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High Holidays 5783: Being There

Rabbi Seth Adelson Senior Rabbi rav@bethshalompgh.org

In the classic 1979 film, "Being There," Peter Sellers plays a naive gardener who, merely by being in the right place at the right time, somehow becomes a celebrity and one of the



most powerful people in the world. He is not brilliant, not particularly talented, and often seemingly unaware of what goes on around him. Nonetheless, people hang on his every word, and he both metaphorically and physically walks on water.

The coronavirus pandemic has changed our society and our world fundamentally. Work has changed; education has changed; the ways we live and gather and socialize have changed. Our economy is still in recovery.

And the way we connect to Judaism has changed. Far more of us have become accustomed to meeting via computer, and while this has made our services accessible to many home-bound people and to those far away from synagogues, it also comes at a loss. Judaism, and the synagogue experience in particular, is fundamentally a local phenomenon. There are good reasons that our tradition mandates a minyan, a quorum of ten people: because (א) prayer by yourself is much harder than it is with nine friends; (a) it gives you an opportunity to schmooze with people before and after to check in with each other, to share good and welfare, and so forth; and (a) it reinforces the most essential value in Jewish life: community.

While I agree that there are certain types of communities that can be successful in cyberspace, I know that many of us were so relieved to be able to meet again in person after months of isolation. And although the pandemic is not yet over, now that most of us are vaccinated and boosted, it is much safer to gather once again.

And so, the imperative now as a community is to be there. Not just to #ComeBacktoShul, as I have been urging you to do for months, but to Be There, physically and spiritually, in earnest. Our tradition - our learning, our tefillah, our community - has helped our people through hard and joyful times for thousands of years, but it can only do that when we fully show up, and do so with intent and with continuity.

Over the course of these High Holidays, I will be discussing how being there will help you be a better person, and help make the world a better place. We will talk about rebooting Jewish life, post-pandemic, here at Beth Shalom and in our wider community.

I know you will be there. But will you Be There?

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by wishing our friends a Happy Birthday!

As part of revamping the birthday greetings, you can now write one larger check and draw down on your deposit as you send greetings during the year. Look for more improvements soon!

PLEASE download the birthday form from our weekly announcements or pick up the form by our front office to complete and return it to our office. Thank you!



OUR LEADERSHIP

A Message from Our President

Alan Kopolow President alankopolow@gmail.com

We are now approaching the High Holiday season looking forward to a new hopefully happy, healthy and prosperous 5783. Throughout this season, we



have much to do as well as much to celebrate. We must prepare for our High Holiday services, move ahead with our strategic plan, while maintaining the momentum we have started in fixing the building and getting our finances in better order. We will be getting ready for a new school year for both our ELC and JJEP and of course taking care of the everyday operations of running a 600+ unit shul under a pandemic albeit hopefully waning. We look forward to the challenges we face and as always, we will face them head on.

We have wonderful and special things to celebrate that touch each of us but perhaps from different perspectives. The first event is something we have needed for quite some time that will immensely help Rabbi Adelson and therefore each of us as well. That is the installation of our new Associate Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman. It will take place on September 3rd during Shabbat services. This is clearly a reason to celebrate. Rabbi Goodman is not new to the congregation. He has been an important member of the staff serving as interim Director of Derekh and Youth Tefillah. His new role as Associate Rabbi will allow him to partner with Rabbi Adelson to better serve our entire congregation. He will allow Rabbi Adelson to undertake some duties he heretofore has not had time to get to. Rabbi Goodman will also maintain some of his previous responsibilities. We are fortunate to have found such a good match for our needs.

The other major event for us to celebrate will be the "Come Together" Gala scheduled for November 19th in the newly painted and spiffed up Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom. What makes this Gala so special is that it will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of our building. The honorees will be all the past presidents whose efforts, leadership and vision have allowed us to successfully reach this moment. Each successive president stands on the shoulders of those presidents who came before him or her. Many of our past presidents will be attending the Gala so I urge everyone to attend this once-in-a-hundred-year event. It will be something special for all of us.

We have made major strides in improving many aspects of our Synagogue experience over the past several years. However, we have a way to go to reach our goals. We have many people to thank for the significant progress we have made starting with our Senior Rabbi, Rabbi Adelson, our Executive Director, Robert Gleiberman, our incredibly diligent staff, our leadership starting with the Executive Committee who has done much of the heavy lifting, a very talented and committed Board of Trustees and countless ever-giving volunteers who make Beth Shalom feel like home. We have much more to do to make Beth Shalom the Congregation we want it to be but I feel we have the team of professionals and lay leaders who can continue to move the needle even farther in a positive direction. To them, I offer my deepest thanks and wish them and the entire Congregation a Shanah Tovah and may we continue to go from strength to strength.

Shanah Tovah, Alan Kopolow President

A Message from our Executive Director

Robert Gleiberman
Executive Director
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As we approach 5783 and our secular Thanksgiving we have lots for which to be thankful and grateful.



We also have much to look forward. Here are several of our upcoming events/programs.

- Installation of Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman 9/3
- High Holidays and the start of 5783 9/25
- Formation & creation of a <u>Havurot Program 9/26</u>
- Volunteers Awards Brunch 11/6
- "Come Together" Gala Celebration 11/19
- New Members Brunch 12/4

Some highlights of a few of these events/programs...

We are in the final stages of preparation to formally install Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman as Associate Rabbi for Congregation Beth Shalom. Rabbi Goodman recently completed a very successful year as Interim Derekh and Youth Tefillah Director and has now joined Rabbi Seth Adelson to form a dynamic duo clergy team that will spiritually lead us into the future.

I want to thank Elaine and Sheldon Catz, for chairing and helping make this upcoming installation such a meaningful time for us all. I would also like to thank and recognize those honoring Rabbi Goodman by sponsoring this very special Shabbat. Please plan to join together on Saturday, September 3rd at 9:15am in the Faye Rubenstein Weiss Sanctuary as Rabbi Goodman's good friend and colleague Rabbi Dan Selsberg will have the honor of officially installing Rabbi Goodman. The service will be followed by a special kiddish lunch in honor of Rabbi Goodman in the Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom.

For the last month we have been announcing "Save the Date" for our upcoming "Come Together" Gala on Saturday, November 19th. Everyone will be receiving their invitation in the mail within the next couple weeks. We have not had a Gala for five years and believe it's now time. Our congregational family will finally be able to gather together to party and enjoy each other's company in person. This night is going to be memorable as we honor all of our Past Presidents as well as celebrate the Centennial of our building at Beacon and Shady. We will also have some exciting news to announce to all in attendance.

We will come together by wearing our best (black-tie optional), daven Ma'ariv and Havdalah in the Faye Rubenstein Weiss Sanctuary, engage in a cocktail hour with special drinks and amazing hors d'oeuvres in the Palkovitz Lobby & Weinberg Pavilion, and will culminate by opening the doors to our beautifully decorated Samuel and Minnie Hyman Ballroom filled with the live music of the Bachelor Boys Band and enjoy an awesome catered served dinner and desserts by Elegant Edge.

Unfortunately, we will have a limit of 350 guests as that is our maximum capacity. Please reserve your spot early as we don't want anyone to miss out.

It seems like just yesterday when we were bringing in 5782. During the High Holidays, namely Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, we were still in the midst of the pandemic. Many of us were trying to safely gather in person while the rest of us joined via zoom. We hope and pray that this year we will have many more come in person. During this time of uncertainty, it appears that most Yinzers are out and about in the community. Everyone has a different comfort level and is approaching the pandemic in the way that works for them. It looks like most of our congregation, if eligible, is vaccinated and boosted. Because of the high level of vaccination our medical team, leading our COVID-19 task force, feels it's possible for us to safely gather together.

