

B'nai Sholom Reform Congregation

Yom Kippur 5786

G'mar Chatimah Tovah – May We All Be Sealed for a Good Year

OFFICIANTS: Rabbi Danielle Weisbrot; Rebecca Cotler, soloist; Elizabeth Huntley, harpist

WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS! We're so glad that you are celebrating with us. If you would like to receive our weekly email or monthly Bulletin, please contact our office after the holiday.

KOL NIDREI, 7:00 PM

PARTICIPANTS Dayle Zatlin, Mary Warrenner, Dee Wind, Barney Horowitz, Arthur Alowitz, David Ray, David Liebschutz, Ben Marvin, Mitch Levinn, Amy Koren-Roth, Carol Smith, Doug Goldman, Mimi Bruce, Libby Liebschutz, Barbara Devore, Julie Novkov, Ann Lowenfels, Melissa Putterman Hoffmann, Marsha Lazarus, Susan Aron, Rema Goldstein, Bruce Goldstein, Howie Stoller, Bettina Stoller, Martie Teumim, Joel Blumenthal

YOM KIPPUR MORNING, 10:00 AM

PARTICIPANTS Howie Domfort, Barry Pendergrass, Cheryl Reeder, Mark Reeder, Shari Whiting, Becky Marvin, Ben Marvin, 20s/30s Group, New Members, Phil Teumim, Roy Fruiterman, Mimi Bruce, Barney Horowitz, Anne Hausgaard, Libby Liebschutz, Sean O'Connor, Alex Wiegand, Carol Smith, David Ray, Julie Novkov, Arthur Alowitz, Gary Hoffmann, Joel Bloom, Doug Smith, Melissa Putterman Hoffmann

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM, 10:30-11:30 AM

YOM KIPPUR STUDY SESSION 1:30-3:00 PM (between morning and afternoon services) – IN-PERSON ONLY

Discussion led by David Liebschutz

TOPIC: Unfolding: A High Holy Day Companion – We will look at some poems and essays from this newly released CCAR Press book by Rabbi Karyn D. Kedar. Come prepared to learn and share your insights. No prior knowledge is necessary.

HEALING SERVICE, 3:30 PM

YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON, 4:15 PM

PARTICIPANTS Rachel Crawford, Doug Smith, David Ray, Carol Smith, Melissa Putterman Hoffmann, Mimi Bruce, Deb Adler, Sarah Davis, Julie Friedman, Lewis Sperber, Hayden Schwartz, Ry Suraski, Sasha Suraski

YIZKOR, 5:30 PM

PARTICIPANTS Judy Fruiterman, Mark Silverbush, Dee Wind, Nancy Newman, Laura Keller, Ben Marvin, Linda Strohl

NE'ILAH, 6:15 PM

PARTICIPANTS Sharon Sklar, Joel Bloom, Joe DeFronzo, Ben Marvin, Carol Smith

YOM KIPPUR BREAK-FAST At the conclusion of Yom Kippur, following the Ne'ilah service, a light break-fast will be provided. All are welcome to enjoy. Many thanks to B'nai Sholom's past presidents for sponsoring this event!

SUKKOT:

OUR SUKKAH will be available during office hours from the start of Sukkot (Tuesday, Oct. 7) until Simchat Torah. We encourage picnicking and, weather permitting, we'll make sure you have a table and chairs if you let us know you're coming.

CAN YOU HELP PUT OUR SUKKAH AWAY FOR ANOTHER YEAR? We're looking for a few good volunteers to help with teardown at a date and time to be announced. Contact Carol Smith. **Stay tuned for any weather-related updates!**

SIMCHAT TORAH:

EREV SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICE The holiday season comes to a close with **Simchat Torah. Join us Monday, Oct. 13**, for Yizkor at 7 PM and a Simchat Torah service at 7:30 PM, when we will **UNROLL THE SCROLL** around the room. **New this year: Carol Smith** will chant the last words of Deuteronomy. Lots of hands are needed to help hold up the Torah, and all are welcome to take the "tour" of our sacred text!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK / MI SHEBEIRACH LIST There will be an opportunity during the service to share aloud or in the Zoom chat the name of someone you're praying for.

