

KOLSHOFAR

Temple Chayai Shalom

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Family Shabbat Kick-off Patriots Football Themed Service
Friday, September 13th at 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Wear your Patriots jersey, t-shirt, hat or kippah (wear clothing from other football teams at your own risk). Learn from Rabbi Ken what the Torah portion and the Siddur teach about Patriots football. Listen to some of your favorite Patriots songs, as Shabbatified by Cantorial Soloist David Rothberg.

Bring your Friends to a Tot Shabbat at TCS

Join us on the following Fridays beginning at 5:30 pm
September 6th ~ Rosh ha-Shanah

October 11th ~ Sukkot

November 1st ~ Todah

December 6th ~ Chanukah

(More dates on the TCS calendar)

5:30 pm Pizza & salad

6:00 pm Music & movement-filled Shabbat service

6:30 pm Snack and craft activity related to above topics



Sunday SULAM Grades K-5 at TCS

Begins Sunday, September 8th at 9:00 am
Parents should plan to stay during the first hour of SULAM that day for Welcome Back Gathering and Havdalah, followed by a short orientation in the classroom.

Hebrew Madorim

Begin Tuesday, September 10th or Wednesday, September 11th



“Gesher”

Our program for 6th and 7th graders begins Wednesday, September 11th 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm



Teen Oasis

Our educational program for grades 8 to 12 are open to members and non-members. Confirmation class begins in October and all other teen educational offerings begin in November. It's not too late to register! Call Sarit Ferreira at 508-238-6385 x102 or email at: education@templechayaishalom.org.

Tuesday, September 17th at 6:00 pm

Is America Different?

Antisemitism in the United States in Historical Perspective

2019-2020 James J. Kenneally Lecture in Jewish-Christian Relations

Sponsored by Stonehill College's Catholic-Jewish Dialogue Committee

Recently, we have witnessed an unexpected spike in antisemitic activities in the United States, including two deadly attacks on synagogues. Is this a new phenomenon? What role has antisemitism actually played in American history? Is it a pervasive phenomenon, a late and alien phenomenon, or something in between? This lecture will trace the course of antisemitism in the United States and consider the question of American exceptionalism. Has America been different from Europe with respect to antisemitism? How worried should we be about the spread of the world's oldest hatred to America's shores?

Located at Stonehill College in the May Welcome Center, McCarthy Auditorium

This is a new building on campus with parking immediately adjacent.

Please join us for a reception in the foyer immediately following the lecture.



*Speaker, **Dr. Jonathan D. Sarna**, is the Joseph H. & Belle R. Brau Professor of American Jewish History and Director of the Schusterman Center for Israel Studies, Brandeis University.*



From Craig B. Barger... Happy 5780!

Welcome to our Fall, 2019 newsletter and welcome to another exciting year at Temple Chayai Shalom. Our calendar is already beginning to fill up with activities, and the Board and our many volunteer committees are working hard planning events and programs for our temple community.

Sarit and our School Committee have made some interesting and exciting changes to SULAM, and this year classes will be housed at TCS. You can enroll your little ones in the Young Explores program and the Teen Oasis programming looks great (again) for the new year.

The car raffle is still ongoing and the winning ticket will be drawn at the Comedy Night scheduled for September 14th. Tickets for both the raffle and the comedy event are available on our website.

The High Holy Days are fast approaching and tickets, letters and schedules will be in the mail soon. There will also be a High Holy Days appeal letter requesting your financial support. Your generosity in the past has helped to sustain our synagogue and I hope the culture of Philanthropy will be evident again in 2019.

I look forward to seeing you at TCS in the days and weeks ahead.

Craig B. Barger

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President

SENIOR CHAI

All TCS members who are 55 plus are welcome to join Senior Chai. We are a group of the TCS family that raises funds for TCS emergency needs.



Please join us for schmoozing and friendship on the first Monday evening of every month at 7:00 pm in the multi-purpose room at TCS.

