



TIDINGS OF ZION



Elul 5775/Tishri 5776

MT. ZION CONGREGATION, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

September 2015



from the Congregation President...

First order of business is to welcome our new student Rabbi, Sam Kaye. We, as a congregation, are blessed again to have secured another student Rabbi while many other congregations have not been so lucky. Our continued thanks to Peter Schotten whose hard work and on-going relationship with the Rabbinical school has resulted in our congregation being one of the “chosen ones”.

Now, why did I take on the position of president for a second time? Because at the time I said yes – **I could!** No one could truly step into Bernice’s shoes for all she has done for us these last three years but I could try. The job of president is like that of a parent – and since all of us are, have been, or were raised by one – we all know what is involved. Guidance and education all couched in love and respect. What more can a parent give to their child or a child share with their parent! Don’t get me wrong, I don’t think of our congregation as a bunch of kids. Rather, I see the role of the president as not only a leader, but as a guider who looks to others for their input for the right next steps.

When I said yes to being president – **I could.** But, as it happens with families, things change. The ebb and flow of everyone’s life is a constant. So the ebb (Steve’s retirement) and flow (Florida snowbird) for me has happened. It took a great deal of time to wrap my head around these two events but once I did, I spoke with our nominating committee chair, Mark Oppenheimer, and the treasurer Matilda Oppenheimer. We tried to find another member that **could be the guider.** Not an easy position to fill but with guidance from the annual meeting members - a solution was found. So a heartfelt thank you to all participated in helping our congregation take the next right steps and to Mark for agreeing to Vice President/Guider because **he could.**

It is these types of acts and people that make me love this congregation so much. Finding a collective way to take our steps forward. L’chaim!

*Royce Hansman
Mt. Zion Congregation President*



from Student Rabbi Kaye...

Fivel of Chelm had a burning desire to visit the big city of Krakow. Everyone told him the same things about Krakow, the food is better, the women are prettier, the children kinder, and the shul is closer to God. So one day Fivel kissed his wife and children goodbye, grabbed his best pair of boots, a loaf of bread, a jar of pickled herring, and set out on the road.

After a few hours of walking, Fivel became hungry, sat down by the side of the road and ate a heavy meal. After eating he lay down beneath a shady tree, by the side of the road, to take a small schluff. But Fivel, being a wise man of Chelm, realized that he might get confused upon awaking and head the wrong way on his journey. So he took his boots off, pointed them towards Krakow, put them in the center of the road and drifted off.

As he slept, a kind stranger approached and saw a pair of boots in the middle of the road. He moved them next to the sleeping Fivel, accidentally pointing them back towards Chelm. As Fivel awoke, he failed to notice anything different and began his journey onwards. After a few hours he arrived in “Krakow”.

“This isn’t so much bigger...,” he thought to himself. “In fact Krakow, looks almost exactly like Chelm!” As he wandered the narrow streets people greeted him. “How odd,” thought Fivel “the people of Krakow must have a Fivel too. A Fivel that looks like me!” Their synagogue was no grander, the rabbi was no wiser, and the the small restaurant served exactly the same food. As he wandered the city of “Krakow” he approached a street, which looked exactly the same as the street Fivel lived on in Chelm. And to his surprise, on this street was a house that looked exactly like his own house! As he marvelled at the coincidence, children who looked just like his children ran up to him shouting “Abba!” A woman who looked just like his own wife greeted him at the door. Fivel figured it all out: “The Fivel of Krakow must have gone on a journey... I’ll just stay here in Krakow until he gets back.”

And he never left home again.

I think of this story whenever I come to a new place. Especially now, because I, like Fivel, hope to be finding myself at home in a place I’ve never been before.

My name is Sam Kaye, and I am very honored to be your Student Rabbi this year. I was born and raised in Denver, Colorado and attended Allegheny College where I studied History and Religion. I’ve lived in New York City, Chicago, and Jerusalem. I like board games, Wes Anderson movies, and Torah. I like the cold more than the heat, the mountains more than the ocean, and apple juice more than orange.

Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik taught: “The minute we step out the front door, we are already heading home.”

