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Worship Schedule: All are on Zoom
In Person: Friday Evening & Saturday

In Person: Friday Evening & Saturday Morning services, and Minyan on Monday, Wednesday & Thursday)

Friday Evening 6:30pm
Saturday Morning 10:00am
Monday—Friday Morning 8:00am
Sunday Morning 9:30am

Streaming of Har Zion Services

Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services are streamed on Har Zion Facebook and YouTube (no password), and Zoom; the Shohet Daily Minyan is streamed on Zoom only. Ask the office for the Zoom password if you need it. All are welcome, either in person or streaming.

Candle Lighting Times

Candle Lighting Times	
September 1	7:07pm
September 8	6:55pm
September 15	6:43pm
September 16	7:41pm
September 22	6:31pm
September 24	6:27pm
September 29	6:19pm
September 30	7:17pm

High Holy Days Services: https://www.wsthz.org/hhd5784/home.html

Selichot				
	Saturday	September 9	8:00 PM De	essert; 8:30 PM Service
Rosh Hash	anah			
	Friday	September 15	6:00 PM	Evening Service
	Saturday	September 16	8:45 AM	Shacharit
			9:30 AM	Service for Pre-K Children
			10:45 AM	Camp Shana Tovah
	Sunday	September 17	8:45 AM	Shacharit
			10:45 AM	Camp Shana Tovah
			2:30 PM	Tashlich (about)
Yom Kippu	ır			
	Sunday	September 24	7:00 PM	Kol Nidre
	Monday	September 25	8:45 AM	Shacharit/Yizkor
			9:30 AM	Service for Pre-K Children
			10:45 AM	Camp Shana Tovah
			12:15 PM	(approximately) Yizkor
			4:15 PM	Mincha & Neilah
		Q&A w/F	Rabbi Glick 3:30	PM, 7:30 PM Break Fast
Sukkot				
	Friday	September 29	6:00 PM	
	Saturday	September 30	10:00 AM	
	Sunday	October 1	10:00 AM	
			10:30 AM	Pre-K Sukkah Decorating Part
Shemini At	zeret			
	Saturday	October 7	10:00 AM	
Simchat To	rah			
	Saturday	October 7	6:30 PM	Celebrate the Torah
	Sunday	October 8	10:00 AM	Service

Haftarot Readers

September 30

September 2	Ki Tavo	Carol Flank
September 9	Nitzavim-Vayeilech	Rabbi Yosef Levanon
September 16	Rosh Hashanah 1	Marc Stopeck, Jerry Bloom, Aaron Burnstein, and
_		Dale Guralnick
September 17	Rosh Hashanah 2	Barb Yong and Jim Zucker
September 23	Ha'azinu	Hai Solomon
September 25	Yom Kippur	Henry Guralnick

Cantor Stewart Figa

Sukkot



The New Year is Hidden

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remember, as a child, before I entered each new grade, and even more so when I was going to a new school, I wondered what would the year bring? What would my teachers be like? How would I get along with my friends? Would I feel well-being or would I struggle?

Often, these questions remain open for a number of months—it takes time for the year to take shape, to get to know the teachers, to see how friendships form, and to find a new grounding.

One of the powerful traditional ideas about the new year is that it is hidden. Rosh Hashanah is our only holiday that falls on the new moon. We have many traditions that extrapolate on this idea. We do not blow the shofar on the last day of the month of Elul before Rosh Hashanah, so as to confuse the forces of evil that are looking to influence our new year. At the Rosh Hashanah dinner (in some customs, there is a seder), there are symbolic foods to indicate our prayers for a sweet and good new year. We eat apples with honey, fish heads! (for a good "head"-rosh-of the year), and carrots (gezer, in Hebrew, to receive a good g'zar-decree).

It is an idea that is evoked by our human fears of the unknown. We simply do not know what the year will bring. As the extremely moving *Untenaeh Tokef* prayer spells out: "who shall wander?" and "who shall be at peace?" What will be the *g'zar*, for us, and for our families.

This is part of why we congregate every year—because together we face the unknown.
We bring order, custom, and tradition into this universal question. We state that there is a purpose to the

unfolding. There is a Sovereign, a Higher Power, a Universal Consciousness tying it all together and responsible for the whole. We are able to affect the decree, by the power of our repentance, our prayers, and our acts of loving kindness. We are co-creators of our destiny.

We do not know what this New Year's will deliver, but together we can create a vision, we can process the year that passed, we can heal the relationships that have become strained, and together we can open our hearts and minds.

The holidays are a period of profound delving into meaning and purpose. When we begin, we cannot see what is on the other side. But through all of the heartfelt prayers, the contemplation, the thinking, and the discussions, a light is shone unto it.

As we co-create our New Year 5784 over the months ahead, I hope our synagogue can be a space for you and your loved ones where the hidden is revealed, the decree is softened, and the meaning and purpose of life is brought into inspiring revelation for all.

May these days and the year ahead be full sweetness and goodness.

Shanah tovah u'metukah,

service 5784

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THE CANTOR'S VOICE

The High Holy Days Begin with Selichot

"It takes \$3600 in dues per family for our temple to break even at the end of our fiscal year. We know that not all families can pay this amount, but we ask that you give what you

are able to..."

In our tradition, Selichot is observed on the Saturday night that falls at least three days before Rosh Hashanah. This year we will come to the synagogue for our Selichot service on Saturday, September 9, and we truly hope you can attend (8pm dessert; 8:30pm service).

What exactly is Selichot? Literally, means "prayers of forgiveness" and it is a moving communal service to help us get in the mindset of repentance, the pervading theme of the month of Elul. Some look at Selichot as the "kick-off" of the *Yamim Noraim*, the Days of Awe.

