



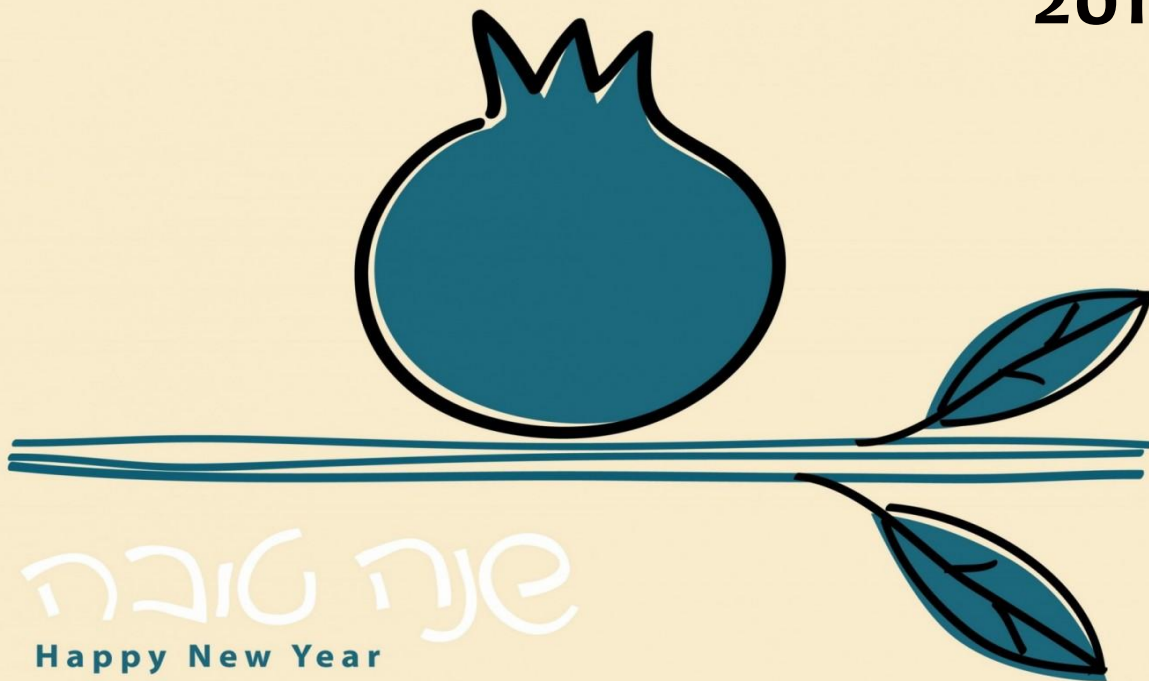
The Congregation Mishkan Israel

More than a place. We're a community.

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High Holy Day Special Edition

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Shabbat Under the Stars • Friday, September 6
 - Erev Rosh Hashanah Service • Sunday, September 29
 - Rosh Hashanah Services • Monday, September 30
 - Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service • Tuesday, October 1
 - Kol Nidre Services • Tuesday, October 8
 - Yom Kippur Services • Wednesday, October 9
 - Sukkot Service • Monday, September 24
 - Simchat Torah Service & Congregation Pot Luck Dinner • Sunday, October 20
- For a complete event listing go to CMI calendar on pages 17-18



MEMBERSHIP CORNER WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

The Congregation extends a warm welcome to new members: Benjamin Gallagher & Olivia Martinez and their daughter Nora.

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

Celebrate your birthday at Family Services. July, August & September birthdays will be celebrated at the Shabbat Under the Stars

Service on Friday, September 6 at 6:00 p.m. and October birthdays will be celebrated at Simchat Torah Services on Sunday, October 20 at 6:00 p.m. If your child will be attending services in their birthday month, please contact Tamara at tepstein@cmihamden.org or 203-288-3877.



ONEG SHABBAT & PULPIT FLOWERS

One of the nicest ways to honor a special occasion is to sponsor an Oneg Shabbat and/or pulpit flowers for services. Congregation Mishkan Israel is grateful to the

following Oneg Shabbat/Flower Sponsor.

September 14 – Flowers & Oneg are given in celebration of Jack Ruggiero becoming a bar mitzvah with love from Mom, Dad, & Marcus

September 21 – Flowers & Oneg are given in celebration of Naomi Borenstein becoming a bat mitzvah with love from Kate & Josh Borenstein.

October 26 – Flowers & Oneg are given in celebration of Sarah Ginsberg becoming a bat mitzvah with love from Mom & Dad.

To arrange for your sponsorship contact Sarah at (203) 288-3877 or slegassey@cmihamden.org.

PAY ONLINE!

Did you know you can pay CMI directly from CMI's website or weekly e-news? The convenience is amazing! You can pay your Dues, Religious School, Nursery School, Make a donation, and special events. Go to: <http://cmihamden.org/giving>.

TODAH RABAH SHABBAT WELCOME TEAM

Thank you to our greeters:

July

- 5 Karen Kimball
- 12 Ivey Cooley & Sarah Greenblatt
- 19 Lorri Brown-Ominsky & Richard Shaw
- 26 Cliff & True Wolff & Richard Shaw

August

- 2 Joan Lipin & Richard Shaw
- 9 Ivey Cooley & Richard Shaw
- 16 Richard & Marie Shaw
- 23 Sarah Greenblatt & Richard Shaw
- 30 Judy Naden & Richard Shaw

For more information about our Team of greeters contact co-chairs Karen Kimball at kjkimball@sbcglobal.net or Richard Shaw at rshaw@snet.net.

PROTOCOL FOR MI SHEBERACH (HEALING PRAYER) LIST

To add or delete a name to our Mi Sheberach (healing prayer) list that is read at services please call Rabbi's office at (203) 288-3877. You must have permission from the individual to have their name read in public. (There is always the Hebrew option as well.) Names will remain on the list for one month unless renewed or requested to be deleted. If you join us for services you can add a name that evening by signing in with the greeter prior to the beginning of services.

LIVESTREAMS SERVICES

While we always look forward to sharing the sabbaths and holy days together, we are pleased to announce we now livestream services so that members and friends who are unable to attend in person due to health or distance can still enjoy services and the holidays. Regular services are available for viewing on your computer or mobile device. Simply go to <http://cmihamden.org/worship/livestream/>. Copies of past services are available under the Archived Videos tab. If you do take advantage of this service, please let us know of your experience. At the same time, we look forward to seeing you in person again, soon.

The initiation of livestreaming was made possible in part by a grant from the Jewish Home Building Fund Corporation.



A MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

Rabbi Brian P. Immerman

Every time I see a baby and look into their eyes, I marvel that they are seeing the world for the very first time. They see their parents, their family, colors, shapes, trees, cars, birds and so much more that they have never seen before. In June, Jenny and I welcomed Aiden into the world and we were blessed to welcome him into the Jewish covenant with our CMI community. Over the next year we will have the opportunity to see everything through a baby's eyes and experience everything as though for the first time. We will also open our eyes to our new responsibilities as parents of two.

Even though we do not remember opening our eyes for the first time, we can remember how we felt when we first opened our eyes to certain sights. I remember the first time I stood at the top of East Rock during my initial visit to Hamden and the first time that I saw the Western Wall in Jerusalem, both of which invoked a childlike wonder that filled me with awe and appreciation of our world and heritage.

We also open our eyes to new experiences that fill us with the same sense of amazement, such as the first time that we swam in the ocean, spent time with family and friends, or ate sushi. Sometimes, however, when we open our eyes we might see a situation that needs to be fixed, such as the man standing with a sign begging for food on State Street, a shooting at a synagogue in Pittsburgh, the shooting of an unarmed black woman in Hamden, or a burning of a mosque. These moments cause us to recognize that our world is not yet perfect. Opening our eyes for the first time teaches us to both appreciate our world and to dedicate ourselves to making it a better place.

On Rosh Hashanah, as we celebrate the beginning of a new year we also celebrate the birth of the world. At the conclusion of each Shofar call, we recite the words "hayom harat olam," today is the birth of the world. We celebrate the magnificence of creation, the ocean, people, and experiences that fill our lives with blessings every day. We also renew our covenant with God to work to restore our world to the perfection of the Garden of Eden.

