



DIVRAY HA'RAV —

HIGH HOLY DAY MESSAGE FROM OUR RABBI

AS THE *YAMIM NORAIM* OF 5770 quickly approach, I would like to pose a question: “*Ayekah?*” -- “Where are you?” Where are you in your life’s journey as you are about to commence another year of life and living?

This question is both personal and universal. It is a question which can be asked of all people whether they are religious or not. For all of us are somewhere. The question which needs to be addressed is “Where are you?” Are you pleased with your progress personally and professionally? Have you and are you continuing to reach the goals which you have set for yourself in life? “*Ayekah?*” affords us the opportunity to care about what we are doing in this world. It challenges us to seek meaning in our existence, to live life with consciousness and intention.

“*Ayekah?*” is not a question which we can respond to quickly. It warrants thought and reflection and can serve to begin a transformation, a change in the way we currently live our lives. The question also includes where are we in our Jewish journey. It confronts us to think about where we came from and how our past impacts upon the present and the future for us and generations to come.

“*Ayekah?*” is a Jewish question; one of nearly three hundred questions found in the Torah. It is probably the most profound as it is the central question in the Book of Genesis. After Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit and their eyes are opened, they heard G-d moving throughout the garden and seeing that they were naked they hid. G-d called out to Adam, “*Ayekah...where are you?*” Now you might say if G-d is omnipotent he surely knew where the man and woman were.

Martin Buber wrote that “*Ayekah?*” is not a question that has an answer which is factual, but rather is a question to evoke a response. Adam hid from G-d both

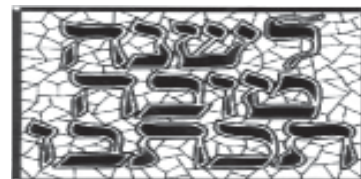
physically and emotionally. The question was asked not to find him but rather to reach his heart. G-d wanted Adam to search his heart: to realize that he was hiding and by doing so he was preventing himself from finding his way in the world.

As we ask the question, “*Ayekah?*” it enables us to respond to “Where am I?” What is preventing me from becoming the person I can be or that G-d created me to become? As we enter into the High Holy Day season of 5770 take it slow and easy. Ask yourself “*Ayekah?*” Take stock of your life personally, Jewishly and communally. Reflect upon where you are on your way on the path of life. It is never too late to take stock and travel in another direction.

Barbara and our family join with me in wishing you and those you hold dear the blessings of possibilities and fulfillment. May this be a year of sweetness, good health, peace, and direction.

Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer".



SCHEDULE OF SHABBAT AND HOLY DAY SERVICES

Friday evening, September 4 at 7:30 pm *Leil Shabbat* Worship – Welcome Back *Shabbat*

The Rabbi and Cantor will lead the worship.
All September birthdays will be honored.
The Rabbi will share a High Holy Day story with the Congregation.
An *Oneg Shabbat* will follow.

Friday evening, September 11 at 7:30 pm *Leil Shabbat* Worship

Torah Discussion
An *Oneg Shabbat* will follow.

Saturday evening, September 12 at 8:30 pm *Selihot*

An evening of reflection and planning for the coming year.
8:30 pm - Collation
9:00 pm - Worship with the Rabbi and Cantor. (Changing of the Mantles)

Friday evening, September 18 at 7:30 pm *Erev Rosh Hashanah* 5770

A very special worship experience with the Rabbi, Cantor, Choir, and Organist.

Saturday morning, September 19 at 9:00 am First Day Of *Rosh Hashanah* 5770

Traditional Worship Service

Saturday evening, September 20 at 7:30 pm Rosh Hashanah Evening Service

The Rabbi will officiate.

Sunday morning, September 21 at 10:00 am Second Day Of *Rosh Hashanah* 5770 Contemporary Worship Service

A unique service of creative prayer and music using a special prayer book graciously donated in loving memory of Leon and Edith Silechnik.

Tashlich immediately following services.

For more than six centuries, Jews have gathered by bodies of water to participate in a ceremony of *Rosh Hashanah* known as *Tashlich*. *Tashlich* literally means, “you shall cast,” and the ceremony is linked to the following passage from Micah (7:19):

G-d will take us back in love;
G-d will cover up our iniquities.
You will cast all your sins into the depths of the sea

During the Middle Ages, our ancestors developed the custom of walking to a body of water on the afternoon of *Rosh Hashanah* where, with the recitation of prayers, they would empty their pockets and symbolically cast off their sins from the previous year. Often they would toss crumbs of bread to the fish, whose never-blinking eyes reminded them of G-d’s eternal watchfulness.

Join us in this spiritual exercise on *Rosh Hashanah* immediately following the conclusion of services – as we walk over to the brook for a brief *Tashlich* service.