The ancient custom of offering prayers for forgiveness is mentioned in the Mishnah, based on the verses in Exodus (Chapter 34, verses 6-7) that say "Adonai, Adonai, a God compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in kindness and faithfulness, forgiving iniquity and, transgression, and sin..."

This year at Har Zion we are continuing our new tradition of enhancing our prayers of forgiveness with a full musical service, complete with fine professional musicians under the musical direction of and with musical arrangements by Dr. Ilya Levinson, Professor of Music at Columbia College. We will offer beautifully orchestrated versions of traditional High Holy Day melodies as well as inspiring modern musical takes on the texts, with opportunities to participate by singing along in Hebrew and English.

Sh'ma Koleinu, "Hear Our Voice," a central prayer, begins: "...Be kind and have compassion for us, willingly and lovingly accept our prayer. Turn us toward you Adonai, and we will return to you. Make our days seem fresh, as they once were. Do not cast us away from you; take not your holy presence from us..." Several liturgical highlights of the Yamim Noraim are introduced in the Selichot service, such as Han'shama Lach, "The soul is Yours, and my body is Your creation. Have compassion on your handiwork." The Selichot service also gives us our first chance since last year to recite the Ashamnu and hit our hearts with each sin of the community from A to Z, to an affecting melody.

Ultimately, the Selichot service emphasizes the recitation of the "Thirteen Attributes," which proclaims God's forgiving nature. Har Zion congregants will recognize the version of the Thirteen Attributes in the *piyyut "Yigdal,"* formulated by Maimonides in the 12th Century, which often concludes our Friday night services with an alluring rhythmic Sephardic melody.

Come to shul on Saturday, September 9, at 8pm for dessert and to socialize, and then transition to the musical Selichot service at 8:30pm with heart, soul, and voice into the true spirit of the season. Shana tovah!





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Looking Forward

CANTOR STEWART FIGA, CANTOR@WSTHZ.ORG THE GOLDSTINE FAMILY CANTORIAL CHAIR

Dear Friends.

We have had a busy summer at Temple Har Zion, with preparations for the High Holy Days, work on replacing the air conditioning, the completion of the beautiful Solomon Terrace and Garden, our preschool's Camp Zion, our continuing programming, and more.

As you know, dues letters have been sent to you. We ask that you consider increasing your dues, by even a small percentage. There are so many projects that need to be completed and work to be done to ensure Har Zion's future as a vibrant and welcoming congregation.

As you know we have a voluntary dues model so that each family pays what they can to be full members of our synagogue. It takes \$3600 in dues per family for our temple to break even at the end of our fiscal year. We know that not all families can pay this amount, but we ask that you give what you are able to—even the smallest increases will greatly help to ensure our future.

We look forward to the High Holy Days and celebrating and praying together both in person and remotely. We have many exciting programs and events coming up; we hope to see you participate and tell your friends and family about our amazing community.

I am proud to be a part of our vibrant inclusive Jewish community that shares simchas, friendship, and life events through worship, learning, and celebration.

B'shalom,

JULIANN Y. GELDNER PRESIDENT@WSTHZ.ORG

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EARLY CHILDHOOD NEWS

Brucheem Ha'Bayim

Brucheem Ha'Bayim—welcome—to another great year of learning and exploring!

As the days get shorter and the weather gets cooler, we know that summer is ending and *stav*—fall—is beginning. For our preschool, fall means new beginnings, new friends and faces, new things to learn, and new places to go. This moment, when summer is teetering into fall, is always a moment of great anticipation for students, families, and teachers alike. Our heads are buzzing with questions, worries, and hopes for the new school year and the fresh start it holds.

Here at Har Zion Preschool, we are ready to embrace all of it and dive into a new year of Jewish learning, meaningful friendships, and exploring what it means for something to be "new." This is a question we explore with the children always, but particularly on Rosh Hashanah. And for our young learners, everything is new right now, isn't it? It's a vulnerable place to be in, to have the whole world out there for you and not know where to begin, so thank those whose trusted us with their children as we embark on this journey together. We've been working all summer to find a good beginning to this newness and we are looking forward to bringing as much wonder and wisdom to the children as they will surely bring us.

I am eager to meet prospective families, welcome

new (and returning!) families, and to coordinate with our wonderful teachers in order to engage our community in new and meaningful ways. I cannot wait to learn and work with you all!

My passion has always rested with teaching young children, and, even after twenty years of teaching, the beginning of the school year is as exciting as it was the first year I taught. Maybe it comes from helping my *Eema*, a devoted preschool teacher, in her classroom. Or maybe it comes from my *Abba*, who volunteered to teach preschool children about Shabbat and the ways of Jewish life every Friday.

Wherever this passion and excitement comes from, it's brought to life every day by the children in our classrooms: when they recognize the first letter of their name; when they say one of the *bruchot*; or when their eyes light up when they learn something new. Honestly, watching them discover and embrace the new makes me just as excited as they are.

We all feel this excitement in our preschool; this knowledge that their experience in our classrooms will contribute to their love of learning, which makes all of us want to do the best we can for the best that we have: our children.

From our preschool family to yours, we wish you a *Shana Tovah U'Metukah*—a happy and sweet new year!



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THE GURALNICK FAMILY PRESCHOOL CHAIR



THE 2023-23 YEAR PRESCHOOL TEACHERS

The 2023-24 school year begins for Har Zion Early Education on the day after Labor Day, September 5. The teaching staff for this year are:

On the top, from left to right, the day teachers: Ms. Aydee, Ms. Kim, Ms. Caitlin, Ms. Claudine, Ms. Stephanie, Ms. Kate, and Ms. Garron.