Some of our Upcoming Activities

Kick-off Brunch

Sunday, September 15th

Judy Romaine & Sumner Levine host our annual kick-off brunch at their home in Foxboro. Judy will send out an e-mail to all members. If you are interested in joining Senior Chai, please contact Anita Hirschorn at 508-521-0037.

Best of Times Presents:

Elton John & Billy Joel Tribute

Thursday, October 17th at Lake Pearl in Wrentham RSVP by September 15th \$74.00 per person includes: lunch, show, tax & gratuity

You have a choice of baked stuffed breast of chicken or baked scrod.

Space is limited, all reservations MUST BE Pre-Paid and mailed to Joan Goldman, Senior Chai, Temple Chayai Shalom, 239 Depot St., South Easton, MA 02375 (include lunch choice)

Wine & Cheese in the Sukkah

Saturday, October 19th, all are invited



Young Explorers



Ages 3 to 5 Years
TCS membership is not required

Young children make friends and have fun while exploring Jewish topics through music, games, movement and crafts.

All sessions meet at TCS and take place during SULAM whole school events.

Cost: \$15 a session
\$80 for all eight sessions

Save an additional \$10.00 on your eight session package when you bring a friend!

Saturday, 9/21/19

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Rosh Hashanah, New Beginnings!

Make fall decorations, dip apples in honey, listen to a story, sing and play!



Sunday 10/20/19

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Simchat Torah - Rejoice!

Make your own Torah, eat snack in the Sukkah, listen to a story, sing and play!



**Tickets will be drawn on Saturday,
September 14th at Comedy Night**



**Win either a New Jeep Cherokee Limited 4X4
or Jeep Wrangler Unlimited Sahara 4X4**

Fantastic runner up prizes.
Only 400 tickets being sold for \$175 each.

Go to WINTHIS.ORG to buy tickets!

**Car Raffle Drawing LIVE and in person!
Saturday, September 14th...
Doors open at 7:00 pm... \$25 per Ticket**



Will Noonan..Headliner

Named "Boston's Best Comedian 2018"
by The Improper Bostonian Magazine



Also enjoy the comedy of Mark Riley & Chris Tabb...





From Rabbi Ken.... Bar/Bat Mitzvah and Adults

I have two tallitot. One, larger and newer, I bought when I was a rabbinical student in Jerusalem in 1991; I wear it at every service I lead and every morning service I attend, with one exception. When I lead a Bar/Bat Mitzvah service, I wear my other tallit, which I got for my own Bar Mitzvah service back in 1980. I wear it in order to recall the feelings of that day, and to remind myself how powerful it is to be recognized, for the first time, as a responsible leader of the community. To be able to lead the service, read from the Torah, teach Torah to the congregation is a transformative experience, and my Bar Mitzvah tallit helps me to empathize with those I share the bimah with that day.

Most often, in most congregations, Jews mark becoming Bar/Bat Mitzvah as young teenagers - but not always. Some adults did not have the opportunity to celebrate this occasion when they were younger. Maybe their family did not belong to a temple, or they did not send the children (sometimes, especially girls) to religious school, or they did not grow up Jewish. Sometimes, even for Jews who did have a Bar/Bat Mitzvah service, the experience was less than profound; sometimes the child only participated to please the parents or grandparents, and not because it had any lasting meaning for the child.

However, even if one did not have the opportunity to lead a service, as a Jew over the age of 13 that

person is already technically Bar/Bat Mitzvah. The phrase “Bar/Bat Mitzvah” means “responsible for the mitzvot;” it is a status that a Jew attains automatically upon reaching the age of majority. The service does not make someone Bar/Bat Mitzvah; there is no such thing as being “Bar/Bat Mitzvahed.” Instead, Jews become Bar/Bat Mitzvah just by turning 13, or by converting as an adult. The service is an opportunity to fulfill some of the mitzvot that the Bar/Bat Mitzvah is now responsible for doing, and to celebrate doing them for the first time. The phrase “Bar/Bat Mitzvah” describes the person who is now responsible, not the service that person leads or the party at which that person celebrates.

