

Har Zion Temple

Special Passover Guide

Nisan 5767 – April 2007

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Service Schedule for Pesah 5767

Sunday, April 1

Bedikat Hametz after 7:51 PM (Home)
Search for Hametz

Monday, April 2 – Erev Pesah

6:45 AM Morning Service and Siyum Bechorim
(Fast of the First Born)
10:52 AM Latest time to eat Hametz
11:55 AM Bi'ur Hametz and Bitul Hametz
Burning the Hametz
6:00 PM Minha/Maariv Services
7:07 PM Candle Lighting
12:59 AM Latest time to eat Afikoman

Tuesday, April 3 – First Day Pesah

9:00 AM Morning Service
7:00 PM Minha/Maariv
7:30 PM Congregational Second Seder

Wednesday, April 4 – Second Day Pesah

9:00 AM Morning Service
7:15 PM Minha/Maariv – Hag ends 8:15 PM

Saturday, April 7 – Hol Hamoed

9:00 AM Morning Service
7:15 PM Minha/Maariv – Ends 8:12 PM

Sunday, April 8 – Erev Hag

6:00 PM Minha/Maariv

Monday, April 9 – Seventh Day Pesah

9:00 AM Morning Service
7:45 PM Minha/Maariv

Tuesday, April 10 – Eighth Day Pesah

6:45 & 9:00 AM Morning Services – Yizkor recited
7:45 PM Minha/Maariv – Passover ends 8:15 PM

Kashrut for Pesah

Following is a summary of the decisions of the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards (CJLS) of the Rabbinical Assembly pertaining to Passover foods, dishes, and utensils. *Kosher le-Pesah* labels that do not bear the name of a rabbi or one of the recognized symbols of rabbinic supervision, or which are not integral to the package, should not be used without consulting your rabbi.

Prohibited foods include the following: leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, cereal, coffees containing cereal derivatives, wheat, barley, oats spelt, rye, and all liquids containing ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.

Most Ashkenazic authorities have added the following foods (*kitniyot*) to the above list: rice, corn, millet, legumes (beans and peas; however, string beans are permitted). The CJLS has ruled unanimously that peanuts and peanut oil are permissible. Some Ashkenazic authorities permit, while others forbid, the use of legumes in a form other than their natural state, for example: corn sweeteners, corn oil, soy oil. Sephardic authorities permit the use of all of the above. Consult a member of the clergy for guidance in the use of these products.

PERMITTED FOODS: A. The following foods require a *kosher le-Pesah* label if purchased before or during Pesah: all baked products (matzah, cakes, matzah flour, farfel, matzah meal, and any products containing matzah); canned or bottled fruit juices (These juices are often clarified with *kitniyot* which are **not** listed among the ingredients. However, if one knows there are no such agents, the juice may be purchased prior to Pesah without a *kosher le-Pesah* label); wine; vinegar; liquor; oils; dried fruits; candy; chocolate flavored milk; ice cream; yogurt, and soda.
B. The following processed foods (canned, bottled or frozen) require a *kosher le-Pesah* label if purchased during Pesah: milk, butter, juices, milk products, spices, coffee, tea, and fish, as well as all foods listed in Category C.

C. The following foods require no *kosher le-Pesah* label if **purchased prior to Pesah**: unopened packages or containers of natural coffee without cereal additives (however, be aware that coffees produced by General Foods are not kosher for Passover unless marked KP); sugar, (Continued on next page)

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pure tea (not herbal tea); salt; pepper, natural spices; frozen fruit juices with no additives; frozen (uncooked) vegetables (for legumes see above); milk; butter; cottage cheese; frozen (uncooked) fruit (with no additives).

D. The following foods require no *kosher le-Pesah* label if purchased before or during Pesah: fresh fruits and vegetables (for legumes see above), eggs, fresh fish, and fresh meat.

DETERGENTS: If permitted during the year, powdered and liquid detergents do not require a *kosher le-Pesah* label.

MEDICINE: Since *hametz* binders are used in many pills, the following guidelines should be followed: if the medicine is required for life sustaining therapy, it may be used on Pesah. If it is not for life sustaining therapy, some authorities permit, while others prohibit. Consult the clergy. In all cases, capsules are preferable to pills.

KASHERING OF UTENSILS: The process of kashering utensils depends on how the utensils are used. According to *halakhah*, leaven can be purged from a utensil by the same process in which it was absorbed in the utensil. Therefore, utensils used in cooking are kashered by boiling, those used in broiling are kashered by fire and heat, and those used only for cold food are kashered by rinsing.

A. EARTHENWARE (china, pottery, etc.) may not be kashered. However, fine translucent chinaware which has not been used for over a year may be used if scoured and cleaned in hot water.

B. METAL (wholly made of metal) **UTENSILS USED IN FIRE** (spit, broiler) must first be thoroughly scrubbed and cleansed and then made as hot as possible. Those used for cooking or eating (silverware, pots) must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned and completely immersed in boiling water. Pots should not be used for a period of at least 24 hours between the cleaning and the immersion in boiling water. Metal baking utensils cannot be kashered.

