# The Message

SEPTEMBER 2021



#### CLERGY MESSAGE | CANTOR MEIR FINKELSTEIN | No Two Versions of Kol Nidrei are Identical

Of all Jewish synagogue melodies, Kol Nidrei is perhaps the most recognizable. With its haunting and lilting phrases, and its many dramatic musical climaxes, the prayer encapsulates the feelings and themes of Yom Kippur. The opening measures alone are enough to signal the solemn atmosphere of the holy day. It is therefore surprising that no two renditions are exactly the same. Even the familiar opening motif exists in multiple variations, united by a basic skeleton of the octave, seventh, and fifth of the harmonic minor scale. Roughly a dozen additional motifs are stitched together as the

chant unfolds. Neither their shape nor their sequence is duplicated in the hundreds of published settings.

The oldest existing manuscript comes from Cantor Aharon Beer of Berlin, c. 1765. It is highly embellished with passages reminiscent of Mozart. The famous Choirmaster, Louis Lewandowski, also of Berlin, published a more refined version for cantor, mixed chorus, and organ in 1865. Lewandowski's chant patterns were taken (without credit) from his cantor, Abraham Jacob Lichtenstein, who also taught them to Max Bruch, a non-Jewish composer whose famous 1881 piece for cello and orchestra introduces other invented and folk-style passages. It doesn't take more than a few examples to see the almost limitless possibilities, or to imagine how fluidly the motifs were sung in earlier oral traditions. Kol Nidrei shows that even the most cherished rituals have room for improvisation. I encourage you on this Yom Kippur, whether attending our beautiful services in Barg, or watching at home, to pay special attention to the two versions of Kol Nidrei I will be chanting. The first one is the well-recognized version we have become so used to. The second is my original and more modern setting. Wishing you all a Shanah Tovah Umtukah, a Happy and Healthy New Year!

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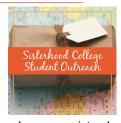
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Join us in person or virtually for the High Holy Days! Important High Holy Day information, along with tickets to those members in good standing, were mailed in August.

EREV ROSH HASHANAH - SEPTEMBER 6
ROSH HASHANAH - SEPTEMBER 7-8
KOL NIDRE - SEPTEMBER 15
YOM KIPPUR - SEPTEMBER 16







**Technical Support** Our goal is to make your virtual High Holy Day experience as easy as possible. Members of our staff will be available an hour prior to services beginning as well as during services to help you connect! Please call us at 713.666.1881 or email **HELP@BETHYESHURUN.ORG** for support.

# **G'mar Chatimah Tovah**

May we all be sealed in the Book of Life From your Beth Yeshurun Clergy, Leadership, and Staff

#### Check out what's happening on campus!

High Holy Day ticket stuffing volunteers, BYDS welcomes students back on campus, and Sisterhood Challah Bake.











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	26 43	Elaine & Brett Cohen Linda & Gordon Franklin	9/17	5	Elizabeth & Scott Miller				
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	21	Marla & Michael Weinstein	9/21	7	Liana & Andrew Schwaitzberg				
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Jeanie & Lawrence Krim

Amalia Rubin & Dan Luss

Marion & Richard Smith

Sylvia & Jerome Wilkenfeld

Julia & Allan Steinberg

their 55th Wedding Anniversary by Sam & Susan Simon Chapel Minyan by Sheldon Steiger

#### **IN MEMORY OF**

**Buddy Kalman** by Sam & Susan Simon

**Aghajan Maghsoudi** by Abraham Maghsoudi & Family **Chaim Steinberg** by The Steinberg Family

#### Mazel Tov to our B'nai Mitzvah!



**Eva Dow (September 3-4)** daughter of Douglas Dow and Tracy Saff Dow; sister of Brady; granddaughter of Helen Dow and the late Bernard Dow and Ed and Loretta Saff.



Emma Zadok (September 3-4) daughter of Amy & Segev Zadok; sister of Benjamin and Gabriel; granddaughter of Helene & Dror Zadok and Elaine & Allen Schuster.

#### Yom Kippur Family Havdalah

Thursday, September 16, 2021 7:00pm on the BYDS Playground

This year we move our Yom Kippur Havdalah outdoors!

Join with young families at the BYDS Preschool Playground and let the kids run around, then we will gather to celebrate the end of Yom Kippur with Havdalah and a final shofar blow!

For the kids' safety we need to limit the number of children on the playground, so please register early to get a spot!

