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**Just  
show up.**

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## Selihot Book Discussion

**Saturday, September 21 at 7:30 pm**

The evening will begin with a dessert reception, Havdalah, and at approximately 8:00 pm, we will discuss *The Sunflower: On the Possibilities and Limits of Forgiveness*. In this book, Holocaust survivor Simon Wiesenthal describes his experience with a terminally wounded Nazi during World War II. Following the book discussion, at approximately 9:00 pm, Selihot services will begin. In 1943 Simon Wiesenthal, who was a prisoner at the Lemberg concentration camp, was summoned to the bedside of a dying Nazi soldier, Karl Seidl. The soldier told him he was seeking “a Jew’s” forgiveness for a crime that had haunted Seidl since it was committed one year prior. Over a number of hours, Seidl tells Wiesenthal his life story, including joining Hitler Youth and his experiences in the SS. He then confesses to having participated in destroying a house full of 300 Jews. He states that as the Jews tried to leap out of windows to escape the burning building, he and the other soldiers gunned them down.

After Seidl finishes his story, he asks Wiesenthal to forgive him.

We will discuss Wiesenthal’s reaction at the time. Recognizing that there is so much to discuss about this one afternoon in 1943, Wiesenthal invites others to respond to his dilemma. In the 1976 edition of the book there were 10 responses. Now there



Work continues in our sanctuary. High Holy Day services will be held in our social hall. See “Off the Bimah” on page 3 for more.



## Save the Date!

For an Evening of Dinner, Music & Comedy Honoring Dave Ratner

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2019, 5:30 PM**

STAY TUNED FOR DETAILS AND YOUR INVITATION

are 53. Among the respondents to the questions are theologians, political leaders, writers, jurists, psychiatrists, human rights activists, Holocaust survivors, former Nazis and victims of attempted genocides in Bosnia, Cambodia, China and Tibet. The responses vary. Some respondents write that forgiveness ought to be awarded

for the victim’s sake; others respond that it should be withheld. Others do not say definitively what should have been done. You do not need to have read the book in advance to participate in this lively discussion. If you would like to read it, we will have several copies available in the office.



The deadline for the **November/December** issue is Friday, **September 20**. Please email all articles or photos to [communications@tbespringfield.org](mailto:communications@tbespringfield.org).

# Sometimes a Journey Does Not Have a Destination

Kayla Weiss

Moshe, Faiga, Chana, Machla, and Laizer Truk. To all of you reading this, those are just more names of people who perished in the holocaust along with 5,999,994 others. For me, those names are the parents and siblings of my great-grandmother's family and very much a part of who I am. They are one of the biggest reasons that I traveled to Poland this spring and marched with 12,000 people from 52 different countries to take part in the 31st Annual March of the Living program.

The March of the Living program takes you on a journey retracing the steps of our ancestors who perished in the worst crime in human history. It is a journey to never forget, but also to actively remember. We visited five death and work camps and other sites where atrocities occurred. We visited mass graves, memorials, and many places that will forever be etched in my memory. The journey did not end there thankfully, as my group travelled on to Israel to celebrate Yom HaZikaron (Holocaust Remembrance Day) and Yom HaAtzma'ut (Independence Day). The bookending of these events showed me the worst humanity has to offer, which can then lead to the best.

As we all know, the Holocaust is something that is taught in schools with text books and movies to try and help society understand what horrific and unimaginable things occurred from



1939-1945. But when you really feel it — standing and staring at the gates that read “Arbeit macht frei” (German for “work sets you free”) — the lessons you learned about what happened there don't even come close to doing it justice. All of the black and white images from the past become colorful... no longer just a snapshot in time. You are there and so are the horrors. I truly felt as if I was waking up from a nightmare I had learned about, only to be confronted with the reality that stood before me.

As I gazed at the infamous gate I suddenly felt a hand on my shoulder. I quickly turned around to see Paul — a tall man with broad shoulders and a Holocaust survivor who was traveling with our group. “I didn't mean to startle you” he quietly explained.

“Oh no, it's okay.” I replied. He said, “I just wanted to tell you that you and everyone you came with gives me hope. Hope that my story will live on, hope that the Jewish people will thrive for years and years to come. Hope that something like what happened here will NEVER happen again.” My eyes started to tear up. He could've gone up to any of the 199 other teens in our BBYO group, but he came up to me. I still don't know why, but I turned and hugged him like I have never hugged anyone before — tears streaming down my face. That interaction with Paul made me remember that I was also there for other people.

The day we went to Auschwitz, each participant was given a wooden board to write anything they wanted on it. I had no idea what I wanted to write on mine, but after that moment with Paul it all became clear. I wrote “Today I march. I march for my family that perished on these grounds. I march for the 6 million who couldn't. I march for the survivors and their stories. So that their stories can live on and we can embody the saying NEVER AGAIN. I march for the past, present, and future of the Jewish people.”

When I was in Israel the juxtaposition of what I experienced hit me hard. I had a difficult time making sense of it. I still do. It is an experience I will never forget and although it was personally challenging, I am glad I did it.

## זמני תפילות Worship Schedule

### Weekday Mornings

Monday through Friday ..... 7:00 am  
Sunday ..... 8:30 am

### Weekday Evenings

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday & Thursday ..... 5:45 pm

### Shabbat Worship

Erev Shabbat ..... 6:00 pm  
Shabbat morning ..... 9:30 am  
Shabbat afternoon ..... 6:00 pm

### Labor Day, Monday, September 2

Morning Service ..... 8:30 am

### Selihot Saturday, September 21

No 6:00 pm Mincha service  
Dessert Reception ..... 7:30 pm  
Havdalah ..... 7:40 pm  
Discussion ..... 8:00 pm  
Service ..... (approx.) 9:00 pm

### Rosh Hodesh Heshvan

Tuesday, October 29 &  
Wednesday, October 30  
Morning Service ..... 6:45 am

PLEASE SEE PAGE 7 FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICE SCHEDULE.

# Off the Bimah מהבימה

Rabbi Amy Wallk Katz

## Beyond Bricks and Mortar

The Jewish community has never been defined solely by bricks and mortar. From Abraham and Sarah's first journey to "the land that I will show you" to the wilderness wanderings of the Israelites, to the dispersions of the Jewish people following the destruction of the Temples in Jerusalem, our people have always survived and eventually thrived independent of physical structures. When the reading of Torah became central to the Jewish people, we became a "People of the Book," where our identity was defined not by where we lived, but by what we read.

Our palaces, as Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel famously explained, are not structures of physical space, but of time – Shabbat, the festivals and the rhythms of the Jewish year. Strange as it is to say, the re-establishment of the state of Israel 70 years ago was a paradigm shift away from the wandering norm of the prior 2,000 years. It has always been our sacred calendar, Torah, and palpable sense of community that has defined us as a people.

This notion is especially important for all of us to remember this year.