C. OVENS AND RANGES: Every part that comes in contact with food must be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned. Then, oven and range should be heated as hot as possible for a half hour. If there is a broil setting, use it. Self-cleaning ovens should be put through the self-cleaning cycle according to the manufacturer's instructions. Continuous cleaning ovens must be kashered in the same manner as regular ovens.

Microwave ovens, which do not cook the food by means of heat, should be cleaned, and then two cups of water should be placed inside. Then turn the oven on until one cup of water has boiled away. A microwave oven that has a browning element cannot be kashered for Pesah.

D. GLASSWARE: Authorities disagree as to the method for kashering drinking utensils. One opinion requires soaking in water for three days, changing



Pesah Seder Celebrations

THE NOREEN COOK CENTER FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Thursday, March 29

PreK at 9:45 AM, 2's at 11:15 AM

Friday, March 30

Kindergarten at 9:45 AM, 3's at 11:00 AM

Parents are invited for a wonderful retelling of the Passover story and a seder with their child's class.

THE JANE FISHMAN GRINBERG RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Tuesday, March 27

Wilf-Keiser Seder for Elementary School

4:00-5:00 PM – Gan-Bet (K thru 2nd grade)

5:00-6:15 PM – Gimel-Heh (3rd thru 5th grades)

Parents are invited. RSVP to Diana Bailey, 610-664-6746 or dbailey@harziontemple.org.

Wednesday, March 28, 6:30 PM

Wilf-Keiser Unseeder for Middle School

the water every 24 hours. The other opinion requires only a thorough scrubbing before Pesah, or putting them through a dishwasher.

Glass cookware: There is a difference of opinion as to whether this item must be kashered. One opinion is that it must be kashered. After a thorough cleansing, there should be water boiled in it which will overflow the rim. The other opinion is that only a thorough cleansing is required.

Glass bakeware, like metal bakeware, may not be kashered.

E. DISHWASHER: After not using the machine for a period of 24 hours, a full cycle with detergent should be run.

F. ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES: If the parts that come into contact with *hametz* are removable, they can be kashered in the appropriate way (if metal, follow the rules for metal utensils). If the parts are not removable, the appliance cannot be kashered. (All exposed parts should be thoroughly cleaned.)

G. TABLES, CLOSETS, AND COUNTERS: If used with *hametz*, they should be thoroughly cleaned and covered, and then they may be used.

H. KITCHEN SINK: A metal sink can be kashered by thoroughly cleaning and then pouring boiling water over it. A porcelain sink should be cleaned and a sink rack used. If, however, dishes are to be soaked in a porcelain sink, a dish basin must be used.

I. HAMETZ AND NON-PASSOVER UTENSILS: Non-Passover dishes, pots, and *hametz* whose ownership has been transferred, should be separated, locked up or covered, and marked in order to prevent accidental use.

PASSOVER 2007
2nd Seder



Tuesday, April 3
7:30 PM

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Free up some time and
spend it with us!

Join Rabbi Stein and his family
for the second night of Passover.

Har Zion Community Second Seder
Tuesday, April 3

Family name _____

Phone number _____

_____ Adults @ \$65 _____ Children @ \$50 (3-12)

Ages of children _____

_____ Vegetarian meal(s) requested

Seating preference _____

Total enclosed _____

RSVP by March 27

For more information call 610-667-5000.

מכירת חמץ

Sell Your *Hametz*

An integral part of the pre-Passover planning involves the selling of one's *hametz*. The Torah enjoins us to rid ourselves from all *hametz* and utensils which have been used during the course of the year. There is no actual transfer of property. It is a purely symbolic procedure. You allow your *hametz* and utensils to be sold to a non-Jew. In this manner, the Biblical injunction is fulfilled. In order to facilitate the proceedings, kindly complete the form below and return it to the synagogue office. I will sell your *hametz* on your behalf and in that way you will fulfill the Torah commandment.

Let me take this opportunity, while well in advance, to wish you and yours an enjoyable and happy Passover.

Joshua Perlmutter, Ritual Director

I hereby authorize Joshua Perlmutter to sell my *hametz*. I understand that the *hametz* will no longer be in my possession from **Monday, April 2 at 10:00 AM until Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at 9:45PM.**

Name _____

Address _____

Note: If there are others for whom you wish to sell *hametz*, please provide names and addresses and their authorization.

PRE-PASSOVER
SHABBAT DINNER

March 30, 2007, 7:00 PM

Har Zion Temple would like to offer its members who have already rendered their homes *Pesahdik* the opportunity to enjoy Shabbat dinner with friends and family following evening service. Due to the requirements of the caterer, there is a minimum of 100 persons that we must guarantee for this dinner to be offered.

Cost of the dinner will be \$35 adult/\$20 children.

Catering provided by Betty the Caterer.

All reservations must be prepaid and sent to the synagogue office by March 26.

Yes, please reserve seating for me at the Shabbat dinner on March 30, 2007.

_____ Adults @ \$35 _____ Children @ \$20

Amount enclosed _____

Name _____

Telephone _____

If there are insufficient reservations by March 27 to hold this dinner, your check will be refunded. Please call the office, 610-667-5000, to check the status of the dinner.