



TEMPLE BETH ABRAHAM

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, September 1

5:00pm Tot Shabbat
5:30pm Oneg/Pre-neg
6:00pm Family Shabbat Service with
ShaBaBeQue dinner

Saturday, September 2

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service

Friday, September 8

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service

Saturday, September 9

9:00am Conservative Shabbat Service
11:00am Isaac Bard, son of Mitchell
Bard and Ronna Horwitz-Bard
will be called to the Torah as a *Bar*
Mitzvah
Leil Selichot: 7:00pm Program and
Study; 9:00pm Refreshments and
Havdalah; 9:30pm *Selichot* Service

Friday, September 15

6:30pm Conservative Erev Rosh
Hashanah Service
7:30pm Reform Erev Rosh Hashanah
Service

Saturday, September 16

9:00am Conservative Rosh Hashanah
Day 1 Service
9:30am Reform Rosh Hashanah
Day 1 Service
9:45am Junior Congregation Rosh
Hashanah Day 1 Service (2nd-4th
Grades)
10:00am Community Lay-Led Rosh
Hashanah Service
11:15am Junior Congregation Day 1
Rosh Hashanah Service (5th&6th Grade)

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From Rabbi Holtz's Study

Dear Friends,

"A decade before the Civil War, when North Tarrytown was a very small community, of the estimated 20,000 Jews who lived in the United States at that time, 19,999 lived elsewhere. One Jew, namely Abraham Levy, had found his way to Tarrytown around 1850, probably with a pack on his back, to become the first Jewish settler in our villages. Other Jewish families slowly joined Mr. Levy over the decades, and by the end of the century, there were about 15 Jewish families in the area. With the arrival of Rabbi Samuel Gordon in 1899, a Jewish congregation was born. They called themselves the Hebrew Congregation of North Tarrytown and Tarrytown." [From *The History of Temple Beth Abraham*, by Ruth Biloon]

That was how we began, 125 years ago! Founded in the last year of the 19th century as an Orthodox shul, the Temple Beth Abraham of the 21st century is an egalitarian synagogue with several styles of worship. From the small, Lithuanian style *shtiebel* on Valley Street, with women upstairs, to a bright, fully accessible building on Leroy Avenue, the physical trappings of our congregation have changed quite a bit over the years!

Of course, many of the important things remain the same. As a community, we still celebrate one another's simchas, grieve for each other's losses, turn to the synagogue in times of crisis and look to the Religious School to educate our children and help keep our heritage alive. We have been and continue to truly be a congregational family.

However, as synagogues across the country have discovered, it may be that the very definition of what it means to be part of a congregational family has changed. What does it mean to us today? What are the privileges of belonging? What are the responsibilities? What should change, and what must not change? These are important, even foundational questions for the next 125 years in the life of Temple Beth Abraham. So this coming year, in addition to all of the moments of celebration, we will be spending some time this year talking about what being part of a congregation means in general, and what it means to each of us as individuals and families. What draws us in today, and what do we think will draw our children and grandchildren?

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Cantor's Notes

Let's start at the very beginning....

As you get to know me, you'll quickly figure out that one of my biggest passions is musical theater. I'm particularly fascinated by the intersection of musical theater and Jewish identity. In *The Sound of Music*, Maria Von Trapp reminds us of the importance of "starting at the very beginning." As we approach this season of new beginnings - new Jewish year, new school year, new Torah cycle, new cantor - I am reminded of the many Broadway composers who were inspired by the Biblical beginnings of the Book of Genesis. From the creation of the world to Noah's ark to Joseph and his brothers, let's look at four musicals rooted in our sacred texts.

The Apple Tree: *The Apple Tree* is a series of three one-act musicals with music by Jerry Bock and lyrics Sheldon Harnick (both of *Fiddler on the Roof* fame). The vignettes are connected because they each tell a story about someone who believes that they want something, but once they get what they wanted they realize that it wasn't what they wanted after all. The first act is based on Mark Twain's *The Diaries of Adam and Eve*. The Biblical firsts that Adam and Eve experience in the Garden of Eden become musical comedy gold, particularly with regards to Eve's pregnancy with Cain. Eve doesn't understand the changes happening to her body and Adam is convinced that the newborn baby is a fish and not a human. Although there are not too many direct references to the original Biblical text, there are a few nods to the Midrash - for example, the show begins with Adam naming the animals in the Garden of Eden. The bulk of the story creates its own musical Midrash regarding the development of the relationship between Adam and Eve and how they interact with each other.

Children of Eden: The first act of Stephen Schwartz's 1991 musical *Children of Eden* tells the story of Adam and Eve and their children Cain and Abel in the Garden of Eden. Act II continues into the next Torah portion with the story of Noah and the flood. Although the show has not had much commercial success, the show's publisher, Musical Theater International, reports that *Children of Eden* is one of the company's top 20 licensed productions for schools and community theaters. *Children of Eden* takes a broader look at the life of Adam and Eve and their children, including their expulsion from Eden, the first murder, and Adam and Eve's eventual death. The musical incorporates "storytellers" and a God-like character named "Father" as narrators who set the scene and provide commentary. In the second act, the generations are traced down from Adam and Eve's children Seth and Cain all the way down to Noah. The narrative is focused largely on Noah's own family dynamics, which are mentioned only in passing in the Biblical text. Instead of seeking guidance from God, Noah turns to his family for hope. The dove in this version of the story represents not only the receding waters and the return to more peaceful times but reconciliation of estrangement in Noah's own family.