To the right, the Afternoon Explorer teachers: Ms. Amy, Ms. Amber, and Ms. Anni (the Triple As!).





FROM THE EDUCATION DIRECTOR'S DESK

Mitigating the Decree

But repentance, prayer, and tzedakah will mitigate the harshness of the decree — High Holiday liturgy

It's hard to believe that in a few weeks a new year will begin! But soon enough (Sunday, September 10, 10am), Koven Religious School will start up again. This year, all classes will be meeting at the synagogue, with a Zoom option available for those who are out sick or otherwise have trouble getting to the building.

Shortly after our school year begins, the Jewish year will begin. The Rosh Hashanah liturgy has many important prayers—one of them is *Unetaneh Tokef*, where we grapple with the fact that some of us will not be alive by the following Rosh Hashanah. After reading about how G-d decides who will live and who will die in the coming year, the prayer includes a perplexing line:

Uteshuvah, utefillah, utzedakah ma'avirin et ro-a hagezeirah.

But repentance, prayer, and charity will mitigate the harshness of the decree.

On the face of it, this is a horrifying concept. The idea that if you just were a little bit sorrier, prayed a little harder, and gave a little more money, then X terrible thing wouldn't happen to you is repulsive. It is a loathsome version of "blame the victim." But that's not actually what it means.

The original version of this phrase, found in the

Talmud (IT Ta'anit 2:1:9) and the Midrash (Bereishit Rabba 44:12), said, "Repentance, prayer, and charity will cancel the decree." By the time Un'taneh Tokef was written in the Middle Ages, it was abundantly clear that this was simply not how the world worked. Therefore, the original text was revised to say that "repentance, prayer, and charity mitigate the harshness of the decree."

How exactly does this work? There have been a number of ideas, many of which can be found in Who By Fire, Who By Water, an anthology of reflections on Unetaneh Tokef (edited by Rabbi Lawrence Hoffman, published by Jewish Lights in 2010), or excerpted here:

https://bit.ly/Unetanef

What works for me is a synthesis of what Rabbi Reuven Kimelman and my father, Cantor Neil Schwartz, teach.

Repentance leads to a strengthening of the relationship with oneself. Prayer leads to a strengthening of the relationship with G-d. Tzedakah leads to a strengthening of the relationship with others. While we can't change what happens to us, when these three sets of relationships are strong, then we are better able to deal with whatever the coming year has in store for us, thus mitigating the harshness of the decree.

This Elul, the month before Rosh Hashanah, may we all take advantage of the opportunity to strengthen all three sets of relationships, so that we may have the best year possible in 5784. Shana tovah!



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SOCIAL ACTION & ADAMAH/GREEN COMMITTEE

Calling All Gardeners!

By now you know that the harvest of the temple vegetable garden goes to Beyond Hunger to feed those in need. Please donate an hour a week work in the garden, in fresh air, to create life and sustenance for others. And you will get to see the amazing flower show in our pollinator garden (see the photo at the left), around the corner from our raised beds. (You should, of course, walk by the pollinator garden even if you don't volunteer.)

COMING SOON!!! EXPANDED POLLINATOR GARDEN!: We are getting a donation of pollinator plants from The National Wildlife Federation Gardens for Wildlife program: https://bit.ly/HTZGardenWildlife

Get hands-on experience in planting this type of garden by joining us as we dig up the plot and plant, which is planned for Labor Day weekend. Contact Phyllis or Cindy Banai.

GARDENING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT: Now watch for a winter date!

Just in time for the West Cook Wild Ones (https://westcook.wildones.org/) native plant sale, come learn how to introduce native plants into your landscape. Adrian Fischer from West Cook Wild Ones will share how to pick locally native plants for your home and why these are better for healing the soil and air. Combine with annuals or other perennials if you like, but do add

FLOWERS IN THE POLLINATOR'S GARDEN, WITH BEE



local natives. They know how to live here and do well with less water. And, they'll attract birds, butterflies and bees, and will come back, better than ever, in years to come. Date/time to be announced.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

SEPTEMBER 2:

Marshall and Jessica

Ronald and Rebecca Lipton

SEPTEMBER 3:

Howard and Norma Berlin

SEPTEMBER 4:

Giovanni Giannotti and Amy Guralnick

SEPTEMBER 5:

Cynthia Klein-Banai and Efraim Banai

David Oromaner and Sarah Lutz

Leon and Amy Shohet

SEPTEMBER 11:

Alan and Debra Rosenberg

SEPTEMBER 23:

Barry and Andrea Sidorow

SEPTEMBER 28:

Joy and Jim Zucker

Our Plastic Collection

PLASTIC BAGS: Continue bringing in your soft plastic! This is Har Zion's 3rd challenge, our local community's 7th collection! We are almost there! Acceptable plastic—the rule of thumb is only plastic that tears in a jagged edge. Generally, that means no crunchy plastic. Please remove/cut off any paper labels. Newspaper sleeves, bubble wrap, sandwich bags, case overwrap are fine as are the usual grocery bags. Bags must be clean and dry.

#2&5 PLASTIC: We are collecting #2 and #5 plastic in all forms (containers, lids, caps) to give to Cody Norman, our local artist who upcycles it into lumber and art. Find the container for this at temple.

For more information on any of these programs, call or email Phyllis at phyllis.rubin@comcast.net or 708.848.6168.

HAR ZION ADULT EDUCATION: JEWISH JOURNEYS

Judaism's Founding Fathers with Rabbi Glick



On hiatus for the High Holy Days.

