FROM THE DESK OF RABBI DAVID SPINRAD:

As the Soul Seeks Light: High Holy Day Spiritual and Practical Preparation

No time is more central to the annual rhythm of Jewish living than the High Holy Days. For nearly 150 years the generations of our Temple community have joined together on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur to affirm our devotion to God, renew our relationships with one another, and to realign our lives through the rites and rituals of these Days of Awe so that we may transform our lives in purpose and dedication.

Transformation takes preparation. Following the Ashkenazic custom, our preparation begins with the observance of Selichot on the Saturday night preceding Rosh Hashanah. On behalf of your Temple clergy, we invite you to join us on Saturday, September 5 at 7 PM in Schwartz-Goldstein Hall for an evening of preparation both spiritual and practical.

To prepare spiritually, we will examine the themes of sin and forgiveness using the Al Chet and Selichot prayers from the Yom Kippur morning service. Together, we will debate the impact of translation, explore poetic interpretations, and most importantly, we will address the very real subjects of sin, atonement, and forgiveness in our lives as we wrestle with the overlap between the individual and communal natures of these prayers.

To prepare practically for the High Holy Days, we do so first by acknowledging that this year we stand at the doorway of a new passage in the Reform Movement and at The Temple. For the first time since 1978 we have a new machzor within its pages will provide a space for every person in our community to inhabit while maintaining the soaring majesty and chatimah tovah; a sweet and joyous 5776 and may you be inscribed in the Book of Life.

WISHING YOU SHANAH TOVAH AND GEMAR CHATIMAH TOVAH.

For a full listing of High Holiday Worship Services is listed on page 2.

David Spinrad can be reached at: DSpinrad@The-Temple.org
High Holy Days 5776 Schedule of Worship Services

Below is a list of scheduled worship services for the High Holy Days.

More information about our worship services can be found by visiting our website at www.the-temple.org.

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<td>Lynne &amp; Howard Halpern Reform Jewish Heritage Shabbat Shuvah Worship Service.</td>
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**KEVER AVOT**

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<td>&quot;The Graves of Our Ancestors&quot;—A time to face the future with intent and purposefulness.</td>
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<td>Afternoon, Memorial and Concluding High Holy Day Worship Services</td>
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"Meet the Machzor" and Selichot Service

Join your clergy and your community for a very special evening at The Temple on Saturday, September 5th at 7PM. For the first time since the 1970s our Reform Movement has a new High Holy Day prayer book, entitled Mishkan HaNefesh. These new prayer books feature contemporary readings and opportunities for reflection, and Mishkan HaNefesh maintains a tradition of beautifully capturing the soaring majesty and deep introspection that are the hallmarks of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. As a preparation for the themes of the High Holy Days and as a prelude to the Selichot service to follow, we invite you to join us in an exploration of the new machzor, in particular two prayers that feature prominently in the Yom Kippur service, the "Al Chev" and the Selichot penitential prayers about sin and forgiveness.

Following our conversation we will move from Schwartz-Goldstein Hall to the Covenant Chapel for the candid Selichot service at 8:30 PM, chang- ing the Torah covers to simple white and listening to pieces of the unforget-table High Holy Day music and liturgy for the first time this year. Together, we will turn our focus to cheshbon nefesh, taking personal stock of our lives with honesty, integrity, forgiveness and reconciliation with each other and with the Eternal.

Steven Reece from the Matzevah Foundation

Friday, September 11 • 6:00 PM • Chapel

Steven Reece directs the Matzevah Foundation which is designed to restore Jewish cemeteries in Poland that were destroyed by the war. Come learn about the good work of the Foundation and the condition of Jewish life in Eastern Europe.

The Temple Kever Avot Services

"The Graves of Our Ancestors" • Sunday, September 20, 2015

11:00 AM Crestlawns Cemetery • 1:00 PM Arlington Memorial Park

Last year The Temple began a new custom of Kever Avot (The Graves of Our Ancestors) for our members. This service will be held on the Sunday between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Sunday, September 20th, 2015. We will offer separate services at Arlington and Crest Lawn cemeteries. It will be a time for us to confront our own mortality, and it will help each of us face the future with serious intent and purposefulness.

High Holy Day Food Drive & Help Unload the Truck

Sunday, September 27, 2015 • 12:30 PM • Meet at the Temple, or 1:00 PM • Go directly to MAC, 30 Porter Place, Atlanta, GA 30308

The Temple is a founding sponsor of the Midtown Assistance Center (MAC). MAC is a non-profit organization that has provided emergency assistance to the working poor of Midtown and Downtown Atlanta since 1986.

