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#### A NOTE FROM RABBI VALERIE

Although I'm writing this on Tu B'Shvat, you are reading it a few weeks afterward. Even so, we don't need to be limited to one day to celebrate and learn from trees. Studying with a colleague last night, we encountered this poem, and it spoke to me: a timely message for my internal conflict about our world.

The Sycamore by Wendell Berry

In the place that is my own place, whose earth I am shaped in and must bear, there is an old tree growing, a great sycamore that is a wondrous healer of itself. Fences have been tied to it, nails driven into it, hacks and whittles cut in it, the lightning has burned it. There is no year it has flourished in that has not harmed it. There is a hollow in it that is its death, though its living brims whitely at the lip of the darkness and flows outward. Over all its scars has come the seamless white of the bark. It bears the gnarls of its history healed over. It has risen to a strange perfection in the warp and bending of its long growth. It has gathered all accidents into its purpose. It has become the intention and radiance of its dark fate. It is a fact, sublime, mystical and unassailable. In all the country there is no other like it. I recognize in it a principle, an indwelling the same as itself, and greater, that I would be ruled by. I see that it stands in its place and feeds upon it, and is fed upon, and is native, and maker.



This poem contains so many images, images that evoke emotions and can be universally symbolic. In a grand scale, I hear of trauma and victory, both making their indelible, permanent and physical mark on this tree – God's creation; yet the tree endures. Its longevity is a sign of its victory, along with the grief and joy, healing and growth experienced throughout a lifetime.

The lesson of this Sycamore is staying in for the "long game." At times, I feel paralyzed and overwhelmed by how much attention our society needs, how much tikkun – "fixing" is required. I know I am not the only one, as I have spoken to many people who are speechless with fear and anxiety about "what next?" As I poke my head out of the sand, out of denial, I know that my only reasonable path is to choose one issue that I'm passionate about and focus my energy and action there. Furthermore, to take that one issue and narrow it even more; then find a partner and perhaps an organization with infrastructure and get to work. If everyone targets their attention in this way, then someone somewhere will be addressing the problems of our society with singular intensity.

One last comment, indirectly related but too good of a teaching to let pass us buy. A member of our community, wise beyond their years, reminded me of the teaching "argument for the sake of heaven." They withdrew from conversations with a group of people because the arguments had turned into a bitter and useless Korach/Moses fight described by the ancient rabbis, a fight in which everyone loses. Instead, they gravitated to the peers who discussed issues in the way of Hillel and Shammai, the goal being "for the sake of heaven": to converse - albeit from different perspectives, with the vision and hope of making the world a better place.



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope we have passed through the worst of our winter weather. The last two months have seen us celebrate Shabbat Shirah with a service of music on Erev Shabbat on February 7 led by our Cantorial Soloist Gitit Shoval, and a special guest vocalist Yali Irelander, and our singing group, Kol Ha'Lev, for a very well received program. We hosted some students from Assumption University taking their course in World Religion who appreciated our efforts to make them feel welcome, and a longtime member and family, who had experienced the loss of a close family member in the previous few days. The ability to console and express condolences to members of our synagogue family is an opportunity not easily equaled in the online experience. As I have stated on other occasions, we offer a place that is familiar and comfortable to our members when their world is

turned asunder. That recognition of the sadness and pain that we offer to them is an extraordinary gift, especially if we have already been on the receiving end of that generosity of caring.

Our Caring Committee continues to contact members of our community as well, with phone calls and written notes, which members report to us with great appreciation. While these expressions of support may seem casual to us, they are received with enormous gratitude, that we have recognized their pain of loss, or the burden of their illness.

In March we are moving the Kabbalat Shabbat service time to 6:30pm with an early pre-service "cocktail hour" minus the cocktails, looking forward to making the time more convenient for our members. We hope we can see more younger families with children in the building for the Friday night service in response to a request from our members.

Purim and Passover are soon upon us, and programs are being planned to enrich the experience for our members of all ages. Additionally, we are starting to plan for our next fiscal year, looking for programs to enhance the life of our congregation.

I would be remiss not to extend enormous thanks to Steve Contois: our building supervisor, precision Oneg Challah slicer, contributor of baked goods for our Onegs, and the myriads of other tasks he has done for us over the last 12 years as he departs Central Mass for the warmer environs of South Carolina. We have been extremely fortunate to have him as part of the staff that makes the building run so smoothly. We are celebrating him on Friday, March 28 and hope that you will attend to express your appreciation to him.