I just touched on a few events coming soon. There is so much more happening that so many volunteers and staff are working hard on for all of our benefit. We are embarking on a very exciting time in the history of our Congregation. Try to take part in as much as you can so you can fondly look back to know that you played a major role in our future.

My wife Lynn and I wish each and everyone of you a sweet, happy, safe and prosperous new year.

Shanah tovah!

OUR LEADERSHIP

Walking the Derekh

Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman Associate Rabbi mgoodman@bethshalompgh.org

Holy Chevre (Friends),

Youth Tefillah spent the summer refreshing and

renewing, as so many of our families traveled or went to camp - to New Jersey and Florida and California and Michigan. We look forward to the fall and the High Holidays, as we plan a mixture of fun activities and engaging *tefillot* for all our kids ages six months to 12 years old.

I've been busy transitioning into my new role as Associate Rabbi - many of my roles and responsibilities are the same, as the Derekh Adult Learning Programs I've been leading for the past few years have followed me into my new title - Monday Talmud, Wednesday Life and Text, and Intro to Judaism, to name a few. Our new cohort of Introduction to Judaism for those who want a beginner-intermediate course in our religion starts up again this fall on September 11 - if you know anyone who might be interested, please contact me.

One big aspect of my new role is in helping Rabbi Adelson with Benei Mitzvah programming and preparations. We have some exciting things in the works that will create more engagement and connection between the young people preparing for their bat or bar mitzvah.

Another way in which I am trying to grow connections is in taking on a role teaching Talmud at JJEP in the fall. It is important that Beth Shalom staff connect with our members in as many ways and as many places as possible - both in the building and out in the community.

This new role of Associate Rabbi is an exciting one, and also a daunting one. Beth Shalom is such a prominent and historic community; I only pray that I might serve the community as well as it deserves to be served. A piece of Torah I learned this morning serves as good guidance in this respect: in parashat Mattot, we learn "And Moses spoke to the heads of the tribes saying..." Rabbi Shimon of Yeroslav, who died in 1849, taught that when the Torah adds the words 'le-mor' - saying - to a verse, it demonstrates love and praise. Here, Moses is speaking to the leaders of the community, and giving them the advice that they ought to be loving of the Jewish people, and to always teach them and address them with the highest esteem. I will do my level best to follow that example.



Our Sweepstakes Fundraiser has a new format!

Tickets are **ONLY** \$50 each! No meal included.

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16 drawings over Hanukkah with the PA Lottery drawings plus two winners each week through November.

Monies raised help the Men's Club help and support Beth Shalom.



Buy a ticket or two now to WIN!

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PLEASE JOIN TOGETHER FOR THE INSTALLATION OF RABBI MARK ASHER GOODMAN



Saturday, September 3, 2022, at 9:15 a.m. Faye Rubenstein Weiss Sanctuary

Join us on Saturday, September 3, at 9:15 a.m. during Shabbat Morning Services as we formally install Rabbi Mark Asher Goodman as Associate Rabbi. Special kiddush luncheon to follow the service in the Samuel & Minnie Hyman Ballroom.

To honor Rabbi Goodman, please consider sponsoring this special installation. Sponsor name(s) will be listed in the Installation Program. To sponsor, please complete the enclosed form. You can also donate online at www.BethShalomPgh.org/installation-of-rabbi-goodman/

Questions? Contact us at 412.421.2288 or info@bethshalompgh.org



OUR LEADERSHIP

A Message from our Development Director

Rabbi Andy Shugerman
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As many of you know, I had the great privilege and honor to join Rabbi Adelson in representing Beth Shalom on the Jewish Federation of

Greater Pittsburgh's Mega Mission to Israel in June.

In addition to my Facebook posts from Israel, I kept brief notes on each full day I spent traveling with the Mega Mission that I will share here as:

Top Ten Things I (Re)Learned on our Federation's Mega Mission to Israel this June – One per Day

- 1. When travelling to, from, and in Israel, expect the unexpected in this case, pleasant surprise encounters with colleagues on each flight, in the Old City of Jerusalem, and while touring.
- 2. Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook, an early Chief Rabbi of pre-state Israel, famously declared of Zionism that "the old shall become new" both ANU (the renamed and transformed "Diaspora Museum") and the vibrant Port of Tel Aviv wonderfully demonstrate the first part of Kook's adage.

- 3. Rav Kook further taught that "the new shall become holy" and if distilled spirits are spiritual, then Tel Aviv's Whiskey Museum is a wonderful new temple! Rabbi Adelson and I went there with Adrienne and Evan Indianer for a delightful evening, after which we walked back to the hotel along the very busy Tel Aviv Boardwalk.
- 4. No matter how much and how quickly things change in Israel, some things stay the same. On our third day we took a new train from Tel Aviv to Karmiel, our "sister city" up north, and I was simply astonished by all the new construction along the route. Someone even joked (as they used to say about Florida) that Israel's state bird is now "the crane" with so many high-rise condos going up!

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Pittsburghers enjoying dinner at Shila, a Tel Aviv restaurant, on June 14th during the Mega Mission Trip. Clockwise from top: Scott Leib & Cindy Goodman-Leib, Elisa Recht Marlin, Diane Samuels, Rochelle Wagner, Melissa & David Bernstein, David Sufrin, Jimmy Wagner

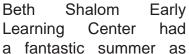


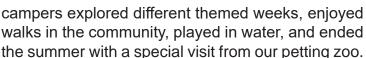
Beth Shalom members at the final dinner in Israel on the Jewish Federation's Mega Mission trip

Growing Through the ELC

Hilary Yeckel
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Hello Congregants!





Prior to the start of the new school year, our educators spent a week in various trainings to further their knowledge and experience in the early childhood field. Now as we begin our 2022-2023 school year we are filled with excitement to welcome back old friends, and meet new ones. Our school year began with a successful open house the morning before the first day of school, where children and parents were able to see their new classrooms, and meet new friends! The next morning, parents and children filled our hallways together as we embarked on a new year filled with new experiences and memories.

Soon the classrooms and hallways will be full of the sounds, images, and smells of the High Holidays. Our educators do a fantastic job of creating rich Jewish experiences that reach all the children's senses and abilities. Whether the children are singing with Morah Debbey (Music Specialist), learning about "How Bees Dance?" with Morah Elaine (Science Specialist), or creating masterpieces with Morah Julie (Art Specialist) the Holidays are explored in every part of the building.

The educators and I are looking forward to another successful year in the Early Learning Center, and as always we thank all of our families, children, and community for their continued support of our program.

If you ever have a question or would like to know how you can continue to support the Early Learning Center please call me in the ELC office at 412-421-8857.

Shana Tova U'Metukah

ELC Calendar

Sept. - Nov. 2022

Monday, September 5 Labor Day - ELC Closed

Monday, September 26
1st Day of Rosh Hashanah - ELC Closed

Tuesday, September 27
2nd Day of Rosh Hashanah - ELC Closed

Tuesday, October 4
Erev Yom Kippur - ELC closes at 12 noon

Wednesday, October 5 Yom Kippur - ELC Closed

Monday, October 10 & Tuesday, October 11 Sukkot - ELC Closed

> Monday, October 17 Shmini Atzeret - ELC Closed

> Tuesday, October 18 Simchat Torah - ELC Closed

Friday, November 11 Veterans Day - ELC Closed

Wednesday, November 23

Day before Thanksgiving - ELC closes at 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 24 & Friday, November 25 Thanksgiving Break - ELC Closed

Learning with J-JEP

Rabbi Larry Freedman Director of J-JEP RabbiLF@jjep.org

If I tell you my mother had a geranium plant that sprouted forks, would that resonate with any of you?