GUIDE TO B'NAI SHOLOM 5786/2025-26 The Annual Guide is now available! **Congregants:** Be sure to pick up your labeled copy from the tables in the hallway outside the Auditorium or the next time you're at B'nai Sholom.

SPECIAL THANKS TO... **Lois Gordon and Jim Savitt** for coordinating our use of the AJCC, and the **AJCC Board and staff** for their generosity in making this space available and comfortable; the **Safety and Security Committee**, led by **Howie Stoller**, and all who volunteered to be greeters and ushers; **Ann Lowenfels and Laura Keller** for keeping our youngest congregants engaged during our morning services; **Ken Tannen, Jim Savitt, Mary Warrenner, and Carol Smith** for transporting our Ark and ritual items; **Mitch Levinn** for compiling and producing the Annual Guide; **Hayden Schwartz** for coordinating the Rosh Hashanah oneg provided by the Board; **Amy Koren-Roth and Maggie Tabak** for coordinating the Yom Kippur break-fast provided by the past presidents; **Lois Gordon, Martha Rozett and Gwen Spicer** for arranging congregants' artistic works in the temple display cases; **Emily Pickering**, who keeps the temple office running like a well-oiled machine; **Eric Goldberg, Ann Lowenfels and Jim Garbaini** for operating our camera and Zoom; **Bruce Goldstein** for advancing the prayerbook slides for remote participants; **Phil Teumim and Will Vail** for contributing the sound equipment; and especially to the **Worship and Related Services Committee**, led by **Mimi Bruce and Carol Smith**, and all volunteers who have made these services possible.

PLEASE:

- silence/turn off your phone and disconnect from the JCC's Wi-Fi
- place your prayer book on the table when you leave
- take all papers with you; **do not leave them in your prayer book**

TZEDAKAH FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS The High Holy Days are a time when many of us "recalibrate," assess our actions and ideas and decide which to retain and which to transform. Over the years, B'nai Sholom has offered congregants a variety of ways to perform **Tzedakah (charity/righteousness)** as a path to **Tikkun Olam (repairing the world)**. If you wish to support causes in the world outside of these doors, here is a variety of entities in need that hopefully connects to the variety of interests and world views of our diverse congregants:

RAC (Reform Movement's Religious Action Center) – <https://rac.org/>
World Central Kitchen – <https://wck.org/>
Doctors Without Borders – <https://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/>
Rozana: Health Diplomacy – <https://www.rozana.org/who-we-are>
Israel Bonds – <https://www.israelbonds.com>

UP AHEAD:

• **CLOTHING COLLECTION** We will collect CLEAN, GENTLY USED clothes and shoes. Please be sure to SORT BY GENDER (male/female/unisex) AND ALSO BY AGE (infant/child/teen/adult) and label the bags. Drop off your donations at the synagogue during the week of NOV. 4-8 when the building is open** or in person on SUNDAY, NOV. 9, 11 AM-1 PM. **Please place them neatly in the marked classroom; do not leave bags outside the building.

• **NEW MEMBER SHABBAT** Mark your calendar and plan to join us on FRIDAY, NOV. 7, for our New Member Shabbat. We'll enjoy a partly catered/potluck dinner at 6 PM with a fun program to help us all get to know each other better, followed by Kabbalat Shabbat services at 7:30 where we will formally welcome and bless our newest members. Watch for the RSVP link in the weekly announcements.

