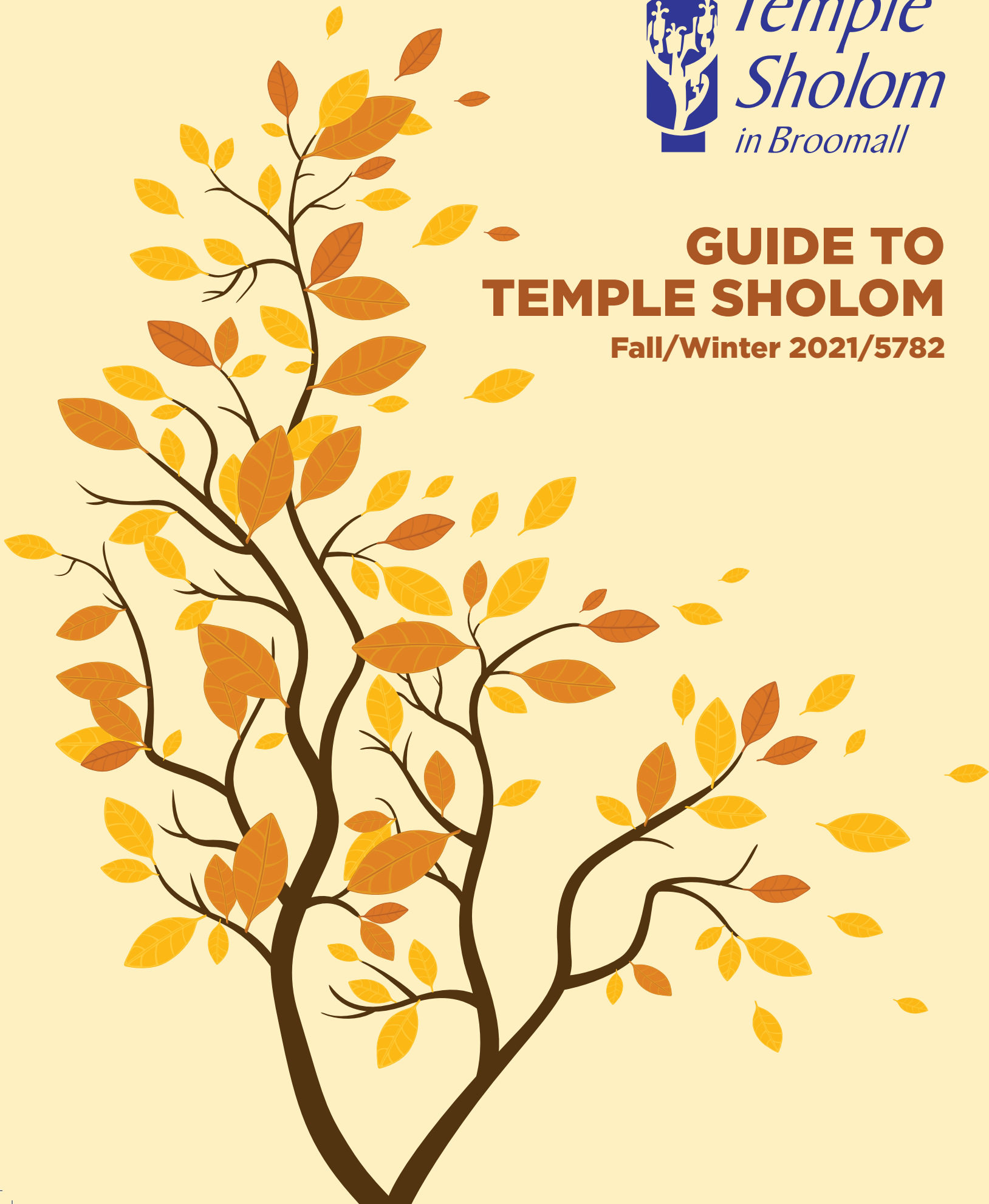




*Temple
Shalom*
in Broomall

GUIDE TO TEMPLE SHOLOM

Fall/Winter 2021/5782





Dear Friends,

Together we have experienced this unimagined rollercoaster of Covid-19. We have faced challenges of loss, sickness and change that have been devastating. Even while we struggle, I have to look at the experience we are traveling and wonder how we can use the moment to assess our priorities and refocus our lives.

To our tradition this approach of adaptation is not new. Think about the calamities we have known as a people and how we have found a way to change for survival. Somehow we as Jews have always seen crisis as an opportunity. This moment calls on us to continue that growth and flexibility. Who ever could have foreseen the leap into the online world for services and Jewish learning that has been so rewarding? We have been working hard to provide programming, services and connections even while we try to understand the safest way to make that happen. We are so grateful to the countless lay leaders and staff of Temple Shalom who have worked diligently as a team to create an enriching and fulfilling year for all. In these pages we hope you will find some of the tools, programs and content that can enrich your journey.

This year, our High Holy Days will still not be fully returned to what we remember from two years ago; the world is just not ready. We want to challenge you, as we have challenged ourselves, to use these Days of Awe as a breath and inspiration to ask ourselves these tough questions. How will living through Covid change who I am for the better? How can our tradition provide stability during these days of change and instability? We believe that the experiences, services and learning that we are offering will be a guide on this path. A chance to learn, celebrate, mourn, gather and pray for better days. Perhaps we can turn our fear and uncertainty into fulfillment and growth. Maybe in these new forms of connection and community, we can find meaning and holiness.

I have been thinking often of these words from Rabbi Naomi Levy as a guide to this moment and these Holy Days:

We are frightened, God,
 Worried for our loved ones,
 Worried for our world.
 Helpless and confused,
 We turn to You Seeking comfort,
 faith and hope.
 Teach us God,
 to turn our panic into patience,
 And our fear into acts of kindness and support.
 Our strong must watch out for our weak,
 Our young must take care of our old.
 Help each one of us to do our part to halt the spread of this virus
 Send strength and courage to the doctors and nurses
 In the frontlines of this battle,
 Fortify them with the full force of their healing powers.
 Send wisdom and insight to the scientists
 Working day and night across the world to discover healing
 treatments.
 Bless their efforts, God.
 Fill our leaders with the wisdom and the courage
 To choose wisely and act quickly.
 Help us, God, to see that we are one world,
 One people who will rise above this pandemic together.
 Send us health God,
 Watch over us,
 Grace us with Your love,
 Bless us with Your healing light.
 Hear us God,
 Heal us God,
 Amen.