The renovations of our beautiful sanctuary will not be completed by the

High Holy Days. And so, we will celebrate Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur in our social hall. While it is disappointing not to be in the sanctuary, it is important to remember that the strength of our congregation is found with the lay leadership, the active members, the incredibly dedicated administrative and professional staff.

In this unusual year, it will be the people, the *davening*, the shofar blowing, the learning, and the other shared experiences that will bind our community together.

As we celebrate the High Holy Days in a different space, I encourage the members of our community to step forward with your most powerful tool of community building – YOU! For this year, you will be forced to find a new place for yourselves in our temporary sanctuary. Extend yourself to fellow congregants who are also finding a place for themselves in our makeshift sanctuary. We all know intuitively that a sense of belonging does not depend on physical space or a form that we fill out. Community is constructed when we are welcomed warmly when we enter a room and are missed when we leave. Let's make this a year that we leverage our own personal capital towards strengthening our communal bonds, wherever we may be.

May this year be a year of health and happiness for each of you, your families, the Jewish people, and all humanity.

*Shanah Tovah!*

## Help Feed the Hungry in Our Community

Rabbi Katz invites our members to join her to serve lunch at the **Loaves and Fishes Community Kitchen**, located at Christ Church Cathedral, 35 Chestnut Street in Springfield on **Wednesday, September 4 and Wednesday, October 3 at 11:45 am**. There's no need to prepare any food ahead of time—just show up

with a gallon of whole milk, and help serve the hungry in our community.

Please join us on **Sunday, September 22 and Sunday, October 27 at 4:45 pm** to prepare and serve dinner at **Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church**, 797 State Street in Springfield. Food can be cooked at home or purchased.

Please contact our Social Action Chair, Susie Rosenberg, at [pawssgr@comcast.net](mailto:pawssgr@comcast.net) to sign up so she can coordinate who will bring different items.



## Hesed Kitchen

This monthly program has provided many of our congregants with delicious and home-made food after an illness or following the loss of a loved one. Volunteers are invited to join Rabbi Katz in her kitchen to help prepare comfort food such as soup, kugel, bread, etc. which will be frozen and delivered to our members when the need arises. If you would like to help with this effort, please call the TBE office at 733-4149 for upcoming dates.

## New Display to Showcase Artwork Created by Our Members

We are starting a new project called "Hiddur Beth El," meaning "to beautify Beth El," and are seeking artwork created by our members to display in our lobby during September and October. Do you have drawings, paintings, photographs, ceramics, etc. that you would like to share with us? The pieces do not need to have a Jewish theme. Contact Adele Miller at [adlmlr@gmail.com](mailto:adlmlr@gmail.com) for more information.



## From the Director of Education

Caryn Resnick

Each year, at the end of the school year, I start counting down the days until summer vacation. It is celebratory—we made it another wonderful year, we've accomplished so much, and now we get a well-deserved break!

But, at the end of summer vacation, we also start counting down the day—we put away our summer clothes, say good-bye to our beach homes, and prepare for a busy, work-filled year. It all feels very final and serious.

This year, I am proposing that we swap out the celebratory feeling we usually save for summer and use it on fall. With so many wonderful and different activities and events planned around the opening of the religious school, the High Holy Days, Sukkot and Simchat Torah, there is much to celebrate and look forward to. After a long break we get to be with our friends and Temple Beth El community to worship, sing, dance and renew ourselves spiritually. We are hopefully rested and ready to take on the year with hope and excitement!

I am counting down the days to be with all of you—looking forward to a fall season as sweet as the honey from the bees, a fresh apple picked off the tree, as clear and bright as the fall sun streaming through leaves just starting to change.

L'Shana Tova!

## New Friday Evening Tot Shabbat Services

On the **third Friday night of each month**, young families with children ages 5 and younger will gather together for song, prayer, dance and stories. This family service will be facilitated by Marlene Rachelle. Marlene is a family educator who leads musical Tot Shabbat services at Temple Beth El and in the Upper Valley, and teaches a Jewish music class at the Springfield JCC for young children and their caretakers. After completing an

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## Sandi Kupperman Learning Center

undergraduate degree in communications from UMass, which led to a career as a Senior Producer at MTV Networks, Marlene went back to school to receive an M.A. in Jewish Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary's Davidson School.



Since receiving her Masters, Marlene has taught and developed programming for Jewish schools, organizations, and the JCC in Manhattan.

Families will enjoy a Shabbat dinner at 5:15 pm, followed by the service from 6:00-6:30 pm. There is no charge for the Shabbat dinner for these families, thanks to a generous grant from the Harold Grinspoon Foundation. Please note that on these Friday nights, this will be our only Kabbalat Shabbat service; all of our Friday night "regulars" are invited to join us at the Tot Shabbat service. Upcoming dates for these Friday Tot Shabbat services will be September 20 and October 18.

Last spring, we hosted a Friday night Tot Shabbat program which was well-attended. As result of its success, we are offering this program every month. This is what one of our parents had to say:

*"Caryn, I wanted to thank you for putting together the Kabbalat Tot Shabbat program with Marlene! I love Shabbat and I want my kids to love Shabbat too, but it is really hard to make it happen right. Seeing my kids dancing and singing with their peers was amazing for me and for them! It was also nice to meet other young families. Not living in Longmeadow with the majority of our congregation, I sometimes feel so isolated. It was really cool to meet other families who are also living outside of the heart of our community."*

– Jenn Belden

## Shabbat Morning Tot Shabbat Services

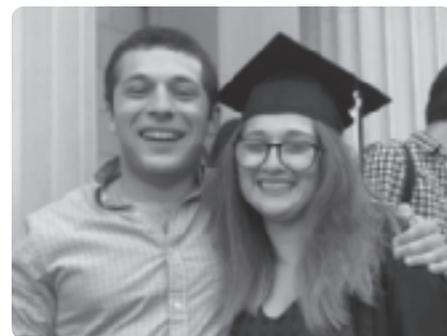
Our fun Tot Shabbat services will be held on the first Shabbat morning of each month—September 7 and October 5 at 11:00 am in the Katz Family

Library. These lively services, designed for children ages 5 and younger with a parent or grandparent, will be led by Marlene Rachelle. Join us and celebrate Shabbat with songs, dancing, stories, and more. Following the short service, everyone is welcome to stay for Kiddush lunch. Non-members are always welcome!

## Max Rubin Returns to be Our USY Advisor

Max has been involved with Temple Beth El since he started religious school at the SKLC in first grade. Since then he's been involved with everything from working in the classrooms as a teacher's assistant, B'Yahad, to USY where he served as president of our chapter. After going on Young Judea's Year Course gap year in Israel, Max began studying at UMass, and is entering his senior year there. He is beyond excited to re-join USY for another stint as advisor, and is especially looking forward to working with his sister, Sammi.

