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SUMMER SEND OFF SHABBAT

SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025 AT 9:30 AM

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TIKKUN LEIL SHAVUOT

**Hazak! Hazak! Venitchazek! Let us be strong, let us be strong
and let us strengthen one another!**

Sunday, June 1 - Monday, June 2
Temple Beth Tzedek, 1641 North Forest Rd.

Food and
beverages
will be available
throughout
the night

8:30 pm	Ma'ariv Evening Service	Sanctuary
9:00 pm	Keynote Speaker Miriam Abramovich, CEO Buffalo Jewish Federation <i>Strength Within, Strength Between and Stronger Together</i>	Sanctuary
10:00 pm	Dessert and Coffee Break	Community Court
10:30 pm	Cantor Susie Lewis-Friedman, Temple Beth Zion <i>Blessings through Song: The Music of our Father (and Mothers)</i>	Sanctuary
	Dr. Andrew Rogers, Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, Division of Behavioral Medicine <i>Psychology, Resilience, and Judaism</i>	Social Hall
11:30 pm	Rabbi Alex Lazarus-Klein, Congregation Shir Shalom <i>Biblical Strong Men: The Promise and Perils of Physical Physique</i>	Sanctuary
12:45 am	Jeremy Werbow, Healthcare Professional <i>Hazak! Hazak! Venitchazek! Strength & Support in Healthcare Choices</i>	Sanctuary
2:00 am	Rabbi/Cantor Penny Myers, Kehillat Chesed of Chautauqua <i>Standing at Sinai: An Exercise of Vulnerability</i>	Sanctuary
3:10 am	Dr. Mike Steklof, Executive Director Hillel of Buffalo <i>The Paradox of Respect and Humility</i>	Sanctuary
4:20 am	Rabbi Sara Rich, Temple Beth Tzedek <i>Happy Endings: The Art of Finishing Strong</i>	Sanctuary
5:25 am	Sunrise Shacharit Service	Sanctuary



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1641 N. Forest Rd

Service Times

WEEKDAY

Sunday Shaharit	8:30 AM
Mon-Fri Shaharit	7:30 AM
Daily Ma'ariv	6:00 AM

SHABBAT

Kabbalat Shabbat	6:00 PM
Shaharit	9:30 AM

Gathering Times for Ma'ariv & Havdalah

June 7	9:35 PM
June 14	9:40 PM
June 21	9:40 PM
June 28	9:40 PM
July 5	9:40 PM
July 12	9:35 PM
July 19	9:30 PM
July 26	9:25 PM

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Sleep in Heavenly Peace is a local organization that builds and provides beds for local children who have been bed less. Their motto is "No kid sleeps on the floor in our town!", and recently they delivered their 5,000th bed in just over 4 years. Join in an afternoon of volunteering to sand, stain, and start to put a smile on a child's face. No prior experience needed.



Sunday, June 29, 2025

from 1 - 4 PM

At the Sleep in Heavenly Peace Workshop
4545 Transit Rd. Buffalo, NY 14221



Spaces are limited.

Please contact Linda Steinhorn at 716-634-6330 to reserve your spot.

Can't make it on June 29th?

We are also collecting new sets of twin size bed linens.
Drop these off whenever the Temple Office is open!



PRIDE SHABBAT

Saturday, June 7, 2025, 9:30 AM

Join in a celebration of Love, Equality and Dignity.

Featuring guest speaker Richard Ridenour,
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A Festive Kiddush will follow the service.

To help sponsor the kiddush,
please contact the office, 716-838-3232.

Anyone wanting to help bake rainbow Challah
on May 16th at 9:30 AM,
please call Marcia at 716-432-2963
or Linda at 716-390-6861.



THURSDAY

June 5, 2025

4-4:45 PM

Join in musical activities
for all ages and abilities led by
Zahava Fried!

Our Theme will be Springtime!

This program is both in person at
Temple Beth Tzedek and on Zoom!

1641 N. Forest Rd, Williamsville

<https://bit.ly/JunChav>

To RSVP call 716-838-3232

Please let us know if you require accommodations
to make this a meaningful experience.

