

THE FOCAL POINT

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HIGH HOLY DAYS & SEPTEMBER 2020

ELUL - TISHREI 5780/5781

From Your Rabbi...



I've never looked forward with more hope, optimism and anticipation to a New Year than I do right now for this upcoming year of 5781. Let's be honest - for most years, the transition from one year to the next seems like a matter of mere calendrical technicality.

Take, for example, 15 years ago. When we transitioned from 5765 to 5766, or any other given New Year in memory, was there really a sense that the upcoming year would be radically different than the one which came before it? To be sure, we do resolve each year to make OURSELVES different; to improve in various key ways, to grow as people, and to repent from our sins. But there isn't really a sense that the world itself will be fundamentally transformed.

But this year is different. If we exclaim on *Pesach* night about how different that night is from all others, then so too do we approach the coming year with a sense of how different this year has been. The coming year brings with it the hope and expectation that a vaccine will emerge, to return the world to a sense of normalcy. When that day comes, please God, what a sense we'll have of "how different was that year, 5780, from all other years!"

The way that our annual weekly *Torah* cycle is structured, we always read *Parshat Ki Tavo* on the second *Shabbat* before *Rosh Hashanah*. This *parsha* contains a series of rebukes and curses for not holding true to God's word. We read this close to the New Year so as to instill in us a fear of sin. (But we read it specifically on the second *Shabbat* before the New Year, and not on the *Shabbat* immediately beforehand, so as not to scare ourselves TOO much!)

At first glance, this practice seems quite ominous. But we actually relate to this practice with a positive spin, as evidenced by the traditional Jewish saying: Let this year and its curses end; let the New Year and its blessings begin. We read the series of rebukes and curses at the end of the year precisely to get it out of the way and to thereby begin the New Year with fresh hope and optimism. I've never before experienced such a strong and visceral identification with this phrase: Let this year and its curses end; let the New Year and its blessings begin. Amen amen, one thousand times!

And just as the upcoming year brings with it the hope of worldwide social and medical transformation, let's also commit, as indeed we do every year - but perhaps this year with more feeling and urgency - to transform our own selves for the better as well.

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott

From Your President...



It's always exciting this time of year, however, this year is the most exciting that I can remember. It's exciting, mainly, because we know not what to expect. It used to be fun not knowing what to expect - like an experiment where we wait to see what will happen. Now with COVID-19, not so much. Knowing what to expect is more comfortable.

Here's what we do know. Coronavirus will be around for several more months. No one knows how long for sure. Some estimates say up to 18 months or more. Again, we don't know.

We do know that the High Holy Days are fast approaching. And now I will explain to you the steps K.I. has been taking and continues to make our facilities as safe as possible for you and your families to come to *shul* and experience our wonderful Holy Days.

We have sent out a congregational letter to each member family advising of the steps we have taken, but I wish to point out a few of them in this article.

First of all, we are blessed to have the physical building we have called "home" since it was built in the mid 1980's. We will be able to accommodate our membership, while maintaining social distancing, as recommended by the CDC guidelines.

We will have sanitizing stations throughout the occupied areas. The bathrooms and hallways will be monitored to prevent people from congregating in these areas.

We will have in place a UV-C treatment system for our air handling units. This system, disinfection by ultraviolet light, has been in use for over 60 years. And according to the research done by our building chair, **Craig Caplan**, UV-C has the best germicidal properties of the three types of UV light.

We have engaged the services of a cantor to join us and lead services for the High Holy Days. He is a professional *hazzan* from the St. Louis area. He has a wonderful voice, and we are happy to have him here.

So you can see, these are just a few of the things and precautions that we are taking in order to make this year's High Holy Days joyous and memorable.

Rosemary and I wish each of you and your family a happy, healthy and successful year to come, 5781. *G'mar Chameeta Tova!*

Marty Gorin

FAST OF GEDALIAH
Monday, September 21
The fast will begin at 5:47 am
and concludes at 7:46 pm.

