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### **High Holidays** 2025 | 5786

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 - SELICHOT

LEARNING EXPERIENCE

MUSICAL SELICHOT SERVICE

9 pm Sanctuary 10:30 pm Sanctuary

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 - EREV ROSH HASHANAH

TRADITIONAL

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 - ROSH HASHANAH DAY 1

6 pm Sanctuary

TRADITIONAL

PRESCHOOL/FAMILY

9 am Rm. 108-109

INSTRUMENTAL

8:30 am Sanctuary

YOUTH K-5 PAVILION MUSAF

9:30 am Goldsmith Hall

TASHLIKH/MINCHAH

10 am Lower Level 11 am Indian Creek Pavilion

4 pm Regency by the Lake

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 - ROSH HASHANAH DAY 2

TRADITIONAL

8:30 am Sanctuary PRESCHOOL/FAMILY

9 am Rm. 108-109

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9:30 am Goldsmith Hall

YOUTH K-5

10 am Lower Level

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER, 28

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

MEMORIAL SERVICE

11:30 am Mt. Carmel

NORTHERN PRESENCE TASHLIKH

5 pm Meadowbrook Park

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1 - KOL NIDREI

PAVILION KOL NIDREI

TRADITIONAL KOL NIDREI

6 pm Indian Creek Pavilion

6:45 pm Sanctuary

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2 - YOM KIPPUR

TRADITIONAL

8:30 am Sanctuary PRESCHOOL/FAMILY

INSTRUMENTAL 9 am Rm. 108-109

YOUTH K-5 9:30 am Goldsmith Hall

PAVILION MUSAF 10 am Lower Level

11 am Indian Creek Pavilion STUDY SESSION

MINCHAH/NEILAH/MAARIV 4:15 pm Sanctuary

SHOFAR BLAST 5:15 pm Sanctuary

7:40 pm Sanctuary

A Note on Sermons: Rabbi Glickman and Rabbi Kaplan will be giving their Rosh HaShanah sermons two times each. On Day 1, Rabbi Glickman's sermon will be in the Main Sanctuary and Rabbi Kaplan's in Goldsmith Hall. On Day 2, both rabbis will deliver the same message in the other space.

Please join us for off-site services at the following locations:

Indian Creek Pavilion 10308 Marty St, Overland Park, KS

14800 Lamar Avenue, Overland Park, KS

Yukon Chapel at Mt. Carmel Cemetery 5529 Ditzler Road, Raytown, MO 9101 Nall Ave. Prairie Village, KS

### The Middle Road

#### BY RABBITALIA KAPLAN

There's an old joke that whenever the High Holidays fall, they're "too early this year" or "too late this year." Beyond reflecting our very Jewish tendency to kvetch, this joke speaks to a deeper truth: it's natural to feel unprepared. Life brings sweeping changes and big events, and despite our desire to know how everything will turn out, that simply isn't possible. Some of us freeze, unable to prepare at all, while others

go into overdrive, trying to control every possible detail.

This High Holiday season, I invite you to find a middle path with me. Rather than throwing up our hands ("We'll never feel ready, so why bother?") or crafting an impossibly comprehensive to-do list, let's focus on a few intentional preparatory acts. These can be logistical, spiritual, or—often—both.

Below are some ideas in no particular order. I'd also love to hear how you and your family prepare for the holidays. Patrick and I wish you and your loved ones a sweet new year.



- Figure out what can be cooked ahead of time and frozen. While you're cooking, listen to a High Holiday playlist, or share memories of loved ones if your recipe was passed down.

- Say Psalm 27 in the days leading up to Rosh HaShanah. Optionally, journal, draw, and/or meditate on the themes of the
- Journal in preparation for the holiday, possibly using the prompts at derekh.org/elul2025/.

-Have a caramel apple decorating event with little ones in your life and discuss the themes of the holiday.

- -Date night! Over a celebratory beverage, reflect on the past year of your relationship and your intentions for the next year. Where have you fallen short? Where have you grown? What are your hopes for the coming year?
- Attend Beth Shalom's Selichot program the evening of September 13 at 9 pm. This is a chance to enter into the holiday season as a community.

## The Good Faith Network: Building a Voice Too Big to Ignore

The Good Faith Network (GFN) is an interfaith organization uniting nearly 30 congregations across Johnson from across the county vote democratically on which issue County—including Beth Shalom—to build people power and advocate for solutions to our community's most pressing problems.

