian areas, it knew that heavy civilian casualties and property damage would result when Israel responded to Hamas' terrorist attack. But Hamas doesn't care how many Gazan residents are killed or how many Gazan homes are destroyed because it also knew that Israel's overwhelming response to Hamas' terrorist attack would turn much of the world against Israel. Hamas' only concern is the destruction of the State of Israel. Hamas is not trying to liberate the Arabs in Gaza. Hamas is a terrorist organization and its only interest is destroying Israel so Hamas' leaders

can control the area. Hamas was disturbed by the improving relations between Israel and a number of Arab countries. Egypt and Jordan had established diplomatic relations with Israel in the 1990's and, more recently, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Sudan and Morocco had established diplomatic relations with Israel. And there was an increasing possibility that Saudi Arabia and Israel would establish diplomatic relations with each other.

Hamas knew that Israel's response to its terrorist attack would turn the Arab world against Israel. Hamas is dedicated to the destruction of Israel. Hamas knew that Israel's response to its terrorist attack on Israel would devastate Gaza. Hamas' main goal is the destruction of the State of Israel and it doesn't care how many Gazans lose their lives in its pursuit of this goal so it can establish its dictatorial rule over all the land "from the river to the sea."

The students on college campuses demonstrating against Israel should be demonstrating against Hamas rather than against Israel. Those who belong to Hamas aren't liberators, they are terrorists. They knew that their terrorism would result in a strong response from Israel. But they didn't care.

So it is Hamas that is responsible for the carnage in Gaza. And if Hamas wants to stop the carnage, it just has to do four things. It has to free the hostages, it has to rescind the provision in its charter which calls for the destruction of Israel, it has to renounce terrorism and it has to stop sending missiles into Israel. If Hamas does these four things, the carnage will end and Israel will contribute greatly to the rebuilding of Gaza.

But as long as Hamas is committed to the destruction of the State of Israel and to terrorism, Israel has no choice to continue its efforts to completely destroy Hamas. A permanent cease fire will only give Hamas the opportunity to rearm and engage in future terrorist acts.

It is Hamas that is causing the carnage in Gaza and it is Hamas that has the power to end it. And it is really mind boggling that so many college students are unable to see this.

*Rabbi David Weissman*

(Continued from page one)

**What I Can Offer You**

by Rich Orloff

I cannot fix your pain  
I cannot solve your problem  
I can't prevent the sorrow you're feeling  
Or even guarantee I'll make you smile

However, because I've known  
Joy embracing me and disappearing  
in the middle of the night  
Feeling safe and despairing  
if I'll ever feel safe again  
Lowering my guard and being  
ambushed by camouflaged demons  
And because I've also known  
The miracle of healing  
when pain seemed inescapable  
The joy of connection  
when isolation had me surrounded  
Love returning and  
apologizing for its absence  
Because I have experienced  
enough No in my life  
to understand tragedy  
Because I have been surprised  
by enough Yes in my life  
to maintain hope  
Because I've known  
All these things  
And more  
I will gladly hold your hand  
So you don't have to face the pains of life alone  
And I will wait with you patiently  
Until the next miracle arrives  
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## Whats Happening at Temple Shalom June 2024

Friday 05/31/2024	Shabbat services followed by Oneg
Saturday 06/01/2024	Shabbat services followed by kiddush
Friday 06/07/2024	Shabbat services followed by Oneg
Wednesday 06/12/2024	<b>Shavuot services</b> followed by kiddush (see info below)
Friday 06/14/2024	Shabbat services followed by Oneg
Friday 06/21/2024	Shabbat services followed by Oneg
Friday 06/28/2024	Shabbat services followed by Oneg
Saturday 06/29/2024	Shabbat services followed by kiddush

### Thank You Notes

Thank you to everyone who attended “In Celebration of Jewish Survival,” marking Holocaust and Israeli memorial days. Temple Shalom was well represented! Thank you to Rabbi David for participating as a speaker. Thank you to Rabbi Doron Aizenman and Chabad for hosting this event.

Thank you to Jason Roebuck for the Countering Active Threat Training (CATT) and to Cookie Brenner for setting it up.

### SAVE THE DATE

#### **SHAVUOT SERVICE AND POTLUCK DAIRY KIDDUSH WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, at 10:30 a.m.**

Shavuot celebrates the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai and is one of the pilgrimage festivals. Many Jews prepare and eat dairy foods – often cheesecake or blintzes – on Shavuot as a reminder of the sweetness of Torah, and also as a reminder that the Torah calls the land of Israel a land “flowing with milk and honey.” If you are attending the Service and participating in the Kiddush, please RSVP to Hope at [Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com](mailto:Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com) by Wednesday, June 5 with the dish that you are bringing to share. Please note: You may attend the service without staying for the Kiddush.