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SHABBAT SCHEDULES

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Candlelighting*.....7:26 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:30 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Ki Savo

Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8
Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1-22
Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Havdalah.....8:15 PM



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Candlelighting*.....7:15 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:15 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Nitzavim-Vayeilech

Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20
Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10-63:9
Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Havdalah.....8:04 PM



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

(See Holiday Schedule)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

(See Holiday Schedule)



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Candlelighting*.....6:52 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:45 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

SHABBAT SHUVA

Haazinu

Deuteronomy 32:1-52
Haftarah: Hosea 14:2-10;
Joel: 2:11-27; Micah 7:18-20
Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Havdalah.....7:40 PM

2020 HIGH HOLY DAY - YAMIM NORAIM

SCHEDULE 5781

RABBI MOSHE GRUSSGOTT



EREV ROSH HASHANAH

Friday, September 18

29 Elul

Shacharit and Selichot.....6:45 AM
Minchah and Maariv.....6:30 PM
Candlelighting.....7:03 PM

ROSH HASHANAH

Saturday, September 19

1 Tishrei

Shacharit.....8:00 AM
Minchah and Maariv.....7:00 PM
Candlelighting (not before).....7:52 PM

Sunday, September 20

2 Tishrei

Shacharit.....8:00 AM
Minchah and Maariv.....7:10 PM
Havdalah.....7:50 PM

FAST OF GEDALIAH

Monday, September 21

3 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 AM
Minchah and Maariv.....5:50 PM

Tues/Wed/Thurs

September 22 - 24

4 - 6 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 AM
Minchah and Maariv.....5:50 PM

Friday, September 25

7 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....7:00 AM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....5:45 PM
Candlelighting6:52 PM

SHABBAT SHUVAH

Saturday, September 26

8 Tishrei

(Please see Shabbat Schedule)

EREV YOM KIPPUR

Sunday, September 27

9 Tishrei

Shacharit and Selichot.....9:00 AM
Minchah.....1:45 PM
Candlelighting6:49 PM
Kol Nidre.....6:50 PM

YOM KIPPUR

Monday, September 28

10 Tishrei

Shacharit.....9:00 AM
Yizkor in the late morning
Minchah.....5:00 PM
Ne'ila.....6:15 PM
Maariv.....7:35 PM
Havdalah and End of Fast.7:37 PM

KIDDUSH ON ROSH HASHANAH DAY

Many prayerbooks do not contain the daytime Rosh Hashanah Kiddush recited before lunch upon returning home from the synagogue, so we are furnishing the text for your convenience:

תקעו בתוף שופר, בכסה ליום חגנו.
כי חק לישראל הוא, משפט לאלהי יעקב.

Tik-u bachodesh shofar, bakeseh l'yom chagaynu.
ki chok l'yisrael hu, mishpat lay-lohay Yaakov.

(סגרי מרנו ורפנו ורבותי)
ברוך אתה ה' אלקינו מלך העולם, בורא פרי הגפן.

S avri maranan.

Baruch Atah Adon_i Elohu Melech ha'olam borei p'ri hagafen.

After the wine is drunk, the assembled wash their hands and begin the meal with *Hamotzie* over the bread, which is dipped in honey.

IMPORTANT HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION

Dear K.I. Family,

The High Holidays are right around the corner! We plan to have in-person services at *shul*, but of course everything about this year is different. We are reaching out to ask you certain questions about your intentions for the High Holidays and to inform you of our own High Holiday plans at *shul*.

1) First, as we expressed when we reopened our building for weekday and *Shabbat* services, please consult your personal physician to see if it is advisable for you to come to *shul*. Those who are still erring on the side of caution due to age or immune issues should not feel guilty about not attending! Although of course we will miss your presence, Jewish Law places safety and preservation of life above all other concerns. For those who will not be able to come in person, we will offer some Zoom opportunities to connect (see #8 below).

2) We are blessed at K.I. with a very large space in which to *daven*. As such, we are confident that we will be able to accommodate all who want to attend, even with strict social distancing between individuals/households. The wearing of face masks and maintaining of 6 feet of distance between all individuals/households at all times will be mandatory.

3) Services will only be open to K.I. members, K.I. family or friends who might be visiting with members during the High Holidays, and individuals who might be interested in becoming synagogue members this year. Unfortunately, services will not be open to children under the age of 12, as they are not able to properly socially distance. Families with young children are encouraged to participate in the Zoom services.