• **LIFELONG LEARNING**

"Live from Jerusalem: A Schmooze with our Rabbi Emeritus, Don Cashman" – SUNDAY, NOV. 2, 10 AM

"The Mamboiks" – A documentary by the director of "The Catskills" telling the surprising story of Jewish dancers who fell in love with the Cuban mambo in the 1950s, sparking a dance craze that swept the nation and the world. A true tale of bagels meeting bongos – SATURDAY, NOV. 8, 7:30 PM

"Torah and Shakespeare in Conversation: Genesis, Richard III and Hamlet" – A look to literature, sacred and secular, to help us find wisdom. A presentation by Mary Warrenner – SUNDAY, DEC. 7, 10:30 AM. Preceded by bagels/coffee/tea.

Watch the Bulletin and weekly e-mails for details on all programs.

• **TOT SHABBAT** Second Friday of every month 5:30-6 PM.

• **TORAH STUDY** Shabbat mornings 10-11:30 (9:30-10:30 when there is a Torah service) and extended sacred text study first Saturdays until noon.

• **SHABBAT TORAH SERVICES** Check the temple calendar or the weekly e-announcements for dates each month.

• **TECH VOLUNTEERS KEEP OUR SERVICES MULTI-ACCESS** We always have openings for tech support volunteers for all hybrid services – no experience needed! If you (or someone you know) is interested in learning how to operate our sound and video equipment, contact Eric Goldberg at nyeric65@yahoo.com.

• **HOSTING AN ONEG SHABBAT** to help bring the B'nai Sholom community together is rewarding. You provide food and beverages for a gathering after Shabbat services; your fellow congregants spend time noshing and socializing. Please use our convenient online sign-up link in the weekly announcements or feel free to contact the office with any questions.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOCIAL ACTION AND SOCIAL JUSTICE:

• **Please bring items for the FOOD AND PERSONAL CARE COLLECTION BOXES** at the AJCC or after Yom Kippur at the synagogue. Check to be sure that items are not past or close to expiration dates.

• **Please CONSIDER WHAT YOU WILL SAVE BY FASTING on Yom Kippur and contribute that amount**, if you are able, either to the Regional Food Bank (965 Albany-Shaker Rd., Latham, NY 12110), to MAZON-A Jewish Response to Hunger (10850 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 400, Los Angeles, CA 90024) or to B'nai Sholom for the Fresh Food for Families program.

ONGOING WAYS TO HELP SUPPORT B'NAI SHOLOM:

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS AND BEYOND: 2025-2026 APPEAL This fall, with the support of the Board of Trustees, we are raising funds to replace the synagogue's HVAC system. Please consider making a donation to this important effort. Donating is easy! You can:

• Send a check to B'nai Sholom – in the memo line, please note "Fundraising Appeal";

• Donate online by visiting the B'nai Sholom website, enter the donation amount and select "Fundraising Appeal";

• If you are over age 70 ½ and interested in making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA, please contact Gail Golderman at goldermg@union.edu.

• **LEGACY SOCIETY** We have 57 members in the Legacy Society, and we would be honored to add you, if you are not there already. By committing a substantial contribution now or in your will to our Endowment Fund, you secure the future of our B'nai Sholom community. Contact Mimi Bruce at mbrucemd53@gmail.com.

• **KIBBUTZNIK** Donate in memory of, or to honor, someone special. Contact Lois Gordon at rgordon1@nycap.rr.com.

• **GROCERY STORE GIFT CARDS** Purchase gift cards to Hannaford to do your grocery shopping and the temple earns 5% on each dollar spent. Contact Ellie Davis at davisj0726@gmail.com.

• **FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS DAY AT BOSCOV'S** Receive 25% off everything you buy in-store on Wednesday, Oct. 22. Shopping passes are available at the temple office during business hours for \$5 or at Boscov's on the day of the sale.

• **CLYNK** The green way to raise funds by collecting your bottles and cans. Pick up your recycling bag at the temple office. Contact Maxine Goldberg at maxm0304@yahoo.com.

• **GOT SNEAKERS** Place sneakers that you no longer wear into the box in the temple entryway for reuse or recycling. Contact Amy Sternstein for information at amysternstein@aol.com.