I look forward to a wonderful year with you all. A year of learning, of teaching, and of study. A year of prayer, love and joy. A year of peace, of home and homecomings.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

- 4 Service at 7:30 pm
- 11 Service at 7:30 pm
- 13 Erev Rosh Hashanah Service at 7:30 pm
- 14 Rosh Hashanah Services begin at 10 am
Tashlich at Rotary-Norlin Park at 4 pm
- 18 Service at 7:30 pm; Shabbat Shuvah
- 20 Cemetery Services at 1 pm
- 22 Kol Nidre Service at 7:30 pm
- 23 Yom Kippur Services begin at 10 am
- 25 Sukkot Service at 7:30 pm

OCTOBER CALENDAR

- 25 Simchat Torah Service at 7:30 pm
Potluck Shabbat Dinner at 6:00 pm

Attention Mt. Zion Congregation Members,

There are just a few of us who conduct services when there is no Student Rabbi present. This is a wonderful opportunity to keep our community vibrant and active, and we would welcome others to participate in this commitment to our Congregation. If you know of someone who has the ability to conduct services, encourage them. If YOU are able and willing to share the honor of leading services in English or using Hebrew, please contact me at davidaronson@iw.net or 605-957-5223. I would be glad to help anyone who is willing to step up to this responsibility. We take great pride in our ability to provide for our own needs. Please contact me. Thank you all in advance for participating in this way.

David Aronson, Ritual Coordinator

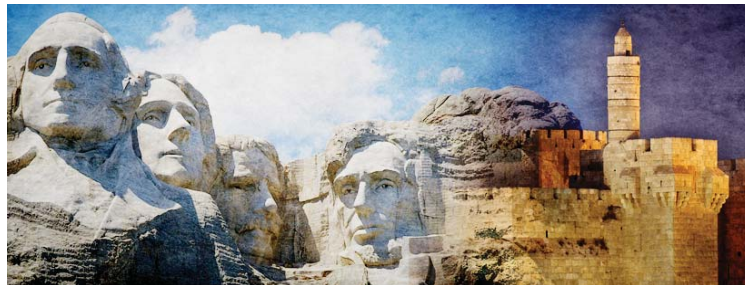
SYMPATHY WISHES

To the family of Bill Pitts

*William L. (Bill) Pitts died on Sunday, July 19, 2015.
The congregation extends the most heartfelt sympathy
for the family's loss. Zichrona l'vracha.
May his memory be for blessing.*

To Sara and Daniel Crosby & family

*Sara Crosby's mother, Helen Herrnstadt, died on July 9,
2015. The congregation extends the most heartfelt sym-
pathy for your family's loss. Zichrona l'vracha.
May her memory be for blessing.*



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO VOLUNTEER FOR THIS WEEKEND!

South Dakotans for Israel at LifeLight

We are looking for members of our community to help us at our booth at LifeLight. Probably strange that a group of Jews would have a booth at a Christian Music Festival. Many Christians have a strong attachment to the Jewish state and we are hoping to identify people who will work to strengthen America's bond with Israel. Please email or call Stephen Rosenthal if you would like to know more about this intriguing opportunity. Email: rosenthal.stephen@gmail.com or phone: 605.376.5189. The board of directors of Mount Zion has given its support of this project. We hope that you will give it yours.

TODAH RABBAH

To All our Friends at Mount Zion Congregation,

Thank you all for your kind note via Uniongram to the family following the passing of our beloved mother, Despina. We miss her dearly and are comforted by your words and friendship at this very difficult time.

Karen, David, and Bob
and the rest of the Family Brandwein

Remember birthdays, anniversaries, yahrzeits, memorials.

**Please send your
donations to:**

**Mt. Zion Temple
PO Box 756**

Sioux Falls, SD 57101

Join Us at the Table!

Our potluck dinners have been a HUGE success. Everyone who comes says they are great and it's really wonderful to get together and share a Shabbat meal. **The next Shabbat potluck dinner is October 2nd at 6:00 pm.** We hope to see even more of our community there. Just bring a dish and join us.



This dinner is open to all families of the congregation. This dinner will occur every first Friday of the month whether the Student Rabbi is in town or not.

The dinner will conclude before services. Attendees are not required to go to services following the dinner but are certainly welcome to do so. Please put this on your calendar and join us.

