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## of Temple Beth Tzedek

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TEMPLE BETH TZEDEK

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## Temple Beth Tzedek High Holiday Service Schedule

<b>SELIHOT</b>	<b>Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup></b> 8:30 pm Pre-Holiday Program (livestreamed) 10:00 pm Selihot Service (livestreamed)
<b>ROSH HASHANAH EVE</b> <i>Traditional service</i>	<b>Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 pm Minḥa & Ma'ariv (livestreamed)
<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b> <i>Traditional service</i>	<b>Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00 am Shaharit, Torah Reading, Sermon & Musaf (livestreamed) 7:00 pm Minḥa & Ma'ariv (livestreamed)
<i>Family service</i>	10:00 am Mini-Mahzor service, food craft & interactive activities
<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b> <i>Traditional service</i>	<b>Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00 am Shaharit, Shofar, Torah Reading, Sermon & Musaf (livestreamed) 5:00 pm Tashlich (in person only) 5:45 pm Minḥa (livestreamed) 8:00 pm Ma'ariv (zoom only)
<i>Family service</i>	10:00 am Mini-Mahzor service, food craft & interactive activities
<b>YOM KIPPUR EVE</b> <i>Traditional service</i>	<b>Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup></b> 6:30 pm Minḥa (livestreamed) 6:45 pm Kol Nidre (livestreamed)
<b>YOM KIPPUR DAY</b> <i>Traditional service</i>	<b>Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup></b> 9:00 am Shaharit, Torah Reading, Israel Bond Appeal, Yizkor, Sermon & Musaf (livestreamed) 5:30 pm Minḥa, followed by Ne'ilah (livestreamed) 7:50 pm Sounding of Shofar, followed by Ma'ariv (livestreamed)
<i>Family service</i>	10:00 am Mini-Mahzor service, food craft & interactive activities
<b>EREV SUKKOT</b>	<b>Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 pm Minḥa & Ma'ariv (livestreamed)
<b>SUKKOT</b>	<b>Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30 am Shaharit (livestreamed) 7:00 pm Minḥa & Ma'ariv (livestreamed)
	<b>Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup></b> 9:30 am Shaharit (livestreamed) 7:00 pm Minḥa & Ma'ariv (livestreamed)
<b>HOSHANAH RABBAH</b>	<b>Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup></b> 7:15 am Shaharit (livestreamed)
<b>SHEMINI ATZERET</b>	<b>Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup></b> 6:00 pm Minḥa & Ma'ariv (livestreamed)
	<b>Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30 am Shaharit with Yizkor (livestreamed)
<b>SIMCHAT TORAH</b>	<b>Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup></b> 6:45 pm Minḥa (livestreamed) 7:30 pm Ma'ariv with Hakafot (livestreamed)
	<b>Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup></b> 9:30 am Shaharit with Hakafot (livestreamed) 9:30 am Youth Simchat Torah Service (in person in the social hall) 6:45 pm Minḥa & Ma'ariv (livestreamed)



## TICKETS

High Holiday tickets will be required for Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur morning. Please show your tickets to the security guard or usher when you enter the synagogue. Tickets are required for dependent, unmarried children of members, age 13 through college. Please arrange for their tickets with the synagogue office.

## CEMETERY KEVER AVOT MEMORIAL SERVICES AT HIGH HOLIDAY TIME

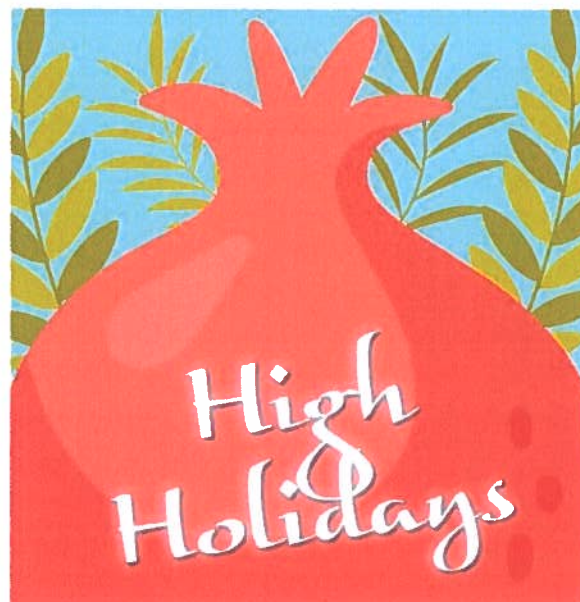
It is traditional to visit the graves of loved ones between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Kever Avot services will be held on Sunday, September 24th at the Temple Shaarey Zedek section of Elmlawn Cemetery at 10:00 am, and at the Temple Beth El Cemetery on Pine Ridge Road at 11:00 am.

