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**GUIDE TO
TEMPLE SHOLOM**

Fall 2023



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Dear Friends,

For many of us, summer is a time when we get to take a pause for some rest and recharging. Sometimes that comes from a trip to somewhere new, pushing us outside our comfort zone and expanding our understanding of the world. Sometimes it's

a visit to a familiar haunt or a place that feels like a second home. A feeling of rejuvenation may come from just taking advantage of warm weather and long days, enjoying a concert in the park or an evening to enjoy the company of friends and loved ones.

But even those brief breaks from routine are only part of how we make it through the rest of the year. First, we need connection — to our inner selves, to God, and to the community around us. Second, we need to pause and reflect on the journey of our lives and make sure we are doing everything we can to ensure our own continued physical, spiritual, and emotional health.

The High Holy Days offer us all of that and more. The call of the shofar on Rosh Hashanah is our spiritual alarm clock, ringing out to remind us to be our best selves. Yom Kippur calls us to reconcile with those people whom we've hurt or who've hurt us, helping our spiritual and emotional wounds heal. During Sukkot, we bask in the comfort and connection with friends and family in our own backyards. And Simchat Torah, our celebration of the Torah, is a joy-filled dance party enlivened by a klezmer quartet.

During the fall and throughout the year, Temple Sholom offers many different ways to connect with the community, through spiritual and religious pursuits, fun communal activities, and opportunities for learning and study. Those connections give us strength and support in good times and difficult times, helping us find joy in simple moments and comfort when we are grieving. We invite you to join us for any of our programs and to find some peace and enrichment.

We look forward to seeing you all over the High Holy Days and throughout the year. Chazak, chazak, v'nitchazeik — may we all go from strength to strength.

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to a new year at Temple Shalom! Our clergy, staff, and volunteers have planned many religious, educational, and cultural events for the Fall. As we have done for the past several years, we will offer programs in a mix of virtual and in-person formats. This enables us to attend programs in person at the Temple or from wherever else we may be.

As always, the new year brings new opportunities to become part of our many auxiliary groups - Sisterhood, Brotherhood, Hilltoppers, Culture Club, and TOASTY (our Youth Group) - to attend an educational or cultural program, or to participate in our weekly classes and Tanakh/Torah/Talmud studies. We will continue to have social and cultural programs for small groups and our monthly dinners before Family Shabbat. And, of course, the new year also brings the opportunity to volunteer for our community, whether on one of our committees or with a one-time project. There is truly something for everyone at Temple Shalom.

I and the other members of the lay leadership look forward to meeting you at Temple Shalom!

B'Shalom,
Michael Galvin
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Dear Friends,

What a first year it has been for me as your Executive Director! Thank you all for welcoming me into this community with open arms. Thank you for supporting the many changes we've made to the operations of the Temple. You have been wonderful partners and I'm excited for the year to come.

There is one program that I'm extremely excited to announce for this coming year. Many of you have enjoyed our monthly Friday night family Shabbat dinners prepared by Josh Bullock. This year, Josh and I will be hosting four amazing "Chef's Table" dinner programs in our beautiful Multipurpose Room. During these limited capacity experiences, Josh and I will prepare multiple courses with thoughtful pairings like Whiskey, Wine, Beer, and Sake! Building community and sharing delicious food together are two of my favorite activities. Keep an eye out for these events. They will be first come first serve with a maximum capacity of 20 people.

Now that my first full year as Executive Director is behind me, I've learned a lot about our amazing community. While there is still always more to learn, and I will continue to do that, I would also like to begin to look forward to where we can take this community and what Temple Shalom will look like in the future. In the coming months, I want to learn about the needs and desires of this community. What are the programmatic, structural, facilities, and spiritual elements that could bring increased value to your Temple Shalom membership. What do you want to see in the future and how can we, as a community reach those goals together. I invite you to stop by, schedule a visit, and share with me your vision of what Temple Shalom can be so that we can begin the work, together.

B'Shalom,
Jeff Green
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Dear Temple Sholom Family,

I hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing summer! Around here, the summer has been quite busy as we have been getting ready for the upcoming year.

The Temple Sholom staff, lay leadership, and volunteers have been working tirelessly getting ready to welcome you back to your home away from home. The High Holy Days will be filled with a sense of joy and renewal. The fall will be packed with incredible programming, learning, spirituality, and fun.

It is my hope that you take advantage of all of the incredible opportunities that Temple Sholom has this year. We have many multi-access ways for you to get involved here. 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 Temple Sholom.

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 5784!

