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Dear friends,

In just a few days, we will gather together in the sanctuary of Johns Creek Baptist Church and through our virtual platform for Rosh Hashanah services to welcome in the New Year of 5782. Our tradition calls this day many things: Rosh Hashanah (the head of the year), Yom HaDin (the Day of Judgment), Yom HaZikaron (the day of remembrance—though not to be confused with Israeli Memorial Day that falls in the spring),

Yom T'ruah (the day of the sounding of the shofar), and Yom Harat Olam (the day of the world's birth).

This last name for our upcoming holy day is the one that sticks out for me the most this year. We have spent the last year, and then some, living with the uncertainty of a pandemic, and while we are currently still planning and reacting, as a synagogue and each of us individually, to the ever changing situation that COVID and its variants provide. However, as we approach this birthday of the world, we open our eyes and our hearts to the promise of the future. The holy day, where we are asked to look into ourselves and see where we have come up short, also shows us that there is the possibility of renewal. While this does not mean that the New Year will signal an immediate end to the pandemic, it does signal that we have turned a corner in our coming together as a community.

Last year, we were completely virtual for the High Holy Days. This year, many of us will gather in person. Last year, we were all still coming to terms with the virus. This year, we understand more about it and that, while this will last longer than we all hoped, we know how we can be together, safely and in community.

This year, as we celebrate the birthday of the world, I look forward to coming together with so many of you. I look forward to welcoming in a New Year with you, and I look forward to the promise that a new year can bring.

Shanah tovah!

Rabbi Jordan

Shana tova שנה תובה

President's Message



Leslie Fox

As we look forward to a new year with honey so sweet, We look back on a year that is almost complete. I think of the past year and for what I must atone, And I know that this year I am not alone.

This past year has been like no other we've known, And unfortunately, there are stones that we all may have thrown. This pandemic has let us see inside others' heads and hearts, And all too often, this has torn us apart.

So, let's work together as this new year becomes real,
And see if we can come together and heal.
We must work as a team to get rid of this beast,
Please think of this as you sit down for your break-the-fast feast.

We only have each other on this great planet of ours,
We all look up and wish on the very same stars.
So, as I grumble and complain my way through the fast,
My wish for this year is that we put this pandemic in the past.

If I've wronged you this year personally, or as part of CDT, I hope you will find it in your heart to forgive me. Let's take a minute to look back and reflect, And move forward by treating each other with kindness and respect.

Leslie

Bar Mitzvah



Shomri Kaidar-Heafetz — September 18

Shomri was born in St. Louis, soon after we relocated from Israel, and later moved to Atlanta when he was 3 years old. Today he is a student at Taylor Road Middle school and enjoys swimming at Dynamo twice a week, biking almost daily, reading a lot, and playing on his computer or outside on the swing. Shomri's interests span across mathematics, technology, physics, and other scientific domains in general.

As we only recently joined CDT, he is excited to begin religious school at CDT and make new friends.

Shomri loves riding his bicycles with his friends or with his family and often riding them to school and back. As he appreciates the freedom and joy they give him, his chosen *tikkun olam* project is to collect money so that bicycles can be donated to kids and adults in need of them. He explains that, while bicycles are fun, they are also very practical and can help people without other means of transportation to reach farther places. Due to COVID, Shomri was not able to begin his project last year and recently kicked it off. He is planning fundraisers in which kids and adults will challenge themselves to ride long distances. He also plans to donate his time, volunteering in organizations that fix bicycles for free. If you would like to assist Shomri in his project, please let Shomri or us know.

Cantorial Soloist's Message

Shalom my friends,



I hope you and your loved ones are well. As this month we celebrate the High Holy Days, I begin by wishing you a Shanah Tovah -- a good year. Over the past months, I have been in earnest preparing for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. This year, I am so very happy to say, we will pray together in person! Last year, as we were streaming and making sure to stay socially distant, I was not able to work with our wonderful High Holy Days CDT choir. As the vaccine became available several months ago, it was determined that this year we would be

able to have choir sing at services. We decided upon Kol Nidrei as the most appropriate service to have all of our wonderful voices together on the bimah, beautifying the sound of our services and helping to lead us in prayer. We began rehearsing in July and, after a couple of rehearsals, we really started to come together and make some wonderful music. Sadly, after a few weeks of rehearsal, the Delta variant of COVID-19 made it necessary for us to wear masks again inside. I was very concerned that wearing masks would make it difficult for us to sing, but I asked our wonderful choir members to come to a rehearsal and try. And so we did. Everyone either came to sing or provided their input to me directly. After a solid 45 minutes of rehearsal, it became apparent that singing through masks wasn't going to work. We just were not able to hear each other. That evening, we decided that we would not have a High Holy Days choir this year. It was quite a disheartening conclusion, but we all believed it to be the best decision we could make.