## LULAV AND ETROG FOR SUKKOT

Those wishing to purchase a Lulav and Etrog for use on Sukkot are invited to contact Kim Jones in the Synagogue office by September 14th. The cost this year is \$45 for each set.

## SIMHAT TORAH KIDDUSH

The annual Simhat Torah Kiddush lunch will be held at the conclusion of services on Sunday, October 8th. Everyone is invited to attend the morning service, participate in the festive activities, and partake of the Kiddush lunch. Those who would like to sponsor or make a donation for the Kiddush lunch should contact the synagogue office.



### Service times

#### WEEKDAY

Sunday Shaharit 8:30 am  
Mon-Fri Shaharit 7:30 am  
Daily Minha/Ma'ariv 6:00 pm

#### SHABBAT

Kabbalat Shabbat 6 pm  
Shaharit 9:30 am

### GATHERING TIMES FOR MA'ARIV & HAVDALAH

September 2 8:30 PM  
September 9 8:20 PM  
September 16 8:05 PM  
September 23 7:55 PM  
September 30 7:40 PM  
October 7 7:30 PM

Please see High Holiday Schedule for Temple Beth Tzedek specific times.

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# High Holiday Notes

If you are feeling unwell, please stay home to protect the health of others.

Masks are optional and are available as you enter the building.

Please refrain from wearing perfumes, colognes, and the like. We expect large attendance, including some who are allergic to these.

We don't want to trigger sneezing at our services. Also, on Yom Kippur, these are among the comforts that we traditionally deny ourselves.

Your choices of clothing should respect the modesty and seriousness appropriate to the holidays, but comfort is part of your health. Especially if you are coping with health challenges, we encourage you to dress comfortably.

Parking in our lot will be restricted to those with handicap hangtags.

If you need special consideration, please contact the office ahead of time.

If you are parking on neighborhood streets,  
please be mindful of driveways and fire hydrants.

Please be gracious to sharing seating with others.

Please do not save seats for latecomers.

We are having one adult service in the sanctuary. Overflow seating will be in the minyan room with the livestream on the screen.

The social hall will be used for youth services and activities.

High Holiday tickets will be required for Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur morning.

Contact the office to order your Lulav and Etrog by September 14th,  
\$45 per set.

Tashlich will be observed on Sunday, September 17th, at 5:00 pm.  
Please consider a donation to the Simchat Torah kiddish on October 8th  
honoring the Chatan and Kallah.

## From The Rabbi

“Israel, holy people, awake, arouse yourselves and rise for the service of the Creator!”

According to an article in the book *Entering the High Days*, centuries ago in Eastern Europe, on the Sunday before Rosh HaShanah, you would be awakened before dawn by your local prayer leader, knocking on your door three times and shouting this statement, as your invitation to Selichot services.

Consider this your kinder, more gentle invitation to join us on Saturday, September 9th at 8:30 pm for our Selichot program and 10:00 pm Selichot service.

Selichot is an ancient custom, during which we recite prayers that date back at least as far as the Mishnah, which was compiled in the year 200 C.E. One of the oldest prayer books that we know of is the Machzor Vitry, from the 11th Century. This machzor refers to the custom of rising early on the Saturday night before Rosh HaShanah to recite Selichot prayers.

During the month of Elul, we begin to focus on *teshuva*, repentance, in preparation for the *Yamim Noraim*, the High Holidays. When we arrive at the Saturday night before Rosh HaShanah, our *teshuva* rises to a greater level of intensity through the recitation of the Selichot prayers. We cannot offer these prayers on Shabbat itself, so reciting Selichot late Saturday night, or before dawn on Sunday, is symbolic of our eagerness to turn to God during this spiritual time of year. We just don't want to miss a moment!