B'Shalom,
Marissa Kimmel
Member & Youth Engagement Coordinator
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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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Rimon Highlights – Fall 2023



Welcome Back! The entire Rimon Team is excited to welcome new families and returning families for a new year of learning and discovery. We hope that the programs we offer engage our learners (children and adults) to embrace the words of Rimon's tagline, *"Inspiring the Mind. Nurturing the Heart. Changing the World."*

"The Jewish Time Machine and Mitzvot" will drive our learning this year. Taking a deep dive into the holiday cycle we will explore the history, customs, foods, and mitzvot that bring the holidays to life for us in our lives today. Below you will find important dates and opportunities for the first half of the 2023-2024/5784 year:

September

- 11 Opening Day of Sunday Rimon
- 12 Opening Day of Monday Hebrew (4th - 6th grades), Rimon Noar (7th and 8th grades) and JLF-Jewish Leadership Fellowship (9th - 12th grades)
- 13 Opening Day of Tuesday Hebrew (4th - 6th grades)

October

- 16 Kindergarten Consecration and Simchat Torah Service

November

- 11 Chaverim (2nd and 3rd grades) help to lead Shabbat Services

December

- 9 Bonim (Kindergarten and 1st grade) help to lead Shabbat Services
- 16 Celebrate the gift of learning and more at 12th Grade 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
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Preschool Highlights – Fall 2023

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 Monday morning Havdallah and Friday morning Shabbat services, Soccer Shots, Nature Jack and Yoga.

Family programs happen through the year, including monthly Tot Shabbat services on the second Friday of every month (6pm). Open to all—we hope to see you there!

For more information contact
Lori-An Penschansky
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610-886-2065
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Shabbat Services

Shabbat Services are held live on Friday evenings at 7:30 PM except for the second Friday of each month when Tot Shabbat is held at 5:30 PM and 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.

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| October 13, 7:00pm | New Family Shabbat |
| October 20, 7:30pm | New Member Shabbat followed by a Jazz Oneg featuring The Michael Kaplan Group |
| November 17, 6:30pm | Shabbat preneg-heavy appetizers will be served |

B'nei 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'nei Mitzvah Students celebrating between September and December.

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| September 9 | B'nei Mitzvah of Elijah Marx |
| September 23 | Bar Mitzvah of Jakob Burman |
| September 30 | Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Schwam |
| October 7 | B'nei Mitzvah of Brett Messinger & Audrey Vokolos |
| October 21 | Bat Mitzvah of Ava DiTrolio |
| October 28 | B'nei Mitzvah of Ava & Seth Mozhdzhi |
| November 4 | Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Robinson |
| November 18 | Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Dershowitz |
| December 2 | B'nei Mitzvah of Alexander Neill & Yulia Utis |
| December 9 | Bat Mitzvah of Juliet Morgan |
| December 16 | Bar Mitzvah of Max Raffel |

Temple Sholom Classes & Programs

Links will be sent in advance for any multi-access or online programs.

The Prophet Elijah with Rabbi Eric Wisnia October 15 & 29, 1:00pm

Join congregant Rabbi Eric Wisnia as we explore the prophet Elijah during this special Lunch and Learn series. BYO Lunch. We will provide water and coffee. RSVP to Marissa, community@temple-sholom.org.

Class One, October 15:

I Kings, Chapter 18: Do Miracles Really Happen?

Class Two, October 29:

I Kings, Chapter 19: Miracles Don't Really Happen!

Para-Clergy Training: Shiva Minyan Wednesday, November 1, 7-8:30pm

Leading a shiva minyan is a beautiful and sacred way to support those in our community most in need! This training is for those interested in leading services, with a focus on how to lead in a house of mourning. Open to all, no prior experience or training required.

Memorial Scrolls Trust November 9 at 7:00pm

615 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19123
Entrance and Parking located at 1339 Green Street
Memorial Scrolls Trust will hold a Torah Scroll gathering in partnership with Congregation Rodeph Shalom. This will be a 60th reunion for the Czech Torahs that survived the Holocaust and are on loan in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware – 136 scrolls. The program will last one hour with a reception afterward. Our speakers for the evening will be Jeffrey Ohrenstein, Chairman and Trustee of MST, and Lois Roman, Board Member. This event promises to be an evening of everlasting memory. If interested, you must register at bit.ly/mstgathering

Jewish Book Council

We are excited to again be partnering with Jewish Book Council to bring incredible Jewish authors to Temple Sholom. Zoom links will be sent out in advance of the program. All books are available in the Temple Library. If you are interested in purchasing a copy, please contact Marissa, community@temple-sholom.org.

Thursday, September 7, 7:30pm

Sisterhood Book Council on Zoom

The Ways We Hide by Kristina McMorris

Monday, December 4, 7:00pm

We Need To Talk About Anti-Semitism by Rabbi Diana Fersko. The Author will join us on Zoom as we gather in the Sanctuary.