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STESSA PEERS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Dear Temple Beth Abraham Families,

I am so excited to welcome 5784, learn, pray, and celebrate together!

To mark this moment in time, I would like us all to think about '*Shehecheyanu* moments': those special times when we feel compelled to thank G!d for bringing us to a specific moment. We could be thanking G!d because it is the first time, in a long time, that we have done something important, or it could be a moment we have done something for the first time ever. *Thank you, Adonai, for THIS moment in time.*

What *Shehecheyanu* moments have marked your life? Why is it so important that we mark these times? For me, I think it helps not only to be able to look at these moments like a roadmap, but also to be deeply appreciative to experience new things, things we haven't done in a while, and to mark those times with gratitude.

As we enter a new Religious School year, I wanted to thank each of you for your continued support. In my new role as Director of Education and Youth Engagement, the past year was filled with many incredible *Shehecheyanu* moments. Moments I did something for the first time, but mostly new and exciting moments with you that deserve to be marked with a "*thank you, Adonai, for THIS moment in time.*" Thank you to G!d for all of these moments, and thank you to every member of Temple Beth Abraham for sharing these moments with me. You have enriched my life and I am filled with intense gratitude.

I am looking forward to hearing all about your *Shehecheyanu* moments that have gotten you to THIS point in time, and the year you have all had. From school, graduations, camp, new youth group roles, new classes, new friends; I am so excited to hear all about the moments that were meaningful for you this past year. I am also looking forward to marking *Shehecheyanu* moments this year, at our Junior Congregation Services at Temple Beth Abraham as we mark the beginning of the Jewish New Year and the start of a new school year!

We will be meeting outside in the tent to pray, sing, and celebrate together with me and our Songleader, Adam Hart. I invite you all to join us as we welcome the new year, 5784, at Children's Services and honor shared moments of gratitude. On Yom Kippur, our 2nd-4th grade service will also include a special book reading by TBA parent and congregant, David Sherrin! David's new book, [Big Bad Wolf's Yom Kippur](#) was released on August 22nd (as well as being a PJ Library pick!) and we are so lucky to get to hear him read his Yom Kippur tale to us at services!

In this new season, and this new school year, I would like to also thank our educators for helping our learners grow in their love of Judaism and find their spiritual home at TBA. To honor and thank an educator, support the Religious School, or to help make Jewish Education accessible for all, the best way is by donating to one of the funds that support our school:

- The Pincus Fund awards scholarships to TBA learners and their families to help with tuition and make Jewish Education accessible to all
- The Religious School Fund helps fund programs and activities in our school
- The Teacher Appreciation Fund gives our school the ability to provide our educators with professional development opportunities
- The Youth Fund helps fund youth programming, special programs, and makes sure all of our youth groups are filled with Jewish joy at TBA.

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Thank you to the entire TBA community for welcoming me, for supporting me, and for giving me so many wonderful *shehecheyanu* moments of gratitude. I am so thrilled to celebrate the holidays with you as we begin another amazing year at TBA! If you have any questions about services, youth programming, or our school, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at SFeers@tba-nj.org

L'Shalom, to Peace!

Stessa

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Two by Two: *Two by Two* represents an earlier musical theater interpretation of the story of Noah and the flood. It enjoyed marginally more success than *Children of Eden*; however, it is not widely produced for modern audiences. The 1970 musical features a score by Richard Rodgers, written nearly ten years after the death of his widely acclaimed collaborator Oscar Hammerstein. This time, Rodgers teams up with book writer Peter Stone and lyricist Martin Charnin. The original production starred Danny Kaye, who literally broke a leg during the show's Broadway run. No bother, though – his performance in a wheelchair made him even more believable as 600-year-old Noah!

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat: This is by far the most successful and well-known theatrical adaptation of the Book of Genesis. Its universal appeal comes from a combination of its clever exploration of the family dynamics between Joseph and his brothers and the wide variety of musical genres that it incorporates. From Caribbean calypso to French cabaret to Elvis-style Rock and Roll, Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice weave together a Biblical adaptation that is catchy, accessible and engaging. It's not all fun and games, though – the poignant song, "Close Every Door," which Joseph sings while imprisoned, evokes the importance of Jewish memory while referring to the Holocaust: "Just give me a number instead of my name – forget all about me and let me decay." It also alludes to the importance of Jewish community: "Children of Israel are never alone." The musical has been produced in more than 82 countries across the globe, with an estimate of over 30 million people who have seen it live.

