

# Vassar Temple

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## Welcome to VASSAR 175

#### July begins our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary year-long celebration!

Numerous celebratory events are in the works to honor our historic congregation and all that it has meant to its members and the wider community since its founding in 1848. Watch for information about a concert, special Shabbat programming, a spring gala, a cemetery tour, and much more.

We need you—get involved! Do you have a suggestion for an activity, or interest in helping with a particular type of event? We're also looking for members who'd like to share personal stories about their own Vassar Temple history, to be included in the Bulletin over the course of the year. Please contact <u>vassar175@vassartemple.org</u>.

Happy Anniversary, Vassar Temple!



## FLEXIBLE FEAST!

## Summer Celebration

Reserve now – space is limited!

Don't miss out on our array of delicious and creative meals, hosted by members to benefit Vassar Temple! All are welcome—bring a friend! If you did not receive your invitation in the mail, please contact the office or <u>fundraising@vassartemple.org</u> for a copy.

#### From the Rabbi's Desk:



"Summer afternoon-to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language." I can relate to these words of Henry James. "Summer afternoon" conjures images of some of my favorite activities: hiking, reading on the beach, appreciating the late sunsets that extend the day. For those not involved in a summer-related business, summer generally slows us down, calls on us to literally or figuratively "stop

and smell the roses." As a rabbi, summer is my primary vacation time, an important opportunity to refresh and recharge.

Life at Vassar Temple is a bit slower in the summer, too—though as I write this column, plans are underway for this year's Flexible Feast, which I hope many of you will attend. Thanks in advance to our gracious hosts!

Shabbat is the focal point of most of our summer gatherings. I am indebted to the congregants who will lead Erev Shabbat services in my absence. Each brings their unique approach and something different to the worship experience. I hope you will support them with your participation.

On Friday, July 7, I will lead a style of worship that we haven't had in some time. I hope you will join me in the social hall for a more informal "service in the round," when, sitting in a circle (on our new comfortable chairs!) we can experience a stronger sense of community and connection. The service will be hybrid for those unable to join in person. As a reminder, we have the elevator for those challenged by the stairs.

I invite you to expand your Shabbat observance this summer to include Shabbat morning. Consider learning some Torah with a lovely group of people who engage in lively discussions each week at Torah study. Some participants have been coming for years, others are newcomers. We all bring ourselves to the text and that's what makes it so interesting. No prior knowledge is required. Just bring an open mind, we'll provide the discussion (if you join via Zoom and don't have a Torah commentary or Bible, you can borrow one – just contact the office).

Maybe you want to explore a Shabbat morning worship experience. Stay on after Torah study or just come for the service. We offer two different opportunities: a Shabbat morning service using *Mishkan Tefillah*, in an intimate, participatory setting; or "New Paths," using a different prayer book and a format that invites reflection on poems and readings based on liturgical themes in addition to the main prayers. During the year these services alternate weeks; over the summer the schedule is more sporadic so please check the weekly newsletter.

No commitment is asked; come and check it out. I can promise that you will be warmly welcomed. However you spend this summer, I hope you will find time for rest and refreshment.

I close with words from Alden Solovy as my prayer for us this summer:

#### For Summer

Heat and light, Day overtakes night, Warm air settles over the earth, The land vibrant with growth. Your creatures build and thrive. Mornings, alive with motion, As warmth surrenders to heat. Nights, bursting forth with wonder.

Bless this day, God of seasons, Bless the summer with energy and vitality, So that all of Your creatures Enter the coming seasons In the fullness of Your bounty. God of time and space, May this season be a blessing and a teacher. Make me like the land, Fertile with sustenance and beauty. Make me like the midnight sky, Sparkling with ancient gifts. Bless my days with service Any my evenings with rest. Make me like the summer dawn, Vibrant, awake, vital, and ready.