However you may be approaching our multi-access experiences, we hope you will find meaning and connection! We are grateful and honored to share these High Holy Days as a Temple Shalom family. May these days of awe be filled with health, joy and happiness!

L'Shana Tova,
 Rabbi Riggler



Dear friends,

In ancient days, the Jews would take long pilgrimages from their homes to Jerusalem, bringing their offerings to the High Priest for the Three Festivals (Sukkot, Passover, and Shavuot) and then they would return home, changed from the experience -- a little older, a little wiser, and maybe even spiritually transformed. We have all been on a journey these last 18 months, traveling to an unfamiliar place of distancing and masks, and we are slowly, slowly returning "home".

The pandemic was a once-in-a-generation challenge that brought unexpected struggles and tragic losses, and through it all the Temple Sholom community stayed together. Through live streaming technology, Zoom meetings, and even just simple phone calls, we kept the bonds of our Temple family strong. We have all experienced grief and we have all felt unexpected moments of joy, even as our individual journeys have been unique.

As we move into 5782, we look forward to welcoming everyone back into the building—your second home—and continuing to nourish our strong, vibrant community.

B'shirah (in song),
Cantor Marx



Staff & Board

We hope you take advantage of all that our community has to offer!

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Our guide to Temple Sholom programs, classes, and community. Please look through our weekly emails to see how to access our programs. Our services can be found at our web page

temple-sholom.org/webcast

or through our Facebook page

facebook.com/TempleSholomInBroomall

Contact our office, **610-356-5165**, if you need assistance with technology or if you need help accessing the programs.

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Welcome to a new year at Temple Sholom! After a long year and a half, we are starting to reopen our building. As we come back together, congregational life will not be the same as it was before – we know that it will be better! Our clergy, staff, board, and volunteers have been working to make this a wonderful year. Look through this program book and you will notice that many of our offerings will be

“multi-access”. This means that you may attend either in person at the Temple or on-line from almost anywhere in the world.

These past months have shown that the true strength of our Temple is the many relationships that it nurtures. If it is true that absence makes the heart grow fonder, then this year’s theme will truly be an overflowing one of loving-kindness.

The new year brings us new opportunities. Check out Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Culture Club, Youth Group, or Hilltoppers. Attend one of our weekly classes for some interesting discussions. I have gotten to know many congregants by attending our Tanakh class on Wednesdays and Torah study on Saturdays. Get involved, too. We need you to help out on a committee or with a one-time project. Call me to schmooze, and you will see that every person has a special place at Temple Sholom. Let us help you to find yours.

I am beyond happy to be able to say: I look forward to meeting you at Temple Sholom.

B'Shalom,
Margaret Husick
President





Friends,

I have always enjoyed the fact that our Jewish tradition gives us the opportunity to have two New Year's celebrations each year. One on the High Holy Days (late Summer/early Fall) and the other on the secular New Year (winter). The chance to take stock of our year and to celebrate,

not once but twice is extra special, and always makes me feel privileged to have Judaism in my life.

As we spent last year celebrating Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur virtually, and are planning on both in-person and virtual celebrations this year, I have been thinking about customs associated with the New Year. Rituals that we associate with the holidays and can enjoy when we are together and also when we are in our own spaces bring the holidays alive and can help to make them extra special.

I always think of the ball dropping in Times Square, and my family's tradition of eating delicious desserts on the secular New Year's Eve (custard filled eclairs being a particular favorite of mine). I did a little research and found some ways that other cultures celebrate the New Year. Here are a few: they eat grapes in Spain, smash plates in Denmark, jump waves in Brazil, and ring bells in Japan.

This brings me to the pair of Jewish symbols associated with the New Year: enjoying apples and honey. Throughout the ages, apples have been associated with healing properties, and the honey signifies the hope that the coming year will be a sweet one. Together, they are a delicious and meaningful way to celebrate the hope for a sweet New Year.

Whether we are physically together in the same space, celebrating at home with family and/or friends, or participating virtually, we are all one community. Together, just like the apples and honey, we provide one another with opportunities to strengthen our well-being in the coming New Year.

Wishing you a Happy, Healthy & Sweet New Year!

L'Shalom,
Abbey Krain
Executive Director



Dear Temple Sholom Family,

If COVID taught me one thing, it is to count your blessings. For as much bad that came out of the pandemic, there were also bright lights and wonderful things that occurred. More quality time with family, appreciation for essential workers, gratitude for our health and well-being.

It also made me realize how important and special being with those you care about really is. That being said, I am thrilled that we are reopening our doors and are welcoming back our Temple Sholom family into our building.

The Temple Sholom Lay Leadership, staff, auxiliary representatives, and volunteers have worked diligently to provide our community with programming, connections, spirituality, and joy for this upcoming year. By offering multi-access options for our programming, we are giving everyone an opportunity to participate in all of the wonderful things we have planned while still allowing everyone to choose their level of comfort to participate.

It is my hope that you take advantage of all of the incredible opportunities that Temple Sholom has this year. Always check your emails, our Facebook page, our website, and when in the building, flyer rack, for the latest and greatest of what is happening at your home away from home.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions regarding programs, membership, or just to say hello. If any of your friends or family members would also like to participate in any of our programming, we would be thrilled to have them. I look forward to seeing you in person soon!

Wishing you a healthy, happy, and safe 5782!

