



A Message from Rabbi Bearman

For the last several weeks, Student Cantor Hamstra and I have been hard at work shaping High Holy Day services full of inspiration and meaning. We hope that by the end of Neilah on Yom Kippur, every member of our community will feel ready to embrace all of the opportunities that 5780 has to offer.

I am thrilled that this year we will be introducing Mishkan HaNefesh For Youth at both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Family Services. This prayer book includes hundreds of creative prayers and songs that will be meaningful and engaging for people of all ages. I had the privilege of serving on Mishkan HaNefesh For Youth's Advisory Group with other rabbis, cantors, Jewish educators, and Jewish professionals, and over the course of a year or so, we worked together to create this special prayer book for Jewish families to use and enjoy. The idea that prayers that I wrote will be part of the High Holy Day experience at our congregation and at many others is humbling and so, so exciting!

Whether you attend our 9:00 am services, which will include the inspirational text of Mishkan HaNefesh as well as the heavenly voices of our professional choir, or 12:00 pm Family Services, which will feature the exuberance and energy of our newly-reinstated teen choir, amazing band, and brand new prayer book, I hope that you will be lifted up and restored by your experience at TBC this High Holy Day season.

Wishing you and your families a sweet, healthy, and happy new year filled with transformative and meaningful experiences,

Rabbi Rachel Bearman



If you need additional High Holy Day tickets for visiting family members or friends, you can go to

<http://bit.ly/tbchhdtks>

or go to

www.templebnaichaim.org

and click on the High Holy Days 5780.

Message from Student Cantor Hamstra

I look forward to once again joining Rabbi Bearman on the bimah and being with the TBC family together for the coming High Holidays. As a community, we will enter 5780 open to the endless possibility of a new year and with open hearts ready to bring love and light into the world around us. In that spirit, we will be including a new line of text in *Oseh Shalom*, our prayer for peace. The words can already be found in our beautiful machzors (High Holiday prayer books), but they are new to our community. The traditional prayer petitions the creator of peace on high to bring peace "upon us and upon all of Israel." To reflect our values of inclusivity, respect for every individual, and commitment to peace for all, we will include four more words at the end of this prayer: "*v'al kol yoshvei teivel*," meaning "And upon all who dwell on earth." In the coming year, may our community pray as if everything depends on God and act as if everything depends on us. *L'shana tova u'metuka tikatevu*. May you be inscribed for a good and sweet new year.

Student Cantor Hamstra

From the Ritual Committee

We look forward to celebrating the holidays with you and your families. *L'Shanah Tovah!*

- **Tashlich** services will take place at **2 pm** on the **first day of Rosh Hashanah (Monday, September 30)** after the family service.
- **Come and Decorate the Sukkah on Wednesday, October 16 at 4:00 pm—6:00 pm.** This event is open to the community, so bring your friends.
- Our **Family Sukkot Service** will take place on **Friday, October 18 at 6:30 pm.**

Michael Heft Food Drive & Miriam Messe Diaper Collection

Please consider donating to our annual HHD drives to help local food banks, including the Redding Food Pantry, Wilton Food Pantry, the Women's Center of Greater Danbury, and the Community Action Agency of Western CT. Lists will be available during Rosh Hashanah services and items can be dropped off during Yom Kippur services.



Contact Jane Alexander at Jane@nodhill.net or Wendy Nadel at Wenadel@optonline.net to help sort & deliver items.

Group Aliyot For 2019/5780

In keeping with TBC's values, all will be welcome on the bimah. This invitation very much includes those TBC members and guests who are not Jewish but who would like be a part of this special experience.