Back story. I keep kosher.

I grew up keeping kosher. Two sets of dishes. No big deal. But, when I was a child I made childish mistakes and sometimes used the dairy fork for my meat loaf. Uh oh. I felt bad because nobody likes to make a mistake so I would go to my mother and say, "Whoops. Sorry. What do I do now?" My mother said, try to pay attention better, don't worry about it and stick the fork in dirt." And that is why our geranium plant sprouted forks.

I will let Rabbis Adelson and Goodman explain the halakhic ritual involving the healing properties of earth to get a traifed up fork back in good graces. Suffice to say in our house it was burial and time and then the fork was back in the drawer.

Not that I wasn't appreciative of the healing powers of soil but the bigger lesson was that my mother didn't freak out. Look, she wasn't happy but it was just a mistake. People make mistakes. Try better to not make mistakes or, at least, that mistake.

This is the secret of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Despite the pile of Borsht Belt jokes about Jewish guilt, the autumn holidays aren't really about guilt. They are about doing better. Why feel guilty? Just learn from it and do better next time. Mind you, I'm not talking about bank robbery or felony tax evasion or assaulting someone with a baseball bat. These are on another level for which the local DA will have thoughts. I'm talking about the ordinary things that keep us from being a mensch, from being the best, most ethical, most moral person we can be. It's the hurts we cause, the people we let down, the promises made knowing we wouldn't keep them.

At J-JEP, we don't have bank robbers, the kids are too young to pay taxes and bats are limited to the baseball diamond. We are working on helping them figure out how to use our Jewish heritage to be the best person they can be. Make the world a better place, make yourself a better person. That's the Jewish mission. And no guilt.

This fall we are introducing an Elul Count Up, a chance for families to prepare in a very real way for the High Holidays. Every day there will be an action or question that will get J-JEP families thinking about the upcoming holidays, thinking about mistakes made and making a plan to repair hurt feelings and a commitment to avoid doing whatever it was again.

Counting up the days of Elul will get us ready for Rosh Hashanah in a fun and thoughtful manner and that will make the holidays ever more meaningful. Follow us on Instagram or join our JJEP page on Facebook to join in with our count up.

Now, I wonder if any of those forks are still in the flower pot?



J-JEP Calender Sept. - Nov. 2022

Sunday, September 11 J-JEP Parent Learning

Sunday, September 18 Kindergarten Class Breakfast

Sunday, October 9
First Grade Class Breakfast

Sunday, October 23
Second Grade Class Breakfast

Sunday, November 20
Consecration

Sunday, November 20 J-JEP Parent Learning

Beth Shalom Youth Zone

Marissa Tait

Director of Youth Programs mtait@bethshalompgh.org





Upcoming Youth Department Events

Chaverim CRUSY Day Sunday, September 11

BSUSY and Gesher USY CRUSY Day

Cedar Point Amusement Park Sunday, September 18 | All Day

CRUSY Virtual Leadership Sunday, October 2

BSUSY Sukkah Hop

Monday, October 10 | 6pm - 8pm

Family Sukkah Hop

Thursday, October 13 | 4:30pm

Family Pizza in the Hut

Thursday, October 13 | 6pm

Chall-O-Ween

Sunday, October 30 | 12:30pm - 2:00pm

Teen Memorial Havdalah

Saturday, November 12 | 6:15pm

USY Heschel International Weekend

New Jersey | November 18-20

Gesher USY & Chaverim

Sunday, November 20

BSUSY Lounge Nights

6pm - 8pm

Monday, September 19 Monday, October 3 Monday, November 7 Monday, November 21

Gesher USY Lounge Nights

6pm - 7pm

Monday, September 12 Monday, October 24 Monday, November 14

CHAVERIM (3RD - 4TH GRADES) LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE!

Chaverim is our youth group for children in 3rd-4th grades. This is an exciting and crucial time for Congregational youth to be involved and create friendships within the community. Through our programming, we bring youth together in a fun, engaging setting, allowing them to make new friends and feel connected to the Congregation.

GESHER USY (5TH - 7TH GRADES) EMERGE AS A LEADER!

Gesher USY is our youth group for 5th-7th graders. In addition to awesome monthly programs, we have open lounge nights every other Monday where we hang out, eat pizza, play basketball and other games, and learn together. Gesher USY is a time where we engage and motivate our middle school group to become active USY members and develop into leaders.

BSUSY (8TH-12TH GRADES) MAKING NEW CONNECTIONS!

BSUSY is our high school youth group for 8th-12th graders. This program provides opportunities for our teens to take on leadership roles, create and lead events and services, and allows for an enormous amount of personal growth. In addition to monthly programs, USY has open lounge nights every other Monday evening, as well as several convention weekends throughout the year. Together we provide a solid foundation allowing space for our youth to cultivate and nurture their Jewish identities and their place within our Kehillah.

Hello everyone! I am Eitan Weinkle and I could not be more



excited to be starting this fall as the new BSUSY advisor! Much of my passion for Judaism and Jewish education stems from my time in Jewish youth movements, in which BSUSY played a large role. Having met the new board and watched their elections last spring, it is evident that the passion BSUSY helped give me is still strong with its current members. From lounge nights to sukkah hops,

and everything in between, I cannot wait to get started!

Aiden & Ethan Goldstein will be celebrating their Bar Mitzvah on October 22, 2022.

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Nava Gillman Kass is the daughter of Deborah Gillman and Daniel Kass and the sister of Judah Kass. She is the granddaughter of Sarah F. Gillman and the late Rabbi Neil Gillman, as well as Rabbi Alvin Kass and the late Miryom Kass.

Born in New York City, she came to Pittsburgh—and to Congregation Beth Shalom—when she was 10 months old. She is a 7th grader at Community Day School. Her favorite pastime is exploring the bookstores of Squirrel Hill. She is an artist, an athlete, and also studies piano.



Her family is thrilled to Bat Mitzvah: 10/29/2022

welcome the entire congregation to celebrate with them on Shabbat *Parashat Noa<u>h</u>.*

Benei Mitzvah Planning

We begin working with families of students in fourth grade, toward their becoming benei mitzvah.

Please remember that all information related to bat/bar mitzvah and so much more about the process can be found online in the



Beth Shalom Benei Mitzvah Handbook, which you can download as a PDF at **BethShalomPgh.** org/lifelong-learning/benei-mitzvah.

Please be in contact with Audrey Glickman, Rabbi's Assistant, at

RabbiAsst@BethShalompgh.org



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 10:00 A.M

For more details, turn to page 17

Virtual Third Meal

Relax between *Minhah* and *Ma'ariv* each week as we are led in study. Since we cannot eat in person right now, we are asking for volunteers to sponsor the "meal" for \$100 per week, to provide for ritual necessities such as Torah repair.



If you are able to sponsor a virtual third meal, please contact Ira Frank at 412-849-2937 or natfabira@juno.com.

Watch for the return of "Real" Third Meal returning after Sukkot.

The Sisterhood Says

Judy Kornblith Kobell Sisterhood President jayeko@msn.com

After a very hot summer, Sisterhood is looking forward to the coming season and anticipates a return to almost normalcy.



We ended the Spring with a belated Torah Fund brunch, honoring our longtime member Lidush Goldschmidt. We had an opportunity to hear about Torah Fund from Debby Gilman and to get together with friends we hadn't seen for a while. Musical entertainment was the Azure Quartet from the Pittsburgh Youth Symphony. A very heartfelt thank you to co-chairs Lynn Hecht and Rhoda Judd and their wonderful committee for everything they did to make this event so successful.