The Selichot service feels like a “greatest hits” compilation of some of our most powerful High Holiday liturgy. We recite the 13 Attributes of God, *Avinu Malkeinu*, the *Ashamnu Vidui*, *Ki Anu Amecha* and we sound the *shofar*.



Hearing the melodies that we will soon be singing together on Rosh HaShanah transports us spiritually, bringing into focus for us that we are fully in the season of repentance.

Here is what you can expect from our program on September 9th:

- ◆ Coffee, tea, and dessert
- ◆ Havdalah Service
- ◆ Study session on the topic  
“Begging for Mercy”
- ◆ Spiritual Reflection lead by special guest  
Rabbi Adam Scheldt
- ◆ Selichot Service beginning at 10:00 pm, lead by  
Cantor Spindler, Cantorial Intern  
Zahava Fried, Cantor Irwin Gelman,  
and Cantor Rabbi Penny Myers

All are welcome to join us for a moving experience that will put us in the headspace and “heartspace” for the High Holidays. As it says in the Selichot liturgy, “Hear our voice, O Eternal our God, spare us and have compassion upon us, and accept our prayer in mercy and favor.”

Rabbi Sara Rich



Leslie Shuman Kramer was an incredible person, dedicated to her community worldwide and a good friend. I feel honored that one of my sculptures was selected by her family for the Shuman/Temple Beth Tzedek garden.

Several components of the sculpture are symbolic. The vertical scalloped form represents a fountain of water, symbolic of all life while the hearts are images of love, hopes and wishes.

Incorporated several times in the "Fountain of Wishes" is the circular image. A form important universally throughout time to all cultures.

The circle has an almost a spiritual meaning. It is symbolic of no beginning, no end, being whole, timeless, a feeling of totality and a symbol of unity.

To me the circle is also representative of both the female and male form. The base of "Fountain of Wishes", is a circle and within it another circle emerges as a powerful force birthed from the other.

The universe is represented by the shape

**Fountain of Wishes**  
78 x 38 x 20"  
Stainless Steel

The Fountain of Wishes sculpture is located outside of the main entrance to Temple Beth Tzedek.

It was created by Ellen Steinfeld in the memory of Leslie Shuman Kramer.



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*We gratefully acknowledge donations in observance of  
the following Yahrzeits*

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## VIDEO Yahrzeit Board

As many of you know, we have a video yahrzeit board that displays the virtual plaques the week of the yahrzeit. If you would like to purchase a physical memorial tablet to be placed on the wall in the courtyard (along with the virtual plaque on our video board) the cost is \$600. What you may not know is that you have the capability of adding a short biography about your loved one and a picture. This can be accessed through the search function on the board or through the link on our website and weekly announcements email. It also will be displayed automatically the week of the yahrzeit, along with the virtual plaque. The cost for the biography and picture is \$180. For more information on ordering or information on how to see a sample of this, please contact Andy Gewurz at 716-390-2883 or Kim Jones in the synagogue office at 716-838-3232.



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## From the President

The pages on the calendars turn from Av to Elul, from August to September, and even though year after year. We know that means the High Holidays are coming, they always seem to come too quickly. It's an exciting time to be a member of Temple Beth Tzedek. Rabbi Sara Rich has assumed the pulpit. Her divrai Torah have been thought provoking and enlightening. Cantor Mark Spindler has been our mainstay. His calm demeanor adds dignity to our services. We have a cadre of volunteers to assist our clergy. Together, we will begin 5784 with vibrancy and purpose.

Many hours of preparation go into planning the services and making sure the building and the grounds are as beautiful as possible. Thank you to all who have been a part of that work. We are a community, a kehilah, a group with a common interest. We will see those we have not seen in a long while, and those we see regularly. It will be busy and it will be meaningful.

Thank you to our amazing staff, Kim Jones, Teri Hearn, Cat Kwiatkowski, Pat Farrell and Joe Farrell for all their extra efforts during this hectic time. Tickets will be mailed soon. Please be sure your account is current so that your tickets are not withheld. As much as we are a spiritual home, we have our expenses to pay. Your generosity, with your pledge, and your High Holiday gift, make all of what we do possible.