4) We have engaged a wonderful cantor from the St. Louis area, Howard Shalowitz, as our High Holiday *chazzan*. (We still look forward to finally bringing Cantor Hayoun here as our full-time *chazzan* this coming year!) Sadly, one of the CDC guidelines of this pandemic is that communal singing is not advisable, since singing spreads droplets. As such, we will have our *chazzan* do almost all of the singing during *davening*. Instead of the usual "catchy" tunes that we might be used to, the *chazzan* will chant more "cantorial" pieces that are not as conducive to congregational singing. Please refrain from singing at these times.

5) Also in accordance with CDC guidelines advising against gatherings of long duration, the *davening* will be shortened. *Rosh Hashanah* will be appreciably shortened. *Yom Kippur* services will also be shortened and the break will last several hours due to the shorter morning service. No one will be allowed to stay in the building during the break. Rabbi Grussgott's main High Holiday sermons will be in the Zoom services; in *shul*, he will give only brief sermons. There will be no communal *Tashlich* this year; instead we will send out the text of *Tashlich* via email and encourage you to get to Indian Creek (or another body of water) on your own at some point between *Rosh Hashanah* and *Sukkot*.

6) The K.I. Board has voted to install a UV-C system which will help destroy the COVID-19 virus by frequently filtering the air in the main areas of our building. The system will be in place before the High Holy Days arrive. While this system helps us fight viruses, it is obviously not foolproof! Masks and distancing will still be required.

7) If you would like to attend *shul* on the second day of *Rosh Hashanah* (Sunday, September 20th) to hear the blowing of the *shofar* outside in our parking lot for about 15 minutes, please let us know. We will add special 15 minute *shofar* blowings as needed on that day.

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8) Here are the Zoom options for the High Holidays:

Thursday, September 17th (the night before Rosh Hashanah), 5:45 - 7:30 pm

We will have in-person *Mincha/Maariv* with a *minyan*, broadcast from *shul*, sung in High Holiday melody and style. It will be followed by a *Rosh Hashanah* sermon from Rabbi Grussgott, *shofar* blowing, and highlights of the *Rosh Hashanah* liturgy, singing our favorite High Holiday melodies together virtually. No need to attend the whole service; pop in at any time. More detailed breakdown of the exact service timing to follow.

Sunday, September 27th (the eve of Yom Kippur), 1:40 - 4:00 pm

Our in-person *Mincha* of *Erev Yom Kippur* with a *minyan*, broadcast from *shul*, and sung in High Holiday melody and style. We will follow with the annual *Yom Kippur* addresses from President Marty Gorin and Rabbi Grussgott respectively, and with *Kol Nidre*, *Yizkor*, and other selected highlights of the *Yom Kippur* liturgy. We will be singing our favorite High Holiday melodies together virtually. No need to attend the whole service; pop in at any time. More detailed breakdown of the exact service timing to follow.

9) Finally, please fill out the online survey you received to let us know your intentions! It is essential that we get a sense of how many of our members plan to attend in-person, so that we can plan the layout of the sanctuary accordingly in terms of social distancing. Thank you in advance.

This has been a very difficult and challenging few months for us all. We pray that the incoming year of 5781 will be a year in which we can put this pandemic behind us and return to normal *shul* life with renewed enthusiasm and joy. May it be, in turn, a year of renewed health and good fortune for our *shul* community and for the entire world!

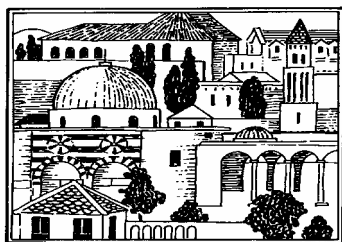
Sincerely,

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott
Senior Rabbi

Marty Gorin
President

Elizabeth Peden
Executive Director

L'Shanah Tovah



May you and yours be
inscribed and sealed
in the Book of Life.

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The Administration, Officers, and Staff of
Kehilath Israel Synagogue
Wish you a
Happy and Healthy New Year.