Sisterhood continues with many activities, including our Book Club, Latin Cardio with Connie Pollack and our attractive Judaica Shop chaired by Barbara Kaiserman. In the coming year, we will continue to co-sponsor Shabbat dinners with Men's Club. As the season begins, we invite members to our annual Potluck Supper on Wednesday, September 14 at my house.

We welcome new members and new ideas as well as volunteers to help implement future projects.

I look forward to seeing many of you soon. Best wishes for a Shanah Tovah from my family to yours.

Judy Kornblith Kobell Sisterhood President



Sisterhood Schedule 2022 - 2023

Potluck Supper

September 14, 2022

Hanukkah Party

December 11, 2022

Sisterhood Shabbat

February 18, 2023

Torah Fund / Donor Day

April 23, 2023

Sisterhood Judaica Shop

All Apple & Honey Plates & Jars

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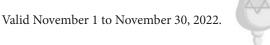
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Open by appointment.

Barbara Kaiserman 412.596.3825

A Message from our Development Director (continued from page 8)

- 5. Our second day up north involved tracking options, and I got my second choice but how was literally eating and drinking our way across the Galilee on a "Culinary Tour" not my first choice?!? My favorite stop of the day was a former kibbutz turned into social-entrepreneurship venture farm that trains folks with mental illnesses and developmental challenges in making high-quality wines, dairy products and other artisanal foods. It was an uplifting visit in many ways!
- 6. On Friday Rabbi Adelson and I swapped seats on each other's buses, which meant that I got to see Jimmy Wagner serving cocktails at 9am (it was 5pm somewhere?), Jeff Finkelstein's son leading bus icebreakers, and another two dozen folks as excited as myself upon our arrival in Jerusalem.
- 7. As I noted above, some things stay the same, and Shabbat in Jerusalem is particularly timeless. My day was virtually the same as one I'd experienced sixteen or even twenty-two years ago, with visits to multiple minyanim, a potluck picnic lunch, and a nighttime outing to the Israeli national book fair.
- 8. On Sunday we visited Yad Vashem and heard from Rena Quint, a survivor who told us her amazing story of perseverance and of rebuilding her life in Brooklyn and Jerusalem. We were all delighted to hear a few weeks later that she personally welcomed President Biden during his visit there as well.
- 9. One of the main reasons I accompanied Rabbi Adelson on this trip was to help him conduct the Bar Mitzvah ceremony for Simon Braver, the grandson of our longtime members Marian & Stan Davis and a cousin of our board member Elisa Recht Marlin, with whom I'd had breakfast a week prior.
- 10. A picture is worth a thousand words, so enjoy this photo (on page 8) of most (but not all) of our Beth Shalom contingent from our mission's final dinner and farewell gathering. Next Year in Jerusalem!

Rabbi Andy Shugerman

The Men's Club

Ira Frank
Men's Club President
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Hope everyone is having a wonderful summer. As we head into the fall and a new year, we have several



Men's Club sponsored events happening including the Congregational Dinner in the Sukkah, Pizza in the Hut and Scotch in the Sukkah

Also, the Men's Club Sweepstakes fundraiser, the Hanukkah Gelt will return this year. There are 16 drawings over Hanukkah. For list of dates, go to: BethShalomPgh.org/mens-club-sweepstakes-2022

Shanah Tovah! Ira Frank Men's Club President



Men's Club Upcoming Events

Congregational Sukkot Dinner

Sunday, October 9

Pizza in the Hut

Thursday, October 13

Scotch in the Sukkah*

Thursday, October 13
*Must be 21 years of age or older

Congregational Dinner

Friday, October 18

OPEN TO ALL! WATCH FOR DETAILS.

See what Legacy Circle members are saying about making a legacy gift to Beth Shalom....

"We hope that Jewish life and Congregation Beth Shalom enjoy continued success in the future. We chose to make a Legacy gift to Beth Shalom to insure its continuing success."

-Jack & Bernice Meyers



"I want future youth to enjoy the sweetness of being at shul. My legacy gift to Beth Shalom will enable this to happen."

-Ira Frank

"Synagogue membership is important to sustain all generations (both young and elderly), their families and the community. A legacy gift is my contribution to help to ensure the survival of Congregation Beth Shalom for future generations..."

-Gerald Kobell



Legacy Circle Members at Federation's Life & Legacy Donor Appreciation Event on August 14. **Bottom Row:** Gary & Nancy Tuckfelt, Judy & Gerry Kobell, Dr. Elaine Berkowitz, and Evan Indianer; **Top Row:** Mindy Shreve, Linda & Fred Newman, and Ira Frank

"Beth Shalom is in my will because it gives to me in so many ways. Belonging to Legacy Circle is the right thing to do.... Providing a legacy gift to Beth Shalom also is a wonderful way to honor my parents."

-Dr. Elaine H. Berkowitz

"I have made a legacy gift to Beth Shalom to make sure that my 'second home' will be here to care for our community in the future."

-Gail Neft



"My hope and prayer are that this beautiful structure on Beacon Street continue to stand as a Beacon to Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Community in Pittsburgh."

-Bunny Morris

Thank You to our Legacy Circle Members...

Moshe Baran
Dr. Elaine H. Berkowitz
Ari & May Chester
Milton Eisner (z"l)
Sarita Eisner
Gloria Elbling-Gottlieb
Julian A. Elbling
Jay Fingeret
Deborah & Nathan Firestone
Ira Frank
Eva Friedman
Gary Friedman
Shiri & Josh Friedman

Robert Gleiberman
Jessica Hammer & Chris Hall
David S. Horvitz
Gerald Kobell
Elaine Krasik (z"l)
Carl Krasik
Gina Levine
Jack & Bernice Meyers
Bunny Morris
Paul Munro
Gail Neft
Fred & Linda Newman
Harvey & Beverly Robins

Jane & Bruce Rollman
Yale (z"I) & Barbara Rosenstein
Sharon & Steven Schwartz
Mindy Shreve
Ellen Siegel
Mike Siegel
Joel Smalley
Lisa Steindel
Richard & Sharon Sweet
Paul Teplitz
Nancy & Gary Tuckfelt
Anonymous

Making a legacy gift assures that Beth Shalom will be here for future generations. Joining the Legacy Circle is easy – simply let us know you are thinking about making a legacy gift to the shul through your will, trust, retirement plan, life insurance policy or other option. We are happy to chat with you about creating your Jewish legacy. Please contact Rabbi Andy Shugerman, 412-421-2288 Ext. 317, or rabbiandy@bethshalompgh.org, Ira Frank (natfabira@juno.com) or Mindy Shreve (mindyshreve@gmail.com).

Announcing

The

Daniel M. Plaut Youth Service Award



We Remember Daniel (z"l)

Beloved Son of Marlene Behrmann-Cohen and David Plaut, Dear Brother of Benjamin

Our congregation remembers Daniel from the youngest age, so sweet and polite, watched him grow to be a gifted and learned Bar Mitzvah and then active in our Youth Department, a role model to his peers, and always eager to lend a hand, help a friend and volunteer.

With this award, we will honor Daniel's loving spirit, the good he stood for and recall his kind, caring heart, his gentle, thoughtful ways, and his service to Beth Shalom and the world.

Not only will this allow us to remember Daniel but inspire others to live the values he stood for and carry on his good work.

Each year we will recognize one young member from our congregation who exemplifies this spirit and gives back to our synagogue and to our community with the

Daniel M. Plaut Youth Service Award

Congregation Beth Shalom



Volunteer Awards Brunch

Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.