Friday evening, September 26, at 7:30 pm Sabbath Of Repentance

☆ Service with our Rabbi and Cantor.
An *Oneg Shabbat* will follow.

Sunday evening, September 27 at 6:15 pm *Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidre* 5770

We will usher in the Day of Atonement with the Rabbi, Cantor, Choir, and Organist.

As has been our custom for the past number of years, members and friends of Temple Shalom are requested to bring canned goods and other non-perishable foodstuffs to services on *Kol Nidre*. Please place your donation in the Rabbi’s Caring Cart located to the left of the *Bimah* in the front of the Sanctuary. Please participate in this most meaningful *Mitzvah!*

Monday morning, September 28 at 9:00 am *Yom Kippur* 5770 – *Yizkor* will be recited.

At the conclusion of this Day of Atonement, all are cordially invited to a break-the-fast.

FESTIVAL OF SUKKOT 5770

Friday evening, October 2 at 7:30 pm *Shabbat* and Festival Worship

The Rabbi and Cantor will officiate.
Honor *Shabbat* and celebrate the Festival of *Sukkot*
Kiddush will follow in the beautifully decorated Temple *Sukkah*.

Saturday evening, October 3 at 7:30 pm *Shabbat* and *Sukkot* Worship

Worship followed by *Kiddush* in the *Sukkah*.

Friday evening, October 9 at 7:30 pm *Shabbat* and Festival Worship

The Rabbi and Cantor will officiate.
An *Oneg* will follow.

Saturday morning, October 10 at 10:00 am *Shabbat* and *Shemini Atzeret* – *Yizkor* Recited

Sunday morning, October 11, at 10:00 am
Simhat Torah Worship - Come rejoice in the *Torah*
Participate in the opening of the Scroll – all 5 books.
Torah Processions – flags and apples for the children.
A *Kiddush* will follow.

Friday evening, October 16 at 7:30 pm *Leil Shabbat* Worship

Services will be conducted by the Rabbi and Cantor.
Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer will teach.
Cantor Fredric Scheff will chant the liturgy.
An *Oneg Shabbat* will follow.

Friday evening, October 23 at 7:30 pm *Leil Shabbat* Worship

The Rabbi and Cantor will lead the worship.
An *Oneg Shabbat* will follow.

Friday evening, October 30 at 7:30 pm *Leil Shabbat* Worship

The Rabbi and Cantor will lead the worship.
An *Oneg Shabbat* will follow.

AIR CONDITIONING

Temple Shalom is fully air-conditioned. Because of the varying outdoor weather conditions and locations in the Temple, we recommend that people who are sensitive to air conditioning consider bringing a jacket or a sweater with them to services. We continue to adjust the systems in the Temple to find a comfortable level for our congregants.

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HIGH HOLY DAY YOUTH SERVICES

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

For ages 4-5/6-7 in the Samuel Zilman Bazarsky Religious School Building.

Rosh Hashanah, Saturday, September 19 at 11:00 am.

Yom Kippur, Monday, September 28 at 11:45 am.

YOUTH SERVICES

For ages 8-12 in the Samuel Zilman Bazarsky Religious School Building.

Rosh Hashanah, Saturday, September 19 at 11:00 am.

Yom Kippur, Monday, September 28 at 11:45 am.

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TODAH RABAH

To all those who made contributions to the various funds of the Temple throughout the summer.

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COME DECORATE THE SUKKAH

Persons of all ages are cordially invited to bring vegetables, fruit, and other decorations to help beautify our Temple *Sukkah* on Wednesday afternoon, October 2 at 4:30 pm. This annual activity is fun for all. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

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BA'MISHPACHA – IN OUR TEMPLE FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS TO —

All of our members who celebrated a birthday or an anniversary during the summer months.

All of our members who observed a graduation from an institution of learning.

Our newly installed Temple Officers and Board Members.



TEMPLE SHALOM NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

May the sound of the shofar signal the start of a year of blessings for us all: a year of health and happiness, a year of peace for the entire world.

The following members and friends of Temple Shalom wish you and yours a new year of peace, health, and happiness:

The Anthony Family
Dr. Joseph and Dale Blumen
Enid and Fred Bucci
Sarah Chilabato
Dr. Elie J. and Marcia Cohen
Niña and Marty Cohen
Steve, Linn, Samantha, and Adam Freedman
Robert and Arlene Hicks
Harold and Hinda Jagolinzer
Rabbi Marc S. and Barbara N. Jagolinzer and Family
Renee and Elliot Kaminitz and Family
Gerry and Mickie MacNeill
The Martin Family
Fran and Mike Mendell
Linda and David Nathanson
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The Romanelli Family
Irwin and Roberta Rubin
Betty Ilowitz-Ryder and Dave Ryder
Sheila and Michael Saks
The Saunders Family
Helene and Ed Scheff
Cantor Fred and Carrie Scheff and Family
Lois and Stephen Schneller and Family
Rick, Debbie, Jeremy, and Derick Souza
The Touhey Family
Sylvia Wolf
Paul and Arlene Zatz
Ruth and Manny Ziegler
The Zucker Family

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BARUCH DAYAN HA-EMET

The Congregation extends deepest sympathy to Karen Ponce and Family upon the passing of her dear father.