Sammi has been an active and enthusiastic USY member locally, regionally and internationally. She graduated Longmeadow High School and will be living in the area. We are delighted that she will be helping Max as a co-advisor.



# Adult Education

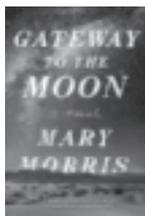
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## Book Discussion Group News

Liz Marinelli, Librarian

The book group will meet on Wednesday, September 18 to discuss the novel *Gateway to the Moon* by Mary Morris. In this multi-generational tale stretching from the Spanish Inquisition to modern-day New Mexico, the author unites themes of identity, family, history and astronomy as she sheds light on the history of converso Jews in the new world. We will meet at 10:30 in the library, everyone is welcome! Due to the High Holy Days, there will be no meeting in October.



Here are some of the latest additions to the library:

*The 100 Most Jewish Foods: A Highly Debatable List* by Alana Newhouse. An entertaining and informative compilation that brings the rich traditions of Jewish foods to life.

*Spies of No Country: Secret Lives at the Birth of Israel* by Matti Friedman. The story of a ring of spies formed by British intelligence during WWII that eventually became the Mossad.

*The Flight Portfolio: A Novel* by Julie Orringer. The latest novel by the author of *The Invisible Bridge*, inspired by the real-life quest of an unlikely hero to save the lives and work of Europe's great minds from the impending Holocaust.



**Sundays, September 29,  
October 6, 13, 20,  
November 3, 10, 17, 24 at 9:00 am**

We will start Chapter 2 of Pirke Avot, a wonderful collection of ethics compiled around 200 CE. It is one of the best-known and most-cited Jewish texts. Newcomers are welcome—no previous knowledge is required.

## Lunch & Learn

**Wednesdays, September 11, 18, 25,  
October 2, 16, 23 at 12:00 pm**

Join us as we watch season 2 of *Shtisel*, the very popular Israeli TV series. This show follows the lives of an ultra-Orthodox family in Jerusalem. A lively discussion follows after each episode, led by Rabbi Katz. Please bring a dairy lunch and enjoy the show and conversation.

## High Holy Days Prep Workshop

**Sunday, September 8  
from 1:00 – 4:00 pm**

The High Holy Day season is a time of rejoicing and introspection. Come to the High Holy Day Prep Day on Sunday, September 8 to:

- learn how to blow the shofar—if you have your own shofar, be sure to bring

it (Instructors: Judd Peskin – adults; Rev. Aminia – children in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and older)

- learn how to make challah (Instructor: Rabbi Amy Katz)
- learn how to bake apple cake, babka & rugelach (Instructors: Debbie Peskin & Marge Robinson)
- learn about a Rosh HaShanah Seder and taste the food (Instructor: Rebecca Schnaper)
- learn about Kintsugi: the centuries-old Japanese art of repairing broken pottery with gold (Instructor: Cindy Lutz Kornet)
- parallel learning tracks for children in grades K-7, and babysitting available for children age 4 and younger

## Kintsugi

Kintsugi is the Japanese art of repairing broken pottery with lacquer dusted or mixed with powdered gold, silver, or platinum. By repairing broken ceramics it's possible to give a new lease of life to pottery that becomes even more refined thanks to its "scars." Kintsugi teaches that broken objects are not something to hide but to display with pride. The Kintsugi technique suggests many things. We shouldn't throw away any broken objects. When an object breaks, it doesn't mean that it is no longer useful. Its breakages can become valuable. We should try to repair things because sometimes in doing so we obtain more valuable objects. This is the essence of resilience. Each of us should look for a way to cope with traumatic events in a positive way, learn from negative experiences, take the best from them and convince ourselves that these experiences make each person unique and precious.

This Japanese technique of repairing china seems to inspire special meaning that we as Jews experience during the High Holy Days.

To participate in this workshop, please bring any piece of pottery that has a crack or a broken part. You will repair it in this session.

This workshop will be facilitated by Cindy Lutz Kornet, a local, multi-talented artist who has been involved professionally with Judaic art since 1973.

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# פינת תרבות Culture Corner



## Hiddur Mitzvah – Beautifying the Mitzvah

Cantor Elise Barber

In conjunction with our “Hiddur Beth El” art project, I would like to discuss the concept in Judaism of *Hiddur Mitzvah*. *Hiddur Mitzvah* means “beautifying the mitzvah.” We Jews are commanded in our tradition to do certain things, but we are not supposed to do just the minimum to get by, but rather invest in the mitzvot in an intense, loving way through beauty.

While we could say kiddush over a plain cup of wine or grape juice, instead, we try to use a cup that is adorned in some way. When we build a sukkah, instead of just following the rules for how it is to be constructed, we also decorate. Instead of simply writing out a Torah and shielding it with a plain cloth, a *sofeir* writes out the text beautifully and we cover the scroll with special cloth (or metal in some Mizrahi and Sephardic communities).

The idea of *Hiddur Mitzvah* comes from Exodus 15:2: “This is my God and I will glorify Him.” The word in Hebrew for “glorify Him” is *anveihu* which is related to the word *naveh* or *noi*, meaning beauty. Our rabbis explain the verse by saying, “This is my God and I will make God beautiful.” Rabbi Ishmael interpreted Exodus 15:2 by stating, “Is it possible for a person of flesh and blood to glorify God? Rather, it means I will be beautiful before him with a beautiful lulav, a beautiful sukkah, beautiful *tsitsit* (fringes), and beautiful *t’fillan*.” (Gemara Shabbat 133b)

The Tosafot (Sukkah 38b) extend the idea of *hiddur mitzvah* to *t’fillah*, prayer.

Indeed, in cantorial school, we focused on how to sing and lead the community in a way that could be beautiful and help everyone have the most meaningful, intention-filled prayer experience.

So how can we participate in *hiddur mitzvah*? We can buy a special mezuzah for our door instead of just a plain one, we can get or make a beautiful challah cover, we can use a Haggadah on Passover that is filled with pictures.

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, the chief rabbi of Great Britain, states that “Art in Judaism always had a spiritual purpose: to make us aware of the universe as a work of art, testifying to the supreme Artist, God.” *Hiddur Mitzvah* involves making the effort and demonstrating the care to create or acquire beautiful ceremonial pieces to enrich religious and spiritual observance.

This fall we will celebrate and honor our synagogue with art from our very own congregants. In this way, we will invest in our community and prayer experiences in a new way.

## Sisterhood Fall Fair

Sunday, September 22 from  
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Ann Labb

Come one, come all to the First Annual Sisterhood Fall Fair on September 22 taking place right here in the parking lot of Temple Beth El. The fair will be open to the public from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, rain or shine!