L'Shalom,

Cantor Lauren Phillips Fogelman

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2023-2024
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Saturday, September 16

3:00pm Family Service (ages 0-8)

4:00pm *Tashlich*

Sunday, September 17

9:00am Conservative Rosh

Hashanah Day 2 Service

9:30am Reform Rosh Hashanah
Day 2 Service

11:15am Junior Congregation Day

2 Rosh Hashanah Service (2nd-6th
Grade)

1:00pm *Tashlich*

Friday, September 22

7:30pm Reform Shabbat Service

Saturday, September 23

9:00am Conservative Shabbat
Service

Sunday, September 24

6:15pm Conservative Kol Nidre
Service

7:30pm Reform Kol Nidre Service

Monday, September 25

9:00am Conservative Yom Kippur
Service with *Yizkor*

9:30am Reform Yom Kippur
Service

9:45am Junior Congregation Yom
Kippur Service (Grades 2nd-4th)

11:15am Junior Congregation Yom
Kippur Service (5th & 6th Grade)

1:00pm Conversations &
Meditations

3:00pm Family Service (Ages 0-8)

4:00pm Healing Service

4:45pm Reform Afternoon Yom
Kippur *Yizkor* and *Neilah* Service

5:00pm Conservative *Neilah*
Service

Friday, September 29

7:00pm Reform Sukkot Service

Saturday, September 30

9:00am Conservative Sukkot
Service

Rabbi's Article Cont'd. from Page 1

Anniversaries, whether communal or personal, are times of present-day joy mixed with moments of nostalgia for what was and anticipation of what lies ahead. All of this will be part of the coming year. I'm looking forward to celebrating, remembering and imagining with all of you! Happy Anniversary to us!

As we prepare for the year 5784, Renée and I wish you a *shanah tovah u'm'tukah* - a good and a sweet New Year.

L'shalom,
Rabbi David Holtz



**TBA IS PLEASED TO
WELCOME BACK**

NANCY ABRAMSON

**AS THE CANTOR
FOR THE
CONSERVATIVE HIGH
HOLIDAY SERVICES**

We are pleased to welcome back Cantor Nancy Abramson, who has conducted our Conservative High Holyday Services for the past two years. This spring, she retired as director of the H.L. Miller Cantorial School at the Jewish Theological Seminary. At the Seminary she trained future cantors in prayer and religious leadership and oversaw the school's curriculum development and Israel program. She received undergraduate degrees from the joint program of Columbia University and the Jewish Theological Seminary, earned a Master of Arts degree from Columbia University's Teachers College and received her cantorial training at JTS. She received an honorary doctorate from JTS in 2018. Cantor Abramson is a past president of the Cantors Assembly and was the first female president in the Assembly's history. Before coming to JTS she served as cantor at the Park Avenue Synagogue and West End Synagogue in Manhattan and Congregation Sons of Israel in Westchester. She taught at the Abraham Joshua Heschel School in New York and directed the music program at Camp Ramah in Wisconsin and in New England. She has been a cantor/scholar-in-residence in communities throughout the United States.

TBA FAMILY

The following events reflect the known sorrows and simchas of our TBA Family which occurred since the publication of the June Bulletin:

CONDOLENCES TO:

Lisa Belkin Gelb and **Janet Belkin** and their families on the death of Lisa's stepfather and Janet's husband **Al Tarlov**

Carolyn, Marjorie and Steven Topp, and their families on the death of their father, **Elliott Topp**

Douglas and Wendy Hart on the death of Doug's brother, **Cary Hart**

Joyce Maron and family on the death of her father, **Howard Greenberg**

Jenny Libien and family on the death of her mother, **Lois Libien**

Brian Rauer and family on the death of his mother, **Linda Rauer**

The family of long-time congregant **Olive Levy**, on the her passing

REFUAH SHLEIMA TO:

Shirley Ruckhaus, mother of **Julie Gur**

MAZEL TOV TO:

Mark Polisar and Felise Milan on their daughter, **Ariel Milan-Polisar's** engagement to **Jason Quint**.

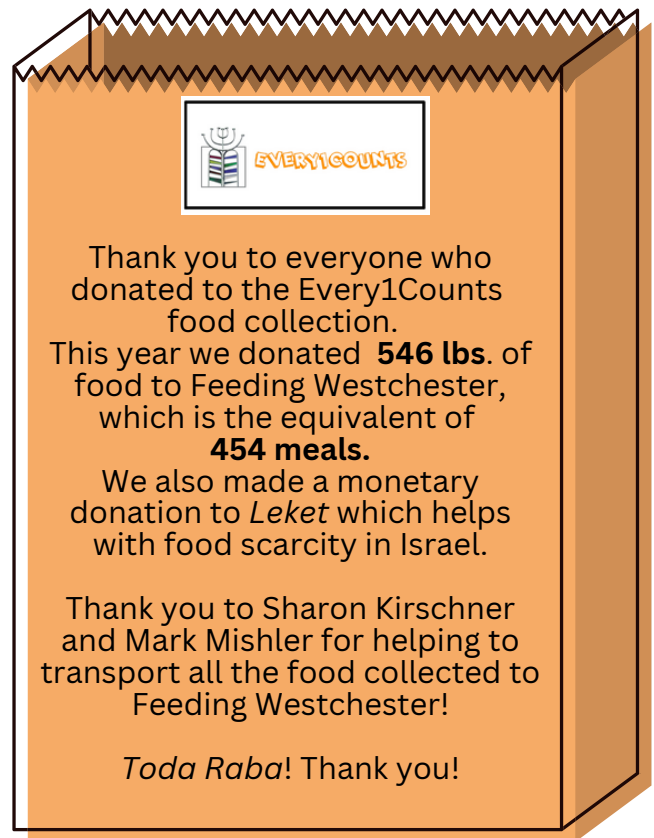
Maria Roglieri and Daniel Friedman on their daughter **Sarah's** engagement to **Ibby Syed**