***We gratefully acknowledge donations in observance of
the following Yahrzeits***

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Myra Werbow



From The Rabbi

Kohen & Levi Status in the Temple Beth Tzedek Torah Reading

At a recent Ritual Committee meeting, I shared the following opinion regarding Kohen and Levi status and Torah reading. Here is a condensed version – please be in touch if you have questions.

At Temple Beth Tzedek, we currently uphold the traditional practice regarding Torah aliyot: a Kohen (or Bat Kohen) receives the first Aliyah, a Levi (or Bat Levi) the second, and subsequent aliyot go to Yisraelim (everyone else). Maftir is assigned regardless of priestly status, typically to the Haftarah reader, and an additional Aliyah may be added in cases of multiple Kohanim marking a yahrzeit or simcha. As an egalitarian synagogue, we include women with priestly lineage equally. When a Kohen or Levi is not present, we follow established custom. In the absence of a Kohen, a Levi or Bat Levi receives the first Aliyah. If no Levi is present, the Kohen who had the first Aliyah also receives the second. This stems from the understanding that Kohanim are a subset of Levi'im, and avoids implying the first Kohen was unfit.

While our roster typically ensures these honors are fulfilled, lower-attendance periods—especially in winter—sometimes result in no Levi'im present. In such cases, it is not ideal that one Kohen would be honored twice, when we are already limited to how many honors can be distributed during a service.

One proposed solution is to stop reserving the first two Aliyot for Kohen and Levi. I do not recommend this, for several reasons:

1. Connection to Tradition: The statuses of Kohen and Levi tie us to Jewish history and identity. While we've adapted many practices to align with modern values, preserving meaningful traditions helps foster a sense of belonging and continuity.
2. Spiritual Symbolism: We continue to pray for the rebuilding of the Temple. Eliminating these roles may feel inconsistent with our prayers for future redemption.
3. No Harm in Retaining the Custom: Our community has proven capable of upholding these distinctions without elitism. These roles can be a source of pride, not division.

Instead, I propose a middle path: when no Levi is present, the Kohen may cede the second Aliyah to a Yisrael. Some congregations announce this with "b'reshut HaKohen" ("with the permission of the Kohen") before calling up the next reader. I have consulted our three most regularly present Kohanim, and all agreed to allow this. In fact, they expressed relief, preferring to share the honors.

If the Kohen receiving the first Aliyah is not one of these three, the Honors Coordinator should ask their permission when assigning aliyot—not at the bimah—to avoid embarrassment. The Kohen retains the technical right to the second Aliyah, but can willingly share the honor.

This approach allows us to maintain cherished traditions while increasing opportunities for participation. It reflects our values of inclusion, reverence for history, and thoughtful innovation—ensuring our worship remains spiritually rich and community-centered.

Rabbi Sara Rich

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Save The Date

Join the Women's Network for an end of year dinner.

**Thursday, June 26, 2025
At 6:45 PM.**

**More details to come!
Watch your emails!**

We gratefully acknowledge the following donations

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Thanks to Sharon & Ariel Kostiner, and Lisa Wallenfels & Family
for their wonderful celebration of Carol Davis and hosting of the
Davis family.

Seth, Bonnie, Brendan & Aviva Davis

Good healing for Carol Davis
Esther Trachtman

A speedy recovery for Gert Bacol
Bobbie Giller

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Feel better soon Richard Kayton
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Bobbie Giller

A good recovery for Charlotte Gendler
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A good recovery for Brenda Rosen
Elinda & Ed Reich

From the President

Thinking of My Dad This Father's Day

With Father's Day around the corner, I've been thinking a lot about my dad, who he was, what brought him joy, and the lasting impact he left on all of us.

My dad was truly one of a kind. He worked nights for most of his life, right up until he retired, which wasn't always easy on him or on our family. But no matter how tired he was, he was a regular at morning minyan before heading to bed. That quiet, steady devotion to prayer and community was simply who he was.

Growing up with a dad who kept such unusual hours meant our family life didn't always follow the usual script, but it was rich in love, meaning, and connection. He was always present when it mattered, and his love—for us, for our extended family, and for Jewish tradition—was constant and strong.