A variety of crafters from throughout the Pioneer Valley will be selling an amazing variety of wares from nut-flavored syrups and honey, to polymer clay bowls and beaded jewelry, to wood-turned art, books for everyone in the family, quilted purses and novelties, soaps, framed art, calligraphy, tie-dye clothing and crossword solvers. There will be booths with information concerning the foster care program in our area and Ener-G-Save.

Best of all, Holyoke Hummus, Kona ice, sweets, and carnival food will be on the grounds all day for your eating pleasure.

The Sisterhood will be hosting a 50/50

raffle booth and table with new, unused items for sale. We are looking for donations for this table. They should be priced and marked “For Sisterhood Fair” and can be dropped off at TBE during business office hours.

We are also looking for volunteers to help us with traffic flow, selling 50/50 tickets and manning the new item table.

This is an important fundraiser! Please come and support the TBE Sisterhood. Call Ann Labb at (413) 244-8184 for further information or to volunteer.



## Shabbat Zimrah Services

Friday, September 13 at 6:00 pm  
Friday, October 11 at 6:00 pm

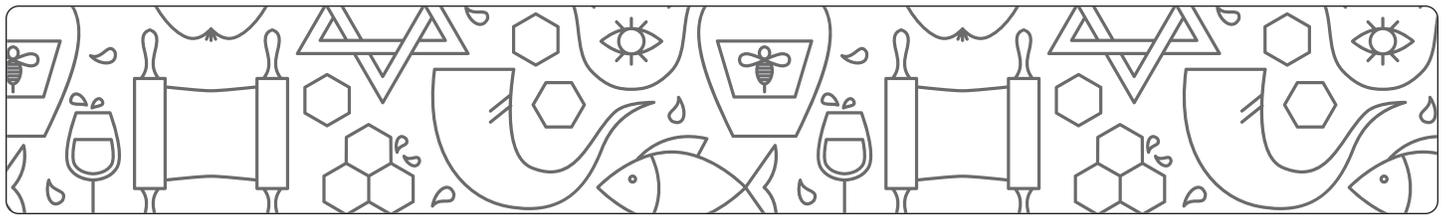
## TBE Celebrates Birthdays

Temple Beth El recognizes members’ birthdays on the second Shabbat of the month, with a few exceptions. During our Kabbalat Shabbat Friday night service and again at our Shabbat morning service, we will serenade you, enjoy special birthday treats during the appetizer buffet and Kiddush lunch, and make a fuss over your reaching another birthday!

Our upcoming birthday celebrations will take place on Friday, September 13 and Shabbat, September 14, as well as Friday, October 11 and Shabbat, October 12.

Watch your mail during the month prior to your birthday for a special letter inviting you to let TBE be part of your celebration. If you do not receive this letter, it’s possible that we do not have your date of birth in our database. Please call our office at 733-4149 so we can update our records.





# HIGH HOLY DAY EVENTS 5780

## **SELIHOT PLAY AND SERVICE Saturday, September 21 at 7:00 pm–**

The evening will begin with dessert and Havdalah. At approximately 7:40 pm, we will present the award-winning play “The Gates Are Closing,” starring fellow TBE members. The play will be followed by Selihot services at approximately 9:00 pm (see page 1 for details).

**CEMETERY VISITS** – It is customary to visit the graves of family and friends as the new year draws near. You are, of course, welcome to visit the cemetery on your own. Rev. David Aminia will be at the cemetery on Sunday, September 29 and Sunday, October 7 from 9:30 am—noon for families or individuals who need assistance in the reciting of appropriate prayers.

**FAMILY SERVICES** – We will hold our annual services with your children on the first day of Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur (see schedule). Back by popular demand, Marlene Rachele will be leading the family services on Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. Marlene is a family educator who leads musical Tot Shabbat services at Temple Beth El and in the Upper Valley, and teaches a Jewish music class at the Springfield JCC for young children and their caretakers. After completing an undergraduate degree in communications from UMass, which led to a career as a Senior Producer at MTV Networks, Marlene went back to school to receive an M.A. in Jewish Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary’s Davidson School. Since receiving her Masters, Marlene has taught and developed programming for Jewish schools, organizations, and the JCC in Manhattan. Do not miss these

innovative and musical services in our outdoor tent.

**TASHLIKH** – Join us for Tashlikh on Monday, September 30 at 5:00 pm in Forest Park, as we literally throw away our mistakes from the past year by using breadcrumbs which are symbolic of our sins. Just inform the guard at the gatehouse as you enter the park that you are from TBE and you will not be charged an admission fee. Please note there will be no evening service at Temple Beth El on the second night of Rosh HaShanah.

**BREAK THE FAST** – Temple Beth El will host a congregational break fast after the sounding of the shofar on Wednesday, October 9. The sumptuous buffet will include: green salad with roasted beets, pumpkin seeds, shredded carrots and apple cider vinaigrette; poached salmon with maple sweet potatoes and pine nuts; assorted bagels and cream cheese, sweet noodle kugel, wild rice salad with lentils, cranberries, almonds, orange zest and sautéed onions; fresh fruit salad; assorted cookies and brownies; and coffee cakes. The cost is \$12 per person ages 10 and over, \$10 per child ages 5 – 9, and free for children under 5. Attendance is by reservation only. The deadline for paid reservations is Wednesday, September 25; R.S.V.P. by calling the temple office at 733-4149 or emailing office@tbespringfield.org.

*We’d like to thank Fred Brownstein and Elaine Geha once again for generously underwriting the Break Fast.*

## High Holy Day Schedule 5780

### **Sunday, September 29**

**Erev Rosh HaShanah** ..... 6:00 pm  
Candle Lighting ..... 6:17 pm

### **Monday, September 30**

**First Day of Rosh HaShanah** ..... 8:30 am  
Shofar service ..... (approx.) 10:20 am  
D’var Torah ..... (approx.) 11:00 am  
Tashlikh/Minhah ..... 5:00 pm  
(at Forest Park) No service at Temple Beth El  
Candle Lighting ..... 7:17 pm

### **Tuesday, October 1**

**Second Day of Rosh HaShanah** ..... 8:30 am  
Open to the Community  
Shofar service ..... (approx.) 10:20 am  
D’var Torah ..... (approx.) 11:00 am  
Evening service ..... 6:00 pm

### **Tuesday, October 8**

**Kol Nidre** ..... 6:00 pm  
Candle Lighting ..... 6:02 pm

### **Wednesday, October 9**

**Yom Kippur** ..... 8:30 am  
D’var Torah ..... (approx.) 11:30 pm  
Yizkor ..... (approx.) 12:30 pm  
Minhah ..... 4:45 pm  
Neilah ..... 5:45 pm  
Sounding the Shofar ..... 7:02 pm