Glenn & Nancy Rosenblatt on their daughter, **Melissa's** marriage to **Eric Roth**

Lisa Belkin Gelb and Bruce Gelb on the marriage of their son **Evan** to **Melissa Purner**

Susan and Jonathan Cember on their new grandson, **Benjamin Anderson Cember**

Marilyn and Bob Harris on the birth of their great-grandson, **Aiden**



The Temple Office will be closed:

- **Monday, September 4 for Labor Day**
- **At noon on Friday, September 15 for Rosh Hashanah**
- **Monday, September 25 for Yom Kippur**

Congratulations

Temple Beth Abraham 2023 Graduate

Hannah Lane - Union College - BS in Philosophy and Biology and a Masters in Healthcare Management

DONATIONS



The following donations occurred since the publication of the June Bulletin:

BIMA FLOWERS

In loving memory of Irving Helsel, from Harryette Helsel

In loving memory of Sydelle Gordon, from Harryette Helsel

BUILDING FUND

In loving memory of Stanley Rosenberg from Donna Goldsmith

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In loving memory of Dr. Alvin Tarlov from the family of Alvin Tarlov

In loving memory of Lois Libien from Jenny Libien

With gratitude for Cantor Margot's service to TBA from David Spies

CONSERVATIVE KIDDUSH FUND

From David & Beth Rubin

In loving memory of Robert (Bob) Schwartz from Pearl Ann Schwartz

ENDOWMENT FUND

In honor of Brian Schneider and Herb Baer becoming Co-Presidents from Loren Ratner and Paul Levy

In honor of Cantor Margot from Loren Ratner and Paul Levy

In loving memory of Howard C. Greenberg from Amy Helsel and Jeremy Swerling

In loving memory of Howard Greenberg from Jane and Devadatta Best

In loving memory of Pennie Bellard from Margot, Barry and Tamir Goldberg

In loving memory of Edward Bermas from Margot, Barry and Tamir Goldberg


In loving memory of Howard Greenberg from Harryette Helsel

FRAN FRIEDMAN FUND FOR THE ENRICHMENT OF CHILDREN

In honor of Jordan Friedman's Bat Mitzvah from David Rubin and Beth Propper


In honor of Jordan Friedman's Bat Mitzvah from Sharon Kirschner



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In loving memory of Phyllis Galerston from Robert and Laurie Forman

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With gratitude for Marla Peers, staunch supporter of Israel and TBA, from Cantor Mandi

PINCUS FUND (Religious School Scholarship Fund)

In loving memory of Jack Barak from Barbara Barak

In loving memory of Kate Pincus, Sherman Pincus & Conan Freud from Judith Pincus

PLAYGROUND FUND

in loving memory of Charles Bowles Goldfarb from Mindy Metsch

Charles Goldfarb from Marcus & Lori Peterzell

DONATIONS



RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

In celebration of Tara Kaplan's wedding

from Elaine Kaplan

In loving memory of Lois Libien from Jenny Libien

In loving memory of Samuel Kimmel father of Ruda & Marvin Klein from Marvin Klein

In loving memory of Jay Egelman from Jacqueline Egelman

In loving memory of Gail Katz from Scott & Stacy Berliner

With gratitude for Rabbi David Holtz officiating our wedding ceremony from Eric and Melissa Roth

With gratitude for Rabbi David Holtz officiating at Howard Greenberg's funeral from Michael & Joyce Maron

TBA CARES

in loving memory of Lois Libien from Jenny Libien

TEMPLE FUND

In honor of Rabbi David and Cantor Margot from Aline Hillman, Mady Kerbel and families

In loving memory of Benjamin Levine from Barbara Barak & Family

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In loving memory of Harry Yorkowitz from Geri Singerman

In loving memory of Mel Savitch from Vivian Savitch

In loving memory of Stanley Messinger from Linda Shulman

In loving memory of Benjamin Levine from Roz Schechter

To celebrate Tara Kaplan's wedding from Elaine Kaplan

To celebrate the wedding of Josh Kornrich and Grace Hough from Evan & Lori Kornrich

To wish a speedy recovery to Rochelle Kessler

YELLOW CANDLE

from Jerry & Marla Peers

YOUTH GROUP FUND

with gratitude for the use of your Torah for our son's bar mitzvah from Jason & Jessica Anthony

