

## October 2016 Calendar of Events

Sunday, Oct. 2—Erev Rosh Hashanah Service, 8:00pm

Monday, Oct. 3—Rosh Hashanah Service, 10:00am

Tuesday, Oct. 4—Rosh Hashanah: Program— “The Ideal Candidate: Judaism and the Presidential Election,” a Learning Session with Student Rabbi Chase Foster, 10:30AM; Tashlich, 12:30pm

Friday, Oct. 7—Shabbat Service, 8:00pm

Saturday, Oct. 8—Torah Study, 9:30am

Monday, Oct. 10—Conversational Spanish, 10:30am

Tuesday, Oct. 11—Kol Nidre, 8:00pm

Wednesday, Oct. 12—Yom Kippur—See Page 5 for complete schedule

Friday, Oct. 14—Shabbat Service, 8:00pm

Saturday, Oct. 15—Torah Study, 9:30am

Sunday, Oct. 16 —Erev Sukkot: Sukkah Decorating, 5:00pm; Potluck Dinner, 6:30pm; Sukkot Service, 7:30pm

Monday, Oct. 17—Sukkot Service, 10:30am

Friday, Oct. 21—Shabbat Service, 8:00pm

Saturday, Oct. 22—Torah Study, 9:30am

Sunday, Oct. 23—Erev Simchat Torah, 7:30pm

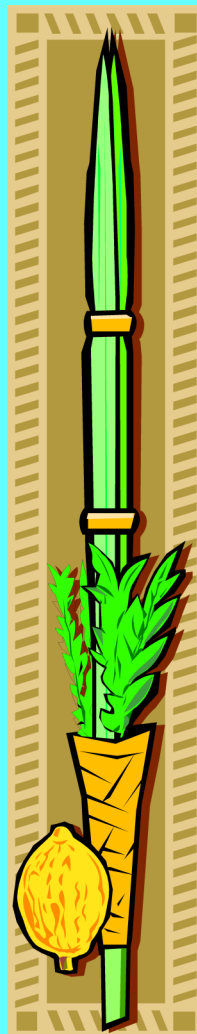
Monday, Oct. 24—Simchat Torah, Yizkor, 10:30am

Tuesday, Oct. 25— “Current Events” with Helman Brook, 7:30pm

Friday, Oct. 28—Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:15pm

Monday, Oct. 31—Conversational Spanish, 10:30am

*Complete High Holiday Schedule is on  
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## Sukkot Potluck Dinner

Sunday,  
 October 17th  
 6:30pm

RSVP and Let  
 Marcia Null and/or  
 Judy Snow Know What  
 Dairy Dish You  
 Will Be Bringing  
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## Shana Tova



## **CANTOR'S COLUMN**

### **A PERSONAL REBOOT**

**BY CANTOR LESLIE FRIEDLANDER**

*Count off seven sabbath years — seven times seven years — so that the seven sabbath years amount to a period of forty-nine years. Then have the trumpet sounded everywhere on the tenth day of the seventh month; on the Day of Atonement sound the trumpet throughout your land. Consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you; each of you is to return to your family property and to your own clan. (Leviticus 25:8-10)*



In the Book of Leviticus, the Jubilee Year is established and with it, the proclamation that there be freedom for the people. The shofar is blown – just as it is on Yom Kippur – and with that sound, the 50<sup>th</sup> year is consecrated.

The Jubilee Year was a year of release for the land and its inhabitants; indentured servants were set free and it was like a reboot for the community, a divine mandate to restore economic stability.

As Temple Isaiah prepares to celebrate its Jubilee Year, we have the opportunity to observe freedom in a way that we have perhaps always taken for granted in our lifetime. We need to remember that there have been periods in Jewish history when we were forbidden to read from the Torah and that freedom – the opportunity to examine, consider, discuss, question, interpret and reinterpret – is a precious gift we enjoy because we live in a free world at an opportune time in our history. Let's not take that gift for granted!

As we begin our community's Jubilee Year, make this the time to reboot your own spiritual life and join our weekly 9:30 am Shabbat Torah Study group. The only prerequisite is the desire to learn and to spend time with fellow learners. Hebrew reading skills are not at all necessary!

### **Cantor's Class in November**

#### **Genesis Stories We Share with Other Cultures: Parts I and II**



Some of our biblical narratives have roots in ancient literature and although it may surprise (or even distress) some of us, there they are – “our” stories included in the writings of other cultures...or perhaps “their” stories are found in our Torah!

Join Cantor Friedlander for this insightful two-part series, **November 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>**.

## MESSAGE FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS

### *Jubilee Year* *Gathering Together in Worship and Fellowship for 50 Years!*

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Temple Isaiah family, it is our honor and privilege to wish you and your loved ones a happy, healthy and sweet New Year. The High Holidays are a time for introspection, self-reflection, and celebration. A combination we find especially significant as we approach our Jubilee Year—50th High Holiday season together as a congregation.