### **Sunday, October 13**

**Erev Sukkot**  
First Evening of Sukkot ..... 6:00 pm  
Candle Lighting ..... 5:54 pm

### **Monday, October 14**

**First Day of Sukkot** ..... 9:30 am  
Second Evening of Sukkot ..... 6:00 pm  
Candle Lighting ..... 6:54 pm

### **Tuesday, October 15**

**Second Day of Sukkot** ..... 9:30 am  
Minhah ..... 6:00 pm

### **Shabbat, October 19**

**Hol HaMoed Sukkot**  
Morning Service ..... 9:30 am  
Minhah ..... 6:00 pm  
Havdalah ..... 6:43 pm

### **Sunday, October 20**

**Hoshanah Rabbah** ..... 8:30 am  
Erev Shemini Atzeret (Yizkor) ..... 6:00 pm  
Candle Lighting ..... 5:40 pm

### **Monday, October 21**

**Shemini Atzeret (Yizkor)** ..... 9:30 am  
Erev Simhat Torah ..... 6:30 pm  
Candle Lighting ..... 6:40 pm

### **Tuesday, October 22**

**Simhat Torah** ..... 9:30 am  
Minhah ..... 6:00 pm

## High Holy Day Appeal

Help us continue the many high quality spiritual, educational, cultural and social programs, as well as maintain our building and meet our expenses. Our High Holy Day appeal is an important fundraiser. The proceeds of the appeal go into our general operating budget for the year. We will be mailing out an appeal card as part of your ticket this month, and our formal appeal will be made from the *bimah* on the first day of Rosh HaShanah. Kindly mail your card to the temple office before the holidays or bring it with you to the temple on Rosh HaShanah. Please consider increasing your pledge from last year. Thank you in advance for your generous support of this important fundraiser.

## Operation Isaiah Food Drive

We will be conducting our annual Food Drive. We ask every family to bring a bag of nonperishable food to the synagogue on first day of Rosh HaShanah or on Kol Nidre to be distributed to the hungry in our community via the Open Pantry.

## Sukkot Events

The holidays continue after the High Holy Days! Please join us at TBE for the festive holidays of Sukkot & Simḥat Torah. Please see page 7 for service times. Here is some additional information about these upcoming fall holidays:

**Sukkah Raising and Sushi-Making** – On erev Sukkot, Sunday, October 13 at 2:30 pm, we will prepare our congregation’s sukkah on our patio and learn how to prepare sushi. The instructor is Min, the sushi maker from The Crown Market in West Hartford. Sushi choices include California rolls, vegetable rolls, tuna rolls, spicy tuna rolls, salmon maki rolls, and spicy tuna rolls. Everyone is invited to help decorate the sukkah, learn how to shake the lulav and etrog, say the *brachot* and perform the mitzvah of eating dinner in the sukkah. Dinner will be served at 5:00 pm. Families will have the opportunity to design an artistic, personalized panel to hang in the sukkah. One does not need to be artistic to participate in this fun and meaningful activity. This project will be facilitated by Cindy Lutz Kornet. Cindy is a local Judaic artist. The dinner menu includes: sushi, sautéed vegetables, rice, sesame noodle, beverages and dessert; plain noodles and bagel bites will be

available for children. The cost is \$12 per adult; \$10 children 10 years old and younger; no charge for children 3 & under. If you are interested in learning how to prepare sushi or planning to attend our program or just dinner, please R.S.V.P. to Marie at [sklc@tbespringfield.org](mailto:sklc@tbespringfield.org) by October 2.

**Lulav and Etrog** – The deadline to order your lulav and etrog is October 1. The cost is \$60 per set.

## Mindfulness and Music on Yom Kippur

Rabbi Amy Walk- Katz

Besides being mindful to the music you listen to on a daily basis (see article on page 10), I invite you to join us at 2:00 pm on Yom Kippur afternoon. For the past several years we have enjoyed a musical interlude in the Chapel. The program is about an hour and music creates a space for contemplative reflection.

On Yom Kippur afternoon we try to create alternative opportunities for contemplation and reflection. Immediately following the Musical Interlude in the chapel, Mary Daboul and I will guide us in exploring how mindfulness practices can help us do the work of the High Holy Days.

## High Holy Day Family Programs

### First Day of Rosh HaShanah

Babysitting (ages 2-4) – Katz Library .....	10:00 am - End of services
Children's Program (K, 1 & 2) – School Classrooms .....	11:00 am - End of services
Jr. Congregation (Grades 5-7) – Weinbaum Chapel .....	10:00 - 11:00 am
Activities (Grades 3 -7) – School Classrooms .....	11:00 am - End of services
Family Service (Grades 4 and younger) – Outside Te.....	10:00 – 11:00 am
Gathering Space for Teens (Grades 8-12) – Youth Lounge .....	Noon - End of services

### Second Day of Rosh HaShanah

Babysitting (ages 2-4) – Katz Library .....	10:00 am - End of services
Children's program (Grades K, 1 & 2) – School Classrooms .....	10:00 am - End of services
Junior Congregation (Grades 5-7) – Weinbaum Chapel .....	10:00 - 11:00 am
Age-appropriate holiday activities (Grades 3-7) – School Classrooms .....	11:00 am – End of services

### Yom Kippur

Babysitting (ages 2-4) – Katz Library .....	10:00 am - End of services
Children's Program (K, 1 & 2) – School Classrooms .....	11:00 am - End of services
Jr. Congregation (Grades 5-7) – Weinbaum Chapel .....	10:00 - 11:00 am
Activities (Grades 3-7) – School Classrooms .....	11:00 am - End of services
Family Service (Grades 4 and younger) – Outside Tent .....	10:00 - 11:00 am
Gathering Space for Teens – Youth Lounge (Grades 8 -12) .....	Noon - End of services

### Neilah

Sounding the Shofar .....	7:02 pm
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# Temple Beth El High Holy Day Ticket Policy

Members of Temple Beth El in good standing\* will be issued tickets for Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. Tickets may be requested in advance for children ages 18 – 30 who are not students or military personnel. Please call the temple office (733-4149) to request these tickets before the holidays. Children under the age of 18 do not require tickets to attend services.

Members who generously offer to pay enhanced dues at the Pillar level receive free guest tickets (2 tickets for Maccabim who pay \$2,100, 4 free tickets for Shomrim who pay \$2,500, 6 free tickets for Kochavim who pay \$3,600 and 8 free tickets for Giborim who pay \$5,000).

Children of members who are either full-time students or full-time military personnel will be admitted to services upon presentation of college or military ID. Students attending local colleges and military personnel will be admitted upon presentation of ID. Tickets may be requested, free of charge, for children of members who are under the age of 30.

Parents or children (ages 30 or older) of congregants, as well as other relatives or guests can receive tickets free of charge if they are members of another area synagogue. We honor tickets or letter of good standing from all area synagogues. Tickets will be issued in advance upon presentation of a letter from their congregation showing that they are members in good standing.\*

Members may purchase tickets for any relative, including children over 30 and parents, or a guest who is not a member of another synagogue.

Associate members who are not members of another synagogue are entitled to purchase High Holy Days tickets.

