

## Passover Dates to Remember

**Wednesday, March 28**

Sale of Chametz Due

**Friday, March 30 - 8:00am**

Fast of the Firstborn

**Friday, March 30 - 6:30pm**

Community Seder

**Saturday, March 31 - 9:00am**

Pesach/Shabbat Service

**Sunday, April 1 - 9:00am**

Pesach Service

**Friday, April 6 - 9:00am**

Pesach Service

**Saturday, April 7 - 9:00am**

Pesach/Yizkor Shabbat Service

**Siyyum Bechorim  
Calling All First Born  
(Men and Women)  
Friday, March 30 at 8:00am**

According to Jewish tradition, the first born son of a mother or father is required to fast on the day before Passover as an expression of thanks for the deliverance of the first born Israelites who were spared from the Tenth plague. However, individuals who are obligated to fast are exempt from fasting if they have the opportunity to participate in a **seudat mitzvah**, a festive meal that follows the performance of certain mitzvot. Therefore, it has become customary for synagogues, on the day before Passover, to make a **siyyum**, a public completion unit of study, which is followed by a seudat mitzvah, thus exempting the first born participants from their obligation to fast. The siyyum will be preceded by the morning minyan and followed by a feast with lots of delicious chametz. Study and feast are held in memory of Esther and Ed Deitelbaum and are sponsored by their family. All are welcome to join us even if you are not a first born.

## *Sale of Chametz*

During the week of Pesach, it is forbidden for any Jew to own chametz. To avoid the unnecessary financial hardship that could result from requiring Jews to dispose of all items that are chametz, it is tradition to sell items of chametz to non-Jews for the week of Pesach. If you would like to sell your chametz to ensure that you abide by the Jewish law of not owning any chametz during the week of Pesach, please fill out the form below and return it to the Temple on or before end of day **Wednesday, March 28, 2018**.

Dear Rabbi Schonbrun,

I/we \_\_\_\_\_ (name) would like to appoint you as my/our agent to sell all items of chametz that will be in my/our possession at: \_\_\_\_\_.

This sale will be effective at 10:30am on Friday, March 30, 2018.

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signature

