

**WEEKLY SERVICES
AT THE SYNAGOGUE**

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9:30 AM Services

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ADAR I—ADAR II

5784



**STUDENT RABBI
NAFTALI HIRSCH**

On March 10th and 11th, we celebrate the beginning of the month of Adar II ('אדר ב', which we celebrate Purim. The Talmud in tractate Taanit (29a)

says *מִשְׁנֵי יָמֵינוּ אָדָר מְרֻבֵּן בְּשִׂמְחָה*, that whenever the month of Adar comes in, we increase in joyfulness. The phrase comes up in a discussion of how we *decrease* in joyfulness as the month of Av (in which we commemorate Tisha b'Av to mark the destruction of the Temples and other disasters that have befallen the Jews through history). Before the Talmud continues to outline all of the specific practices through which one should, to inform us that this is why we should aim to begin a venture during this month, when the constellations (Mazelot) are aligned in one's favor. If this is true for the month preceding the holiday of Purim, then all the more so on the holiday itself, the tradition encourages one to be joyful. What if I don't feel especially happy or joyful on Purim, or for the two weeks of Adar (II) that precede it? It's not only in reference to Purim and Adar that this question arises, of course. Any time there is a festive holiday or a celebration, how does one bring oneself into celebrating if they 'aren't in the mood'? Should they? For that matter, what if on a somber holiday or mournful occasion one is only encountering feelings of joy and gladness? This is a really valid question and I don't think there's any one-size-fits-all answer. One place where the tradition speaks to this is in the Talmud in the tractate of Moed Katan, where the discussion revolves around the intersection of mourning and holidays. How should one navigate the arrival of Shabbat, a holiday of joy, with one's observing mourning practices for their close kin? Here the practice is to move through the communal observances of Shabbat, while still observing the individual mourning practices. This suggests that joining in the communal celebratory moments of Purim or another festive event doesn't have to negate any of our own internal experience that is at odds with this festivity. The tradition offers for us to bring both together – neither one more holy than the other. To use another framework, a hasidic approach that I have been taught and that has been personally

meaningful to me is to consider "Simcha" in a broader definition than it is usually given. I have heard this translated as "full-and-broken-heartedness," rather than "happy" or "joyful", acting from *Simcha* then can mean to be in touch with the genuine feelings one's own heart and acting from this place.

This month begins with the parsha of Ki Tisa ([Exodus 30:11-34:35](#)), during which Moshe comes down the mountain and in his anger smashes the tablets with the Ten Commandments that he has just received from G-d. What does G-d say to Moshe about these broken tablets? In Devarim (10:1-2), G-d tells Moshe to place these broken tablets into the Holy Ark beside the unbroken tablets – neither one less holy than the other. May we hold all the parts of ourselves in high esteem this month and for Purim, as we celebrate whatever is in our hearts.

Student Rabbi Naftali Hirsch

**PRESIDENT
MARK HOFFMAN**



I am looking forward to Shabbat with Naftali on March 1 and 2, including our combined family service on March 1 at Shaaray Tefila with dairy potluck to follow. We will not be having an in-person event on Purim at the synagogue but congregants are welcome to participate in Temple Beth-El's event on March 22, as well as in a Purim related study session with Naftali, date to be determined.

Save the date for second night communal Passover seder and dinner Tuesday evening April 23. This is one of our most popular and meaningful events.

Best wishes for a full recovery of body and spirit to Mark Chernow following surgery for a serious skiing accident. We look forward to seeing Mark again at shul as soon as he recovers.

Spring is around the corner. Be safe and enjoy every minute of what remains of winter.

Mark Hoffman



SISTERHOOD GREETINGS & NEWS

Early spring greetings,
Continued healing prayers to many
Sisterhood, Synagogue and Temple
members and friends.

The Congregation Shaaray Tefila/Temple Beth El combined February Family Service was well attended with the potluck dairy meals and Oneg enjoyed by all. The next Family Service will be Friday, March 1st, 6:15 at the shul followed by the potluck dairy meals and Oneg. Look forward to seeing you if I am in the area.

Thank you to the February sponsors of Onegs & Kiddushes: Anonymous, Pat Balasuryia, Lisa, Joshua and Sage Zimmerman, Cher Hoffman, Tara Blau & Dr. Ephraim Back and Faye Landsman.