Please be prepared to present your ticket upon entering the building.

*\* Members in good standing have paid dues in full or have established a payment plan for their dues obligation prior to the High Holy Days.*



## Guest Tickets

Guest tickets may be purchased for any relatives or guests who are not members of another synagogue.

Cost: \$125 for all High Holy Days, \$65 for Rosh HaShanah or Yom Kippur services only.

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Guest's Name	Street, City, State, Zip Code	Check either or both Holy Days	
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Please return this form with your payment to the temple office no later than September 16, 2019.

# What Music Are You Listening To?

Rabbi Amy Wallk Katz

My mother used to love to take my children to the theater. A trip to Chicago always included one musical. Together we saw shows like Music Man, Oklahoma, My Fair Lady, West Side Story, The Mikado, and Fiddler on the Roof. The first show my mom took Tamar to see was the musical Annie. Tamar was about 5 (Gabriel was a baby, and Nina wasn't yet born). Tickets were expensive and my mother expected that Tamar would become familiar with the music *before* we went to the show. So as we were driving to preschool or running errands, Tamar and I would listen to the CD. We learned the words to many of the songs. And I often found myself humming "It's The Hard-Knock Life," "Maybe" and of course, "Tomorrow." When listening to music with children, questions inevitably arise. Tamar used to ask hard questions: "Who are Annie's parents?" "What happens to Annie's friends?" Theological and philosophical questions ensued: "But why wait until tomorrow when the sun is out today!"

The experience we had with Annie repeated itself many times. The words to the musicals were often challenging and created opportunities for important conversations. My mother wisely taught me that theatre provided an opportunity for having important conversations.

I miss listening to music. Lately I have been listening to books on tape or podcasts. But music stays with me in a very different way.

What soundtrack accompanies your life? If you were able to listen to the songs that match your steps would melancholy melodies follow? A light classical piece? Beach Boys? What kind of playlist does your life create?

For King David, his music inspired his life pursuits. According to the Talmud, "David hung his harp above his bed and when midnight would arrive the north wind would blow upon the harp (vibrating the strings) and causing music to

emanate. David would immediately rise and begin studying Torah. He would continue his studies even as the first light of dawn appeared in the sky." King David's instrument encouraged spiritual growth and intellectual challenge. His soundtrack inspired, motivated, and pushed him to "wake up."

What does your musical soundtrack inspire? Do you walk this world with a jump in your step or do you feel as if each day blends into the next and you are listlessly sleeping through?

Find the soundtrack that you wish to live by. And if you are frustrated with your personal response, don't fret. Changing the station on the radio just might inspire the way you walk, the way you work and the way you live.

The poet Berthold Auerbach said, "Music washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life." As the High Holy Days draw near, perhaps you would like to use music as a tool for transformation. It can inspire good conversation, and may shape your outlook on life.

Choose your music wisely. Listen intently. Live joyously.

And let your soul thank you in return.

## Yom Kippur Musical Interlude

October 9 at 2:00 pm



*There are halls in Heaven  
that open their gates only  
to the voice of song.*

-Zohar



*Coming Back...*

## Simhat Torah!

Monday, October 21 at 5:30 pm

Esti & Paul Farkas

How fortunate are we! Rebecca Schnaper, with help from husband Max, is *coming back* to show us just how much fun Israeli dancing is, no matter how loosely we might manage to follow her inspirational lead.

To help Rebecca and Max keep our Israeli Dance Revival swinging, Amy Rose and her Klezamer band are *coming back* too! Their music alone makes it easy enough to smile and clap and encourage everyone to "turn-2-3-4" or "sway like a palm tree."

Meital, with all her culinary talent, is *coming back* as well, with a different array of dishes. If you can get here by 5:30 or 6:00 pm, please make reservations and leave the cooking to us! With the help of our sponsors, we look forward to a buffet that should include many salads, salmon, shakshuka, hummus, roasted vegetables, and ziti plus marinara sauce (menu follows).

Or you may of course **Just Show Up** after dinner!

The evening service starts at about 6:30 pm, and by about 6:40 pm the joyous parades of dancers and Torahs begin! Let's celebrate together with Rebecca and Max and Amy Rose and her musicians!

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Afterwards, starting at about 7:20 pm, we sing some prayers and finish reading the very last lines of the Torah. Rabbi Katz has promised desserts after 20 minutes – we can all see how close she comes!

Amy Rose and her players will continue the music . . . and yes, even if you couldn't join us for dinner, we look forward to sharing delicious desserts together!

**Menu** includes Assorted Rolls & Butter; Chopped Israeli Salad over Romaine Lettuce; Baked Salmon with Sumac Rub; Shakshuka with Fresh Pita (whole wheat & regular); Homemade Hummus with Celery & Carrot sticks; Ziti with Marinara Sauce and with Shredded Mozzarella; Roasted Vegetable Platter; Roasted Beet Salad with Orange Segments;

**Dessert** afterwards includes Fresh Fruit Salad; Brownies & Homemade Cookies and Some Surprises; Decaf Coffee and Tea.

**Early dinner reservations** by Monday October 7: \$14/adult; \$6/child 5-9 years old; younger children free; \$35 maximum/family.

**Final dinner reservations** by Friday October 11: \$18/adult, \$10/child 5-9 years old; younger children free; \$50 maximum/family.

**To make dinner reservations,** please contact us: (413) 733-4149; office@tbespringfield.org; 979 Dickinson Street, Springfield, MA 01108.

**See you there!**

*Listening to great music  
is a shattering experience,  
throwing the soul into  
an encounter with  
an aspect of reality to  
which the mind can never  
relate itself adequately.*

-Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel

## Tickets Available for Springfield Symphony Holiday Concert Featuring Cantor Barber

We have purchased a block of 30 tickets for a very special holiday concert with the Springfield Symphony Orchestra and Chorus featuring Cantor Barber and other special guests on Saturday, December 7 at 7:30 pm. The guest conductor will be Nick Palmer. These orchestra tickets are available for \$59.00 each.

Cantor Barber carries on the tradition of Cantor Morton Shames (z"l) by singing with the Springfield Symphony in its holiday concert. Last year, Temple Beth El purchased a block of tickets and they sold out very quickly. Many of our members who attended last year's concert gave it rave reviews. Don't miss out this year! Call the office at 733-4149 to reserve your tickets today.

## TBE Members Can Save on Airport Parking

Do you have travel plans? Z Airport Parking in East Granby, CT offers our members discounted parking rates, and Temple Beth El benefits as well. It's a win-win! Visit [www.zairportparking.com](http://www.zairportparking.com) and use the Promo Code TBE. Make your parking reservation through this portal and receive a discounted rate of \$5.95 per day, with the 7<sup>th</sup> day free (plus the added 10.6% airport access fee and 6.35% state tax that all airport parking companies must charge). This rate is lower than the regular rate of \$7.95 plus fees and tax.

