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FROM THE RABBI'S DESK

Shalom & greetings! We are directly in the midst of the *Yamim Nora'im* as this is being mailed. Rosh Hashanah has concluded, and Shabbat Shuvah is just behind us. In the coming week, we will enter into the solemn holiday of Yom Kippur.

LOOKING BACK

This was a very full month, with a major focus being the preparations for our High Holy Day observances. As you know, Rosh Hashanah is behind us, and we are about to enter in Yom Kippur, followed by Sukkot and Simchat Torah.

I have said before that it takes a village – and there are so many people to thank for helping make this a meaningful, spiritual, and beautiful highlight on our calendar. I will try to include my thanks for all who helped to make the entire holiday season special in the November Bulletin. Meantime, if you were one of the people who contributed to this year's High Holiday season, know that you are appreciated.

I also want to highlight the WV Council of Churches Dismantling Racism Task Force Service on September 13th. It was held at the St Paul A.M.E. Church, on 2nd Ave. in Charleston. I was honored to be asked to participate. A few congregants were there – kudos to them for coming!

LOOKING AHEAD

There is a lot that is coming up. I will list some of it here, but watch for more in the November Bulletin, or other messages to the Congregation.

HIGH HOLIDAYS OVERVIEW

- **Yom Kippur Evening**, 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, 10/1
- **Yom Kippur** (The office is closed on 10/2.)
- **Yom Kippur Morning**, 10:30 a.m., Thursday, 10/2
- **Yom Kippur Afternoon**, 1:00 p.m., Thursday, 10/2
- **Yom Kippur Memorial**, 5:00 p.m., Thursday, 10/2
- **Yom Kippur Concluding**, ~6:00 p.m., Thursday, 10/2
- **Yom Kippur Break-the-Fast**, ~7:00 p.m., Thursday, 10/2

Looking beyond the High Holy Days, we continue with observances and events:

- Shabbat service with **Sukkot** and the anniversary of October 7th observed, Friday, 10/3, 5:30 p.m.
- **Sukkot** Holiday (The office is closed on 10/7)
- Shabbat Service with **Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah** observed,

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SISTERHOOD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sisterhood Board of Directors and General meeting will be held on Sunday, October 26, 2025, at the 19th Century Historic Glenwood Estates, listed in the National Register of Historic Places, and located on the west side of Charleston.

The general membership meeting starts at 11:00 a.m., followed by a presentation from Marla Griffith, Executive Director, who will share the fascinating history of its owners and occupants.

The cost for this event will be \$10.00 per person, with proceeds benefiting Glenwood Foundation. Lunch will be served.

Members of Temple Israel and B'nai Jacob are invited to attend. RSVP details and directions will be provided soon.

Ina Angel
Sisterhood President

Cookie Glasser
Sisterhood Program Director



perts, thought leaders, and fellow activists. The conference will culminate with a Lobby Day on Capitol Hill, during which we will advocate for our Reform Jewish values. And for the first time ever at a Consultation, participants will have the opportunity to experience a justice-focused Shabbat.

Attend the Consultation to:

- Build community with like-minded activists and reconnect with old friends and colleagues
- Fill your spiritual cup through a justice-infused Shabbat experience
- Hear from inspirational and expert speakers
- Grow your justice toolkit through issue-focused and skill-building workshops
- Celebrate the first night of Hanukkah with a menorah-lighting and conversation about how we can spread the light of democracy through the Reform Movement's 2026 Every Voice, Every Vote Campaign
- Lobby Congress in support of the Reform Movement's policy priorities

If interested, please contact the Temple Israel Office.

AT A GLANCE: SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER & HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES

This is a projected calendar of events; it may be incomplete or changed. Services are both in-person and online/virtual. All meetings, classes, programs, and events are either in-person or virtual, as announced. Updates to this information will be included on the Temple Israel website and in the Reminder Links emails. **If you aren't receiving emails from Rabbi Blair about online sessions, please let him know.**

Please Note: Additional offerings for in-person classes and programs will be offered, to start in November. To help plan, in October a request for feedback on topics, days, and times will be sent out. Please respond to it to help identify what you are interested in seeing offered. Thank you.