Finally, we are gratified to see the start of the end of conflict in Israel and Gaza, wishing for the safe return of all the hostages, and the hope for beginning a new era in the Mideast.

B'shalom, Gary Wolf President, Board of Trustees

# **NEW TIME FOR SHABBAT SERVICES**

**BEGINNING MARCH 7, 2025** 

Fridays, 6:30pm \*Pre-neg 5:45pm

All services will continue to be live-streamed

Based on informal conversations with congregants, the worship committee recommended, and the board voted to change Shabbat Service times.

\*pre-neg is an oneg - communal gathering with food - that takes place prior to services

#### **MARCH - APRIL 2025 WORSHIP SERVICES**

#### **TETZAVEH**

Friday, March 7 Candle Lighting at 5:26pm 5:45pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Shabbat Service Saturday, March 8 10:30am Torah Study

#### KI TISA

Friday, March 14 Candle Lighting at 6:35pm 5:45pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Shabbat Services Saturday, March 15 11:00am Purim Spiel and Carnival

#### **VAYAKHEL**

Friday, March 21 Candle Lighting at 6:43pm 5:00pm Tot Shabbat Services 5:45pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Shabbat Services Saturday, March 22 10:30am Torah Study

#### **PEKUDEI**

Friday, March 28 Candle Lighting at 6:51pm 5:45pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Shabbat Service Honoring Steve Contois Saturday, March 29 10:30am Torah Study

#### **VAYIKRA**

Friday, April 4 Candle Lighting at 6:58pm 5:45pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Shabbat Service Led by 4th/5th Grade Class

Saturday, April 5 10:30am Torah Study

#### **TZAV**

Friday, April 11 Candle Lighting at 7:06pm 5:45pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Shabbat Service Saturday, April 12 10:30am Torah Study

#### PESACH

Friday, April 18 Candle Lighting at 7:14pm 5:45pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Passover Seder Shabbat Service Saturday, April 19 10:30am Torah Study

#### SHMINI

Friday, April 25 Candle Lighting at 7:22pm 5:45pm Pre-neg 6:30pm Shabbat Service Saturday, April 26 10:30am Torah Study

All WORSHIP SERVICES are held in person and livestreamed (emanuelsinai.org).

**TORAH STUDY** meets in person and via Zoom.

MINYAN is held every Monday at 5:45pm (except when the office is closed) only via Zoom and livestreamed. Login information can be found in eNews.

#### CLERGY & STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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Steve Contois, Caretaker

**Temple Main Phone Line** 

#### **MUSIC NEWS**

As we move forward into March, it's hard to believe how quickly time is passing. With each passing day, we are beginning to see the first signs of spring. This beautiful season brings with it not only light and warmth, but also longer days filled with sunshine and shorter nights that invite us to enjoy the outdoors.

Spring also heralds the arrival of Passover, one of my favorite holidays. This time of year symbolizes freedom and the power we have to take control of our lives, reminiscent of the incredible journey of the Israelites as they left Egypt. It is a time for reflection, renewal, and celebration of our heritage.

As we consider the changing seasons, it's fascinating to think about how music, too, evolves with the time of year. Springtime is perfect for uplifting melodies that resonate with the spirit of awakening. I envision us singing light-hearted songs in major keys, with lyrics that celebrate the beauty of nature, the joy of being outside, and the happiness that comes from togetherness. Mark your calendars for March 20th – while it may still be chilly, and there might even be a chance of snow, this date officially marks the beginning of spring!

I also am filled with excitement as we prepare for our **Friday night Shabbat Services**, which will begin at **6:30pm starting March 7th**. This means we will have the joy of gathering in full daylight, allowing families to join us as we celebrate Shabbat together in our Temple as one big family.

I encourage you to stay tuned for more beautiful musical events we have planned. Let's embrace this season of renewal and joy together.

Wishing you all a happy and vibrant spring!

Yours Always, Gitit

\*Coming May 17 – Kantika: Ladino Concert/Storytelling experience. Check out the eNews for more information.



#### WELCOME MJ SCHWARTZ

Hello! My name is M.J. Schwartz, and I am Rabbi Valerie's new assistant. I am so excited to serve the Temple Emanuel Sinai community in this capacity. I have already had the pleasure of interacting with some of you, and I look forward to getting to know the rest of you as time goes on. My email address is mjschwartz@emanuelsinai.org, and my phone number is (413) 285-2285. Please feel free to reach out regarding any rabbinical matters, and I will be happy to help you.

