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RABBI'S MESSAGE

One of the primary functions of the High Holy Days is to summon Jews to honest self-examination. The emphasis on sober analysis of our successes and failures is reflected by the rules governing the construction of the shofar. No artificially constructed piece of work may be sounded. The shofar must be an instrument in its natural form (naturally hollow), with life given to it by the breath of human beings, speaking to the human spirit. The shofar may not be painted, though it can be gilded or carved with artistic designs, so long as the mouthpiece remains natural. The shofar of Rosh Hashanah should be of the curved horn of a ram to indicate submission.

Thus, the construction of the shofar is governed by simplicity and naturalness. Prayer is simple, natural, and unpretentious. Sincere prayer is not artificial and does not seek to be aesthetically pleasing for its own sake. Shabbat services were never designed to compete with the opera or the New York Philharmonic. Jewish worship was never intended to be the "best show in town"!

Just as the curved shape of the ram's horn symbolizes submission to God's Will, so humility must be the most important aspect of our prayer life. According to one Hasidic interpretation, the "covering of the head" during synagogue worship reminded Jews of their intellectual limitations. Brazenness of mind is frequently a stumbling block to meaningful dialogue with God, and is often the cause of immoral behavior.

Egotism, foolish pride, and the belief that we are totally self-sufficient obstruct our dialogue with God. As Rabbi Emanuel Rackman puts it, "Immodest people cannot pray. Immodest people have no sense of awe. Immodest people are rarely grateful. And to pray requires both a capacity to stand in awe and to feel thankful. This is the heart of the issue."

During the Ten Days of Penitence we will pray together in an intensive manner. We have the necessary ingredients to provide aesthetically pleasing services: a final year student cantor with a very fine voice, an outstanding organist who also directs the choir with great expertise, and four first rate vocalists to provide four part harmony. The clergy, with the invaluable assistance of our musical director, have taken great pains to properly arrange the "choreography" so that our worship experience is as uplifting as possible. However, aesthetic beauty and smooth choreography does not guarantee meaningful public worship. Our prayers will be pleasing to God if they summon us to reflect upon our past deeds and compel us to remember the covenant. Furthermore, we must divest ourselves of ill-will towards our fellow human beings. Undercurrents of anger undermine public worship.

Above all, we must not approach the High Holy Days with

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September 2019 ELUL-TISHREI 5779/5780

Friday, September 6, 2019 ELUL 6
6:45 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*

Saturday, September 7, 2019 ELUL 7
Parashat Shoftim
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*

Friday, September 13, 2019 ELUL 13
6:45 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*

Saturday, September 14, 2019 ELUL 14
Parashat Ki Teitzei
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*

Friday, September 20, 2019 ELUL 20
6:00 pm: *Tot Shabbat*
6:45 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*

Saturday, September 21, 2019 ELUL 21
Parashat Ki Tavo
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*
7:30 pm: *S'lichot Service*

Friday, September 27, 2019 ELUL 27
6:30 pm: *Family Service*

Saturday, September 28, 2019 ELUL 28
Parashat Nitzavim
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*

Sunday, September 29, 2019 ELUL 29
Erev Rosh Hashanah
7:00 pm: *Erev Rosh Hashanah*

Monday, September 30, 2019 TISHREI 1
Rosh Hashanah I
9:00 am: *Tot Hashanah*
10:30 am: *Rosh Hashanah I*
1:30 pm: *Potluck Luncheon*



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October 2019 TESHREI-CHESHVAN 5780

