

THIS MONTH AT TEMPLE BETH AM

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Don Miller, President
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President's Message

L'Shanah Tovah. First let me say what a joy it was to see so many people in our sanctuary, congregants and guests, on Rosh Hashanah morning. This was Rabbi Danielle's first holiday service with us, and she was thrilled to meet and greet so many people. It would be wonderful if our sanctuary could be filled like that whenever we have an in-person Shabbat service. I hope you will consider coming to services, and bring a friend or two.

Rosh Hashanah calls on us to reflect on how we've lived in the past year and how we will live in the year to come. I am going to quote an email I received from Jewish Federation of Northern New Jersey which says it best:

"As 5786 begins, let's lean into a few simple, meaningful ways to sweeten daily life and strengthen our community. This year, let's:

- ***Be present:*** slow down, make eye contact, savor the moment.
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- ***Do more good:*** one mitzvah at a time—check on a neighbor, deliver a meal, lend a hand.
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- ***Do more 'Jewish'***—volunteer Jewish, donate Jewish, celebrate Jewish, learn Jewish—if we don't--who will?
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- ***Schmooze more:*** call your parents, text the grandkids, reconnect with old friends.
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- ***Live well***—move your body, get a good night's sleep, choose foods that help you feel your best.
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- ***Keep your word***—less procrastinating; more 'I said I would, and I did.'
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- ***Show up***—volunteer, join a drive, and support initiatives that make the Jewish community stronger.

When we do these small things, we become a little more mensch-like and give one another reasons to kvell."

This is also the time of year when we turn to you to fulfill one of the most sacred obligations as Jews...*tzedakah*. Please pay your dues, send cards through our tribute fund, remember a *yahrzeit* of a loved one, and most important, make a High Holy Day donation. Temple Beth Am relies on these donations which help to sustain our congregation.

Let me take this opportunity to thank the people who keep Temple Beth Am going: Rabbi Danielle Leshaw, who leads us in prayer every Shabbat morning and instructs us in the teachings of Torah in the Tuesday class; Cantorial soloist Sherry Kosinski, whose beautiful voice enhances our services; Sue Shapiro who puts together our bulletin, pays the bills, writes out the tributes, among a myriad of other things; Murray Blackstone and Jeff Shapiro who keep the building in good shape and are there to solve any physical problems; and Sue Miller who writes out the Yahrzeit notices and does my paperwork for me because of my poor eyesight.

Finally, let us remember that we are coming up on the second anniversary of October 7th. In your prayers this holiday season, please include the hostages and their grief-stricken families, and pray for their release and peace in Israel.

Shanah Tovah U'metukah.

Wishing you and your loved ones a sweet New Year.

Don

A Happy New Year to All.

A Year of Health & Happiness

Rabbi's Message

Dear friends,

I want to thank you all for a truly beautiful Rosh Hashanah morning service. The warmth of our Temple community, the heartfelt prayers, and the meaningful melodies made the day especially uplifting. It was a blessing to begin the New Year together, surrounded by such care and spirit. A very special thanks to Sherry, Sue, Jeff, and Sue for all of their hard work to ensure we were able to be together.

As we move toward Yom Kippur, I encourage everyone to join us again for this holiest day of the Jewish year. It is a sacred time of reflection, forgiveness, and renewal, and our presence together in the Temple strengthens both our prayers and our community. Whether you join in person or participate in another service on zoom, may the day bring you comfort, inspiration, and a deep sense of connection.

Yizkor services on Yom Kippur will be a part of the morning service.

Following Yom Kippur, we will soon enter the joyful festival of Sukkot, a holiday that reminds us of the fragility and resilience of life, the importance of gratitude, and the strength we find in community. As we reflect on the temporary shelter of the sukkah, we are reminded that what truly sustains us is the care we show one another and the bonds we share. May this season inspire us to deepen those connections and to carry a spirit of joy and gratitude into the year ahead.

Warmly,

Rabbi Danielle

High Holy Day 5785/5786 New Year's Greetings

Murray & Ruth Blackstone

Mark & Lisa Downey & Family

Carole & Andy Drogin

Len, Rachel, Michael, Neta & Moshe Faivush

Judy, Barbara, Sally & Havah Frank

Lisa, Steve, Asher & Judah Kawalek

Rabbi Danielle Leshaw

Sue & Don Miller

Amy, Jeff, Levi & Lilah Shaman

Sue Shapiro & Family

Lorraine Tillis

The Tosk Family

HIGH HOLIDAY CALENDAR 5785

Tuesday	Sept. 23	Rosh Hashanah Day	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Oct. 1st	Erev Yom Kippur/ Kol Nidre	7:00 PM
Thursday	Oct. 2nd	Yom Kippur Day/ Yizkor	10:30 AM

Tuesday	Oct. 7th	Succoth	
Tuesday	Oct. 14th	Simchat Torah/Yizkor	

Above are actual dates but Succoth & Simchat Torah/Yizkor Services will be held via Zoom during the Saturday Shabbat Morning Service at 10:30 AM as follows:

Succoth will be observed during services on October 11th
Simchat Torah/Yizkor will be observed on October 18th

Rosh Hashanah Day, Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur Day/Yizkor Services will be held IN-TEMPLE.