#### Our Impact

The 2025 Nehemiah Action gathering held last May brought together over 1,500 residents at the Church of the Resurrection in Leawood. Beth Shalom proudly brought 50 members to join the call for action. The GFN addressed at this gathering three critical areas and the work continues to this day:

- Mental Health
- Homelessness & Affordable Housing
- Elder Care

#### **Our Process**

• Listening Sessions (Fall) Leaders in every member congregation host small group conversations to ask questions like: "What keeps you up at night?" and "What do you see happening that makes you angry?" OR "What issues besides the three critical areas we are working on most concern you that you would like to be addressed by the GFN?"

- Community Problems Assembly: Representatives GFN will prioritize for the year.
- Research Committees: Lay leaders and clergy dig deep speaking with people affected, meeting with experts and public officials, and studying proven solutions from other communities.
- Solutions Briefing (April): The full network learns about proposed solutions and prepares to mobilize.
- Nehemiah Action (May): Thousands gather to present our proposals to decision- Join Us - We have much more to do in Johnson County—and we need your voice!

#### 1:30 pm on Sunday, September 7 at Beth Shalom

This will be our congregation's Listening Session—the first step in shaping next year's campaign.

We are thrilled to welcome Terri Miro to the GFN leadership team!

Questions?

Carla Oppenheimer — carlaoppenheimer@gmail.com Terri Miro — terrilynn29@hotmail.com

## A Journey Through Elul

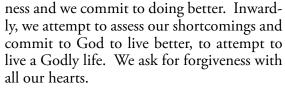
#### BY HAZZAN TAHL BEN-YEHUDA

Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur often get grouped together, but they could not be more different. In many ways, they feel similar – after all, they are, together, the "High Holidays." And you might think – sure – I know the difference between the two – Rosh Hashanah is happy – apples and honey, everyone coming together for lots of food, tashlich in the park, whereas Yom Kippur is difficult and scary – fasting, our souls on

the line – will we be inscribed for a year of blessing or not? And although the food part is right, the rest is backwards. Rosh HaShanah is the day of trembling, and Yom Kippur is the day of joy.

On Rosh HaShanah we gather in community, and we find ourselves before the King of Kings – before God, whom we hope has compassion for us as a father for his children, but who ultimately is the creator and ruler of everything. The Shacharit service officially anchors the service in its first feel exultant. God has heard our prayer. God has forgiven line with the word *HaMelech* – stressing this aspect of God; God is The One and Only Ruler, who will decide the fate all of creation. We tremble all day, especially at the *Unetaneh* Tokef, wondering who will live and who will die. This day is marked by worry and prayer. We commit ourselves on this day to doing better.

And between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, we turn inward as well as out. We ask our fellows for forgive-



On Yom Kippur, after these 10 days, we gather in community with our hearts as light as angel's hearts, and our bellies as well, and we declare in faith that God is the only judge, as the Shacharit service anchors the first line with the word *HaYoshev* – the one who sits in judgement. We believe that God is a righteous judge, a fair judge, and we have come

to this day having searched our souls, asking friends, family and God for forgiveness. Yom Kippur itself grants us forgiveness if we arrive with a heart of contrition and a commitment to follow God's path. We wear white to symbolize our hope, our clean slate of a soul, ready to do better. We ask for forgiveness all day long as a community, confident that God will not abandon us.

And at the end of the day, at the blast of the Shofar, we

This Elul, I hope that you are able to begin your path of return to that clean-slate soul, that angel-light heart. May vour Rosh HaShanah reflections give you hope, and may your Yom Kippur contrition lift your spirit and your soul. I cannot wait to celebrate with you and to begin a new year together!







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### Mazel Tov to Our Bat Mitzvah



#### Jaye Allshouse - Sept. 6

Iave (R'faela) is the daughter of Marshal and Amy Allshouse. She is the youngest sister of Noah, Chaya, Norah and Maya. She is the granddaughter of Fern and John Rosenberg and Dorothy and Maurice Allshouse. Jaye attends Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy. Jaye likes fly fishing and assembling Lego flowers. She spends most of her week in dance classes. Her favorite styles are tap and hip hop. For her mitzvah project, Jaye is organizing a food drive to support the Jewish Family Services food bank. She has invited fellow HBHA students to donate their favorite canned foods and is hosting a donut party for the class that brings in the most items. In addition, Jaye is generously donating 20% of any Bat Mitzvah gifts she receives to help purchase fresh foods like butter and eggs for families in need.

## Lulay & Etrog Orders

Click Here to order your Sukkot needs (Lulav, Etrog & Hoshanoth).