Rosh Hashanah Day 1: 9:00 am Service

- 1st** You or your family have belonged to TBC for 30 or more years
- 2nd** You or your family have belonged to TBC for 20-29 years
- 3rd** You or your family have belonged to TBC for 10-19 years
- 4th** You or your family have belonged to TBC for less than 10 years or are visiting with us today

Rosh Hashanah Day 1: 12:00 pm Service

All 8th-12th grade students

Yom Kippur: 9:00 am Service

With these aliyot, we want to highlight the diversity of experience among American Jews. For the first aliyah, we will ask everyone in the sanctuary to stand for the Torah blessings.

- 1st** All celebrating the High Holy Days in the United States this year
- 2nd** Everyone whose family has been in the United States since 1950
- 3rd** Everyone whose family has been in the United States since 1900
- 4th** Everyone whose family has been in the United States since 1880

Yom Kippur: 12:00 pm Service

Director of Lifelong Learning, Karin Beitel, and all TBC Religious School Faculty

A Service for Your Style

We will have two distinct morning services on both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Both include a sermon from Rabbi Beaman and the blowing of the Shofar. You may want to consider the following information as you decide which service to attend.

	Prayers	Torah	Music	Atmosphere
9:00 am Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Morning Services	About two hours long, these services include a variety of Hebrew and English prayers and readings	Multiple aliyot (sections) of Torah will be chanted by TBC members	Familiar, classic High Holy Days music and contemporary settings with keyboard accompaniment enriched by our professional choir	The prayers and music in this service will make it feel more formal than our regular Shabbat services. Meant for adults and families who enjoy the classic High Holy Day prayer experience
12:00 pm Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Family Services and <u>New Prayer Books</u>	About an hour and fifteen minutes, these services include the major High Holy Day prayers as well as creative English readings	An abbreviated Torah Service is perfect for our younger attendees	Spiritual, contemporary selections in addition to traditional favorites	Adults and families who enjoy the participatory feeling of our TBC Family Services will feel comfortable at this service

Service Times

All Services are at Temple B'nai Chaim except for Tashlich — directions to this service will be provided at Rosh Hashanah Day 1 services. Services with an asterisk (*) require a ticket.

Special Family Service Friday, September 6 - 7:30 pm

Rosh Hashanah	
Sunday, September 29	
-Erev Rosh Hashanah*	7:45 pm
Monday, September 30	
-Rosh Hashanah Morning Service*	9:00 - 11:15 am
-Rosh Hashanah Family Service*	12:00 - 1:15 pm
-Tashlich	2:00 pm
Tuesday, October 1	
-Rosh Hashanah Morning Service	9:30 - 11:30 am

Yom Kippur	
Tuesday, October 8	
-Kol Nidre Service *	7:45 pm
Wednesday, October 9	
-Yom Kippur Morning Service*	9:00 - 11:15 am
-Yom Kippur Family Service*	12:00 - 1:15 pm
-Study Session with Karin Beitel	1:45 - 2:45 pm
-Afternoon Service*	4:30 - 5:30 pm
-Yizkor Services	5:30 pm
-Neilah Services	6:00 pm
-Sisterhood Break-Fast	6:30 pm

Parking at TBC

All parking except for Tashlich will be onsite at TBC.
 We will have a small number of reserved parking spaces for people with limited mobility near the Temple. Please call the office if you need to reserve one of these spots.
 For some services we may park cars in the kitchen lot and down the center of the middle lot blocking other vehicles. Please do not park in kitchen or middle lot if you will be leaving before the end of the service.

Sisterhood Break-Fast

Sisterhood is once again planning to provide a sumptuous Yom Kippur break fast on Wednesday, October 9 at 6:30 pm, following Yizkor and Neilah services.
 All are welcome, but PLEASE RSVP by Tuesday, October 1 using the Tickets link or at <http://bit.ly/TBCBFRSVP> so that we are able to plan accordingly.

Important Reminders

Please remember to:

- ⇒ bring your tickets and have them available as you come in
- ⇒ arrive at the stated time for the start of each service
- ⇒ fill in the seats from the front first
- ⇒ leave your tallit at your seat if leaving sanctuary during service

Social Action Mission

“Together we will make the world a better place.”