From our home to yours, Larry and I wish you L'Shanah Tova, a year of health, peace, and happiness.

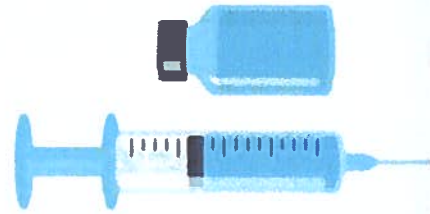
Linda Boxer, President

# SAVE THE DATE

**Dinner in the Sukkah**  
**September 29**  
**After Friday Evening Services**



**Details Are Coming!**



**Marcia Goldstein advises that we are awaiting the new strain of COVID vaccinations to become available. Once the vaccines are available and we have an available date, she will run a clinic at Temple Beth Tzedek for those who wish to get COVID, Flu, and/or RSV vaccines. Watch for more details**

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- B) Best prices and**
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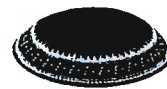
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# We gratefully acknowledge the following donations

## Anne Bernstein Memorial Fund

In honor of the marriage of Jack & Barbara Yellen's granddaughter, Kayla  
Linda & George Clement

In observance of the yahrzeit of Anne Bernstein  
Sheila Rosenthal

In observance of the yahrzeit of Minnie Platt  
of blessed memory  
Beverly Gareleck

In loving memory of the yahrzeit of Blanche Bernstein  
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In loving memory of the yahrzeit of Estelle Etelson  
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In honor of Rachel Anderson being named  
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In honor of Gary Ginsberg  
The Tuesday Book Group

In memory of Karla Wiseman  
Gert Bacol

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In appreciation of the Youth/Education Committee  
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In honor of the marriage of Harley Carrol &  
Kristin Tymchak  
Marc H. Sorotsky

In honor of Heidi & Shelley Yellen's daughter's marriage  
Roz & Herb Weiss

In honor of Rachel Anderson's "Woman of Distinction"  
Award  
Leah & Jeff Blum

## Education Fund (continued)

In honor of the birth of Ilene Levine's new great-grandson  
Fern & Steve Bernstein

In honor of Zahava Fried  
Miriam, Sam, Oz & Zelda Abramovich

In honor of Cantor Mark Spindler being named FJMC  
"Man of The Year"  
Elaine Brothman

In honor of the Weisbrot Family's Special Occasions 2023  
Sondra & Larry Traister

In memory of Natalie Abramson's twin sister, Nancy Biltkoff  
Roz & Herb Weiss

In memory of David Davidson's sister,  
Marcia Ann Davidson Goldstein  
Laurie & Brian Rothschild

In memory of Stan Dickson  
Shirley & Larry Magil

In memory of Hal Levenson  
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In memory of Karla Wiseman  
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In observance of the yahrzeit of Bernard Schiffman  
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In appreciation of Keshar  
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In appreciation of the Keshar Committee  
Leah & Jeff Blum

In appreciation of all Chaverim participants  
Sharla & Bruce Bleichfeld

In appreciation of Sharla Bleichfeld for her leadership  
Janet Gunner & Glenn Pincus

In appreciation of Zahava Fried for her Chaverim leadership  
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tech support for Chaverim  
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In appreciation of Beverly & David Schiller  
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In honor of the 55th wedding anniversary of Linda &  
Alan Linsky

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In honor of the 55th wedding anniversary of Elinor &  
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In honor of Lenore Marx' 100th birthday

Roz & Herb Weiss

In honor of Joel Brownstein's 90th birthday

Helen & Bernie Weinstein

In honor of Glenn Pincus' birthday

Sharla & Bruce Bleichfeld

In honor of Harvey Schiller's special birthday and  
his upcoming move out of town

Ed & Elinda Reich

In honor of the bar mitzvah of Brenda Rosen's grandson

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In honor of the birth of Judy & Bob Alessi's great-granddaughter,  
Lena Ruth Difazio

Roz & Herb

In honor of the birth of Daphne Katherine Case, granddaughter  
of Ed & Carin Case