Even though adults become Bar/Bat Mitzvah even without the service, the service can still be deeply moving and meaningful, and those who did not do it often feel like they have missed out. In response to these gaps, many congregations, including ours, have offered “Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah” opportunities, providing a chance for those who did not mark it earlier, or who did not get enough out of it the first time, or who converted to Judaism, to reclaim this sacred experience. It has been several years since TCS has offered an “Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah” class and service, and I have heard that there may be some people who would be interested. If you are curious about participating, or in exploring the possibility of conversion, please contact me at rabbiken@templechayaishalom.org
I would be delighted to talk with you about it!

Tucci's Talks With Rabbi Ken

Thursdays, 11:30 am
November 7th
December 5th
Join Rabbi Ken for
informal learning over
lunch at Bertucci's in
Mansfield Crossing.



Introducing Shabbat NaShira

Friday, November 15th at 6:30

This uplifting musical and spiritual service will meet monthly. Join us for our first!

Shabbat NaShira means Shabbat Let's Sing!

What should you expect when you walk into the sanctuary on this special day?

- ▶ Seating in concentric circles create a closely connected community
- ▶ Several talented musicians and singers join Cantorial Soloist David and Rabbi Ken to lead engaging melodies with beautiful accompaniment
- ▶ The music draws you in and encourages you to sing, or to get lost in the groove of a hand drum, the airy tones of a flute, the strumming of guitars or the harmony of voices
- ▶ Your soul soars!

The service will be followed by a potluck Shabbat dinner at about 8:00 pm. Bring a dairy or vegetarian dish to share. For more information, contact Cantorial Soloist David Rothberg at music@templechayaishalom.org.

2019 Rabbi Levenson/Sol Krumins Youth Scholarship Fund Winners



The committee for the Rabbi Levenson/Sol Krumins Youth Scholarship Funds is pleased to announce that Jessica Miller, Rachel Paul and Jessica Zenack are the recipients of scholarships for summer Israel experiences. These girls are 11th graders, are active at TCS, and went to Israel with Camp JORI/BBYO this past summer.

The Rabbi Levenson/Sol Krumins Youth Scholarship Funds are to be used for members of Temple Chayai Shalom through college age to fund any Jewish educational program including, but not limited to: trips to Israel; NFTY summer programs, national conventions, Institutes; Hillel/Kesher conventions; and URJ national biennials. The fund is intended to be used for organized, peer experiences, such as those sponsored by camps, colleges, and youth organizations and is not intended to be competitive nor dependent on financial need.



Torah Study with Rabbi Carr

9:00 am on Saturday Mornings at TCS

Many people “know” the stories of the Torah. They “know” that, according to the Torah, Noah built an ark and saved the animals; they “know” that Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt to Mount Sinai and through the wilderness to the Promised Land; they “know” that God created and controls the universe. But these summaries are only partially true! Whether we look to the Torah for our ethical values, our Jewish traditions, or our people’s history, we ought to know what it really says.

Join Rabbi Ken and your TCS friends to gain a deeper understanding of familiar (and unfamiliar) Torah stories and their relevance for today. No prior knowledge of Torah, Hebrew, or Judaism is required and neither is Temple membership. Bring your friends and enjoy bagels, beverages, and insightful discussion!



Family Table...we need your help!

The mission of Family Table is to end hunger in the Greater Boston Jewish community while serving people who need our assistance regardless of religious affiliation.

Family Table fulfills its mission by providing kosher food, creating a caring Jewish connection, and empowering people to make healthy eating a part of their daily lives.

We do this by offering:

- Nutritious groceries, including fresh produce and whole grain products
- Jewish holiday and ritual items, including challah and Shabbat candles
- Personal hygiene items such as soap, toothpaste and shampoo
- Healthy recipes and recipe tastings using pantry foods
- Connections to programs that help families move from crisis to stability

Family Table serves more than 100 towns across Greater Boston, the North Shore, and the South Area. Currently, Family Table is helping more than 500 families each month with groceries and connections to other services.

Temple Chayai Shalom obligation is to collect 30 cans of tuna fish and 30 cans of vegetarian beans from our members, which are brought and distributed to the Jewish Family Services each month.