Monday Evening with David Schwartz

JEWNIVERSITY MONDAYS 8 PM ON ZOOM Temple Har Zion Education Director David Schwartz

Mondays, 8pm, Zoom ID# 9245 552 6669; use the

Har Zion password. Current topics include a rotation of stories, Pirkei Avot, holidays, and prayers.

Guided Jewish Meditation

GUIDED JEWISH MEDITATION WITH RABBI GLICK

Sundays, 9am, on Zoom ID# 489 884 312; use the Har Zion password, and occasionally in person. For more: https://bit.ly/RAGMeditation

HAR ZION COMMUNITY COMMITMENTS

Supporting Local Migrants

Har Zion, Oak Park Temple, and the Secular Jewish Community and School are taking turns to provide breakfast on Wednesdays to the migrants who live at the District 15 Police Station in Austin.

Please join in this effort to provide food for them, and help with other needs as well. Or donate money for this effort at http://gofund.me/95078394 or though donations to Har Zion to help support this project. There is also a need for storage of supplies the migrants need, like clothes, suitcases, toiletries. If you know of a site that can offer substantial storage, let John know.

If you have questions or would like to help with either of these, please contact John Dempsey at 312.925.8127 or harzionsponsorship@gmail.com.

JCFS CORNER



The 12 Steps of the Days of Awe

Jewish Community Programs https://www.jcfs.org/blog/12-steps-days-awe

By Rabbi Joe Ozarowski, Rabbinic Counselor and Chaplain at JCFS Chicago, D. Min., BCC

People actively working a Recovery Program already know the worth and power of the well-known 12 Steps. But I have always believed that everyone should work a program—there is so much wisdom within these sensible steps that can help all people struggling with challenges.

At JCFS Chicago addiction services, we try to connect the spirituality and practices of Judaism to the Steps and addiction-recovery year round. The Jewish Days of Awe, often known as the "High Holidays," offer us the chance to reflect and integrate the Steps with the larger spiritual messages embedded in these special days.

Here are some distinct thematic connections between the 12 Steps and this sacred season:

1. We admitted we were powerless over addiction—that our lives had become unmanageable.

How many of us find times that our lives seem unmanageable? Probably most of us—the renewing themes of Rosh Hashana and the cleansing themes of Yom Kippur give us the chance to step back and see our lives in perspective before we begin to think of change.

2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

One of the major themes of Rosh Hashana is

malchuyut, noting God's sovereignty above creation. It is a core topic of the liturgy as well as the music. In this world, we think things are about us, that we are in control. They are not and we are not. This lesson is not only true about addiction but about all of life.

3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood God.

Tshuva, the Hebrew term for repentance, actually means return. In this season we turn and return ourselves over to our Higher Power as we face the challenges and joys of a new year.

4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

Cheshbon hanefesh, spiritual accounting, is a practice anyone can do and is often done at this time of year. One can do a "soul version" of an Excel spreadsheet, look at one's spiritual profits and losses and use this to move forward to a healthier life.

5. Admitted to God, to ourselves and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

Vidui, a confession of misdeeds, is an essential part of the Yom Kippur service. It is not enough to reflect on what has gone awry. We need to say it, to articulate it, in order to move forward to a richer, better life.

6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

In Judaism, preparation is key. A good Rosh Hashana

dinner or a good davening/service cannot happen without preparation. This step reminds us that we need to invoke our Higher Power as well as our own efforts as we move forward to greet the New Year and the next parts of our lives.

7. Humbly asked God to remove our shortcomings.

The last line of the prayer Avinu Malkeinu notes that God is like a parent as well as a ruler/guide, and asks God to be gracious and answer us, even though we ourselves may not always bring much to the table. Once we have noted (Steps 1 and 2) that we cannot do this alone, we ask for help from our Higher Power in spite of our shortcomings... or maybe even because of them!

8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

Saying we are sorry can be a tough process. Being willing to apologize can be even tougher. Determining where to direct our regrets could be the hardest task of all. But before we can make things right with God and our fellow human beings, we need to figure out whom we have wronged and be willing to do what is right.

9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

Mitzvot bein adam l'chavero, the commandments

governing our relationships with others, are as much a part of the Days of Awe as Mitzvot between us and God. Rabbinic literature teaches how Yom Kippur, while obtaining God's forgiveness for us, does not help if we have wronged someone else. We need to go to them and ask forgiveness, up to three times.

10. Continued to take personal inventory, and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it.

Tshuva, turning and returning, is not only a one shot action focused on the Fall Jewish Holidays, but a constant process in which we can be engaged all year. These sacred days may give us the jump start, but *Cheshbon hanefesh* and amends continue throughout the year.

11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.

Prayer is a major theme of the Days of Awe, our encounter with God. We should not only be asking this year, "What do we want from God," but, "What does God want from us?"



https://bit.ly/THZSyrian23

12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

When the last shofar blast is blown, we sing and dance "Next Year in Jerusalem." We do not only refer to earthly Jerusalem but also deep down to the Jerusalem within our souls and hearts. When we can do that, it's an awakening!

May your fall Jewish holiday season be filled with sobriety, serenity, joy and love!

STAR: SUBURBAN THURSDAY AFTERNOON RETIREES

Suburban Thursday Afternoon Retirees, better known as STAR, meets every Thursday from 1–3pm, except on Jewish and national holidays. This vibrant group includes attendees from Temple Har Zion and Oak Park Temple, as well as the broader community. We are planning for our September meetings to be available both in person at Temple Har Zion and via Zoom. Please join us in person if you can!