Time goes by very fast ... it is hard to believe that we have been gathering together as a community in worship and fellowship for 50 years. The foundation of Temple Isaiah remains firmly based in our core values and principles, and we remain “forever young” in spirit. Our members have always been there to build a ladder to our temple family and support our congregation. We continue to climb every rung—a link in the life of our congregation that bridges our past and present with our future.

We are proud to be part of such a warm, welcoming and inclusive community ... one that honors and cherishes our past and continues to embrace the future. We thank you for your support, friendship, and dedication to our temple and look forward to seeing you in our Jubilee Year.

*L'Shana Tovah Tikatevu—Peace, Health and Happiness in 5777.*

*Kathie Davis & Bill Rosenberg*

### **Special Learning Session with Student Rabbi Chase Foster** **Second Day of Rosh Hashanah** **Tuesday, October 4th 10:30am—12:00pm**

#### ***The Ideal Candidate: Judaism and the Presidential Election***

On November 8<sup>th</sup>, New Yorkers will flock to the poll to cast their ballots for the candidate they believe should be the next President of the United States.



Which candidate will play the *trump* card at a debate that ends another's aspirations? Will a dark horse candidate complete the *uphill* battle to lead our great nation? Who will broadcast the next ad that burns its way into the conscience of the majority of Americans?

Come explore thousands of years of Jewish wisdom as we explore absurd, satirical, and maybe some serious texts that answer the question: “What does Judaism have to say about selecting our next leader?”

## **"VOICES OF ISAIAH"**

### **What Brought Us to the Door of Our Synagogue?**

**By Judy & Helman Brook**

*In October, the Isaiah family will gather together in prayer and fellowship for our 50th High Holiday Season and the start of our Jubilee Year. It is a time to reflect on our past and look forward to the future.*

Judy and I moved to Great Neck in 1977. On the very day we moved, and just after the van left our new home, a next door neighbor invited us into his house, offered us a drink and encouraged us to join his temple, one of the big well-known congregations. We deferred and explained that our children were still too young for religious school and we wanted to look around.

Florence Levy, an original Isaiah member and long-time administrator was a neighbor on our street and she introduced us to Temple Isaiah. Both of us liked it from our first visit. Judy, who had grown up in Brooklyn without any religion, liked the small community feeling. Helman, who had been raised in the Bible Belt south had a traditional Conservative Jewish family background and education, liked the low-keyed atmosphere and the wide range of practice and belief found in Reform Judaism in general and at Isaiah in particular. And most importantly, we both accepted and even liked the atmosphere of worship in the rather plain Community Church. Helman's mother had been very active in interfaith dialogue in Birmingham so the church was a natural for him. Also, both of us were a little put off by elaborate temples with large catering facilities illuminated by fancy chandeliers.

Our choice of Isaiah proved to be the right one for us. We have experienced all of Isaiah's rabbis, four different and distinct individuals and personalities. We liked them all. Rabbi Spivack was the rabbi when we joined. Rabbi Lewis was the rabbi at Josh's bar mitzvah and at Judy's bat mitzvah. (Memorable quote from Josh; "all my friends at other temples say that Hebrew school sucks, but I don't think it's so bad"!) Rabbi Steinberg led Jonathan and Daniel through their bar mitzvahs, and Rabbi Ted nurtured Amy for her very special day.

Over the years Isaiah has been our religious home and continues to be a special place for us. We are not at all traditional in our religious beliefs and practice, yet we are proudly Jewish and imbued with our Judaism. Temple Isaiah allows us the freedom to be ourselves and to share with so many kind and thoughtful friends a religious experience that enriches our lives.

We welcome and solicit your personal story and experience in our "Voices of Isaiah" column. Tell us your story ... the unique path to the door of our synagogue. The *Shehecheyanu* moments that connect your family to our Temple Isaiah family. Raise your voice, sing out in joy and share your Isaiah experience. Please contact either Kathie Davis or Bill Rosenberg to share your story.

**Lunch  
&  
Learn**

Lunch & Learn Returns!  
Wednesday,  
November 9th, 11:30am  
at  
Ayhan's Shish Kebab



# High Holy Day Schedule

## 2016-5777



### Selichot

Saturday, September 24  
Program: 8:00 PM, Service: 9:15-10:30 PM

### Erev Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, October 2: 8:00 – 9:30 PM

### Rosh Hashanah: 1<sup>st</sup> Day

Monday, October 3  
Morning Service: 10:00 – 12:30 PM

### Rosh Hashanah: 2<sup>nd</sup> Day

Tuesday, October 4  
Program: 10:30 – 12:00 PM  
*The Ideal Candidate: Judaism & the Presidential Election*  
Tashlich: 12:30 – 1:00 PM  
(Steppingstone Park)