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



- 1 Hailey & Efraim Gershom (35)
Maureen & Amir Minoofar (32)
Bonnie & Matthew Siegel (34)
Drs. Shari & Michael Sokol (34)
- 2 Beverly & Bernard Jacobson (52)
Jasmine & Jonathan Kaplan (8)
- 3 Nancy & Steve Cline (42)
Barbara & Phillip Goodbinder (53)
Jean & Dr. Allen Parelman (31)
- 5 Stephanie & Richard Gatewood (27)
- 6 Alix & Richard Jacobson (22)
- 7 Joel Agron & Kelly Vickery (1)
- 11 Donna & Alan Gallas (28)
- 12 Janet & Steve Eisman (49)
- 13 Samuel & Bonnie Rabicoff (50)
- 17 Toby & David Levine (31)
- 26 Heather & Bill Oliver (22)
- 27 Roberta & Jerry Rosmarine (61)

CONGREGANTS' SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We want to wish a Happy Birthday to all of the following congregants who are celebrating their birthdays:

Mickey Batnitzky, Gela Adelman, Shira Levine, Sandy Levine, Marvin Romer, Marvin Birnbaum, Richard Dunivan, Miriam Glueck, Barbara Kusnetzky, Tracy Tankard, Regina Fink, Allen Parelman, Paul Blackman, Sherry Davidson, Joel Gutovitz, Cathy Levin, Daniel Singer, Deborah Turley, Carissa Zolotor, Susan Cohen, Richard Devinki, Jessica Rich, Steven Eisman, Randi Haith, Mark Klein, Elle Kolkin, Danielle Gatewood, Alanna Daniels, Jamie Smartt, Joseph Adamous, Enid Levi, Catherine Singer, Marilyn Solsky, Daniel Dunivan, Rose Weisberger, Norman Burk, Scott Macek, Janet Stone, Nancy Cohen, Mary Stahl, Susan Gutovitz, Sandy Weinstein.

YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Beatrix Smartt, Zakaiyah Gillom, Kristine Clark, Dina Johnson, Anna Krutz, Samuel Tucker, Amanda Sokol.

מזל טוב

...to **Edie Ommerman** on the birth of a granddaughter, Vivian Alisa Ommerman, to Christine and Ron Ommerman of Seattle, WA.

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21st Annual Kehilath Israel Synagogue Allan Greenberg Annual Golf Tournament --this year dedicated to the memory of Marlene Krakow

Everyone at this year's golf tournament had a good time, and the monies raised came in higher than expected. Because of COVID-19, everything was outside, and we took extra precautions. People enjoyed a delicious kosher boxed lunch, and there were plenty of snacks and drinks as well. This year's tournament was dedicated to the memory of Marlene Krakow who worked diligently on the tournament in past years, as well as many other synagogue and community projects. She is sorely missed!

Thank you to tournament chairs **Geoff Friedman** and **Sam Devinki** who stepped in at the last minute and did a tremendous job! We also greatly appreciate the efforts of **Rosemary Gorin, Richard Glass, Dan Kass, and Brenda Fishman** in their respective areas in the weeks leading up to the tournament as well as the day of the tournament. Other hard-working volunteers included **Debbie Adamous, Natalie Cohen, Sharon Friedman, Sheila Ginsberg, Barbie Glass, Rabbi Moshe Grussgott, Larry Haith, Brenda McKinnon, Keaton Oliver, Elizabeth Peden, Rick Simon, and Joel Zitron.**

Kehilath Israel is so thankful for the generous sponsors, donors and volunteers who have made this tournament a great success. Please show your appreciation to our donors and volunteers by thanking them and supporting their businesses.

We greatly appreciate our major sponsors, including the anonymous underwriter of the Allan Greenberg Memorial K.I. Golf Tournament. Because of this underwriter, the tournament's bottom line is always significant. Allan would be thrilled to see how successful this tournament is and to know how much enjoyment everyone gets from the event. As you many of you know, he loved the synagogue, sports, and the kids that grew up under him.