TORAH READINGS

SEPTEMBER 2023

September 2	<i>Ki Tavo, Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8</i>
September 9	<i>Nitzavim-Vayeilech, Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20, 31:1-30</i>
September 16	<i>Yom Rishon shel Rosh Hashanah, Holidays Genesis 22:1-19</i>
September 17	<i>Yom Sheini shel Rosh Hashanah Holidays Genesis 1:1-2:3</i>
September 23	<i>Ha'Azinu, Deuteronomy 32:1-52</i>
September 24	<i>Yom Kippur Holidays Deuteronomy 29:9-14, 30:11-20 (Morning) & Leviticus 19:1-4, 9-18, 32-37</i>
September 30	<i>Yom Rishon shel Sukkot Holidays Leviticus 23:33-44</i>

Selichot

Program & Service

September 9

Program- 7:00-9:00pm

Oneg- 9:00-9:30pm

Service-9:30-10:15pm

Join us for the official beginning of the High Holyday season!

The word *selichot* means forgiveness, and for 500 years Jews have held a service on the Saturday evening before Rosh Hashanah to start the process of seeking forgiveness. It is a brief, powerful and beautiful ritual, during which we put the Torah scrolls in their white mantles, introduce the musical themes of the Holydays, and prepare ourselves for the season of repentance.



Apple & Honey Productions. 1991. PG-13. 85 min.

Based on a short-story by Chaim Grade, *The Quarrel* details the stormy reunion of two Jews who had been good friends as teens in Europe, but drifted apart when one remained religious and the other became agnostic. Their passionate debate about God, who is to blame for evil, and who should be asking forgiveness from whom, makes for truly powerful cinema. After the screening, we will talk about how these themes apply to the High Holy Days, to our obligations to others, and to our own understanding of the role of God in our lives.



volunteers needed



Help your TBA community by volunteering to usher for one (or more!) of the High Holyday services.

We ask you to fill a 2-hour shift to help welcome and greet Congregants and Guests and to assure the security and dignity of our services.

Please volunteer to usher by going to: bit.ly/HHUshers2023 or scanning the QR code above.

2023/5784 Rosh Hashanah at Temple Beth Abraham

SELICHOT: Saturday, September 9**	
7:00pm Program and Study in Preparation for the Days of Awe (Atonement and Apologies): Join us to screen the powerful movie, <i>The Quarrel</i> , followed by discussion led by Rabbi Holtz 9:00pm Refreshments and Social Time followed by Havdalah 9:30pm Selichot Service	
EREV ROSH HASHANAH: Friday, September 15	
7:30pm Reform Service	6:30pm Conservative Service
ROSH HASHANAH Day 1: Saturday, September 16	
9:30am Reform Service	9:00am Conservative Service
10:00am Communal Lay-Led Rosh Hashanah Service at TBA <i>This experiential service blends traditional and contemporary liturgy with songs and conversations to begin the heart-opening work allowing us to enter the New Year with a clean slate. Led by Pam Barkley and Sharon Kirschner.</i>	
3:00pm Family Service** <i>A fun and engaging service geared towards families with children Pre-K through 8 years of age. Hear the shofar, sing holiday music, and listen to a Torah story. Led by Rabbi Holtz and Cantor Fogelman</i>	
Tashlich* - at the conclusion of services <i>During the Tashlich ceremony, which translates to "casting off," we symbolically cast off the sins of the previous year by tossing crumbs into the stream at Loh Park.</i>	
ROSH HASHANAH Day 2: Sunday, September 17	
9:30am Reform Service	9:00am Conservative Service
4:00pm Tashlich* <i>During the Tashlich ceremony, which translates to "casting off," we symbolically cast off the sins of the previous year by tossing crumbs into the stream at Loh Park.</i>	
*Combined Reform and Conservative Services take place for Selichot, Family Service, and Tashlich. **These services are open to the community and there is no charge for non-members to attend. Bring your friends! Please be sure to register in advance.	
ROSH HASHANAH JUNIOR CONGREGATION	
Junior Congregation services combine liturgy, song, connection, and learning, are a fun way to celebrate the holydays for children! Junior Congregation is led by TBA's Director of Education and Youth Engagement, Stessa Peers, and Songleader, Adam Hart.	
Saturday, September 16	Sunday September 17
9:45am – 11:00am: 2nd - 4th Grades 11:15am – 12:30pm: 2nd - 6th Grades	11:15am – 12:30pm: 5th and 6th Grades

Please note: The temperature in the Sanctuary and the Chapel are deliberately kept cool for the benefit of those presiding.

Please dress accordingly.

Please leave all cell phones and other electronic devices either off or at home.