Bill Brender prepared the February 9th Oneg, Student Rabbi Naftali, Herb Levin and Lisa Zimmerman helped with Oneg clean-up. Thank you to Joe Hoffman and Cher for shopping and preparing the remainder of February. I know many people helped set foods out, assisted with clean-up, washing dishes and more. Thanks to: Cher and Mark Hoffman, Susan & David Matzner, Elaine and Salomon Charhon, Bill Brender, Herb Levin, Peter Kudan, Lorraine & Dr. Syd Hochman, Pinchas Shabat, Dr. Ephraim Back, Tara Blau, Patti Seratte, Shmuel Stern, Ellen Katz, Faye Landsman and others. Your time and all you do is much appreciated!

Please let Katie, Cher or me know your availability to help with March Oneg/Kiddush. I will/might be in FL as I had to reschedule my flight due to illness. Your help will be needed and appreciated.

Please see Mazel Tov for special birthdays in March within the Bulletin. Mazel Tov to Judy and Allan Korot on their 65th wedding anniversary. Thank you both for all you've done through the years for Sisterhood and your continued challahs and other wonderful baked goods for kiddushes and holidays, Judy.

See the bulletin calendar and announcements for upcoming events and holiday service dates/times.

Please check out the gift shop for Shabbat, Birthday/Anniversary and Bat/Bar Mitzvah or other gift needs. Call Nancy Goldstein at 518-792-2700 or Katie 518-792-4945 with any questions.

Thank you again for your Sisterhood membership. We will need more support with the Purim project and upcoming Sisterhood meeting. Ellen Katz and I

are working with the Purim Committee (Sisterhood, Congregation Shaaray Tefila and Temple members and friends) to finalize dates to pack the Mishloch Manot (Purim boxes), deliver most and mail some. Thank you for your flexibility and Happy Purim to all.

The spring Sisterhood meeting will be April 7th at 3:00 unless it needs to be rescheduled for any reasons. A hybrid meeting (in-person or with ZOOM) will be available. Please RSVP. Bring your ideas/input for discussions and plans for Sisterhood Art and Book Fair Fundraiser and other future fundraisers.

Safe times to each of us with more winter weather. Prayers for healing and more peace in the world.

Bonnie Yanklowitz,
Sisterhood President

HONORABLE MENTCHEN:

Thank you to all who recently sponsored an Oneg or Kiddush:

- *Anonymous*
- *Pat Balasuriya in honor of her daughter, Esther and granddaughter, Matilda Rose Jordan*
- *Lisa, Joshua & Sage Zimmerman in honor of Lisa's mother and Joshua & Sage's grandmother, Sandra Azmitia's birthday and in appreciation of the synagogue's community*
- *Cher Hoffman in honor of Mark & Joe Hoffman's birthdays*
- *Ephraim Back & Tara Blau in loving memory of Ephraim's father, Nathan Back*
- *Faye Landsman in loving memory of her father, Max Landsman*

If you would like to sponsor an Oneg or Kiddush, please contact Katie in the office.



MAZEL TOV!

*Mazel Tov to Harry Goldstein
on his 92nd birthday!*

MAZEL TOV!

*Mazel Tov to Martin Meyer
on his 90th birthday!*

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Angela & Benjamin Cohen

March 2 * 21st anniversary

Judy & Allan Korot

March 21 * 65th anniversary

Susan & David Matzner

March 28 * 52nd anniversary



March 1

Erin Boland

March 2

Jennifer Goldstein

March 8

Harry Goldstein

Daniel Schwartz

March 13

Logan Curtis

Theresa Fisher

March 14

Ezra Goldstein

Jo-Ann Rapaport

March 15

Erica Weill

March 17

Jacob Bush

Martin Meyer

March 19

E. Beth Brezner

Kimberly Butler

Matthew Butler

March 20

Trina Cohen

March 21

Rachel Goldstein

Roslyn Winston

March 22

Howard Raych

March 24

Linda Bush

March 26

Michael Pletman

March 29

Kaye Grossman

March 30

Emilia Amar



MAZEL TOV!

Mazel Tov to Howard Raych
on his 70th birthday!



