

Congregation Sons of Israel

THE MYERS FAMILY CAMPUS

CONTINUING THE VISION — BUILDING OUR FUTURE



SEPTEMBER 2020
12 Elul - 12 Tishri



High Holidays 5781

HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES



Selichot Services

Saturday, 9/12 at 9pm *S'lichot*—*Havdalah* followed by a musical program with Cantor Scott Harris. We will conclude with *S'lichot* services.

Friday, 9/18 *Erev Rosh HaShanah* Sanctuary, 6:30pm-7:30pm

Saturday, 9/19 *Rosh HaShanah* Sanctuary, 9pm-Noon

Family Service, Virtual only 4pm-5pm

Rosh Hasnnah Day 2, 6pm

Sunday, 9/20 *Rosh HaShanah* Sanctuary, 9am-Noon

Family Service on the Farm , 4pm - 5pm

Sunday, 9/27 *Kol Nidre*, Sanctuary, 6:30pm-8:30pm

Monday, 9/28 *Yom Kippur*, Sanctuary 9:30am-1:30pm

Yom Kippur, Sanctuary 4:30pm - 7:30pm

HERE IS HOW TO JOIN US, WATCH ON LIVESTREAM AND/OR BORROW *MACHZORIM* FOR THE HIGH HOLIDAYS.

You may reserve space in the synagogue for your family and guests and/or request *Mahzorim* for use at home.

Even if you don't need either, please consider using the form to make a donation to cover all or part of you usual High Holiday seats, guest tickets, and parking donation.

In order to provide necessary information for participation, you will need to be logged into your CSI account on the web site. When you visit the [signup form](#) and are not logged on, you will see a login page.

If you have not yet set up your CSI account, please start by going to the [CSI website](#). You will see Login pulldown on the upper right hand corner of the screen. Put in your email address. click "forgot password" and proceed by following the prompts. It's a little counterintuitive, but that's the way the program was designed!

Click on the link in your email and set your password and then you are all set for the [signup form](#).

Additionally, you can read our [CSI Community Portal Instructions](#) for detailed instructions on what you have access to when you are logged on.

PLEASE NOTE: Covid-19 rules and procedures are in place for the safety of all who participate. There are no exceptions to these rules which have been set to meet OR exceed NYS guidelines.

FROM THE RABBI

Steven C. Kane



Rabbi Hershel Matt composed the following prayer about the beginning of the New Year/*Rosh HaShana*. It is found both in our previous and current High Holiday *machzor*.

On this night, O God, we have come into Your house to pray in Your sanctuary. But if the heavens are merely Your throne, if the earth is but your footstool, if the heaven of heavens cannot contain You, how much less this house, built by human hands. Yet although Your dwelling place is every place, and although You can be sought and found in any place, It is to this place that we come most confidently-to seek renewal in Your purifying presence.

As I was looking through the *machzor*, when I came upon this prayer, I realized that, though it was written in the 1900's, it had special meaning for us in the year 2020. What does it mean in a year of a pandemic to "come into Your house to pray in Your sanctuary"? After all, although those who want to attend services in the sanctuary will be able to, undoubtedly many people will not attend in person because of their concern about their health and the health of their loved ones. What will services be like for those whose only entry into the sanctuary will be through a screen that shows our services as they are live-streamed? Will it be an experience that still captures the essence of our communal prayer on the High Holidays, or will it be significantly diminished? How can we find God's presence when so many of us are only able to be "present" remotely?

The answer it seems to me lies in the content of the rest of Rabbi Matt's prayer. It reminds us that there is a contradiction in our High Holiday (and indeed everyday) experience of God. On the one hand God is not contained even by the universe, and certainly not to be found in a mere house (of worship). Yet at the same time, it is setting foot into that house of worship, especially this time of year, that brings us closer to the eternal God. To put it another way, while we can find God's presence anywhere, we often experience it most intensely in our own sanctuary.