We are now accepting nominations for the Volunteer Awards Brunch.

Award names and descriptions listed below.

Lester A. Hamburg Member of the Year Award

honors a member who embodies volunteerism, leadership, and a long history of participation within the congregation. The candidate must be a member of Congregation Beth Shalom in good standing. Nominees may include Board Members, Life Members of the Board and committee chairpersons. Past Presidents and former officers who have not served in an elected position in the past ten years are also eligible. Honorary Presidents shall be eligible five years after their election. Current Officers of the congregation are not eligible.

Ethel & Bernard M. Halpern Young Leadership Award

recognizes a young leader in our congregational family who has set an example of volunteerism and decision-making.

Nathan E. Snader Distinguished Service Award

rewards a member who has demonstrated exemplary service and dedication to Beth Shalom and the larger Jewish community. Past Presidents, Honorary Presidents and Officers of the Congregation are not eligible as candidates for the Snader Award.

Pittsburgh Jewish Chronicle Volunteers of the Year Award

celebrates a member whose devotion and involvement has positively impacted Beth Shalom and Pittsburgh's Jewish community.

Daniel M. Plaut Youth Service Award

recognizes a youth who epitomizes volunteerism and leadership within Beth Shalom and the larger Jewish community.

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Please submit nominations by Friday, September 16 to our Administrative Assistant, Tika Bonner, at 412.421.2288 x114 or via email at receptionist@bethshalompgh.org.

Beth Shalom Welcomes Its Newest Members*

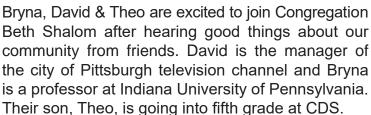
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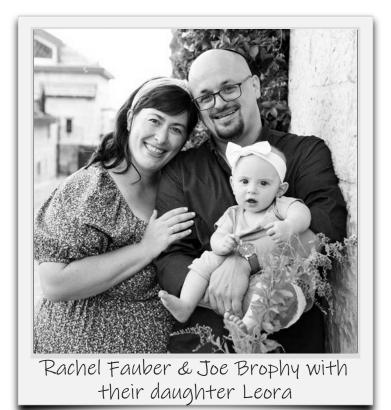
Rabbi Rachel Adler

Tammy Shemesh

Dr. Jennifer (Jenn) Sydeski & Bradley (Brad) Factor







Rachel, Joe, and their seven-month-old daughter Leora, are new to the Beth Shalom community after living overseas in Israel for the past three years. Rachel leads communications at an international NGO, Joe is an educator at the Community Day School, and Leora will be learning how to walk, as they make Pittsburgh their new home.

We Look Forward to Being Part of Your Memories!

Watch for more new member photos and bios in upcoming issues!

*As of July 2022

Rosh Hashanah Blessings

Candle Lighting

This year the first day of Rosh Hashanah does not fall on Shabbat. We light candles eighteen minutes before sunset. It is traditional to light a minimum of two candles, although some light more, corresponding to the number of people in one's family. After lighting the candles, we customarily cover our eyes while reciting the following *berakhot*. On the second night, light after dark from an existing flame.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Who sanctified us with Your commandments and commanded us to kindle the Yom Tov light.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Who has kept us alive and sustained us and brought us to this season. **Barukh** atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, asher kiddeshanu bemitzvotav vetzivvanu lehadlik ner shel yom tov.

Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, shehe<u>h</u>eyanu vekiyyemanu vehiggiyanu la-zeman ha-zeh. בַּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱ-לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קּדְשֶׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצָוָנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל יוֹם טוֹב: בַּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱ-לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהָחֲיָנוּ וְקִיְּמֵנוּ וְהִגִּיעֲנוּ לַוְמֵן הַזֶּה:



Kiddush for the Evening

With the assent of my friends:

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God. Sovereign of the Universe, who chose us from among all people, and exalted us above all (tongues) languages, and sanctified us with Your commandments. And [You] gave us Adonai, our God, in love this Day of Remembrance a day for the shofar sound, a day of holy assembly commemorating the exodus from Egypt. For us have You chosen and for us have You sanctified from among all peoples; and Your word is true and enduring forever. Blessed are You Adonal. Sovereign over all the earth, Sanctifier of Israel, and the Day of Remembrance.

Blessed are You, Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Who has kept us alive and sustained us, and brought us to this season. Savri haverai:

Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, borei peri hagafen.

Barukh atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melekh haolam, asher bahar banu mikol am, veromemanu mikol lashon, vekiddeshanu bemitzvotav. Vatiten lanu Adonai Eloheinu, be'ahavah et yom hazikaron hazeh, yom teruah mikrah kodesh, zekher litzi'at Mitzrayim. Ki vanu vaharta, ve'otanu kiddashta, mikol ha'amim, udvarkhah emet vekayam la'ad. Barukh atah, Adonai, Melekh al kol ha'aretz, mekadesh Yisrael veyom hazikaron.

Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha'olam, shehe<u>h</u>eyanu vekiyyemanu vehiggiyanu lazeman hazeh.

סברי חברי: ברוך אתה יי א-להינו מלך העולם בורא פרי הגפן. ברוך אתה יי א-להינו מלך הַעוֹלָם אַשֶׁר בָּחַר בָּנוּ מִכָּל־עָם ורוממנו מכל לשון, וקדשנו בּמְצוֹתיו. ותַתן לְנוּ יי א-לֹהֵינוּ באהבה את־יום הזַכּרוֹן הזה, יום תרועה מקרא קדש זכר ליציאַת מצַרַיִם. כִּי בְנוּ בַחַרְתַּ ואותנו קדשת מכל־העמים. וּדְבַרָדְ אֲמֵת וִקַיָּם לֶעַד: בָּרוּךְ אַתַה יי מַלַר עַל כַּל הַאַרַץ מַקַדַשׁ יִשְׂרַאֵל וְיוֹם הַזְּכַּרוֹן: ברוּך אתה יי א-להַינוּ מַלֹּךְ העולם שהחינו וקימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה:

Kiddush for the Afternoon

Before the midday meal, we recite the following:

Moses declared to the Israelites the sacred occasions of God.

Sound the shofar on our feast day, on the new moon, when it is hidden. For it is Israel's law, a decree of the God of Jacob.

With the assent of my friends: Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine. Va-y'dabbeir moshe et mo'adei Adonai el b'nei yisrael. Tik'u va-<u>h</u>odesh shofar ba-keseh l'yom <u>h</u>aggeinu. Ki <u>h</u>ok l'yisrael hu mishpat leilohei ya'akov.

Savri <u>h</u>averai:

Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, borei peri hagafen. וַיְדַבֵּר משה אֶת מועֲדֵי יי אֶל בְּנֵי יִשׁרָאֵל: תִּקְעוּ בַחדֶשׁ שׁופָר בַּכֶּסֶה לְיום חַגֵּנוּ. כִּי חק לְיִשׁרָאֵל הוּא מִשְׁפָּט לֵאלהֵי יַעְקב: סַבְרִי חָבֵרי: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱ-לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ

בָּרוּהְ אַתָּה יי אֱ-לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶהְ הָעוֹלָם בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הַגָּפֶן:

Handwashing

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, Who has made us holy through the commandments and commanded us concerning the washing of hands. Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, asher kiddeshanu bemitzvotav vetzivvanu al netilat yadayim. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יי אֱ-לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶּדְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיוּ וְצִוָּנוּ עַל נְטִילַת יָדַיִם:

Hamotzi (recited before eating bread)

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Who brings bread from the earth.