STAR, a joint endeavor of both temples, offers a place for candid discussions on a variety of topics as well as an opportunity to socialize and to support each other. Recent presentations have included an Illinois Holocaust Museum docent-led talk on Nazi propaganda: "Fueling Hate and Genocide," a presentation by Oak Park Temple member Chuck Berman on birdwatching, a talk by Caroline Heskett from the Office of Community Health Equity & Engagement at Rush Oak Park Hospital, and a presentation by Abby Schmelling on Waldheim Cemetery. STAR has long-term partnerships with Rush Oak Park Hospital, Dominican and Concordia Universities, Brookdale, Oak Park and River Forest Townships, Arbor West Neighbors, Jewish Child and Family Services, and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

In September, STAR will meet on the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th:

SEPTEMBER 7: Dr. Greg Johnson, Superintendent of Oak Park and River Forest High School, and members of his team will join us. Topics of interest include plans for a new pool, other building projects, educational initiatives, and taxes.

SEPTEMBER 14, 21, AND 28: A chance to schmooze and perhaps a special guest.

If you'd like more information about STAR, contact your Temple office. We at STAR feel like a small community learning and growing together. Please join us!

Pulpit Flowers

September 1

Lance and Janet Bolonik, in memory of his grandfather, Harry W. Levine Ingrid Brown and Marlene Mann, in memory of their aunt, Sadie Blumenthal

Ingrid Brown and Marlene Mann, in memory of their father, Irving Blumenthal

Barbara and Michael Horowitz, in memory of her mother, Florence A. Friedman

Hai and Carol Solomon, in memory of his father, Nuriel Soleimani

September 8

Barry and Andrea Sidorow, in memory of her mother, Marilyn Sklar

September 15

Lance and Janet Bolonik, in memory of her mother, Chana Bromberg Nessim Cicurel, in memory of his father, Jacques Nessim Cicurel Carol Flank, in memory of her mother, Mary Nelson

Edward Sachs and Judith Grobe Sachs, in memory of her mother, Elizabeth Grobe

September 22

Howard and Norma Berlin, in memory of his mother, Beatrice Berlin

Morrie and Carol Fred, in memory of her father, Julius Wolf

Robert and Rosemary Goldstine, in memory of her father, Vincent Poggi

Leonard Grossman and Cindy

Barnard, in memory of his grandfather, Adolf Adler

Jean and Barry Schub, in memory of his mother, Eunice Schub

mother-in-law, Sofia Shteinberg

September 29

Vafa and Liz Shayani, in memory of his father, Roohollah Shayani

Not Previously Listed

August 11-12:

Paul and Fran Ellstein, in memory of Paul's mother, Beatrice Levine
Alan and Shirley Levin, in memory of Shirley's brother, Martin Kitz
Bradley Shorser and Ellen Einhorn, in memory of Ellen's mother, Ruth
Einhorn
Jeanette Wayne, in memory of her husband, Stephen A. Wayne

August 18-19:

Erick and Marisol Guzman, in memory of Marisol's mother, Zoila Ardon

Vladimir Tsesis, in memory of his



September 1

Mathias Strashun Anzel Jane Ann Morgan Austin Ilene Bass Betty Berger Beatrice C. Bloom Sadie Blumenthal Irving Blumenthal Irene Brodkin Ida Chapman Bernard J. Ecker Florence A. Friedman **Jack Gerber** Carl A. Gustafson Elsie Holden Samuel W. Kaplan **Eunice Levias** Harry W. Levine Annette Levy Ieanette Neus Sarah Schwartz Pauline Shapiro Nuriel Soleimani Louis Spink **Irving Steinberg** Celia Tananbaum Mary Teixeira Dora Travis **Jacob Travis** Hyman Wolfman Nancy Zuraw

September 8

Faye Amdur Joseph Applebaum Louis Bernstein Marvin Brothman Esther Corush Jerrold J. Dichter Philip Dubin Abraham Jessie Edlin Isadore M. Fixman Aaron Getraitman Birdie Gold Merrill Holden Helyn Horwick Kaufman June Gaylord Leo M. Lerner Herman B. Levias Lou Nathanson Ida Neiman Fred Nemerovski Avi Nielson Ronald Martin North Tobie B. Oher David Panitch Melvin R. Platt Savin Rae Arthur Rice Elvira Rubinstein Iane Rush Sophie Russo Louis Saltzman Nancy Sue Schaffner May Seltz Michael Shanoff Marilvn Sklar

September 15

Marjorie Wiselman

Mollie Slutzkin

Charles Straus

Bella Swidler

Harold Taff

Abraham Eli Stevenson

Irving Atlas
Ruth Barnard
Samuel Bernstein
Max Berry
Sarah Blackman
Andres Blei
Sedge Bolonik
Chana Bromberg
Joseph Brown
Jacques Nessim Cicurel
Yale Dubin
Rose Hecht Eauslin
Amanda Elias
Steven Flank
Dora Glassman

Marlene Libby Goodfriend Sheldon Gorsky Elizabeth Grobe Grace Lucas Joseph Morgenstein Mary Nelson Mike Novak Richard Patton Goldie Poncher Max Racusin Abraham Rothschild Sara Saltzman Joseph Schwartz Bluma Yehudas Shohet Hadassah Shohet Israel Shohet Leibchik Shohet Gabriel Shohet Malka Leah Shohet Yocheved Shohet Louis Siegel Leslie L. Silverman Ben Somer Meyer Spira Sylvia Traxler Emanuel Warshauer Fannie Weinberg Herman Wertheimer Larry Zukernick