This year we are called upon to expand our ability to

experience God where ever we may be. Those in our beautiful sanctuary will undoubtedly feel different, wearing masks and being socially distant from friends we often catch up with on the High Holidays. Cantor Shiovitz will lead services from a new, more protected spot. We will see fewer Ark openings, miss some beloved prayers and not hear the shofar sounded as often as in other years. Yet, it is in CSI's beloved sanctuary that we will "seek renewal in Your purifying presence".

Those watching the live stream will have an even greater challenge. How will you make your living room, family room or den a *mikdash m'aat*, a miniature sanctuary? Will you dress in holiday clothes even though you are at home? Will you cover your head and don a *tallit*? Will you find a way to not simply watch the service, but to participate in a meaningful way? Will you be able to realize that God's "dwelling place is every place", even in the technology that allows you to be at services virtually when you can't be in person?

5781 begins our New Year and there are many challenges ahead. Let us meet them together, seeking God in every place, but especially so in this place. Let us together "seek renewal in Your purifying presence" in "Your sanctuary", our sanctuary, at Congregation Sons of Israel. May each of us be inscribed for a good, sweet and healthy New Year.

Shanah Tovah,

Rabbi Kane, Judy, Arielle, Tamar, Daniel and Elan

Rabbi@csibriarcliff.org



Yizkor Memorial Booklet

**Do you wish to list loved ones in the CSI *Yizkor* booklet?
We will be preparing a lovely, meaningful digital version
for everyone this year.**

**Kindly email JenniferH@csibriarcliff.org
You may say “same as last year” and/or give
Jen the names you wish to include.**

**\$18 for the first three lines
\$3 each line thereafter.**

**We are happy to bill you but if you prefer, you may mail
a check to CSI with “Memorial Booklet” in the memo.**



Have you created your account in **ShulCloud**? It is not complicated at all and will enable you full access to your CSI account.

See your financial history * Pay bills * Make donations * Need help?

Contact Treasurer@csibriarcliff.org

**Thank you to those who have already paid all or part of
their 20/21 Membership Fees.**

**We ask that all CSI member families show support
of the synagogue community by making these
payments in a timely way.**

CANTORIAL NOTES

Hazzan Jeffrey Shiovitz



Every year at this time I look back on the upcoming *Yamim Noraim*, the High Holidays. As I get older, I begin to think about these things more and more. This year, it seems like no other one I have experienced. Will we have people in the sanctuary and if so, how many? People will be social distancing, wearing masks and using lots of hand sanitizer. We will not have our cadre of teenage Torah readers. We will have one adult on the *Bima* at a time reading. Our *Gabbais* will follow the Torah reader from their seats. Our aliyot will be recited from the congregation. Our services will be leaner but just as meaningful. Our sermons will carry more importance as Rabbi Kane inspires us during this unusual time. I will be leading services behind a plexi-glass covering. Is this the new normal?

I recall my first *Yom Kippur* in shul with my Bubbe, sitting all afternoon wondering if it would ever end. (I still do sometimes!). At age 16, I read the entire Torah and led the *Shacharit* service all of the days of the holidays. I woke at 5 am with nerves. How would I sound, would I remember everything that I learned. My *Bar Mitzvah* was the very first one in the new sanctuary at Beth Moses Synagogue in Detroit. The carpeting and the permanent pews had not yet been installed, but my *Bar Mitzvah* was celebrated on May 30, 1968. And yes, I remember that day as if it were yesterday.

Forty three years ago as a second year Cantorial student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, I returned to Beth Moses to lead the last High Holiday services to be held in that sanctuary as they were merging with another synagogue in the suburbs after *Yom Kippur*. That year was the first time I was the “real” Cantor. And yes, I had the same nerves and feelings. Was I good enough? Did I know enough? Would I be able to inspire my congregation and make the words and prayers come to life?

Forty three years later, and after 32 years at CSI, I have the same questions, hopes and desires. I usually begin my holiday season 6 weeks prior as I look through the liturgy. This year, the Rabbi and I began looking at the liturgy and service in July. This was not going to be just any year! How can I improve? Is there anything new to add? This year the answer is not to change melodies. I feel we need to keep the familiar. I need what is familiar. In a service that will be some-

what shorter, the question is how can I make the words come to life for everyone, including myself. It is a great challenge! When I say the *Hineni* prayer(the *Hazzan's* prayer) without walking from the rear of the congregation this year, I really do ask myself if I am prepared to lead our congregation.