## President's Message:

You will notice in your recent Vassar Temple dues invoice for the 2023-2024 fiscal year an opportunity to contribute to ARZA. The following is taken directly from the ARZA website and clearly defines ARZA.

ARZA's Mission:

"ARZA STRENGTHENS AND ENRICHES THE JEWISH IDENTITY OF REFORM JEWS IN THE UNITED STATES BY ENSURING THAT A CONNECTION WITH THE LAND, PEOPLE, AND STATE OF ISRAEL ARE FUNDAMENTAL PARTS OF THAT IDENTITY."

ARZA, the Association of Reform Zionists of America, is the Zionist arm and voice of the Reform Movement, serving 1.8 million Reform Jews in North America. ARZA, operating under the umbrella of the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ), acts as the vehicle for the collective participation of American Reform Jews in the Israel engagement agenda with an emphasis on advocacy, travel, and Zionist education in North America. ARZA's mission is to make Israel fundamental to the sacred lives and Jewish identity of Reform Jews. ARZA unconditionally supports Israel and champions activities that further Israel as

a pluralistic, just, and democratic Jewish state. ARZA is also a proud member of ARZENU, the umbrella organization of Reform and Progressive Religious Zionists with constituent groups in fourteen countries. ARZA represents the American Reform Movement to the Israeli National Institutions – The World Zionist Organization, the Jewish National Fund, the Jewish Agency for Israel.

As Reform Jews, our tie to Israel is spiritual, emotional, intellectual and physical. It is both heartfelt and complex. Some of us feel this connection at different times and in different ways. Israel can feel so close and yet so far away. Religious, cultural and political strife certainly complicate and can jeopardize this connection.

The inclusion of the opportunity for a pledge/donation to ARZA along with our dues invoice has a long history. It reminds us of our connection and commitment to Israel. If Israel is in your periphery most of the time, this brings it to the forefront at least once a year. I ask that you consider checking the box. A donation of any amount is so appreciated and helps keep us connected in a meaningful way to Israel. For more information on ARZA, check out <u>www.arza.org</u>.

Thank you!

Lisa-Sue Quackenbush



#### Bimah Flowers for our Services ~ July & August 2023

Just as Shabbat Services help brighten our weeks, so do the Bimah flowers which brighten our Sanctuary. Please let the office know if you would like to sponsor our flower arrangements in honor of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one. Due to rising costs, sponsoring Bimah flowers will increase from \$55 to \$60 beginning with July sponsorships.

Should there be more than one sponsor for a Shabbat, a larger flower arrangement will be provided. Sponsored flowers are fresh floral arrangements.

#### July 2023 Bimah Flowers Sponsors:

July 7: Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)
July 14: Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)
July 21: Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)
July 28: Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)

#### August 2023 Bimah Flowers Sponsors:

August 4: Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)

- August 11: Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)
- August 18: Maddy D'Angelo in memory of Frederick Goldsmith

August 25: Vassar Temple Sisterhood Bimah Flower Fund (silk flowers)

#### June 2023 Update:

June 16: In loving memory of our mother Perle Scope from her children Al, Randi and Pam

#### Scriptural Readings ~July

#### July 1

Chukat/Balak Numbers 19:1-25:9; Micah 5:6-6:8

#### July 8

Pinchas Numbers 25:10-30:1; Jeremiah 1:1-2:3

#### July 15

Matot/Mas'ei Numbers 30:2-36:13; Jeremiah 2:4-28, 3:4

#### July 22

**D'varim** Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22; Isaiah 1:27

#### July 29

**Va-et'chanan** Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11; Isaiah 40:1-26

#### Scriptural Readings ~August

#### August 5

Eikev Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25; Isaiah 49:14-51:3

#### August 12

**R'eih** Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17; Isaiah 54:11-55:5

#### August 19

Shof'tim Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9; Isaiah 51:12-52:12

#### August 26

Ki Teitzei Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19; Isaiah 54:1-10



#### Study Groups Summer Schedules

**Torah Study** with Rabbi Altman will meet at 9am on Saturday mornings whenever possible during July and August. Some summer sessions may be lay-led. Watch Temple e-mails for updates, and to be placed on the Torah Study e-mail list contact office@vassartemple.org.

