# October 2024 Bulletin



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#### HIGH HOLIDAYS SCHEDULE 2024

All TI Holiday services will be in-person and live-streamed online via Zoom

Saturday September 28 Wednesday October 2	TI/TC Selichot Eve of Rosh Hashanah service	9:00pm 7:30pm
Thursday October 3	Rosh Hashanah I services	
Thursday October 3	Preliminary/Shacharit	8.45am
	Torah and Shofar Service	10:00am
	Children's Tefillah (Prayer Service	10:45am
	Sermon	11:00am
	Musaf Service	11:15am
	Tashlich (behind Newman House)	4:15pm
	Mincha	5:00pm
Friday October 4	Rosh Hashanah II services	
	Preliminary/Shacharit	8:45am
	Torah and Shofar Service	10:00am
	Sermon	11:00am
	Musaf Service	11:15am
	Erev Shabbat Shuvah Services	5:30pm
Saturday October 5	Shabbat Shuvah Services	9:30am
Sunday October 6	Community-Wide Holocaust Memorial	
	Ceremony at TI Cemetery	10:00am
	Visiting TI Cemetery	11:15am
Friday October 11	Kol Nidre Services	6:15pm
Saturday October 12	Vom Kinnur nendens	
Saturday October 12	Yom Kippur services Preliminary/Shacharit	8:45am
	Torah Service	10:00am
		10:45am
	Children's <u>Tefillah</u> (Prayer Service)	11:00am
	Yizkor Sermon	11:15am
	Musaf Service	11:30am
	Break	11.Juani
	Study Session (sanctuary only)	4:00pm
	Mincha	5:00pm
	Neilah (ark open)	5:45pm
	Ma'any	6:45pm
	Havdalah, Break the Fast	7:08pm
Sunday October 13	Building the Temple Israel Sukkah	10:00am
Thursday October 17	Sukkot I services	9:30am
Friday October 18	Erey Shabbat Services	9:30am
Saturday October 19	Shabbat & Hol ha'Moed Sukkot Sycs	9:30am
Thursday October 24	Shemini Atzeret & Yizkor Services	9.30am
Friday October 25	Simchat Torah Svcs w/Song & Dance	
Saturday October 26	Erey Shabbat Services Shabbat Services	5:30pm 9:30am
Saturday October 26	Shabbat Services	5. Juani



## Letter from the Rabbi:

לשנה טובה ומתוקה תכתבו ותחתמו!

May we all be written and sealed for a good and sweet new year!

Over the past month, Temple Israel has been buzzing with exciting activity! Children returned to the building for after-school Hebrew and Jewish learning as well as for day-school with Hillel Academy. We utilized our building to host a joyous Hillel journal dinner and a celebratory Inter-sisterhood event.

Finally and most personally, on the final Shabbat of September, Rav Talia Laster and I celebrated our engagement with a festive service and kiddush. We were so glad to share our simcha with a wonderful group of TI community members and we look forward to more opportunities to gather in our synagogue to celebrate together!

This year, the month of October corresponds closely to the month of Tishrei, so this month we will celebrate Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah. We have a full slate of services and programs lined up for the month ahead for both children and adults and hope you will enjoy us!

Of course, this October also marks one year since the Jewish world was rocked by the horrific terror attack of 10/7. As I write to you on the eve of Rosh HaShanah, Israelis are recovering from a terrifying barrage of missiles from Iran and gearing up for the possibility of a further expansion of war. Almost 100 hostages remain in Gaza and the path to their safe return remains uncertain. So, we pray with renewed passion for G-d to bring peace to all of Israel, to the entire region, and to the whole world.

On 10/24 when we observe Shemini Atzeret, the same holy day in which Israel was attacked last year, our services will be particularly dedicated to the memories of those lost in this past year. Then, on the following day we well dance with Simchat haTorah - the Joy of Torah! Please, join us as we continue to navigate together the highs and lows of our lives and the Jewish calendar.

Every year, this season invites us to Teshuvah - to repent and return to ourselves. The best way for each of us to personally grow and improve is through joining together with others who are similarly dedicated to this ongoing spiritual and ethical work. We are each strengthened in our own journey when we join together. I look forward to supporting each other as we journey on into the year 5785!



Dear Members and friends of Temple Israel,

**Letter from the President** 

We could not have imagined at Rosh Hashanah 5784 last year, that our New Year 5785 would mark the one-year anniversary of a horrendous terror attack against Israel, and the kidnapping of hundreds, over a hundred of whom remain imprisoned or feared dead. While Israel has rescued or negotiated the release of some hostages, and the IDF has eliminated many of the terror leadership and much of its infrastructure, it has come at a great cost to Israel itself and eroded international support. We all grieve for the humanitarian crisis precipitated by the October 7th attack. Israel faces committed enemies on several borders and beyond, and we pray that it will be successful in defending itself, cool heads will emerge on all sides, and ultimately a lasting peace will be achieved.