2023/5784 Yom Kippur at Temple Beth Abraham

KOL NIDRE (EREV YOM KIPPUR): Sunday, September 24	
7:30pm Reform Service	6:15pm Conservative Service
YOM KIPPUR: Monday, September 25	
9:30am Reform Service	9:00am Conservative Service including Yizkor
1:00pm Conversations and Meditations* <i>Conversations and meditations on High Holyday themes to enhance your Yom Kippur observance. Please join us for a deeper dive into the Rabbi's sermon; conversations on Teshuvah (returning to something you've turned or looked away from); or private reflection in both the chapel and the sanctuary.</i>	
3:00pm Family Service** <i>A fun and engaging service geared towards families with children Pre-K through 8 years of age. Hear the shofar, sing holiday music, and listen to a Torah story. Led by Rabbi Holtz and Cantor Fogelman</i>	
4:00pm Healing Service* <i>Communal prayers for peace and healing at this sacred time of the year.</i>	
4:45pm Reform afternoon, Yizkor (Memorial Service) & Neilah (Concluding Service)**	5:00pm Conservative Neilah (Concluding) Service**
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Monday, September 25	
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 Please leave all cell phones and other electronic devices either off or at home.

Junior Congregation TENT HIGH HOLY DAYS SERVICES



ROSH HASHANAH | DAY 1

2nd-4th Grades: 9:45am-11am

5th & 6th Grades: 11:15am-12:30pm

ROSH HASHANAH | DAY 2

2nd-6th Grades: 11:15am-12:30pm



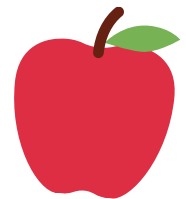
Led by
Stessa Peers
Director of
Youth Engagement
with
Adam Hart
Songleader

YOM KIPPUR

2nd-4th Grades: 9:45am-11:00am

with special book reading of Big Bad Wolf's Yom Kippur
by David Sherrin, author, TBA Congregant

5th & 6th Grades: 11:15am-12:30pm



High Holyday Child Care

Temple Beth Abraham provides supervised play for your child or children while High Holyday services are in session.

Children will be escorted to and from Junior Congregation Services, where applicable.

PLEASE SIGN UP:

- September 16 - Rosh Hashanah Day 1
- September 17 - Rosh Hashanah Day 2
- September 25 - Yom Kippur

Register Now
at: 2023HHChildCare

\$36.00 PER FAMILY



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SUNDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER
FROM 4:00-6:00PM



online pre-orders wil be delivered
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Register here:
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Join Us For

PIZZA IN THE HUT

SUKKOT FAMILY DINNER

Friday, September 29

6:15pm Dinner (by reservation only)
 \$15/adult \$10/child \$36 max per family

7:00pm Reform Shabbat/Sukkot Service followed by an *Oneg* in the Sukkah

Saturday, September 30

9:00 am Conservative Shabbat/Sukkot Service followed by a Kiddush luncheon

**Bring your family and enjoy pizza in the Sukkah with other TBA families
 and Cantor Lauren and her family! Open to all!**

Sign up by Sept. 23rd ♦ <https://bit.ly/SukkotPizzaInTheHut2023> or call (914) 631-1770



**Order your own
Etrog sets for Sukkot!**

Sets are 100% kosher, from Israel, and include:
Etrog (citron), *Lulav* (palm), *Hadassim* (myrtle) and **Aravot** (willow).

Place your order by September 5 and your Etrog set will be available in time for Sukkot.

Fill out the form below or scan the QR code to reserve your set now!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

of sets @ \$54: _____

Total Enclosed: _____



Women's Circle

at Temple Beth Abraham

Pot Luck Dinner

Friday, September 22, 5:45- 7:15pm



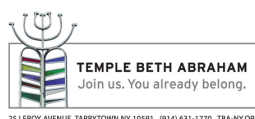
We'll have raffles!

Add to the fun!
Bring something to raffle!

Registration required
Out-of-doors dining in the new TBA Playground

Members and Prospective Members are welcome!

No charge, but please bring a dairy dish for 6
salad | main course | dessert | wine



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[Click here to Register](#)

Women's circle is sponsored by the Adult Ed Committee

BER 9/2022

Our way of reminding our students and young adults who are ...

Away@School & Beyond

... they are still in our thoughts and part of our congregational family!

Receive packages and cards for the Jewish holidays and messages through the year from Rabbi David and Cantor Lauren.

For more info, contact Irene at clergyassistant@tba-nj.org or scan this QR code.



Back To School

First Days of Religious School

Wednesday, September 6th

4:30-6:30pm

6th and 7th Graders

Sunday, September 10th

9:00-11:00am

Kindergardeners-6th Graders

Monday, September 11th

4:00-6:00pm

Hebrew for 4th and 5th Graders

6:15-8:15pm

Hebrew High for 7th-12th Graders

**TBA
SOFTBALL**



Place	Team	Wins	Losses	Games Back
1	Harrison	9	3	0
2	Temple Beth El (Chappaqua)	7	5	2
3	First Hebrew	7	5	2
4	Temple Beth Abraham	5	9	5

BETTER LUCK NEXT YEAR!

If you would like to help the TBA Softball Team achieve victory next season, please contact Glenn Trief at glenn.trieff@gmail.com

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Help Support Literacy by filling a backpack!