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#### SEPT 2 - 9 ELUL

Ena Bush Jordon Cohen Gloria Cohn Ronah Webber Epstein Morris Z. Goldblat Arthur Karbank Bessie Kupperstein Fannye Noah Bennett Bernard Shapiro Pearl Shapiro Kip Jason Mark Weiner

#### SEPT 3 - 10 ELUL

Louis Baker Reva Bernstein Samuel Copelman Melvin Frischer Harry Geller Clara Gorman Esther Jahen Morris Benjamin Penner William Rosenberg Sam Sheftel

#### SEPT 4 - 11 ELUL

Reva Eisberg Anna Barney Glickenhaus Louis Rolsky Max Rostov

#### SEPT 5 - 12 ELUL

Norman Arluck Leah Bernat Al Burstein Israel Feld Jeannette Gordor Baruch Grunwald Donald L. Intrate Harry Jacobs Ethel Kaplan Myron H. Minkin Israel David Salvav Jennie Shankmar Herman Shapiro Esther Anna Shenker Sarah Silverman Morris Singer

#### SEPT 6 - 13 ELUL Dora Baker

Max Benjamir Max Blackman Anna Bodney Ann Czarlinsky Joseph Firestone Anna Friedman Esther Kohn Anna Levitt Mary Louise Schreiber

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Harry Shapiro David Silverman Hyman Sokolov

#### SEPT 7 - 14 ELUL Selig Cohn

Esther Edelman Frances Gershon Sara Ginsberg Melvin Morey Gordon Abraham Isserles Jacob Moses Levin Israel Noah Isadore Polsky Ben Shapiro Adam Jonathan Siege Sarah Silberg Alex Silberman Sam Spindler

#### SEPT 8 - 15 ELUL

Abe Bergman Olga Bruller Selma S. Feld Suzanne Jo Geller Bessie Ginsbera Rose Markowitz Linda Tulchinsky Siege Sanders Sosland Sender Szainfeld

SEPT 9 - 16 ELUL Lucy Greenberg Dorothy Harding Samuel Kaplan Sarah Plattner Melvin Rolsky Jerome Howard Schrader Benne Yukon

#### **SEPT 10 - 17 ELUL**

Sam Bobrov Rose Bordman Katie Brown Aaron Cohen Minnie Cohen Mary Ann Cohn Robert Ginsberg Marvin Korn David Krasner Samuel H. Levin Sam Rosenberg Lena Topf David Wishnow

#### **SEPT 11 - 18 ELUL**

Sophie Sonya Agror Leo Feingold Louis Goldstein J. Harry Kulakofsky Rose H. Overbeck David Partnoy Sarah Viner Peltzman Sol Posner Edith Goller Rosenberg Seymour Alex "Cy Rudnick Oscar Untrif

#### **SEPT 12 - 19 ELUL**

Fannie Brams Helen Coppaken Elo Friszman Bessie Gottlieb Claire Gutovitz Morris Jacobs Miriam Krantz

Anne Bondell Pollock Freda Rosenbaum Ngomi Shabason Sherman Irvin

#### Anna Yukon **SEPT 13 - 20 ELUL** Sol Botwin

Abe Broudy Lottie Feinberg Fred S. Goldsmith Minnie L. Hauser Selma Joseph Sol Kaplan Morris Mallin Abraham Benjamin Passman Bertha Rosenberg David Schuster Evelyn Wasserstrom Flora Rosenblum Widlansky

#### **SEPT 14 - 21 ELUL**

Benjamin B. Aaror Dora Baraban Alex Berger Joseph Bronstein Mever Cohen Reuben Finkelsteil Milton Forman Evelyn Greenberg Louis Hammer Violet D. Hoffman Lieb Lieberman Robert Shapiro Joseph H. Siegel Fannie Silver Norman Weinsteir Edward Wolberg

#### **SEPT 15 - 22 ELUL**

Albert Rell Morris Copaken Allen Drew Hanan Eisen Gertrude Gandal Joseph David Greenbaum Harold Lee Joseph Tamma Perlmutter Annie Picker Louis Portman Bervl Rubenstein Rachel Schwartz Samuel L. Siegel

Steinberg

Mildred Supofsky

Maragret Weinstock

**SEPT 16 - 23 ELUL** Rose Barabechik Florence Byer David Cohen Daniel L. Feingold Leah Gandal Yudas Graves 7elda Lerer Rose Levine Ben Penner Fannie Rich David Sanell Sol Schorr Ida Rosenbloom

#### SEPT 17 - 24 ELUL

Eva Copeland Abraham Frost Ben Gordon Lillian Kanter Gus Minkin Norman Polsky Sherwin Nathar Salasche Katianne Bordy Tannenwald

#### **SEPT 18 - 25 ELUL**

Isaac Vogel

Ida Berman Sidney Brown Esther Cohen Albert A. Diamond Jacob Harris Gilgus Martie Greenberg Blanche Lerner Sanford Molos Samuel E. Seaelbohm Celia Sher Sylvan Siegler