October		November	
Wednesday, October 1 7:30 p.m.	Yom Kippur Evening Service (<i>Kol Nidrei</i>)	Sunday, November 2 10:30 a.m.	Torah Study Parashah Vayera [Gen 18:1-22:24] Online
Thursday, October 2 <i>Each service will be 60-90 minutes</i>	Yom Kippur Day 10:30 a.m. Yom Kippur Morning Service (<i>Shacharit</i>) 1:00 p.m. Yom Kippur Afternoon Service (<i>Minchah</i>) 5:00 p.m. Yom Kippur Memorial Service (<i>Yizkor</i>) ~6:00 p.m. Yom Kippur Concluding Service (<i>Ne'ilah</i>) ~7:00 p.m. Yom Kippur Break-the-Fast	Sunday, November 2	Jewish Literature Online
Friday, October 3 5:30 p.m.	Shabbat Service with Sukkot & Anniversary of October 7th Observance	Sunday, November 2	Death Chatter Online
Monday, October 6	Sisterhood Schmooze in the Sisterhood Lounge Brown Bag Lunch	Thursday, November 6 12:45 p.m.	WVU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Course – Another Engagement with Jewish Poetry, Session 2 Online & taught by Rabbi Blair
Monday, October 6	Erev Sukkot	Thursday, November 6	A Bisell Torah Online
October 7 - 13	Sukkot	Friday, November 7 5:30 p.m.	Shabbat Service Krystallnacht & Veterans Day Observance <i>Torah Vayera</i> (Gen. 18:1-22:24) Covered Dish Dinner Oneg Shabbat
Friday, October 10 5:30 p.m.	Shabbat Service with Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah Observance Covered Dish Dinner Oneg Shabbat	Monday, November 10 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Sisterhood Schmooze in the Sisterhood Lounge Brown Bag Lunch
October 13 - 14	Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah	Tuesday, November 11	Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, October 14 5:30 p.m.	Board of Trustees Meeting	Thursday, November 13	A Bisell Torah Online
Friday, October 17 5:30 p.m.	Shabbat Service Lay-Led	Friday, November 14	Shabbat Service
Thursday, October 23 12:00 p.m.	WV Coalition Against Domestic Violence (CADV) Awards Luncheon (Rabbi Blair is one of the clergy being honored)	Thursday, November 20 4:30 p.m.	A Bisell Torah Online
Friday, October 24 5:30 p.m.	Shabbat Service	Friday, November 21	Shabbat Service
Sunday, October 26 11:00 a.m.	Sisterhood Board of Directors & General Membership Meeting & Program: Historic Glenwood Estate Presentation (Marla Griffith, Executive Director)	Thursday, November 27	Thanksgiving Day OFFICE CLOSED NO A Bisell Torah
Thursday, October 30 12:45 p.m.	WVU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Course: Another Engagement with Jewish Poetry, Session 1 Online Taught by Rabbi Blair	Friday, November 28	Shabbat Service
Friday, October 31 5:30 p.m.	Shabbat Service		



Covered Dish Dinner Following Shabbat service on October 10!



**** Please Bring Only Sides or Desserts ****

**** The Main Entrees and Drinks Will Be Provided ****

FROM THE RABBI'S DESK CONTINUED

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- with Covered Dish Dinner to follow (please bring only sides or desserts – the main entrees and drinks are provided), Friday, 10/10, 5:30 p.m.
- **Simchat Torah** Holiday (The office is closed on 10/13)
- WV Coalition Against Domestic Violence Awards Luncheon, 10/23, 12:00 p.m. Rabbi Blair will be recognized at this event.
- WVU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Course: Another Engagement with Jewish Poetry, Thursdays, 10/30 & 11/6, online. Instructor, Rabbi Blair
- Torah Study, Sunday, 11/2, 10:30 a.m., Parashah Vayera [Genesis 18:1-22:24]
- Jewish Literature, 11/2, 4:00 p.m.
- Death Chatter, 11/2, 7:00 p.m.
- Shabbat service with **Krystallnacht & Veterans Day** observed, Torah Parashah Vayera, with Covered Dish Dinner to follow, Friday, 11/7, 5:30 p.m.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