TBE receives a monthly check from Z Airport Parking as part of this promotion. Please take advantage of this special opportunity to save money, and help your synagogue at the same time!



## Membership Directory Available

Temple Beth El's Membership Directory is available to all members. This helpful tool includes names of members and children ages 22 and younger, along with their contact information, for those who have given us permission to include it. The Membership Directory helps our members communicate with each other, and helps in our efforts to build community.

The Membership Directory is available as a PDF, via email. It is updated on an ongoing basis; if you have any changes to your address, phone, or email, please contact Debbie Peskin in the TBE office at [communications@tbespringfield.org](mailto:communications@tbespringfield.org) or 733-4149. If you do not have email, please stop by the office and request a hard copy.

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## Recipe Exchange

If you will be participating in one of the cooking classes or the Rosh HaShanah Seder, please drop off or email ([sklc@tbespringfield.org](mailto:sklc@tbespringfield.org)) your favorite fall holiday recipes to share with the other participants by September 5.

## Schedule of Workshops:

1:00-2:00 pm – Shofar Blowing  
1:00-2:30 pm – Cooking Classes  
2:30-4:00 pm – Kintsugi & Rosh HaShanah Seder  
1:00-4:00 pm – Activities for children in grades K-7 & Babysitting

There is no charge for this program, thanks to the generosity of the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.

If you plan to attend, please contact Marie at [sklc@tbespringfield.org](mailto:sklc@tbespringfield.org). Please indicate which activity you wish to participate in, and if children are attending, please provide their grade level. If you have any questions about this program, please contact Caryn Resnick at [cresnick@tbespringfield.org](mailto:cresnick@tbespringfield.org) or 737-0170.

מעגלי חיים  
**Cycle  
of Life**

For everything there is a season.

Ecclesiastes 3:1



**Eli Smith**

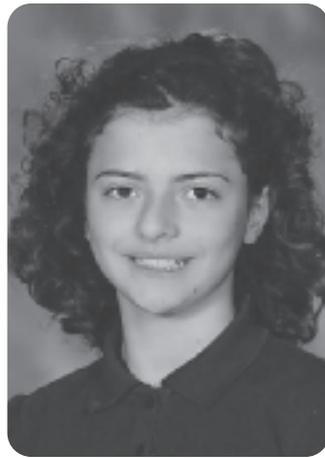
**October 26  
Parashat B'reishit**

Eli Perry Smith is the son of Jody and Tina Smith. He has two younger sisters, Elizabeth and Sophie. He's the grandson of Lois Smith and the late Roy D. Smith on his paternal side. On his maternal side he is the grandson of the late Lenny and Elizabeth LeBlanc.

Eli attends the Zanetti Montessori School in Springfield and is in the 8th grade. He has attended the SKLC since the second grade and is currently enjoying B'Yahad. He has been in Kadima since 5th grade and has attended Camp Ramah for 5 years.

Eli really enjoys reading and will read most anything put in front of him. He also likes being outside and walking in the park, riding his bike or sledding in the winter. His most creative time is when he is working with his Legos. Eli is the person we go to when we have an entertainment question.

For his B'nai Mitzvah project, Eli is concerned about food insecurity and has chosen to volunteer at the Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church by helping to cook and serve. Eli is sort of excited to be sharing his B'nai Mitzvah day with his sisters.



**Elizabeth Smith**

**October 26  
Parashat B'reishit**

Elizabeth Mary Smith is the daughter of Jody and Tina Smith. She has an older brother and a younger sister, Eli and Sophie. She is the granddaughter of Lois Smith and the late Roy D. Smith on her paternal side. On her maternal side she is the granddaughter of the late Lenny and Elizabeth LeBlanc.

Elizabeth attends the Zanetti Montessori School in Springfield and is in the 8th grade. She has attended the SKLC since the 2nd grade and is currently enjoying B'Yahad. She has been in Kadima since 5th grade and has attended Camp Ramah for 6 years. Elizabeth really enjoys playing or watching almost any sport and football is the top one. She has been known to watch 3 or 4 games at a time, but when the Patriots are on they get all her attention.

For her B'nai Mitzvah project, Elizabeth is concerned about food insecurity and has chosen to volunteer at the Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church by helping with cooking and serving. Elizabeth is excited to be sharing her B'nai Mitzvah day with her brother and sister.



**Sophie Smith**

**October 26  
Parashat B'reishit**

Sophie Belle Smith is the daughter of Jody and Tina Smith. She has an older brother and an older sister, Eli and Elizabeth. She is the granddaughter of Lois Smith and the late Roy D. Smith on her paternal side. On her maternal side she is the granddaughter of the late Lenny and Elizabeth LeBlanc.

Sophie attends the Zanetti Montessori School in Springfield and is in the 8th grade. She has attended the SKLC since the 2nd grade and is currently enjoying B'Yahad. She's been in Kadima since 5th grade and has attended Camp Ramah for 6 years and plans to attend for many more. Sophie's passion is her writing. She'll spend hours in her room just writing her thoughts. She also excels at art and has been drawing since she was a little girl.

For her B'nai Mitzvah project, Sophie is concerned about food insecurity and has chosen to volunteer at the Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church while helping with cooking and serving. Sophie is really excited to be sharing her B'nai Mitzvah day with her brother and sister.



**Talya Weiss**

**November 2  
Parashat Noah**

Talya Weiss is the daughter of Adina Elfant and Joshua Weiss and the sister of Kayla and Aylee. She lives in East Longmeadow and is an 8th grade student at Birchland Park Middle School and a former student of Heritage Academy. During the 2018-2019 school year she was also enrolled in the Sandi Kupperman Learning Center, where her favorite activity was participating in the Ties That Bind program. That program paired her with a resident of Glenmeadow, with whom she formed a wonderful bond.

Talya is both an honor roll student and a 3-sport athlete, playing field hockey, basketball, and softball. She is very creative with a wonderful imagination that causes her to engage in lots of interesting challenges. Talya also has a deep love for her family and friends. She is a very social and kind young lady who enjoys meeting new people and sharing her "joie de vivre" with all those she encounters. Finally, she is avid animal lover who cares for her family pets – a dog, three tortoises, hermit crabs, and a fish. It is a wonderful coincidence that her Torah portion is about the story of Noah.

For her mitzvah project, Talya joined Leah Katz in volunteering at the Connecticut Cat Connection in Windsor, CT. The girls would help with cleaning the cages but spent most of their time helping to socialize the cats to get them ready for adoption.

*The world is judged by the majority of its people, and an individual by the majority of his or her deeds. Happy is the person who performs a good deed; that may tip the scale for him or her and the world!*

-Kiddushin 49b

# מזל טוב mazel tov!

**Heidi & Bruce Thibodeau** on the engagement of their son, Kyle, to Racheal Thomas, both of New Britain, CT.

**Iris & Marc Linson** on the birth of their granddaughter, Aria Kai Mylvaganam. She was born on May 4 in Chicago to Elyse Linson and Hari Mylvaganam.

