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Temple Beth Emet of Burbank

"The Temple With A Heart"

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SPREAD THE WORD, HELP GROW OUR TEMPLE FAMILY!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26 - 7:00 - 9:00PM

AND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 - 10:30 AM - 2:00 PM

SATURDAY'S OPEN HOUSE WILL COINCIDE WITH OUR

SATURDAY SHABBAT SERVICE

(NO SERVICES FRIDAY, AUGUST 28)

BAGEL BRUNCH TO FOLLOW!

SHABBAT SERVICES

FRIDAYS AT 7:00 PM EXCEPT LAST WEEKEND OF
THE MONTH, THEN SATURDAY AT 10:30 AM

On Zoom and streaming on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMGJ-6nbjGVT157iUgKFBqQ>

Zoom Meeting ID 954 3781 4440

Password: 773288

NEXT TEMPLE BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, September 1, 2026 - 7:00 PM

(Please note—The Board will now formally
meet every other month.)

HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES:

SELICHOT AT SHABBAT SERVICES

Friday, September 4, 2026 - 7:00 PM

ROSH HASHANAH

Friday, September 11, 2026 - 8PM

Saturday, September 12, 2026 - 10:30AM

YOM KIPPUR

Sunday, September 20, 2026 - 8PM

Monday, September 21, 2026 - 10:30AM



HOLLYWOOD BOWL TICKETS ARE HERE!

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SPECIAL APPEAL TO FUND A NEW HEATING/AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM FOR OUR SANCTUARY!

*This is a big expense and we need the
assistance of the entire Temple community*

(You can use Venmo and PayPal to help!)



Temple Beth Emet of Burbank
Sisterhood

LET'S GET COOKING!

THE SISTERHOOD IS CREATING A NEW
TEMPLE BETH EMET COOKBOOK FOR A
FUNDRAISER!

WE NEED YOUR RECIPES!

You can email recipes to office@templebethemet.com
or Jenalyne27@gmail.com.

Please include your full name, the
recipe, a picture of yourself, and
small blurb about the recipe, like
where it originated from, why they
enjoy it, etc.



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Religious Leadership

Rabbi Janet Bieber
Music and Choir Director,
Robyn Kreisberg

Rabbi Emeritus William M. Kramer Z"L*
*His memory will always be a blessing to us.

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Diane Lewis-Goldstein

Temple Beth Emet Office Hours

Monday - Thursday - 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Friday, Saturday & Sunday - closed

The office is closed in observance of the following holidays:

*New Year's Day, President's Day,
First day of Pesach, Memorial Day,
Independence Day, Rosh Hashanah,
Yom Kippur, Thanksgiving*

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Your message will be forwarded to the
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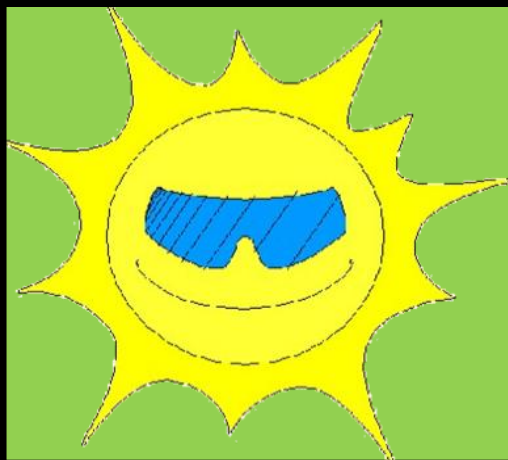
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Submissions will be published based
on space available, relevant content,
and at the discretion of the Editor,
Temple Officers and Directors.**

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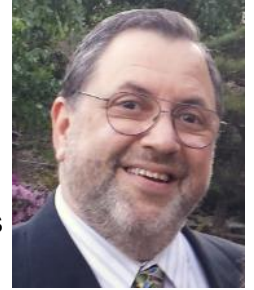
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - August 2026

Rabbi Bieber has had us ask, "Ribono Shel Olam, Ruler of all that is good in our world, what has happened to the ones who are making decisions in our country? What has changed their minds to create more pain, hunger, hurt and anger among us, the citizens of our great and noble country?"

It seems that our elected officials have something other than the lives of those of us who elected them as a priority. It also seems that what they are practicing is more gamesmanship than statesmanship.



Heather Delaney Reese, in her blog *It's a Lovely Life* says she has come to realize that:

(I)t was never about country. It was always about proximity to power and money. That is why they entered politics. They didn't do it to serve or to build something that outlasts them. They came to Washington for access and proximity to power and money. They care more about having influence than they do about upholding their oath to support and defend the Constitution.