Other major sponsors were Accurso Law Firm, Commercial Roofing, Digital Lagoon, **Marty & Rosemary Gorin, KC Iron & Metal, and Bill & Fani Schiffman.** Hole sponsors included the **Adamous Family, CBIZ MHM, Epstein Funeral Directors, Mid-America Retina Consultants, the Minoofar Family, P1 Group, Steve & Karen Pack, Prairie Capital, The Reilly Company, Drs. Michael & Shari Sokol, and Wilbert Funeral Services. Brenda Fishman** and NKC Bank were "Friends of K.I." We also appreciate the donations from Deer Creek Golf Club, Edwin Watts, Hen House, Hy-Vee, The Nailery, Price Chopper, Security Bank, and Sonic. Our synagogue staff all helped as well—Winston Cross, Mary Lea Greenwood, Evaristo Orozco, Allegra Shanberg, and Karen Smith.

This tournament is one of the largest fundraisers for the synagogue and is a lot of fun for everyone. Everyone goes home with a goody bag and there were lots of prizes. The success of the tournament depends on many people getting sponsors, teams, and donations, as well as helping with logistics and the actual day. We greatly appreciate all those involved! If you are interested in helping with next year's tournament, please let Elizabeth Peden know.



*From left: Jason Krakow, Jonathan Schwartzbard,
Bradley Friedman, and Danny Wajcman*



Richard Devinki in perfect form.

SUKKOT SCHEDULE

EREV SUKKOT

Friday, October 2 - 14 Tishrei

Candlelighting6:41 PM

FEAST OF TABERNACLES

Saturday, October 3 - 15 Tishrei

Festival Service..... 9:00 AM

Candlelighting (not before).....7:29 PM

SECOND DAY OF SUKKOT

Sunday, October 4 - 16 Tishri

Festival Service..... 9:00 AM

Havdalah.....7:28 PM

CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT

Monday, Oct. 5 - Thursday, Oct. 8

17 Tishrei - 20 Tishrei

Shacharit.....7:00 AM

Mincha-Maariv.....6:30 PM

HOSHANAH RABBAH

Friday, October 9

Shacharit.....7:00 AM

Candlelighting (not after).....6:30 PM

.SHEMINI ATZERET

Saturday, October 10 - 22 Tishrei

(Yizkor will be recited)

Festival Service..... 9:00 AM

Candlelighting (not before).....7:19 PM

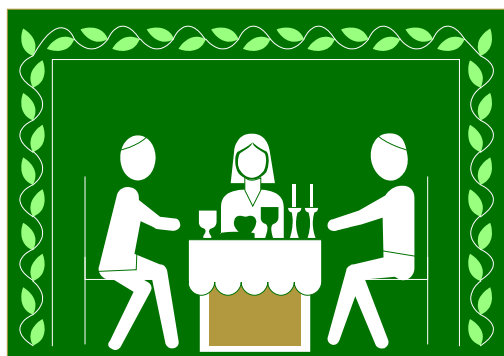
SIMCHAT TORAH

Sunday, October 11 - 23 Tishrei

Festival Service..... 9:00 AM

Conclusion of Sukkot.....7:18 PM

KIDDUSH



Saturday only begin here:

ושמרו בני ישראל את השבת, לעשות את השבת לדרתם
ברית עולם. בני ובין בני ישראל אות הוא לעולם, כי ששת
ימים עשה ה' את השמים ואת הארץ, וביום השביעי
שבת וינפש.

For Both Days

אלה מועדי ה', מקראי קדש אשר תקראו אתם במועדים.
ויזכר משה את מועדי ה', אל בני ישראל.

וסדרי קדש ורבותי
ברוך אתה ה', אלוקינו מלך העולם, בורא פרי הגפן.

In the Sukkah add:

ברוך אתה ה', אלוקינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו
ואנו לישוב בשכנה.

K.I. FRED DEVINKI RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

Soon, we will be celebrating the High Holy Days in a very different way than we ever have before. Unfortunately, this means that children under *bar/bat mitzvah* age will not be able to attend *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* services at the synagogue. We still want this to be a meaningful time for our children.

All members who have children in grades 1st through 6th will receive a digital packet before *Rosh Hashanah*. The packet will include activities that can be done with your children during the holiday, without violating any of the holiday *mitzvot*.