When the world was first created, Adam and Eve lived in the Garden where every last need was provided. Once they ate from the forbidden fruit, their eyes were opened and they realized that they were

naked – both in physical form and in their lack of awareness of the larger world. After becoming aware, Adam and Eve could no longer close their eyes. They could now appreciate all of the world's beauty and bounty, and they had to face

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LEARN ABOUT OUR NEW HIGH HOLY DAY PRAYER BOOK

Rabbi Immerman will continue his series about the exciting new High Holy Day Prayerbook, Mishkan HaNefesh. The next two sessions will look at "Integrated Theology" - the ways in which different words for God open up many opportunities to connect with the divine, the structure of the service, and several study texts that can help elevate your High Holy Day prayer experience. In addition, we will prepare ourselves for the High Holy Days by using Mishkan HaNefesh on Shabbat during the month of September. These sessions will not only allow us to gain familiarity with the new Machzor, they will also help us prepare ourselves spiritually for the new year. We hope that you will join us!

Tuesday, September 3 at 7:00 p.m. - Integrated Theology in Mishkan HaNefesh

Friday, September 20 after services - Structure and study texts of Mishkan HaNefesh (Bring your own food)

COMMUNITY INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM

The New Haven Board of Rabbis is excited to announce a new community-wide Introduction to Judaism class this fall. Whether you are interested in learning more about Judaism or want to convert, this 20 session curriculum is for you. Each week one of the rabbis from our community, including Rabbi Immerman, will teach about a variety of topics, including history, holidays, Shabbat, Jewish food, liturgy and Israel. The class begins on October 29 and will be held at B'nai Jacob in Woodbridge on Tuesdays from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Each student must have a rabbinic sponsor, and the course costs \$180 for members, \$360 for non-members. If you have any questions or to enroll, please contact Rabbi Immerman at rabbi@cmihamden.org.



CANTOR'S NOTES

Cantor Arthur Giglio

The summer is waning, September is upon us, and your Cantor has now entered his lucky 13th year at CMI and how lucky I am! It has been good, all so very good! Rabbi Immerman

and I have blazed through our first year together and the results have been glorious! We have whipped up new and varied musical prayer settings for our davening and everyone is singing in services more than ever before. But, before I forget, Mark the date: September 6th is Shabbat Under the Stars! It is a joyous evening when our CMI Community gets to daven Shabbat with family, friends and joyous song while being surrounded by the brilliance of nature that makes New England so special. If you have not experienced it you owe it to yourself to come.

We Jews are sometimes referred to as people of the book, but in reality we are people of the song. We have been chanting the Torah for thousands of years and it is full of our songs. There is Shirat Hayam, or the Song of the Sea, that was reputed to be sung by the Israelites after their crossing the Red Sea in safety and escaping the Egyptian army. The Song of Moses- the poem from Deuteronomy Moses delivers prior to his death on Mount Nebo and finally my favorite, the Song of Songs from Ketuvim. It is a celebration of love, and is also considered an allegory of God's love for Israel, but I personally think it is a bit too sensual for that. Celebration, song and love are all part of our psyche and our need to sing is part of our neshamah, our soul. Do yourself a favor and give your neshamah a workout. Come join the CMI Chorale and be part of the joy in our Community of Song!

The CMI Chorale will resume in September, beginning with rehearsals for Selichot and the High Holy Days, no audition required! If you are on the fence, don't procrastinate, just contact me so we can discuss what works for you: The September High Holy Days rehearsal schedule is as follows:

Sunday: September 15, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday: September 17, 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Sunday: September 22, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday: September 24, 7:00 to 9:30 p.m.

(Please note the different starting times for Sundays and Tuesdays)

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sarah B. Greenblatt

As we move into Elul, the last month of our Jewish year, and look forward to the new year 5780, we begin a period of reflection that is so fundamental to who we are as Jews. Over

the high holy day period we have the opportunity, if not the obligation, to intentionally engage in a process of reflection on three levels - beginning with a self-examination of who we are, what's happened this past year, what we feel good about and what we might want to change. We are also urged as Jews to examine these very same questions in our relationship with the world around us - who and where we are, how we have engaged in Tikkun Olam, what makes us most happy, and which social justice efforts we can embrace to bring about deeper change?

The high holy days also bring us through a second aspect of reflection that includes the nuanced process of considering who we may have wronged this year, knowingly or unknowingly, and asking for forgiveness - never a simple exercise because meaningful forgiveness is an interactive process. We are charged with taking responsibility for understanding how we may have brought pain to others and how others may have brought pain to us - and then, finding a meaningful way to seek forgiveness from others or of ourselves.

The third reflective custom in the new year is to consider ways to increase giving of charity - or Tzedakah. The custom of giving above dues in the new year is not new at CMI - and we are so grateful for the generosity of our congregants. As we move forward in a time of transition, I continue to encourage members to reflect on what you love about CMI and turn that passion into a reason to increase your gifts of time, talents and financial support. Most pressing are major roof and infrastructure repairs needed for our nearly 60-year old building. We also have urgent parallel financial demands related to supporting our General Fund budget goals and continuing to grow our Temple Endowment and Rabbinic Endowment Funds to sustain our pathway to the future. CMI welcomes volunteers as musicians at religious services; occasional office assistance; set-up/clean-up for

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SEPTEMBER WORSHIP SERVICES

SHABBAT SHOFTIM

Deut. 16:18-21:9

Friday, September 6

6:00 p.m. Shabbat Under the Stars Service & Birthday Blessings
7:00 p.m. BBQ & Ice Cream Social

Saturday, September 7

10:30 a.m. Morning Service

SHABBAT KI TETZO

Deut. 21:10-25:19

Friday, September 13

5:30 p.m. Early Oneg
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

Saturday, September 14

10:30 a.m. Morning Service celebrating the Bar Mitzvah of Jack Ruggiero

SHABBAT KI TAVO

Deut. 26:1-29:8

Friday, September 20

5:30 p.m. Early Oneg
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

Saturday, September 21

10:30 a.m. Morning Service celebrating the Bat Mitzvah of Naomi Borenstein
7:00 p.m. Community Selichot Service – Temple Beth David - Cheshire

SHABBAT NITAVIM

Deut. 29:9-30:20

Friday, September 27

5:30 p.m. Early Oneg
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

Saturday, September 28

10:30 a.m. Morning Service

ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, September 29

8:00 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashanah Service

Monday, September 30

10:00 a.m. Morning Services
10:45 a.m. Children's Program
2:00 p.m. Community Family Service

Tuesday, October 1

10:00 a.m. 2nd Day Service and Congregational Tashlich

OCTOBER WORSHIP SERVICES & STUDY

SHABBAT VAYELECH

Deut. 31:1-30

Friday, October 4

5:30 p.m. Early Oneg
5:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

Saturday, October 5

10:30 a.m. Morning Service

Sunday, October 6

1:00 p.m. Memorial Service at CMI Cemetery Chapel

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, October 8

8:00 p.m. Kol Nidre

Wednesday, October 9

10:00 a.m. Morning Service
10:45 a.m. Children's Program
12:30 p.m. Reflection Service
2:00 p.m. Community Family Service
2:00 p.m. Adult Discussion
3:00 p.m. Afternoon Service
4:45 p.m. Memorial/Concluding Service
6:00 p.m. Kiddush and Motzi

SHABBAT HAAZINU

Deut. 32:1-52

Friday, October 11

5:30 p.m. Early Oneg
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

Saturday, October 12

9:15 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Morning Service

SUKKOT

Monday, October 14

10:30 a.m. Sukkot Morning Service

SUKKOT

Friday, October 18

5:30 p.m. Early Oneg
6:00 p.m. Evening Service

Saturday, October 19

9:15 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Morning Service

SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday, October 20

6:00 p.m. Simchat Torah Service & Birthday Blessings

Monday, October 21

10:30 a.m. Yizkor Service

SHABBAT BERESHIT

Gen. 1:1-6:8

Friday, October 25

7:00 p.m. Late Evening Service
8:00 p.m. Oneg

Saturday, October 26

9:15 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Morning Service celebrating the Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Ginsberg

Help Us Brighten Up the New Year

Join the Ritual Committee on September 15 at 10:00 am for polishing of our silver ritual objects that you can proudly view, sparkling on the bima, at the High Holy Days. Polish, cloths, and good company will be provided.



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CMI HIGH HHD FOOD DRIVE



It's that time again! CMI High is asking for your participation in the annual High Holy Days Food Drive.

Make a difference and fill a bag!

All collected food will be brought to Jewish Family Services, where it will be distributed to needy families throughout the community. By donating food, we hope to help those whose fast will not end at sundown.

Please bring a bag of nonperishable food items with you on Yom Kippur. There will be marked drop off stations at the upper and lower parking lots. Please do not bring the bags into the building.