- Tuesday, October 1, 2019** TISHREI 2
Rosh Hashanah II
9:00 am: *Youth Rosh Hashanah*
10:30 am: *Rosh Hashanah II*
- Friday, October 4, 2019** TISHREI 5
6:45 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- Saturday, October 5, 2019** TISHREI 6
Parashat Vayeilech
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*
- Tuesday, October 8, 2019** TISHREI 9
Erev Yom Kippur
7:00 pm: *Kol Nidre*
- Wednesday, October 9, 2019** TISHREI 10
Yom Kippur
9:00 am: *Yom Kippur Family Service*
10:30 am: *Yom Kippur Service*
1:00 pm: *Afternoon Service*
3:00 pm: *Study Session*
5:00 pm: *Yizkor*
6:00 pm: *Neilah/Havdalah*
- Friday, October 11, 2019** TISHREI 12
6:45 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- Saturday, October 12, 2019** TISHREI 13
Parashat Ha'Azinu
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*
- Sunday, October 13, 2019** TISHREI 14
6:45 pm: *Erev Sukkot*
- Monday, October 14, 2019** TISHREI 15
Sukkot I 10:00 am: *Sukkot I*
- Tuesday, October 15, 2019** TISHREI 16
Sukkot II 10:00 am: *Sukkot II*
- Friday, October 18, 2019** TISHREI 19
Sukkot V 6:45 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- Saturday, October 19, 2019** TISHREI 20
Sukkot VI 10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*
- Monday, October 21, 2019** TISHREI 22
Sukkot VIII
10:00 am: *Shmini Atzeret (Including Yizkor)*
6:30 pm: *Erev Simchat Torah & HS Consecration*
- Tuesday, October 22, 2019** TISHREI 23
10:00 am: *Simchat Torah*
- Friday, October 25, 2019** TISHREI 26
6:00 pm: *Tot Shabbat*
6:45 pm: *Kabbalat Shabbat*
- Saturday, October 26, 2019** TISHREI 27
Parashat Bereshit
10:00 am: *Shabbat Service*

RABBI'S Message

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arrogance and smug satisfaction. Rather, we should meet our Creator with humility. As we seek spiritual refreshment for the coming year, we pray for strength and inspiration to correct our shortcomings and to improve our conduct. Once we cease to become preoccupied with our egos, Godliness can be achieved. The suppression of false pride and vanity is the beginning of religion.

Come Learn from Rabbinic Intern Rebecca Hecht

at these Fall Services and Simchat Torah

Rabbinic Intern Rebecca Hecht will be teaching us during these fall services, in collaboration with her mentor, Rabbi Jeffrey Gale, and Student Cantor Robby Wittner. Don't miss these services:

- Shabbat, September 14 – Rebecca Hecht will chant Torah and preach (10 am).
- September 20 – She will lead Tot Shabbat (6 pm) and an Adult Learning Service for Kabbalat Shabbat (6:45 pm)
- Kabbalat Shabbat, October 11 – She will lead an Adult Learning Service (6:45 pm).
- Shabbat, October 12 - She will chant Torah and preach (10am).

Simchat Torah Service, October 21 (Monday) – Rebecca Hecht and Student Cantor Robby Wittner will share the Torah reading. Then our community—and other congregations—will dance and rejoice with the Torahs to live Klezmer music on 185th Street, to celebrate the conclusion (and new beginning) of the annual Torah reading cycle



Join our Simchat Torah klezmer celebration!

Memorializing Your Loved Ones during Our High Holidays

By Amy Wittner

When we hear each loved one's name memorialized during a Yahrzeit, we smile and remember them lovingly. Not everyone in the community will recognize the name and the person. Now, you have the opportunity to change that. During our Memorial Slide Presentation on the High Holidays, the congregation has the chance to see your loved one and share in your remembrance.

If you are interested in memorializing your loved one's photograph and name in our Hebrew Tabernacle Memorial Slide Presentation and adding their names to our Yizkor Memorial Book, you need only send a one-time, tax-deductible donation of \$180 per person to participate. This donation will enable your loved ones to appear in the memorial slide presentation in addition to their names' inclusion in each printing of the Yizkor Book of Remembrance in perpetuity. Your contribution also includes your loved ones' names being read at services on the Shabbat of the week of the anniversary of their Yahrzeit every year. If your loved ones' names already appear in our Yizkor Memorial Book and you wish them to be added to our Memorial Slide Presentation, you already qualify. If your loved one is already on the annual Yahrzeit List, a donation of \$55 will add them to the Yizkor Book and, if you wish, to this Memorial Slide Presentation.