Hebrew Learning Crash Course

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.

Sundays in person at Temple Sholom October 8 – November 19, 10 - 11:30 AM. Depending on the students, the class may go longer than 6 weeks.

Text & Topics with the Rabbi

This weekly course (previously known as Tanakh Class), offered by Rabbi Peter Rigler, is an exploration of different religious and spiritual readings. 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.

Classes meet most Wednesdays at 10:30am in person or with a multi-access option.

Torah Study

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.

Sessions meet most Shabbat mornings at 10:30am on Zoom.

Adult Confirmation

For students who have shared an adult b'nei mitzvah, a six-month study journey with Rabbi Rigler and Cantor Marx, culminating with participation in Erev Shavuot services on Tuesday, June 11.



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 Robert Fein, brotherhood@temple-sholom.org, to join.

Wednesday, September 6 – Planning Meeting
Week of September 26-28 – Sukkah Set Up
Sunday, December 3, 4 pm – Eagles Tailgate and Eagles Live Podcast Hosting @ Temple Sholom

Culture Club

Hikes, Tangos and Eats... Get social with Culture Club! The word is out: Culture Club has become a social scene. We are energetic and outgoing adults who know we are cooler than our adult kids think we are! We prove it by trying out new activities, cultural experiences or adventures by foot in a welcoming and fun setting. Join us as a couple or super solo. Bring your friends! Most events are free of charge unless otherwise indicated.

Sip & Vibe at Grace Winery
Sunday, September 10, 1:00-4:00pm.
Join us for live music and great wine on the grounds of Grace Winery (50 Sweetwater Road, Glen Mills) as we relax and listen to a live performance by Acoustic Keys, known regionally for their covers of classic rock, pop and indie bands. Bring snacks to share and lawn/beach chairs.

Rosh Hashanah (Day 2) Nature Hike
Sunday, Sept 17, 11:00am-1:00pm
Celebrate the New Year in the great outdoors! We will walk the Linvill Trail/Indian Orchard Loop in Media, PA with our tour guide team, "Go with the Flo & Steve." Apples and honey will be provided or bring a sweet New Year treat to share.

Let's Learn to Latin Dance!

Saturday, October 21, 6:00-7:30pm

This beginner class is bound to be a blast! Cost is \$15 per person. The class is capped at 20 so RSVP ASAP with Leza at 215-808-3513. All levels welcome. We will meet at Salsa in the Suburbs (1245 N. Providence Road, Media) Optional dinner to follow at a local restaurant.

Argentina Comes to Broomall

December 2, 12:00pm

Temple Sholom is donating one of our Torah Scrolls to a Jewish community just outside of Buenos Aires in Argentina. So let's learn more about Argentina! We will enjoy authentic empanadas, receive a live performance of Argentinian songs and learn about the Jewish community, arts and culture of Argentina from two wonderful Argentinian natives (and Temple Sholom members!), Grace and Alex Gherovici. This is for all our Temple family, including of course, those who will be travelling with Rabbi Rigler in February. This dynamic program will be held in our Multipurpose Room. Cost for lunch: \$6 per person.

A Christmas Mitzvah: Serving Lunch

to People in Need

December 25, 11:00am-1:00pm

Join us in serving a hot Christmas lunch to Philadelphians experiencing food insecurity and homelessness. We are teaming up with our friends from Kingdom Keepers Outreach Ministries at 1800 West Ben Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia to bring holiday cheer to folks who need it the most. This event is snow or shine – so bundle up! Optional lunch in Chinatown for those who can stick around afterwards.

Have great ideas for Culture Club? Not receiving our emails?

Let us know by emailing Leza@comsolutionsgroup.com

Leza Raffel, Culture Club Chair

Laurie Browngoehl, Board Representative

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 are welcome to join our Book Club and any of our programs. Contact hilltoppers@temple-sholom.org with any questions.

Hilltoppers Programs

October 22 Trip to National Museum
of American Jewish History
November 14 Program with Rabbi Rigler

Hilltoppers Book Club

October 12, 1:30pm Metropolis by BA Shapiro
December 14, 1:30pm The Vanishing by David Slater

Sisterhood

Get ready to mark your calendars for Sisterhood!!!
Here's what's happening in 2023-2034!

We have an exciting and busy year ahead starting with our welcome back event on Sunday, October 8, 2023. Are you ready to get your "craft on"? Does this sound like fun? You will have an opportunity to participate in our opening event featuring an afternoon of Alcohol Inks learning to create a keepsake piece of Judaica. Of course, as an extra bonus enjoy some fancy refreshments.