September 22

Adolf Adler Mainard Berkman Beatrice Berlin Marcus Blum Nathan Cohen Fannie Ecker Mollie Falk Nathan Friedman Dominico Garoafalo Isadore Golinkin Norman Grandt Yetta Heiferman Bella Heiman Zelig Helford Roberta Lakin Leah Liberman Tillie Mandel

Charles Markman

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Elaine Meyer
Frieda D. Persky
Sidney Platt
Vincent Poggi
Hyman B. Raskin
Sol Robbins
Eunice Schub
Paul Joseph Sheldon
Richard Sheldon
Sofia Shteinberg
Cecile Timm
Julius Wolf
Phyllis Youngerman
Samuel Zemansky

September 29

Louis Bobin Harry Brown Allen C. Chabner Ida Chill Manuel Feinberg Sarah Figa Dorothy Fingold Herman Frack Lucile C. Goldberg Jacob Goldman Kate Goldstein Reuben Horwitz Hyman Kaplan Rachel Lichtenberg Elaine Goodwin Mandel George Portes Harry Ratner David Ratner Herbert Retzky Bertha Rosenberg Heinrich Rosenberg Howard Rubin

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Isaac Morris Sherman
Rose Shure

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September 2023 Elul 5783/Tishrei 5784

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August 27	August 28	August 29	August 30	August 31	1	2
10:30 am Shohet Minyan Live in the Western Suburbs (and also on Zoom)— Note Time! With brunch. 1 pm Schaumburg Bloomers baseball game	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 8 pm Jewniversity with David Schwartz; Zoom only	8 am Shohet Morning	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom 7 pm ECE preschool orientation (Adults only) Preschool closed	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 1 pm STAR Preschool closed	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat; in person and Zoom Preschool closed & & 7:07 pm	Ki Tavo 10 am Service Haftarah Reader: Carol Flank (in person /streaming 8:08 pm Havdala
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9:30 am Shohet Minyan (Zoom only) 4:30 pm Shofar Walk in the Park (in person only) Due to weather, it is only in the shade at Austin Gardens, 167 Forest Avenue, Oak Park. With ice cream!	Labor Day 8 am Shohet Morning Minyan Zoom Only Preschool closed Temple Office and Building closed	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan Zoom First day of preschool	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom)	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 1 pm STAR	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat; in person and Zoom	1st Saturday Selicho Nitzavim-Vayeilech 10 am Service Haftarah Reader: Rabbi Yosef Levanon (in person /streaming) 11 am Tot Shabbat Selichot: 8 pm Dessert 8:30 pm Service 7:57 pm Havdalah
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1st Night Selichot 9:30 am Shohet Minyan (Zoom only) 10:30 am The Interactive Jewish Book of Why 10 am KRS BEGINS 10:30 am Kid's High Holy Day Workshop 10:30 am Adult Prayer & Music Workshop	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 8 pm Jewniversity with David Schwartz; Zoom only	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only)	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 4:30 pm KRS 7 pm Board Meeting	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 1 pm STAR	Erev Rosh Hashanah 8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 6:30 pm 1-5 Childcare 6:30 pm Rosh Hashanah Service	Rosh Hashanah 8:45 am Service Children in person only Ages 1-5: Service: 9:30 am; Childcare:10:30 am School Aged: Service: 10:45 am/ Supervision:11:30 am
4 pm Israeli Summer Movie (in person only					6:43 pm	7:41 pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Rosh Hashanah Tashlish 8:45 am Service Children in person only: Ages 1-5: Service: 9:30 am; Childcare:10:30 am School Aged: Service: 10:45 am/ Supervision:11:30 am 2:30 pm Tashlish in person, Thatcher Glen Pond	Fast of Gedalia 8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 8 pm Jewniversity with David Schwartz; Zoom only	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only)	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 4:30 pm KRS	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 1 pm STAR	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat; in person and Zoom	Shabbat Shuva Ha'Azinui 10 am Service Haftarah Reader: Hai Solomon (in person /streaming)
7:43 pm Havdalah	25	26	27	20	6:31 pm	7:32 pm Havdalah
Frey Vom Kinnur	Vom Kinnur	8 am Shohet Morning	8 am Shohet Morning	28 8 am Shohet Morning	29 Frey Sukkot	30 Sukkot
Erev Yom Kippur 9:30 am Shohet Minyan (Zoom only) 7 pm 1-5 Childcare 7 PM Kol Nidre	Yom Kippur 8:45 am Service Children in person only: Ages 1-5: Service: 9:30 am; Childcare:10:30 am School Aged: Service: 10:45 am/ Supervision:11:30 am 12:30 pm Yizkor 3:30 pm Q&A 4:15 pm Mincha/	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only)	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 4:30 pm KRS	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 1 pm STAR	Erev Sukkot 8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 6:30 pm Erev Sukkot Services 7:30 pm Salmon in the Hut	Sukkot 10 am Musical Sukko Service Haftarah Reader: Henry Guralnick (in person / streaming)
	Neilah 7:30 pm Break Fast Temple Office and					