To include your family member or other loved one in our visual display, you simply need to send a photograph of the person to the Hebrew Tabernacle at 551 Fort Washington Avenue, New York, New York 10033. Please attach the full name of the person clearly printed and the sponsor's full name. The photo must be between 3" x 5" and 8½" by 11" and **must only have one person in it**, as we do not necessarily know your family and friends. Digitized photos in jpeg format will also be accepted at our email: HebrewTabernacle551@gmail.com. **Please note the deadline for your submissions is September 16, 2019.**

We would love to share in your remembrance. Shanah Tovah!

Rita Hamburg's Monday Evening Exercise Class

Rita Hamburg, physical therapist, leads a popular co-ed exercise class to music for ages 10 to 80+ in the Tabernacle Social Hall on most Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30 PM. The emphasis is on gentle stretching and strengthening of all the muscles.

First class is free for new attendees. Regular price is \$15—all proceeds are donated to Hebrew Tabernacle. Bring a towel or mat to lie on. Contact HToffice@nyc.rr.com or Rita at hamburg@nyp.org with any questions. New season starts Oct. 28 (after the Jewish Holidays) and continues: Nov. 4, 11, 18 & 25. More dates to come!

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TOT Shabbat Program from 6/14/19

High Holy Day Services: A New Approach for Year 5780

By Rabbi Jeffrey Gale

This year's Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services are a radical departure from the ten previous High Holy Day services that I have conducted at Hebrew Tabernacle. The following major changes have been implemented.

1. This year, we will use the gender-sensitive version of *Gates of Repentance*, published by the Central Conference of American Rabbis. The services are generally shorter and more user friendly for the majority of our membership. Musaf services have been virtually eliminated. As male references to God are omitted, there is no longer a need for the leader to make gender-inclusive substitutions on the spot. In some instances, alternative Torah readings are used.

2. Greater attention is being given to younger families, with morning services starting the day at 9:00 am. Tot Hashanah, which is clergy led, takes place on the morning of the first day of Rosh Hashanah. A lay-led youth service takes place on the morning of the second day of Rosh Hashanah. A creative clergy-led family service takes place on Yom Kippur morning.

3. The professional choir has been retained for this year's High Holy Day services, with Student Cantor Robby Wittner leading us again. The type of music will be more eclectic than in previous years. Some of the German melodies of the past will be retained, but more contemporary music will be incorporated as well. There will be more opportunity for congregational participation in singing.

4. The number of lay-readings will dramatically increase. With more congregants leading us in English readings, there will be a more communal feeling.

5. Times of morning services have been changed. Tot Hashanah, the lay-led youth service, and the clergy-led family service all take place at 9:00 am. All adult morning services will begin at 10:30 am.

The *Shofar* service, with our Shofar Choir, which was once the integral part of the Rosh Hashanah Musaf services, now immediately follows the Torah services.

While the day of Yom Kippur has all of the elements of the previous years, the schedule is radically different. It is as follows:

9:00 Family Service

10:30 Adult Morning Service

1:00 Afternoon Service

3:00 Rabbi's Discussion: "Judaism and Social Responsibility"

5:00 Yizkor Service

6:00 Neilah/Havdalah

7:00 Approximate Finish

The Yizkor service is longer and will include an appropriate sermon. Please note that the Yizkor service is also much later in the day and naturally leads into the Neilah/Havdalah service. The purpose is to encourage more congregants to be present for the conclusion of Yom Kippur.

The *Avodah* and Martyrology sections, which were once part of the Yom Kippur Musaf services, have now been incorporated as part of the Yom Kippur afternoon service. The readings themselves are more spiritually uplifting than in previous years.

All of these innovations are responses of our lay leadership and clergy to the demographic changes in the Jewish community, both at the Hebrew Tabernacle and in the Washington Heights/Inwood area. There is a desire to address the spiritual needs of an increasingly diverse, but mostly American-born, congregation while honoring and maintaining continuity with our German Jewish elders and their traditions. We welcome constructive feedback.

