

the sephardic temple



CONGREGATION EMETH VE'SHALOM

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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שבת שלום SHABBAT SHALOM

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DAILY MINYAN SUNDAY - FRIDAY IS HELD VIA ZOOM AT 9:00 AM
CONTACT RABBI GOLDEN FOR MORE INFORMATION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2020

LIGHT CANDLES: 6:28 PM

At this time during COVID-19,
Friday evening services are not being held



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2020 (8 TISHREI 5781)

SHABBAT SHUVAH
שבת שובה

PARASHAT HA'AZINU
פרשת האזינו

SHABBAT SERVICES 9:30 AM
שחרית, קריאת התורה ומוסף



Shabbat Morning Services will be held in the Sanctuary
with social distance restrictions by reservation only.

Kindly refer to the Temple's letter regarding
our current reopening policy. Please contact the
Temple office by Thursday, September 24 to register:
admin@thesephardictemple.org (516-295-4644)



Parashat HA'AZINU... Just as
Moses recited a song of praise to G-d
at one of the highlights of his career, the
great leader of Israel now ends his ministry with yet
another song which both praises G-d and warns the
children of Israel of their future sins. Moses, who began
his service to G-d as a shepherd without experience in
diplomacy, now, at the end of his career, shines as a
caring, profound and eloquent spiritual leader. Moses
remains for all times the greatest prophet of Israel.



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SHABBAT, SEPTEMBER 26, 2020

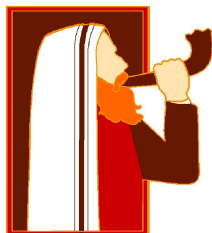
FIRST YEAR
ISAAC BABAGANOV

ELLIOTT ALCOSSER
DAVID ALCOSSER
JACK SOLNET
SARAH EHRLICH
LILLIAN SACHS
REGGIE GOLDBERG
ESTHER VALANSI
WILLIAM POSNER
ELI ELIAS
STANLEY "TOOTSIE" COHEN
DAVID BERNARD ROSEN
MORRIS M. CALDERON
SIDNEY GOLDMAN
MICHAEL CONFINO
RHONDA ROSEN
SAUL ALEVY
ANNETTE APPLEBAUM
ELIAS SHEINKER
DELICIA RUSSO
SAM TANZMAN
SOPHIE S. CAMHI
ESTHER HALEO
BELLA FRANCO
ABRAHAM JUDAH ELIAS
BARRY FRAHM
EZRA SHIRAZI
FAYE ZACHARIA
DAVID SOLOMON COPIO
MOSHE H. HAZAN
SOLOMON COPIO

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SARAH B. NAPHTALI
RUTH SALINAS
ANNA BEHAR
MERIAM JOSE BENEZRA
RACHEL COHEN
JOSEPH ALBENDA
LUCY AMIEL
PAUL ANGEL
ISAAC AZIZ
JACOB NISSIM BEHAR
CLAIRE BURKE
SAMUEL CATALAN
VICTORIA COHEN
ESTHER DECASTRO DAVID
ALVIN EINHORN
SAMUEL ELIAS
YVETTE FORTI
JOSEPH FRANCES
RITA GART
ISAAC HAIME
STELLA HAZAN
MOLLIE KAMHI
MEYER NACHMAN
HARRY ROSENBLATT
LOTTIE ROSENBLATT
SAMUEL SARFATY
SARA PESSIRILO SEGEDI
SARAH TERENO
MIRIAM ANGIEL

HIGH HOLY DAYS

תשפ"א - 5781



THE SEPHARDIC TEMPLE

OFFICIATING:
RABBI STEVE GOLDEN
CANTOR YAIR YONATI



BOTH ISAAC MAYO'S PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS
TO THE CONGREGATION AND
RABBI GOLDEN'S YOM KIPPUR SERMON
WILL BE POSTED TO THE SEPHARDIC TEMPLE'S WEBSITE
ON THURSDAY, SEPT. 24

Visit: www.sephardictemplecedarhurst.org/high-holy-days

סליחות SELIHOT סליחות

Erev Kippur - Sunday, Sept. 27 at 8:00 AM - Zoom ID 871 5226 7198, Passcode 331555

YIZKOR SERVICE

Erev Kippur - Sunday, Sept. 27 at 10:00 AM - Zoom ID 879 3209 2860, Passcode 874099



גמר חתימה טובה

YOM KIPPUR

SUNDAY EVENING, SEPT. 27 - Candle lighting 6:25 PM

SUNDAY EVENING, SEPT. 27 - KAL NIDRE SERVICE at the Temple,
tickets required, 6:15 PM

MONDAY, SEPT. 28 - SHAHRIT & MUSAF SERVICE FOR KIPPUR
at the Temple, tickets required, 9:00-11:45 AM

MONDAY, SEPT. 28 - MINHAH & NE'ILAH SERVICE at the Temple,
tickets required, 5:15-7:15 PM

MONDAY, SEPT. 28 - LAST SHOFAR BLAST/FAST ENDS/
HAVDALAH AFTER 7:15 PM

תזכו לשנים רבות *Happy New Year - Anyada Buena y Dulce*



IN THE TEMPLE FAMILY

THE SEPHARDIC TEMPLE WEEKLY BULLETIN · SEPT. 26, 2020

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEMPLE REOPENING FOR SHABBAT MORNING SERVICES

Shabbat Morning Services will be held in the Sanctuary with social distance restrictions by reservation only.