On Saturday, November 11, 2023, we will celebrate Veterans Day with a hike around East Goshen Park escorted by our own historian Lisa Anhalt Schubert.

Sisterhood, once again, will join in the Hanukkah celebration with latkes and soufganiot after services on Friday evening, December 8, 2023.

Feeling lucky? Get ready for some Bingo! On Thursday evening, January 18, 2024 we will play some Bingo and hopefully win some prizes. Interested in volunteering to help Melissa Fein on the committee? Let's make this event happen. Let us know: we will hook you up.

Last, but certainly not least, Sisterhood will be supporting an event on November 9, 2023 at Rodeph Sholom Synagogue honoring the Memorial Scrolls Trust chaired by our own member, Barbara Chesler. Want to learn more, check out Our Holocaust Torah on the Temple Sholom website temple-sholom.org

Remember, we are the Sisterhood of Temple Sholom!
Without YOU, we are one woman short!

Sisterhood Book Club

September 7, 7:30 PM: The Ways We Hide by Kristina McMorris (Jewish Book Council Author joining on Zoom)
More dates to follow in the Winter/Spring

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 6 PM in the Temple Sholom Library. Contact Kavita Levy, kavitalevy@gmail.com, or Harriet Scultz-Rosenblatt, hbsteacher1@gmail.com, to find out more. Our dates for Fall 2023 are below.

September 27, 2023

October 25, 2023

November 29, 2023

ToaSTY

Temple Sholom's Youth Group for 8th-12th graders is excited for the upcoming year! Be on the lookout for upcoming events. In the past, we have gone to Game on State, escape rooms, had a picnic in the Sukkah, and much more! Contact Marissa Kimmel with questions, toasty@temple-sholom.org.

We are excited to be revitalizing Jr. ToaSTY! This is for our 6th and 7th graders. Max Miller, who teaches Geshirim, will be leading this group. He has a year of exciting programming planned including bowling, hamantaschen making, and more! Contact Max with questions, maxwellmiller88@gmail.com.



A Guide for the Perplexed for the High 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: September 9

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 15-16

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: September 16

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 22

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 24-25

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: Begins September 29

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 Begins October 6

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.



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.



High Holy Days Schedule 2023/5784

Most services and programs are viewable on our website & Facebook Live. 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

S'lichot

Saturday, September 9

7:15pm Community & Inspiration: Text Study Before the New Year

8:00pm S'lichot Service with Rabbi Rigler and Chana Rothman

Rosh Hashanah

Friday, September 15

8:00pm Erev Rosh Hashanah – Adult Service

Saturday, September 16

9:00am Tot Service

10:30am Adult Service (doors open at 10:00 AM)

2:00pm Family Service

4:15pm Tashlich – Merry Place Park, Havertown (weather permitting)

Friday, September 22

7:30pm Shabbat Shuvah: Sabbath of Return

Yom Kippur

Sunday, September 24

6:15pm Kol Nidre Family Experience: Led by Rabbi Rigler

8:00pm Kol Nidre – Adult Service featuring cello soloist Priscilla Lee
(Doors open at 7:15pm)

Monday, September 25

9:00am Tot Service

10:30am Adult Service (doors open at 10:00 AM)

1:30pm Family Service

3:00pm Jewish Journeys Program with Donna Hendel, Eric Whitten,
and Josh Young

4:00pm Music & Meditation featuring the Wister Quartet

5:00pm Yizkor and Concluding Service
(Break-the-fast following services)

Sukkot

Friday, September 29

7:30pm Sukkot Service in the Sukkah with Festive Oneg immediately
following (weather permitting)

Simchat Torah

Friday, October 6

6:00pm Simchat Torah Service featuring the Ken Ulansey Quartet with
Oneg immediately

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 Selekman Jewish Leadership Fund

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

Oneg Shabbat Sponsorship Fund

To partially or wholly offset the cost of Oneg Shabbats for members requiring assistance to do so.

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.

Temple Beautiful Fund

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

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.

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.

Sanctuary Chair Plaques: \$180
Virtual Yahrzeit Plaque: \$180
Virtual Yahrzeit Plaque with Photo and Biography: \$360
Memorial 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.

YOU'RE INVITED!

JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF EVENTS HONORING CANTOR MARX'S
10TH ANNIVERSARY AT TEMPLE SHOLOM IN BROOMALL



FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3RD

6:30PM
Sponsor Reception
By invitation for all Event Sponsors

7:30PM
Shabbat Services
All are welcome!

FOLLOWING SERVICES
Extended Oneg
All are welcome!

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 4TH

6:00PM
Dinner | Havdalah

8:00PM
Concert featuring Cantor Marx
and guest artists

Dinner, Havdalah, & Concert
\$72 per person*
Concert Only
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