May they be comforted by his beautiful and enduring memories.

THE FESTIVAL OF SUKKOT

The word *Sukkot* is the Hebrew for “booths” and is known as the Festival of Booths or The Feast of Tabernacles. In Biblical times, *Sukkot* was considered the most important festival and was simply referred to as *Ha-Hag* (the Festival). *Sukkot* along with Passover and *Shavuot* are the three pilgrimage festivals commanded in the Torah. During these festivals, our ancestors made pilgrimages to the Temple in Jerusalem.

But this holiday has origins reaching back beyond the days of the Temple. *Sukkot* has its historical roots in the time the Hebrews wandered in the wilderness for 40 years. To help ensure that our people could survive in the desert from the elements, G-d created “clouds of glory” to protect them. The people lived in temporary dwellings or booths represented today by the *Sukkah*. To ensure that we would never forget this part of our glorious history G-d commanded in Leviticus 23: 42-43: “You shall live in booths seven days in order that future generations may know that I made the Israelite people live in booths when I brought them out of the Land of Egypt.”

Historically, *Sukkot* is also a harvest festival, sometimes referred to as *Chag Ha-Asif* (the Festival of the Ingathering). This festival marked the end of the harvest, when farmers completed their work and traveled to the Temple in Jerusalem with their families to celebrate and offer gratitude for a good harvest. During this time, they resided in booths.

As soon as *Sukkot* is complete, there is another holiday, *Shemini Atzeret*, a day dedicated to the spiritual component of the *Sukkot* festival, focusing on the relationship between G-d and His/Her people. Known as the Eighth Day of Assembly this is a day of bringing



Sukkot to a state of completion or perfection. In ancient times *Shemini Atzeret* was a day of sacrifices for the benefit of the People of Israel.

Since our ancestors were primarily farmers in an arid land, a special prayer for rain was offered on this day. *Simhat Torah* completes the cycle of the *Sukkot* festival as well as the complete reading of the Torah. Known as the “Celebration of the Torah” or “Rejoicing of the Torah” this is a day on which the congregation reads the last chapters of Deuteronomy, denoting the completion of the cycle. However, immediately thereafter, the first chapter of Genesis is read to signify the continuing cycle of the Torah and to demonstrate that the Torah has neither beginning nor end, nor a time that we are not engaged in its reading. This is a festive day of rejoicing with our most precious gift.



THE CONGREGATION IS MOST GRATEFUL

During the summer, Temple Shalom received two significant donations.

The first was a bequest from the estate of the late **Harold Werner** who was a long time, esteemed and valued member of our Congregation. His gift is received with the deepest of appreciation. The *Mitzvah* of *Tzedakah* which he practiced throughout his lifetime continues. His memory is a blessing and his life an inspiration.

The **Joseph A. Dannin Fund** gave a gift to the Temple for the maintenance and beautification of our Torah Scrolls. Joe was a Past President of the Congregation and was devoted to the welfare and well-being of the Temple. We are grateful to the Dannin Family.

HIGH HOLY DAY FLOWERS

This a wonderful opportunity to adorn the *Bimah* with beautiful flowers during the High Holy Days. All contributions will be noted in our bulletins on both *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*.

The cost of flowers is \$20.00 per day. Please complete the form below and mail a check made payable to Temple Shalom, 223 Valley Road, Middletown, Rhode Island 02842.

I would like to support the High Holy Day Floral Fund with a donation of \$_____

_____ First Day *Rosh Hashanah* _____ Second Day *Rosh Hashanah* _____ *Yom Kippur*

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Donated By: _____

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

While summer weather arrived late this year, the high humidity and sultry days of August have served to create the traditional seasonal drowsiness. I hope and trust that you have all had a fun and relaxing summer with family and friends. Fall will soon be upon us with cooler weather, schools back in session and the beginning of our Annual Holiday Cycle.

The sounding of the *Shofar* on *Rosh Hashanah* should rouse us from our summer doldrums and give us a fresh supply of spiritual energy. We will mark the beginning of the New Jewish Year of 5770, as well as a celebration of the creation of the world. This is a day of remembering and judgment. A time to review the past year considering both the good we have done and the times we failed to measure up.