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In honor of Cantor Mark Spindler being named  
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Sharla & Bruce Bleichfeld

Janet Gunner & Glenn Pincus

In honor of Cantor Mark Spindler on his 36 years  
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In honor of Rabbi Sara Rich becoming the Rabbi of  
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In honor of the leadership of Linda Boxer

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In honor of the marriage of Judy & Mel Hurwitz'  
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In honor of Joel Brownstein's 90th birthday

Eileen & Jerry Markzon

In honor of the marriage of Lisa and David Burstein

Loryn, Daniel, Anjee & Harris Bruna-Picard

In honor of Joan Nemirov's grandson's marriage

Charlotte Engel Gendler

## Kassirer Family Minyan Room Fund

In honor of the birth of Lena Ruth Difazio,  
great-granddaughter of Judy & Bob Alessi

Rusty Joe Zackheim

In honor of the marriage of Lisa and David Burstein

Beth Kassirer

Michele & Lance Pozarny

In honor of Dr. Mark & Barbara Rodman's 50th wedding  
anniversary

Judy Perelstein & Heshie

## **From the Women's Network**

**Good day:**

**I hope you have had a wonderful summer in spite of all the rain during July and August. Linda Steinhorn, Linda Boxer, Ellen Jadd and I recently attended the Women's League national convention in Chicago, the first in-person since the pandemic. It was wonderful to renew old acquaintances and to make new friends and attend the many dynamic and informative presentations. We look forward to sharing some new ideas with our Sisterhood Board.**

**There are lots of exciting programs with the Women's Network coming up this year! I am happy to announce that our opening meeting will be very well attended. We have 56 people signed up to meet our new Rabbi, Sara Rich. This is a wonderful opportunity to ask Rabbi Rich questions, and to get to know her a little more intimately. I am convinced that you will be very glad you came. Ya'asher Koach to Marian Lustig for working so hard on this program.**

**In the coming year our Programming Team is planning a diverse selection of programs that you will not want to miss. On October 10th at 10:30 we will have a program with Linda Barat, the chairperson for "A History of Volunteerism in Jewish Buffalo." Watch for the flier to come with more information. Pam Buyer will chair our November program a class on how to grow an indoor succulent garden. We are hoping to have this program in person, weather permitting. In December what else could it be but a celebration of Chanukah? We will have more details to follow.**

**In January we will have our Women's Network Shabbat and if anyone would like to participate in the service, please let me know and we will arrange it. Parts including the Haftarah, and Leyning from Torah will be given on a first come basis so; get your requests in early so as not to be disappointed. In February we are arranging a joint program with the Brotherhood. Our presenter will be Richard Laub who will discuss his book, Two Acres of Time - Unearthing the Ice Age at the Byron Dig. It sounds fascinating to me and I hope many of you will join us for this program.**

**I hope I have piqued your interest a little about some of our upcoming programs, and that you will venture out from your homes to join our wonderful Women's Network community.**

**Last week I attended the Rosh Chodesh morning minyan celebrating the beginning of the month of Elul. I was thrilled to hear the Shofar sounded for the first time this year, announcing that the High Holidays are just around the corner. There is so much to be done: Preparing ourselves and looking introspectively at our deeds and misdeeds for the past year and hoping to be written into the Book of Life before the gates close. In Elul, we tell others whom we may have offended that we are sorry. This is not only a way to improve our character, but also a way of expressing the love of Elul. It has often been noted that the word Elul is an acronym of "Ani ledodi vedodi li" "I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine."**

**Wishing you all a healthy New Year and may we all be written in the book of life. Shana Tova.**

**Rachel Anderson - President Women's Network TBT**

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## Frances & Nathan Kornmehl Memorial Fund

In observance of the yahrzeit of Frances Kornmehl z'l  
Bernie, Jill, Jason, Adam & David Kornmehl

## Richard S. Kulick Memorial Fund

In honor of the 55th wedding anniversary of Elinor &  
Joel Weiss  
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In observance of the yahrzeit of Richard Kulick  
Peggy & Deborah Kulick and Jennifer Rosenbaum