Despite our angst, we have much to celebrate. A hearty Mazel Tov to our Rabbi Micah Friedman and Rabbi Talia Laster, who have announced their betrothal! We gathered last week at Shabbat services and offered a blessing for their future union, and celebrated along with their parents at a special kiddush. We continue to enjoy Rabbi Friedman's scholarship and spirituality as he leads us into a second Jewish New Year. Thanks to his enthusiasm, we are seeing some new faces at services and at classes and programs. I hope we'll see yours over the High Holidays and beyond. Rabbi Friedman kicked off our season of repentance with a very meaningful Tisha b'Av observance, jointly led by Temple Concord's new Rabbi Leah Moser. Our rabbi also taught several classes over the past few weeks to orient us to the new Lev Shalem Machzor.

Thanks to each and every one of you for doing your part to support the financial needs of our synagogue. We rely on your dues, donations, and personal participation to deliver services, classes, and programs at the level we all expect. We are also pursuing grant funding for major security improvements, and the Safety and Security Committee has continued to implement essential procedures and provide training to prevent or deal with emergencies that may arise. I hope that you have attended relevant emergency response training sessions sponsored by the Jewish Federation.

Our Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services will be led by Rabbi Friedman, and feature Joel Nathanson as our Cantor. An experienced chazzan, Cantor Joel is coming to serve us from Baltimore with his wife Maureen. We are looking forward to a highly participatory service. Our lay daveners will also take many roles in our services, and we appreciate them. Services will be streamed on Zoom at the usual TI Services Link. The costs of delivering these services will be underwritten by the Rozen Foundation. PLEASE WATCH EMAIL for details and any updates.

Sweet nectar has arrived! By now you have each received your Temple Israel Honeygram packed with a honey bear cub and tea. Thanks to our many sponsors and all others who ordered these seasonal greetings. This has been a successful fundraiser and has taken its place alongside the Yahrtzeit Plaques, Simcha Tree, Yizkor Book, and other donation fixtures on which we rely. Our Lev Shalem Machzor fundraiser over the summer was also very successful, and this new High Holiday prayer book will enhance our services this season. Thanks to all who sponsored at any level, and we appreciate the major contribution of the Community Foundation for South Central New York - David and Virginia Eisenberg Fund, which sent an additional Rosh Hashanah donation as well. Our grounds are maturing beautifully, and we thank Fred & Sandra Weitsman for funding, and performing, ongoing maintenance of our flora, along with Arlene Osber, Larry Hurwitz, and several generations of the Rozen family.

In the year ahead, let's work together to provide fulfilling spiritual, educational, and social experiences for our community. Several musical programs are in the planning, and we have a schedule of Adult Ed offerings throughout the year. If you have needs, or ideas, please reach out!

From Suzanne and myself, and on behalf of the Officers and Trustees of Temple Israel:

L'shanah tovah umetukah; may you be inscribed and sealed for a healthy and sweet New Year!

Art Arthur B. Siegel President, Temple Israel

		October	2024			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Executive Board meeting 7pm minyan 5:30pm	Erev Rosh Hashanah services 7"30pm	Rosh Hashanah Day 1 Office closed	Rosh Hashanah Day 2 Office closed Light candle 6:22pm	Shabbat services 8:00am Havdalah 7:30pm
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Holocaust Memorial at TI Cemetery 10:00am		minyan 5:30pm			Kol Nidre Services at 6:15pm Light candle 6:10pm	Yom Kippur
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Building the Sukkah 10:00am	Columbus Day Office closed	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm minyan 5:30pm		Sukkot Day 1 Office closed Services 9:30am	Sukkot Day 2 Office closed Services 9:30am Light candle 5:59pm	Shabbat services 9:30am Havdalah 7:00pm
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		minyan 5:30pm		Shemini Atzeret Office closed Services & Yizkor 9:30am	Simchat Torah Office closed Simcha Torah svcs 9:30am Erev Shabbat svcs 5:30pm Light candle 5:48pm	Shabbat services 9:30am TI/TC Selichot Services 7:00pm
27	28	29 minyan 5:30pm	30	31		

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In honor of...

Rabbi's Micah Friedman & Talia
Laster's engagement by Sue Krause
& Celia Klin, Charles & Susan
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new grandson Orhys by Ann Spitz &
Charlie Pladek
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For the Yahrzeit of...

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For the Yahrzeit of...
Barbara Ullmann by Arieh
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## The Caring Community

Please inform the Rabbi: If your health condition changes, you undergo a medical procedure, are hospitalized, you move to an assisted living facility or rehab, or if you are aware of anyone in our congregation who needs attention.