**Talmud Study** with Rabbi Golomb is on hiatus until the fall. He may be reached at <u>pjgolomb@verizon.net</u>.

New Paths Service information (July-Aug.): Watch Temple e-mails or contact the Temple office.

#### Religious School Update ~ July/August 2023

Summer's the time for cooking up plans for the upcoming school year!

First of all, I want everyone to know that we are bringing aboard two delightful new faculty members: Rebecca Schwartz and Emily Kaplan, both students at Vassar College. They're going to add their special talents, experience, stories, and passions to our religious school program and I cannot wait to work with them. Please seek them out, when you're in the building on a school Sunday, and welcome them.

Second, the 2023-2024 (5784) schedule is filling in nicely. We expect sukkah decorating, Trim-a-Thanksgiving, Hanukkah music, hallah baking, a Tu B'Shvat seder, hamantaschen baking, the Purim carnival, a model Passover seder, and who knows what additional events to bring us all closer to our community and our heritage. Got ideas? Please contact me!



And, along those lines...I will be looking always for connections between the religious school students and the larger Vassar Temple membership. Do you have a Jewish family story to tell? A very special object you inherited? A song you remember from childhood? These are all precious parts of our culture, and we don't want to lose them. Please consider visiting a classroom and sharing your treasure. We will never forget it.

Happy summer!

Rabbi Shoshana Hantman Religious School Director

#### Generosity and Self-Interest

It's often difficult to disentangle generosity from self-interest. When people contribute to worthy causes, is it because they truly believe that their gift is necessary and will make a meaningful contribution or is it because they are interested in protecting their "investment" in the institution they are helping? Does it really matter?

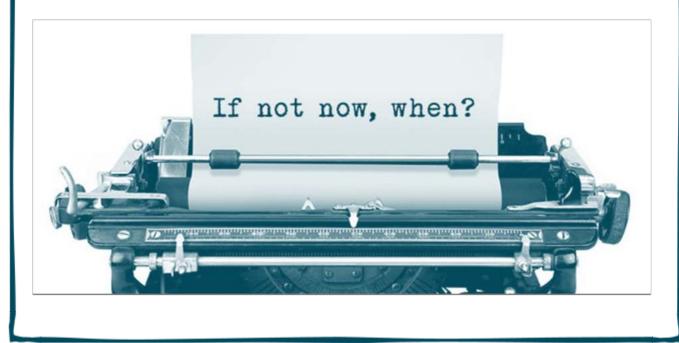
Giving to the Vassar Temple Endowment Fund is not something that comes naturally to most members. Why have so many already done it? Why have many others not yet pledged?

Those who have pledged have responded to the need to provide long-term financial stability for the Temple and have seen **themselves** as answering the questions: "If not me, who?" and "If not now, when?" *Their generosity and commitment have resulted in the Endowment Fund reaching over 50% of its goal of \$500,000 in pledges and over \$130,000 in contributions to date!* 

Even before a representative of the Endowment Committee calls on you for support, think about how much the Temple has meant and means to you, your family, and the future of Reform Judaism in the Hudson Valley. Your pledge will help secure the Temple's future. "If not you, who?" "If not now, when?" We are beginning the 175<sup>th</sup> year of the Temple's existence. The time for your commitment to its future is now!

### Martin Charwat & Lou Lewis,

Co-Chairs, Endowment Fund Committee



## Please Note

The office will be closed on Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th for the long holiday weekend. Happy 4th of July!



#### Climate Corner ~ Summer update from our Dayenu Circle

Judaism emphasizes our responsibility to protect creation and ensure a livable planet for future generations, and the Torah commands us "Justice, justice you shall pursue." The meaningful inclusion of all people in decisions affecting the air they breathe, the water they drink, and the health of their neighborhoods reflects Judaism's commitment to integrating justice throughout the process of addressing environmental issues.