These include monthly Board of Trustees meetings, scheduled Sisterhood meetings, weekly *Ongei Shabbat* (plural), and the return of scheduled classes and programs (i.e., A Bisell Torah, Leora May Book Group).

I have not spoken with Rabbi Berman about specific dates or times on which he will resume the Torah and Talmud classes that Rabbi Urecki led; he asked if I would be willing to join him for those, and I was delighted to say yes. When I know more, I will be happy to share the information with you.

NEW ACTIVITIES

Please watch for emails to solicit your interests and availability regarding new classes and programs. We will likely be sending those out using the survey tool (similar to what we used for the High Holiday Honors), so you can click a link and enter your responses. We will want to know: what you would like to see offered, as well as when (frequency, day, dates & times).

The majority of these new offerings will be a return to an older format, one we have not focused on for the last five years – in-person events, mostly in the building. Because we have found that many people who attend online for the existing offerings could not do so if we moved them to in-person gatherings, I have

decided to continue those online as they have been, and to try adding other events following the in-person model, so we have a variety.

Please watch for these survey emails to come out sometime during October (but AFTER the High Holidays!), and please do respond to let us know what you would like to see offered and want to attend. New offerings will be scheduled starting in November, if all goes according to plan.

I always enjoy holding events with others, so I hope to see you at some or all of them, or at any special or additional events we hold beyond these classes and programs.

And please know: whether you are here in person or attending online, I value your presence and participation as a member of the Congregation and community. You are invited to participate however you wish - and however often you are able and wish to do so.

For more details on scheduled events and activities, see the At-a-Glance listings in this Bulletin – and because things can and often do change after the Bulletin is published, the most up-to-date information is to be found in the Reminder Links emails sent on Sundays & Thursdays, and on the Temple Israel website calendar (templeisraelwv.org).

THOUGHTS, BLESSINGS & SALUTATIONS

As we are immersed in the High Holy Days, I offer you this prayer.

May we draw closer to the divine, and be guided towards our best selves. May we be a vehicle to bring G-d's presence to every living thing we encounter, and thereby to all of creation.

May we be inscribed and sealed in the book of life for a good, sweet, and happy year, with peace, prosperity, and health, for each of us, and for all our loved ones.

I again urge you to please remember to take every opportunity to be kind to those around you; it will make a difference and improve the world. There are so many reasons to feel down; raise your own spirits and those of everyone you encounter by sharing kindness and love. This is a very attainable way to make the world a better place.

I hope to see you at High Holiday and regular services, as well as at some of the other events that are upcoming in our community. Warm wishes for you as we proclaim and celebrate the righteous judgement, mercy, and compassion of G-d.

B'virkat Shalom (with blessings of peace), and prayers for health, joy, and peace,
Rabbi Joe Blair
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 304-989-4014



PARTICIPATION REQUESTS

If you are willing to lead a service, or read Torah or Haftarah for our services occasionally, *we would warmly welcome your participation.*

Ronni Spudich invites members to bless and light candles for our Shabbat services each week. If you are willing, please contact her.

We invite you to participate in services by leading a prayer (or perhaps several) or doing a reading (or several) during the service; being called up for an Aliyah to the Torah; serving as Gabbai for the Torah Service; or giving a devar Torah (sermon).

If you are interested in doing any of these, please be in touch with Rabbi Joe to select a date that works for you, as well as the role that you would like to take on.

If you prefer, you can speak to Betty Stern or Ronni Spudich – all of us would be happy to have you participate in a way that you wish.