PLEASE NOTE: The food bank is not allowed to accept expired food..

Bring your bags to a CMI High student at Yom Kippur services.

Thank You for your time and donation!

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Greeters Orientation

Sunday, September 22 • 10:00 AM

The High Holy Days are time when our congregational family looks forward to coming together to worship.

Our greeters are a vital component to ensuring a peaceful and secure atmosphere. We are seeking congregants to supplement those greeters drawn from our Board of Trustees and Shabbat Welcome Team. There are lots of ways to help. Greeters need no special prior knowledge or skill. We will teach you everything you need to know at the orientation.

To volunteer, contact Merav at (203)288-3877.



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SUKKOT FAMILY PROGRAM

Monday, October 14
10:30 a.m.

SUKKOT SERVICE

Monday, October 14
10:30 a.m.

CONGRAGATIONAL POTLUCK LUNCH

Monday, October 14
11:30 a.m.

YIZKOR SERVICE

Monday, October 21
10:30 a.m.

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Torah Study

Rabbi Immerman's weekly Shabbat morning Torah Study meets Saturday mornings at 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. No prior knowledge is required.



Judaism: New Interpretations of Old Ideas

Rabbi Steinberg's class meets Sunday mornings from 10:45 a.m.-12:00 noon. No previous knowledge is required.

Intro to Judaism

Local Rabbi's will conduct a community-wide Introduction to Judaism class at B'nai Jacob in Woodbridge on Tuesday's from 7-8:30 p.m.. Each student must have a rabbinic sponsor, and the course costs \$180 for members, \$360 for non-members.

Intermediate Biblical Hebrew Study Group

The group studies biblical Hebrew grammar and vocabulary. The class meets Wednesdays at 12:10 p.m. If interested, contact Lisa Marcus at lmarcusphd@gmail.com

ADULT EDUCATION AT CMI



For more information contact Sarah Legassey at 203-288-3877 or slegassey@cmihamden.org

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CONNECT WITH CMI ONLINE

Keep up-to-date with all CMI events. Check our website regularly at <http://cmi.hamden.org>. You will find announcements, upcoming events, calendar, worship service times and contact information. New members can join the congregation and everyone can register for religious school and nursery school, pay your bills and make contributions. And don't miss the slideshow of recent events – it changes frequently so check back often!



We have several e-newsletters to keep our congregational family informed of upcoming events, recent passings and school events. If you're not currently receiving our e-newsletters you can get on the distribution list.

CMI is on Facebook. Click the icon on our website or go to <http://www.facebook.com/cmihamden>. You'll want to "like" us.

CMI Religious School is on Facebook. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/cmireligiousschool> and "like" us. We would like to keep you up-to-date with all Religious School events.

CONGREGATION MISHKAN ISRAEL
Book Discussion Group
KIDDISH.COM
By
NATHAN ENGLANDER

"Sublime...*kaddish.com* reads like a modern-day Hasidic tale in which religious characters are bedeviled by the challenges of upholding God's word in an all too human world... In this tender, wry and entertaining novel, Englander nimbly juggles these possibilities, creating an endearing hero who stumbles through a world in which the holy and profane are intertwined." —*The New York Times*

Anyone interested is welcome.
Bring your lunch; coffee and tea are provided.

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CONGREGATION MISHKAN ISRAEL
Book Discussion Group
THE UNDOING PROJECT
By
MICHAEL LEWIS

"Lewis has written one hell of a love story."
- Jennifer Senior, *New York Times*

"Brilliant... Lewis has given us a spectacular account of two great men who faced up to uncertainty and the limits of human reason."
- William Easterly, *Wall Street Journal*

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September 6

Benjamin Arrick *
 Sylvia Insler Baser *
 Irving Block *
 Lewis Bush
 Sylvia Dansker *
 Harry Drabkin
 Edith Friend
 Beatrice Gesmonde *
 Eva Heller Goodman
 Steffa Harrison *
 Henry Herz *
 Joseph Hozer
 Hyman Jacobs *
 Jacob Johnson *
 Rosaline (Rosh) Kagan
 Dr. Leopold (Levi) Kleeberg *
 Eugene H. Kone *
 Kenneth J. Koufman *
 Sylvia B. Koufman *
 Charles Kushlan *
 Dr. Ronald B. Mack
 Frances Manasevit
 William S. Perlroth *
 Fay Drabkin Peters
 Selma Kahn Schoenberger *
 Alfred Simon *
 Marjorie Smith
 Sarah B. Trotsky *
 Beatrice Wallman *
 Irmgard Steinhardt Weiss *
 Yetta Zimmer

September 13

Samuel Allen
 Risa Gordon Becker
 Ethel Bleich
 George Bostin *
 Stanley Buetens
 Joseph Cahn *
 Evelyn Carmody
 Joseph Chetrick *
 Sylvia R. Cohen
 Bertha Drabkin
 Richard A. Fuchs *
 Frank M. Goldsmith
 Mitchell Gompertz *
 Barry L. Goodman *
 Lee Green
 Charles Horn
 Frances Kaplan
 William N. Kauffman *
 Codman Kruger *
 Seymour Lemberg
 Walter Lesnick
 Ida L. Levy *
 Charles Lichtenstein *
 Dr. Edward S. Mack
 Phillip Mackler *
 Henry Mersey
 Joseph D. Muhlfelder *
 Mark Resnick
 Molly Rosenthal *
 Irving Saltz *
 Harold Lewis Schwartz *
 Henry Schwarzschild *
 Meyer Silverman
 Louis Simpson
 Annie P. Skolnick
 Lillian G. Tessler *
 Richard M. Thalheimer *
 Nathan Ticotsky
 June Waldman
 Andrea Werner
 Joan Lapides Wingate *
 Cantor Arthur Yolkoff *

September 20

Esther Myers Adler *
 Dr. Boris M. Astrachan *
 Bette S. Bender *
 Alfreda M. Button *
 Samuel Cohen *
 Robert C. Cooper
 Mary Feierstein *
 Leo Feinstein *
 Lawrence P. Gennett
 Robert Landowne
 Howard Levenson
 Lois Postol Levin
 Murray Allen Levin *
 Rose Levy
 Herbert Lipshez
 Henry Meyers "Machol Jr." *
 Fanny Lurier Morris *
 Nathan A. Myers *
 Saul Pollack
 Sophye L. Rosenthal *
 Dr. Arthur A. Rubin *
 Rachel Golden Rudnick *
 Moses S. Sagal *
 Ida June Sauerteig
 Rosalind Schaefer Savitsky
 Harry Semack *
 Theodore Shaker
 Lillian Silva
 Irving Spatz
 Olga G. Unger *
 Julius L. Wareck *
 Evelyn G. Zalon *
 Henio Zarkover

September 27

Sandra Adler
 Marie Lhevine Aries
 Eva Sheftel Bershtein *
 Theresa Betman
 Isaac Breslav *
 Bernard Chertow *
 Jack Abraham Cohen
 Samuel Crane
 Gladys Field
 Abraham Firtel *
 Helen Starin Harrison *
 Ann Hinds
 Alice Kaminsky
 Samantha Karpel
 Pearl Kasper
 Nathan I. Kleiner *
 Sidney Kleper
 Robert T. Levine *
 Gertrude Gerson Marks *
 Frances Evans Merberg
 Laura Beth Meyers *
 Florence E. Olinsky
 Elaine Paul
 Harold Perlin *
 Karen Petaway
 Harriet G. Rashba *
 Ethel Rosenblatt
 Morris Rosenthal *
 Rella Rubenstein
 Ruth Samuels *
 Sidney Schaefer *
 Pauline Schreiber
 Dr. Louis M. Serling *
 Henry M. Shartenberg *
 Leo Sklarz Sr.
 Sydney L. Solomon *
 William Weinstein *
 Gerald Weissman *
 Israel Wilensky

