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A Letter from a Member

I just returned from Temple Shalom's annual Hanukkah party and I am elated. A few years ago we changed the format. Instead of singing songs and playing games, we decided to do trivia. Some questions had Jewish themes but most did not. It was well received. Before we played we had snacks, latkes and donuts...so we were well refreshed for the friendly competition.

As a charter member of Temple Shalom I have seen so many changes over the last 20 years. We have only 9 charter members left out of the original 25 families. A few years ago, I was concerned about the survival of temple Shalom...but no more. Within the last few years we have seen an influx of new members. All are anxious to partake of our various activities. We frequently get around 25 people at our Friday night services...a far cry from the days when we used to count everyone entering the temple to make sure we had a minyan.

I look forward to Friday night services when I see my temple family. I find the services very soothing. We are there to give our love and support to one another. Our new Rabbi, Aaron Sherman, has added so much to make our temple a warm and welcoming place. I now know that we will continue to thrive and flourish in the coming years.

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

Rabbi Sherman

Informal Adult Education

On January 10th we will begin our once-a-month informal adult education series that will meet one Shabbat afternoon each month. I know that the members of our congregation come with all different types of Jewish backgrounds with different levels of Jewish education. Our goal is to present basic answers to questions about the Jewish holidays, Shabbat services, Sacred Jewish texts, and the role prayer and God can play in our lives. We will examine why we celebrate the various holidays, and what are the rituals and traditions connected to each one. We will discuss what Torah, the Hebrew Bible, the Mishna, Talmud, Midrash and Commentaries are and how they relate to one another and how they can provide meaning for us today. We will take a look at the basic structure of a Shabbat service, what the main rubrics are, and the general meaning of each of the main prayers. We will look at the difference between formal set prayers that appear in the prayerbook and our own prayers that we offer from our hearts. We will look at the role God plays in our lives. We will examine the various Jewish beliefs about what happens after we die and what Judaism says about life after death.

When I teach, I like for each session to be participatory. We may begin with a text in English that will be accessible to all of us. We will study it together and learn from one another. We will share the questions we have for that day's topic and together we will search for answers. No questions will be considered dumb. I will ask those of you who have celebrated these holidays to share with the group how you used to and currently celebrate and what about the holidays are meaningful to you.

What's Happening at Temple Shalom January 2026

Friday	01/02/26	Shabbat service followed by an Oneg
Friday	01/09/26	Shabbat service followed by an Oneg
Saturday	01/10/26	Shabbat service
Friday	01/16/26	Shabbat service followed by an Oneg
Friday	01/23/26	Shabbat service followed by an Oneg
Saturday	01/24/26	Shabbat service
Friday	01/30/26	Shabbat service followed by an Oneg

Temple Shalom is selling the 2026 Attractions® Dining & Value Guides as a fundraiser. The books are available to order now. The price is the same as last year, \$25 per book. Thank you to those who have already ordered!

Thank You Notes

Menorah Mitzvot: Thank you to everyone who participated. The people from ECHO were very appreciative. Reminder that after Christmas the food banks will be needing to restock. We are still collecting non-perishables to donate to food banks in North and South Carolina.

Thank you to everyone who participated in “bring your menorah to Temple” night. It was a beautiful and meaningful sight to see all of the different Chanukkah lit together.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our annual Chanukah party and candle lighting at Market Common.

SAVE THE DATE

Rabbi Aaron's first learning session begins in **January 2026**. His subject for the series is the why and how of Shabbat and holidays. If you are not a member and would like to attend, please contact Templeshalommbpresident@gmail.com

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.

VIDEO

"No One Saw Us Leave," is a shocking true story of Mexico's Jewish community. The story tells of a kidnapping that rests on the internal dynamics of a tight-knit Jewish community. (NETFLIX)

"Thousands of Stories to Tell: Broadway Musicals, New York City and the Making of Jewish Americans"
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Zi2n8zVNPC>

MUSIC

Yasmin Levy is an Israeli singer-songwriter who blends flamenco and Middle Eastern influences with her interpretations of Sephardic music. Levy is known for modernizing Ladino songs, an endangered Judeo-Spanish language that emerged after the 1492 expulsion of Jews from Spain. Her signature style combines Ladino with flamenco and elements of traditional Turkish music.

Yasmin Levy - Caruso (Official Music Video) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3BulQ6HbERw&list=RD3BulQ6HbERw&start_radio=1

Yasmin Levy - Una Noche Más (Official Music Video) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bIGtt0PS9oY&list=RD3BulQ6HbERw&index=2>

ART

How Mussolini's Jewish lover changed Fascist art and design <https://forward.com/culture/art/784084/margherita-sarfatti-mussolini-jewish-fascism-art-poster-house-exhibit>

The Artist Who Made Beauty Out of Destruction (The Story of Samson Schames) <https://www.lbi.org/projects/podcast/episode-16>

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.



GENERAL DONATION

is a way to support Temple Shalom and is a mitzvah (good deed). Available to all.

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: \$300.00 - \$150.00 deposit required; balance due prior to hanging of plaque and it takes at least 6 weeks. Available to and for members only.

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.

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



**HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO SEE
YOUR WRITING PUBLISHED?**

**HAVE YOU WANTED TO LET OTHERS
KNOW THE IMPACT TEMPLE SHALOM
MEMBERSHIP HAS HAD IN YOUR LIFE?**

NOW is your chance. We are looking for members willing to write an article for the monthly newsletter/bulletin about the impact Temple Shalom has had on them. The article can be any size and we will publish one each month.

Please send your article to Hope Sachwald at TempleShalomMBPresident@gmail.com.

Thank you for your help!





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.

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

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.
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION!

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