As always, we continue to collect food on the High Holy Days in order to meet the critical hunger needs in our community. This expression of our unwavering commitment to social justice is a part of our proud Temple tradition. Help us unload the truck and sort and stack all of the food we collect.

In addition, please consider supporting MAC with a tax-deductable gift. 100% of your donation will be used for client support. An anonymous donor has agreed to match up to $5,000 after the first $5,000 raised by our Temple community. Please make the most of this charitable offer and give generously. Your payment can be made by check, payable to MAC, and either mailed or dropped off at The Temple.

RSVP to unload the truck by emailing Mitchell Werth at mwemail-temple@yahoo.com or Rabbi Lydia Medwin at lmedwin@the-temple.org or by calling The Temple at 404-873-1731.
**School & Youth Calendar**

**The Breman Religious School & Youth Calendar**

**SEPTEMBER 2015**

1. Temple Midweek Hebrew | 5:00 PM
2. Galloway Midweek Hebrew | 4:30 PM
3. No Religious School
4. No Religious School
5. 10:00-10:45 AM in the WELC
6. 11:00-11:45 AM in the WELC
7. No Midweek Hebrew
8. No Midweek Hebrew
9. No Religious School
10. Erev Rosh HaShanah
11. Rosh HaShanah Family Services | 9:00 AM
12. Rosh HaShanah Tot Services | 9:45 AM/10:30 AM
13. Rosh HaShanah Teen Services | 11:30 AM
14. No Midweek Hebrew
15. 7th Grade Trip to Tennessee
16. Religious School | 9:30 AM
17. Project Tolerance | 12:15 PM
18. 21-23 No Midweek Hebrew
22. Erev Yom Kippur
23. Yom Kippur Family Services | 9:00 AM
24. Yom Kippur Teen Services | 9:45 AM/10:30 AM
25. Sukkot begins at sunset
26. Religious School | 9:30 AM
27. Religious School Committee Meeting | 12:15 PM
28. Madrichim Meeting | 12:15 PM
29. 2nd Grade helps Unload
30. MAC Food Truck | 12:15 PM (see page 3)
31. 28-30 No Midweek Hebrew

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**Leadership & Contacts**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Fall and Spring Semester:** Guests: $45/fall, $60/spring semester. Please contact Cherie Winsett.
- **Parent-Child Programs:**
  - **Parent-Child Movement Classes**
    - **Fall Semester:** October 25, November 15, December 13
  - **Parent-Child Music Classes**
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**More Information**

- **Contact:** Barbara abend@gmail.com or 770-955-7008.
- **Follow us:** facebook.com/thetempleatl & twitter.com/thetemple

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**Leadership & Staff**

- **Executive Director:** Rabbi Peter S. Berg
- **Rabbi of Lifelong Learning:** Rabbi Loren Filson Lapidus
- **Director of Religious Education:** Rabbi David Spinrad
- **Director of Congregational Engagement:** Rabbi Lydia Menchik
- **Director of Youth:** Cantor Deborah L. Hartman

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**Our Heartfelt Sympathy to the Families of:**

- Donald Oberdorfer (brother of Eugene Oberdorfer)
- Craig Jensen (nephew of Mary Anne Fry)
- Libby Orlansky (mother of Herb Orlansky)
- William (Bill) Lowenstein (husband of Suzie)
- Limpert born to Caroline & Brad Limpert

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**B’nei Mitzvah**

**SEPTEMBER 5**

- **B’nei Mitzvah Age and Up:**
  - **Wednesday, September 9:** 7:30-8:30 PM
  - **Bingo Volunteers Needed**
    - **With the start of the High Holy Days on Sunday, September 13, there will be no Mini Shabbat Morning this month. Please join us for Simchat Torah at The Temple!**
    - **Learn @ The Temple**
    - **School & Youth Calendar**
      - **SEPTEMBER 26**
        - **Haazinu Deuteronomy 32:1-52, II Samuel 22:1-51**
        - **Casey Paige Shoulberg**
          - **Daughter of Mindy & David Shoulberg**
          - **SEPTEMBER 26**
        - **ToraH & Haftarah: September**
          - **September 5**
            - **Ki Tavo**
              - Deuteronomy 26:1-29:6, Isaiah 60:1-22
          - **September 12**
            - **Nitzavim**
          - **September 19**
            - **Vayelech**
          - **September 26**
            - **Havuzin**