B'Shalom,
Marissa Kimmel
Communications Associate & Youth Group Director



Rimon & Preschool Highlights



Rimon

Welcome Back! Rimon is excited to welcome new faces and returning faces for the 2021-2022/5782 year of discovery and learning. As the year begins, we are offering multi-access learning opportunities for our students and families to ensure that everyone feels comfortable in participating. We are all part of an amazing and supportive Rimon family and welcome you to join us.

“Keshet—Our Connections—Our Gifts” will guide our learning this year as we explore our personal and communal connections through the lenses of Torah, God and Spirituality, and the Land and People of Israel. Throughout the Fall, there will be opportunities for families and learners to explore and celebrate their connections and gifts. Here are just a few:

September

- 12** Opening Day of Sunday Rimon (K– 6th grades)
- 13** Opening Day of Monday Hebrew (4th – 6th grades), Rimon Noar (7th and 8th grades) and JLF–Jewish Leadership Fellowship (9th – 12th grades)
- 14** Opening Day of Tuesday Hebrew (4th – 6th grades)
- 26** Consecration of Kindergarten and 1st grade learners

October 3

Mitzvah Day for ALL Families (*event will take place after Rimon*)

November 22–28

No Rimon Classes! Take time to catch up on family connections and celebrate your gifts during Thanksgiving and the first night of Hanukkah!

December 3

Celebrate the gift of learning and more at Confirmation Shabbat!

For all the class dates and information, check out the Rimon Facebook page, Temple Sholom website, and watch for the weekly updates emailed to you on Thursdays!

Lori Green, Rimon Education Director



Preschool

Temple Sholom Preschool has been going strong. We have children from 3 months through 6 years old, from our warm and caring Infant Center to our Kindergarten students. Offering part time through full time hours, we have a schedule that meets all your needs.

Certified and loving teachers plan programs that suit the needs and interests of all students in a hands-on environment. We believe children learn best through play and experiencing the world. Our goal is to instill in each student a strong identity and love of Judaism. This is done through music, stories, special foods and holiday celebrations. We have Friday morning Shabbat services and monthly Tot Shabbat services.

For more information contact Lori-An Panchansky, Director of Early Education at **610-886-2065** or preschool@temple-sholom.org.

Lori-An Panchansky, Director of Early Childhood Education

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Shabbat Services

Shabbat Services are held live on Friday evenings at 7:30 pm with the exception of the second Friday of each month when Family Shabbat Services are held at 7 pm. Services will be in person and are available to be viewed on our website and Facebook Live (unless otherwise noted).

Bar and Bat Mitzvah

We are delighted that we are able to celebrate such beautiful simchas with our Temple Sholom family. Mazel Tov to all of our B'nai Mitzvah Students and their families! Bar and Bat Mitzvah services take place on Saturday mornings starting at 10:30 am and are available on Livestream unless otherwise noted. Check Temple emails as each date approaches. Below is the list of our B'nai Mitzvah Students celebrating between September and December.

September 18	Bar Mitzvah of Max Burman
October 2	Bar Mitzvah of Joshua Korff
October 9	B'nai Mitzvah of Cal Honesty
October 16	Bat Mitzvah of Shelby Seidman
October 23	Bat Mitzvah of Isabel Beiderman
October 30	Bat Mitzvah of Imara Kay
November 13	Bar Mitzvah of Jonah Rogosin
November 20	Bat Mitzvah of Sutton Gold
December 4	Bar Mitzvah of Jacob Hart
December 18	Bar Mitzvah of Asher Matthews

Yizkor/Memorial Services

For those of us who have experienced the loss of a loved one, we understand how important and powerful rituals are. The Jewish rituals have incredible wisdom and advice for us about how to walk our path of mourning. We hold four Yizkor memorial services throughout the year: Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Passover, and Shavuot. The two in the Fall are listed below.

Yom Kippur	Thursday, September 16 at 5 pm
Sukkot	Monday, September 27 at 9:30 am

Memorial plaques are a special way to honor a loved one. Memorial Plaques are hung in the Sanctuary and highlighted during the week of your loved one's yahrzeit. They are available for \$550. Contact the Temple office, **610-356-5165**, to purchase one today.



Temple Sholom Classes

Israel in the Middle East: Challenges and Opportunities With Paul Liptz

October 18 and 25 at 12 pm on Zoom

Israel initially had to deal with the Arab League boycott and the antagonism of the Communist world. The 1979 peace agreement between Israel and Egypt and the 1994 treaty with Jordan improved Israel's position in the Middle East. 2020 and 2021 have seen exciting new realities as a result of normalization with the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, and Morocco and improved relations with Jordan after years of tension and with Sudan.

Paul Liptz, a social historian, was on the Tel Aviv University faculty for 40 years, teaching graduate and undergraduate students in the Department of Middle East and African History and the International School, where he dealt with a wide range of topics. His main interests are History of the Yishuv [Pre-State], the Modern State of Israel and Arab Women and Nationalism in the Middle East. He taught graduate students at the Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem for 25 years as well as at the Conservative movement seminary, dealing with modern Jewish history, Israeli society and the contemporary Middle East. In the Israeli army reserves, he lectured officers and non-commissioned officers on non-military realms. He is still active in Israel and is involved in various academic and educational fields. In the last few decades, he has travelled the world extensively, lecturing and conducting workshops in some twenty countries. He has also been a visiting scholar with many American groups in Central and Eastern Europe. Paul was born in Rhodesia (Zimbabwe) and came as a volunteer to Israel one day before the Six Day War on June 4, 1967. He decided to stay in Israel, married Brenda and they have 4 children and 11 grandchildren.

Adult Confirmation: Talmud on the Challenges of Living Our Lives: Live in the Moment or for the Long Term? With Rabbi Amy Scheinerman November 30, December 7, 14, 21 at 5:30 pm in person or with a multi-access option

Available on Zoom as well as in person gathering at Temple Sholom, although our speaker will be remote. Students in Adult Confirmation are asked to be part of the course and others are welcome.