#### **SEPT 19 - 26 ELUL**

Saul Bitner Frank Drew Lena Glazer Max Hoffman Millie Kemp Levy Louis S. Sachs Leo Schleifstein Coralee Snyder Baily Taxman Daniel Tucker

#### **SEPT 20 - 27 ELUL**

Emil Barsky Mavme E. Becker Edwin Chambers Arthur Frank Rose Lieber Rebecca Louis Rose Milens Frank Soltz William Stein Ida Swerdloff Dolores Wedlan

#### **SEPT 21 - 28 ELUL**

Jenny Blum Morris Cohen Karl Copelman Myron Diamond Joe M. Dunn Michael Fingersh Melissa Goldenberg Maurice Horowitz Harry Kisluk Blanche Marks David Parelman Arnold Parnes Harry Stevens Sarah Summers Alvin R. Tiber Bernard Carl Unaei

#### **SEPT 22 - 29 ELUL**

Esther Weiner

Avraham Flia hen Reh Yakov Zev David (Tim) Blond Allene Carroll Sol E. Dennis Sidney Erdmar

#### SEPT 26 - 4 TISHREI

Anne Baum Max Berman Ida Devins Liba Falus Sol Ginsberg Morris Goldstein Cecil Kaminsky Harry Kaplan Melvin L. Krashin George M. Levich Esther Levine Myer Lieberman Etta Magazine Sidney Magazine Jean Śhear Robin Khaya Schuster Harvey Sporn

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Lisa Gavle Barash Nellie Florence Coleman Aida Gilgore Fannie Karosen Anna Rachel Koppel Sherburne Krieger William Jack Newton Frieda Schlein Jack Isaac Shear Anna Sherr-Anisman Gertrude Weneck

#### SEPT 30 - 8 TISHREI

William B. Berkowitz Benjamin Brand Minnie Frischer Golda House Flora Pelofsky Joe Penner Joe Rubin Joann Studna

### Tzedakah Boxes EVERYWHERE!

#### BY CIVIA WHITE **PRS DIRECTOR**



The Polsky Religious School year is off to an outstanding start. Enrollment and programming continue to grow as word gets out about our creative, fun, and friendly school spirit. We warmly welcomed 12 new students, 4 new teachers, and 4 first-time madrichim (teen assistants) to the school. It is exciting to see so many students come to Beth Shalom to learn and to connect with the Jewish community.

On the first day of Sunday school, each child was presented with a gift bag containing a PRS logo-branded

tzedakah box along with some learning materials and a few prizes. Collecting and donating Tzedakah is a high priority for our school and this year it will be the focus of our classroom conversations throughout the year. The families will be collecting and distributing tzedakah from the boxes that were sent home, and the students will have the opportunity to decide where PRS will send our Sunday morning collection at the end of the year.

Our parents have been invited to attend a Jewish Community Foundation program on September 14 at the JCC called "Raising Charitable Children". The guest speaker MiaLisa Millares, executive director of Doing Good Together is an authority on family philanthropy. I am sure that she will inspire those who attend, and I look forward to integrating ideas from the program into the lives of Beth Shalom's young families.

In the Machzor, we read that t'shuvah, t'fillah, and tzedakah will remove the evil decree. T'shuva and



t'fillah are challenging concepts to teach children. However, tzedakah, especially when it is defined as "charity" as in the days before Yom Kippur, is tangible and can introduce a habit that can be continued throughout the year.

I can't wait to hear about where our families and the students at PRS decide to send their monetary donations. Here is to a year of joy, health, and learning from my family to yours.

## A New School Year Begins

BY LISA PORTER REEVES DIRECTOR OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Welcome to a brand-new school year at RFEC! We are so excited to see so many familiar faces return and to welcome so many new families joining our community. The start of the school year is always a special time—full of fresh beginnings, new friendships, and countless opportunities to grow and learn together.

The beginning of our school year coincides beautifully with the start of the Jewish New Year—Rosh HaShanah. It's a meaningful time to reflect, reset, and

embrace the chance for fresh starts. In our classrooms, we'll be exploring themes of renewal, kindness, and setting positive intentions, helping children connect to these ideas



in age-appropriate and heartfelt ways. It's a wonderful opportunity for our preschool community to celebrate growth, both personal and collective, and to plant seeds for a year filled with compassion, curiosity, and joy.

Our teachers have been busy preparing warm, inviting classrooms and planning engaging activities that will spark curiosity and wonder in every child. From imaginative play and hands-on art projects to early literacy and numeracy, science exploration, and

outdoor adventures, this year promises to be full of learning and laughter. Here's to a sweet and meaningful start to both the school year and the new year ahead!



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