Barukh atah Adonai Eloheinu melech ha-olam ha-motzi le<u>h</u>em min ha-aretz.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֶ-לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם הַמֹוצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ:

Prayer for a Sweet Year

We recite the following over an apple dipped in honey. If you have already recited Hamotzi, do not say the first passage.

Blessed are You, Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the universe, Who creates the fruit of the tree.

Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, borei peri ha-etz. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יי אֱ-לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלָם בּוֹרֵא פְּרִי הָעֵץ:

May it be Your will, Adonai our God, and God of our ancestors, to renew for us a new, sweet, and good year.

Yehi ratzon milfanekha Adonai eloheinu veilohei avoteinu veimmoteinu she-te<u>h</u>addesh aleinu shanah tovah umetukah. יְהִי רָצוֹן מִלְפָנֶיךְ יי אֱ-לֹהֵינוּ וַאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתִינוּ וַאמוֹתִינוּ שֶׁתְּחַדִשׁ עָלֵינוּ שֶׁנָה טוֹבָה וּמְתוּקָה:

Kapparot

The ritual of Kapparot symbolizes the transfer of sins from the sinner to some other object or being. In this respect, it is like the ritual of Tashlikh on Rosh Hashanah, or the ancient Yom Kippur ceremony of the scapegoat (Leviticus 16). Whereas this ceremony has been performed using a chicken — later eaten at the meal — today it is more common to use a small sum of money, placed in an envelope and circled over the head of the individual three times as the words of the ritual are recited. The money is then contributed to tzedakah, in fulfillment of the ancient promise that acts of charity can save us from the severity of any decree against us.

This is in my stead. May this be my substitute; may this be my atonement. This money will go to tzedakah, that I may enter the path to a good, long life, and to peace.

Zeh <u>h</u>alifati, zeh temurati, zeh kapparati. Zeh hakesef yelekh litzedakah, va-ani elekh ve-ekkanes le<u>h</u>ayyim tovim arukkim ulshalom. זֶה חֲלִיפָתִי, זֶה תְּמוּרָתִי, זֶה כַּפָּרָתִי. זָה הַכֶּסֶף יֵלֵךְ לִצְדָקָה, וַאֲנִי אֵלֵךְ וָאֶכָּנֵס לְחַיִּים טוֹבִים אֲרֻכִּים וּלְשָׁלוֹם.

Candle Lighting

We light candles eighteen minutes before sunset, as on Shabbat. It is traditional to light a minimum of two candles, although some light more, corresponding to the number of people in one's family. After lighting the candles, we customarily cover our eves while reciting the following two *berakhot*.

Blessed are You, Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Who sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us to kindle the light of the Day of Atonement.

Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, asher kiddeshanu bemitzvotav vetzivvanu lehadlik ner shel yom hakippurim.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֶ-לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶּךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קּדְּשֶׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצָוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל יוֹם הַכָּפּוּרִים:

Blessed are You, Adonai, our God, Sovereign of the Universe, Who has kept us alive and sustained us, and brought us to this season.

Barukh atah Adonai, eloheinu melekh ha-olam, shehe<u>h</u>eyanu vekiyyemanu vehiggiyanu lazeman ha-zeh.

בָּרוּהְ אַתָּה יי אֶ-לֹהֵינוּ מֱלֶהְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהֶחֲיָנוּ וְקִיְּמֵנוּ וְהִגִּיעֲנוּ לַזְמֵן הַזֶּה:

Tashlikh

Observed in 5783 on Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Before the bread is cast into the water, the following may be recited: Is there any divinity save You who forgives the sins and pardons the transgressions of the remnant, Your people? You do not maintain anger forever, for You delight in love. You will return to us compassionately, overcoming the consequences of our sin, hurling our sins into the depths of the sea. You will keep faith with Jacob, showing enduring love to Abraham, as You promised our ancestors in days of old.

The following may be added:

In my trouble I called to Adonai, who answered me; from the belly of Sheol I cried out, and You heard my voice. You cast me into the depths, into the heart of the sea, the floods engulfed me; all Your breakers and billows swept over me. I thought I was driven away out of Your sight: Would I ever gaze again upon Your holy Temple? The waters closed in over me, the deep engulfed me. Weeds twined around my head. I sank to the base of the mountains; the bars of the earth closed upon me forever. Yet You brought my life up from the pit, O my God Adonai! When my life was ebbing away, I called Adonai to mind; and my prayer came before You, into Your holy Temple. Jonah 23-8

After the bread is cast into the water, one of the following may be recited:

X

None shall hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, for the love of Adonal shall fill the earth as the waters fill the sea.

Isaiah 11:9

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For this is like the waters of Noah to Me; for just as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more flood the earth; so have I sworn that I will not be angry with you, nor rebuke you. For the mountains may move and the hills shake; but My kindness shall not depart from you, nor shall my covenant of peace be taken away—says Adonai, who has taken you back in love. Isaiah 54:9-10

Tashlikh is a ceremony performed near a body of water, preferably one that flows into a larger body of water. It takes place on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, except when the first day falls on Shabbat, in which case it takes place on the second day. The origin of Tashlikh is shrouded in mystery. The first direct mention can be found in the halakhic work of Rabbi Jacob Moelin (Maharil, 15th century), who approved of the custom of going to the water to recite particular biblical verses and prayers on Rosh Hashanah, but specified that it is inappropriate to throw bread in the water to represent the sins that are being cast away. Clearly, both the custom and the bread-throwing preceded him, but we do not know when this tradition began.

The ceremony of Tashlikh survived and grew in popularity, despite significant rabbinic opposition. Some rabbis opposed Tashlikh because it makes the complex process of separating sin from our lives seem too facile, as if it is simply a matter

Before the bread is cast into the water, the following may be recited:

מִי־אֵל כָּמְזֹךּ נֹשֵׂא עָוֹן וְעֹבֵר עַל־כֶּשַׁע לִשְׁאֵרִית נַחֲלֶתוֹ, לֹא הֶחֲזִיק לָעַד אַפּוֹ כִּי חָפֵץ חֶסֶד הוּא. יָשׁוּב יְרַחֲמֵנוּ יִכְבִּשׁ עֲוֹנֹתֵינוּ וְתַשְׁלִיךְ בִּמְצֻלוֹת יָם כְּל־חַטֹּאתָם. תִּתֵּן אֶמֶת לְיַעֲקֹב חֶסֶד לְאַבְרָהָם אֲשֶׁר נִשְׁבַּעְתָּ לַאֲבוֹתֵינוּ מִימֵי קָדָם. מִיכּה זיח-כּ

The following may be added:

קֶרֵאתִי מִצָּרָה לִי אֶל־יהוה וַיַּעֲנָנִי מִבֶּטֶן שְׁאוֹל שִׁוַעְתִּי שָׁמֵעְתָּ קוֹלִי. וַתַּשְׁלִיכֵנִי מְצוּלָה בִּלְבַב יַמִּים וְנָהָר יְסֹּבְבֵנִי כְּל־מִשְׁבָּרֵיף וְנֵלֶיף עָלַי עָבֵרוּ. וַאֲנִי אָמֵרְתִּי נִגְרֲשְׁתִּי מִנָּגֶד עֵינֵיף אַךְ אוֹסִיף לְהַבִּיט אֶל־הֵיכַל קָּךְשֶׁךְ. אֶפָפְוּנִי מֵיִם עַד־נֶפֶשׁ תְּהוֹם יְסֹבְבֵנִי סוּף חָבוּשׁ לְרֹאשִׁי. לְקִצְבֵי הָרִים יָרַדְתִּי הָאֶרֶץ בְּרְחֵיהָ בַעֲדִי לְעוֹלָם וַתַּעַל מִשְׁחַת חַיַּי יהוה אֱלֹהָי. בְּהִתְעֵטֵף עָלֵי נַפְשִׁי אֶת־יהוה זֶכֶרְתִּי וַתָּבוֹא אֵלֶיף תִּפּלָתִי אֶל-הֵיכַל קְדְשֶׁךְ. יִנּה בּגַּח