Having now spent some time with the reality of not being to have a HHD Choir this year, I have gained a new and positive perspective. After our decision, I sent an email to our choir hoping that our time together was meaningful and worthwhile, even if we would not be singing together for the chagim this year. I heard back that, yes, any singing together was worthwhile, meaningful, and inspiring. In addition, our choir has committed to getting back together to rehearse and lead us in prayer as soon as it is again practical to do so. I am so proud of our choir members for finding the positive and for giving their time and energy to our congregation this year. Even though we will not be able to hear our choir sing, I hope you will hear their voices in mine as I sing Kol Nidrei this year—for my heart will be filled with the sound of their voices at our rehearsals, and they will certainly be part of my inspiration this year.

As we continue to take two steps forward and one step back, may you be inspired by our High Holy Days CDT choir to find the positive. Thank you to all who continue to work for our community.

Shanah tovah um'tukah — שנה טובה ומתוקה — Have a happy and sweet new year,

Mike Zuspan **Cantorial Soloist**

Bar Mitzvah

Simon Thompson — September 25

Simon is in the 7th grade gifted program at Riverwatch Middle School. His favorite subject is math, and he enjoys reading and playing video games with his friends. Simon wants to be a lawyer when he grows up, which is very much in keeping with his strong standards of right and wrong.

Simon understands the importance of giving to others who are less fortunate. He prepared sandwiches through The Sandwich Project, an Atlanta-based grassroots effort that delivers food directly to homeless and foodinsecure individuals and families. For his bar mitzvah tikkun olam/social action project, Simon wanted to help "ill kids." Working with Make-A-Wish Georgia, he raised funds so a teen boy ("Cole") would finally realize his dream of owning a French bulldog. It should be noted that Simon has always wanted a dog ("doggie" was, in fact, his first word). For him to raise money on behalf of a sick child for something he so badly wants for himself is a testament to his character.

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HIGH HOLY DAYS SCHEDULE 5782 - 2021

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Saturday, Aug. 28 7:30pm CDT Sanctuary

ROSH HASHANAH

Monday, Sept. 6 Erev Service - 8:00pm *Johns Creek Baptist Church

Tuesday, Sept. 7 1st Day Services

Morning Service - 10:00am *Johns Creek Baptist Church
Tashlich - 1:00pm Pond behind Johns Creek City Hall

Young Family Service - 3:30pm CDT Sanctuary

Wednesday, Sept. 8 2nd Day Service - 10am CDT Patio

Friday, Sept. 10 Erev Shabbat Shuvah - 7:30pm CDT Sanctuary (Sabbath of Repentance)

and 9/11 Remembrance

YOM KIPPUR

Wednesday, Sept. 15 Kol Nidre Service - 8:00pm *Johns Creek Baptist Church
Thursday, Sept. 16 Morning Service - 10:00am *Johns Creek Baptist Church

Enrichment Opportunities - 2:15pm CDT Classrooms
Young Family Service - 2:30pm CDT Sanctuary

Mincha / Afternoon Service - 3:15pm CDT Sanctuary
Healing Service - 4:30pm CDT Sanctuary

Yizkor / Neilah Service - 5:00pm CDT Sanctuary

Monday, Sept. 20 EREV SUKKOT CDT Sanctuary

6:30pm

Monday, Sept. 27 EREV SIMCHAT TORAH / CONSECRATION CDT Sanctuary

6:30pm

Tuesday, Sept. 28 SH' MINI ATZERET / SIMCHAT TORAH YIZKOR CDT Sanctuary 10:00am

For more information, visit www.dortamid.org or call 770-623-8860

*Johns Creek Baptist Church, 6910 McGinnis Ferry Road, Alpharetta 30005

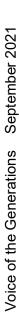
Here is to a healthy and exciting new school year!

Shanah Tovah!

Molly Peled







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Many Thanks — תודה רבה

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Ken & Diane Frontman

 with appreciation for the unveiling ceremony of Richard Frontman

Garden Fund

Lesley Radov

— in memory of Cyril Ann Rosenberg

Ritual Fund

Jackie & Larry Berger

— in honor of Arthur Meier's birthday

Tree of Life Engraved Leaf

Carol and Alan Kovar

 in honor of the marriage of Gail Levy and Martin Barber

Security Fund

Leslie Penuel

— in memory of Louis Goldsmith

Yahrzeit Fund

Ronald & Claudia Dobelstein

— in memory of Irving Holop

Yahrzeit Plaque

 Lisa & George Winton in memory of Scott Lusins

General Fund

Bev Mahone

- in memory of Jill Romaine
- in memory of Scott Lusins
- in memory of Cyril Ann Rosenberg