October 2023 Tishrei/Cheshvan 5784

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Sukkot 10 am Service 10:30 am Kids 1-7 Sukkah Decorating Party 4 pm Israeli Summer Movie (in person only	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 8 pm Jewniversity with David Schwartz; Zoom only	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only)	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom 4:30 pm KRS 6 pm Hot Dogs in the Hut	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom 1 pm STAR	Hoshana Rabah 8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) Shemini Atzeret 6:30 pm Shemini Atzeret Service; in person and Zoom	Shemini Atzeret Yizkor 10 am Shemini Atzere Service Haftarah Reader: TBD (in person /streaming 1:15 Book of Job w/ Rabbi Levanon (in person only) Simchat Torah
7:18 pm Havdalah	9	10	11	12	6:07 pm	6 pm Simchat Torah 7:05 pm
Simchat Torah 10 am Simchat Torah Service	Columbus/ Indigenous People's Day 8 am Shohet Morning Minyan Zoom Only 8 pm Jewniversity with David Schwartz; Zoom only	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan Zoom	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 4:30 pm KRS 7 pm Board Meeting 7:30 pm New Budapest Orpheum Society	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom 1 pm STAR	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) ?? pm Lay-Led Service 6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat; in person and Zoom	Shabbat Mevarchin Bereshit 10 am Service Haftarah Reader: TBI (in person /streaming 1:15 Book of Job
7:06 pm Havdalah	Preschool closed Temple Office and Building closed	17		10	5:55 pm —	6:57 pm Havdalal
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Rosh Hodesh Cheshvan 9:30 am Shohet Minyan (Zoom only) 9:30 am KRS 9:45–10:45 am The Interactive Jewish Book of Why 1 pm Women's Poetry Event	Rosh Hodesh Cheshvan 8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 8 pm Jewniversity with David Schwartz; Zoom only	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 3:30 pm Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 3:30 pm Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:30 pm KRS	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom 10 am Thursday Learning w/ Rabbi Glick (in person and Zoom) 1 pm STAR	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat; in person and Zoom	Noach 10 am Service Haftarah Reader: TBD (in person /streaming 10:30 am Jr. Cong. 11 am Tot Shabbat 1:15 Book of Job 6:46 pm Havdalah
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
9:30 am Shohet Minyan (Zoom only) 9:30 am KRS 10:30 am Book Review with Ronald Balson 4 pm Israeli Summer Movie (in person only	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 8 pm Jewniversity with David Schwartz; Zoom only	8 am Shohet Morning	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 4:30 pm KRS	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom 10 am Thursday Learning w/ Rabbi Glick (in person and Zoom) 1 pm STAR	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 6:30 pm Ta'am Shel Shabbat/Taste of Shabbat	Lech Lecha 10 am Service Haftarah Reader:
29	30	31	November 1	November 2	November 3	November 4
9:30 am Shohet Minyan (Zoom only) 9:30 am KRS ?? am Family School	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom) 8 pm Jewniversity with David Schwartz; Zoom only	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only)	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom 4:30 pm KRS	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (in person and Zoom 10 am Thursday Learning w/ Rabbi Glick (in person and Zoom) 1 pm STAR	8 am Shohet Morning Minyan (Zoom only) 6:30 pm Kabbalat Shabbat; in person and Zoom	Vayera 10 am Service Haftarah Reader: TBD (in person /streaming 6:27 pm Havdal

Zoom IDs for the Holiday Seasion	Zoom ID#	Zoom Link
Erev Rosh Hashanah, Rosh Hashanah Days 1 &2, Kol Nidre, Yom Kippur, including afternoon. <i>There is a special password for these; you will receive it in an email message from the temple (members in a special email message and non-members when you sign up)</i> .	ID# 851 94456 3989	https://zoom.us/j/851944563989
Saturday before Yom Kippur and for all of the morning 10 AM services during Sukkot (Sukkot day 1, 2, Shmini Atzeret & Simchat Torah) (Selichot at: https://www.wsthz.org/event/HHD-2023/Selichot	ID# 242 651 284	https://zoom.us/j/242651284

Todah Rabah

Commemorate special life events—a birthday or anniversary; birth of a child, grandchild, great grandchild; graduation; retirement; and so on—with a contribution to Temple Har Zion. Such a gift is a meaningful way to honor any simcha. Donations can be directed to any of these funds. Your generosity will help our congregation maintain its fine programs, and will also affirm the importance of Judaism and Jewish ideals in your family's life.



Simcha Tree

Honor your family simcha with a donation to the Har Zion Simcha Tree. Your gift of a leaf will create a lasting reminder of the occasion: wedding, birth, bar/bat mitzvah, a birthday, or a thank you for a job well done.

ADULT EDUCATION FUND

Alan Peres and Rya Ben-Shir, in appreciation of Arie Zmora's excellent program on Israeli democracy

ANNABEL, BERNARD AND OREN CARMI ABRAHAM FUND: Enabling children with financial need to receive a Jewish education **BUILDING FUND: Maintaining & improving** the building

Hai and Carol Solomon, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Elizabeth Berman

CANTOR'S MUSIC FUND: Provides musical programming

Hai and Carol Solomon, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Elizabeth Berman

CHILDREN'S SHABBAT FUND

FAY STOPECK SHABBAT MUSICAL FUND: Supports Friday night musical services

EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND

FLOWER FUND

GIVING TUESDAY

GROPPER WINDOW PROJECT FUND: Supports the restoration of the Gropper Windows

GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT FUND: To support the long-term stability and viability of the congregation

GURALNICK PLAYLOT FUND

JANICE PATTERSON KALLAH SCHOLARSHIP

FUND: Supports Kallah expenses and helps families attend

JEWISH JOURNEYS FUND: Supports learning and spiritual development in the community, including programs, ritual items, and Jewish learning stipend

KIDDUSH & BREAKFAST FUND: Shabbat & festival Kiddushim, and weekday minyan breakfast

Herbert Golinkin, in memory of Adrienne Golinkin

KOVEN RELIGIOUS SCHOOL FUND: Provides equipment, programs & scholarships for the **Koven Religious School**