Welcome to Tot Shabbat!

By Laurie Slodounik, PhD, MSED

A Tot Shabbat Volunteer Co-Leader

As leaders of the Tot community at Hebrew Tabernacle, we believe that Judaism can profoundly and inherently engage our youngest members.

Young children's minds, hearts and bodies are "fed" best through predictable routines grounded in song, play, and sensory gratification. These are all elements integral to Jewish ritual observance.

Every HT Tot Shabbat and celebration includes music, movement, fantasy, and food. We mix secular and traditional melodies, and English and Hebrew, to keep children engaged while introducing them to common prayers and rituals. Our hope is to instill a feeling of familiarity and comfort that will extend to the Sanctuary.

We begin every gathering with a welcome song, greeting every

child and adult by name, so that every member of our community feels seen and known.

Tot Shabbat dates this year are: Fridays 6-7 PM Social Hall - Sept. 20, Oct. 25, Nov. 15, Dec. 13, Jan. 3 and 24, Feb. 14 and 28, March 13, April 24, May 15, June 5.

During the High Holidays there is Tot Hashanah on Rosh Hashanah Sept. 30 - 9 AM in the Penthouse and a Family Service for all ages on Yom Kippur Oct. 9 - 9 AM in the Sanctuary.

Our contact volunteer is HT Board Member Jen Talansky
Jenlorin@hotmail.com.

Contact her to join on our email notification list.

IN MEMORIAM

In grateful memory of the departed whose names are taken from the records of Hebrew Tabernacle and Beth Am and which appear on a separate weekly Yahrzeit list. It is our minhag to read Yahrzeit names at the Shabbat services following the date. **If you would like a name read, please call the office in the preceding week.**

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Sukkah - building

by John Authers

The time is fast approaching when we can all make a Sukkah. If anyone has ever seen the scene in the movie Witness where the Amish community build a barn together, you will get the general idea. It's teamwork, teamwork, teamwork, and quite a lot of fun.

The HT Sukkah was created by an architect many years ago, and comes disassembled in a series of big pieces. Putting it together is like a giant exercise in Meccano or Lego, and it takes a matter of hours. Meanwhile, the kids are making the decor, with gluesticks and markers at the ready, for the moment when the time comes to decorate it.

To round off a great afternoon, everyone gets to pile up greenery on the roof, while numerous passers by on Fort Washington Avenue look on agog. And there's pizza for all the troops at lunchtime.

It's fun. Don't miss it this year!



Join Our Hebrew School Community!

by Loren Christian

For our family, this school year will bring changes. A new school for both kids. But I'm also happily looking forward to getting back into the Hebrew School routine at Hebrew Tabernacle. The kids have missed their Hebrew School friends and I've missed the amazing parent community at holidays and Family Services.

Hebrew School begins on September 16th & 18th and is a welcoming and exciting home for Reform Jewish families. Whether it's in the classroom, decorating the Sukkah, dancing on Simchat Torah or delighting in the tables full of Menorahs at the Hanukkah service, I could not ask for a better Hebrew School for our kids. The once-a-month Family Services make coming together for Shabbat easy and joyful. The service includes a presentation by students and a community meal after.

It's easy to get registered. Ask us about how we can help your child travel from school to Hebrew School this year. And please bring the whole family to our first Family Service of the year on Friday, September 27, at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Hope to see you soon!



Commission a Bookplate for Our New Reform High Holiday Siddur!

We have a beautiful opportunity to welcome our new Reform High Holiday prayer books by commissioning a bookplate "In Honor of" someone important to us or "In Memory of" someone dear to us. For a \$36.00 donation, you can have a bookplate like the ones below filled in and affixed to one of our new siddurim. These copies of The Gates of Repentance have been donated by Harriet Gellert's synagogue, Temple Isaiah of Great Neck, and by another synagogue through the offices of Dr. Ralph Selig.