In Sympathy

Elaine Koufman on the passing of her mother, Roslyn Josem Goldstein Teiger

Howard Lurie on the passing of his wife Roberta Lurie

Diane Orson on the passing of her father, Dr. Jay Marshall Orson

Allan Rubenstein on the passing of his mother, Marjorie Rubenstein

October 4

Dr. Robert S. Adams *
 Louis Aronson
 Albert L. Bolton
 Walter Terry Breslav Jr.
 Harry Bromberg *
 Arnold Brown
 Sonia Brown *
 Richard Byer
 Anthony R. Cannon *
 Arthur Caplan
 Seymour Aaron Cohen *
 Gary Eager
 William Eisner *
 James Freedman
 Dorothy Freedman
 Frederick J. Geisinger *
 Samuel Gingold *
 Rochelle Sosne Glaser
 Nancy Goldenberg
 Moss Gompertz *
 Leila Gompertz
 Betty Z. Greenberg *
 Caroline Schoenberger Hahn
 Gerald S. Heller *
 Lena Heller
 Barbara R. Hershenson *
 Earle E. Jacobs Jr. *
 Benny Kerber
 Mabel R. Klebanoff *
 Merwin M. Krevit *
 Larry Laycob
 Lee Leventhal
 Alice MacDonald
 Peter Ellis Mendelsohn *
 Richard Louis Moore
 Julius L. Popowich *
 Frank J. Schaefer
 Sarah (Sockie) Schaefer
 Anne H. Scherr
 Sol S. Scholder *
 Louis Shafer *
 Lesley Siegel
 Benjamin Sklaver
 Judge David W. Skolnick
 Jennie Stern
 Charlotte Styles *
 Nathan Sussman
 Lilyan J. Ullman *
 Sylvia Ullman *
 Irene Warnk
 Ethel Weisbart *
 Jane Wysolmerski
 Marc Zimmerman

October 11

Clara Shafer Adams *
 M. Frederick Batter *
 Vitta Berger *
 Rosalind Berman
 Virginia H. Bruson *
 Fred Cleiff
 Meyer Eisenberg
 Ronald Ferguson *
 Abraham A. Fisher *
 Aaron Goldberg *
 Milton Greenberg
 Evelyn Greenblatt
 Arthur Jerome Grove
 Joan Joffe Hall
 Edith Sylvia Pinto Hallo *
 Sharon Chasin Frankel Hoxley
 Rachel Jacobs *
 Jack Kaplan
 Jerome Saul Klein
 Ruth Kliger *
 Dorothy Fuchs Koskoff *
 Joseph M. Koufman
 Barbara Kupferberg *
 Dr. William Mendelsohn *
 Bessie Milner
 Robert Naden
 Arthur M. O'Brasky *
 Samuel Polsky *
 Alexander Rosenthal
 Arthur M. Ross Sr. *
 Rose Yayer Rundback *
 Richard Schwartz
 Richard Lawrence Shelling *
 William H. Silver *
 Greta Simon *
 Isabel Stitelman
 Esther Feinstein Taxter *
 Joseph H. Ullman II *
 Herman Vener
 William Wallack *
 Abraham Zuckerman

October 18

Rita Alpert *
 Joseph Arovas *
 Vivienne L. Bassett *
 Steven Beck
 Samuel Berger *
 David B. Bershtein *
 Dorothy Cassin
 Bess Cohen
 Jessica Miller Craig
 Yvette Eder
 Rosalie Fagelson
 Sigmund Gallert
 Dr. Bernard Leon Kartin *
 Edward Kasper
 Fanny Milles *
 Saul S. "Milles M.D." *
 Mortimer J. Newman *
 Emma Newman *
 Ethel Ullman Silverman
 Lionel Sirkin
 Stanton Pierson Sirkin
 Abdul D. Steinbach *
 Kate Sturtz
 Rachel Sugenheimer *
 Miriam Lee Tropp
 Frank Unger *
 Flora Rosenthal Weil *
 Julius Zanker
 Clifford Zundell

October 25

Herman Alpert *
 Irving Bachman
 Max L. Baker
 Birdie C. Berman *
 Jay Bovilsky
 Barbara Bruson Burns *
 Ursule Felix Cahn *
 Benjamin H. Carroll
 Ada Cohen
 Lucie Dale
 Irving Eisen
 Norman Field
 Mary Fribush
 William Goodkind
 Sherman Arnold Goodman *
 Michael Hankin
 Lester L. Hershman *
 Leonard Hillman
 Isadore Hyman
 Rose Kabatznick *
 Herbert P. Karlsruher *
 Fanny Kern *
 Louis Lapidès *
 Vivian Berman Lewis *
 Samantha Lauren Mack
 Mariluz C. Mermelstein *
 Edward C. Millen *
 Vivian Milstone *
 Aaron Mintz
 Belle Shirley Moscovitz
 Hoang Thi Nga *
 Eleanor Ominsky
 Emil Mark Polski
 Nathan Rosenthal
 Robert Ruth *
 Anna Schwarzchild
 nee Rosenfelder *
 Herbert Setlow
 Abe Shiffrin
 Serafima Sorochan
 Miriam Pagter Spear *
 Louis Spodick
 Bernard A. Steinbach *
 Bertha M. Thalheimer
 Mina Wolfe *
 Gerald Yudkin
 Samuel H. Yudkin *
 Felicia Zanker-Masucci

In Memoriam,

Betty Goldstein

Roberta Lurie

May their memory be for a blessing.



NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Susan Witten Nason
Early Childhood Director

We had a wonderful and busy time at camp-but the summer just flew by, and here we are back to school already!

We had to say goodbye to our graduating class, and those friends that moved away, but we are very excited to welcome so many new families to our MINS family.

We will be busy getting ready for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah. What a busy and exciting time of year!

Our Tzedakah project will be collecting school materials for an inner city after school program. Paper, pencils, crayons, children’s scissors, etc. will all be welcome.

We wish everyone a Hag Sameach- a happy, healthy year to all!

CMI TOT PROGRAM

ALL ABOUT SIMCHAT TORAH
 Sunday, October 20 ♦ 9:30-12:00 noon

Join our Preschool and Kadima teachers. Listen to stories, sing with Elise, and create a special craft project around the Jewish year.

Tot Programs are designed for CMI families with children age 5 years and under. Crafts will be geared for students ages 2-5. Younger children can participate in a playgroup in the Pre-K classroom. All programs are free. Snack is provided.

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TOT SHABBAT



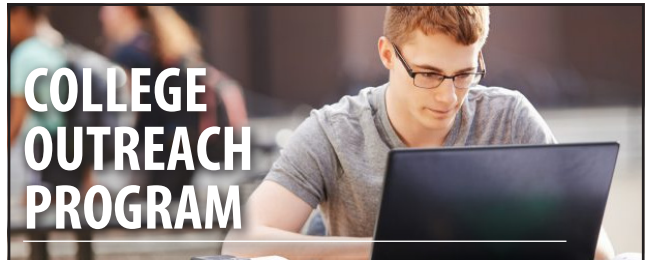
Friday, October 4
5:30 PM

Join CMI staff members for this celebration of Shabbat with prayers, song and stories.

Tot Shabbats are designed for families with children age 6 years and under and are open to the community



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COLLEGE OUTREACH PROGRAM

We want to keep the college-age children of our members connected to synagogue life, even when they’re away at school.

Interested college students and high school seniors getting ready for college life can sign up to be part of our new College Outreach Program. Parents can also sign up their kids. Send your name, phone, mailing address, e-mail, college attending and years to Sarah at slegassey@cmihamden.org.

We also welcome adults who would like to help with the Program. If you’re interested in helping to put together care packages and other activities, send your contact information to Sarah.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Michelle Goldstein
Religious School Director

Welcome back to all of our Religious School

Families. I am so excited to get this year started! We are

welcoming new students to our school community this fall and I know that we will welcome them into our classrooms with open arms! I am also eager to start some of our new programming and curriculum this year! Our 6th and 7th graders will be modeling a project based learning model in Judaica, we are continuing our Parent Education Series, January will bring us a "CMI's Got Talent" event and new High School experiences start this year off on the right foot!

We have an active first day of school this year and are asking all parents to stay with their students for our first Family Mitzvah Day! Following our opening assembly, you will be able to participate in social action projects together while meeting our Religious School Staff! I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Here's what's happening at Religious School in September:

September 6th-8th: 7th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Retreat at Camp Jewell

Drop-Off: 5:00pm on 9/6

Meet us at Camp on Sunday, September 8th at 8:00am for parent programming

September 15th: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Join us for an exciting day beginning with our opening assembly from 9:30-10:30am followed by our first Family Mitzvah Day from 10:30am-12:00pm. Parents should plan on staying for the morning and participating with their child(ren).

September 22nd: 6th Grade B'nai Mitzvah Cohort Join Rabbi Immerman from 9:00am-10:30am for a Pot Luck breakfast and parent/student program about B'nai Mitzvah.

Our Religious School's Outstanding October:

October 1st: Tashlich Program for Grades 4-7. Join us at Hebrew School as we guide students in the practices of Tashlich. This program will take place during Hebrew School from 4:00-5:30pm.

