

Temple Israel – Charleston, W.Va. – Shabbat service March 24, 2023

Shabbat Shalom!

Our Shabbat service for Friday, March 24th 2023 took place as scheduled.

Alan Fleischmann served as our tech guru.

Betty Stern offered the blessing for lighting candles.

Gayle Twigger-Shaw read the announcements for us this evening.

David Stern and Bob Morris were here tonight, enhancing our service with music.

Thank you so much!

The board voted that the building will be open for both in-person and online attendance at worship services, and also for other meetings as announced. Refreshments are again being served.

The board also voted to return to the policy suggesting masking (optional) in the building, and asked those attending to be respectful of other's desires regarding social distancing. They do require that you be fully vaccinated to the current recommended standard, and please be considerate and stay at home if you are having any symptoms or are not feeling well.

In person or online, if you want to have a role in our services, please be in touch with Ronni Spudich about lighting candles, Betty Stern about an Aliyah, or me about serving as a Gabbai or leading any part of the service.

The service was livestreamed to the Temple Facebook page: if it worked you should be able to view the Zoom recorded service on that page – Scroll down to find the service recording posted on the Temple page here:

<https://www.facebook.com/2550469431660054/>.

You can also download the Zoom audio recording here:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kKlbRsnK37dhLnBBajB_11_aLioVOBuT/view?usp=share link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kKlbRsnK37dhLnBBajB_11_aLioVOBuT/view?usp=share_link)

Apologies - apparently there was a problem with the system again tonight. It was not that anyone unmuted, but someone shared their screen, it seems,

and that threw the system into a tizzy! We will explore how to prevent that in future so it cannot happen again.

As always, I love to hear from you. If you want to chat for a few minutes, please let me know - we have many options available: on the phone, in a zoom meeting, by text or email, possibly even in person - whatever works best for you. You can just let me know when you want to talk and we can arrange a time, or tell me when you are free and I can get in touch with you. Please remember: I can't read minds, so if you don't tell me you want to talk, I won't know. And similarly, if you don't let me know that you want a visit or call, I also will not know to arrange it with you.

I will send the SUNDAY REMINDER LINKS EMAIL on Sunday for the period of Sunday-Friday of the coming week.

I will send a THURSDAY REMINDER LINKS EMAIL on Thursday for the period of Friday-Monday of the coming weekend.

If someone wishes to be added to our email list, we can arrange that – just ask them to let me know directly (by email or text), so we are sure not to ‘spam’ anyone.

Wishing you a Shabbat Shalom, and a Shavuah tov!

May you have a good week – filled with blessings and joys!

Stay safe and well!

Joe

Rabbi Joe Blair