OCTOBER YAHRZEITS

Names are read the Friday evening prior to the Yahrzeit date, which is beside names.

SEPTEMBER 26

Dr. Gordon F. Phillips 9/27
 Alfred H. Schaffner 9/27
 Bernard Bergen 9/28
 Richard O. Katz 9/28
 Ellen Shapiro 9/28
 Judy Walder 9/28
 Thomas C. Bachman 9/29
 Edna P. Hofmayer 9/29
 Lawrence C. Kaufman Jr. 9/29
 Etta Ruda 9/29
 Joseph Bernard Gateman 9/30
 Genevieve Henderson 9/30
 Susan Hockenbrocht 9/30
 Faye Kantor 10/1
 Richard M. "Ricky" Pollack 10/1
 Leonard Gottlieb 10/2
 Nat Spigel 10/2
 Ray Blocker 10/3
 Louis Gottlieb 10/3
 Helen Jacobs 10/3
 Ann W. Silverstein 10/3

OCTOBER 3

Lucille Barrett 10/4
 Jacob Darling 10/4
 Annie Kaplan 10/4
 Irma Hallo 10/5
 Betty Levine 10/5

Geneva Mann Sessions 10/5
 Dr. Albert Breitbart 10/6
 Betty Burkhardt 10/6
 Jerry Goldberg 10/6
 Dottie Greenspon 10/6
 Bertha Sclove 10/6
 Frank B. Wotiz 10/6
 Jeanette Gotlieb 10/7
 Louis Hallam 10/7
 Samuel A. Weisenberg 10/7
 Rebecca Blankstein 10/8
 Harold Freedman 10/8
 Amelia L. Hess 10/8
 Flora Schwartz 10/8
 Alan Land Susman 10/8
 Freda Gordon Kopelman 10/9
 Sophie Applebaum 10/10
 Charles "Charlie" Carroll 10/10
 Bernice "Bea" Cohen 10/10

OCTOBER 10

Rose Goldstein 10/11
 Leona Spigel 10/11
 Donald Deutsch 10/12
 Stella Hess Swarts 10/12
 Bernard Sclove 10/13
 Alfred Zicherman 10/15
 Kurt Feibelmann 10/16

Louis Fenster 10/16
 Sam Kopelman 10/17
 Allan Shumofsky 10/17

OCTOBER 17

William Fleischmann 10/19
 Mary Lipson 10/20
 Jacob Nusbaum 10/20
 Harriet Stern 10/20
 Bertha "Bertie" Feldman 10/21
 Frank McCallum 10/21
 Grace Ratowsky 10/21
 Augusta Angel 10/22
 Dr. Herman Gordon 10/23
 Howard Coleman 10/24
 Sidney Gattlieb 10/24

OCTOBER 24

Lucille Goldfarb 10/25
 Karen Bramnik Syken 10/26
 William L. Sloman 10/27
 Lena Baker 10/29
 Dorothy Rae Boiarsky 10/29
 Ira Loeb 10/29
 Estelle Stack Kreinik 10/30
 Dr. Myron I. Price 10/30
 Simon Meyer 10/31
 Jack Rosenblatt 10/31



WELCOME TO THE WORLD

Proud Parents, Na'Jah Shaffer-Tatum
 (Temple Israel's Housekeeper) & DJ Staples
 welcomed their baby girl

Nai'Lani Dayana Staples

Date: September 19, 2025
 Time: 10:53 a.m.
 Weight: 5 lbs 4 oz
 Length: 17 inches

CONGRATULATIONS!



IN THE CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

Refuah Shelemah/Mi Sheberach (Healing & Wholeness & Blessings)

Prayers and wishes to those who have been included in recent Mi Sheberach lists at services, and wishes for continued good health for those who are on the mend or have returned to full health or wellness. This list includes those on our list during the time since the last Bulletin article who agreed to have their name listed. If we spoke and you did not want your name announced in the Mi Sheberach list, please know that I have included you in my personal prayers for healing and wholeness, though your name is not listed here.