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# Celebrate Sukkot with us!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20 Chapel: 6:30pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Chapel: 8:30am | 7:00pm Sanctuary: 9:30am with Museum Minyan

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Combined Sanctuary & Chapel: 8:30am Chapel: 7:00pm

> THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23 Chapel: 6:45am | 6:30pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24 Chapel: 6:45am | 6:30pm

Sanctuary: 6:00pm SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25 Chapel: 8:30am | 6:45pm Sanctuary: 9:30am SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26 Chapel: 8:00am | 6:30pm

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

Chapel: 6:45am | 6:30pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28
[SHIMINI ATZERET]

Chapel: 6:45am | 7:00pm Sanctuary: 9:30am (Yizkor at approx. 10:45am) Simchat Torah Outdoors: 6:00pm Services begin at 7:00pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29 [SIMCHAT TORAH]

Combined Sanctuary & Chapel: 8:30am Chapel: 7:00pm

#### **Condolences**

The congregation extends its sincerest condolences to the families of:

Jeffrey Abbott, Gabriela "Gaby" Bronk, Jerome "Jerry" Danburg, Barbara Joan Dunn, Steven Paul Levine, Herman Litt, Martin Oppenheimer, Cary Robinson, Solomon Stopnicki, and Zilda Weinstein

May their memories be for a blessing.

#### **A Notice About Bereavement Communications**

Bereavement notices for our synagogue family are distributed with the permission of the deceased's family, and the timing of these notices is dictated by the family's request. Of course, each family grieves in its own way, and we are grateful for our congregation's patience and understanding with different families' preferences about how their loss is publicized.

## **Worship Schedule**

#### **FRIDAY EVENINGS**

September 3, 2021

#### Parashat Nitzavim | CL 7:24PM

6:00 PM - Shabbat Renewal

6:30 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel

#### **September 10, 2021**

#### Parashat Vayeilech | Shabbat Shuva | CL 7:16PM

6:00 PM - Shabbat Renewal - Guest: Zafar Tahir

6:30 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel

#### **September 17, 2021**

#### Parashat Ha'Azinu | CL 7:07PM

6:00 PM - Shabbat Renewal

6:30 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel

#### **September 24, 2021**

#### Chol Hamoed Sukkot | CL 6:59PM

6:00 PM - Shabbat Renewal

6:30 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel

#### October 1, 2021

#### Parashat Bereshit | Shabbat Mevarchim | CL 6:50pm

5:00 PM - Tot Shabbat with Miss Cathy!

6:00 PM - Shabbat Renewal

6:30 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel

#### **SATURDAY MORNING**

8:30 AM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel

9:15 AM - Museum Minyan Service

9:30 AM - Main Sanctuary Service

11:30 AM - Torah Study

#### **SATURDAY EVENING SERVICES**

September 4, 2021 | 7:15 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel September 11, 2021 | 7:00 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel September 18, 2021 | 7:00 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel September 25, 2021 | 6:45 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel October 2, 2021 | 6:30 PM - J.B. Greenfield Chapel

#### **WEEKDAY CHAPEL SERVICES**

Mornings: Sun 8:00AM, Mon-Fri 6:45AM\* Afternoon/Evenings: Sun-Thu 6:30PM

\*September 6-8, 16, 21-22, & 28-29 8:30AM;

\*September 17, 20, & 30 7:00AM

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Join us virtually on our website, Facebook page, and/or YouTube channel.

## Our 20<sup>™</sup> Year of programming kicks off Wednesday, October 13<sup>™</sup>



We have an engaging series of speakers lined up for the year!

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# **Upcoming Events**



AJC Project Interchange

9/11 20th Anniversary of September 11th - Special Commemoration with Rabbi Brian Strauss and Cantor Meir Finkelstein

9/12 Kever Avot / Cemetery Services Religious School/Sulam Begins Young Professionals Reverse Tashlich

9/15 Kol Nidre - Admin. Offices & Cemetery Close at noon

9/16 Yom Kippur - Admin. Offices & Cemetery Closed Yom Kippur Family Havdalah

9/19 Robyn Shkolnick Sisters in the Sukkah Event

9/21 Family Sukkot Dinner

9/23 Kids Meals/SEARCH Bags Assembly Teens in the Sukkah Young Professionals in the Sukkah

9/24 Shabbat Renewal Guest: Livia Llnk-Raviv -Israeli Consul General to Southwest US

9/28 Simchat Torah Outdoors!

**10/1** Tot Shabbat with Miss Cathy!

10/2 Shabbat Refreshed

10/3 Better Together: Kid's Meals Project

10/7 Lunch with Rabbi Strauss on Zoom

Every Tuesday: Wisdom of Torah at 8am Every Wednesday: Jewish Meditation Group

For information about these dates and more visit BETHYESHURUN.ORG/CALENDAR also make sure you are receiving our weekly emails!

IF WE DON'T GO...WHO WILL BE THEIR



**TRIP DATES: JUNE 26 - JULY 8, 2022** 

INFORMATIONAL MEETING: NOVEMBER 11 AT 7:30PM TO RSVP, EMAIL ABBY AT AROTENBERG@BETHYESHURUN.ORG PARTICIPATION IS LIMITED

FOR MORE INFORMATION & REGISTRATION, GO TO FROSCH.COM/CBYNEVERFORGET

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