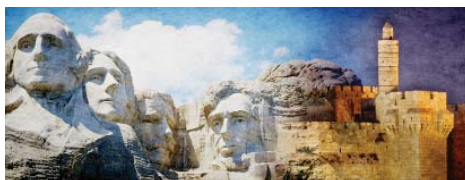
For more information, contact Stephen Rosenthal at rosenthal.stephen@gmail.com or call 376-5189.



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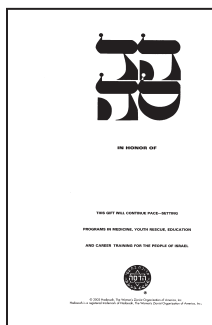
To purchase a tree, contact **MARGO OLSON** at 371-2020 or email her at molson1226@hotmail.com



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GENERAL FUND

To Mount Zion Congregation from Faith Family Church

To Mount Zion Congregation from Lorna Gallanter; Marvin Bailin; Bernice & Peter Schotten; Margo & George Olson; Stephanie & Daniel Wood; Marty Davidsohn; Fern Weiss (mother of Debby Hubble); Royce & Steve Hansman; Helen & Lewis Ofstein

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In honor of Sandy Radin as she celebrates a special birthday from Matilda & Mark Oppenheimer

Mazel Tov on your marriage to Jen & Chris Dreiske from Mark & Matilda Oppenheimer

In memory of Despina (Debbie) Brandwein from Mark & Matilda Oppenheimer

In memory of Linda A. Abrahamson from Shelly & Jay Rosenberg

In loving memory of Ella-Keen (Keenie) Goldsmith from Ron Goldsmith

In memory of David L. Aronson, Jr with sympathy to David and Marilyn Aronson from Shelly & Jay Rosenberg; Bernice & Peter Schotten; Roz & Fred Bryner; Matilda & Mark Oppenheimer

With sympathy to the Aronson Family for the loss of David's granddaughter Emma Maddy Aronson from Shelly & Jay Rosenberg; Mark & Matilda Oppenheimer; Roz & Fred Bryner; Bernice & Peter Schotten

With sympathy to the Crosby Family for the loss of Sara's mother Helen Herrnstadt from Marilyn & David Aronson; Bernice & Peter Schotten; Helen & Lewis Ofstein; Mark & Matilda Oppenheimer

YAHREZITS

In memory of Paulette Robitske Oakes from Rosie & Mike Mace

SISTERHOOD/WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM (WRJ)

To Sisterhood from Freda Hosen; Royce Hansman; Dawn Gutnik



TIDINGS DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 10th

Remember to submit articles
appropriate for the October *Tidings*.

To submit articles, you may email them to:

carol@theprintersinc.com

OR mail them to:

510 S. 1st Ave.

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Hosts for Student Rabbi Sam Kaye's Friday and Saturday meals are needed.

Please contact Marty Davidsohn at
martydavidsohn@gmail.com or 254-8434
and get your favorite date.

Visiting Groups to the Temple

Our congregation is served by a Student Rabbi who is available a limited number of weekends from September through May. We encourage your scheduling your Friday evening worship services visit only when the Student Rabbi is in residence. For Friday evening visits and/or in cases where other scheduling arrangements are needed, please call or e-mail the President of the congregation who will assist you with scheduling.

MAZEL TOV!

Mazel Tov to Miriam and Joel Greene

who welcome their

youngest great-granddaughter,

Rowan, on June 3, 2015!

RITUAL NOTES

Friday night Shabbat Service leaders:

Sept. 4 – David Aronson
Sept. 11 – David Aronson
Sept. 18 – Student Rabbi Sam Kaye
Sept. 25 – Matilda Oppenheimer
Oct. 2 – Student Rabbi Sam Kaye
Oct. 9 – Lorna Gallanter
Oct. 16 – Bernice Schotten
Oct. 23 – David Aronson
Oct. 30 – Student Rabbi Sam Kaye
Nov. 6 – Jan Forstein
Nov. 13 – Student Rabbi Sam Kaye
Nov. 20 – Murray Haar
Nov. 27 – Matilda Oppenheimer
Dec. 4 – Student Rabbi Sam Kaye
Dec. 11 – David Aronson
Dec. 18 – Student Rabbi Sam Kaye
Dec. 25 – NO SERVICE

Following are members of the Ritual Committee who will be responsible for the Friday night services in the following months:

September – David Aronson
October – Lorna Gallanter
November – David Aronson
December – David Aronson
January – David Aronson
February – Margo Olson
March – David Aronson
April – Margo Olson
May – David Aronson

STUDENT RABBI SAM KAYE'S SCHEDULE 2015

Rosh Hashanah: September 13 - 14

September 18

Yom Kippur: September 22 - 23

October 2 - 4

October 30- November 1

November 13 - 15

December 4 - 6

December 18 - 20



Potluck Dinner

Friday, October 2, 2015
6:00 pm

Bring a dish to share!