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**Lifecycles & Occasions**

- **B’nei Mitzvah**
  - **SPRAINER: July 31, August 2**
  - **BEN SHALOM: August 31, September 2, September 9**
  - **Colette: October 2, October 3, October 8**
  - **First Fridays: September 11th (the SECOND Friday of September)**
  - **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15:**
    - **SANDRA WOLF: Second Night of Rosh HaShanah**
  - **MARIA ROSEN: September 15, September 22**

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**LEARN @ THE TEMPLE**

- **Join us for Simchat Torah**
  - Our Torah Scrolls will be removed from the ark, paraded through the sanctuary, and unmatted around the room.
  - **Kindergartners will be consecrated and begin their formal study of Torah.**
  - We will read the final portion of Deuteronomy and first portion of Genesis, beginning the yearly Torah cycle.

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**Dinner Reservation Deadline:** September 29th. Cost: Adult $15, Children ages 9-12 $10, Children ages 2-8 $8, Children under 2 and consorts are free. RSVP on The Temple’s website or contact Elizabeth Foster at 404-873-1774.

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**Bingo Volunteers Needed**

- **Rivkah Mittzivah Age Up:** Wednesday, September 9 • 7:30-8:30 PM • The Breman Jewish Home
  - This is an opportunity for our B’nei Mittzivah youth to help run bingo at The Breman Jewish Home. We appreciate all volunteers! Please contact Barbara Abend if your child would like to volunteer.
  - Barbara.abend@gmail.com or 770-955-7008.

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**Parent-Child Movement Classes**

- **Recommended for ages 3 and under:**
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**Parent-Child Music Classes**

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  - **11:00-1:45 AM in the WELC**

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**Executive Committee Appointments**

- **Executive President**
  - Rabbi David Spinrad
- **Executive Vice Presidents**
  - Laura Simon
  - Jonathan Grinspan
- **Secretary**
  - Martin Maslia
- **Vice President**
  - Kent Alexander
- **Vice President for Special Events**
  - Louis Lettes
- **Vice President for Programming**
  - Martin Maslia
- **Vice President for Special Events**
  - Michael Coles
- **Director of Public Relations**
  - Allyson Adams
- **Director of Lifelong Learning**
  - Rabbi Steven H. Rau, RJE
- **Director of Religious School**
  - Rabbi Alvin M. Sugarman, Ph.D.
  - Emeritus
- **Director of Engagement**
  - Laurie Simon
- **Director of Social Services**
  - Erin & Evan Boxer
  - Elia & Julian, & Cole
  - Alyssa & Stephen Carlson
  - Sylve & Yaron
  - Amy & Craig Ehrlich
  - Lisa & Seth Einstein
  - Chloé
  - Dana & Rob Frowein
  - Michael & Lipheth
  - Nancy & David Johnson
  - Pam & Ely Meiri
  - Laura & Adam
  - John Offutt
  - Sam
  - Linda & Dan Wasserman
  - Traci & Bobby West

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- **Weinberg Early Learning Center**
  - @welc_athl & @welc_atl
  - facebook.com/thewelc

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**Our New Members**

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DENNIS ROSS: Doomed to Succeed: The US - Israeli Relationship from Truman to Obama

In Conversation with Dr. Kenneth Stein, William E. Schatten Professor of Contemprary Middle Eastern History, Political Science, and Israeli Studies, Emory University.

Monday, November 9 • 7:30 PM at The Temple
Sponsored by Greenberg Traurig

FREE TO THE COMMUNITY (RSVP REQUIRED)

For almost three decades, Ambassador Dennis Ross has been a leading figure in the diplomatic world of Soviet and Middle East policy. During the Reagan administration, he served as director of Near East and South Asian affairs on the National Security Council staff and as deputy director of the Pentagon’s Office of Net Assess- ment. In the first Bush administration, he served as director of the State Department’s Policy Planning Office, where he played a prominent role in developing U.S. policy toward the former Soviet Union, the unification of Germany and its integration into NATO, arms control negotiations, and the development of the 1991 Gulf War Coalition.

Under President Clinton, he was a special Middle East coordina- tor. As a point person in America’s ongoing role in the Middle East- ern peace process, Ross was instrumental in assisting Israelis and Palestinians in reaching the 1995 Interim Agreement. He successfully brokered the Hebron Accord in 1997, facilitated the 1994 Israeli-Jordan peace treaty, and worked to bring Israel and Syria together. Speaking of Ross, President Clinton said “No one worked harder for peace than Dennis. He gave it everything he had and served our nation very well.”