For students enrolled in the K.I. Fred Devinki Religious School, there will also be a fall holiday project to do together. Families will receive a packet in the mail with the supplies they need and a zoom link before the project date.

If you are interested in joining the school, please go to <https://kisyn.org/sites/default/files/KI%20School%20Registration%20Form%202020-21.pdf> to fill out an enrollment form. School begins virtually on October 18, 2020. Tziporah Mazer will be teaching the Pre-K through 1st grade class and Rachel Macek will be teaching all of the older classes. All will be via Zoom.

If you have any questions about the school or the High Holiday activities, please contact Rachel Macek at macek.rachel@gmail.com.



K.I. Adult Ed Classes on Zoom

UNDERSTANDING THE MACHZOR

Wednesdays 8 pm - September 9, 16, 23

A detailed run through of the *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* liturgies, taught by Rabbi Moshe Grussgott.

EXPLORING THE SECRETS OF THE TALMUD

Season premier -

Meets Monday, September 14 & Tuesday, September 22 - 7 pm (No Class Sept. 29)

Study of this central Jewish text pertaining to Jewish law, ethics, customs and history.

This is the longest running Jewish class in our area, but no previous knowledge needed.

Taught by Rabbi Herbert Mandl.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

WEDNESDAYS 7 PM - SEASON PREMIER September 16

The women choose the topics in this class. Taught by Rabbis Moshe Grussgott and Herbert Mandl (alternating weeks).

Zoom links are emailed the Sunday before each class. If you're not receiving our weekly emails, please request the link at info@kisyn.org.

CUB SCOUT PACK 3153



Cub Scout Pack 3153 is back in action after a very long spring and summer break. We had our first Pack meeting of the year on August 9th in the backyard of K.I. Synagogue. Scouts ranging in ages from 1st grade through 5th grade got to crossover into their new dens and receive their new rank neckerchiefs. Advancement awards that were earned throughout the break were also awarded to the Scouts. We ended our night with root beer floats, and we did it all while remaining 6 feet apart. Everyone was masked except when eating his or her floats.

Pack 3153 has had to change the way we do Scouting. We have had to adapt and make things work. We will embody the Cub Scout moto: Do your best! Den meetings of Scouts around a table is not going to work during these times. However, parent/child belt advancement activities can continue and will be encouraged. Having a full Pack meeting inside K.I. Synagogue will not work, but holding a Pack meeting outside while sitting in family groups with appropriate social distancing is possible. The Scouting mission is going to continue, and we will help our Scouts progress down the road of becoming moral and responsible citizens.

Activities this fall will be varied and fun! On Sunday, September 13, we will have a new Cub Scout "Iron Scout"

where we will run, bike and have a non-swimming water activity. In addition, Pack 3153 will have a fishing derby, a stomp rocket challenge, and a couple of nature hikes (weather permitting.) We would love to see potential Scouts at any of these activities. If you have or know of any boys or girls kindergarten through 5th grade that would like to do any of these fun activities, please JOIN US!!

If interested in joining Cub Scouts or participating in one of these events, please contact Beth Albee at roses2273@yahoo.com.



ESRIG-GOULD MEMORIAL ALCOVE

With Reverence We Record the Following Yahrzeits

MEMORIAL TABLETS

12 ELUL-SEPT 1

LOUIS BOLD
BONNIE ROSEN
ESTHER RUBIN
ESTHER SOLOFF

13 ELUL-SEPT 2

BEN ENTIN
PEARL GOTTLIEB
PHILLIP JABEN
SHAYNA LEWKOWSKY
JACOB MADLOF
ISADORE RUBIN
SARAH SAPER
MAX SHEAR
HAROLD SHOENIG
MORRIS STRAUSS
EDWARD WEISS

14 ELUL-SEPT 3

HERMAN FRIEDMAN
GUY LANSKY

15 ELUL-SEPT 4

NATALIE DUGGAN
MOSHE DZIEWIENCKI
ETHEL GREENBERG
JACOB HARRIS
SARAH HOROWITZ
SADIE LEVIN
ETHEL ROGERS
BERTHA SPECTOR
ANNA STRAUSS
CHERNA WOLPER