After the bread is cast into the water, one of the following may be recited:

ת לא־יָרַעוּ וְלא־יַשְׁחִיתוּ בְּכָל־הַר קָדְשִׁי כִּי־מָלְאָה הָאֶרֶץ דֵּעָה אֶת־יהוה כַּמִּיִם לַיָּם מְכַסִּים. ישעיה אַ ט

ַבְּי־מֵי נְחַ זֹאת לִי אֲשֶׁר נִשְׁבַּעְתִּי מֵעֲבֹר מֵי־נְחַ עוֹד עַל־ הָאֶרֶץ כֵּן נִשְׁבַּעְתִּי מִקְצֹף עָלַיִרְ וּמִגְּעָר־בָּךְ. כִּי הָהָרִים יַמִוּשׁוּ וְהַגָּבַעוֹת תִּמוּטֵינַה וְחַסְדִּי מֵאָתַּךְ לֹא־יַמוּשׁ

וּבְרִית שָׁלוֹמִי לֹא תַמוּט אַמַר מְרַחֲמֵךְ יהוה. ישעיה נד ט-י

of casting bread from our hands. But Tashlikh survived because it fulfilled a popular need. Most of what we do on Rosh Hashanah depends on verbal expression or on listening. Tashlikh, the symbolic casting away of our sins, constitutes one of the few active rituals of the day.

Tashlikh has been understood in a variety of ways. Throwing bread into the water can be understood as a symbolic casting away of our sins, marking the purification that takes place on these days. Moreover, just as fish eat our bread and what is cast away becomes nourishment, so we pray that even our sins will eventually be turned to good effect in the world. Lastly, just as the waters of the sea go around the world, so too can we, at this moment, become conscious of how we are connected to all that is around us.

Mahzor Lev Shalem

High Holiday Services 5783

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, September 25, 2022

Candle Lighting: 6:52 p.m.

6:00 p.m. *Minhah/Ma'ariv*

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1

Monday, September 26, 2022

9:00 a.m. Morning Service
4:30 p.m. Meet in front of Beth
Shalom to walk to
Chatham Pond

5:30 p.m. Return

6:00 p.m. *Min<u>h</u>ah/Ma'ariv*

After 7:52 p.m. Candle Lighting from an

existing flame

ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

EREV YOM KIPPUR, KOL NIDREI

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

YOM KIPPUR MORNING

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

9:00 a.m. Morning Service

Approx. 11:00 a.m. .. Yizkor

Approx. 2:30 p.m. Break/Avodah/Eilleh

Ezkerah with Rabbi

Adelson

3:00-4:30 p.m. Derekh Discussions

7:37 p.m.Shofar/Havdalah

All Holiday services can be accessed via ZOOM.

Join via Zoom

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Program & Prayer Service Watch for more details to follow



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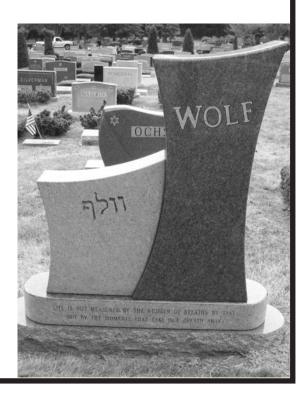
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Navigating the Services

Once a year we come together for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The holiday services can be long and confusing; here are a few things which might help.

Rosh Hashanah

Rosh Hashanah celebrates the New Year; it is a time of renewal when we consider the choices we have made throughout the year. It is also the time when we hear the shofar blown and crown God as our Ruler. The holiday is celebrated over two days, both here and in Israel. Throughout the holiday, the prayer leader leads the congregation in the distinctive tunes, called *nusah*, that are particular to the High Holiday services. You might notice the broad range and lofty nature of the *nusah*, this encourages us to imagine divine power. The pattern of the two days is, fortunately, the same.

The evening services are relatively brief. The service starts with the *Shema* and its associated blessings. The *Shema* is the central declaration of Judaism when we proclaim the oneness of God. We say it while sitting down and covering our eyes. The second major section of prayer is the special Rosh Hashanah *Amidah* which is recited standing and in silence, as is the practice for the *Amidah* in all services.

The morning service is the focus of Rosh Hashanah. The service begins with opening prayers and the *Amidah*. After this, we rise to recite *Avinu Malkeinu* in which we ask that our sins be forgiven. The Torah reading consists of the passages leading up to and including the *Akedah*, the story of the binding of Isaac. After the Torah reading, the shofar, a ram's horn, is blown, a key practice of Rosh Hashanah. The shofar blasts are meant to stir our hearts to sincere repentance and atonement.

The rabbi's sermon follows, and then we enter *Musaf*, the additional service reserved for Shabbat and holidays. The *Musaf Amidah* includes a number of poems that heighten the intensity of the day.

The most famous is the *Untaneh Tokef*, asking the challenging question, who shall live and who shall die? Three sections follow, representing the focal points of Rosh Hashanah, each punctuated by shofar blasts: the *Malkhuyot*, crowning God as our Sovereign and Creator, the *Zikhronot*,

asking God to remember us in God's judgment, and *Shofarot*, announcing the awesome holiness of the day and the revelation of Torah.

Yom Kippur

Yom Kippur, the major fast of the year, lasts for 25 hours, from the start of sunset to the beginning of complete darkness the next day. For this period we refrain from eating or drinking so long as we do not endanger our health. As well, we refrain from wearing leather as a way of denying ourselves luxuries. Some people choose to wear white on this day to reflect outwardly the desire for cleansing our souls. Yom Kippur is a holiday of repentance and forgiveness - a chance to atone for our sins.

A focal point of the holiday is the opening moments, when, in the evening, we chant *Kol Nidrei*, the dissolution of vows. Before we can ask God to forgive our sins, we ask that any vows we made be canceled. Then, after an evening *Amidah*, we chant prayers for forgiveness (*Selihot*) and confession (*Vidui*). It is customary to lean forward slightly and strike your heart while chanting the confessionary prayers to reinforce our feelings of atonement.

The daytime service parallels the Rosh Hashanah service, including opening prayers, the *Amidah*, and Torah reading. The service continues as we remember those we know who have died, called *Yizkor*, enabling those who have lost loved ones to pledge service and charity in their name. Some, whose parents are living, have the custom of leaving before the *Yizkor* prayer, but all are encouraged to remain. Following *Yizkor* we continue with the *Musaf*, again chanting the *Amidah* and more prayers for forgiveness (*Selihot*) and confession (*Vidui*).

As the sun goes down in the West, the day concludes with the *Ne'ilah* service. This service represents the closing of the book, the time when the decisions of life for the year to come are made and one is given a final chance for repentance. We mark the end of the holiday with a long blast from the shofarot of the congregation.



2022 FESTIVAL OF SUKKOT

FIDCE	DAV	~	JKKOT

Candle li	hting	6:30	p.m.
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Sunday, October 9 Sukkot Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Congregational dinner in the Sukkah 7:00 p.m.
Monday, October 10 Early Morning Service 6:30 a.m.

Sukkot Morning Service

9:00 a.m.

Have your Lulav & Etrog ready!