Systemic racism has exposed People of Color disproportionately to environmental hazards and resulted in unequal access to environmental benefits. For decades, environmental justice leaders have advocated for equal protection and access and meaningful involvement in environmental decision-making. The federal **Environmental Justice for All Act** would take landmark steps to realize that vision by creating new legal tools to challenge environmental racism, integrate environmental justice into Clean Water Act and Clean Air Act permitting decisions, strengthen environmental justice considerations throughout the executive branch, and invest in historically fossil fuel-dependent communities.

On World Water Day (3/22/23) Rep. Raul Grijalva (D-AZ) and Sen. Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) re-introduced the Environmental Justice for All Act. Currently, the Senate and House versions of the Act have been referred to relevant committees in each legislative body.

The Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism asks that you urge your representatives to cosponsor the Environmental Justice for All Act (S. 919 /H.R. 1705).

- You can email your elected officials: <u>https://www.congress.gov/members/find-your-member</u>
- Or call the Capitol switchboard (202-224-3121) and ask to speak directly with their offices
- For more information on Vassar Temple's Dayenu Circle please email <u>dayenu@vassartemple.org</u>



## Marist College Center for Lifetime Study Seeking New Members

Here's a wonderful opportunity for the Vassar Temple community. Join current Temple members in an environment of continued learning and socializing. There's no waiting list!

The Marist College Center for Lifetime Study (CLS), having just completed its thirtieth year of service to seniors, has embarked on a campaign to attract new members.

CLS is a volunteer organization operating under the auspices of Marist College. Its primary purpose is to provide opportunities for the educational, intellectual and cultural growth for persons age 55 and older. CLS does this by offering classes to its members at the Locust Grove Estate on Route 9 in Poughkeepsie.

There is a wide range of courses offered in eight-week sessions in the spring and fall. Classes in the past have included such topics as art, computers, current events, economics, gardening, history, healthcare, law, literature, music, poetry, politics, religion, science and travel. Classes are taught by knowledgeable individuals including college faculty, CLS members, community leaders and professional experts.



CLS not only offers classes but also plans trips to places of interest, social activities and events as well as access to various Marist College events and programs. Anyone interested in learning more about CLS is invited to browse their website at <u>https://www.marist.edu/professional-programs/cls</u> or by calling the CLS office at (845) 575-3902.

#### Coming! Hanukkah in August!

Our community's annual summer drive to help Morse Elementary school children prepare for the new school year is coming soon. Watch Temple e-mails, contact <a href="mailto:socialaction@vassartemple.org">socialaction@vassartemple.org</a>, or call the office at 845-454-2570.



#### Jewish War Veterans

The JWV Herman Siegal Post 625 will hold its Installation Brunch at Shomre Israel July 9. Because it is a brunch, it will start at 11:30am. All food will be dairy/pareve and be strictly kosher. Non-Post members are welcome. Please let us know if you will attend. More information will be forthcoming.

The Post will hold its August 2023 meeting on Sunday, August 13 at Shomre Israel. The meeting format will follow that which we used before the pandemic. The meeting will begin at 9:30am and there will be a half hour schmooze at 9am. Shomre Israel is strictly kosher. The Post will supply nosh stuff and coffee. The use of masks is optional. We look forward to seeing you.

Ralph Schwartz

Senior Vice Commander Rschwa9881@aol.com

#### Brotherhood News

We had our first in-person meeting since Covid. Nine of us gathered for lunch at Sara's Mediterranean Grill in Wappingers Falls on May 22. The food was good and the company better.

We hope to continue these lunches monthly now that the weather has improved. Check the weekly newsletter for time and place. We shall continue to meet on the second Tuesday of the month on Zoom for a Happy Hour schmooze. The next Happy Hour is July 11 at 5 pm.