Now, Ross provides a comprehensive account of America’s complicated history with Israel in his new book, Doomed to Succeed: The U.S.-Israel Relationship from Truman to Obama. Beginning with Israel’s inception and working forward administration by admin- istration, Ross chronicles the tense back-and-forth that has existed between our two countries for nearly three-quarters of a century. In clear, direct prose, Ross describes how often America was forced to view Israel as a chess piece in a larger game with forces like the Soviet Union, pan-Arabism, and post-9/11 anti-terrorism strategy. Indeed, Ross shows how the study of America’s bond with Israel can serve as an out- line of American foreign policy in general from 1948 to present. Writ- ten with historical precision and exhaustive detail, Doomed to Succeed is a timely, important, and necessary recounting of one of our most significant alliances.

Ambassador Dennis Ross is the Counselor and Davidson Fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy and a Distinguished Profes- sor in the Practice of Diplomacy at Georgetown. He was the director of policy planning in the State Department for George H. W. Bush, Bill Clinton’s Middle East Peace envoy, and a special assistant to the presi- dent under Barak Obama.

Important Information About Tickets:

Tickets are free (awyer household) with an RSVP and are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
All ticket holders are asked to pick up their tickets at WILL CALL at The Temple, which opens one hour before the program begins.
• If you are a member of The Temple: please RSVP to Rabbi Lydia Medwin, lmedwin@the- temple.org
• If you are a Book Festival of the MCCJ Passsetter, Patron, or Sponsor: please RSVP to Bonnie Brody at bonnie.brody@atlantajcc.org or 404.812.4151.
• All other guests, including MCCJ members, please receive your tickets online at atlantajcc. org/bookfestival after September 1, 2015.

Please note: This program is general admission seating — we are unable to offer patron seating at this event.

Library News

Reflections for the New Year found in The Temple: Adult Library:

• Forty Days of Transformation by Ellis (242 ELI) — Daily reflections for spiritual growth through the holiday.
• Beginning Anew by Raiser (342.2 BEI) — A woman’s view of the High Holy Days.
• The Rosh Hashanah Anthology by Goodman (242.2 GOR) — Stories, quo- tations, and essays about Rosh Hashanah.
• All These Verses by Hoffman (242.2 HOF) — A series of commentaries writ- ten by rabbis, artists, poets, and scholars on Kat Nate.
• Chosen Days by Rosenberg (249.2 ROS) — About Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and other holidays celebrated in poetry and art.

Daytime Discussion Group

November 18 • 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

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Temple Book Club

Tuesday, September 9 • 7:30PM
Temple Media Center

Join us for the first meeting of the Book Club.
We will be reading Robert Putnam’s Our Kids: The American Dream in Crisis.

Americans have always believed in equality of opportunity, the idea that all kids regard- less of their family background should have a decent chance to improve their lot in life. Now this central tenet of the American dream seems no longer true or at the least, much less true than it was. Putnam tells the tale of lessening opportunity through poignant life-stories of rich and poor kids from cities and suburbs across the country, drawing from a formidable body of research done especially for this book.

The book will be led/facilitated by Jay Berkheimer.

SANDWICH SALON: Women Connecting & Learning

As the summer heat continues, the Sandwich Salon committee is looking ahead to cooler fall breezes and a couple of wonderful programs. Bring your lunch, bring a friend and enjoy conversation with women of all ages. Mark your calen- dars with the dates below and join us for some exciting discussions this fall and winter.

Watch for information about great Sandwich Salon dates in 2016

SAY THE CLERGY!

Tuesday, October 13, 2015 • 11:45AM-1:15PM

This is your opportunity to ask the wonderful Temple clergy team ANYTHING! Want to know when Rabbi Spinnad became interested in the rabbinate—just ask! Did Rabbi Berg go to summer camp—just ask! How does Cantor Hartman keep her voice healthy and strong during the High Holy Days—just ask! Come prepared with your questions — whether they are light-hearted or related to more serious issues of the day. This will be a great opportunity to get to know these wonderful, dedicated members of The Temple family.

ARE YOU AN EMPOWERED PATIENT?

A program presented by the Medical Department.

Tuesday, December 1, 2015 • 11:45AM-1:15PM

Elisabeth Cohen is senior medical correspondent for CNN’s Health, Medical and Wellness unit. She reports on breaking medical news as well as health consumer reporting on CNN and CNN.com. Elisabeth digital column the Empowered Patient provides information to help consumers receive the best medical care for themselves and their families. This led to her book, “THE EMPOWERED PATIENT: How to get the Right Diagnosis, Buy the Cheapest Drugs, Best Star Insurance Company, And Get the Best Medical Care Every Time.” It’s an easy read, filled with great advice. Come listen to Elisabeth’s best tips for every medi- cal consumer.