SECOND DAY OF SUKKOT

Candle lighting from existing flame after 7:29 p.m.

Monday, October 10 Sukkot Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 11 Early Morning Service 6:30 a.m.

Sukkot Morning Service 9:00 a.m. Have your Lulav & Etrog ready!

Tuesday, October 11 Evening Service 6:45 p.m.

Havdalah at 7:28 p.m.

HOL HAMOED – INTERMEDIATE DAYS

Wednesday, October 12 Morning Service 7:30 a.m.

Evening Service 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 13 Morning Service 7:30 a.m.

Pizza in the Hut6:00 p.m.Evening Service7:00 p.m.Scotch in the Sukkah7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 14 Morning Service 7:30 a.m.

SHABBAT HOL HAMOED

Candle lighting at 6:23 p.m.

Friday, October 14 Shababababa 5:00 p.m.

Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 15 Early Morning Shabbat Service 6:30 a.m.

Shabbat Morning Service 9:00 a.m. Minhah / Discussion / Ma'ariv 6:25 p.m.

Havdalah at 7:23 p.m.

HOSHANA RABBA

Sunday, October 16 Morning Service 8:00 a.m.

SHEMINI ATZERET

Candle lighting at 6:20 p.m.

Sunday, October 16 Shemini Atzeret Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Monday, October 17 Early Morning Service, with Yizkor 6:00 a.m.

Shemini Atzeret Service, with Yizkor 9:00 a.m.

(Yizkor at approximately 10:30 a.m.)

SIM<u>H</u>AT TORAH

Candle lighting from existing flame after 7:17 p.m.

Monday, October 17 Evening Service 6:30 p.m. Family celebration: *hakafot*, dancing, and singing with *Sifrei Torah* beginning at 6:45 p.m.

Tuesday, October 18 Early Morning Service 6:00 a.m.

Simhat Torah Morning Service 9:00 a.m.

Family hakafot - 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 18 Evening Service 6:30 p.m.

Havdalah at 7:17 p.m.



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sponsored by **Shayna & Ben Yogman** in honor of Elisheva Yogman becoming a bat mitzvah.

Nihum Avelim

(Comforting Mourners)

May 1, 2022 — July 15, 2022

Martin & Linda Supowitz and all family and friends, on the passing of Marty's mother and our long-time member, Aunt Gertie, Gertrude Weinberg Supowitz, on May 4th.

Pamela Hollerman Stasolla, former Assistant Director of the Beth Shalom ELC, on the passing of her father, Charles Edward Hollerman, on May 4th.

Peter & Barbara Oleinick on the passing of Peter's brother Jon Oleinick on May 17th.

Larry & Sharon Dobkin on the passing of Larry's mother Eunice Dobkin on May 18th.

Nathan Young and children Mindy Young-Secunda and Jeffrey (Laura) Young and all family and friends on the passing of Elinor Young on May 30th.

Claire Weinbaum and children David (Joan) Weinbaum and Judy (Jon) Eakin (and also the late Stuart Weinbaum) and all family and friends on the passing of Morris Weinbaum on June 9th.

The Rascoe family on the passing of Eric Rascoe, father of the late Todd Rascoe, father-in-law of Batia, and grandfather of Shira, Ariel, and Amallia, on June 13th.

Jason (Sara) Berliner on the passing of Jason's grandfather Ronald Scott, on June 20th.

Larry & Adrienne Savitz on the passing of Larry's father Arthur Savitz on June 26th

Jared Magnani & Amy Bardack on the passing of Jared's mother Phyllis Sarah Magnani on June 30th.

Kenny & Terry Steinberg on the passing of Kenny's mother (our member) Ida Steinberg on July 15th.

Milestones – Mazal Tov!

May 1, 2022 — July 15, 2022

Judy & Gerry Kobell who celebrated, in Austin, Texas, the bat mitzvah of their granddaughter, Mara Kornblith, daughter of Nick & Leslie Kornblith.

Grandparents Ronna Harris & Dan Askin and the late Dr. Richard Harris (z"I) on the birth of Judah David Harris, son of Avrum Harris & Brittany Cooper, on May 5, 2022

Maureen & Jim Busis on the marriage of their son Ethan Busis to Sarah Hull. Ethan is the grandson of the late Sidney & Sylvia Busis (z"I).

Arnold Caplan & Joyce Tateishi on the wedding of son Scott Caplan & Erika Varner, daughter of Carolyn Varner and the late Robert Varner.

David & Amelia Oleander on the birth of their child.

Parents Jeannie & Paul Reznick and grandfather Harry Drucker on the wedding on June 19th of Rachel Reznick and Aaron Greengard.

Vicky & Steve Hoffman on the engagement of their son Danny to Austin Trupp.

Lois & Alan Kopolow on the engagement of their daughter Andrea to Noah Cassis. Noah is the son of the late Marilyn and Gil Cassis. The couple live in Philadelphia. A spring 2023 wedding is planned.

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July 1, 2022

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July 8, 2022

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Bringing Seminary students to Beth Shalom for shabbat weekend

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Supporting synagogue operations

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Establishing and maintaining the Hoffman Library

Israel Experience Scholarship Fund

Funding scholarships for dependent children of Congregants to offset costs for trip to Israel

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Offering programming for Shabbat Alive events

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Supporting synagogue operations

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Providing books and other educational materials for preschool

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Providing scholarship support for children of Beth Shalom members

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Supporting preschool programming

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Supporting charitable causes as defined by the Philanthropic Committee

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Providing funds to purchase New Prayer Books

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Establishing and maintaining youth lounge

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Purchasing of Torah Cover in honor of every Congregation President

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Supporting synagogue operations

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Maintaining and replacing Preschool playground equipment

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Supporting youth programming

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Providing Sukkot decorations and kiddushes and Sukkah construction/repair

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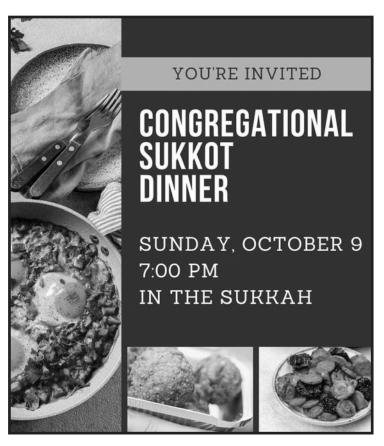


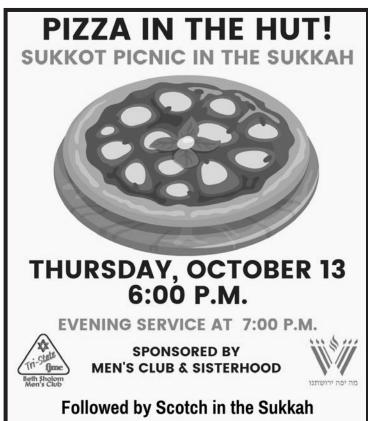
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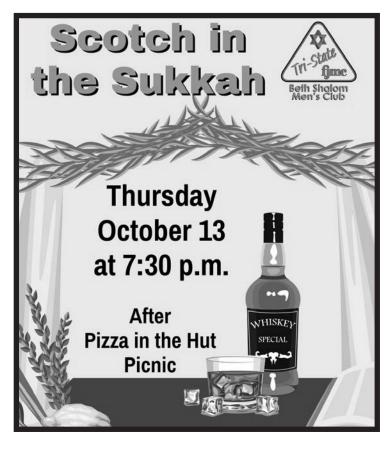


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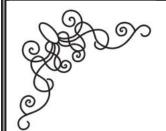
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