Join us for Shabbat Services at 7:30 pm if you'd like!

Mark Your Calendar: First Friday of every month

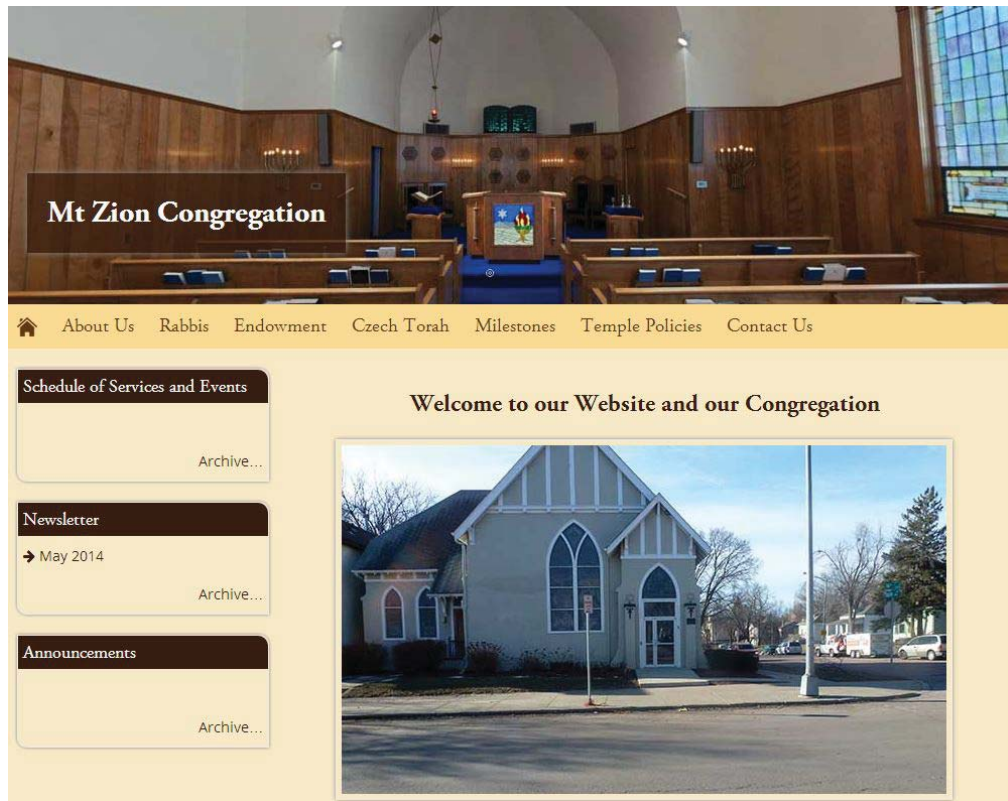
Questions? mtzioncongregation@gmail.com

Save these dates: November 6th and December 4th

The Temple is on Facebook and has a website!



Check it out and
“Like” us today!!