Thanks to you, this Endowment Campaign will help establish financial stability for future generations. Creating a strong endowment is the most important thing we can be doing for the future of our beloved Temple.

– Rabbi Peter S. Berg

For more information on the endowment campaign, please visit the-temple.org/dream or contact Mark Jacobson, Executive Director at 404-873-1731
**AGE & STAGE**

Led by fellow congregants, called Roshim (“Heads”), you will get opportunities to meet and connect with others in your age and stage in life. We will also walk hand-in-hand with our new members until they feel they’ve found their place here in our large congregation. You’ll also learn communications tailored more towards your interests!

**TEMPLE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

Continuing this successful program, this year TTIN liaison will add opportunities to connect with different kinds of groups in your neighborhood, with more age and interest specific events!

**TEMPLE CONNECT**

**The Temple’s Small Groups**

**WHO:** You! In a group of 8-12 people, with a leader who gets training and resources from The Temple Connect Core Team and Temple staff and clergy, every member of our community can be in a Temple Connect group.

**WHAT:** To learn something new about yourself, your relationships, Judaism, and the world, and to do something you love and need to do anyway, with a group of friends from The Temple.

**WHEN:** A commitment to meet regularly (weekly, bi-weekly, monthly) for eight sessions or more (or whatever the group decides).

**WHY:** Because connecting to 10 people is easier than connecting to 4,000; because we find deeper meaning in life when we have space for real conversations; because we know that Jewish life has more to offer us when we bring it into our lives “at home and on our way”.

**HOW:** Find a current listing of Temple Connect Groups with contact info on our website: www.the-temple.org/getconnected. Or find out more anytime by contacting Rabbi Lydia Moshen at lmoshen@the-temple.org.

**EXAM PLES:**


**Shabbat Speaker**

**Friday, October 2nd**

Development Corporation for Israel-Israel Bonds will be sponsoring Friday night services at The Temple on October 2nd. Guest speaker will be Shabaz Akani, Executive Director for StandWithUs Northeast Region, an international non-profit Israel education organization dedicated to supporting Israel around the world. Mr. Akani will talk about “Israel’s Challenges and Opportunities on the Battlefield of Ideas and Beyond”. He will discuss the regional outlook for Israel as a result of the pending Iran vote and other regional challenge facing Israel and the PR battle facing Israel on college campuses.

**Caring at The Temple**

Our Caring at The Temple program reaches out to fellow congregants during times of hardship or special need, providing homemade chicken soup and challah to members who are bereaved, ill, recently discharged from the hospital, or are celebrating the arrival of a new child. We have delivered more than 500 soups, and nearly every step of the program—from soup preparation, to delivery (within your zip code), to letting us know about fellow congregants in need—is led by members of our congregation.

To get involved in this program and to fulfill the mitzvah of leshan chaim (saving a life), or to let us know who needs soup, please contact Rabbi David Spinaud at dspinaud@the-temple.org or 404-873-1731.

**Engagement Story**

We here at the Temple want to occasionally share some of the powerful stories we get to hear, read and transformative stories that help us remember the core member experience with our Temple community. This one is from a lay leader from a Temple Connect group that formed last spring: Enjoy the read, and then contact us (bresnahan@the-temple.org) to find out how you can join your own Temple Connect group!

“"Our Temple Connect group, Ayeka, has been successful because of the commitment of the volunteer organizers and the eight group members that meet every other Sunday afternoon at my house. We have become a family and everyone knows to just ‘come on in’ with an open mind and an open heart (and maybe a nosh) prepared to connect with each other through conversation around a text-based topic. We seize the opportunity to leave the ‘noise’ of our lives at the door so that we can listen to our own inner voice and to each other as we explore our relationship with God. The group experience has personally affirmed that we are created in the image of God so that we may reflect His light, which is made even brighter in the presence of others.”

Engagement Story continues...
We appreciate all donations & suggest a minimum of $10.00 per acknowledgement. Donations can be earmarked to one of our various donations funds. For more information on the various funds and their purpose in funding The Temple's legacy and operations, please contact us at 404-873-1731.
A week's worth of activities and celebrations for this special festival— we hope to see you at one or all of them!

See page 9 for more information.

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