October 6th: Kadima Parent Connection Program 9:30am -10:30am

Join us for a Pot Luck breakfast as we kick-off a year of literacy at home and in school!

October 6th: Parent Education Series-College Admission 9:30-10:30am

Join Fred Richter to learn more about the college admission process and an ask/answer session. All High School parents should check this session out!

October 20th: Simchat Torah Tot Program 9:30-11:00am Calling all birth- four parents! Come join us for our first Tot Program of the year with music, stories, crafts and play time!

October 20th: Simchat Torah Program and Consecration 11:00am-12:00pm Join the whole religious school community as we welcome new students during Consecration and dance with the Torah.

October 27th: 5th Grade Naming/ Brit Milah Program 9:00-10:30am Join Rabbi Immerman and our staff for a *Pot Luck breakfast and our first Life-Cycle program.*

SEPTEMBER B'NAI MITZVAH



Jack Ruggiero

September 14, 2019

Son of Christopher & Sara Ruggiero

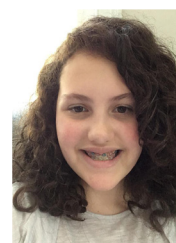


Naomi Borenstein

September 21, 2019

Daughter of Joshua & Katherine Borenstein

OCTOBER BAT MITZVAH



Sarah Ginsberg

October 26, 2019

Daughter of Michael & Ellen Ginsberg

“...who donates much to charity becomes the richer for it...”

Zohar iii 110b

JUNE 1, 2019–, AUGUST 1, 2019

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Elaine Blumenthal

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STEVEN & ERYN SEGALOFF's
marriage
RACHEL DANISHEVSKY becoming
a Bat Mitzvah
AIDEN MAX IMMERMANN

Gary & Sheryl Okun

Richard & Marie Shaw

In Memory of
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In Appreciation of
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In Memory of
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Nursery School

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2019-2020 CHAI APPEAL

It is with immense gratitude that we acknowledge those families who as of this publication have responded to the menu of additional giving opportunities with a commitment above their standard dues and to the holiday appeal.

Our Pacesetters:

Michael Dimenstein & Hedda Rubenstein
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JEWISH COMMUNITY ALLIANCE FOR REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT – SIMCHA AND MITZVAH

On June 25, 2019 Jenny and Rabbi Immerman welcomed Aiden Max into their family. The Immermans were generous and gracious about sharing their simcha with the CMI Community. They paired their simcha with a mitzvah, asking that in lieu of gifts people consider making a donation to JCARR. We are extremely appreciative.

As Rabbi Immerman said, "All children deserve to grow up in a safe and caring environment..." How does this happen? JCARR volunteers work with our refugee families helping secure their future as they struggle and strive to reach new milestones, adapting to life in a new country. Our families' successes include: All job seeking adults were employed. Two mothers started their own catering businesses. One also works part-time for City Seed. A young woman earned her GED. One Dad successfully passed the Math tests for the GED with what he believed to be the highest score in the school. He also passed the Social Studies test which qualifies him for community college. One family's daughter graduated from elementary school with awards in Math, Social studies and Art. Work by another student was accepted for a public school art exhibit. Four children attended summer camp at the JCC. An elderly gentleman received life-saving medical care to resolve a long standing health issue. Nearly everyone we have resettled gained English proficiency within two years. Many continue to study in classes with volunteer tutors.

JCARR covered initial expenses for our four families and now they are expected to be self sufficient. JCARR does continue to assist with skilled interpreters, whom we depend upon in circumstances where optimal communication is critical. When we can, we help with expenses such as driver training and licenses, car registration and urgent car repairs.

Challenges continue for these JCARR families. When able, JCARR provides financial support during times of unexpected and severe need. Our families are highly motivated to achieve their goal of becoming self-sufficient. We need your help now. Replenishing our funds allows us to sustain

JCARR so we can continue the work we do to prepare to welcome more families in the coming year.

To make an online donation, go to <https://jewishnewhaven.org/refugee-resettlement/give>. Or you can send checks payable to the Jewish Federation, with JCARR in the memo line To Jewish Federation, 360 Amity Rd Woodbridge, 06525 att. Amy Holtz.

RITUAL COMMITTEE NEWS

The Ritual Committee is a diverse group of congregants who find it rewarding to support the clergy in their efforts to build a rich and relevant Reform ritual experience at CMI.

2019 Summer Shabbat service leaders: The summer Shabbat services leaders and musical accompaniment were extraordinary in providing a meaningful participation for all. Yasha Koach to the following CMI members who conducted summer Shabbat services and musical accompaniment. Martha Weisbart, Julie Chevan, David Chevan, Cynthia Astmann, Dana Astmann, Paricia Vener-Saavedra, Adult B'Nai Mitzvah Class, Bobbi and Stanley Friedman, Allan Hillman, Michelle Goldstein, Cantor Arthur Giglio. George Ominsky, Jonathan Zabin and Matthew Lupoli.

The Ritual Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the CMI library. The Ritual Committee works with the Rabbi and Cantor as a source of advice and ideas in providing pathways for worship participation and spiritual growth. Please join us at the September meeting and join the committee.

Look for information in electronic newsletter about High Holy Day date and time for silver polishing and for Sukkah decorating.

Volunteer to be a CMI Greeter and Usher. We are proud to welcome congregants and visitors each week to our various Shabbat services and other events. Greeters and ushers serve an important role in welcoming everyone and helping people feel comfortable at CMI. Please contact the CMI office if you would like to serve as a Shabbat greeter or usher.

May the New Year shine bright with happiness and peace.

BROTHERHOOD NEWS

The board of the Brotherhood of Men and Women (BMW) is excited to usher in another great year at CMI. On behalf of the BMW Board, I want to wish you all a healthy and happy New Year. Thank you to all of you who have recently become a member of the BMW. Your membership allows us to plan exciting trips such as our upcoming one to the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York on November 3 to see the exhibition "A Living Memorial to the Holocaust", for which members will receive a discount. In addition to the New York field trip, we have planned a Sunday Book Club Series which will highlight prominent Jewish figures including Primo Levi, Ruth Bader Ginsberg and Sigmund Freud. The book discussions will be moderated by Professor Millicent Marcus, Emily Bazelon and Rabbi Brockman, respectively. Please visit our link on CMI's website for further details on the trip and the book club: <http://cmihamden.org/community/brotherhood-of-men-women/>.

It is not too late to join the BMW. We welcome you to become a member and to get involved in helping to support CMI by joining our Board or assisting in a variety of ways. Most importantly, please drop by our coffee shop any Sunday that religious school is in session. We would love to welcome you and serve you up some delicious bagels and doughnuts along with a cup of coffee or tea. Proceeds from the coffee shop directly support the religious school's scholarship program.

Membership forms can be downloaded from our BMW link on CMI's website. Your membership enables us to provide ongoing support to CMI programs as well as special gifts to the congregation.

An integral part of our work as a Brotherhood is our commitment to raising monies through our Tzedakah fund which provides needed financial support to community based organizations. This past year, we provided donations of \$500 each to CMI's Life Is Delicious, Columbus House, Clear Water, Music Haven, Jewish Family Services and the Jewish Cemetery Association. Your additional support on the membership form for this fund is much appreciated.

If you would like to get more involved please drop by the Coffee Shop and introduce yourself

or contact us via our website. We would love to welcome you in person!

Thank you for your continued support of the Brotherhood and we look forward to seeing you at one of our events this year!

Ken Seltzer, *President*
Brotherhood of Men and Women

RABBI'S MESSAGE *continued from page 3*

the challenges that lay ahead. On Rosh Hashanah we share in that moment of knowledge by reflecting on the past year and preparing for the next. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of the world, we ask ourselves how we will savor the good moments that fill us with joy and how we will accept the responsibility of repairing brokenness in our lives and in our world. We will embrace both as a sacred community. Shanah Tova, may you have a sweet and happy new year and may you open your eyes to the wonder that lies ahead.

CHEVRA HANDS

Chevra Hands reconvenes this fall. Join us in creating shawls for those in our congregation who might find comfort in our congregational expression of caring. We also make baby blankets to present to our newest congregants at their baby naming. We knit and crochet and have been quilting together creating lap quilts and baby blankets. No experience necessary, just a sense of humor, patience and a willingness to learn. We will meet on Sunday Morning September 15 and Sunday morning October 20 at 10:00. For further information contact Sue Millen smillen179@sbcglobal.net or Lina Lawall lalawall250@gmail.com

LIBRARY NEWS



Tel Aviv: Food, People, Stories: A Culinary Journey With Neni / by Haya Molcho



Mensch Marks: Life Lessons of a Human Rabbi / by Rabbi Joshua Hammerman



The Unwanted: America, Auschwitz, and a Village Caught in Between / by Michael Dobbs

A Year With the Sages: Wisdom on the Weekly Torah Portion / by Reuven Hammer.