Social Action is something in which everyone can participate. The only requirement is a desire to make the world a better place. From the smallest job to the most complex, each act of kindness and caring makes a huge impact on achieving social justice.

The Social Action Committee of TBC provides the focus and mechanism for congregants of all ages to get involved in a multitude of projects with very varied objectives and people served. Without regard to religion, the Social Action Committee provides assistance to a wide variety of projects locally, nationally and internationally.

The committee has numerous on-going activities and is always open to new suggestions.

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the High Holy days at TBC,
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Membership	Kiki Cahn
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Men's Club President	Jeffrey Spector
Ritual	Russell Robbins

Trustees At Large

Dina Levi	Jeffrey Spector
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Sisterhood Speaks

Sisterhood is TBC's vibrant auxiliary women's group. Sisterhood organizes and sponsors many events throughout the year for both the women of TBC and also for our entire temple community. We sponsor Jewish holiday celebrations at the TBC Religious School, provide Jewish gifts for our B'nai Mitzvah students and sponsor the Break-the-Fast for the entire TBC Community after Yom Kippur. (Your contributions to our Honey fundraiser help support this event.) A portion of our Sisterhood dues supports the Women of Reform Judaism's "YES" fund, which provides educational opportunities for children, rabbis and cantors, and camp scholarships for Jewish youth. In addition, we host a home-made luncheon for our local elders at the Senior Center twice a year at Ogden House in Wilton. We would love to see you at our upcoming events, including Sisterhood's annual membership dinner in October, our Hannukah party in December, our joint TBC-Hadassah Tu B' Shvat seder of renewal in February, our Women's Retreat in late winter, our Passover potluck in April, and other evenings -- some purely social, others focused on Jewish content -- sprinkled throughout the year. We also welcome you to join us in volunteering at the Ogden House events. As a reminder, every Sisterhood event and meeting provides you with opportunities to make friendships, to grow your Judaism and to contribute to the vibrancy of our TBC Community. By participating in Sisterhood fundraising, you help fund our Temple events and programs. TBC Sisterhood wishes everyone a Sweet New Year, a Year of Peace, Good Health and Fulfillment!

L'Shanah Tovah! Pam Klem and Sharon Sobel Co-Presidents and the TBC Sisterhood Board

Rise Against Hunger

Meal Packaging Event

Saturday, October 19 from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm - WEPCO, 36 New Canaan Road, Wilton

Donate Now: <http://bit.ly/tbctzdton>; Sign up in October for a two-hour shift

In Just 2 Hours You Can Help Feed Thousands of Hungry People!

On Saturday, October 19, TBC will be participating as a congregation in the 9th annual Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now) meal packaging event in Wilton. Last year we packaged 150,000 meals and TBC was well represented by about 90 volunteers. Since WiAct started we have packaged over 1,000,000 meals and in recognition of that RAH gave WiAct an inscribed gong (<https://www.facebook.com/TempleBnaiChaim/posts/1847457195323389>).

Our goal is to package over 160,000 meals this year and raise \$2,000 as a Congregation that will fund 6,500 meals which will be sent to hungry children in developing countries. We hope you will support this event by volunteering and contributing to cover TBC's commitment. If you would like to support this event, you can send a check to TBC and note that it is for Rise Against Hunger or contribute using this link <http://bit.ly/tbctzdton>. This year each meal costs \$0.31, so \$1.55 buys 5 meals, \$15 buys 48 meals and \$100 buys 323 meals -- a really good deal!

The sign-up will be in October. As in prior years there will be opportunities to sign up for set up, clean up and for two hour production shifts. Don't forget that children 5 and older can help (our 5-year-olds last year had a fantastic time and really contributed!).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Don Weber at mdweb27@me.com.

The event is at the Church Complex at 36 New Canaan Road, Wilton, just west of corner of Belden Hill & New Canaan Rds (Rte 106).