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px auto; width: fit-content;"> A reminder that proper attire should be worn when participating in services at Mt. Zion Temple. Your cooperation with this matter is greatly appreciated. </div>		1	2 Joyce Maggied Bday	3	4 (Elul 21) 7:39 pm Potluck Dinner - CANCELLED 7:30 pm Shabbat Service Torah: Ki Tavo Deut 26:1-29:8 Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1-22	5 10 am Torah Study Lenae Schwartz Bday
6 Lenae & Stephen Schwartz Anniv	7 Steve Hicks Bday	8 Adam Spektor, Ben Spektor, Coby Spektor Bdays	9	10 TIDINGS DEADLINE	11 (Elul 28) 7:27 pm 7:30 pm Shabbat Service Torah: Nitzavim Deut 29:9-30:20 Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10-63:9	12 10 am Torah Study
13 7:23 pm Erev Rosh Hashanah 7:30 pm Followed by Congregation Oneg in Social Hall (Contact Sara Crosby to help/donate)	14 Rosh Hashanah Service 10 am Tashlich 4 pm Roraty-Norlin Park (26 & SE)	15 Joel Greene Bday	16 Jodie Forstein, Benjamin Jacobs Bdays	17	18 (Tishri 6) 7:23 pm 7:30 pm Shabbat Shuva Service Student Rabbi Sam Kaye Torah: Vayeilech Deut 31:1-30 Haftarah: Hosea 14:2-10; Micah 7:18-20; Joel 2:15-27 Fred Bryner Bday	19 10 am Torah Study
20 Cemetery Services 1pm Mt. Zion Cemetery (E 12 St) Sons of Israel Cemetery immediately following	21	22 7:06 pm Kol Nidre Service 7:30 pm Jan Forstein Bday	23 Yom Kippur Services 10 am Afternoon 2 pm Yizkor 4 pm Concluding 5 pm	24 Stephen Rosenthal Bday	25 (Tishri 13) 7:01 pm 7:30 pm Succot/Shabbat Service Torah: Haazinu Deut 32:1-52 Haftarah: II Samuel 22:1-51	26 10 am Torah Study
27	28	29	30	Oct. 1	2 (Tishri 20) 6:48 pm 6:00 pm Potluck Dinner 7:30 pm Simchat Torah/Shabbat Service Student Rabbi Sam Kaye Torah: Exod 33:12-34:26 Haftarah: Ezekiel 38:18-39:7	3 10 am Torah Study Mel & Mary Magidson Anniv



Yahrzeits

All Yahrzeits that are observed Sunday through Saturday are read the Friday of that same week. If a Yahrzeit is not listed or you need information concerning Yahrzeits, please call Jan Forstein at 332-3354. A Yahrzeit card and envelope will be sent to you to notify you of upcoming Yahrzeits. (If you do not receive your notification, please contact Jan.) Also included with the notification card is a donor envelope if you wish to make a donation to the Temple in memory of your loved one.

September 4th

Lina Mandelbaum
Alexander George Koplou
Joseph Breslow
Lena Eirinberg

October 2nd

Fannye Radin
Bessie Kaufman
Gitta Greestein
Harlan Hiatt
Ludwig "Lou" Wolf

September 11th

Lee Altman
Judee Epstein
Isadore D. Eirinberg
Jerry Wagner

September 18th

Aaron Magasiner
Fred Harris
Samuel Brown
Paul Gallanter
Eli Hosen
Samuel Sigelman
Ruth Goldstein
Henrietta Kopel

September 25th

Bertl Schotten
Harry Pitts
Bernard Haar
Allan "Sonny" Radin
Richard "Dick" Lewin
Leopold Rosenstein



HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE



ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES

Evening Service, Sunday, September 13th, 7:30 p.m.
Community Oneg in the Temple Social Hall following Services

Morning Service, Monday, September 14th, 10:00 a.m.

Tashlich Service, Monday, September 14th,

Rotary-Norlin Park (26th & Southeastern), 4:00 p.m.

A Tashlich service is held on the shore of a free flowing body of water and is a symbolic ceremony where we toss bread into the river, stream, etc.. as if we were casting off our sins for the previous year.

It is a very informal ceremony and is often a highlight of the high holidays for children and families.

SHABBAT SHUVAH SERVICE

Friday, September 18th, 7:30 p.m.

CEMETERY SERVICES

Sunday, September 20th:

1:00 p.m. at Mt. Zion Cemetery (E. 12th St.)

Immediately following at Sons of Israel Cemetery (E. 12th St.)

YOM KIPPUR SERVICES

Kol Nidre, Tuesday, September 22nd, 7:30 p.m.

Yom Kippur Day Services, Wednesday, September 23rd:

Morning Service, 10:00 a.m.

Afternoon Service, 2:00 p.m.

Yizkor Memorial Service, 4:00 p.m.

Concluding Service, 5:00 p.m.

SUCCOT

Succot Service: Friday, September 25th, 7:30 p.m.

SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICE

Friday, October 2nd, 7:30 p.m.

(following Potluck Shabbat Dinner at 6 pm)



NOTE: There will not be babysitters provided this year, however, there will be a space available for parents to take their children and attend to them if they wish.