A bit about myself:

I have a background in birth work, as a midwife, doula, and childbirth educator, during which time I served my Phoenix, AZ community in private practice, as well as through The Arizona Birth Network, a nonprofit I co-founded and co-directed, and through my role as a childbirth and parenting educator, doula, and resident supervisor in a group home for pregnant and mothering teens in the foster care and refugee systems.

In 2024, I began my midlife pivot, and graduated with a BA in psychology from Smith College, where the primary focus of my studies was perfectionism. During my time at Smith, I also had the privilege of studying with renowned journalists, Susan Faludi and Russ Rymer, and fiction author, Ruth Ozeki. I now utilize this background as a Certified Intuitive Eating Counselor and soon-to-be yoga teacher, working with individuals to heal their relationships with food and their bodies, and as an independent journalist and essayist.

When I'm not working, you'll find me by the ocean, in the woods, with my nose in a book, on my yoga mat, or davening at my local synagogue.

I live in Longmeadow, MA with my wife, Jena, and our English bulldog, Chalupa Jane Schwartz, Esq. We have five adult children, ranging in age from 18 to 30. More important than anything else in this introduction, we also have a three-year-old grandson.

I am so excited to get to know all of you as I grow in my role at TES!

### An Unlikely Friendship: Helene Freed and Jessa Sinnott

Jessa Sinnott, sixth-year doctoral candidate, Claims Conference Fellow and Hannah and Roman Kent Research Award recipient, met Helene Freed, longtime Strassler Center donor, at her synagogue in the summer of 2023, where Jessa gave a presentation on her dissertation project entitled *Anti-Jewish Pogroms and Neighborhood Violence in Nazi-Occupied Poland: Szczuczyn County.* Helene's father, Samuel was born Szlomo Perler in 1917 in Szczuczyn, one of the main villages featured in Jessa's research. Helene and Jessa began attending Shabbat services together and soon became friends. Helene shared her father's and grandfather's stories about growing up in the shtetl, their apartment above the butcher shop, and their family bakery.

In early 2024, Jessa began planning a research trip to Białystok, located just 50 miles southeast of Szczuczyn. She invited Helene and promised to show her the village where her father was born.

In May 2024, Helene and Jessa traveled to Warsaw, Białystok, and Szczuczyn. Through local contacts, Jessa found the apartment where Helene's father had lived. The building has been renovated and converted into a small Carrefour shop. Through archival documents and testimony from Szczuczyn residents, Jessa was able to put together a tour of the town, including the site of the Jewish cemetery, the Rabbi's home, the Kaplan photography studio, the old Jewish quarter, and the bridge where young couples would often court.

This journey between friends brought Jewish Szczuczyn to life, out of the archives and out of faded memories. For Helene, imagining her father in the town square outside his home and her grandparents meeting on the bridge, visiting the studio where all of her family photos were taken, and finally, visiting the cemetery where generations of her family were buried – and the pain that comes from the neglect of their memory – was a unique experience. For Jessa, visiting Szczuczyn with Helene meant uncovering a new reality beyond the death of the shtetl, Jewish life in Szczuczyn as it flourished before the Holocaust and survived in the families of its descendants – in people like Helene.









#### **RELIGIOUS SCHOOL AND YOUTH NEWS**

Shalom from our Religious School!

As we will welcome the vibrant months of March and April, we are excited to share all the wonderful events and learning experiences that will be happening at our School! From the Tu B'Shevat celebration to Purim and Passover preparations, our students will continue to engage deeply in Jewish traditions, language, and community service.



Our Tu B'Shevat school-wide celebration was a great event. During our Tu B'Shevat seder, the students learned about the different kinds of fruit and the importance of trees to our world. In addition, each class prepared a creative presentation that highlighted the trees on their special day!

Purim is a joyous time for all! Our students in grades 4/5, along with their teacher Emma and our Music Director Gitit, have been working hard on this year's Purim Spiel. Their hard work and dedication will shine as they perform a lively and entertaining retelling of the Purim story. The fun will continue at our Purim Carnival, where families will enjoy exciting games, pizza for lunch and delicious treats. Please mark your calendar for our Purim celebration on **Saturday, March 15**.

With Passover around the corner, our students are diving into the meaning of this important holiday. They are learning the Four Questions (*Mah Nishtanah*) and the story of Exodus. Families, we encourage you to reinforce these lessons at home by involving your children in Passover preparations and discussions.

In the spirit of *tzedakah*, our school is participating in the annual *Maot Chitim* Project, where our students in grades 6/7, with their teacher Keren will help pack and distribute Passover food packages to those in need. This is a meaningful way to teach our children the importance of *chesed* (kindness) and ensure that everyone in our community has a joyful and fulfilling holiday.