What does it mean to live a good life? What does it mean to be a good person? We can certainly list the attributes of a righteous person, but the situations life throws our way can challenge

the best of us in unexpected moments. Talmud has a wealth of wisdom for navigating the challenging moments and the rough shoals of life. Rabbi Amy Scheinerman is the author of The Talmud of Relationships: Volumes 1 and 2, published by the Jewish Publication Society, and has contributed chapters and essays to numerous books. She is a hospice rabbi in Howard County, Maryland.

Tanakh Most Wednesdays at 10:30 am in person or with a multi-access option

This weekly course, offered by Rabbi Peter Rigler, is an exploration of the Tanakh (The Torah, Prophets and Writings). Each session explores the traditional texts and raises modern questions. It is a fun participatory session open to adults of all levels and comfort with the text. You will find the group to be warm and welcoming! Please just check the calendar for dates we are not meeting.

Torah Study Most Shabbat mornings at 10:30 am on Zoom

Temple Sholom hosts a Torah Study session for an hour (or occasionally, a little longer) on most Shabbat mornings at 10:30 am. Mostly lay-led, we invite members of the community to Zoom in and participate, as well as to sign up to lead a session if you are interested. Let us know if you are interested in leading or joining a class. Contact Lawrence Husick with questions, lawrence@lawhusick.com.

Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level I with Alan Kirsch Sundays in person at Temple Sholom, September 19–October 24, 10–11:30 am. Depending on the students, the class may go longer than 6 weeks.

This course is designed for those with little or no background in Hebrew and concentrates on teaching the Hebrew alphabet and reading skills. This will be a six-session class and part of the National Jewish Outreach Program. Contact Alan Kirsch with questions, alkirsch@gmail.com.

Conversations with Men Sunday mornings at 9:30 am

Learn about and discuss a variety of issues related to what it means to be a Jewish man.





Temple Sholom Groups

Brotherhood

Our Brotherhood continues to be a wonderful social avenue for the men of our congregation. We are looking forward to having exciting programs in the Fall. Contact Dave Mendell, brotherhood@temple-sholom.org, to join.

Culture Club

If you grew up with the band, you belong in the Club! What on earth is Culture Club? We are a social hub of Temple Sholom members (mostly empty nesters) who have the energy and curiosity to meander on walking tours, dine at new restaurants and explore local attractions. We add a smattering of music, theater, film and wine, enhanced with some Jewish flavor (when available), and the final product is a recipe for fun and new friendships. Leave your Boy George costume behind; this Culture Club is a whole new experience! What's on our calendar so far?

September 18 - Get Down in Chinatown!

Back by popular demand! Join us for an evening in our private karaoke suite for drinks, food and of course Karaoke. We will be meeting at Yakitori Boy in Philadelphia. Start time forthcoming. Space is limited! Reserve your spot with Leza at [215-808-3513](tel:215-808-3513).

September 25, 5:00 pm - Sipping in the Sukkah!

Let's unravel the mystery of wine-tasting with some fun tips, wines and treats to pair it with. Bring something salty, sweet or spicy to share and our Culture Club wine aficionado will uncork some delicious offerings. What a fun way to enjoy the sukkah! RSVP with Leza at [215-808-3513](tel:215-808-3513).

October 23, 3:00 pm - Hike. Chat. Chow.

Put on your favorite walking or hiking shoes and join us for a late afternoon walk through Valley Forge Park. All fitness levels are welcome to walk, talk, and chow at a local brewery after our autumn hike. RSVP with Leza at [215-808-3513](tel:215-808-3513).

Contact Leza Raffel, leza@comsolutionsgroup.com, Grace Gherovici, lagacorreio@hotmail.com, or Penny Toren, pennytoren@gmail.com, to find out more.

Hilltoppers

Hilltoppers is a Temple Sholom auxiliary targeted for active, older adults ages 55+. We are excited to see everyone for all of our wonderful programming we have coming up this year. Our Board meets regularly the first Thursday of each month to further the success of Hilltoppers. Our Book Club continues to meet the second Thursday of each month at 1:30 pm on Zoom. Our programs are held the third Thursday of the month over Zoom. Anyone and everyone is welcome to join our Book Club and any of our programs.

Contact hilltoppers@temple-sholom.org with any questions.

Hilltoppers Book Club

September 23, 1:30 pm

Oy, Oy, The Teacher is a Goy by Henry Salzman

November 11, 1:30 pm

Next Year in Havana by Chanel Cleeton



Temple Sholom Groups

Sisterhood

While Sisterhood was taking a little summer break, we were thinking about our upcoming 2021-2022 season. Of course, we look forward to partnering with Rimon for Hanukkah as well as a Purim celebration. We will repeat our “Just Social” Zoom get-togethers, which have proven popular. In addition, there will be continuing joint programs with our Broomall Sisterhood of Congregation Beth El-Ner Tamid. Also in the works is our Opening Welcome Dinner – Sisterhood builds a Sukkah in the back yard in time to enjoy a boxed dinner together. See below for what’s going on this fall with more to come in the spring!

August 30, 7:30 pm
September 19, 2:00 pm

Zoom Get Together
Welcome Dinner in the
Sisterhood Sukkah

October 10, 1:30 pm
November 14, 7:00 pm

Walk at Stoneleigh
Game Night

Contact sisterhood@temple-sholom.org with any questions.

Sisterhood Book Club
September 28, 7:30 pm

The Chutzpah Advantage:
Go Bigger. Be Bolder. Do Better.
Detours

November 29, 7:30 pm

More dates to follow in the Winter/Spring

ToaSTY

Temple Sholom’s Youth Group for 8th-12th graders has adjusted to our new virtual world! We have had scavenger hunts, trivia nights, outdoor social distanced picnics, and lunch hours! Be on the lookout for our winter and spring programs. They are great ways to see your Temple Sholom friends! Contact Marissa Kimmel with any questions, toasty@temple-sholom.org.