Joel Turry

 in honor of the marriage of Larry and Jodi Benator

Sheldon & Sherry Fages

— in memory of Cyril Ann Rosenberg

Carol & Alan Kovar

— in memory of Cyril Ann Rosenberg

Caring Committee Fund

Anita Walters

— in memory of Hilard Bennet Shaw

Jackie & Larry Berger

— in memory of Cyril Ann Rosenberg

Leslie Penuel

— in memory of Cyril Ann Rosenberg

The Sandwich Project (Sisterhood)

Janet Levy

in memory of Cyril Ann Rosenberg

Condolences

Bev Mahone and Jennifer & Chris Hall on the passing of their cousin Cyril Ann Rosenberg August 15, 2021

May their memories be a blessing.

Social Action



Paula Bloom Chair, Social Action Committee

Do you have a social action passion project that you would like to propose to our Social Action Committee? Let's talk. We are happy to consider other projects as we plan our activities for the year. Contact Paula Bloom at pbloom99@yahoo.com.



SAVE THE DATE: CDT Cares Day – October 17th at CDT

Sponsored by Sisterhood, Men's Club, and Social Action

- Make a **blood donation** (Sign up HERE or walk in)
- Donate items and assemble bags CDT Packs for Hungry Kids (see below)
- Help put together Smile Bags with tooth brushes/paste and other items (Sisterhood@dortamid.com)
- Get your hands dirty in the garden
- Unleash your kid's creativity with fun activities

DONATE FOOD TO PEOPLE IN NEED!

You will see a barrel in the CDT lobby for donations of food for CDT Packs for Hungry Kids to help local children who are dependent on breakfasts/lunches from school. When they are home on weekends or during school breaks, these children lose these vital meals. We will be donating these CDT Packs to HOPE Atlanta's SuperPack program, which provides children at risk of hunger with a bag of nutritionally-balanced, nonperishable, and easy-to-prepare food that can easily and discreetly fit into a backpack before the weekend or long holidays.

We will also accept donations of food items during the High Holy Days during the services at the church. Look for a black Honda Odyssey collecting food parked next to the church entrance.

Help us by donating even a few items! Costco is a great place to purchase the items needed for each bag.

Or you can make your own bags! Its super easy and fun . . . a great project to do with your kids.

Here is what we need:

- Gallon-size bags
- 4 entrees (ravioli, ramen noodles, soup, stew, canned or pouch chicken or tuna, etc.)
- 2 single serve breakfast items (an oatmeal pack, grits pack, cereal bowl, cereal bar, pop tarts, etc.)
- 2-4 fruit cups/cans of veggies
- 2-4 single-serve snacks (pretzels, beef stick, raisins, crackers, popcorn, granola bars, fruit bars, etc.)
- We will also include encouraging notes and/or drawings the children really appreciate these.

Contact Deb Eskenazi (hdb 3@ymail.com) or Paula Bloom (pbloom99@yahoo.com) with any questions.

For other items that are taking up space in your pantry and cabinets, please drop them off in the other barrel in the CDT lobby. They will be picked up by The Place in Forsyth which has an amazing food program.







Will you help the 1 in 4 food insecure children in our community? Would you like to set an example of Tikkun Olam for your own children?

Our goal is to assemble 250 COT Packs for Hungry Kids to supplement school breakfasts and lunches for hungry children during weekends and holidays

We need donations of:

ITEMS EXAMPLES

Cans of ravioli, soup, stew, chili, tuna, chicken. Pouches of tuna and chicken 4 entrees

2 single serve breakfast items Oatmeal/grits packs, cereal bowl or bar, pop tarts

2-4 Fruit or Vegetables Fruit cups, cans of veggies

2-4 single serve snacks Pretzels, beef sticks, raisins, crackers, popcorn, granola bars, fruit bars

BRING ONE ITEM OR BRING A BUNCH - EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS...

We will be assembling bags during CT CARES DAY on October 17th so please bring donations to CDT and put them in the containers in the CDT lobby any time until then. Contact Deb Eskanazi for more information (hdb 3@ymail.com or 770-403-9903)





Help Repair the World (Tikkun Olam) and set an example for the children

- **3** Make a blood donation (Sign-up or Walk-in)
- **3** Donate items and help assemble bags for children in need
 - **3 Cat Packs for Hungry Kids**
 - 3 Smile Bags with Tooth Brushes / Paste and other items
- 🕉 Get your hands dirty in the garden 👋🖐
- 3 Unleash your kid's creativity with fun activities

For information on how to donate needed items and to sign-up to give blood, go to dortamid.org/cdtcaresday or contact Paula Bloom (770-570-8059 / pbloom99@yahoo.com)

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Tikkun Olam Corner

CDT Cares

Tikkun Olam

The Social Action Committee is happy to have a new section in the newsletter focusing on *tikkun olam*.

