

A Letter from the President June 2025

Marshall Lestz sends out a newsletter twice a week as part of the Rebuilder Project designed to encourage his Jewish readers to rebuild ourselves and our relationships. When I read the one that he sent on my birthday, I felt that it was meant specifically for me. Marshall tells the story of a WAZE app that was glitching and stuck in the past. The man talking to him told the WAZE that he needed to update saying: "Of course! *If you don't keep updating, you'll never be able to find where you need to go.*" Marshall goes on to write: "One thing's for sure, if we're going to find our "destination" in life—you know, our mission and purpose for being here—we can't get stuck living in the past."

On June 20th, Temple Shalom will be celebrating our 20 years as a congregation. There will be many opportunities to look back that night and appreciate the people and hard work that have gone into these last 20 years.

Then, we are going to move forward and focus on the next 20 years! We have some updates coming in the next few months. We are hoping to have a new part-time Rabbi by August. We should be able to start the work under the security grant shortly. Dues are increasing for the 2025-26 fiscal year by \$50 per person for the first time in many years. The cost of Temple sponsored meals has been changed due to higher food costs: lunch/brunch-\$20 for members and \$27 for guests and dinner -\$25 for members and \$32 for guests. Temple Shalom's first Budget committee was formed. We are starting chair yoga for both in-person and zoom participants. More new activities are being planned.

Updating and changing are difficult. What can you do to help? Be a part of our Temple Shalom family. Lead services in English or Hebrew, participate in services and activities, share a new activity, and drop a donation in the donation box as we move forward.

Hope Sachwald, President Temple Shalom



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 to request a Zoom invitation.

TempleShalommb.org

What's Happening at Temple Shalom June 2025

Monday	06/02/25	Shavuot service followed by a kiddush potluck lunch for those who signed up
Friday	06/06/25	Shabbat service followed by an Oneg
Friday	06/13/25	Shabbat service followed by an Oneg
Saturday	06/14/25	Shabbat service followed by a kiddush
Friday	06/20/25	at 6 PM Shabbat service followed by a special Oneg supper (Reservations required)
Friday	06/27/25	Shabbat service followed by an Oneg
Saturday	06/28/25	Shabbat service followed by a kiddush

There are no services July 4th weekend.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Shavuot service and POTLUCK DAIRY KIDDUSH begins at 10:30 on Monday, June 2. 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" (Exodus 3:8). Please note: You may attend the service without participating in the Kiddush.

Friday, June 20 – Temple Shalom is celebrating our 20th anniversary. **Services will begin at 6 P.M.** followed by a special Oneg. Our founder will be hosting this event. Please RSVP to Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com by June 11.

NAACP Myrtle Beach Branch #5568 and Temple Shalom invite members and the community to join us in reading the books Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man by Emmanuel Acho and Uncomfortable Conversations with a Jew by Emmanuel Acho and Noa Tishby. The round table discussion will be on Saturday, June 21 at 3 PM at Fresh Brewed Coffee House, 933 Broadway St, Myrtle Beach.

Thursday, June 26 – Mah Jongg Marathon

VIRTUAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, celebrating their Centennial Anniversary in 2025, 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.

Leo Baeck Institute (LBI) is an archive and research library devoted to the history and culture of German speaking Jews https://www.lbi.org/

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, Tory Avey at https://toriavey.com, and Jewlish at https://aish.com/jewlish/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

Debbie Friedman Track 13 -The 613 Commandments https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U4dmAW5ud0g A Whole JEW World: A Song for Shavuot https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TS3MdwkiWP4 Live Jewish Music, Cantorial, Broadway, Ladino & Yiddish Highlights- Cantors of Manhattan https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oyq2lyAzGWw

Tribute to Leonard Cohen with David Broza & Friends https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N2DMOH3z8Hg

VIDEO

Golden Age Actors You Didn't Know Were Jews https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VMgu4WZXFDw