Our students have been making fantastic strides in their Hebrew studies! Younger learners are mastering their letters and vowels, while older students are strengthening their reading fluency. We encourage families to support this learning by practicing Hebrew at home if possible!

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's Jewish education.

B'shalom, Talia



### March 21 & May 2, 5:00pm

Welcome Shabbat with Joyful Music and Energetic Prayer.

Bring a Shabbat "friend" (stuffed animal or other toy) and join the community for a nosh at our 5:45pm pre-neg.

Designed for families with children ages 0-6 years old.



### Friday, April 4, 6:30pm

#### Led by 4th/5th Grade Religious School Class

Join us for a meaningful and spiritually enriching service, led by the students of our 4th/5th grade religious school. This special service highlights their dedication and learning as they guide us through prayer, reflection, and community. Come experience the joy of their participation in worship and witness the growth of the next generation of faith leaders. All are welcome to attend and be part of this uplifting occasion.



#### **BAT MITZVAH**

Samantha (Sammi) Mari Horne Daughter of Karen & Jeff Horne

May 10, 2025

Sammi, a 7th grader at Goddard Scholars Academy and a devoted Crane Lake Camper since 2nd grade, is a passionate dancer who shines in ballet, tap, jazz and hip hop. A true theater kid, she brings energy to every performance.

The Jewish community holds great importance to Sammi. The Horne Family warmly invites the TES Congregation to join in celebrating Sammi's Bat Mitzvah

and the Kiddush Luncheon that will follow.

Please RSVP to Karen by April 1, with the number of adults and children attending.

Email: KARENSHORNE@GMAIL.COM



# "Frosted Purim"

A Purim Spiel set to the music of *Frozen*, Led by the 4th & 5th Grade Religious School Students

An Interactive, All Ages Program
Attend in person or Via Livestream

# PURIM FOOD DRIVE - MARCH 2ND THRU 23RD

Did you know that Purim is the holiday when it is traditional for Jewish communities to hold food drives?

"The same days on which Jews enjoyed relief from their foes and the same month which had been transformed for them from one of grief to joy and from mourning to festival, they were to observe them as days of feasting and merry-making, and as an occasion for gifts to one another and gifts to people in need" (Esther 9:22).

In keeping with this commandment, the TES Social Action Committee is asking congregants to make a financial contribution toward our Purim Food Drive. With this money, our partner organization, Rachel's Table, will work with a produce company to purchase fresh fruit and vegetables, which are in short supply, and donate them to local shelters and neighborhood centers.

Increased cost of food, combined with skyrocketing housing expenses in Central MA, have resulted in a crisis of food insecurity, with some families having to make the heartbreaking choice between putting food on the table and heating their homes.

A few relevant facts about this crisis' local impact (provided by Worcester Center for Food Equity):

1 in 12 people in Worcester are food insecure.

18.4% of households in Worcester face food insecurity.

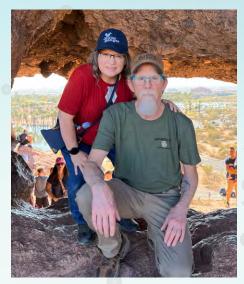
17,290 children in Worcester live in food-insecure households, a substantial portion of those affected.

Over 50% of Massachusetts renters are burdened with unaffordable housing costs.

Contributions will be collected March 2nd - 23rd and can be made by scanning the QR code or by visting <a href="mailto:emanuelsinai.org/purimdrive">emanuelsinai.org/purimdrive</a>



# Shabbat Service Honoring Steve Contois March 28, 6:30pm



It is with deep gratitude and warm appreciation that we honor Steve Contois as he will retire after twelve years of dedicated service. Throughout his career, Steve has been an integral part of our team, embodying the values of hard work, integrity, and kindness. Steve's contributions have had a lasting impact on our organization, and his presence will be missed both professionally and personally. As Steve embarks on this exciting new chapter, we elebrate his incredible legacy and wish him nothing but joy, relaxation, and fulfillment in his retirement. Please join us at Shabbat Services, on Friday, March 28 at 6:30pm, to wish him a happy and fulfilling retirement.

Preneg sponsored by TES Board of Directors.

Thank you, Steve, for your years of outstanding service!