Our objective is repairing the world (*tikkun olam*) through meaningful contribution to the well-being of people in the greater Atlanta community.

Our goal is to have every person at CDT (religious school and older) to participate in an act of *tikkun olam*.

(Repairing the World) We look forward to highlighting acts of *tikkun olam* done by CDT members – either in conjunction with CDT or outside of the temple. In fact, if you are involved in organizations that you want to tell others about, please send a note to SocialAction@dortamid.com.

Gan Tamid Garden

This month we want to highlight the amazing things that have been happening in the Gan Tamid Garden, led by Lesley Radov with assistance from Deb Eskanazi and superstar Tyler Hecht, who spent many hours volunteering this summer. Tyler is starting his freshman year at the University of Delaware, studying math. He obviously had a green thumb, because the garden is yielding all kinds of crazy huge vegetables and fruits. Already 300 pounds of produce have been donated to the North Gwinnett Food Coop.

We are looking for a few people who want to get their hands dirty and paint the garden fence and do a few other projects in the fall. Send an email to SocialAction@dortamid.com if you want to help.

Lesley Radov (right) delivering produce to the North Gwinnett Food Coop.





The Sandwich Project

Sisterhood started participating in The Sandwich Project in

March and has made approximately 1000 sandwiches so far. The Sandwich Project is an an Atlanta-based grassroots effort led by community members, with over 1,500 volunteers across 20 locations around metro Atlanta. Sandwiches are distributed every Thursday through Chris 180's food distribution sites. Volunteers provide thousands of sandwiches each week and have made a significant impact on the lives of families in our communities.

Chris 180 's mission is to heal children, strengthen families, and build community. Learn more about Chris 180 at https://chris180.org.

If you are interested in joining the CDT volunteers on Wednesdays at lunch time to help makes sandwiches, send an email to Sisterhood@dortamid.com.



Food collection during the High Holy Days for CDT Packs for Kids!

See the Social Action section for items needed.





Sisterhood





Lisa Danzig Sisterhood President

Our Mission: The Women of Congregation Dor Tamid's primary function is to support the synagogue through Judaism, Community Service, Friendship, and Fundraising.

I love the High Holy Days, and as far back as I can remember, I always have. I grew up in New York, and by the time Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur came, autumn, which is my favorite time of the year, had the fall chill and scents in the air. The leaves were changing colors, or if the HHDs were in the latter part of September, they would already be falling from the trees. But, of course, it's not just the time of the year that draws me greatly to the HHDs. It's its meaning, it's traditions, it's being with people I love and care about, it is about our people — our Judaism.

Rosh Hashanah, for me, brings with it all the possibilities of what the New Year can be. Though I'm not fond of honey, I relish the dipping of the apple and the idea of a sweet new year, a good new year, for all of us! The following ten days, leading up to Yom Kippur, is a time I fully embrace. I think about what I've done wrong during the past year and how I can become a better mom, wife, daughter, sister, and friend in the coming year. I wonder if I hurt or disappointed anyone in my actions, inactions, or words, which sadly, I'm sure I probably have. Then Kol Nidre comes with all its solemnness, chanting of those melodious notes which speak to me, bringing the past and present together, the pounding of my fist to my heart, and the start of the fast—all of which brings me to a place, an openness, where I can fully repent. And in the last moments of Yom Kippur, ahhh the [final] sounding of the Shofar, it's the sound that fills up my soul, the last amazing blast where all is Written and Sealed.

L'shanah tovah tikateivu v'tichateimu – May it be written and sealed for a Good year, a Sweet year . . . a Healthy year for you and your loved ones.

Lísa



and



An organization called Chris 180 started 'The Sandwich Project', asking communities and individuals to donate sandwiches and snacks to feed homeless and food-insecure people. Several months ago, Lisa Skyer and Alicia Oberhand spearheaded this new social

action project for Sisterhood and Congregation Dor Tamid. Every Wednesday our congregants donate money or ingredients for the sandwiches and/or stay to help make sandwiches or they drop off pre-made sandwiches at CDT.

If you are interested in becoming involved in any way, please contact sisterhood@dortamid.com for more information. You don't have to be a Sisterhood member to participate. We welcome everyone!

A special thank you to Caren Kern for donating all the food supplies for the week of 8/18!



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Primetimers



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- 3. Send form and check to CDT Sisterhood, 11165 Parsons Road, Johns Creek, GA 30097

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