16 ELUL-SEPT 5

MORDECHAI CUKIER
MELVIN DELEVE
DEVI DOLNIK
DOROTHY DORFMAN
LOUIS KRASHIN
ABRAHAM LEVY
DAVID MINKIN
MELVIN ROLSKY
ANNA SWADE

17 ELUL-SEPT 6

TZIZI BIRENBOIM
KATIE BROWN
YITZCHAK GAUM
BENA GUTOVITZ
LOUIS KAPNICK
SAMUEL LEVIN
SAM ROSENBERG

18 ELUL-SEPT 7

SONYA AGRON
ESTHER GLICKSTEIN
HERMAN KOESTEN
ZVI MAIZLISH
SARAH SPECTOR

19 ELUL-SEPT 8

MORRIS FRIEDMAN
SAM HIPSH
FRANCES LIBER
BENJAMIN MNOOKIN
MARVIN ORLOVICK
HARRY ROSS
NATHAN SALTZMAN
ZEV SWARTZ

20 ELUL-SEPT 9

SOLOMON ALTENHAUS
RACHEL DENNIS

KALMON KESSLER
JERRY KRAFT
MARGOT LIPSCHUETZ
ROY SPITCAUFSKY

21 ELUL-SEPT 10

DORA BARABAN
SOL HIPSH
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A SPECIAL NOTE

As we continue dealing with COVID-19, Jewish Family Services **will not** close its doors. Rather, we have adjusted the way we deliver our programs and services. We continue to be here in the community meeting life's daily challenges.

HERE TO HELP

Jewish Family Services offers a wide variety of services to help. From food assistance to counseling, emergency assistance to older adult connection, we are here for you. If you know someone who needs help, please contact the JFS Navigator at (913) 327-8250. Check out details of all the services JFS provides at www.jfskc.org/.

VIRTUAL EVENTS PART OF 'CONNECTION' VIRTUAL ART BENEFIT

Jewish Family Services continues its "Connection" Benefit Art Show at the Buttonwood Art Space located in Midtown Kansas City **through Sept. 24** with two exciting virtual events coming up. Everything can be viewed online. All pieces are for sale with revenue split 50/50 split between the artist and JFS. Arrangements can be made to view the art in person by at Buttonwood by making an appointment through a link on the JFS website, www.jfskc.org.

On **Friday, Sept. 4** at 4 p.m., JFS hosts a First Friday virtual program featuring a cocktail presentation from Tom's Town and a demonstration with John Keeling, local watercolor artist. To view the art exhibit and purchase individual pieces, access the Buttonwood Gallery website at <https://buttonwoodartspace.com/show/connection>.

SERVICE OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL PREMIERES SEPT. 3

While the COVID-19 pandemic limits us from gathering together in person in a safe manner, the Communitywide Service for Spiritual Renewal will take place virtually. This expressive and supportive online gathering will premiere **Thursday evening, Sept. 3** at 6:30 p.m. The Jewish Community Chaplaincy program housed at Jewish Family Services sponsors the service. Those planning to attend the virtual service should RSVP to chaplaincy@jfskc.org and include their email; a link for the service will be sent to them. The service will be available after that date through a link on JFS' web site.

The gathering will be facilitated by Jewish Community Chaplain Rabbi Jonathan Rudnick, Lezlie Zucker, music coordinator for Congregation Beth Torah and veteran Jewish musician Randy Deutsch.

FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY VIRTUAL EVENT SEPT. 10

Jewish Family Services annual Friends of the Family event will unfold as a virtual event on **Thursday, Sept. 10** at Noon. The inspiring program will include stories from JFS clients, staff and volunteers showcasing the work of the agency in helping people meet life's challenges, including JFS' ongoing work during the coronavirus pandemic. The event is hosted by KCPT Executive Producer of Public Affairs, Nick Haines, and will feature special guest Kansas City Missouri Mayor Quinton Lucas. The program will be accessible via a link on the agency's web site at www.jfskc.org.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR INTERFAITH PARTNERSHIP

Habitat for Humanity is seeking volunteers, age 16 and up, to help build a house as part of its "House of Abraham" project. The mission of the House of Abraham project is promoting interfaith cooperation and understand among the Jewish, Christian and Muslim community of the Kansas City metro area. Volunteer at <https://donate.habitatkc.org/campaigns/14413-house-of-abraham-31st-st-kck>