Women’s Spirituality

Jewish women’s studies sessions are open to all Temple women and feature a variety of speakers. This group meets on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm *unless otherwise noted.* Contact Amy Berkowitz, amyberk@aol.com, or Linda Tarash, linda.tarash@gmail.com, to find out more.

Our dates for Fall 2021 are below.

October 27, 2021 with Rabbi Shelly Barnathan
December 1, 2021 with Lori Green

High Holy Days Schedule 2021/5782

S'lichot

Saturday, August 28

7:00 pm	Wister Quartet sponsored by The Robbins Family
8:00 pm	S'lichot Service

Rosh Hashanah

Monday, September 6

8:00 pm	Erev Rosh Hashanah
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Tuesday, September 7

9:00–9:30 am	Tot Service (Baseball Field or Sanctuary if raining)*
10:30 am–12:00 Noon	Adult Service (Last Names A-L) (Sanctuary)
10:30 am–12:00 Noon	Simulcast Service (Last Names M-Z) (Marple Presbyterian)
1:00–2:00 pm	Family Service 1 (Last Names A-L)
3:00–4:00 pm	Family Service 2 (Last Names M-Z)

Shabbat Shuvah

Friday, September 10

7:30 pm	Shabbat Shuvah: Sabbath of Return
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Yom Kippur

Wednesday, September 15

6:00–7:00 pm	Kol Nidre 1 – Adult Service (Last Names A-M)
7:00–8:00 pm	Kol Nidre Family Experience with Rabbi Stacy Rigler and Avi Wisnia (Marple Presbyterian)
8:00–9:00 pm	Kol Nidre 2 – Adult Service (Last Names N-Z)

Thursday, September 16

9:00–9:30 am	Tot Service (Baseball Field or Sanctuary if raining)*
10:30 am–12:00 Noon	Simulcast Service (Last Names A-L) (Marple Presbyterian)
10:30 am–12 Noon	Adult Service (Last Names M-Z) (Sanctuary)
1:00–2:00 pm	Family Service 1 (Last Names A-L)
2:30–3:30 pm	Family Service 2 (Last Names M-Z)
4:00–5:00 pm	Jewish Journeys Program**
5:00–6:30 pm	Yizkor and Concluding Service

Sukkot

Monday, September 20

7:00 pm	Sukkot Service (In Person in the Sukkah or Sanctuary/Streamed if raining)*
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Simchat Torah

Sunday, September 26

11:00 am	Religious School Consecration
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Monday, September 27

9:30 am	Yizkor Service
7:00 pm	Simchat Torah

About Our Services

- Services are at Temple Sholom or Marple Presbyterian Church.
- Masks required for all services.
- Please note if your service is at Temple Sholom or Marple Presbyterian Church.
- Livestream & Facebook Live is available for most services.
- Links will be sent out prior to High Holy Days.

Which service should you attend?

While you are welcome to be part of any opportunity, here are our general recommendations:

Tot: Toddler-K and their parents

Family: Rimon students (grades K-6) and their parents

Adult: 7th grade–adults

* Not Livestreamed/Facebook Live

** In Person and Livestream ONLY

If you would like to pick up a prayer book to use at home for virtual services, please stop by the Temple to pick one up.



A GUIDE TO THE PERPLEXED for the Holy Days

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur routinely get top billing during the High Holy Days, but it is truly a season that starts in the Jewish month of Elul. During Elul (the month before Rosh Hashanah), we begin our season of reflection. During Elul, and especially in the days leading up to Rosh Hashanah where we participate in the service of S'lichot, we begin to take stock of our lives and understand where we have been in the past 12 months. While Elul is a time for individual work, Rosh Hashanah reminds us that we must also take stock as a community and commit ourselves to acts of tzedakah (justice) and tikkun olam (repairing the world). When Yom Kippur comes around 10 days later, each of us is obligated to have asked for forgiveness from those we have harmed so that we may do the real work of teshuva (repentance) – figuring out how we are going to engage in deep change, both within ourselves and within our community.

Immediately after Yom Kippur, we are commanded to start building our sukkot, the little huts that we will dwell in for the coming week. Sukkot is the only holiday in the Torah where we are commanded to be joyful. We have torn ourselves down over Yom Kippur, confessing our sins and asking for forgiveness, and now we have the opportunity to celebrate our renewed relationship with God and with one another over Sukkot. Immediately on the heels of Sukkot comes Sh'mini Atzeret and Simchat Torah, where our joy overflows as we dance with the Torah. We end and begin the reading of the Torah and recommit ourselves to living lives of purpose and meaning in the coming year.

It is a long journey of holidays that have us exploring ourselves, our relationships, and our world. The entire High Holy Day season, from Elul through Simchat Torah, teaches us that we have the responsibility and the ability to close the gap between the world as it stands and the world as it ought to be.



S'LICHOT

August 28

Evening liturgy that usually includes prayers, piyyutim (poems), and some of the musical liturgy of the Days of Awe. S'lichot services are a first opportunity to immerse ourselves in the melodies of the season. Returning to those melodies feels like it awakens a dormant piece of our souls.

ROSH HASHANAH

September 6-7

Rosh Hashanah is the holiday marking the start of the Jewish New Year. In Hebrew, it translates to “head of the year”. The Rosh Hashanah holiday is marked by a period of celebration and reflection. During this holiday, family members and neighbors wish each other “Shana Tova” which translates to “have a good year.”

Apples and honey are traditionally eaten — to symbolize a sweet year ahead — and a ram’s horn, or shofar, is sounded during religious services to remind people to look inward and repent for the sins of the past.

This day is one of renewal and an opportunity for us to refocus our priorities and goals. Hearing the shofar blown and engaging in prayer with our community helps us acknowledge the good in our lives as well as those things which we would like to change. It strengthens our resolve to do better in the coming year.

TASHLICH

Observed anytime between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Tashlich means casting off. The tradition is to toss bread into a moving body of water, symbolically casting away our sins from the past year. This moment is really about reflecting on past mistakes so we can move into the new year with a clean slate. Please stop by to pick up a Tashlich information sheet so you may observe this practice on your own.