Registration to the Temple office for Shabbat, Sept. 26 must be received by Thursday, Sept. 24.

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Condolences on the loss of:
Stella Gatenio

Beloved wife of:
The late Carl D. Gatenio

Beloved mother of:
David Gatenio
Leon Gatenio
Professor Shirley Gatenio Gabel

ת.נ.צ.ב.ה

Condolences on the loss of:
Priscilla Perlman

Beloved wife of:
The late Dr. Julius Perlman

Beloved mother of:
Tracey Derosa
The late Andrea Friedman

Beloved sister of:
Marvin Stahl
The late Norman Stahl

Announcing the launch of our new website!

Please visit us at:
www.sephardicemplecedarhurst.org

KAL NIDRE APPEAL

Please return your contributions to the Temple office

LULAV and ETROG sets are available to order



\$40 each

Please contact the Temple office:
516-295-4644; admin@thesephardicemple.org

Cove Shir Kerman
was given her Jewish name at a
Zeved haBat ceremony
on September 15 via Zoom

We wish the family of

קשת שיר
בת

חנן משה הלוי ונאוה דבורה חוה
a hearty Mazal Tov!

Parents:
Navah & Adam Kerman

Grandparents:
Shira & Rabbi Steve Golden
Bernice & Ellis Kerman

Great-Grandparent:
Judy Ross

Great-Great-Grandparent:
Paula May



The Story Of YOM KIPPUR

יום כפור



Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, is the most sacred of the Jewish holidays, the “Sabbath of Sabbaths.” By Yom Kippur the 40 days of repentance, that begin with the first of Elul, have passed. On Rosh Hashannah G-d has judged mankind and recorded their judgements in the Book of Life. But he has given a 10 day reprieve.

On Yom Kippur the Book of Life is closed and sealed. Those that have repented for their sins are granted a good and happy New Year. Since Yom Kippur is the day to ask forgiveness for promises broken to G-d, the days before are reserved for asking forgiveness from for broken promises between people, as G-d cannot forgive broken promises between people.

Yom Kippur is a day of “NOT” doing. There is no blowing of the Shofar and Jews may not eat or drink, as fasting is commanded in the Bible. It is believed that to fast on Yom Kippur is to emulate the angels in heaven, who do not eat, drink, or wash.

The Five Prohibitions of Yom Kippur:

1. Eating and drinking
2. Anointing with perfumes or lotions
3. Marital relations
4. Washing
5. Wearing leather shoes

While Yom Kippur is devoted to fasting, the day before is devoted to eating. According to the Talmud the person “who eats on the ninth of Tishri (and fasts on the tenth), is as one who had fasted both the ninth and tenth.” Prayer is also down played so that Jews can concentrate on eating and preparing for the fast.

On the eve of Yom Kippur the community joins at the synagogue. Men put on prayer shawls (not usually worn in the evenings). Then as the night falls the cantor begins the “Kal Nidre”; it is repeated 3 times, each time in a louder voice. The Kal Nidre emphasizes the importance in keeping vows, as violating an oath is a grave sin.

An important part of the Yom Kippur service is the “Vidui” (Viduy) or confession. The Confessionals in the liturgy serve to help reflect on ones misdeeds; confessing them verbally is an indispensable component of our repentance before G-d and asking him for forgiveness. Because community and unity are an important part of Jewish Life, the confessions are said in the plural (We are guilty).

As Yom Kippur ends, the last service called “Ne’ilah” (Neilah) offers a final opportunity for repentance. It is the only service of the year during which the doors of the Heikhal/Ark (where the Torah scrolls are stored) remain open from the beginning to end of the service, signifying that the gates of Heaven are open at this time.