After 40 years as Cantor and 32 at CSI, I face this question daily. How can I make our liturgy come alive, even after saying it a million times? How can I make my *Bar* and *Bat Mitzvah* lessons fresh and the kids feel as if they are the only ones, even if teaching by zoom or FaceTime? How can I bring innovative programming to the synagogue in a time of a pandemic? How can I be in touch with our seniors every week? Aside from giving the answer to give it my best, I look at every day and every year as if it is a new day and year. I try to recreate myself every year. After 32 years I look forward to beginning each year as if it is my first and to being here another 32! CSI and Briarcliff has been our home for so many years. Even when I am on vacation but not away, I find myself in our sanctuary. I am a “shul rat!” This is the shul I would pick if I was looking for a house of worship.

Robyn, Rachel, Yonah and Miriam, David and Gina, Sarah, Drew and Jamie Robert, and Talia join me in wishing you a sweet, happy, healthy and safe New Year.

Jeffrey Shiovitz

Jshiovitz@gmail.com



ROSH HASHANAH ROUND CHALLAH SALE!!!

**\$7 FOR A PLAIN ROUND CHALLAH, OR \$20 FOR 3 CHALLAHS
PICK UP OUTSIDE OF THE FRONT DOOR OF CSI ON:
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th 11:00AM-1:00PM**

Please support the CSI Religious School PTA by ordering a challah!

Please E-mail this form to CSIRSPTA@gmail.com by **SEPTEMBER 11th** and indicate if you will be mailing a check payable to CSI RS PTA to the office, or paying electronically by PayPal to CSIRSPTA@gmail.com (use Paypal Friends and Family and add a note that payment is for Rosh Hashanah challahs) or Venmo to @Jenean-Eichenholtz.

Challahs must be pre-paid prior to delivery. Challahs not picked up will be donated.

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of Plain Round Challah(s) _____

Questions? Contact Samantha Hawson or CSIRSPTA@gmail.com

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Clare Rosen



Though we obviously would never choose to endure a global pandemic like this one, it does force us out of our comfort zones into new, creative forms of learning, worshipping and engagement. We are asking ourselves what is really important, and we are figuring out how to achieve these goals in new ways, a “new normal”.

My late husband Paul was CSI’s president from 2004-2006. While I accepted the nomination with my “eyes wide open” knowing the significance and weight of the position, I never imagined that I would be doing so in front of a computer. Regardless of where and how I am leading I will work to give every congregant a sense of connection and engagement.

It’s was just six months ago that we were told to shelter in place. While CSI closed down the building it never actually closed down. Since the start of the pandemic in March, CSI has been bustling with activity to reach out to congregants to say that we continue to be “open”. Our schools, both religious school and nursery school, continued instruction through June in a new way, virtually by Zoom. Who ever heard of Zoom six months ago? And who would have thought we’d still be defined by the pandemic as we start the new academic year.

Many of you have participated in our virtual programming these past six plus months. These include minyans three times a week, *Kabbalat Shabbat* services (by Zoom and in our farm) and live streamed *Shabbat* services. We’ve had cooking demonstrations, speakers, a Zoom *Seder*, music programming for adults and for our youngsters taught by Brian Gelfand, and trivia, to name a few.

And so much has happened on our farm since the spring. We developed a farm internship program that was embraced by some ambitious teens and young adults. I want to thank Rabbi Kane, David Levitt Ryna Lustig and Fred Schulman who made the program meaningful to the interns.

I hope many of you have purchased the beautiful produce harvested each week and sold at our farm stand. In addition, produce is donated to the Ossining Children’s Center to feed 30 families and to the Pleasantville Food Pantry.