Family Table operates four distributions each month, including one Sunday each in Waltham, Marblehead, and Canton, and a weekday distribution in Waltham. At our Sunday distributions, volunteers pack and deliver groceries to clients who are unable to drive or lack transportation.

Volunteers can join us for a few hours once a month or on a one-time basis. Families with young children are welcome to volunteer. In this way, children experience hands-on tzedakah and truly come to understand that they can make a difference in the lives of others.

Please contact Carol Whalen if you would like to help: carolw823@comcast.net.

Sisterhood Paid-up Dinner

Save the... Sunday evening October 27th
Barrett's Alehouse
West Bridgewater
More information coming soon.

Giving Tz'dakah is a Primary Jewish Value

A donation to the temple is a meaningful way to mark any occasion to celebrate a life cycle event, to honor someone, to remember a loved one, to thank the professional staff, or for any other reason and is always appreciated. A big thank you to everyone who has contributed.

General Giving Fund

From Ruth Albert, in appreciation and to celebrate TCS's high school graduates
 From Ruth Albert, in memory of Michael Rauch's stepmother, Emily Rauch
 From Ruth Albert, in appreciation of Rabbi Ken & Cantorial Soloist, David Rothberg for an inspirational Shavuot service
 From Ruth Albert, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Ruth Albert, in memory of her Aunt Sylvia
 From Ruth Albert, in honor of the confirmation of Jesse Miller and Jesse Zenack
 From Ruth Albert, in appreciation of Judy Jacobs' dedication and hard work for the past two years as president of TCS
 From Norm and Sharlene Azer, in memory of Isador Azer
 From Craig and Elaine Barger, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Craig and Elaine Barger, in memory of Andy Faber's brother, Doug Faber
 From Aaron and Liz Bornstein, in honor of the marriage of Barbara Methelis and Neil Lerner
 From Michael & Elissa Cohen, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Joe and Jodi Emerson, in memory of Don Emerson
 From Ruth and Michael Feldman, in memory of Lillian Feldman
 From Rhonda Fleming in memory of Lloyd Jay Schultz
 From Marcia Hicks, in memory of: Hayvis Woolf, Earl Woolf, Stephen Woolf, Bernard Wexler, Sidney Wexler, Irvin Wexler and Stephen Broomfield
 From Marcia Hicks, in honor of Bob Hicks being named Parade Marshall for the 2019 Easton Memorial Day Parade
 From Anita Hirschorn, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Anita Hirschorn, in memory of Andy Faber's brother, Doug Faber
 From Ian Hobkirk
 From Esta and Howard Jacobs, in memory of Michael Jacobs
 From Esta and Howard Jacobs, in memory of Max and Mary Jacobs
 From Gene Jacobs & Judy Lehrer Jacobs, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Ben and Denise Kravitz Maureen Levangie
 From the Krentzman family, in memory of your loving father and grandfather, Frank Poley
 From Myra Lapidés, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Myra Lapidés, wishing Mel Peltz a speedy recovery
 From Myra Lapidés, in memory of her husband, Morris Lapidés
 From Myra Lapidés, in honor of the marriage of Barbara Methelis to Neil Lerner
 From Lew and Caren Levine, in memory of Judith Peel, Tom Peel's mother
 From John Thomas, in memory of his mother, Mary Thomas
 From Adele and Martin Miller, in memory of our beloved father, Manuel White
 From Adele and Martin Miller, in memory of our beloved mother, Gertrude White
 From Adele and Martin Miller, in memory of our beloved parents, Louis and Rhoda Miller
 From Sara and Josh Parker, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Chuck Reingold, in memory of his parents, Eli and Dora Reingold

From Stanley Spiegelman, in memory of his mother, Francis Spiegelman
 From Rita Spiegelman, in memory of her grandmother, Rose Katz
 From Rita Spiegelman, in memory of her father, Nathan Steir
 From Janet Sturman, in memory of her parents, Sylvia and Morris Edelstein
 From Bruce and Joan Tanzer
 From John and Cindy Thomas, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Marty & Kathy Weiner, in memory of Caren Levine's father, Frank Poley
 From Marty & Kathy Weiner, in memory of Andy Faber's brother, Doug Faber
 From Carol Whalen, in memory of her husband, Paul Whalen and uncle, Stanley Kashmann