Finally, the High Holy Days will be coming up before we know it. So, save the dates for putting up the Sukkah on September 24 and taking it down October 8.

#### Glenn Tanzman



#### SUSTAINING FUND

In Honor of: Stacy Wynn Kessler In Memory of: Lillian Lampell Ann Kahn Michael Wrobel Edward Moffit, Jr. Gertrude Rosenthal Cynthia Feldman Cecelia Riechman Charlotte Wechsler Rose Gilbert George Plotsky Lawrence Blumenthal Philip Cohen Freida Kazchin Margot P. Similes Joshua A. Himelstein Frederick Goldsmith Maurice Goldemberg Anthony Stein Katherine Moffit Dr. Richard Slater Cohen Frederick C. Tuchmann

#### **CAPITAL FUND**

In loving memory of: Marian DeWitt Donald DeWitt

Didi Barrett Didi Barrett

#### COMMUNITY TZEDAKAH FUND

In Honor of:Christopher Baltus' Special BirthdayVivian & Ed GarberIn Memory of:The Hecht Family

#### **MUSIC FUND**

In Appreciation of: Office Staff In Memory of: Marie Robinowitz Cantorial Sponsorship In Honor of: Cantor Goldmann

James Robinowitz

Marian & Ralph Schwartz

James Robinowitz

Ruth Goldfarb

## Thank you for your Contributions

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**Muriel Lampell** Muriel Lampell Lewis & Hilary Wrobel Kathy & Kent Mardon Charlene & Loren Rosenthal Robert Feldman Vivian & Ed Garber Vivian & Ed Garber Gloria Mayer Beth Plotsky & Family Beth Plotsky & Family Linda Babas Susan Avery Sandra Mamis Howard Himelstein Madelyn D'Angelo The Hecht Family Roni & Charles Stein Kathy & Kent Mardon Doi Cohen Doi Cohen

#### Lunch Box Update: Vassar Temple is modifying its Lunch Box meal

**Due to the rising price of ground turkey, we will return to using ground beef.** It is our intention to continue to provide a complete meal to an estimated 150 people on the first Sunday of every month by making a chili meal, providing fruit, and packaging/distributing the food at the Lunch Box entranceway. The Lunch Box kitchen staff will be preparing rice the day before.

Please help in one of the following ways:

- ⇒ Volunteer to help cook. 4 volunteers are needed to cook the meal, starting at 10:15am in the Lunch Box kitchen.
- ⇒ Volunteer to help package and distribute the chili meals. 2-3 additional volunteers are needed to package the meals, starting at 11:30am, and participate in meal distribution from noon until 1pm.
- ⇒ Help to provide the meat for this chili meal. You can purchase 3 pounds of ground beef (a total of 30 pounds is needed) and bring it to the Temple freezer by the Friday before the meal.
- ⇒ Help provide the beans, onions and/or tomatoes for this chili meal. You can purchase 1-3-pound cans of black beans or pinto beans (a total of 30 pounds is needed), a five-pound bag of onions (10 pounds in total is needed) and/or 1 pound cans of tomatoes (10 pounds in total is needed) and bring them to the Temple kitchen.



Finally, being back in the kitchen affords us the opportunity to form teams that can organize and carry out this process. In the past, the Temple Board, Sisterhood, the Brotherhood, and other groups have volunteered to take a month and cook/package/distribute.

Please let me know if you have an interest in forming a team for a very worthy cause and a very rewarding experience. **Please Note: Due to Dutchess Outreach policy, all individuals involved in this activity must be at least 17 years old.** 

Whatever you can do is most appreciated.

Please contact Paul Ciminello at <u>lunchbox@vassartemple.org</u> to let us know what you can do.