MAZEL TOV!

Mazel Tov to
Judy & Allan Korot
on their 65th Wedding
Anniversary

פרשת השבוע Weekly Torah portion

Parashat Ki Tisa

MARCH 1, Candle lighting 5:26 PM

Torah Portion: [Exodus 30:11-34:35](#)

Haftarah: [I Kings 18:1-39](#)

Parashat Vayakhel

MARCH 8, Candle lighting 5:35 PM

Torah Portion: [Exodus 35:1-38:20](#), [30:11-16](#)

Haftarah: [II Kings 12:1-17](#)

Parashat Pekudei

MARCH 15, Candle lighting 6:43 PM

Torah Portion: [Exodus 38:21-40:38](#)

Haftarah: [I Kings 7:51-8:21](#)

Parashat Vayikra

MARCH 22, Candle lighting 6:52 PM

Torah Portion: [Leviticus 1:1-5:26](#);

[Deuteronomy 25:17-19](#)

Haftarah: [I Samuel 15:2-34](#)

Parashat Tzav

MARCH 29, Candle lighting 7:00 PM

Torah Portion: [Leviticus 6:1-8:36](#); [Numbers 19:1-22](#)

Haftarah: [Ezekiel 36:16-38](#)

WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTIONS

GENERAL FUND

In Appreciation of Mark Hoffman

Michael Stern

In Memory of Abraham Levitt

Judy & Bob Korcz

Get Well Soon to Mark Chernow

Judy & Allan Korot

In Memory of Gustave Cohen

Leone Straus

SISTERHOOD FUND

In Honor of Sandra Azmitas's Birthday

In Appreciation of the Community of

Congregation Shaaray Tefila

Lisa, Joshua & Sage Zimmerman

ELI RUDNICK HOLOCAUST FUND

In Memory of Eli Rudnick

Marvin Rudnick



Yahrzeit Record

MARCH 2024

Friday, 3/01/2024 * Adar I 21, 5784

Ida Freedman Pearlberg
Harry Kopelovitz
Lena Gould
Charles Furman
Philip Weinstein

Saturday, 3/02/2024 * Adar I 22, 5784

Samuel Luria
Percy Weinstein
Isadore I Cohen

Sunday, 3/03/2024 * Adar I 23, 5784

Ella Pletman
Estelle Goldman
A Charles Hoffman
Walter Stern

Monday, 3/04/2024 * Adar I 24, 5784

Phillip Levitt
Joseph Klinetsky
Joseph Gerstein
Gertrude Juris

Tuesday, 3/05/2024 * Adar I 25, 5784

Anna Chary

Wednesday, 3/06/2024 * Adar I 26, 5784

Ida Shapiro
Regina Elliott
Max Stichman

Thursday, 3/07/2024 * Adar I 27, 5784

Stanley Seaman
Matthew Green
Gerald Miller
Morris Frost
Beatrice (Bea) Kantrowitz

Friday, 3/08/2024 * Adar I 28, 5784

Morris Goldstein
Benjamin Rosenstein
Edward Lippman-Podolnick
Howard Hirsch
Stephen Mayer Stillman