He had a warm, joyful spirit and a great sense of humor. He loved being by the pool, soaking up the sunshine, going on little adventures—and he always had a cigar in hand. It became part of his signature look and his way of enjoying the moment. And he absolutely lit up around family, especially his parents and siblings. He held deep respect for his own father, who spent his days immersed in Torah study, and that sense of reverence shaped so much of his life.

He came to the U.S. from Hungary at age nine, but he never let go of the tastes and traditions of his childhood. Hungarian food and pastries were among his favorite comforts—simple ways to stay connected to his roots.

My father was proud of both my and Michele's accomplishments. He also adored Lance and treated him as a son. Becoming a Zadie when Evan was born was the addition to the family he had always wanted. It brought him immeasurable joy and a deep sense of fulfillment.

A particularly meaningful moment for our family came after the passing of my dad's beloved sister, Jean. In her memory, the minyan room at our synagogue was dedicated as the Kassirer Minyan Room. It still carries that name today—a powerful, lasting tribute to the values of faith and community that were so central to both of them.

After many years of hard work and overnight shifts, my parents finally retired—and they did it right. They became snowbirds, spending their winters in sunny Florida, and embracing a slower, more relaxed pace of life. For the first time in decades, they could enjoy regular hours and quiet mornings together. It was a well-deserved new chapter, filled with warmth, rest, and renewal.

Even in retirement, my dad's love for Jewish life never faded. He found deep joy in the rituals, the holidays, and the traditions. And he cherished the chance to share those moments with us.

This Father's Day, I'm remembering him with much love and gratitude. I miss him every single day, but I carry his example, his warmth, and his spirit with me always. He showed me what it means to live with heart, with purpose, and with deep connection.

May his memory be a blessing. And to all the fathers, grandfathers, and father figures out there—wishing you a joyful, meaningful, and very happy Father's Day.

Beth Kassirer



Marcia Saran, on the birth of her great grandson,
Asher Micah Defossez.

Philip and Allyson Niles on the birth of
their daughter, Sophia Rae.

Marian & Steve Lustig, on the birth of
their grandson, Isaac Harry Lustig.

Marcia Saran on the marriage of her grandson,
Jesse Saran, to Sabrina Harrison.

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Annual Report From the Women's Network1

Myra and I submit this Annual Women's Network Report with heavy hearts. As you know, we recently lost Rusty Zackheim who was one of our most knowledgeable members about the Women's League for Conservative Judaism, it's International Northeast Region, and our own affiliate, the Women's Network of Temple Beth Tzedek.

Rusty was a friend, mentor and ready volunteer for projects large and small. We speak for our Board of Directors in stating that we learned from her, and with her. She will be remembered for a blessing.

One of Rusty's last formal motions at a recent Women's Network Board meeting was to donate \$3,000 to the TBT Security Fund. This motion passed easily.

We thank our Vice Presidents for their creativity and dedication. Our program year was planned by Vice Presidents, Linda Steinhorn and Linda Barat. It was diverse and interesting.

Some of the programs included:

- A joint program with the Men's Club entitled "Jews and Genes", coordinated by Judy Epstein. It featured Dr. Kenan Onel and a team from RPCC.

- A Sukkot experience led by Rabbi Yonina Foster followed by a talk on the Alexander Technique of movement and balance, presented by Cheryl Pleskow.

- A panel discussion moderated by Melinda Saran that brought together four Jewish women who were or are judges in WNY. Their insights and anecdotes made this program memorable.

- A Hanukkah skit and party.

- Women's Network Shabbat where many of our members led prayers, read Torah, chanted haftarah and delivered a D'var Torah. This was followed by a festive kiddish lunch which WN sponsored.

- We welcomed historical fiction author, Michelle Cameron, who wrote, *Beyond the Ghetto Gates* and the sequel; *Napoleon's Mirage*. It was special for many reasons, but especially to our member, Lynne Williams, as they are cousins.

- We even had a trip to a local planetarium.

Vice President of Fund Raising, Carolyn Kershanbaum, along with a dedicated committee, spearheaded two successful fundraising events: a Fall Mum sale and a Sukkot Apple Challah sale. Both of these were new endeavors and were enthusiastically supported by our Temple community.