You can send a check to the Office, with a note on your bookplate dedication, or donate online (using the Comment section to specify "Bookplate" at our website).

It will be special to see your names in our new books during the Days of Awe. Some examples of past donations:

Presented to Laura Meltzer on her Bat Mitzvah
April 16, 2005 — 7 Nisan, 5765

Donated to the Hebrew Tabernacle Congregation
by Michael, Melanie and Julia Klein

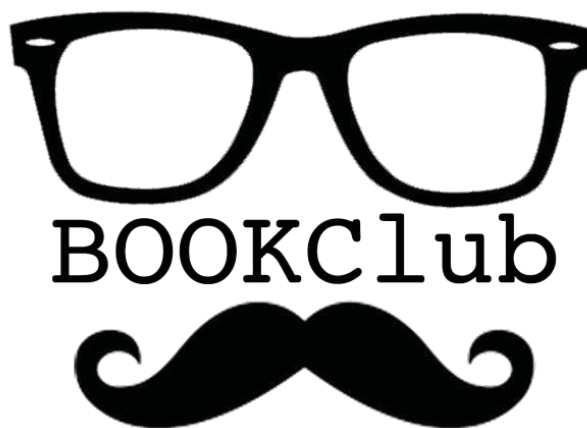


In memory of
Henry & Phyllis Taylor

"Hebrew Tabernacle members are invited to become volunteer curators for the Hebrew Tabernacle's Armin and Estelle Gold Wing art gallery. Learn on the job. New art exhibit every two months. Help select artists, design fliers, put up and remove exhibits, provide artist's reception, and publicize event.

Contact Diana, Harriet or Regina. See Bulletin for contact information."

Hebrew Tabernacle Book Club



A New Year Filled with Great Books Awaits at the Hebrew Tabernacle Book Club

The Hebrew Tabernacle Book Club welcomes all avid readers in the community to join us in lively discussion each month. We meet at the Hebrew Tabernacle on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

In July we shared our thoughts on Nathan Englander's novel, *Kaddish.com*. August's selection was *The Coffee Trader*, historical fiction set in 17th-century Amsterdam, by David Liss.

The September 25 choice will be the memoir, *The Strangers We Became: Lesson in Exile from One of Iraq's Last Jews*, by Cynthia Kaplan Shamash. On October 16 we'll be delving into a literary mercy mission experience with Aaron Lansky's autobiographical *Outwitting History: The Amazing Adventures of a Man Who Rescued a Million Yiddish Books*.

Please check the Hebrew Tabernacle website for updates. Other questions and suggestions? Please contact convener Susan Gellert at susan_gellert@yahoo.com.



Dear Hebrew Tabernacle Members,

You are receiving this edition of the Bulletin electronically unless we have received a request to send a hard copy through the mail. If you would like to receive a hard copy, we ask that you subscribe by sending a \$5 contribution to The Bulletin Fund (if you have not already done so). We also ask that you consider contributing to The Hebrew School Scholarship Fund and the Senior Citizens Support Fund. Please make checks out to Hebrew Tabernacle and write the name of the Fund in the Memo line.

Thanks for your support!

The Hebrew Tabernacle's Armin and Estelle Gold Wing Gallery
September-October, 2019 Exhibit
MARTA BLAIR
LAYERED FRAGMENTS OF TIME AND MATERIAL



"My paintings are an open surface for constant transformation; layered fragments of time and material collaging together as life itself, with the complexity of unpredictable events but also with the intentional and somehow contained fluidity that ultimately shapes our lives."

Marta was born in Medellin, Colombia and moved to NYC in 1997. She has a degree in Fine Arts from the National University of Colombia and a Bachelors in Fine Arts in Graphic Design. She has lived in Inwood for the past eight years.
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Ink, acrylics and paper on canvas, 24" x 24" 2018



Small wood panel, 2018

ARTIST'S OPENING
RECEPTION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
Noon – 1:30 PM

(begin with Sabbath Services at 10 AM)

Exhibit closes 10-30-19

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Free admission Open Mon, Wed, Fri, 9:30 am - 4:45 pm
Open some evenings, weekends after services,
and by appt. with artist. Wheelchair accessible.
Volunteer Curator: Regina Gradess



Take Action on Climate Change

Your Donations Can Help Tabernacle Go Green!