David Bailey
Maria Gaona Bellamy
Sally Bowyer
Carl Cardwell
Anne Dever
Jim Doria
Arthur Epstein
Jonathan Freedman
Karl Gattlieb
Ed Goldberg
Jack Goldfarb
Mirabella Grizer and Family
Lisa and George Hess
Rabbi Earl Jordan
Ruth Jordan
Paula Kushner
Zel Lewis
Ruth Levy
Judy Lundy
Ditty Markham
Gary Markham
Deborah Meehan
Laura Patterson
Kay Pickus
Penny Sappington
Mark Schaul
Paul Skaggs
Bob Steinberg
Barbara Braun Tweddle
Nancy Tyler
Wesley Walker
Gary Winter

We also recall in our prayers:

All who are impacted by illness or disease
Everyone afflicted by natural or man-made disasters, war, violence, terrorism, or oppression
Hostages, captives, prisoners, and their families
Each person in need of prayers for healing and wholeness, specifically including those who are in your heart or mind at this time

Baruch Dayan Haemet (Condolences & Prayers)

We continue to hold in our prayers Rose Christian, mother of Dona Hall, who has moved to Harmony at Southridge. May she be comfortable and enjoy her time there.

Our heartfelt prayers go out to all who were affected by fires, floods, or other severe weather events throughout the U.S. and the world. Many have been overwhelmed and left in dire straits, and are in need of assistance. Please consider donating to one of the organizations that are seeking to help the affected people recover from devastating losses.

We continue to offer prayers for those who are held captive, dead or alive, as well as their families. Our hearts are with them. May there be a happy resolution and complete healing from their trauma soon for all those still alive and their families, and may the bodies of those who lost their lives be returned to their families to offer a dignified burial and some form of closure. May there be a cessation of hostilities and an end to the death and injuries taking place.

We pray also for all those who are under attack, and those who are innocents caught in the crossfire. May there be an end to all their suffering, and may peace come to pass throughout the world.

Our prayers go out to those fallen in service to their country and to members of the military, First Responders, and all who placed themselves in the way of harm for the sake of others. We pray for the peace of their souls, and for comfort for their families and loved ones.

Mazal Tov (Congratulations)

[Please tell us about these events so we may acknowledge them as appropriate.]

To those who reached or will reach milestones, and to all who had any birthday or anniversary or other life event worth celebrating! Among those we know who are/were to be acknowledged we include:

September: Jackie & Steve Artz; Ladonna Kushner; Bridget McGuire; Josh Barrett; **Rich Katz (MILESTONE)**; Ron Eisinger; Jace Goins; Jodi & Rich Katz; Julie Adams; Ed Goldberg; Marsha & Ivan Platnick; Gail Bellamy; Bill Rosenfeld; Lynn & Steve Meyer; Nadyah Bastron; Lynn Gattlieb; Roberta Lee Levine;

Gayle Twigger-Shaw

October: Mary Hart; Richard Hess; Ina Angel; **Janie & Moe Rubenstein (MILESTONE)**; Ladonna & David Kushner; Julie Schaul; **Gary Winter (MILESTONE)**; Marlo Weisberg Erwin; Millie Snyder; Alan Fleischmann; Debby Sonis; Gloria Kelley; Marsha Platnick; Steve Meyer

November: Barbara Braun-Tweddle; Roger Forman; Jennifer Stern; **Mark Schaul (MILESTONE)**; Betty Stern; Jill Epstein; Gregg Stern; Anne Fishkin; Kim Aaron

Mazal tov to Rabbi Urecki on being honored by the Charleston Area Alliance at the 2025 We Love Our Community Awards.

Mazal tov to Rabbi Berman for "Blowing his horn in Charleston" - the sounding of the shofar in many places by various people. This was a fun way to get the word out and involve others on Facebook and Instagram.