During the current month of *Elul*, a month of self-reflection and evaluation in preparation for the High Holidays, there are daily programs offered. These include *Shofar* blowing with a short teaching from Rabbi Kane, Restorative Yoga & Meditation taught by Nannette Wasserman, baking and cooking demonstrations taught by Jill Greenstein, and Helene Rude, the Poetry of Yehuda Amichai with Dr. Neil Schluger and Three Things with Rabbi Kane. Several others (Sonia Kleinman, Resa Mestel, Irma Mandel, Rochelle Auslander, Marion Sader and Judy Boehr) offered groups to facilitate *Elul* Reflection journaling. And Cantor Shiovitz offered a program on the music of the High Holidays.

I want to thank all of you who have volunteered to teach classes and encourage others to do so in the future. And if I overlooked anybody I sincerely apologize. Additionally, I want to thank so many of you who encourage and support me to be the best I can be. And I will!

While we do not have yet have many answers to give you, I feel confident that we are headed in the proper direction by asking the right questions. As eager as we are to get back together – we are very eager– we will not allow that to cloud our judgment on what is prudent.

I look forward to working with those on the Board of Trustees and committees and hope that I get to meet each and every one of you soon. Until then I’ll see you (virtually).

Stay safe and be well.

[Clare Rosen](#)

**We will be loaning High Holiday prayer books to members who wish to worship from home.
Can you help?**

**Volunteers are needed to number the books, keep track of who has them and deliver to those who are unable to pick up.
Community Service hours given to teens.**

**Please contact Clare Rosen at:
Clayrcsi@gmail.com**

THE 20/21 SCHOOL YEAR

Nursery School begins at CSI on Monday, 9/14.

In preparation for welcoming our students, Nursery School Director Naomi Elyachar along with the Nursery School teaching staff, have created safe learning spaces both outdoors and indoors.

Over the summer, Naomi attended virtual workshops and meetings at which up-to-the-minute Covid-19 details and protocols for on-site Nursery School were presented and discussed.

The CSI campus now includes tented areas for each of our Nursery School classes, in addition to updated playground use protocols and strict indoor building use and cleaning policies. From drop-off to end of day pick-up, we will ensure that every health and safety rule is followed for the protection of your children and the CSI staff.

Thank you to Tom Hannan and his son, Daniel, for constructing the tents. Their contribution of time and expertise is invaluable to us.

We look forward to another wonderful year of learning, fun and growth at the CSI Nursery School.

Welcome to our new School Staff

Naomi Elyachar, our new Nursey School Director with her family: Reese, Jordy, Kylie & Justin.



Libby Spitzer, Assistant Educational Director



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

As we shared in our recent email, Religious School will be all virtual beginning this September.

With that in mind we spent a great deal of time evaluating a new curriculum that lends itself to online learning, called ShalomLearning. It is an evidence-based, comprehensive curriculum that was already in use by over 100 Religious Schools, and is easily adaptable to in-person learning once we are physically back in the building.

We encourage you to visit their website, www.ShalomLearning.com to see why we were so impressed. We are confident this program taught by CSI's teachers will provide our students, your children, as much as they would be learning in person.

There will be a few changes in our schedule. *Shorashim* (K), *Prozdor* I and II will be divided in half in order to have both smaller groups and less screen time, while maintaining the integrity of the program. The first group will meet on Zoom from 9:00-9:55 am and the second from 10:05-11:00 am. They will each have a 45 minute session followed by a ten minute Zoom music/*tefillah* (prayer) session. Teachers will have the option of a five minute break.

The older grades, *Alef-Dalet* (3rd-6th grade), will meet Sundays on Zoom from 9:00-9:50 am, followed by a ten minute break. A second session will follow from 10:00-10:50 am, followed by music/*tefillah* to end the day. Heh class will have their first Zoom class from 11:15-12:00 pm, followed by a fifteen minute break and then their second session from 12:15-1:00 pm. The Tuesday schedule will be similarly designed to run between 4:00pm-6:00pm weekly. Teachers will also have the option of providing students with a 5 minute break.