#### July 7

Ludwig Willner M. Fred Praeger Lillian Lampell Hillard Mann Ann Kahn Marie Robinowitz Eileen Rosenhaus Michael Wrobel Lloyd Fertig Lawrence L. Landau Dora Rosenmann Winona Rosenthal Michael L. Solomon Linda Fertig Waldman

#### July 14

Sylvia Soirefman Sam Lessin Siegfried Frank **David Krevolin** Merlin B. Lass Marshall Effron Stephan Harrison Leon R. Bloom Edward Moffit, Jr. Ralph C. Goldman Shirley Green Chertock Minnie Lass Sylvia Reifler Silberman Ida Cohen Philip Cohen Marian Bloomgarden DeWitt Morton Bloch Cynthia R. Feldman

#### July 21

Phillip R. Moselle, OD Saul Lox **Jerry Bass** Norman Matlin Robert J. Creedon. Sr Dr. Alan E. Apfel Harold Ewen Flora M. Hoffman **David Clarfield** Miles Markowitz Saul A. Lazarus Joshua Aaron Himelstein Minnie Schudroff Coleman James Effron Martin Brenner **Rose Gilbert** 

#### July 28

Ann Ostrovsky Jacov Markovitch Meta Altman Helen D'Alessio Gertrude Rosenthal Robert H. Lipschutz Irving Schwartz Cecelia Riechman Charlotte Wechsler Talia Lynn Steckman Louis Gellert Lawrence Paradis Leonard Bernard Feld Martin L. Dreyfuss, MD Dr. Irving Dreishpoon



## July Yahrzeits

#### August 4

Blanche Adler Hortense Feldman Carrie Dlugacz Kurt Harlam Melvin Matlin, MD Louis Temlock Jack Wiseman Marjorie Gluck Margot P. Similes Mae Berger Hy Miller Katherine Moffit Louis I. Worona Rosa Pilar Tangredi

#### August 11

Muriel Weingart Ruth Adelson Alexander D'Imperio Aaron Reifler Dr. Richard Slater Cohen Dr. Burton Katz Evelyn Herman Beverly Groffman Anna Saperstein Eve Canter Goldberg Gloria Berlin

#### August 18

Harry Barbash, DDS Minnie Toroker Howard S. Abrams Frances Myer Zerline Lehman Simon Beatrice A. Goodman Emanuel Zimmer Bernard Reifler Frederick Goldsmith Hannah Keane Edna Z. Kleiner Dorothy Rauh Fogle Nettie Jacobs Lee Schwartz Oscar Charwat Mary Weiss Sonia H. Rubenstein Jeanne M. Payne

#### August 25

Mildred L. Greller Maurice Goldemberg Molly Solomon **David Cohen Beatrice Plansky** Susan Vance Dr. Saul R. Kelson JoAnne D'Alessio Frederick D. Tuchmann Morris Kaufman Melvin Stolack Max Matlin William Miller Maier Sawyer Sarah Peles Samuels W. Carlton Bernard **Tobias Wolfson** Anna Dick Kronman Anthony Stein Paul S. Waxman Sara G. Rice Mary Elizabeth O'Donnell-Moore Hyman Silverman

## August Yahrzeits

## Marcia Tanzman to Receive Arnold Award on September 9



Marcia Tanzman has been selected as this year's recipient of the coveted Arnold Award. This honor recognizes a congregant's important contributions to the spiritual and religious life of the Temple. The recipient should exemplify one or more of the three things mentioned in the *Pirke Avot* as being the foundations of our world: Torah (study), *avodah* (worship), and *gamilut chasidim* (acts of loving kindness).

In terms of "Torah," Marcia is not only an active student of Torah, but teaches Hebrew to both our Temple children and adults.

In terms of "Avodah," as a member of the Ritual Committee, Marcia has planned in great detail, as well as helped lead, numerous Ritual Committee events and religious services; everything from developing creative and meaningful program activities for both children and adults, to booking fascinating guest speakers, to arranging for yummy refreshments (and often even cooking them herself!).

In terms of "Gamelut chasidim," in various leadership roles in the Sisterhood, including President, Marcia has been responsible for numerous projects to benefit our congregants as well as the general community. She has shared her nursing knowledge to teach us the life-saving skills of CPR & AED use.