Mazal tov to Lynn & Karl Gattlieb on the wedding of their daughter, Dr. Shelley Gattlieb to Bro Krit on September 27th. We wish the newlyweds much joy in their wedded life.

A belated Mazal tov to Tod Kaufman for a recognition placed in the Congressional Record of April 13, 2021 (Vol. 167, No. 63, 117th Congress, First session) by Senator Joe Manchin at the time of Tod's retirement as a judge. He was lauded with a full page celebrating his accomplishments. We only found out about it recently.

A belated Mazal tov to Lynn & Steve Meyer on being honored by the placement of a bench at Twin Falls West Virginia State Park, donated by Barrie & Tod Kaufman.

Mazal tov to Louis Weisberg on being inducted into the WV Business Hall of Fame.

An early Mazal tov to Ann Kushner on her upcoming move to Heritage in Huntington. She will have the same cell phone; please use that to contact her.

Mazal tov to Sharon Jubelirer on her move to Pittsburgh, nearer family. We will miss her here, but wish her well.

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IN THE CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY CONTINUED

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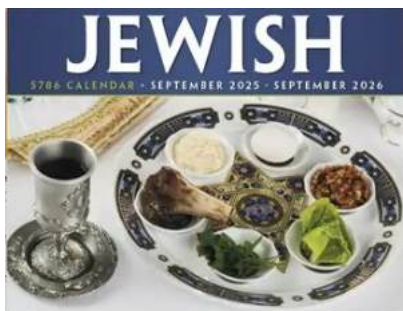
Mazal tov to Mary Hart on her move into a facility in Ohio. She can be contacted through her daughter, Barbara Saunders.

A note of thanks for continuing to inform others about Jewish events and learning in West Virginia: Janie and Moe Rubenstein continue to offer access to Wondering Jews – a website sharing Jewish events and resources from around the state of West Virginia. Wondering Jews is the One Stop for All Things Jewish in West Virginia. Visit Wondering Jews to find what is out there! Visit Wondering Jews at www.wonderingjewsinc.com

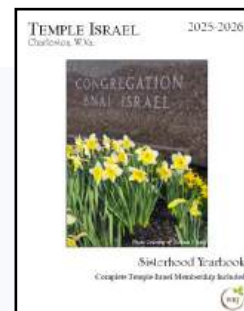
I hope I included all who should be here (I tried!), but if I missed anyone, please forgive me, and let me know so I can acknowledge it in the next Bulletin.

Please do let me know about reasons to celebrate and offer congratulations. If you have a milestone of any kind, or any birthday, anniversary, or life event that is worthy of celebration, please let us acknowledge and celebrate it with you! (Tell the Rabbi about it.)

Rabbi Joe Blair



Jewish Wall Calendars & Sisterhood Yearbooks Available in the Temple Israel Office



TZEDAKAH (CHARITY)

I have asked you to consider giving Tzedakah in almost every Bulletin since I came to Charleston. The frequency of my request is an indication of the value I attach to this Mitzvah, and how important it is.

This month, while we are in the midst of the *Yamim Nora'im* and the High Holy Days, I ask again. Please be generous with your tzedakah. You may not realize how many have been helped, or how much it means to those I have been privileged to support, but trust me, they rely on the generosity and kindness of those who donate to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund. It makes a world of difference to them. So, I ask for your consideration of donations to the Rabbi's Discretionary Fund.

I deeply appreciate everyone who has ever donated – my sincere thanks from the bottom of my heart to all who have made contributions.

The funds are used in our own Congregation and Community to help those who have urgent needs. I am deeply grateful and truly honored to be allowed to act on behalf of Temple Israel in this way, and to serve as the hand of Temple Israel in reaching out and assisting in times of distress.

I can assure you that there have been multiple and significant needs supported by the fund. I mention this because I hope never to have to turn away one of our own who has a need, and I also want to acknowledge the generous support of many people over the past years, allowing me to meet the needs as they arose.