JFS, RAISED WITH LOVE & LIMITS FOUNDATION PROVIDE ONLINE PARENTING RESOURCE

Jewish Family Services and Raised with Love and Limits Foundation provide a positive online parenting tool, Behavior Checker, available 24/7 for free! Behavior Checker provides practical answers to questions about parenting by looking at 150+ of the most common behavior problems, from tots to teens. Behavior Checker helps parents feel confident and supported in their parenting roles. Check it out at <https://www.jfskc.org/behavior-checker/>

CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM IS HERE TO SERVE

The Jewish Community Chaplaincy Program, based at Jewish Family Services, provides spiritual care and connectivity during difficult times—illness, aging issues and loss of life. The chaplaincy program works closely with area rabbis making sure they are aware of congregants who may be hospitalized or in older adult care facilities and need a visit. The program makes direct contact with those in the community who are unaffiliated. Now during the COVID-19 situation, the chaplaincy program is still connecting with those in need through technology. Community Chaplain Rabbi Jonathan Rudnick and his team of spiritual care volunteers want to reach out to those needing spiritual connection. If you know of someone, please email chaplaincy@jfskc.org

IN MEMORIAM

May the G-d of Mercy sustain and comfort those who have suffered the loss of dear ones. The Kehilath Israel family extends deepest sympathy to the bereaved families of:

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(Husband of Marsha Krinsky,

Step-son, Jeffrey Goldenberg,

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September 2020

12 Elul 5780 - 12 Tishrei 5781

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6	7 18 ELUL Labor Day Shacharit Service-9:00 am OFFICE CLOSED	8 19 ELUL	9 20 ELUL Understanding the Machzor taught by Rabbi Grussgott-8:00 pm	10 21 ELUL	11 22 ELUL 7:15	12 23 ELUL Nitzavim - Vayelech Isaiah 61:10-63:9 Shabbos Ends: 8:04
13	14 25 ELUL Rabbi Mandl's Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	15 26 ELUL	16 27 ELUL Women's Study Group-7:00 pm Understanding the Machzor taught by Rabbi Grussgott-8:00 pm	17 28 ELUL ZOOM Erev Rosh Hashanah Service - 5:45 - 7:30 pm	18 29 ELUL Erev Rosh Hashanah 7:03	19 1 TISHREI Rosh Hashanah - Day 1 Samuel 1:1-2:10 7:52
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27	28 9 TISHREI Erev Yom Kippur Yom Kippur Ends: 7:37 OFFICE CLOSED ZOOM Erev Yom Kippur Service - 1:40-4:00 pm	29 10 TISHREI	30 11 TISHREI Women's Study Group-7:00 pm			



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Week of September 6 6:15 PM
Week of September 13 6:05 PM
Week of September 21- Sept. 25 5:50 PM
Week of September 29-30, Oct 1 5:40 PM

The *Shofar* will be sounded after the morning service during the month of *Elul* (except on the Sabbath and the day before *Rosh Hashanah*) as a call to repentance.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, LABOR DAY 9:00 AM



**K.I. BLUE RIDGE CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICE ON ZOOM
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020**

This year the annual Memorial Services, led by Rabbi Moshe Grussgott will be on **ZOOM, Sunday, September 13 at 12 Noon.**

It is the Jewish tradition, at this *Yamim Naraim*, High Holiday period, to visit the *Kever Ovot*, the graves of our forebearers during the week between *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur*. Since this year, the second day of *Rosh Hashanah* falls on Sunday, and erev *Yom Kippur* also falls on Sunday, therefore the **Annual Kehilath Israel Blue Ridge Cemetery Memorial Service** is scheduled be held on the Sunday before *Rosh Hashanah*.

The Blue Ridge Cemetery is open to the public, every day except *Shabbat* and *Yom Tov*, from morning until evening.

PLEASE NOTE: The Blue Ridge Boulevard bridge over 23rd street has been demolished and MODOT is building a new bridge so you can NOT get to the cemetery via this route.