For all those reasons Marcia is the ideal candidate to receive the Arnold Award. Join us to honor and congratulate Marcia when she is presented this award at the Selichot Service the evening of Saturday, Sept. 9. The coveted award is named for Rabbi Emeritus Stephen A. Arnold, and the recipient is selected annually by members of the Vassar Temple Ritual Committee.

#### Sisterhood Chai Noon Luncheon ~ July and August

Vassar Temple Sisterhood's Chai Noon Luncheon, which usually meets on the 18th of most months (when the date does not conflict with holidays or weekends) will meet on Tuesday, July 18 and then on Friday, August 18. Specific details about the restaurant name and address, will arrive in Vassar Temple's weekly newsletter just prior to the meetings. Members are asked to RSVP to the link in the email so we can let the restaurant know approximately how many guests to expect. As always, guests get separate checks, and the restaurant is wheelchair accessible.

## SISTERHOOD RECIPE OF THE MONTH:

## Mediterranean Chicken

This recipe is from Lisa-Sue Quackenbush, current President of the Temple Board and a Sisterhood member. It is a staple all year round and in any season in the Quackenbush household. It is very simple, easy to assemble, and delicious! Enjoy!

#### Ingredients

- 1 ½ pounds boneless chicken breasts
- 1 14 ounce can diced tomatoes
- 1 cup flour
- 1 15 ounce can quartered artichoke hearts in water
- Salt/pepper/parsley to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon each of garlic powder & onion powder
- 1 small can sliced black olives
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> teaspoon each dried basil and oregano

#### Directions

- Pound out chicken breasts until thin.
- Dredge in flour, salt, pepper, seasonings, and herbs.
- Sauté chicken in oil until lightly browned on both sides.
- Put chicken in a 13x9 baking dish. Pour diced tomatoes, artichokes, and olives over chicken.
- Bake uncovered 30-40 minutes at 350 degrees.
- Sprinkle extra parsley over the top and serve with rice.
- The recipe can be made with bone-in chicken, but cooking time may need to be adjusted.

### Hunger Doesn't Take A Vacation ~ Here are some ways you can help:

**Protein Plenty:** Summer is a slow time for donations to food banks, but need is great, especially for school children missing free school lunch over the summer. Please help by contributing to our Protein Plenty drive through July 15, with a check made out to Vassar Temple with "Protein Plenty" on the memo line, or donate on our website to the Community Tzedakah Fund and designate it for Protein Plenty! Questions? <u>socialaction@vassartemple.org</u>

**Can Jam:** When you're near the Temple, drop one or more non-perishable foods in the Can Jam Bin. Questions? <u>canjam@vassartemple.org</u>

**Lunch Box:** Volunteer to cook or serve the first Sunday of the month. Contact <u>lunchbox@vassartemple.org</u>



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## Calendar of Events—July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> 9am Torah Study (tentative)
2	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4 OFFICE CLOSED 4th of July	5	<b>6</b> 7pm Ritual CTME	<b>7</b> 7:30pm Shabbat Service in the Round	<b>8</b> 9am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service
9	10	11 5pm Brotherhood	12	<i>13</i> 7:30pm Cemetery CTME	<b>14</b> 7:30pm Shabbat Service	<b>15</b> 9am Torah Study (tentative)
16	17	<b>18</b> 12pm Chai Noon Sisterhood Luncheon	<b>19</b> 7pm Finance CMTE	<b>20</b> 7pm Board Meeting	<b>21</b> 7:30pm Shabbat Service	<b>22</b> 9am Torah Study (tentative)
23	24	25	<b>26</b> Erev Tisha Β'Αν	<b>27</b> Tisha B'Av 6:30pm Shelter Meal	<b>28</b> 7:30pm Shabbat Service	<b>29</b> 9am Torah Study 10:30am Shabbat Morning Service
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