Thursday, JUNE 20, 2024 Mah Jongg Marathon

Saturday, July 6 at 2 P.M. Join Temple Shalom for an afternoon of games and snacks. A popular activity for Shabbat afternoons is playing board or card games (no gambling allowed!). Shalshudus is the third meal on Shabbat before sundown. Our family defines it as a Shabbat party of snacks. Hosted by Mike and Hope Sachwald. Games will be provided.

Tuesday, July 16th at 4:00PM, Carrie Dunlap from Lower Cape Fear LifeCare will discuss the Lower Cape Fear LifeCare organization as well as Begin the Conversation with Advance Directives & Living Wills. Please invite your neighbors and friends. RSVP to [TempleShalomMBPresident@gmail.com](mailto:TempleShalomMBPresident@gmail.com)

## VIRTUAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

**YIVO Institute for Jewish Research** is a research institute, an institution of higher learning, an adult education organization, a cultural organization, and a world-renowned library and archive. Their mission is to preserve, study, share, and perpetuate knowledge of the history and culture of East European Jewry worldwide. YIVO offers adult education, Yiddish language programs, lectures, conferences, art exhibitions and concerts, some free and some for a fee. <https://www.yivo.org>

Also, check out the Events Recorded section.

**THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF ISRAEL** (<https://www.nli.org.il/>)

Read articles, listen to music and attend online events.

**AMERICA-ISRAEL FRIENDSHIP LEAGUE** (<https://aifl.org/events>)

Participate in events about Israel's entrepreneurship, culture, medical research, environmental protection initiatives, and so much more.

**URJ** (<https://reformjudaism.org/>) – choose the calendar tab

**Are you a foodie?** Check out The Jewish Food Society at <https://www.jewishfoodsociety.org/> for interesting stories and recipes. Also visit Jamie Geller at <https://jamiegeller.com/author/jamie-geller> and Jewish at <https://aish.com/jewish/recipes>.

**The Forward** -- founded in 1897 as a Yiddish-language daily, the *Forward* soon became a national paper, the most widely read Jewish newspaper anywhere. The English *Forward* was launched as a weekly in 1990 and moved to fully digital publication in 2019. The *Forward* delivers incisive coverage of the issues, ideas and institutions that matter to American Jews. Its rigorous reporting and balanced commentary on politics, arts and culture have won numerous awards year after year and made it the most influential nationwide Jewish media outlet. It is currently free and available to everyone everywhere.

## Music

**Lunch and Learn March 2022: Debra Winter presents "The Jewish History of Classical Music Composers"** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ntRm8y2IFWI>

**Barbra Streisand – “The Way We Weren’t”** (Rare, unreleased rehearsal track, 1973) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j9sfiHl1bbk>

**Barbra Streisand - The Way We Were** (Live Oscars 2013) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bZDbViqlr5o>

**Mandy Patinkin sings Over the Rainbow in Yiddish** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eba0qYftQMU&t=10s>

**Cantor Yitzchak Meir Helfgot with Itzhak Perlman - A Yidishe Mame** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DbzInoRitQ0>

## ART

**THE JEWISH VAN GOGH** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MVqIGFAY7Xk>

**Open Classroom: "What is Jewish Art?" (Fall 2020)** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zSGisjALoRc>

**Jewish Life in Art by A. Levin** Jewish Life in Art by A. Levin <https://artlevin.com/product-category/judaica/jewish-life-paintings/>





## GAME DAY!!

Saturday, July 6, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.



Please join Temple Shalom for GAME DAY!!!

A popular activity for Shabbat afternoons is playing board or card games (no gambling allowed!). Shaloshudus is the third meal on Shabbat before sundown.

Please join us for an afternoon of games and snacks hosted by Mike and Hope Sachwald. Games will be provided.

COST: FREE for members. \$5.00 for guests.

RSVP to Hope at [Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com](mailto:Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com)



**Temple Shalom is firmly committed to protecting the health and safety of our members and guests.**

**All first-time guests will be required to show their ID in order to enter the building.**

**PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND IF YOU DO NOT FEEL WELL FOR ANY REASON.**





# LEARN ABOUT ADVANCE DIRECTIVES & LIVING WILLS

Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

Public is Welcome – PLEASE SHARE

Please join us as we welcome Carrie Dunlap from Lower Cape Fear LifeCare who will discuss the Lower Cape Fear LifeCare organization as well as their program, Begin the Conversation with Advance Directives & Living Wills. From their website: "Lower Cape Fear LifeCare is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing access to the highest quality LifeCare, education, and supportive services to our patients, their families, and the communities we serve." They serve "patients and families in private homes, assisted living facilities, skilled nursing facilities, hospitals, and our care centers. Our service area includes Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, New Hanover, Onslow, and Pender counties in North Carolina, and Horry, Georgetown, and Marion counties in South Carolina."