CANTOR'S NOTES *continued from page 4*

Most important, don't forget that the Saturday evening on the weekend before Rosh Hashana is Selichot, a service of penitential prayers and poems. Selichot prepares us for the awe and majesty of Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. Every year a Community Selichot Service is hosted by one of the synagogues of the URJ Reform Congregations of New Haven County. This year it will be at Temple Beth David in Cheshire at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 21. Our community of Reform synagogues will be studying, praying and lifting our voices together. It is the perfect preparation for High Holy Days and never fails to get you in the spirit. It is very special and one of your Cantor's favorite services.

CMI Jr. Choir will resume during Religious School on Sunday morning September, 22 and every Sunday thereafter at 1:30 p.m.. The Jr. Choir sings at every Family Service throughout the year. A requirement to be part of the Jr. Choir is that parents are obligated to bring their child to Family Services that occur once a month. A schedule of the Family Service dates will be given out so you know when they occur. If your child misses an occasional service, that is not a problem but please help your child have the opportunity to be part of the joy and bring them to our family services. Everyone who has heard the CMI Jr. Choir knows what an incredible gift they are to our family. Any child who has entered 3rd Grade through 6th grade is welcome. Parents who would like additional information can email me at cantorg@cmihamden.org.

High Holy Days comes this year at the end September and continues into October followed by one of the Shalosh Regalim or one of the three pilgrimage festivals named Sukkot or the Festival of Booths. We get to celebrate the joy of the harvest and sit in our beautiful Sukkah that is decorated by your children from Religious School. Yet, it does not end there! We culminate this most special time of year with Simchat Torah. We have finished reading the Torah and we begin anew. We re-energize, regenerate and we start from the beginning. All of creation is a re-creation and we are all interconnected. In our time of global warming it is so important that what we may have thought as minor holidays or just repetition is the very fabric of our existence and a very fragile thing. Our ancestors did not frivolously pick these observances and we cannot anymore take them

for granted. Join us in respect for these very essences of our lives that we have been blessed to share on this floating blue orb of God's creation!

Remember, I always seek out talented musicians and singers in our congregation of which there are many. It is a joy for me and our community to bring you to the bimah on Shabbat. We have so many opportunities to share your talents, so if you are uncertain please come speak with me. You can email me at cantorg@cmihamden.org or leave me a message at (203) 288-3877 ext. 244 or just leave me a note in my mailbox and I will get back to you.

**BUY LULAV & ETROG**

Sukkot is coming and once again for seven days we will have the joy of sitting and eating in the Sukkah. Would you like to make this year's Sukkot extra

special by having your own Lulav & Etrog?

It would make sitting in the Sukkah especially sweet. Share in the joy of saying the Blessing "Leisheiv BaSukkah - to dwell/sit in the Sukkah", wave your lulav and Etrog to the four corners of the earth and enjoy the unique citrus smell of the Etrog the fragrant Willow and Myrtle. All for the the joy of the fruit harvest and to praise God's name.". If you are interested please email Cantor Giglio at: cantorg@cmihamden.org.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *continued from page 4* special onegs and congregational dinners; and of course, fundraising activities. Please contact me (president@cmihamden.org) or our Temple Administrator, Merav Canaan (mcanaan@cmihamden.org) for ways in which you can increase your Tzedakah in 5780.

L'Shana Tova!

YOM KIPPUR REFLECTION SERVICE

The CMI Worship & Ritual Committee is seeking volunteers to participate in the Reflection Service on Yom Kippur afternoon, Wednesday, October 9 from 12:30 -2:00 p.m. Presentations may include essays, poetry, meditations, musical pieces or other readings, whether original or not, that should be spiritually meaningful for the congregation and timed for 6 minutes or less. If you would like to participate, please contact Stan Friedman at stanf24@hotmail.com or David Chevan at dchevan@snet.net.

SEPTEMBER 2019

1	2 Labor Day Office & School Closed	3 7:00 p.m. HHD Prayer Book Class	4 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting	5	6 BM Retreat 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 6:00 p.m. Shabbat Under the Stars Evening 7:00 p.m. Service & Birthday Blessings BBQ & Ice Cream	7 BM Retreat 10:30 a.m. Morning Service
8 BM Retreat	9	10	11 12:00 Noon Book Group 7:00 p.m. Ritual Committee Meeting	12	13 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 6:00 p.m. Evening Service	14 10:30 a.m. Morning Service celebrating the Bar Mitzvah of Jack Ruggiero
15 9:00 a.m. Community Day Activities Fair/Open House 9:00 a.m. Brotherhood Coffee Shop 9:30 a.m. First Day of Religious School 10:00 a.m. Chevra Hands 10:00 a.m. Silver Polishing 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	16	17 4:00 p.m. Religious School 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	18	19	20 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 6:00 p.m. Evening Service 7:00 p.m. HHD Prayerbook Class	21 10:30 a.m. Morning Service celebrating the Bar Mitzvah of Naomi Borenstein 7:00 p.m. Community Selichot Service – Temple Beth David, Cheshire
22 9:00 a.m. Brotherhood Coffee Shop 9:30 a.m. Religious School 10:00 a.m. Greeter Orientation 10:45 a.m. Judaism Class 11:30 a.m. CMI High 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	23	24 4:00 p.m. Religious School 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	25	26	27 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 6:00 p.m. Evening Service	28 10:30 a.m. Morning Service
29 No Religious School 8:00 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashanah Service	30 ROSH HASHANAH Office & School Closed 10:00 a.m. Morning Service 10:45 a.m. Children's Program 12:30 p.m. Kiddish 2:00 p.m. Community Family Service 3:00 p.m. Kiddish					

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

OCTOBER CALENDAR

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				1 Office Closed 10:00 a.m. Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day Service and Tashlich 4:00 p.m. Religious School	2 7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting	3	4 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 5:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat Service 6:00 p.m. Evening Service	5 10:30 a.m. Morning Service
6 9:00 a.m. Brotherhood Coffee Shop 9:30 a.m. Religious School 9:30 a.m. Parent Education Series – College Admission 9:30 a.m. Kadima Parent Connection Program & PLB 10:45 a.m. Judaism Class 1:00 p.m. Memorial Service – CMI Cemetery	7	8 8:00 p.m. Kol Nidre	9 YOM KIPPUR Office & School Closed 10:00 a.m. Morning Service 10:45 a.m. Children's Program 12:30 p.m. Reflection Service 2:00 p.m. Adult Discussion 3:00 p.m. Community Family Service 4:45 p.m. Afternoon Service 6:00 p.m. Memorial/Concluding Service & Mizitz to Break the Fast	10	11 5:30 p.m. Early Oneg 6:00 p.m. Evening Service	12 9:15 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Morning Service		
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YOUR GUIDE TO THE HIGH HOLY DAYS AT CMI



We look forward to a new year
filled with health, happiness and peace.

We welcome you to the High Holy Days 5780.
Thank you for being a vital part of our community.
Your presence and participation create a warm and joyous experience for
us all.

L'shanah Tova u'metukah,

**Rabbi Brian P. Immerman
Cantor Arthur Giglio**

**Sarah B. Greenblatt, President
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SELICHOT

Saturday, September 21

7:00 p.m. – Community Selichot Service at
Temple Beth David of Cheshire

Selichot is an evening service held prior to Rosh Hashanah to engage in introspection and forgiveness.

This year, Temple Beth David in Cheshire hosts other Reform congregations from the Greater New Haven area at our annual Joint Reform Selichot service. The rabbis, choirs, cantors, and cantorial soloists from each participating congregation will lead us in prayer and song. .

ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, September 29

8:00 p.m. - Erev Rosh Hashanah Service*

Monday, September 30

10:00 a.m. - Rosh Hashanah Morning Service*
10:00 a.m. – Rosh Hashanah Children’s Program
2:00 p.m. - Rosh Hashanah Community Family Service

Tuesday, October 1

10:00 a.m. – Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service
& Congregational Tashlich

*Ticket required

**Join us for a Kiddush
to celebrate the new year**
immediately following Rosh Hashanah
Morning Service and the
Community Family Service.