SHABBAT SHUVAH

September 10

This is the Shabbat between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. This service is often more meditative and provides a chance to mentally prepare for the upcoming fast.

YOM KIPPUR

September 15-16

Yom Kippur is a holiday that occurs ten days after Rosh Hashanah. Yom Kippur in Hebrew means “day of atonement”. Yom Kippur rituals include fasting, repenting, and asking for forgiveness.

Those who are able to choose to fast on Yom Kippur to meet the requirement “to practice self-denial,” as mentioned in the Torah.. Yom Kippur gives us the opportunity to reflect on the blessings we have been given. Fasting reminds us of the plight of those who lack access to food and nutrition so that we will grow sensitive to those needs and deepen our commitment to social justice and tzedakah or acts of charity. The High Holy Days give us a fresh start to what will hopefully be a sweet and healthy new year ahead.

SUKKOT

September 20-27

Sukkot in Hebrew means “booths.” This holiday both celebrates the end of the harvest season and the period of time during which the ancient Israelites lived in temporary booths as they traveled from Egypt to Israel.

During this holiday, please feel free to come visit our Sukkah in our parking lot. Please just follow the safety of remaining socially distant.

SIMCHAT TORAH & SH'MINI ATZERET

September 27-28

Simchat Torah in Hebrew means “the joy of Torah” and Sh'mini Atzeret is a celebration that occurs on the “eighth day” (sh'mini means eight, atzeret means celebration) the day following the seven-day holiday of Sukkot. Reform Jews celebrate and recognize these holidays simultaneously by reading the last passage and first passage of the Torah.

YIZKOR

Four times a year we share prayers of memory for those who have died. These days include Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Passover, and Shavuot. It is a brief service.



מחזור לימים הנוראים

משכן הנפש

MISHKAN HANEFESH

EXPLORING OUR HIGH HOLY DAY PRAYER BOOK

What follows is a brief guide to help you travel through the High Holy Days with Mishkan HaNefesh as a road map and guide for your journey. The machzor is the name for our Prayer book for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The editors have written that the machzor is [only] a tool for exciting and transformative worship: "... What matters is not 'mastering' the book, but rather allowing the book to help us experience transformative, sacred moments." You shouldn't feel constrained to the readings on the page that we picked. Let your eyes and heart wander. You can also sit with the book and explore at any point during this period of repentance.

Explanations for Using Mishkan HaNefesh

- Each service in Mishkan HaNefesh begins with a thematic phrase that seeks to highlight the essence of the service. The goal is not to reduce a service to one line but to help the person praying to grasp a major motif.
- The pages are purposely laid out: on the right side is the more traditional rendering of the prayer, and on the left side, a more creative approach.
- White pages have three basic elements: a traditional Hebrew prayer, a faithful translation, and a transliteration.
- Gray-tinted pages offer alternative translations, poems, countertexts, and creative readings.
- Pages with a blue background, set off with a black border, are meant to be read or studied silently.
- There are sidebars on the margins to help the worshipper follow the structure of the service.
- Italics indicate scriptural verses, not responsive readings (as previous Reform siddurim indicated). This gives the congregation more choices with how particular prayers or readings might be said.

Rosh Hashanah Evening

Avinu Malkeinu is the phrase for Rosh Hashanah evening. It encapsulates the essential message of Days of Awe: We're gathered to ask that God's judgmental side (Malkeinu) be diminished as God's compassionate side (Avinu) be heightened. Ideally, we would mirror this transformation in our own attitudes toward others and ourselves.

Rosh Hashanah Morning

The overall motif is the sounding of the shofar, calling us to wake up and pay attention!

Yom Kippur Evening Service (Kol Nidre)

"I forgive, as you have asked." The motif of the evening service, beyond its obvious connection with Kol Nidre, is a verse from the Book of Numbers in which God accepts the forgiveness of the Israelites. The idea is that forgiveness from God is a given; it is not a question of whether God will be compassionate, but whether or not we will be compassionate with ourselves and with each other, even as we submit our entire selves for review. The point of Yom Kippur is not to convince a judgmental Deity to pardon us, so much as it is our acceptance of a loving and compassionate God, already offering forgiveness.