Our opening day will be Sunday, September 13, and it will be in person on the farm. Half of the school will come from 9:00-9:55 am, and the other half from 10:05-11:00 am. We will ask that masks be worn and the students will be socially distanced from each other. At the opening program a general introduction to the year will be followed by having the children go into their class groups so that they can meet their teacher and see their fellow students. They will have some time for ice breakers and a project or lesson on *Rosh HaShanah* which begins five days later. In the event of bad weather, we will move it to Zoom.

To register your children for school, please click [here](#).

The school year calendar is available [here](#).

Last but not least, we want to thank you for your ongoing support of CSI's Religious School and apologize if our process of deciding how school will operate in the coming year caused any distress. While we are doing our best to organize and make decisions for the coming year, we know we could always do better.

USY/KADIMA—Andrea Bromberg, Advisor



Email: CSIUSY@gmail.com



CSI Community Organic Farm

Regenerative Agriculture Rooted in Jewish Tradition



Community Food Pantry
Sleepy Hollow/Tarrytown
43 South Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591

August 19, 2020

Dear Congregation Sons of Israel Members,

Thank you for your very generous donation of 50lbs of fresh tomatoes to the Community Food Pantry of Sleepy Hollow & Tarrytown. Your donation was a welcome addition to our distribution on Aug 13 and helped us ensure the 350 families served that day were provided with the healthiest food possible for themselves and their families.

All the Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Rachelle Gebler".

Rachelle Gebler
President

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SISTERHOOD

CSI SISTERHOOD 2020-2021 MEMBERSHIP "NO-DINNER" SPEAKER WEDNESDAY, October 7, 7:30 P.M.

Please join us as we welcome Susan Rudnick, author of Edna's Gift: How My Broken Sister Taught Me To Be Whole. Susan was born in NYC to refugee parents escaping from Nazi Germany. Growing up as a first generation American, was a defining aspect in her life. But the crucible for her major life choices has been her relationship with her sister Edna.

When they were young, Susan and Edna, were inseparable; Edna was Susan's first love and constant companion. But as they grew up and Edna's physical, and mental challenges altered the ways she could develop, a gulf formed between them. Susan's life became even more complicated when, just short of her sixteenth birthday, she learned that she had been born without a uterus and would never menstruate or give birth to children. As she coped with this trauma, Edna continued loving her unconditionally, as she always had. Encompassing Susan and Edna's lifelong, complex, intertwining relationship, *Edna's Gift* has a powerful message: life may be unpredictable, even traumatic - but if you remain open, strength and wisdom will come to you from surprising and unexpected sources.

Edna's Gift is available as an e-book from the Westchester Library System and from Amazon and Barnes and Noble.



R.S.V.P. by email to Robsamg@optonline.net. Zoom link will be provided.

This event is for Sisterhood members only.

Return this form with a check for \$36.00 (\$54 for non-CSI members) payable to: CSI SISTERHOOD. Checks should be mailed to Annleah Berger, 10 Charlotte Court, Briarcliff Manor, N.Y. 10510

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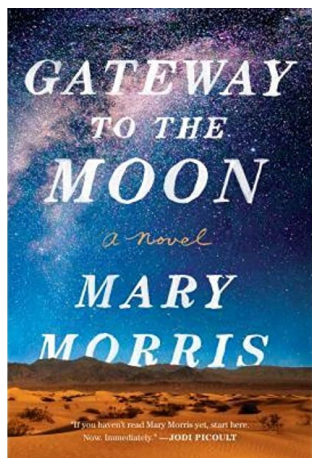
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SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

The Sisterhood Book Club continues this year with new facilitators, Roberta Bar-Levav and Susan Thrope.



The first book we will be reading is Gateway to The Moon by Mary Morris.

From award-winning novelist Mary Morris comes the remarkable story of a remote New Mexican town coming to grips with a dark history it never imagined.