HIGH HOLY DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Sunday, October 6

1:00 p.m. – Memorial Service at CMI Cemetery

Join Rabbi Immerman and Cantor Giglio in the beautiful CMI Cemetery Chapel to honor and remember our loved ones who are no longer with us.

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YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, October 8

8:00 p.m. – Kol Nidre Service*

Wednesday, October 9

10:00 a.m. – Yom Kippur Morning Service*

10:45 a.m. – Yom Kippur Children's Program

12:30 p.m. – Yom Kippur Reflection Service

2:00 p.m. – Adult Discussion

2:00 p.m. – Yom Kippur Community Family Service

3:00 p.m. – Yom Kippur Afternoon Service

4:45 p.m. – Yom Kippur Memorial & Concluding Services

*Ticket required.

**Join us for Kiddush & Motzi
to break the fast
immediately following Yom Kippur Yizkor/Concluding Service**



YOM KIPPER AFTERNOON

YOM KIPPUR REFLECTION SERVICE – 12:30 p.m. in the Chapel

The reflection service provides an opportunity for us to reflect on the past, present, and future with the aid of original and thoughtfully selected writings and music by members of our congregation.

YOM KIPPUR LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES – 2:00 p.m.

- Professor Shelly Kagan will lead a group text study at 2:00 p.m. in the lounge.

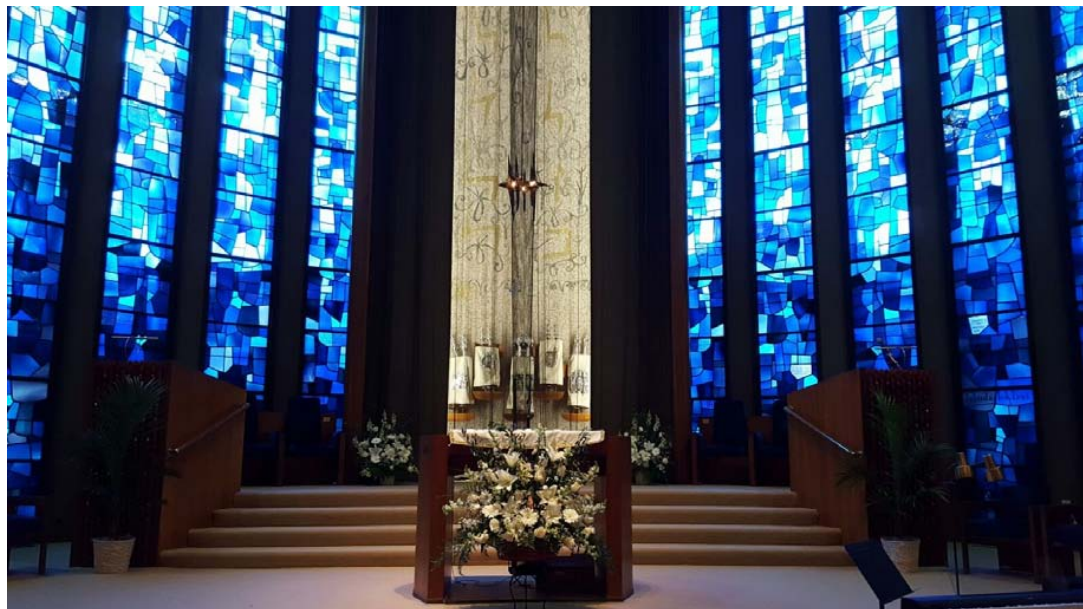
YIZKOR MEMORIALSERVICE

Our Yizkor memorial service offers the opportunity to remember our loved ones who are no longer with us. We will read the names of our congregants who have passed away since the last High Holy Days.

If you wish the names of others who have passed away since October 2018 to be read out loud at this Memorial Service, please call or send the names to Sarah Legassey by October 7.

The Memorial Book is distributed on Yom Kippur afternoon before the Yizkor Service.

For more information contact Sarah at (203) 288-3877 or slegassey@cmihamden.org



HIGH HOLY DAY TICKETS

Tickets are being sent to all CMI members in September who have paid at least one quarter of their annual dues. Please be sure to bring your ticket with you to all services. Greeters will be checking tickets at the door to ensure the safety and security of all in attendance. If you do not have your ticket a greeter will direct you to the will-call table to assist you. If you wish to bring guests or have questions about tickets please call Merav Canaan at 203-288-3877 to purchase additional tickets.

You can also pick up your tickets in person during normal business hours. (Mon – Thurs 8:30 – 4:30 p.m, Fri 8:30 - 4:00 p.m.)

Children over 18

If you wish to bring children over 18 please register them for security purposes via our website at cmihamden.org/giving. We invite you to make a donation of \$180 for any immediate family members who are out of college to support our community.

Additional Guests

If you wish to bring additional guests, we invite you to purchase tickets at \$250 each.

Note that if guests are members of another synagogue they may request reciprocal tickets directly from their synagogue for no charge.

Undergraduate and Graduate Students

Any students and their spouses are welcome to complimentary tickets. All students must register in advance for security purposes.

In order to have tickets at the door, please reserve them either online at cmihamden.org/giving or by calling the CMI office by Wednesday, September 25.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

We welcome the entire community to join us
for the following services:

Rosh Hashanah Community Family Service – 2:00 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service & Congregational Tashlich – 10:00 a.m.

Yom Kippur Community Family Service – 2:00 p.m.

Yom Kippur Reflection Service – 12:30 p.m.

Yom Kippur Afternoon Service – 3:00 p.m.

Yizkor & Concluding Service – 4:45 p.m.



HIGH HOLY DAY AMBIANCE

Help us make High Holy Day worship a special and comfortable experience for everyone.

Please ensure that your **cell phones** are turned off before entering the sanctuary.

We are a community and the High Holy Days allow us to reconnect with friends. In order to allow everyone to pray, if you want to talk with your friends and neighbors, or you have children who are having difficulty sitting quietly or need to eat, we ask that you please visit the common spaces away from the Sanctuary, such as the Lounge or Rotunda. Please do not stand in the main hallway, as sound does travel freely through the doors and can disturb those praying.

SERVICES PROVIDED



PRAYER BOOKS

Please bring your prayerbook, *Mishkan Ha'Nefesh*, with you to services. Additional books are available for congregants and their guests to borrow. Books should be returned immediately after each service.

TALLITOT

Tallitot are available for those who may wish to wear one to services but have none with them. The prayer shawls and sign out will be in the Lounge. Please return tallitot immediately after each service.



ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES

Assisted listening devices are available in the Lounge. Please return your device at the end of each service.

RESERVED SEATING

The pews in the front left side are reserved for those with health or mobility concerns. **You must call by September 24 to assure a spot in the Reserved Section.** If you do not call and do not arrive by 7:45 p.m. for evening services and 9:45 a.m. for the morning services, our greeters will make every effort to assist you but cannot guarantee seating in this section.

To reserve your seat, call Tamara at (203) 288-3877.



HANDICAPPED PARKING

Handicapped parking is available in the upper parking lot in designated spots. Please only use these spots if you have a handicapped license plate or tag on your car. Our greeters can assist those who are dropped off under the canopy as well.

FAMILY & CHILD HIGH HOLY DAY PROGRAMS

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM - GRADES PREK - 7

Children in grades PreK - 7 are welcome to participate in this year's High Holiday Children's Programming. Children will join their parents in the main High Holiday services through the family blessing and then join staff for special programming. PreK – 1st grade will meet in the Classroom 14, 2nd - 7th grade will continue service in the Chapel, followed by a program in room 12. High Holiday programming will run for the length of the service . Please remember to pick up your child in the Classroom immediately following the main service.

Service appropriate for children younger than pre-k please come to the Family Service at 2:00 p.m.).



COMMUNITY FAMILY SERVICES – ALL AGES

Community Family Services are held on both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur at **2:00 p.m.** led by Rabbi Immerman and Cantor Giglio. These Services are appropriate for individuals of all ages and open to the community. We encourage you to bring grandparents, other family members, and friends. Rosh Hashanah Community Services are followed by a Kiddush.

MORNING & EVENING SERVICES

Children are permitted in the main worship space during Morning & Evening Services. Parents who bring their children into these Services are asked to be prudent and respectful of the worshippers around them. Those with very young children may find it more comfortable to sit in the rear so that they can exit quickly and easily. During Evening Services, the Chapel is open and the service is simulcast so you can hear everything that is going on in the main service.