Yom Kippur Morning

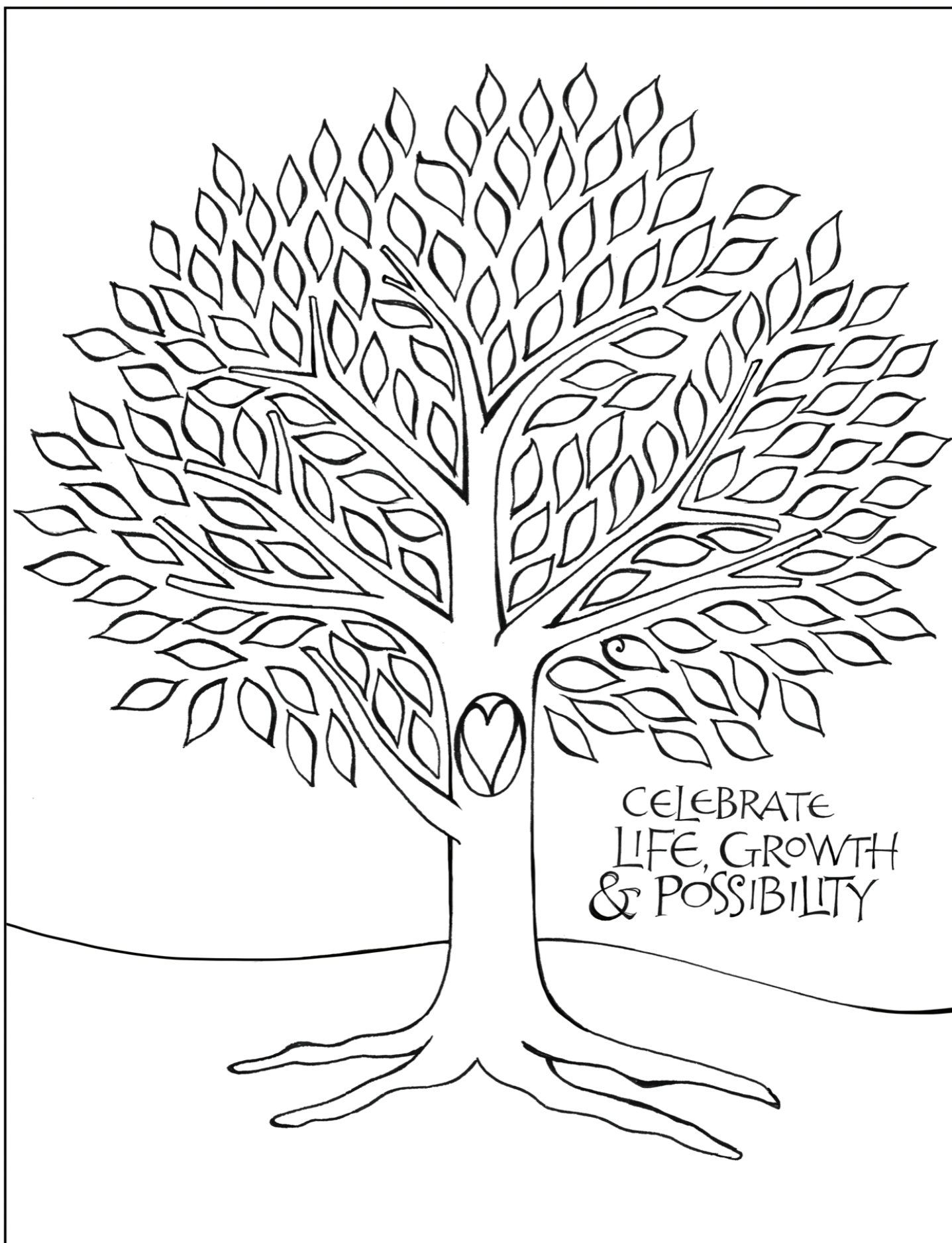
You stand this day, all of you, in the presence of Adonai, your God. The motifs are renewal of the covenant, and standing in judgment. We're reminded that repentance is not too far from us.

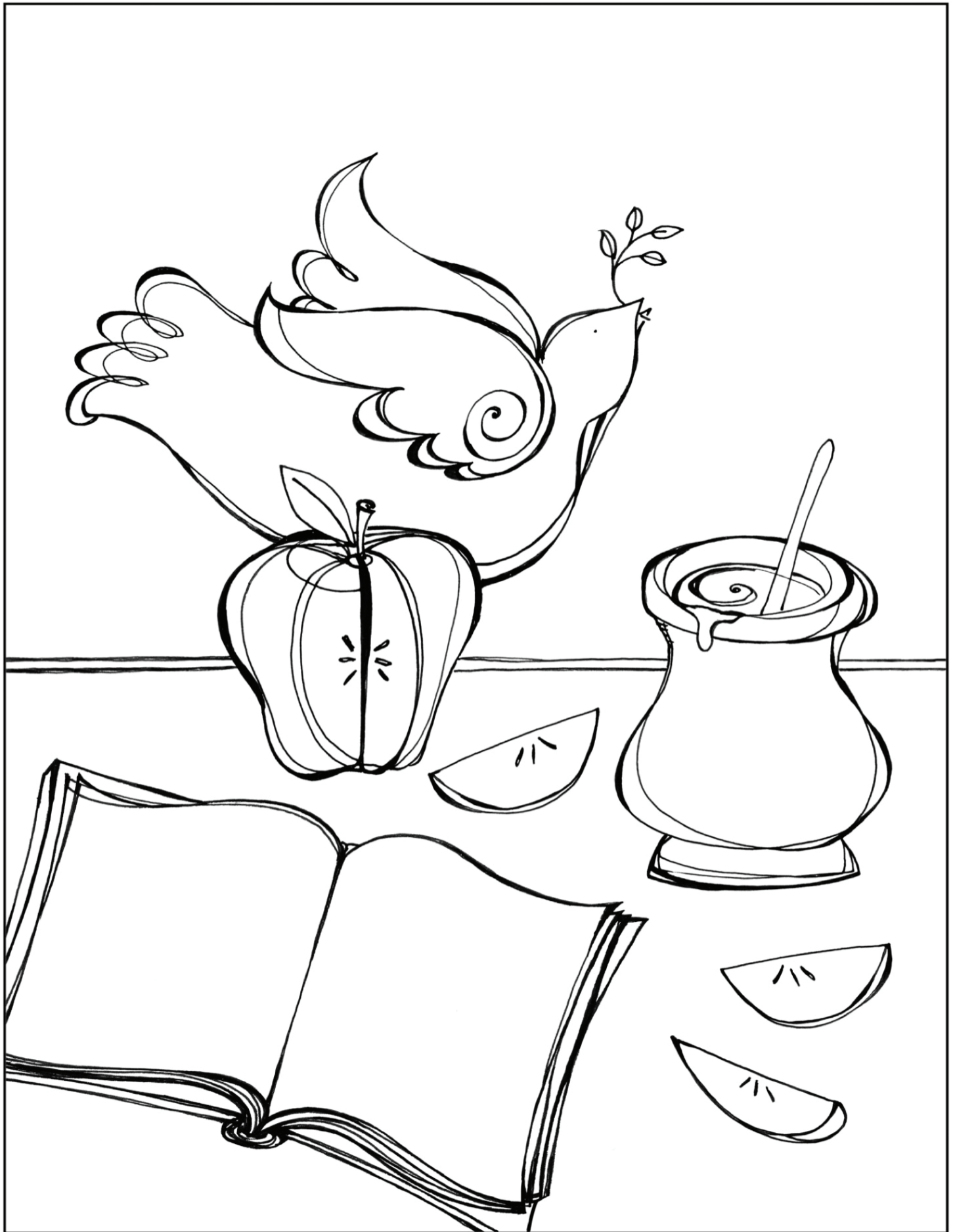
Yizkor

There are different ways to reflect on loss and memory, grief, and healing. Grief does not come in such an orderly fashion. We hold various relationships dear, making us vulnerable to loss and grief.

