



## Our Special Shabbat Offerings in May

Temple Israel offers you many Shabbat programs to explore your spiritual side, to study and to connect with one another. *Visitors are welcome.*

### Java -N- Jeans\* – Saturday, May 2, 10:00am

This learner's service is a place to ask questions and learn about individual prayers. Followed by in depth Torah discussion.



### Educator Appreciation Shabbat – Sat., May 9, 9:30am

Join us to celebrate and honor Charlotte Jewish Educators. Delicious Kiddush Lunch to follow.

### Oneg Prior to Shabbat – Friday, May 15, 5:30pm

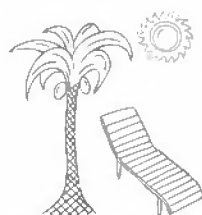
Join us for a celebratory oneg prior to Shabbat services as we honor the B'nai Mitzvah Class of 2015.

### Rock HaShabbat\* – Friday, May 15, 6:15pm

A multigenerational service set to contemporary rock music. Come sing along the 3rd Friday of every month!

### Kavanah with Yoga – Saturday, May 16, 9:30am

Now at the Levine JCC Aerobics Studio (FREE babysitting onsite!) This service combines the ancient practices of Jewish prayer and meditation to create space for reflection and growth.



### Family Shabbat: Kick-Off to Summer @ the J\*

Friday, May 29, 6:00pm at Camp Mindy

Join us at the LJCC for a special Kabbalat Shabbat service, led by Rabbi Murray Ezring & Miss Patty, followed by a light dinner. All ages welcome.

Register at the LJCC.

\*This service does not replace standard Shabbat services at Temple Israel.

## Children/Youth

### Torah Tots

Friday, May 8, 5:45pm (Lag B'omer Special)

Saturday, May 23, 10:00am

(Shavuot Ice Cream Party)

For toddlers and their families. We'll sing, dance, share stories and enjoy a Kiddush snack.



### Beyond B'nai Mitzvah

Saturday, May 2, 9:30am - 8th Grade students

Saturday, May 9, 9:30am - 9th Grade students

Join post-B'nai Mitzvah kids as they help lead Shabbat services.

### Baccalaureate Recognition

Saturday, May 30, 9:30am

Join us as we honor our High School seniors during Shabbat services.

## TI Youth Groups

### End-Of-Year Banquet & Festivities

Sunday, May 3, 6:00pm (Temple Israel)

"Dress-to-Impress" and join your friends as TI Youth Groups (Mahar, Bonim & Geshar) gather for dinner, games & a special celebration!

## Torah on Tap

### BBQ & Bonfire for Young Professionals – Saturday, May 9, 7:30pm

Join us for a fun evening of music, backyard games, a delicious BBQ, and a bonfire! Cost: \$10 (includes all food) BYOB. RSVP to Ariel DiDonato, [adidonato@templeisraelnc.org](mailto:adidonato@templeisraelnc.org) to receive the location info.



## Yom Yerushalayim Picnic

Sunday, May 17

12:15pm at Temple Israel

Please join us for a Taste of Jerusalem as we celebrate Yom Yerushalayim!



There will be a delicious selection of Israeli food (Falafel, Hummus/Pita, Latkes, Rugelach) plus games, live music from The Ruach, face painting, a magician and more! Food prices range from \$2-\$8. For more information, please visit the Temple Israel website.



Happy SHAVUOT  
**Celebrate  
SHAVUOT  
TOGETHER**  
Saturday, May 23

Join us as we celebrate **Confirmation & Shavuot** with services & dinner. After dinner, we'll head over to the LJCC for a **Community Tikkun Leil Shavuot** study session.

6:15pm Services

7:15pm Confirmation Dinner\*

8:00pm Panel Discussion @ LJCC

Featuring Rabbi Murray Ezring, Rabbi Judy Schindler & Rabbi

Barbara Thiede (UNC Charlotte)

9:00pm Breakout Discussion Groups

11:00pm Ice Cream Dessert

\*Dinner reservations online at [templeisraelnc.org](http://templeisraelnc.org)

## Sisterhood

### Annual Closing Brunch – Sunday, May 31, 10:30am

Rabbi Ezring will lead us in a discussion of Conversion and Keruv in the Conservative Movement, followed by a "HERstory panel discussion. Cost: \$10 pp. RSVP: Hilary Rosenbaum at [dhrose4@gmail.com](mailto:dhrose4@gmail.com) or 704-321-0625 by May 26.

## Social Club

### Mystery Bus Ride – Thursday, May 7, bus departs from Temple, 8:30am

Please arrive at 8:15am. Return @ 5pm. Not a lot of walking, but lots of fun! Snacks, water and ride included. Members: \$40 pp; non-members: \$45 pp Lunch costs not included. For more info, contact Ruth Goldberg, 704-366-8903 or Irving Bienstock at 704-542-0094. Deadline: April 28, space limited.

## Events for All

### Cantor & Friends in Temple Israel's Mindy Ellen Levine Chapel

Sunday, May 3, 4:00pm

Join Cantor Elias Roohvarg for the final concert in his series of monthly "musicales" (with accompaniment by Monty Bennett) for a delightful afternoon of music. This month's concert will feature "My Favorite Theatre Songs," with special guest, Cantor Mary Thomas of Temple Beth El.

### Temple Israel Blood Drive (with the American Red Cross)

Tuesday, May 19, 10:00am-3:00pm

To sign up, email Jessie at [jbrinsfield@templeisraelnc.org](mailto:jbrinsfield@templeisraelnc.org)

### Temple Israel Book Club: *The Assistant* by Bernard Malamud

Monday, June 1, 7:30pm

Written in 1957, this is a story of crime and punishment, love and redemption that is "startling and timeless." Malamud's second novel is "right in the line of one of the great streams of American fictional tradition."

## TEMPLE ISRAEL ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, May 17

10:30am at Temple Israel