Linda Linsky and her crew continue to joyfully offer beautiful Judaica items at the WN Judaica shop. Their energy is contagious as they welcome customers and show off an array of items for many occasions. We appreciate their substantial contribution to our organization.

The Women's Network Judaica Shop welcomes Carolyn back to Buffalo!

Our shop has been a little quiet without her. There is nothing more exciting for Carolyn than selling, especially jewelry! She has great taste and a good eye for helping customers select a special item.

Carolyn wants to help you choose a dazzling necklace.

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Have a good Shavuot and a happy Father's Day. We hope to help you spoil yourself with jewelry this June!

Carolyn K. 716-818-8637
Linda L. 716-400-5394
Myra W. 716-839-0962
Linda B. 716-390-6861

This year our Torah Fund Campaign, co-led by V.P.s Linda Boxer and Linda Steinhorn, was the most successful it's been in many years. All donations go to support the Jewish Theological Seminary that encompasses 5 campuses. Every donation is valued, but the donations of \$180.00 receive a Torah Fund pin as a thank you. This year's theme was Am Yisrael Chai.

Our membership VPs Judy Brownstein and Eileen Markzon welcomed new members at the Opening Paid Up party where, with planning by Linda Steinhorn, we were serenaded by David Bondrow. It was an enjoyable evening for all.

Two new endeavors for Women's Network this year were opportunities to reach out to others. Pam Cohen has chaired our Social Action project of collecting items for the Erie County Family Court Daycare. Pam has delivered numerous books and toys for the children who attend that daycare. We thank Pam and all of you for this effort. The second endeavor was partnering with the Keshet committee in co-sponsoring the Outstretched Arm program for Purim.

Myra and I would also like to thank our Secretaries, Shirley Magil and Hannah Friedler, as well as our Treasurer, Cathy Laughlan, for their diligence and dedication to their WN work.

All these women are the backbone of the Women's Network but we are especially strengthened by the support of our membership, and especially our Officers and Board of Directors whose guidance and commitment are greatly valued.

We would be remiss if we did not thank, with abundant gratitude, our clergy Rabbi Sara Rich, Cantor Mark Spindler, and Cantorial Soloist Zahava Fried for their gracious participation, leadership and wisdom.

Thanks also to Kim Jones, Cat Kwiatkowski and Terri Hern in the office and Pat and Joey Farrel for all their patience and assistance, which is too numerous to list. It takes a village, and we're glad you're in ours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Myra Werbow & Sharon Jacobs

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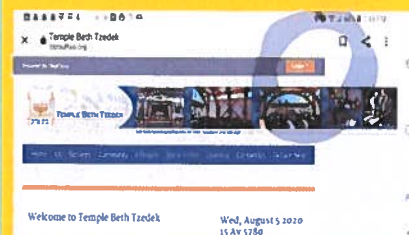


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June Calendar

(Subject to change)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 5 Sivan 2 PM Shavuot Sundaes Spectacular 8:30 PM Tikkun Leil Shavuot Services start Tikkun Leil	2 6 Sivan Shavuot	3 7 Sivan Office Closed Shavuot	4 8 Sivan	5 9 Sivan 4 PM Chaverim	6 10 Sivan	7 11 Sivan Pride Shabbat 10:30 AM Junior Congregation
8 12 Sivan	9 13 Sivan	10 14 Sivan 1 PM Women's Network Meeting	11 15 Sivan 7:30 PM Membership	12 16 Sivan 7 PM Keshet	13 17 Sivan	14 18 Sivan
15 19 Sivan	16 20 Sivan 7 PM Officers	17 21 Sivan 7 PM Keshet on Zoom	18 22 Sivan 7 PM Finance	19 23 Sivan 7:30 PM Adult Ed	20 24 Sivan	21 25 Sivan Summer Sendoff Shabbat 10:30 PM Tot Shabbat
22 26 Sivan 3 PM Family Fun Day at Camp Centerland	23 27 Sivan	24 28 Sivan	25 29 Sivan 7:30 PM House	26 30 Sivan 6:45 PM Women's Network Closing Dinner 8 PM Youth Ed	27 1 Tammuz	28 2 Tammuz
29 3 Tammuz	30 4 Tammuz					