And lest it not be obvious, **there are many worthy causes** that deserve your consideration – especially at this holiday season. Please do all you are able. Support those causes that are close to your heart.

We are taught that Tzedakah is among the highest of all mitzvot – **ESPECIALLY** at this time of year. I pray that your heart be moved to give more than you otherwise might, and that your generosity be a blessing for those who receive it. May the blessing you make possible reflect back onto you and your loved ones.

Rabbi Joe Blair

NOTICE: CORRESPONDENCE/EMAIL

I send Reminder Links emails on Sundays and Thursdays (most weeks) using the Google Email List. That email list is set to send a copy of each message to everyone at one time. It does not pick and choose who will receive the messages: anyone whose valid email is on the list should receive a copy.

If you are not seeing those emails in your inbox regularly, and you don't find them by looking in your Spam, Junk, or Trash folders, please be in touch with me (the Rabbi) to try to remedy the situation.

Some email providers (notably, AOL, but others as well) automatically mark messages from an email list as spam/trash/junk, unless they are marked otherwise in advance in their system. We want everyone who is interested to be able to receive those emails with the events and zoom links for the upcoming time.

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Temple Israel dressed up on a pleasant August day for a beautiful wedding.



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SUPPORT & CONTACT WITH THE RABBI

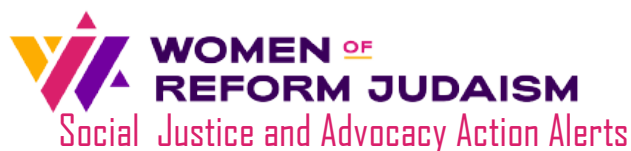
Please be in touch with me if you would like a visit or a conversation, have a question, wish to add (or remove) a name on the Mi Sheberach list, or have any other reason to speak with me.

If you have any pastoral concerns, know of someone who needs pastoral or rabbinic support or assistance, have a suggestion or a concern about our community, please call me (the Rabbi) at 304-989-4014, or email me at rabbijoeb@gmail.com.

I read email and texts quite regularly (Except on **Shabbat and holidays, both Jewish and secular**).

In an emergency on one of these days, please phone me on my cell phone and leave a message, expressing the urgency of the call and the nature of the need in the message. I will get back to you as soon as I am able.

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From: Francine Thalheimer
Temple Israel Sisterhood
Chair, Critical Issues (Social Advocacy)

Please consider contacting our West Virginia Leaders in Washington by advocating for one or two of the important social justice issues listed below. Copy the website link to your computer or phone, click on the link, and follow the directions listed on the website. This is a great way to advocate and make your voice heard!

Action Alerts

Urge Congress to Strengthen Security Resources for Houses of Worship
<https://www.votervoice.net/URJ/campaigns/97977/respond>

Urge Congress to Protect Synagogues & Sensitive Spaces from Immigration Enforcement
<https://www.votervoice.net/URJ/Campaigns/121556/Respond>

Urge Congress to Protect Our Communities by Combatting Climate Change
<https://www.votervoice.net/URJ/Campaigns/128781/Respond>

Urge Congress to Restore Voting Rights
<https://www.votervoice.net/URJ/Campaigns/98087/Respond>

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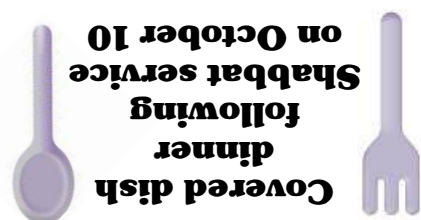
As is our tradition during the High Holidays, please note the brown paper bags located on the table by the front side door of the Social Hall.

Please take them, and fill them with non-perishable food items during these High Holy Days, and leave them in the Social Hall on the stage.

The food collected will be taken to the Covenant House food pantry.

If you prefer, you may give a check payable to Covenant House.

If you need further information, please contact Cookie Glasser or Rachel Dash, co-chairs of our Temple Social Action Committee.



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