Neilah

You hold out your hand. The central motif is the image of God's outstretched hand, yearning to meet us in our journey toward repentance. It is a message of hope, of the time running out for repentance, but also, it is a time for relief that God anxiously desires our return.







CREATING SACRED SPACE IN YOUR HOME

We live in a moment where our kitchens have become our office and our living room a second classroom. Where then, is our synagogue? The Rabbis asked this same question right after the destruction of the Temple. Without a localized place of worship, how could we pray together? We are the inheritors of their answer: Our home would become our “mikdash m’at,” a miniature sanctuary, a holy place. Our current challenge is to create a sacred space at home while we are in front of our computers. What can help us create both that spiritual mindset and that spiritual refuge?

This year, we have multi-access options for attending High Holidays. You have the option of attending in person or virtually. If you choose to attend virtually, we have a unique opportunity to create a sacred space in our home — a mikdash m’at — for the High Holidays and beyond. These suggestions are meant to help you enhance the High Holiday experience at home, while creating a communal atmosphere for us all.

1. **Where?** Choose your prayer space carefully in advance by spending a few moments of individual contemplation/family discussion. Don’t wait for the last minute! Which chair will you sit on? Put a cushion or festive pillow on it, or drape it with a tallit, a special piece of fabric, or scarf.
2. **What?** Find meaningful objects to grace your space. On Rosh Hashanah, include holiday objects like candlesticks and kiddush cups, apples and honey. On Yom Kippur, you can place cherished mementoes, family heirlooms, and photos of loved ones to surround you. If you own a shofar, put it where it’s visible.
3. **Try to limit or disconnect auditory distractions.** You can turn off your email and text message ping sounds, and / or close your email program and other apps so you can be fully present during the service.
4. **Wear clothing that makes you feel as if you are entering a spiritual space.** A kippah and tallit are welcome if they help you to express a connection to this special worship.
5. **Be sure you have your machzor with you,** just like on past High Holidays when we gathered. As you feel its cover and edges and flip its pages, remember the times you’ve used it before—who you sat near, what moved you in the service, the first time you used it, etc.

We all appreciate the time and effort it takes to make your mikdash m’at a reality. Think of it as a “work in progress!”

Opportunities to Support Temple Sholom

Temple Sholom in Broomall is honored to be a part of your life in so many ways: Prayer, Life Cycle Events, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, Child and Adult Education, Social Justice, and Social Programming. Consider donating to one of our Temple Sholom funds today to secure continued excellence of all that we do. Visit our website to donate online or mail a donation directly to Temple Sholom. If you would like to speak to one of our staff regarding a gift please contact us. We also ask that you consider a legacy gift to our community. We thank you for your donation and continued support of Temple Sholom in Broomall.

Cantor's Discretionary Fund

Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Cantor.

Capital Improvements Fund

This fund supports major improvements to our facility above and beyond routine maintenance.

Danowitz Junior Youth Fund

To support the ongoing informal education efforts of our younger students.

Excellence in Early Childhood Education Fund

To support the programs of the Etta Natalie Rosenblatt Preschool.

Financial Assistance

To offset the reduction of revenue incurred when a Temple Sholom family cannot afford to pay their total dues. Contributions go directly into the General Fund.

General Fund

To support Temple operations.

Hospice and Healing Fund

To assist the Hospice Committee in carrying out its support programs.

Howard Weiner Library Fund

An endowment fund in which the interest is used to purchase books and supplies for the library.

Inclusion and Special Needs Fund

To purchase services, supplies, and equipment to assist congregants, students, and guests in need of accommodations that enable them to participate fully in all aspects of congregation life.

Jubilee Endowment Fund

To secure the future of Temple Sholom.

Marlene B. Kleinman Campership Fund

Interest is used to send students to a URJ camp each year.

Mayer Selekmán Jewish Leadership Fund

To provide grants for graduate study toward becoming a Jewish professional.

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Contributions to this fund will be used at the discretion of our Rabbi.

Religious School Education Fund

To support programs, special events and materials for education at all levels. Contributions can be earmarked for Women's Spirituality Group studies at the donor's discretion.

Cantor Patrice Kaplan Chair for Sacred Music Endowment

To endow the cantorial position at Temple Sholom, ensuring the future of Jewish music in our congregation.

Sanctuary Book Fund

To defray the cost of purchasing books for our sanctuary. A book plate is placed in each book indicating the donor's name and the occasion, for a minimum donation of \$36.

Scholar-In-Residence Fund

To help bring scholars to present and engage with the Temple Community, since 1983.

Technology Fund

To maintain and improve all aspects of technology, including our new Webcast used by Temple Sholom.

Temple Beautiful Fund

To improve and maintain the aesthetics of the Temple, including decor, furnishings, grounds and gardens.

Tzedakah (Food) Fund

To feed the hungry in our community. Contributions are distributed at the close of each fiscal year to outside charities at the discretion of a special Tzedakah committee.

Youth Scholarship Fund

To send Temple Sholom Youth Group members to National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) sponsored events. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need.

Other Opportunities

Sanctuary Chair Plaques	\$180
Memorial Plaques	\$550
Tree of Life Plaques	\$1000

Legacy

Your commitment to Temple Sholom in Broomall creates a legacy for our community & for all of Judaism. Donations of any size will create a legacy for now & long into the future.

Legacy Options

Simple bequest in will/trust, IRA or pension plan, Life insurance policy, Charitable gift annuity, Charitable remainder trust, Outright gifts of cash
*please consult with your legal advisor to determine the best option for you

Contributions also may be made directly to the Temple Sholom Brotherhood, Sisterhood, Hilltoppers, or Women's Spirituality.



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