Many of us try, as individuals, to reduce our carbon footprint. Now, as a synagogue community, we have an opportunity to reduce our entire building's carbon footprint. We can try to limit global warming by replacing our wasteful, Freon air conditioning system with an efficient and ecological new system.

Did you know buildings are the greatest source of NYC greenhouse gas emissions?

New York City's buildings produce 67% of the total -- more than twice that of the transportation sector -- according to a 2015 report by the Mayor's Office. In addition, our old system runs on Freon, an ozone-depleter that was banned from new cooling systems in 2010, and whose production and import is set to end next year. This change will also lower our utility bills.

Jewish care for the environment is as old as Leviticus

One foundation for the Jewish commitment to ecology is the con-

cept in Leviticus of the shmitta (sabbatical) year. Every seven years the land must rest (and all human debts are forgiven!). If you ceaselessly maximize production and profit, natural and human disasters will ensue. This biblical list is all too familiar from the daily reports on the impact of global warming: plagues, droughts, famines, floods and mass migrations.

Won't you invest in this Green Project?

It is past time that we gave Washington Heights a "rest" from our Freon-based AC system. The engineer we hired to design our new cooling system is finishing his report so we can solicit bids for installing our new AC. We have secured almost 2/3 of the funds required, and we will apply for some public financing that supports NYC buildings in going green. But we need your donations, as well. GIVE GENEROUSLY to the Building/AC Fund if you love the planet, our neighborhood and our synagogue! It's a mitzvah that is as old as the Torah.



Rummage Sale is Coming Soon!

Save These Dates:

Sun. & Mon., Dec. 8 & 9, 2019

Volunteer Set up on

Saturday, December 7, 2019

Donate your time and your merchandise to help make our rummage sale the most successful ever!



Beautiful Cemetery Plots Available from Hebrew Tabernacle

Hebrew Tabernacle owns a group of burial plots at the Cedar Park Cemetery in Paramus, NJ, which is only a short drive from our neighborhood. Our synagogue is able to make these available to members (at a reduced price), as well as to non-members. Many past and present Hebrew Tabernacle members have purchased individual and family graves at Cedar Park through the congregation. We still have plots available, and we encourage members of our community who may be engaged in end-of-life planning to contact us if they want to learn more about this choice. Please contact our office at (212) 568 8304 or HToffice@nyc.rr.com.

Letter From One of The Vice Presidents

While many of you have away enjoying the summer, HT has been very busy taking care of the building. Here is just a brief summary:

- A Workable Kitchen and Hot Water Are on the Way! The gas contract has been signed, and the contractor is in the process of obtaining the necessary permits from the City.
- Classroom and Office Beautification Project
 - Classroom 2 had fresh plaster and paint, with new Art Deco high-energy dimmable LED light fixtures—new curtains are coming soon.
 - Classroom 1 is in the process of receiving a similar renovation.
 - The main office has also been plastered and painted.
 - Once the classroom projects are completed restoration work will resume on the Fort Washington Avenue staircase.
- Tabernacle's Green New Deal Preliminary drawings and contract specifications should be ready shortly for the new Air Conditioning system, which will be a better system for the environment and provide energy-efficiency savings. Additional funds still need to be raised for this project. If you have not done so already please consider making a generous contribution to our AC fund.
- The water meter project has now been completed and approved by the NYC Department of Environmental Protection. This extensive plumbing work was installed in the old Sisterhood Room. We took advantage of this project to install a new shutoff valve as well.
- Our boiler and chimney have been cleaned. All systems have been prepared for the winter season.
- Our last Volunteer Service Day was very successful. We plan to organize another one in the future. If you are interested in helping with gardening around the perimeter of our building, please contact me.

— Mike Klein, *Vice President & Building Committee Chair*



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