The Inaugural Episode – Uncomfortable Conversations With a Black Man https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=h8jUA7JBkF4&list=PL4-ApM1XKSA2QFwErqTW3nwrc9BlLEokg Israeli-born Jewish Author Noa Tishby on the Israel-Hamas War | FULL EPISODE | Uncomfortable Conversations https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q-2vaCT9ae0 ART

Touro Synagogue - Painting of Ten Commandments at Balcony level https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l1Up-VRMGic Episode #25 - The Ten Commandments https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1RBG2_0PMk4

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GUEST COLUMN FROM RABBI DAVID WEISSMAN

This year, Father's Day falls on Sunday, June 15th. Respect for parents is a very important Jewish value. The Fifth of the Ten Commandments states, *Honor your father and your mother*. *If you do, you will live long on the land that Adonai is giving you*. So according to the Fifth Commandment, a

long life is the reward for honoring one's parents.

It is also interesting to note the tradition requires that we mourn when any one of our following relatives passes away: a parent, a spouse, a sibling and a child. But the mourning period for all of these relatives ends at the conclusion of thirty days - the shloshim period – except for a parent. For a parent, the mourning period is one year and the tradition requires a child to recite Kaddish for a deceased parent for eleven months.

In biblical and liturgical Hebrew, the word for a father is AV. Abraham was the first of the Patriarchs. In Hebrew, Abraham's name is AV-RA-HAM, which means FATHER OF A GREAT NATION. We are all familiar with the A-VEE-NU MAL-KEI-NU prayer recited on the High Holidays. A-VEE-NU means OUR FATHER and MAL-KEI-NU means KING. So, metaphorically, God is referred to as OUR FATHER, OUR KING. And in the prayer. we ask Adonai, OUR FATHER, OUR KING, to bestow all kinds of blessings upon us.

In biblical times, someone was considered Jewish if his/her father was Jewish. This is known as patrilineal descent. But with the various persecution of Jews, there were Jewish women who were raped by non-Jewish persecutors and the question arose as to the status of the children born as a result of rape. It was considered humane to consider these children to be Jewish because the mother was Jewish even though the father – the rapist – wasn't Jewish. So the tradition adopted the practice of matrilineal descent. A child was considered Jewish if his/her mother was Jewish and a child born of a non-Jewish mother and a Jewish father was not considered Jewish. And this is the rule followed today by both the Orthodox and Conservative movement today. However, whether someone is considered a KOHEIN, a LEVI or an ISRAELITE is still determined by the father's status, not the mother's.

But, with the large number of intermarriages, Reform takes a more liberal view. In Reform practice, if either the mother (matrilineal descent) or the father (patrilineal descent) is Jewish and the child considers him/herself to be Jewish, then the child is Jewish.

Throughout most of Jewish history, it was the father, not the mother, who was the dominant family figure. Today, we live in a more egalitarian society and I am proposing that we eliminate separate Mother's Day and Father's Day celebrations and replace them with a single Parent's Day. But in the meantime, to whomever it applies, I wish you a very happy Father's Day.

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How Can YOU Make Donations to Temple Shalom?

CHAI CLUB is a unique way to support Temple Shalom with a donation of \$18/mo. per individual. Pay monthly or annually. Best of all there are no club meetings or responsibilities.

TREE OF LIFE PLAQUES (LEAF) commemorates special events such as birthdays,

anniversaries, graduations, and other life events we want to celebrate. Cost: \$50.00 - small leaf OR \$75.00 - large leaf. Available to members only.



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MORE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE UNDER "DONATIONS"



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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 <u>Joint Incident Reporting</u> <u>Tool</u>, 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.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 10:30 Shovuot service kiddush potluck lunch for those who	3	4	5	6 Service: 7:30	7
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19 SIVAN	20 SIVAN	21 SIVAN	22 SIVAN	23 SIVAN	24 SIVAN	25 SIVAN
22	23	24	25	26 9:30 Mah Jongg Tournament	27 Service: 7:30РМ	28 Service: 10:30
26 SIVAN	27 SIVAN	28 SIVAN	29 SIVAN	30 SIVAN	1 TAMMUZ	2 TAMMUZ
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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.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION!

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