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We will purchase supplies with your donations.

Scan the QR code below to donate!



Please consider donating to our annual, exciting "back to school" volunteer effort to provide backpacks and all mandated school supplies for several incoming Pre-K, Kindergarten, 1st and NEW! THIS YEAR- 2nd graders in the Tarrytown school district!

These students are part of a fantastic local literacy organization in the public schools of the Tarrytowns called Asociacion de Familias Hispanas de los Tarrytowns (AFHT).



Meet our new *Shinshin*: Liri Tsruya

Eighteen-year-old Liri Tsruya will be joining us on Monday afternoons and evenings this coming school year. We know it will be an amazing experience for everyone. Liri comes from Ness Ziona, a small town just south of Tel Aviv. She is the baby in her family that includes a brother and two sisters. Liri is very close to her siblings and her parents.



Music has a special place in her heart; she likes to dance, write songs, sing, and play the piano. We'll be sure to involve her in some of our musical activities! Liri also likes to write poetry, bake, and play basketball and volleyball. We cannot forget to add that she is a dog lover, too! We, especially our 4th and 5th graders who come for Hebrew instruction, and our 7th-12th graders who come for Hebrew High School, are in for a real treat!

It takes a special person to be chosen as a *shinshin*, a young Israeli emissary, and Liri is no exception. She spent several years as a guide in the Macabbi Tzair youth movement, working with kids of all different ages and was also a head counselor there. As she said, "This experience shaped me and made me who I am, a "guide" in the full sense of the word."

As part of our school, we will learn from Liri about Israel, through her eyes, and she, in turn, will learn about America and young American Jews living in Westchester. As we know from our past years, this will be a rewarding experience that really can't be beat. Our kids have made lifelong friendships with past *shinshinim* and we just know that this coming year will be no exception. We are so excited to meet Liri and welcome her to our TBA family!

**There is still time to join
TBA's Congregational Trip to Israel
...an exciting trip for exciting times**

**JOIN US
in
ISRAEL!**

NOVEMBER 2-15, 2023

**For information,
check out our special
website:
bit.ly/TBAIsrael**



Adult Education



Tanakh Study

Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00am, in Person and via Zoom

Rabbi Holtz leads a class every Wednesday morning, which goes at its own pace through the *Tanakh* in English. No previous knowledge is required, and you can join in at any point in the cycle.

On Saturdays, join us at 9:00am for a lively discussion of this week's Torah reading during Conservative Services.



Mah Jongg

Mondays, 1:00pm-4:00pm, in Person

Mah Jongg will not meet on Monday, June 19 due to the Juneteenth holiday

Play Mah Jongg in a friendly, non-competitive (no betting) gathering at Temple Beth Abraham on Mondays. Free for temple members. \$3.00 per session for guests.



Canasta

Wednesdays, 1:00pm-3:00pm, in Person

Learn the rules. Play the Game.

Meet new friends, spend fun time with old friends, or take a coffee break.

Learn how to play from a knowledgeable instructor or brush up on your playing skills. Free for temple members. \$5.00 per session for guests.

TBA READS

TBA's book clubs: Books & More and Books@Night, invite you to join us for a

Book Talk

WITH AUTHOR & CONGREGANT LISA BELKIN

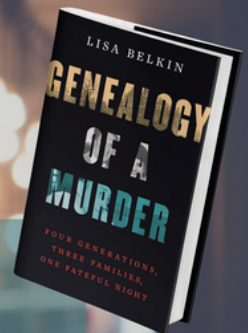


**WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 27**

7:30PM

Temple Beth Abraham

Please RSVP: <https://bit.ly/TBA-BookTalk>



Temple Beth Abraham's Adult Ed Committee Presents:
Exploring a New Model of *Teshuvah*
(Repentance) & Personal Growth
with Marcia Meislin

Wed., September 6 at 7:30pm
on Zoom

Click [here](#) or scan the QR code to register.



As the High Holydays approach, Jewish tradition asks us to take a personal inventory of our behaviors & atone for our sins. We make resolutions to do better/be better; but sometimes this process awakens our inner critic telling us we are not good enough; can never repair our relationships with ourselves or others. In this discussion we will explore a new model for sustainable "at-one-ment." We will learn how to listen & with a more forgiving approach to ourselves, we will be able to look more kindly at the 'imperfect' people around us.

Can you hear that shofar blowing?
 There's a new *teshuvah* in town.

Marcia Meislin was a grateful member of Temple Beth Abraham and co-founder of the TBA Shabbaton. She currently lives in Manhattan where she integrates her training in leadership, Gestalt therapy and coaching, Jewish renewal, and spirituality. She is the author of in leadership, Gestalt therapy and coaching, Jewish renewal, and spirituality. She is the author of *The Goodbye Cookie: A Memoir about Never Giving Up* chronicling her 150 pound weight loss, which she sustains one day at a time.



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JEDI Council (Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion)

This newly created team focuses on creating an environment that proactively welcomes Jews of Color and members of the LGBTQ+ community, and actively deals with Racial Injustice through programming.