# **Shabbat Pesach**

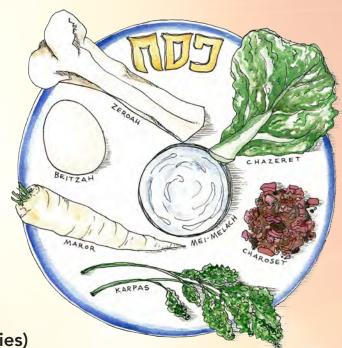
A Seder Service for Shabbat

Friday, April 18 6:30pm

Our service will include an interactive and concise Seder that is appropriate for all ages.

#### Filled with:

- Seder rituals
- Charoset from around the world
- Matzah ball soup
- Passover dessert oneg



More details to follow including how to RSVP (for food quantities)

As is our Shabbat custom, we will still sing Mi Shebeirach, read Yartzeit names and recite Kaddish.

# 2024, A Very Good Year for our hosting of In the Hour of Need (IHN) Family Shelter



**THANK YOU** to all congregants who generously donated their time and money during Temple Emanuel Sinai's annual hosting of the IHN family shelter in Worcester.

. We are happy to share that during our hosting period, December 8 – 28

- More than fifty congregants & affiliated families made generous contributions. IHN will spend these funds on operating expenses, youth programs and case management services.
- Sixteen individuals volunteered during evening and overnight shifts, providing a comforting presence and saving the shelter thousands of dollars in payroll.

### Thank you for participating in this important act of Tikkun Olam!

IHN needs volunteers throughout the year. If you would like to volunteer or learn more about IHN, contact the Sheri Lin, Director, <a href="mailto:slinn@ihnworcester.org">slinn@ihnworcester.org</a>.

www.lhnworcester.org

#### **CARING COMMITTEE**

The Caring Committee/Community recognizes our responsibility to care for one another. In times of joy and celebration, and in times of sadness, illness or mourning, Caring Committee members assist TES congregants by offering friendly phone calls and caring cards/notes.

#### **VOLUNTEER**

We are grateful to our dedicated volunteers who serve on the Caring Committee, and we welcome interested new members. If you would like to join us (no meetings!), please e-mail us at caring@emanuelsinai.org

Anne Sadick and Marcy Ostrow Co-Chairs, TES Caring Committee







### **BEGINNER HEBREW CLASSES**

Lifelong Learning will be offering beginner Hebrew classes in the upcoming months. Watch the eNews for details.



Now Available: <u>Above All, We Are Jews: A Biography</u> of <u>Rabbi Alexander Schindler</u> by Michael A. Meyer

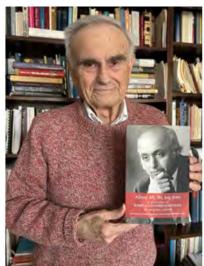
Order at aboveallwearejews.ccarpress.org

Watch the book trailer on Vimeo

Read an excerpt on RavBlog

How and why Alexander Schindler emerged among the twentieth century's most influential rabbis is captured vividly in this insightful biography by one of American Jewry's most respected historians, Michael Meyer. Professor Meyer analyzes Schindler's visionary leadership and compelling eloquence, assessing candidly the transformative impact that his focus on radical inclusiveness, social justice, and loving criticism of Israel continues to have on every non-Orthodox stream.

—Rabbi David Saperstein, Director Emeritus, Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism



"Rabbi Alexander Schindler served Temple Emanuel from 1953 to 1959. He was Temple Emanuel's first Assistant Rabbi. During his tenure at Emanuel, he influenced many young people who went on to be leaders of the Temple and the Worcester Jewish Community and Jewish communities throughout the country.

After leaving Emanuel, he became Executive Director of the New England Region of the UAHC (predecessor to URJ) and in 1973 was elected president of the UAHC. He served in that role until 1996. Rabbi Schindler was an outstanding leader of the Reform Movement and of American Jewry. During his years at UAHC, he remained close with his many Worcester friends."

The above insight was graciously provided by Allan and Judy Shriber.

#### TES DONATIONS: DECEMBER 1, 2024 – JANUARY 31, 2025

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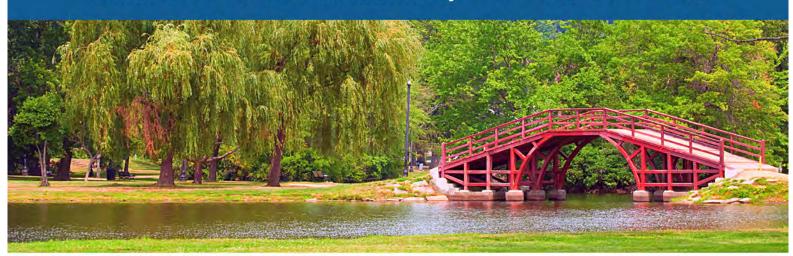






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