For the next ten days we can feel ourselves drawing closer to G-d until we reach the spiritual peak of *Yom Kippur*. This is a time of reflection; a time to reflect on the past and to think about what we want ourselves to become.

Mickie joins me in wishing you all a very happy and sweet New Year.

Gerry MacNeill
President

**NOTIFY US WHEN
A LOVED ONE IS HOSPITALIZED**

Please be aware of the changes resulting from HIPPA, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act that went into effect in April 2003. This law no longer permits medical facilities to show clergy, when visiting hospitals, any lists of patients in their facilities. Only those employed by the medical facility have the right to see these lists. Prior to this, we were permitted to call the hospital and ask if any Temple Shalom members were in the hospital.

Therefore, the only way that we know that one of our members is hospitalized when a friend of family member contacts the synagogue office at (401) 846-9002. We urge you to let us know so that a visit can be arranged. In addition, in case of illness, please let us know so that our clergy and the Caring Committee can take action when their services are needed.

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CELEBRATING A SIMCHA?

Birthdays, Anniversaries, Graduations, Baby-Namings, and Engagements, or any milestone occasion...all great reasons to sponsor an *Oneg Shabbat* or a *Kiddush* at Temple Shalom. See page 6 for details.

Call Helene Scheff at 885-6073 to schedule your date!

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SHALOM FUND

Mazal Tov to Irwin Rubin on his 85th Birthday by
Niña & Marty Cohen

Memory of Eli Lehrer by
Renee & Elliot Kaminitz

Mazal Tov to Rebecca Scheff on her *Bat Mitzvah* by
Niña & Marty Cohen

Memory of Aunt Bea
Karen Ponce

Memory of Burton Rubin by
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Karen Ponce
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Arlene & Paul Zatz
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Susan & Keith Mayes
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Get Well to Mikki McNeil by
Arlene & Bob Hicks
Sylvia Wolf
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For information about participating in the Shalom Fund call: Ruth Ziegler Phone: 846-5858 ruthziegler@cox.net

OPEN HOUSES

Temple Shalom will open its doors for perspective members on Thursday evening, September 10 from 7 :00 pm – 8:00 pm and Sunday evening, September 15 from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

Members will also be able to secure additional High Holy Day Cards of Admission at these times.



**HELP OUR SYNAGOGUE
MEMBERSHIP GROW**

The Membership Committee would like every member to assist them in their goal of increasing the membership of our congregation. In order to accomplish our goal, we ask that you inform the Temple office of all families who have moved into your neighborhood. Our Rabbi and the Membership Committee, under the leadership of Mickie MacNeill, (401) 846 -9002, will welcome them to our community.



MISHABEIRACH LIST

At weekly Shabbat Services, Rabbi Jagolinzer offers a prayer for those who are fighting disease. During this prayer for recovery, he mentions the names of those in need. The Rabbi requests that names to be included on his list be submitted to him prior to Shabbat. And, that the names, which he has, be updated by those submitting them on a regular basis. If you would like the Rabbi to send a note to a person on the list, please make sure you provide him with the person’s address.

SPONSOR AN ONEG

The New Year is upon us with a renewal of activities at home and at our Temple. We are grateful for all those people who sponsored and prepared the *Onegs* for *Shabbat* services and for special occasions. Now is the time to save a date to be one of those who will sponsor or prepare an *oneg*. It is a warm and special way to share in community and celebrate with fellow congregants.

Maybe it is a birthday or anniversary you want to share. Maybe it is the birth of a new family member. Maybe you want to honor someone...any excuse or even no excuse to celebrate is reason enough.

Please look at the dates below, choose (circle) one or two and send the form to Helene Scheff, 210 Brookhaven Road, North Kingstown, RI 02852, or call 885-6073.

You will get confirmation of the date and information about how to proceed.

Oct 9

Oct 23

Nov 6

Nov 13

Dec 4

Jan 1

Jan 8

Jan 22

Jan 29

**Bagels and the Book
Another Year, Another Book
JUDGES**

September Meeting
Sunday, September 13 at 10
AM

Roberta and Irwin Rubin
400 Bellevue Avenue, Newport
RSVP - (401) 846-8262
E-mail: IrwinBoatFive@aol.com

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THE CONSERVATOR PUBLICATION SCHEDULE

The Conservator will be published bimonthly (5 times) this year — September/October, November/December, January/February, March/April, and May/June. The reduced publication schedule will save in both printing and mailing costs. If you plan to have something included in the newsletter, please plan to have it to me by the 15th of the month prior to publication, e.g., October 15 for inclusion in the November/December issue.

Ed Scheff 885-6073

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PICNIC AND INSTALLATION

The Temple picnic and the Installation of the officers and the board of trustees will take place on Sunday afternoon, September 13 at 4:30 pm. Please make your plans to attend!