Yom Kippur concludes with the verse, said 7 times, “The L-rd is our G-d.” The Shofar is sounded once and the congregation proclaims - “*Next Year in Jerusalem.*”

2020 Kal Nidre Participants



Mrs. Marilyn Alcosser

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Azaria

Mr. Sam Barouch

Ms. Dorothy Barouch

Mr. & Mrs. Jacques Benatar

Mr. & Mrs. Murray Benbasset

Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Beja

Mr. & Mrs. Amir Berenblat

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Bergman

Mr. Simon Billig

Mr. & Mrs. Eli Blit

Mrs. Belle Camhi

Mr. & Mrs. Stan Camhi

Mr. Justin Chernoff

Mr. & Mrs. Steven Chernoff

Mr. & Mrs. Bob Cohen

Mr. & Mrs. Isidore Cohen

Mr. Sol Cohen

Ms. Roberta Confino

Mrs. Marion Crespi

Mr. & Mrs. Neil Crespi

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Crespi

Mrs. Sheryl David

Mr. & Mrs. Keith Davidson

Mr. & Mrs. Adam Edelberg

Mr. & Mrs. Martin B. Elias

Mr. Martin I. Elias

Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Ezratty

Mr. & Mrs. Howard Franco

Mr. & Mrs. David Futter

Ms. Nina Garfinkel &

Mr. Steve Notis

Mrs. Dorothy Goldsmith

Mr. & Mrs. Nathan Grama

Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Grass

Mrs. Barbara Hallivis

Mr. & Mrs. Zachary Hanan

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Hattem

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Hattem

Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Hazan

Mr. & Mrs. Larry Hazan

Mr. & Mrs. Louis Hazan

Mr. & Mrs. Victor Hazan

Dr. Stephen Kleinman

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Labaton

Mrs. Claire Levitan

Mr. & Mrs. Victor Levy

Mr. Mel Matsil

Mr. Isaac Mayo

Mrs. Sarah Mevorah

Mr. Arthur Miller

Dr. & Mrs. Edmond Mukamal

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Noah

Mrs. Louise Pardo

Mrs. Miriam Pardo

Mr. & Mrs. Russ Posner

Dr. Pnina Powell

Mr. Jack Rubin

Mrs. Doris Russo

Mrs. Audrey Salem

Mr. Michael Russo Sawyer

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Schwartz

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Sharaby

Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Skolnik

Dr. & Mrs. Samuel Spitalowitz

Mr. & Mrs. Ben Stein

Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Stoltz

Mrs. Carol Susi

Mrs. Carole Trachtenberg

Mr. Adam Tzach

Mr. Daniel Tzach

Mr. & Mrs. Shai Tzach

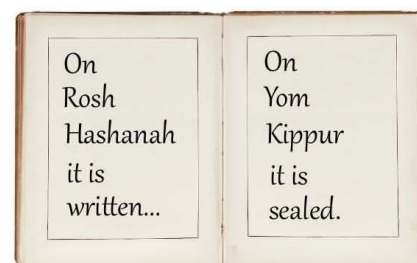
Mr. & Mrs. Neal Waldman

Mr. Mark Weber

Mr. Barry Yomtov

Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Zacharia

Mr. & Mrs. Eli Zacharia



Shanah Tovah to all of our members and friends of our kahal. Rosh Hashanah services were very successful this past Saturday and Sunday. We sorely missed our beloved Rabbi Marans z”l, but Rabbi Golden, Cantor Yonati and all those that helped to get things prepared for the beginning of the High Holy Day season rose to the occasion and administered the services beautifully.

For those that have been coming regularly to Shabbat services, the extension of the current COVID-19 restrictions to the Rosh Hashana service was a smooth transition.

For those that registered in advance, they were pleasantly surprised to find a resealable bag with their name on it on their designated seats that included the new year siddur, order of services printout, gloves, an extra mask, and for men, a tallit and face shield for those receiving Aliyah to the Torah. We also have an acrylic barrier wall for those being called to the Torah.

We are arguably the safest congregation in the Five Towns. We provided the expected sanitizer, gloves, masks, etc, and extra cleaning prior to Rosh Hashanah services. In addition to following CDC guidelines for religious assembly, we followed guidance from NY State Health Commissioner, Dr. Howard Zucker and recommendations from the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC). These include, but are not limited to: wearing face coverings at all times; limiting their number of people attending services to 1/3 maximum capacity for any public religious gathering greater than 50 people; and stringently maintaining 12 foot distancing for services that allow singing. Also recommended and observed was the very successful outdoor shofar blowing. While many of you were cautious in attendance per recommendations based on age or medical condition, our outdoor shofar blowing by David Laniado allowed many of you and your families the ability to participate in the mitzvah of hearing the shofar for Rosh Hashanah.

Attendees to services were escorted to their designated seats by an usher and encouraged not to mingle before, during and after services.

Advance registration was required in order to have potential contact tracing lists available, should the need arise.

We hope that everyone understood how difficult it was to prepare the synagogue and arrange seating requirements to ensure the safest environment possible.

Tizku L'Shanim Rabot.

Looking forward to seeing you next week for Yom Kippur.



Jeff Beja, Gabbai