## Sally and William Malkinson Scholarship Fund

In honor of Jonathan Epstein receiving the Torch Award  
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In honor of Cookie & Larry Levin's 60th wedding anniversary  
Barbara Ginsberg

In honor of Cookie Levin's 80th birthday  
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## Henrietta Steinberg Music Fund

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Nancy Cohen  
Lisa Bloch Rodwin  
Ina & Herb Scheer  
Cindy, Rick, Taylor & Josh Stover

In honor of Cantor Mark Spindler's 36 years as Cantor of  
Temple Beth Tzedek  
Judy & Bob Alessi

## Pulpit Fund

In appreciation of Rabbi Sara Rich  
Miriam, Sam, Oz & Zeld Abramovich

In honor of the marriage of Marilyn Shuman's grandson,  
Joshua Zalis to Elizabeth Crawford  
Marjorie Scheff

In honor of the marriage of Barbara & Jack Yellen's  
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In honor of Harvey Schiller's special birthday and  
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In honor of the birth of James Bronsky, grandson of Jill &  
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In honor of the marriage of Ellen Serman & Craig Chertack's  
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David, Kathi, Megan, Rachel, Tim and Eli Kovel  
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**LiNK**  
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Temple Beth Tzedek is pleased to welcome **Rabbi Barbara Symons** to our congregation for Shabbat Morning Services, September 2, 2023, to speak on Haftarah Ki Tavo, Isaiah 60:1-22.



Rabbi Symons is the editor of Prophetic Voices, Renewing and Reimagining Haftarah.

Her talk will highlight the profound relevance of Haftarah to our daily lives. Rabbi Symons has served Temple David in Monroeville, PA since 2006 and is deeply involved in interfaith and community work. She is the sister-in-law of our member, Dr. Andy Symons.



Shabbat Services begin at 9:30 a.m.  
 An enhanced kiddish will follow.

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**Join us in the  
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September: 12, 19, 26  
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March: 5, 12, 19, 26  
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May: 7, 14, 21, 28  
June: 4

**Tuesdays**  
K-1: 3:15-4:30 PM  
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**Operation Isaiah  
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With the plight of the hungry and homeless before us, let us enter into Yom Kippur by engaging in Tikkun Olam - repairing the world.

Operation Isaiah is a national campaign conducted by The United Synagogue for Conservative Judaism created to address the issue of hunger and the need to help those in the Jewish community that struggle with food insecurity.

We will approach this important initiative by accepting non-perishable food donations on the same days as Mahzor pickup at Temple Beth Tzedek:

**Sunday, September 10, 2023  
From 11 am - 12:30 pm**



Food donations should be new, packaged, non-perishable items in bags or boxes that can be easily handed to a volunteer who will accept your donation in a "drive through" process. If you prefer, grocery store gift cards will be accepted.

**Our goal is 100% participation.**

You may also donate bottle and cans to be redeemed to support our youth programs.

**L'Shana Tovah - G'mar Chatimah Tovah**



## From the Library:

Upon entering the TBT building, the eyes travel to the sanctuary doors, the community court with its display cases and to the wall of books. This wall is our Library! The designers and planners opted not to build a separate room for a library, but to give this space which is accessible to everyone.

Since moving into the building there have been numerous discussions by Library Committee members on what to do with all of these materials—the old card catalogue is obsolete, how do we “check books out”, who can borrow, how far into computerization do we want to go, and so much more.

Here’s the current situation—our wonderful librarian, Dan Gattuso, is in the process of the daunting task of placing identifying tags on every book then puts it into a computer system. This is very time consuming, but Dan feels that he’ll have the job done by January or February. We’ll then have a firm decision on what our check-out system will be.

Beginning this past Fall, we began purchasing new materials for the Library. Soon we’ll designate a shelf for new acquisitions. At this point, we invite you to borrow materials on the honor system and return them in a reasonable amount of time. Of course, the children’s books are in high demand! As we did last High Holiday season, the Library Committee will be gifting our young members with new books.

We wish to thank all those who continue to make donations to the various Library Funds. They are much appreciated!



COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS SCHOOL  
BUFFALO, NY

## Mah Koreh B'CRS? (What's Happening at CRS)

From the desk of Einav Symons

The Community Religious School will start off its third year with a BLAST. Not just that of the shofar, but with all the students, Madrichim, staff, parents, and guests! On September 10th, students will participate in a round-robin of activities covering Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. Parents will get an opportunity to meet, mingle and contribute to the exciting plans and goals for the year. CRS students will meet again on October 15th, after the Chagim.

CRS is an inclusive pluralistic Community Religious School that inspires Jewish identity, literacy, and values. Our Rabbis, educators and role models foster an environment where leadership, lifelong friendships and family connections thrive. The Community Religious School serves the students of Temple Beth Tzedek, Temple Beth Zion, Congregation Shir Shalom and unaffiliated families. One community, one community school. CRS provides engaging curriculum which includes Holidays, Israel, Torah, Ethics/Values, Life cycle, History, Food/Cooking, Art and Music. The Hebrew curriculum is taught as private, remote lessons to students from 1st through 7th grade. Hebrew is reinforced during in-class T'fillah time on Sundays. Family programs are scheduled for each grade to follow this year's theme of M'dor L'dor.

As the Community Religious school is embarking on its third year, the new initiatives will focus on fostering friendships between the students and building school culture to create and reinforce the sense of community among the students, staff, parents, affiliated synagogues, leadership, and the greater Buffalo community. Increased programming at the affiliated synagogues for Holidays and Shabbat services, along with community-wide celebrations CRS is continuing to collaborate with the JCC, UB Department of Jewish Thought and LiNK to enhance programming for all ages.

Please check out our website [www.crsbuffalo.com](http://www.crsbuffalo.com) for registration and updates.

For more information on our academic program for students Pre-K through 7th, our Madrichim program for 8th-12th graders, or to become a supporter, please contact Einav Symons, the CRS Director at (716)574-6016.

Wishing all a Healthy and Happy New Year! Shanah Tovah U'metukah!



# **SELICHOT**

**Sat. September 9th**

**8:30 pm - Havdalah, Dessert  
& Program**

**10:00 pm- Selichot Service**

*Havdalah and the program will take place in the Social Hall.  
The 10 pm services will be livestreamed from the sanctuary.*

**Study Session with Rabbi Sara Rich on the  
topic, "Begging for Mercy"**

**Spiritual Reflection with Rabbi Adam Scheldt**

**Selichot Service with Cantor Mark Spindler,  
Cantorial Intern Zahava Fried, Cantor Irwin  
Gelman, and Cantor Rabbi Penny Myers**

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### CANDLE LIGHTING MINCHA/HAVDALAH

September 1	7:31pm	September 2	8:30 pm
September 8	7:19pm	September 9	8:20 pm
September 15	7:07pm	September 16	8:05 pm
September 22	6:54pm	September 23	7:55 pm
September 29	6:42pm	September 30	7:40 pm
October 6	6:29pm	October 7	7:30 pm
October 12	6:17pm	October 14	7:20 pm

Please see High Holiday Schedule for Temple Beth Tzedek specific times.

## Calendar (Subject to change)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 15 elul	2 16 elul Rabbi Barbara Symons Speaker
3 17 elul	4 18 elul Labor Day	5 19 elul 7:30p Ritual	6 20 elul 6:30p Sisterhood Board	7 21 elul CRS Staff Orientation 6-8p	8 22 elul	9 23 elul
10 24 elul Ganeinu 9:15-10:45 AM	11 25 elul	12 26 elul 7:00p Board Meeting	13 27 elul 7:00p Membership Committee	14 28 elul	15 29 elul Erev Rosh HaShanah	16 1 tishrei Rosh HaShanah 5784
17 2 tishrei Rosh HaShanah	18 3 tishrei Fast of Gedaliah	19 4 tishrei 7:00p Keshet	20 5 tishrei	21 6 tishrei 7:30p Adult Ed	22 7 tishrei	23 8 tishrei
24 9 tishrei Erev Yom Kippur	25 10 tishrei Yom Kippur Yizkor	26 11 tishrei 7:00p Officers	27 12 tishrei 7:30p House	28 13 tishrei 8:00p Youth Ed CRS Staff Development 6-8p	29 14 tishrei Erev Sukkot	30 15 tishrei Sukkot