(W)e have lost the foundational idea that public service means putting something larger than yourself ahead of your own comfort.

For 250 years, that principle existed. Not perfectly, but enough to carry us through all sorts of tragedies, threats, scandals, and crises we would not have been able to survive if not for competent and dedicated public servants. Yet these days, far too many of the people entrusted with protecting our democratic standards seem to have forgotten why they are there in the first place. They are supposed to serve the country, protect its institutions, and leave them stronger for the people who come after them. These people do not make decisions for the better of their fellow human beings or the longevity of this country. They are short-sighted, and only think of themselves and their immediate needs.

The other thing I am seeing is a large gap in perception. There are still decent and thoughtful people who consider themselves apolitical. They either sat out the last election or held their noses and voted, then moved on....they think we are still playing the same game we were playing (before). We are not.

So what do we do between now and then? We get involved like our country depends on it. Because it does.

Recently, on MS NOW's Rachel Maddow show, Reverend Dr. Earle J. Fisher, a Memphis activist and pastor of Abyssinian Baptist Church, urged a course of action.

Sometimes it means sending your people this way (to where local races need volunteers), sometimes it means sending money, sometimes it means raising your voice. Everybody can make a phone call, everybody can send a text message or share a social media post. The more light that we shine on the darkness, the better our opportunity come November.

The November elections are less than 3 months away. Make your plans now. Take the action you can. Make sure you are registered to vote, and actually vote. It is our obligation as citizens to hold our elected officials to account for the things that they do, and the things they do not do. It is our obligation as Jews to repair what is broken in the world -- Tikkun Olam.

-- IRA L GOLDSTEIN, President



The new Board gets sworn in



Felicia and Vincent on curtain duty



(L) Eileen doesn't really like to have her picture taken.
(R) See what we mean?



Robyn at the keys at Shabbat



Barbara blessing candles



Bambi sitting pretty



Vickie won an award for *Binky's Revenge!*



A very special Saturday Shabbat service with Rabbi's family out in force!



Big crowd on a Saturday morning!



Margaret blessing candles



Ernesto came from work



Temple Beth Emet of Burbank
sisterhood



The Temple Beth Emet Sisterhood focus on serving the Temple and the community. Membership in Sisterhood means making a commitment to living Jewish. By being a member, you become an active link in the history of our people. You serve as a role model for Jewish values. Each member blossoms in their own individual way as they experience the camaraderie of Sisterhood and share in service to the Jewish community.

From the Sisterhood Treasurer, Eileen Martin:

The Sisterhood met on July 19th and we are planning for the future. The Sisterhood is planning first to meet in October and go thorough some of the classrooms and cleaning them out and seeing what can be donated to thrift shops. We are also planning on a Boutique/Bake Sale on November 18th.

The Sisterhood is also compiling recipes for a booklet we will be selling. We are asking everyone to send their recipes with a photo and some background about how you came by the recipe to Jennifer Levine who has graciously volunteered to put the book together. Lastly, we discussed preparing for HALA which went off very well the following week. After the meeting we adjourned to the Fish Grill and had a fun lunch.



MEMBER CHAI LIGHTS

August Birthdays

Ralph Garland

August 14

August Anniversaries

Ira Goldstein & Diane Lewis-Goldstein

August 2

William & Isabel Frischman

August 12

Marva & Peter Felchlin

August 15

Neil & Vicki Margolin

August 17

Tracy Martin and Paul Hartel

August 23

Rabbi Janet Bieber and Vickie Sampson

August 24

HOLLYWOOD BOWL 2026

Forever Summer

TEMPLE BETH EMET SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

For tickets, call the office at (818) 843-4787

No charge for tickets, donation requested.

*Take the Bowl Shuttle or Park and Ride for a stress-free trip to and from the Bowl.
Bring a picnic dinner and maybe a bottle of wine (or two) for a wonderful evening with friends.*