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP OTHERS AT THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT TO SERVE AS GREETERS FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS

The High Holy Days are a time when our congregational family looks forward to coming together to worship. Our greeters are a vital component to ensuring a peaceful and secure atmosphere. We are seeking congregants to supplement those greeters drawn from our Board of Trustees and Shabbat Welcome Team. Greeters need no special prior knowledge or skill. You will learn everything you need to know at an orientation on Sunday September 22. To volunteer, contact Merav at (203) 288-3877 or mcanaan@cmihamden.org



SHARE YOUR BAKING TALENTS WITH CMI FAMILY



Our congregation has a host of culinary masters who love to bake. Home-baked treats are one reason our Rosh Hashanah Kiddush is such a sweet way to start off the New Year. Please bring your favorite finger dessert to the kitchen by 9:00 a.m. Rosh Hashanah morning, September 30. Items can be dropped off in advance of the holidays as well.

FEED THE HUNGRY

As is our annual custom, we will be conducting a food drive these High Holy Days. By donating food, we hope to help those whose fast will not end at sundown. Please bring a bag of nonperishable food items with you on Yom Kippur. There will be marked drop off stations at the upper and lower parking lots. Please do not bring the bags into the building. After the holidays, we will deliver the food to Jewish Family Services' Food Pantry.

Please be generous in helping those less fortunate.

We also encourage our community to support MAZON – the Jewish Response to Hunger.

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PLEDGE TO GET INVOLVED

Reform Judaism proclaims the oneness of the Jewish people. It emphasizes the rabbinic adage that all Jews are responsible for one another's welfare. At the same time, it restates the Jewish obligation to work for the betterment of the entire human family and to struggle against poverty and ignorance wherever they exist...Reform Judaism teaches that being an observant Reform Jew involves prayer, study, and the performance of good deeds. All three are inextricably linked to one another. (Reform Judaism and You, by Rabbi Sanford Seltzer, Union of American Hebrew Congregations pamphlet.)



At this time of year, we ask that you consider your involvement in the Synagogue and the opportunities to play a role in the larger community. There are lots of ways you can experience the satisfaction and rewards of helping others and practicing Tikkun Olam (repair of the world).

Give tzedakah. Our synagogue is a vibrant place, filled with activities almost daily, all year round. These add to the richness of Mishkan Israel. Contributions are needed to support our wonderful array of offerings. An envelope for your contribution was included with your ticket.

Tzedakah

Don't be a passive synagogue member. Make the congregation part of your family and yourself part of it by **volunteering and attending functions here**. From parent-toddler play groups to committee meetings and book discussions, concerts to educational courses, there is something for everyone. Discover how and where your personal skills and talents can best be utilized. Board members and office staff would welcome the opportunity to talk with you about your interests and abilities

If you have children, reinforce the goals of the religious school and the Jewish commitments of your family through personal example and the **sharing of positive Jewish experiences at home**.

Donate food to the hungry by bringing non-perishable food to High Holy Day services or contributing to MAZON.



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Shabbat Evening Service & Birthday Blessings
followed by
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Friday, September 6 • 6:00 PM

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Experience the warmth and vitality of CMI. Come out and enjoy Shabbat Under the Stars & Birthday Blessings at 6:00 p.m. followed by a BBQ and Ice Cream Social. The evening will take place on our Patio. CMI Members: optional contribution of \$5.00/person and/or bring a salad or side dish to share.

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COMMUNITY DAY
Activities Fair/OPEN HOUSE
First Day of
Religious School

Grab a bagel and coffee and enjoy a morning of community. Discover opportunities to participate in our congregation through committees and activities. Join the Religious School for their opening day assembly.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
9:00-9:30 a.m. - Sign In/Visit
Community Day tables
9:30-10:15 a.m. - Opening Assembly
10:30-12:00 p.m. - Family Mitzvah Day
(Parents should plan on staying with their children for the morning.)

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COME TO SIMCHAT TORAH
A Celebratory evening

Sunday, October 20 6:00 p.m.

Raise your voice and show off your ruach with lots of singing. Kvell at the consecration of Religious School students. Wave the lulav and etrog while dancing around to the sounds of the CMI Band. Give a warm welcome to our new members. Help unroll the Torah around the entire Sanctuary.

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

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New Member Dinner

AN EVENING OF NEW BEGINNINGS
Congregational Dinner
Honoring Our New Members

Sunday, October 20
7:00 p.m.

All CMI members are invited to welcome and honor those who have joined our community in the last year. (New members are our complimentary guests). Simchat Torah Service will be followed by New Member Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

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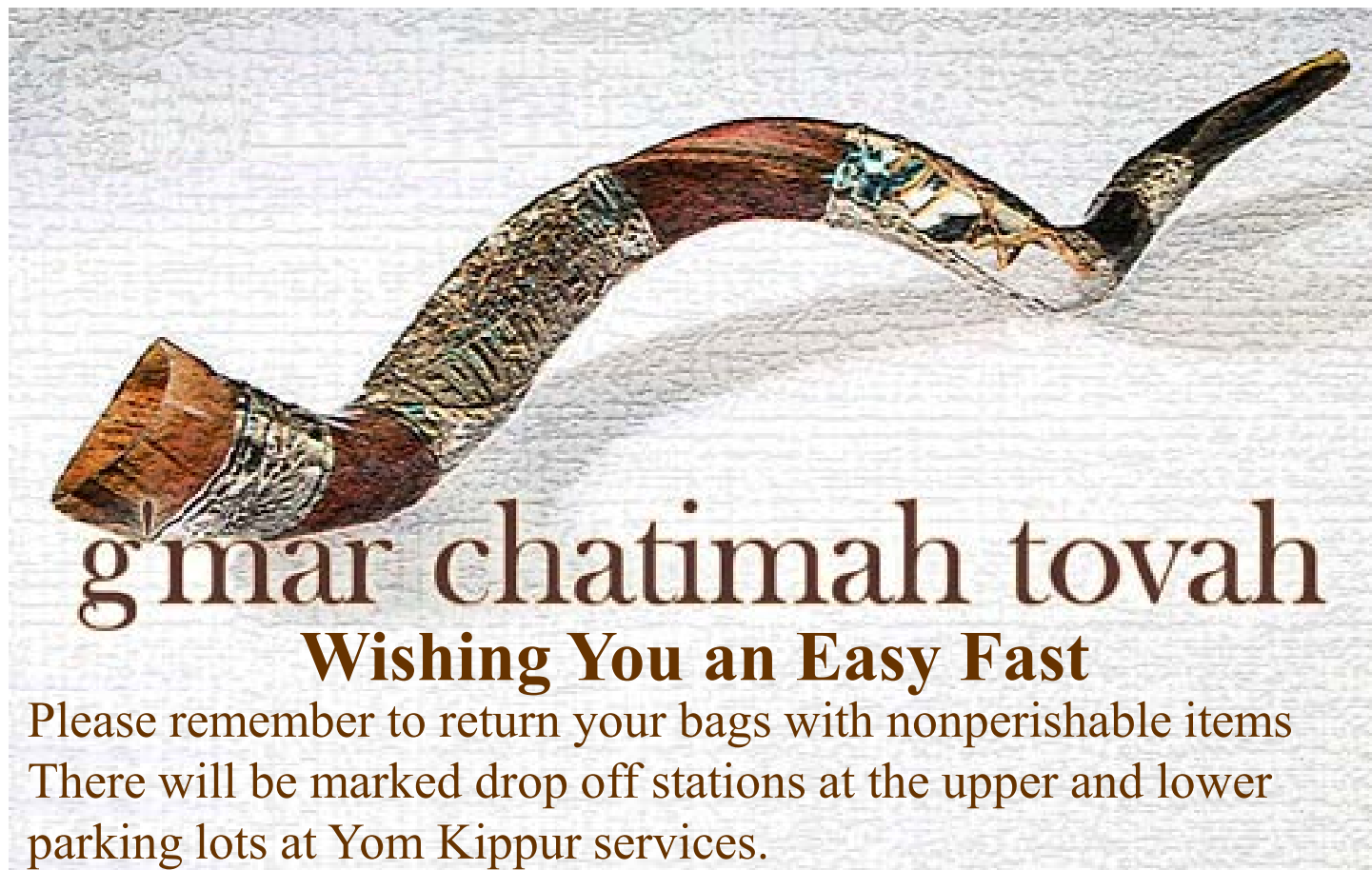
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Wishing You an Easy Fast

Please remember to return your bags with nonperishable items
There will be marked drop off stations at the upper and lower
parking lots at Yom Kippur services.