## Thank you to our High Holiday Bimah Flowers Sponsors

Channin, David & Rivka	In honor of the uncoming worlding of Jeahus Channin and Alexis Miller
	In honor of the upcoming wedding of Joshua Channin and Alexis Miller
Drazen, Shelley	In memory of Robert & Florence Drazen
Dubofsky, Mel & Myrna	In honor of Mel Dubofsky's 90th birthday
Gilbert, Steven	In loving memory of Barbara Gilbert
Greenblott. Robin & Jeffrey	In honor of our parents
Hofstein, Marcia	In memory of Morty Hofstein
Hubal, Mark & Shelley	In memory of Stephen L. Meltzer
Hurwitz, Larry & Kathy	In honor of our children
Kaminsky, Alex & Tara	
Kasper, Ben & Susan	In memory of all of those lost in the past year
Krause, Sue & Celia Klin	In memory of Paulette Klin
Lavker, Al	In memory of Pam Lavker
Levine, Hollie	In memory of Carl Levine
Maas, Jane	In memory of Bernie Maas & Herbert Maas
Novak, Jim & Beverly	In memory of Alois Gross MD & Dr. Paula Gross
Osber, Arlene	In memory of my husband, parents and brother
Paston, Roy & Sandra	Dedicated to the Paston & Kurson Families
Pell-Preus, Merri & Tony Preus	In memory of my parents Alfred & Hannah Pell
Piaker, Alan & Julie	In memory of our parents
Pinsker, llene	In memory of Esther Pinsker
Rozen, Hersh & Beverly	In memory of our beloved parents
Schapiro Family	In memory of Irvin & Barbara Schapiro
Schutzer, Jim & Jennifer	In memory of our parents
Siegel. Arthur & Suzanne	In honor of George Siegel's 98th birthday
Simon, Judy & Irwin	
Warner, Howard & Betty	
Weitsman, Fred & Sandra	In memory of our daughter Becky
Wyman, Laurence & Edyce	In memory of Alec & Elsie Menewitch and Stanley & Zelda Wyman
Zelter, Don & Barbara	In memory of our parents

## **Congregational News**

Condolences to: Dr. Robert & Diana Weiss & Family on the passing of their daughter Lynn Myers

Get Well wishes to: Marcia Brown, Stephanie Horowitz, Jeff Shapiro, Susan Gilinsky, Marcia Hofstein, Ann Spitz, Mel Dubofsky

## **OCTOBER 2024 YAHRZEITS**

## October 1 - 4

Samuel H. Pearis\* observed by Herbert Kline
Muriel Rozen observed by Hersh Rozen
Chana Balin Woodruff observed by Florence
Balin

Howard Cohen observed by Susan Schapiro
Minnie Riger\* observed by Janet Levine
Carl Levine\* observed by Hollie Levine
Ruth Werner observed by Joyce Sambursky
Abraham Chiron observed by Barbara Zelter
Betty Green observed by Lynne Green, Stuart
Green

Eva Wearb\* observed by Ann Bronsky

## **October 5 - 16**

Seymour Cohen\* observed by Rita Bleier
Paul Drozdow\* observed by Louise Sheiman
Pauline Epstein\* observed by Maxine
Rosenberg

**Beverly Balin Kaufman** observed by *Florence Balin* 

Leah Schwartz observed by Lynne Green
Ellin Cohen observed by Susan Schapiro
Dr. Simon Silverman\* observed by Vicki Rouff
Dr. Harold Shulman\* observed by Gail
Shulman

Norman Oretskin\* observed by Ivy Oretskin
Belle Frank\* observed by Ruth Drucker
Ruth Licker observed by Susan Gilinsky
Eva Melamed\* observed by Shelley Drazen
Mary Oretskin observed by Ivy Oretskin

## October 17 - 22

Myer Becker observed by Nancy Bittman Sandra Feinberg\* observed by Jeffrey Feinberg

**Marcia Krassin Murphy** observed by *Terry Shelley-Krassin* 

Ruth Markowitz observed by Barbara Markowitz

Jacob Wearb\* observed by Ann Bronsky
Samuel Morgan observed by Ruth Shapiro
Philip M. Piaker\* observed by Susan Kasper,
Alan Piaker

Stanley Wyman observed by Laurence Wyman Ben Schwartz observed by Howard Schwartz

## **October 23 - 31**

Isaac Herz\* observed by Carol Herz

Marion Rapp observed by Barbara Roberts

Benjamin Horowitz observed by Beverly

Rozen

James Kline\* observed by Herbert Kline
Frank Lavker\* observed by Sandy Wiener
Marcia Wolff observed by Michael Wolff
David Janofsky observed by Julie Piaker
Henry Weinstock observed by Ann Spitz
Leon Weintraub\* observed by David
Weintraub

Gussie Bronsky\* observed by Herbert Kline Brendan Byrnes observed by Hollie Levine

An asterisk(\*) indicates that the name has a memorial plaque in the Sanctuary.

If you wish to recite Mourner's Kaddish during a weekday service, other than Tuesday or Friday, please contact the Temple Israel office. A notice will be sent to the congregation to make up a Minyan. It would be helpful if you contact us two weeks prior to the date.