Howard and Norma Berlin, in honor of Elizabeth Berman's becoming a bat mitzvah Jack and Anita Friedman, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Elizabeth Berman Edward Sachs and Judith Grobe Sachs, yasher koach to Elizabeth Berman on her Bat Mitzvah

Frank Vozak and Terrie Rymer, in honor of Elizabeth Berman becoming a bat mitzvah

LIBRARIES

LIEB FAMILY SUKKAH FUND: For the Lieb Family Sukkah

David and Shirley Lieb, mazel tov to Barry and Andrea Sidorow

MALCOLM GETHNER USY SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Funds for our youth to attend regional events

MEMORIAL FUND

Elizabeth Essex, in memory of her son, **Geoffrey Joseph Essex**

Jerry Levine, in memory of his mother, Eve Levine

Barbara Schmitt: In memory of her grandmother, Klara Schmitt; and In memory of her uncle, Martin Landauer Jean and Barry Schub, in memory of Jean's father, Ben Kane

Barry Shanoff: In memory of his mother, Audrey Shanoff; and In memory of his brother, Michael Shanoff

PAUL WOLFMAN LAY LEADERSHIP **DEVELOPMENT FUND:** To support in the development of present and future leaders PRAYER BOOK FUND:

Vafa and Liz Shayani: In honor of the 60th anniversary of Alan Peres's Bar Mitzvah; and In honor of Elizabeth Berman's Bat Mitzvah

PRESCHOOL FUND

Morris and Beverly Applebaum, in honor of Elizabeth Berman becoming a bat mitzvah Morris and Beverly Applebaum, in celebration of the aufruf & upcoming marriage of Ilana Sidorow & David Raudales Sarah and Arrick Pelton: In celebration of the birth of Isaac Rhys; and In honor of the Contact the office for our online program password. Sidorow and David Raudales

aufruf and upcoming marriage of Ilana

RABBI ROBIN DAMSKY ADAMAH FUND

RABBI VICTOR A MIRELMAN EDUCATION FUND: Supports early education, religious school, & adult education

John Zuraw and Anne White, yasher koach to Elizabeth Berman

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND: Supports a variety of charities and special activities at the rabbi's discretion

Herbert Golinkin, in memory of Fannie

Barry and Andrea Sidorow, in celebration of the marriage of Ilana Sidorow and David Raudales

SEFER HAFTARAH FUND

SENIOR ACTIVITY FUND

SOCIAL ACTION FUND

TEMPLE FUND

Nancy Alexander

Jack and Anita Friedman, in memory of Jack's mother, Sylvia Friedman Herbert Golinkin, in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Elizabeth Berman Ruby and Wally Hilker, yasher koach to Elizabeth Berman on becoming a bat mitzvah Michael and Renee Slade, in honor of Elizabeth Berman's Bat Mitzvah Steven and Carol Steinfeld, in honor of the

Sidorow and David Raudales Paul and Judith Wolfman, in honor of the Aufruf and upcoming marriage of Ilana

Aufruf and upcoming marriage of Ilana

Sidorow and David Raudales

TZEDAKAH PROJECTS

Paul and Judith Wolfman, in memory of Paul's aunt, Betty Gold

USY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

YONG FAMILY CAMP FUND: Provides partial scholarships for members' children to attend Jewish camps

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HIGH HOLY DAYS FOR CHILDREN



HIGH HOLY DAYS 5784 / 2023

Sign up now at wsthz.org!

First time attending the holiday at Har Zion? Please contact the office for free tickets.

Camp Shana Tovah 5784/2023 outside and under a tent!

in person only / no virtual offerings

babysitting available; details on website

Rosh Hashanah day 1 - Sat., Sept. 16 9:30 - 10:30am = Young Children 10:45 - 11:30am = Service for Grades K-7 11:30am - 12:15pm = Board Games [K-7]

Rosh Hashanah day 2 - Sun., Sept. 17 10:45 - 11:30am = Service for Grades K-7 11:30am - 12:15pm = Board Games [K-7]

> Yom Kippur - Mon., Sept. 25 9:30-10:30am = Young Children 10:45-11:30am = Service for Grades K-7 11:30am-12:15pm = Board Games [K-7]

Sukkot - Sun., Oct. 1 10:30am - 12pm = Young Families Workshop

> Simchat Torah - Sat., Oct. 7 6pm - 7pm = Celebration

preschool children ages 1 to pre-k must be accompanied by adult



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MAIN HIGH HOLY DAYS SERVICES



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Selichot

SATURDAY, SEPT. 9 8:00PM Dessert 8:30PM Service A SOULFUL MUSICAL SERVICE WITH ACCOMPANIMENT

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15 6PM Evening Service

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16 8:45AM 1st Day Service 9:30AM Young Families Service 10:45AM Camp Shana Tovah

Rosh Hashanah

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17 8:45AM 2nd Day Service 10:45AM Camp Shana Tovah 2:30PM Tashlich (in person only)



Yom Kippur

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24
7PM Kol Nidre

MONDAY, SEPT. 25 8:45AM Shacharit 9:30AM Young Families Service 10:45AM Camp Shana Tovah 12:15PM (approximately) Yizkor 3:30PM Q & A with Rabbi Glick 4:15PM Mincha & Neilah

Sukkot

FRIDAY, SEPT. 29, 6PM Service SATURDAY, SEPT. 30, 10AM Service SUNDAY, OCT. 1, 10AM Service



Shemini Atzeret /

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT. 7 10AM Service

Simchat Torah

SATURDAY EVENING, OCT. 7 6:30PM Dance w/ the Torah SUNDAY, OCT. 8 10AM Service