In 1492, the Jewish and Muslim populations of Spain were expelled, and Columbus set sail for America. Luis de Torres, a Spanish Jew, accompanies Columbus as his interpreter. His journey is only the beginning of a long migration, across many generations. Over the centuries, de Torres' descendants travel from Spain and Portugal to Mexico, finally settling in the hills of New Mexico. Five hundred years later, it is in these same hills that Miguel Torres, a young amateur astronomer, finds himself trying to understand the mystery that surrounds him and the town he grew up in.

Entrada de la Luna is a place that holds a profound secret—one that its residents cannot even imagine. It is also a place that ambitious children, such as Miguel, try to leave. Poor health, broken marriages, and poverty are the norm. Luck is unusual. When Miguel sees a flyer for a babysitting job, he jumps at the opportunity, and begins work for a Jewish family new to the area. Rachel Rothstein is not the sort of parent Miguel expected. A frustrated artist, Rachel moved her family from New York in search of a fresh start, but so far New Mexico has not solved any of the problems she brought with her. Miguel loves the work, yet he is surprised to find many of the Rothstein family's customs similar to ones he's grown up with and never understood.

Interwoven throughout the present-day narrative are the powerful stories of the ancestors of Entrada's residents, highlighting the torture, pursuit, and resistance of the Jewish people. A beautiful novel of shared history, *Gateway to the Moon* is a moving and memorable portrait of a family and its journey through the centuries.

This book is available in the Westchester Library System.

**Our first meeting is Sunday, November 1
from 4:00-5:30 via Zoom.**

[RSVP to Susan Thrope.](#)

SOCIAL COMMITTEE - Barbara Schoenfeld, Chairperson

**Are you ready to have fun during these crazy days of the pandemic?
Well, you are in for a treat as our committee has planned our first FAMILY EVENT, a MAGIC SHOW.**



Sunday, 10/18, 3pm - 3:45pm. The show is FREE. We would appreciate a RSVP before the event by emailing Barbara Schoenfeld at bschoenfeld11@gmail.com The Zoom link will be sent closer to the event.

Munsey's Magic is a fun-filled show filled with magic, mystery, comedy, and mentalism. Although it will be VIRTUAL, it will be interactive using cards. Please bring a deck of cards to the event. The magic show, lasting about 45 minutes, is geared for kids, ages 7 and up, AND adults, who will be intrigued and fooled.

Other events we are considering this year include a drive-in movie for families, a streamed movie and discussion for adults, an adult Show 'n' tell, a musical performance, a happy hour with discussion, and a *Tu B'Shevat Seder* and the Jacob Burns Film Festival, when the pandemic is over.

We hope everyone stays well and safe!

PRIDE COMMITTEE NEWS - Suzanne Haber, Chairperson



Shana Tova and welcome to a new year of Pride at CSI!

As a result of our participation in *Keshet's* Leadership Project, we made strides last year to update synagogue signage, forms, and communications. We look forward to continuing our work with *Keshet* this fall.

The committee usually meets the first Tuesday of the month, and we welcome your participation. You can also contact Suzanne Haber at any time with your questions, comments, or suggestions.

Shab2@optonline.net

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE - Judy Boehr Chairperson

Project Isaiah Food Drive for the Ossining Food Pantry



This year, there are many changes to how things are being done, both here at CSI and in the community. Some things don't change, however. There are people in our community who are hungry and need our assistance. The Ossining Food Pantry, who we always support by donating

bags of food that CSI members return during the High Holiday period, is presently not open for families to pick up food. They are, however, operating and supporting more than 500 families each month.

During the Pandemic, the Good Pantry has been providing gift cards for C-town and coupons for the Farmers' Market in Ossining. In addition, they are now distributing food at the Star of Bethlehem Church, Horac, and Market Square. (This distribution was being handled by Ossining employees, but now that they are back at work, the Pantry has assumed this role.) The Food Pantry has also been utilizing Feeding Westchester for additional food. When other organizations (Loaves and Fishes, Ossining PTA) provide meals, the Pantry has been providing a bag of food to those families.

As you can see, the need is great, and the commitment of the Pantry is strong. Typically, our food drive sends them \$3,500 - \$4,000 worth of food. We are hoping to honor that commitment again this year.