### Yom Kippur: Kol Nidre

Tuesday, October 11: 8:00 – 9:30 PM

### Yom Kippur: Day

Wednesday, October 12  
Morning Service: 10:00 AM – 12:45 PM  
Discussion: 1:00 – 2:30 PM  
Meditation/Moment at Ark: 2:45 – 3:15 PM  
Afternoon Service: 3:30 – 5:15 PM  
Yizkor: 5:15 PM  
Neilah: 5:45 PM  
Break-the-Fast: 6:45 PM

### Erev Sukkot: Sunday, October 16

Sukkah completion: 5:00 PM  
Potluck Dinner: 6:30 PM  
Evening Service: 7:30 PM

### Sukkot: Morning

Monday, October 17: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

### Erev Simchat Torah

Sunday, October 23: 7:30 — 8:30 PM

### Simchat Torah: Yizkor

Monday, October 24: 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM



# October 2016

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| 2<br>Erev Rosh Hashanah Service, 8:00pm   | 3<br>Rosh Hashanah Service, 10:00am   | 4<br>Rosh Hashanah Program, 10:30am; Tashlich, 12:30pm  | 5  | 6   | 7<br>Shabbat Service, 8:00pm           | 8<br>Torah Study, 9:30am  |
| 9   | 10<br>Conversational Spanish, 10:30am | 11<br>Kol Nidre, 8:00pm   | 12<br>Yom Kippur, See schedule On page 4 | 13  | 14<br>Shabbat Service, 8:00pm          | 15<br>Torah Study, 9:30am   |
| 16 Erev Sukkot: Sukkah Decoration 5:00pm; Potluck Dinner, 6:30pm; Service, 7:30pm | 17<br>Sukkot Service, 10:30am         | 18  | 19                                       | 20  | 21<br>Shabbat Service, 8:00pm          | 22<br>Torah Study, 9:30am   |
| 23<br>Erev Simchat Torah, 7:30pm  | 24<br>Simchat Torah Yizkor, 10:30am   | 25<br>Current Events with Helman Brook, 7:30pm  | 26                                       | 27  | 28<br>Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 6:15pm | 29  |
| 30  | 31<br>Conversational Spanish, 10:30am | <p><b>Help Wanted:</b><br/> <b>Sukkah Builders and Decorators</b><br/> <b>Please contact Elliott Gayer to volunteer</b><br/> <b>(eec@eu-commercial-counsel.com)</b></p> |  |     |  |  <p>• Chag Sameach •</p> |



**TASHLICH**  
**Tuesday, October 4 at 12:30pm**  
**Steppingstone Park**  
**Please join us for this lovely Temple Isaiah tradition.**

*From Howard Lev, a member of Temple B'nai Torah in Wantagh:*

**Ingredients for *Tashlich*:**

- Bread
- A large natural body of flowing water

**Rules for *Tashlich*:**

- The bread goes in the water, not you.
- The water is running, not you.
- Take the bread out of the bag.
- Break bread into small pieces.
- Do not yell “food fight.”
- If someone yells “food fight,” duck.
- Please do not eat the bread.
- And remember, this does not mean you can instantly start committing new sins!



**Simchat Torah**  
**Erev Simchat Torah Service:**  
**Sunday, October 23rd at 7:30pm**

**Simchat Torah, Yizkor:**  
**Monday, October 24th—10:30am**



*Simchat Torah* (Rejoicing in the Law) celebrates the completion of the annual reading of the Torah. This joyous festival provides opportunities for our community to affirm the centrality of Torah in their lives, as well as to demonstrate their commitment to lifelong study.

## General Donations

### ***In Loving Memory Of:***

Selma Guttman, Sister of Helene Dorfman  
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### ***In Honor of:***

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### ***Memorial Plaques:***

In Memory of Everett Kerner and Joel Dick  
Debi & Lawrence Richards

### ***ARZA Membership:***

Meg & Steve Grass  
Jonathan Wagner



## **Current Events With Helman Brook**

**Tuesday,  
October 25,  
7:30pm**

**Don't  
Miss It!**

### ***Kol Nidre:***

Franklin Greene & Omaira Enriquez

**Thank You to  
Bill Rosenberg for His  
Donation of Lovely  
Flowers on Rosh  
Hashanah in Memory of  
His Parents, Martha &  
Bernie Rosenberg**

**Thank You to  
Harriet Gellert for  
Her Donation of the  
Beautiful Yom Kippur  
Flowers in Memory of  
Her Parents,  
Ruth & Sam Weinstein**



## **Bequests to Temple Isaiah**

**It's both impressive and heartwarming—leaving a legacy to our temple for your favorite program or general funding. You can begin by writing out this sentence directing your attorney to modify your will:**



**“I hereby give, devise, and bequeath \_\_\_\_\_ (a dollar amount, or all or a percentage of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate) to Temple Isaiah of Great Neck, now or formerly in the Village of Great Neck Plaza, 1 Chelsea Place, in the State of New York, for its general purposes.”**

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**For further information, contact the office—we'll be happy to help.**



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### BULLETIN

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## Partners in Caring

**October is Breast Cancer  
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**Ann Ogden Gaffney, Author & Founder  
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