**Rae & Howie Davis**, grandparents of Jason Wagner, recently returned from Sacramento, CA where they watched him participate in the Junior Olympics. He qualified for three field events: hammer, shot put, and discus. They were excited to be there when he became an All-American athlete in shot put!

תודה רבה  
**today**  
**rabbah**  
thank you

## IN JULY

**To our Torah Readers:** Iris Linson, Sue Kline, Lisa Nascembeni, Michelle Greston-Korchak, Nechama Katan, Adele Miller

**To our Haftarah Readers:** Becky Voorwinde, Rebecca Schnaper, Stanley Light, Larry Metz

**To our Service Leaders:** Dennis Gordan, Sasha Kogan, Steve Weiner

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## KIDDUSH SPONSORS:

*If you are interested in sponsoring a Kiddush lunch to commemorate a special event, please contact Ralph Ritchie at the temple office at 733-4149.*

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Charlotte Meyer

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*Leaves for the Tree of Life may be purchased for \$250 and stones may be purchased for \$2,500 to honor a friend or family member. Please contact Ralph Ritchie at 733-4149 if you would like to order a leaf or stone.*

**Yahrzeit Plaques**  
 A yahrzeit plaque was recently purchased for:  
 Helen M. Gordan

Yahrzeit plaques are a fitting way to remember a loved one's yahrzeit in perpetuity. They are displayed in the temple lobby each year during the week of the yahrzeit. The cost is \$375. If you would like to purchase a plaque, please contact Reverend David Aminia at 733-4149.



## Class with Rachel Korazim: Israeli Literature and the High Holy Days

Sunday, September 8, 15, 22 at 9:15 am

TBE is presenting a three-part series with beloved teacher Rachel Korazim in Israel via Zoom, an online video conferencing service. She will guide us through an exploration of the High Holy Day themes as they are expressed in Israeli literature. No previous classes or knowledge of Hebrew are required. The cost is \$18 for the three-part series. To register, please contact the TBE office at 733-4149 or office@tbespringfield.org.

## TBE & Hadassah Israeli Film Series & Special Program

Tuesday, September 17 & Thursday, October 17 at 7:00 pm

Our Israeli film series, co-sponsored with the Greater Springfield Chapter of Hadassah, continues on **Tuesday, September 17 at 7:00 pm** with Family in Transition. This is the story of a family in Nahariya, a small traditional town in Israel, whose lives change completely after their father finally decides to tell his family that he's a transgender woman. This is a story about a family that does not follow dictates; a family that breaks social conventions; a family that changes what we thought we knew about gender, parity, parenthood and being transgender. But most of all, it is a story about a family that redefines the limits of recognition, acceptance and love of those closest to us. A discussion will follow the film, and refreshments will be served. There is a \$5.00 donation requested to Hadassah.

On Thursday, October 17 at 7:00 pm, there will be an interactive presentation entitled "The Jewish College Experience: Everything You Wanted to Know About the BDS (Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions) Movement But Were Afraid to Ask." This program will be hosted at a private home and will include a dessert reception. An \$18 per person donation to Hadassah's children at-risk programs is requested.

For more information and to RSVP for this special program call the TBE office.



**Simhat Torah!**  
 Monday, October 21 at 5:30 pm

# What's Happening @ Temple Beth El

## Programs for Children

**SKLC Classes** - Mondays, September 9, 16, 23, October 7, 28 and Wednesday, September 11, 18, 25, October 2, 16, 23, 30 at 3:00 pm

**B'Yahad** - Thursday, September 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24 at 6:30 pm

**Tot Shabbat** - September 7 & October 5, at 11:00 am

**Tot Shabbat** - September 20 & October 18 at 5:15 pm

**Babysitting** - September 7, 14 & October 5, 12 from 10:00 am to end of services

**Dinner in the Sukkah for SKLC Grades K-7** - Wednesday, October 16 at 5:15 pm

**B'Yahad Grades 8-12 Dinner in the Sukkah** - Thursday, October 17 at 5:30 pm

## Adult Education Programs

**Katz Family Library Book Club** - Wednesday, September 18 at 10:30 am

**Israeli Film Series Co-Sponsored with Hadassah** - Tuesday, September 17 & Thursday, October 17 at 7:00 pm

## Programs for All Ages

**High Holy Day Prep Workshop** - Sunday, September 8 at 1:00 pm

**Selihot** - Saturday, September 21 at 7:00 pm

**Sisterhood Fall Fair** - Sunday, September 22 at 9:00 am

**Family Sukkot Program** - Sunday, October 13 at 2:30 pm

**Simhat Torah Dinner and Service** - Monday, October 21 at 5:30 pm

## Social Action Programs

**Loaves & Fishes** - Wednesday, September 4 & October 2 at 11:45 am

**Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church** - Sunday, September 22 & October 27 at 4:45 pm



## Meetings

**Board of Trustees** - Wednesday, September 18 & October 16 at 7:00 pm

**High Holy Day  
Service Schedule**  
See page 7.

## Shabbat Information

**September 6** - Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm, Candle Lighting 6:57 pm

**September 7** - Shabbat Shof'tim, Havdalah 7:57 pm

**September 13** - Shabbat Zimrah 6:00 pm, Candle Lighting 6:45 pm

**September 14** - Shabbat Ki Tetzei, Havdalah 7:45 pm

**September 20** - Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm, Candle Lighting 6:32 pm

**September 21** - Shabbat Ki Tavo, Havdalah 7:33 pm

**September 27** - Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm, Candle Lighting 6:20 pm

**September 28** - Shabbat Nitzavim, Havdalah 7:20 pm

**October 4** - Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm, Candle Lighting 6:08 pm

**October 5** - Shabbat Va-yeilekh, Havdalah 7:08 pm

**October 11** - Shabbat Zimrah 6:00 pm, Candle Lighting 5:56 pm

**October 12** - Shabbat Ha'azinu, Havdalah 6:56 pm

**October 18** - Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm, Candle Lighting 5:45 pm

**October 19** - Intermediate Day, Havdalah 6:45 pm

**October 25** - Kabbalat Shabbat 6:00 pm, Candle Lighting 5:35 pm

**October 26** - Shabbat B'reishit, Havdalah 6:35 pm  
B'not Mitzvah - Eli, Sophie, & Elizabeth Smith

## Office Closings

**September 2** - Labor Day

**September 30** - 1<sup>st</sup> Day Rosh HaShanah

**October 1** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Day Rosh HaShanah

**October 9** - Yom Kippur

**October 14** - 1<sup>st</sup> Day Sukkot

**October 15** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Day Sukkot

**October 21** - Shemini Atzeret

**October 22** - Simhat Torah



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