Please consider making a donation to the Pantry in place of the bag of food you would have brought to CSI. We suggest a donation of Chai (\$18, \$36) or more, whatever you can provide, to support our neighbors in need. This donation should be sent **DIRECTLY TO THE OSSINING FOOD PANTRY** at PO Box 669 Ossining, NY 10562. (You can write from CSI in the memo line.) If you would rather make a donation on line, visit: www.ossiningfoodpantry.org and follow the link.

THE SOUNDS OF ELUL



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It is customary to sound the *shofar* each day of *Elul* (except *Shabbat*) to help us prepare for the upcoming High Holidays.

Each day a new sounding of the *shofar* by Cantor Shiovitz and “special guests” will be found on our web-site, along with a brief teaching from Rabbi Kane taken from *Pirke Avot*.

The first date is 1 *Elul*
(Friday August 21).



POETRY

Exploring the Themes
of the High Holidays
Through the Poetry
of Yehuda Amichai

With Neil Schluger

In preparation for the Days of Awe, we'll read and discuss selected works from the writer considered Israel's greatest modern poet. Amichai's poetry is internationally known and praised.

Three Thursdays:
8/20, 8/27 & 9/3
At 7:30pm

RSVP TO: [Neil Schluger](#)
And he will send you the Zoom link



Long-time CSI member,
Nannette Wasserman,
(E-RYT, YACEP)
has practiced yoga and
meditation for over
thirty years.

She received her
certification in Hatha yoga
through Yoga With Intention
and is a Registered
Yoga Teacher with
nationally Recognized
Yoga Alliance.

YOGA *and* MEDITATION

SUNDAY MORNINGS:

8/23, 8/30 & 9/13

FROM 10am - 11:15am

**Restorative Yoga & Meditation
For CSI families**

Let's prepare for the High Holidays with
gentle yoga practice designed to help us
turn inward, connect with breath
and set intentions.

We will be doing passive stretching.
The following props will be helpful
for your comfort :

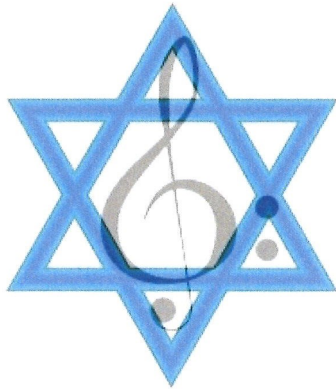
Wool or cotton blanket
Yoga bolster, pillow or couch cushion
Yoga strap, bathrobe belt or scarf.

If you need further
information, [Email Ellen](#)

[Zoom Link](#)

SEPTEMBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
C/L = Candle Lighting Time	SOUNDS OF ELUL CONTINUES THROUGH THE MONTH OF ELUL	1 12 Elul 7:30pm Virtual Religious School Q & A with Rabbi Kane & Libby Spitzer	2 13 Elul 8 PM Education Committee Meeting	3 14 Elul 8 am Minyan	4 15 Elul Kabbalat Shabbat on the Farm (AND ZOOMED) 6pm	5 16 Elul Shabbat Morning Services on site AND STREAMED at 9:30am Ki Tavo
6 17 Elul 9:15am Minyan	7 18 Elul	8 19 Elul	9 20 Elul	10 21 Elul 8am Minyan 8pm Cantor's High Holiday Music Program/ Virtual	11 22 Elul Kabbalat Shabbat on the Farm (AND ZOOMED) 6pm C/L 7:46pm	12 23 Elul Shabbat Morning Services on site AND STREAMED at 9:30am 3pm: Mincha Bar Mitzvah Aidan Kovar 9pm Selichot Nitzavim/Vayelech Selichot
13 24 Elul 9:15am Minyan OPENING DAY RELIGIOUS SCHOOL/ Farm 10-11:15am Yoga & Meditation 11:15 USY on the Farm 11:30am Cooking with Helene Rude	14 25 Elul 8am Minyan N.S. Opens 7:30pm Zoom "Three Things with Rabbi Kane"	15 26 Elul 7:30pm Membership Committee	16 27 Elul	17 28 Elul 8 am Minyan	18 29 Elul 6:30pm – 7:30pm Erev Rosh Hashanah Service C/L 7:36pm	19 1 Tishri 9am – 12pm Rosh Hashanah Day 1 On site & Streamed 4pm Virtual Family Service with Cantor Shiovitz 6pm Rosh Hashannah Day 2/ One site & Streamed Re'eh
20 2 Tishri 9am Rosh Hashanah Day 2 On site & Streamed 4pm – 5pm Shofar Service & Tashlich on the Farm	21 3 Tishri 8am Minyan	22 4 Tishri 7:30pm Zoom Executive Committee	23 5 Tishri	24 6 Tishri 8 am Minyan	25 7 Tishri 9:30am Welcoming Shabbat with Brian Gelfand Kabbalat Shabbat on the Farm (AND ZOOMED) 6pm C/L 7:26pm	26 8 Tishri Shabbat Morning Services on site AND STREAMED at 9:30am Shoftim
27 9 Tishri 9:15am Minyan 6:30pm – 8:30pm Kol Nidre on site and Streamed	28 10 Tishri 9am – 1:30pm Yom Kippur Services On site and streamed 4:30pm – 7:30pm Mincha/N'eilah	29 11 Tishri 7:30pm Zoom Board Of Trustees	30 12 Tishri			