Monday, 3/11/2024 * Adar II 1, 5784

Mayer Wexler
Samuel Suckman

Wednesday, 3/13/2024 * Adar II 3, 5784

Bessie Baker
Michael Forman

Thursday, 3/14/2024 * Adar II 4, 5784

Louis Markoff

Sunday, 3/17/2024 * Adar II 7, 5784

Bruce Rothstein

Tuesday, 3/19/2024 * Adar II 9, 5784

Dorothy Semisky Reinheimer

Thursday, 3/21/2024 * Adar II 11, 5784

Seamon Silverman

Friday, 3/22/2024 * Adar II 12, 5784

Esther Suckman Connor

Sunday, 3/24/2024 * Adar II 14, 5784

Natalie (Ida) Yanklowitz

Monday, 3/25/2024 * Adar II 15, 5784

Rosalie (Rose) Goldstein Rothstein

Sunday, 3/31/2024 * Adar II 21, 5784

Frances Schwartz

Yahrzeit Record

APRIL 2024

Wednesday, 4/03/2024 * Adar II 24, 5784

Harry Rote-Rosen

Thursday, 4/04/2024 * Adar II 25, 5784

Michael Connor

Friday, 4/05/2024 * Adar II 26, 5784

Pearl Kravitz

Saturday, 4/06/2024 * Adar II 27, 5784

Anna Snyder Aronson
Sidney Benson

Sunday, 4/07/2024 * Adar II 28, 5784

Boris Benjamin (Ben) Yanklowitz

Tuesday, 4/09/2024 * Nissan 1, 5784

Ida Bronne

Wednesday, 4/10/2024 * Nissan 2, 5784

Raymond Kantrowitz
Irving Rapaport
Joseph (Joe) Yanklowitz

Thursday, 4/11/2024 * Nissan 3, 5784

Murry Silverman

Saturday, 4/13/2024 * Nissan 5, 5784

Rose Goldman Aronson
Hyman Berkowitz
Goldie Brown
Ethel Garlen
Herbert Silverman

Sunday, 4/14/2024 * Nissan 6, 5784

David Podell
Dora Goldstein Sheerer
Abraham Joseph Zweibelson

Monday, 4/15/2024 * Nissan 7, 5784

Ruth Boorstein
Harold Green
Louis Housman
Lillian Yurdin

Tuesday, 4/16/2024 * Nissan 8, 5784

Leah Weisman Kroch

Wednesday, 4/17/2024 * Nissan 9, 5784

Harry Kramer

Thursday, 4/18/2024 * Nisan 10, 5784

**Yetta Cohen
Meyer Dubner
Leonard Gould
Rose Radin**

Friday, 4/19/2024 * Nisan 11, 5784

Samuel Rodman

Saturday, 4/20/2024 * Nisan 12, 5784

**Charles Housman
Terrance Sproul**

Sunday, 4/21/2024 * Nisan 13, 5784

**Ruth Alkes
Darlene Berkowitz
Dr. Milton Greenberg
Abraham Suckmon
Charles Weill**

Monday, 4/22/2024 * Nisan 14, 5784

**Ida Kaplan
Jacob Kirschner
Leonard Schwartz
Ida Seaman**

Tuesday, 4/23/2024 * Nisan 15, 5784

**Samuel Goldman
Ann Meyer
Anna Weintraub**

Wednesday, 4/24/2024 * Nisan 16, 5784

**Esther Aronson
Jules Dube
Vera Koble
Abraham Suckman**

Thursday, 4/25/2024 * Nisan 17, 5784

**William Aronson
Lillian Brezner**

Friday, 4/26/2024 * Nisan 18, 5784

**Stella Fuld
Samuel Shapera
Anna Whitton**

Saturday, 4/27/2024 * Nisan 19, 5784

**Harris Kaplan
A. Morton Raych
Harry Witepsky**

Sunday, 4/28/2024 * Nisan 20, 5784

Shirley Feinberg

Monday, 4/29/2024 * Nisan 21, 5784

**Allysa Bobbin
Sarah Raych**

Tuesday, 4/30/2024 * Nisan 22, 5784

Samuel Kopelovitz

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MARCH 2024.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 6:15 PM Family Service at Shaaray Tefila * Dairy Potluck Dinner * Oneg	2 9:30 AM Shabbat Service with Naftali Hirsch * Kiddush
3 9:15 AM Greater Glens Falls Hebrew School at Temple Beth El	4	5	6	7	8	9 9:30 AM Shabbat Service * Kiddush
10	11	12	13	14	15 6:00 PM Jewish Meditation Session with Naftali Hirsch 6:30 PM Kabbalat Shabbat Service with Naftali Hirsch * Optional Dairy Potluck Dinner * Oneg	16 9:30 AM Shabbat Service with Naftali Hirsch * Kiddush
17 9:15 AM Greater Glens Falls Hebrew School at Temple Beth El 3:00 PM Purim Study Session with Naftali Hirsch	18	19 <i>Spring!</i>	20 <i>Deadline to Submit Articles for the April Bulletin</i>	21	22 7:00 PM Purim/Shabbat Service at Temple Beth El	23 9:30 AM Shabbat Service * Kiddush
24 <i>Purim</i>	25	26	27	28	29	30 9:30 AM Shabbat Service * Kiddush
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