Contact JEDICouncil18@gmail.com for more information.

CIVIL RIGHTS JOURNEY

MAY 9 TO MAY 12,
2024

FOR ANYONE 14+
SINGLES, COUPLES,
GROUPS OF
FRIENDS



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click [HERE](#)

JOIN US ON A CONGREGATIONAL TRIP TO SELMA, MONTGOMERY, BIRMINGHAM, AND ATLANTA AS WE LEARN ABOUT THE STRUGGLES OF BLACK PEOPLE TO GAIN EQUALITY IN THE 1950'S AND 60'S AS WELL AS DISCOVER HOW JEWS WERE INVOLVED IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS STRUGGLE.

WE WILL VISIT THE ROSA PARKS MUSEUM, EDMUND PETTUS BRIDGE, AND JOIN IN SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES AT EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH WHERE DR. KING AND HIS FATHER HELD THE PULPIT.

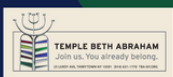
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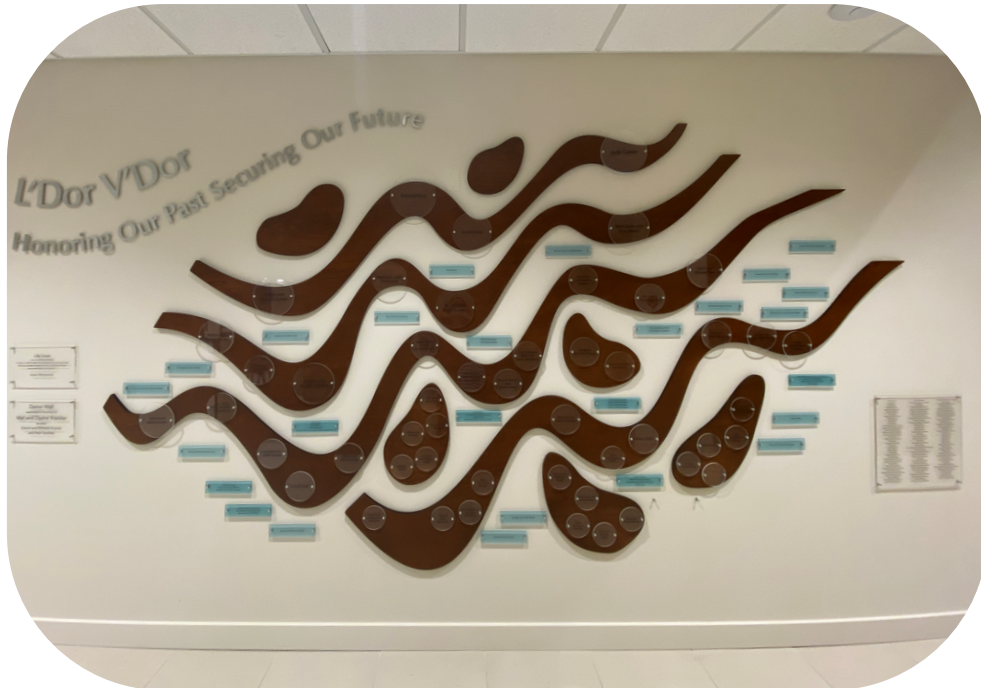
BIRMINGHAM

ATLANTA

Scan the QR code to let us know
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LIFE LINES



We are pleased to announce the completion of the final element of the Bridges Campaign. Our Donor Recognition Wall "Life Lines" acknowledges the families who participated in the Bridges Campaign which allowed us to make our facility accessible to all and to ensure that TBA's future will be bright.

"Life Lines" was envisioned and crafted by artist and congregant Susan Manspeizer. It is dedicated in memory of Mel and Dyane Kreisler by sons Daniel and Richard Kreisler and their families.

We hope as you pass by, it offers you inspiration and hope, that the TBA tree of life will continue to thrive and grow with our community as its stewards!

Thank you once again to all who contributed to ensure TBA will be around for many generations.



Deadline for upcoming issues:
 September 1, 2023 for October, 2023
 October 1, 2023 for November, 2023

LEAVES FOR LIFE CYCLE EVENTS ON OUR TREE OF LIFE

PHOTOGRAPH BY NATHAN GENDZIER



Our synagogue is proud to possess the Eytz Chaim, our "Tree of Life". This original sculpture by the noted synagogue artist, Sanford Werfel, is permanently displayed in the Temple Beth Abraham lobby. The branches of

the tree contain leaves which can be inscribed to highlight or commemorate such joyous events as births, weddings,

anniversaries, *bar* and *bat mitzvahs*, graduations or simply to honor parents, family or friends. Share your happy occasions by inscribing your family "*Simchas*" on our synagogue's "Tree of Life". This will be a permanent dedication to the meaningful, and happy events that touch our lives. The price per leaf is \$360.00 for members and \$450.00 for non-members. For more information, please call the Temple office at 631-1770.

"TREE OF LIFE" order form

Occasion	Date of Occasion / /
Name of Honoree	
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