There is no charge for this workshop, however, we suggest a donation of at least \$5 per person. You may bring a check made out to Lower Cape Fear LifeCare or cash. A basket will be set out to collect all donations and we will mail all donations to Lower Cape Fear LifeCare.

## Location of workshop:

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**Reservations are required prior to July 9, 2024.**

## To Register:

Please email Hope at TempleShalomMBPresident@gmail.com or call/text (843) 903-6634 to make your reservation.

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IF YOU SEE SUSPICIOUS OR CONCERNING ACTIVITY, please contact local law enforcement and/or the relevant suspicious activity reporting authority.

Another way we've committed to combating antisemitism and hate in the Lowcountry is through the creation of the first **Joint Incident Reporting Tool**, in partnership between our Federation, the ADL Southeast, and Secure Community Network. Now, when you witness an act of hate, you can report it so that all three organizations can collaboratively respond, investigate, and track patterns of similar incidents around the state.

*The **Secure Community Network (SCN)**, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, is the official homeland safety and security organization of the Jewish community in North America. Founded in 2004 under the auspices of The Jewish Federations of North America and the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, SCN serves as the central organization dedicated exclusively to the safety and security of the American Jewish community, working across 146 federations, 50 partner organizations, over 300 independent communities, and other partners in the public, private, nonprofit, and academic sectors. SCN is dedicated to ensuring that Jewish organizations, communities, life, and culture can not only exist safely and securely, but flourish. Learn more at [securecommunitynetwork.org](https://securecommunitynetwork.org).*

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## IYAR 24 – SIVAN 23

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Service: 10:30  26 NISAN
			23 NISAN	24 NISAN	25 NISAN	
2  27 NISAN	3  28 NISAN	4  29 NISAN	5  30 NISAN	6  1 IYAR	7 Service: 7:30PM  2 IYAR	8  3 IYAR
9  4 IYAR	10  5 IYAR	11  6 IYAR	12 10:30AM Shavuot service  7 IYAR	13  8 IYAR	14 Service: 7:30PM : : : 9 IYAR	15  10 IYAR
16  11 IYAR	17  12 IYAR	18  13 IYAR	19  14 IYAR	20  15 IYAR	21 Service: 7:30PM : : : 16 IYAR	22  17 IYAR
23  18 IYAR	24  19 IYAR	25  20 IYAR	26  21 IYAR	27  22 Iyar	28 Service: 7:30PM  23 IYAR	29 Service: 10:30  24 IYAR
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### DONATIONS AND DEDICATIONS TO TEMPLE SHALOM

*Donations to Temple Shalom can be made in several ways and are greatly appreciated.*

- ☐ **MEMORIAL BOARD PLAQUES** are a great way to remember someone perpetually. Every year, on their Yahrzeit (anniversary of death), the person will be remembered in regular services. Available to and for members only.  
 Cost: \$250.00  
     ▪ \$125.00 deposit required  
     ▪ takes at least 6 weeks  
 Name on plaque: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of death (English): \_\_\_\_\_ We will figure Hebrew date.
- ☐ **TREE OF LIFE PLAQUES (LEAF)** commemorates special events such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, and other life events we want to celebrate. Available to members only.  
 Cost: \$50.00 – small leaf                      OR                      \$75.00 – large leaf  
 Inscription: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **HIGH HOLIDAY DONATION** is a great way to make an annual donation to Temple Shalom for any amount. Available to all.
- ☐ **CHAI CLUB OF TEMPLE SHALOM** is a unique way to support Temple Shalom with a donation of \$18 per month per individual. The club is open to everyone. This can be set up on a monthly pay basis or \$216.00 per year. There are no club meetings or responsibilities. Available to all.
- ☐ **Yahrzeit** is a wonderful way to remember loved ones who have gone before us and can be in any amount. Congregation members receive notices prior to Yahrzeit observances. Available to all.  
 Yahrzeit for whom: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Relationship to Donor: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **IN MEMORY/HONOR OF** is a tribute on behalf of someone who was/is special in your life and can be in any amount. Available to all.  
 In Memory/Honor (circle one) of: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Relationship to Donor: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ **GENERAL DONATION** is a way to support Temple Shalom and is a mitzvah (good deed). Available to all.

*Please take a moment to select your donation(s), write a check, and mail it to Temple Shalom, or use PayPal.*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE MAKE ALL THE CHECKS PAYABLE TO TEMPLE SHALOM.  
 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PAY VIA CREDIT/DEBIT CARD, PLEASE GO TO THE  
 DONATIONS PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE – [www.TempleShalomMB.org](http://www.TempleShalomMB.org).

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION!**

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