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September Anniversaries

Celebrant	Years	Date
Alex Fijman & Marjory Alabre	14	2
William & Meredith Fogel	20	2
James & Sarena Gary	32	3
Marc & Livia Straus	56	3
Elliot Fuhr & Merle Pine	34	6
Kevin & Sonia Mathisson	22	6
Robert Schloss & Emily Sack	39	7
Evan & Elaine Wetzler	34	7
Neil & Leona Schluger	30	9
Richard Gans & Propp	31	10
Philip & Amy Horowitz	26	11
Sharon & Arnold Richter	68	12
Deane & Abbe Marcus	34	13
William & Larisa Paulmeno	30	13
Steven & Robin Karp	33	15
Adam & Susan Wachtel	9	15
Stephen & Norma Katz	36	16
David & Elizabeth Metzger	31	17
Arthur & Benji Baer	31	17
Peter & Shane Dolch	15	17
Paul & Nannette Wasserman	31	23
Scott & Sari Neave	9	29



Celebrant	Age	Date
Jacob Moss	11	1
Ava Miser	8	13
Gavin Reff	12	17
Harrison Fleischer	10	21
Julian Sukonnik	4	24

LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

Mazal Tov to: Robyn & Cantor Jeffrey Shiovitz on the birth of their grandson, Jamie Robert Shiovitz-Mahrt. Jamie is the son of Sarah Shiovitz & Drew Mahrt.

Mazal Tov to: Malvina Browne on the birth of her granddaughter, Blaire Pearl Manndracchia. Blaire is the daughter of Alexis & Chris Mandracchia.

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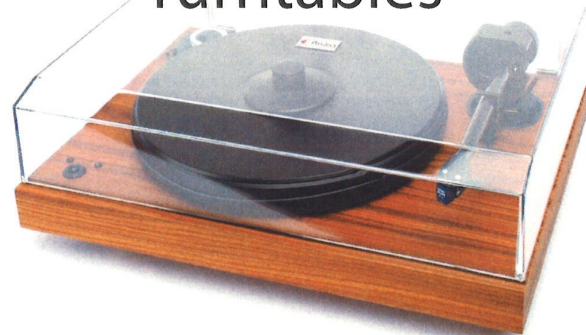
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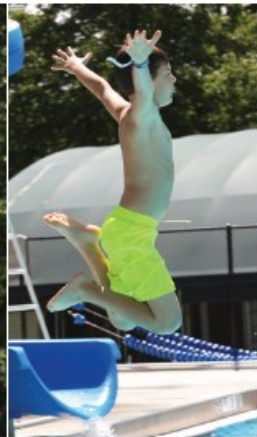
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