TEMPLE NEWS

All Temple services are still available as required. Call the Temple Office, if no one is there, leave a message for a call-back.

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We welcome Arnold & Marcia Cantor as our newest Associate Members. Arnold's family has a long history with our Temple and we look forward to seeing them at future Temple functions.

A Hostess is needed if there is to be an Oneg Shabbat following November 15th "In Temple" Services.

They will be responsible for supplying the refreshments and to work with Maintenance to make sure everything is set up and organized.

If interested, let Sue S. know.



Rosh Hashannah Services



Kay Magilavy

October 9



Reba & Joe Garbis

October 18

Leslie Maltz & Bert Taylor

October 27

TRIBUTES

FROM

TO

MUSIC FUND

Joyce Nestle

Lois Mignone

Celebrate Everything!
(Your 80th Birthday & Upcoming
Granddaughter Anna's Wedding)

Don & Sue Miller

Chief Robert Geisler

Congratulations on your well deserved
Retirement. Wishing you years
of health & happiness to come.

Sue & Don Miller

Dr. Allen Grafstein

Mazel Tov on your retirement.
Wishing you years of health and
happiness in the future.

FLOWER FUND

Arlene & Sam Lichtenfeld

Rosalind Goldman

In Memory of Brother-in-Law
Edward Goldman

GENEROUS DONATION

Leslie Maltz & Bert Taylor

Sue Shapiro

Mazel Tov! So Happy to hear the
news that you will be an upcoming
Great-Grandmother

Arnold & Varda Wendroff

Carole & Andy Drogin

Happy New Year

James Sanderson

Generous donation to Temple Beth Am

Yahrzeits

Murray Blackstone

In Memory of Tess Schwartzberg &
Jack Schwartzberg

Alan Korenstein

In Memory of Anna & Stephen Korenstein

Randi Glinsky

In Memory of Father William Glinsky

Leslie Maltz

In Memory of Herbert L. Zeik

Yahrzeits - October 2025

The Individual Yahrzeits will be read during the upcoming Shabbat Service

Saturday – October 4, 2025

Max Shiptofsky (Tishri 11) – Hyman Zeik (Tishri 11) – Joseph Newman – Dr. Alex Chertoff

Esther Levy – Herbert Salow – Samuel Paster – Moe Freedman – Jacob Samnick

Saturday – October 11, 2025

Jerry Novodvorsky (Tishri 18) – Minnie Secunda (Tishri 19) – Aaron Korenthal (Tishri 20)

Rose Bodine (Tishri 20) – Harry Soloway (Tishri 20) – Roslyn Rockoff – Samuel S. Isaacs – Celia Levine

Harris Ravitch – Max H. Rosenberg – Miriam Rubin Vazquz – Benjamin Garelick – Eva Garelick

Saturday – October 18, 2025

Sidney Yurmark – (Tishri 22) – Harold “Hal” Shapiro (Tishri 24) – Arthur Weisel (Tishri 25)

Thelma Gish (Tishri 25) – Bonnie Simon (Tishri 26) – Kate Crystal (Tishri 27) – Margot Frank Faivush

Dr. Joseph W Fleisher – Rabbi Morris M. Tosk – Dr. Harry Stark – Abraham I. Warsh – Yetta Singer

Roxanne Rosenbaum – Louis I. Schnitzer – Bruce B. Lasky – Sender Simon – Herman I. Frank, MD

Esther R. Isaacs

Saturday – October 25, 2025

Samuel Posnak – William Rosenberg – Fredricka Starr – Norman Lazarus

Isadore Solow (Heshvan 2)

Important Information:

We continue to report that the Temple is expanding its digital presence with enhancements to come soon. For now, options for sending money have been added. In addition to accepting traditional paper checks, Venmo and Zelle have been added as payment options. All payments (tributes, donations, membership dues, etc.) can be made through any of these options.

Venmo Account name: Temple Beth Am Bayonne

Zelle Account name: Temple Beth Am

For Venmo, the account username should be used to search (@templebethambayonne).

For Zelle, the email address should be used to search (templebay111@gmail.com).

This will ensure that the correct account is being accessed.

Be sure to use the memo field to include your name and the specific purpose of the payment including the particular tribute fund and honoree, if applicable. (If a tribute, include recipient's & sender's name and address.) This information can also be conveyed with an email to the Temple (templebay111@gmail.com)

These additions are intended to make the payment process more convenient for our members so feel free to contact the Temple office with any questions or issues

Plaques and Gifts

Yahrzeit Plaques (\$250 for members)
Zachor Wall Plaques (\$100-\$150)
Shabbat Prayer Book Dedications (\$50)
High Holy Day Prayer Book Dedications (\$25)

Contact the Temple office for details.

Funds and Tributes

The Temple maintains a number of funds supporting various programs at the Temple.

Endowment Fund (\$25)
Library Fund (\$18)
Rabbi Morris M. Tosk Fund (\$10)
Carol Weinberger Flower Fund (\$10)
Robert Blum Music Fund (\$5)
Rabbi's Discretionary Fund (\$5)

Unless otherwise specified, all tributes will be
\$5 and listed under the Music Fund.

For Tribute & Fund donations please call the Temple Office,
201-858-2020 or Email the Temple at templebay111@gmail.com

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