Wednesday, July 8 8:00 PM	Wilkins Conducts Bernstein & Ellington Scenes of women's suffrage, tender lullabies, and vibrant city streets make up this American mosaic. Various works, including: BERNSTEIN — <i>Three Dance Episodes from On the Town</i> ELLINGTON — <i>Harlem</i> Los Angeles Philharmonic, Thomas Wilkins, Conductor
Tuesday, August 4 8:00 PM	Mendelssohn & Haydn MENDELSSOHN — <i>Violin Concerto</i> HAYDN — <i>Symphony No. 104, "London"</i> Los Angeles Philharmonic, Louis Langrée, Conductor Marc Bouchkov, Violin
Thursday, August 27 8:00 PM	Rachmaninoff & Adams John ADAMS — <i>Short Ride in a Fast Machine</i> RACHMANINOFF — <i>Piano Concerto No. 2, Symphonic Dances, Op. 45</i> Los Angeles Philharmonic, Gemma New, Conductor Jeneba Kanneh-Mason, Piano
Tuesday, September 8 8:00 PM	Los Angeles Ballet at the Bowl REVUELTAS — <i>Janitzio</i> , GERSHWIN — <i>Who Cares?</i> COPLAND — <i>Four Dance Episodes from Rodeo</i> , MONCAYO — <i>Huapango</i> Gabriela ORTIZ — <i>Kauyumari</i> Los Angeles Philharmonic, Carlos Miguel Prieto, Conductor Los Angeles Ballet

PLEASE NOTE: TICKETS ARE EVEN MORE LIMITED THIS YEAR!

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(323) 850-2000 / (323) 850-2040 (TDD)*



AUGUST YAHRZEITS

NAME	REMEMBERED BY	DATE	NAME	REMEMBERED BY	DATE
At Temple August 7, 2026					
Amelia Ascherman	Laurel Cline	July 31	At Temple August 14, 2026 (Continued)		
Nathan Schwartz	Felice Levin	August 1	Moss Feldman	Pamela Franklin	August 15
Moshe Jerzy	Rueven Jerzy	August 2	At Temple August 21, 2026		
Shirley Ann Martin	Tracy Martin	August 2			
Gail Arnold	Linda & Jack Krantz	August 5	Margot Zimmerman	Jack & Linda Krantz	August 18
Joseph Robert Bayer	Jodessa Bayer	August 6	Sandra Ditter	Ilene & Jeff Oseas	August 21
At Temple August 14, 2026			Charles Manners	Susie Manners	August 22
Lionel Wolfson	Philip Wolfson	August 10	At Temple August 29, 2026 (Saturday Service)		
Brenda Latimore	Theida Salazar	August 10	Louis Paskin	Diane Linger	August 26
Irving Golper	Peter Golper	August 11	Nathan Kaden	Frances Kaden	August 29



DONATIONS

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Peter Golper in memory of Irving Golper

Felice Levine in memory of Nathan Schwartz

Lisa Gilman-Schanzer in memory of William Schanzer and Esther Fishman

Naomi Aronoff in honor of twin granddaughters

Eileen Martin in memory of Felice McDaniel

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Planned Giving is a wonderful and loving way to ensure the legacy of Temple Beth Emet of Burbank and future generations. Planned Giving can be as simple as a bequest or a more complex financial arrangement which can provide many options and possible tax deductions for the donor.

Speak with your legal and financial advisors as to the best way to structure your wills and estate planning to include the Temple in your current and future plans.

Information on Planned Giving can also be found on our website at:

<http://www.templebethemet.com/social-action/donations/>

**AUGUST 2026****AV/ELUL 5785**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	3	4	5 7:00 PM—Hebrew Reading and Jewish Literacy Class	6	7 7:00 PM Shabbat Services	1
9	10	11	12 7:00 PM—Hebrew Reading and Jewish Literacy Class	13	14 7:00 PM Shabbat Services	15
16	17	18	19 7:00 PM—Hebrew Reading and Jewish Literacy Class	20	21 7:00 PM Shabbat Services	22
23	24	25	26 7:00 PM—Hebrew Reading and Jewish Literacy Class Open House 7-9 PM OPEN HOUSE	27	28	29 10:30 AM Shabbat Services Open House 10:30 AM—2:00 PM OPEN HOUSE
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Coming in September Shabbat Services - Friday at 7:00 PM, - Tuesday, September 1- Temple Board Meeting
Friday, September 4 - Selichot at Shabbat Services - Friday, September 1 - 8:00 PM - Rosh Hashanah Evening Service
Saturday, September 12 - 10:30 AM - Rosh Hashanah Morning Service, Sunday, September 20 - Yom Kippur Eve (Kol Nidre)
Monday, September 21 - Yom Kippur Morning Services - 10:30 AM, Afternoon Services - 2:30 PM



*Purchasing a leaf on the **June Beck Tree of Life** in our Temple foyer is a wonderful way to give thanks when celebrating the birth of a child or grandchild, a milestone birthday or anniversary, a wedding, Bar or Bat Mitzvah, Confirmation, or any other simcha!*

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