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

From Ruth Albert, in appreciation of a most memorable adult study trip to Israel
 From Norm and Sharlene Azer, in memory Sharlene's beloved mother, Dorothy Goldstein
 From Paula and Philip Kachinsky, in memory of beloved Aunt, Rhonda Suisman
 From Joyce and Lenny Levine, in memory of Frank Poley, father of Caren Levine
 From Lew and Caren Levine, "Thank you to Rabbi Ken for organizing such a wonderful trip to Israel"
 From Jeri & Glenn Malin, in appreciation of the Rabbi organizing a fun, educational and eye opening tour of Israel
 From Joni Mayer, in appreciation of the Rabbi introducing her to Israel
 From Ross Mayer, in memory of his mother, Marion Mayer
 From Nancy Methelis, in memory of loving grandmother and mother-in-law, Jeanne Methelis
 From Laurel and Stuart Silverman, in memory of Michael Rauch's step-mother, Emily Rauch
 From Terry Starr-Klein
 From Robert and Eileen Spellman, thanking the Rabbi for their wonderful time in Israel
 From Andy & Lee Sternburg, in memory of Tom Peel's mother
 From John & Cindy Thomas, in honor of our trip to Israel with the Rabbi
 From Carol Whalen, in memory of her husband, Paul Whalen
 From Carol Whalen, in memory of her uncle, Stanley Kashman

Rabbi Levenson/Sol Krumins Youth Scholarship Fund

From Estelle Blackman, in memory of her beloved mother, Bella Wolk
 From Estelle Blackman, in memory of Burton Margolis

Malie Baier Education Fund

From Denise & Ben Kravitz, in memory of Edward Levangie, father of Denise Kravitz
 From Nancy Methelis, in loving memory of father and grandfather, Louis Shindler
 From Cindy Thomas, in memory of her father, Abraham Levine
 From John Thomas, in memory of his father, John Thomas

Caring for our Community Fund**T.O.R.C.H.—Social Action**

From Paula and Philip Kachinsky, in memory of our beloved sister, Roberta "Bobbi" Sherbacow

High Holy Day Appeal

From Jeri and Chick Heinberg, in memory of Steve Braidman's sister, Susie
 From Deb & Tal Shechter, in memory of Esther Shechter

Other

Donation from Odd Fellows lodge thanks to David Goldman

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Celebrate the High Holy Days with Friends and Family at TCS



S'lichot: Saturday, September 21st

S'lichot Service at 9:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Join us as we prepare for the High Holy days
with an introspective service featuring the
music of Kol Shalom. Free and open to all.



Vegetarian Chinese Dinner & Movie/Discussion

Dinner begins promptly at 6:00 pm and is \$25 per person ~ Movie: "Boy A"
Freed after a lengthy term in a juvenile detention center, convicted child killer Jack Burridge (Andrew Garfield) finds work as a deliveryman and begins dating co-worker Michelle (Katie Lyons). While out on the road one day, the young Englishman notices a distressed child, and, after reuniting the girl with her family, becomes a local celebrity. But, when a local newspaper unearths his past, Jack must cope with the anger of citizens who fear for the safety of their children. RSVP payment required by Sept. 9th to the temple office or online on the TCS website.

Rosh ha-Shanah

Erev Rosh ha-Shanah ~ Family Service ~ Open to All
5:30 pm, Sunday, September 29th
First Day of Rosh ha-Shanah
8:15 am or 11:30 am, Monday, September 30th
For our Children: 8:15 am or 11:30 am
Lower School Minyan Grades K-3
Upper School Minyan Grades 4-6
For our teens in grade 7 and older:
8:15 am in sanctuary
11:30 am special teen service and discussion
Second Day of Rosh ha-Shanah
9:30 am, Tuesday, October 1st

Tashlich

Noon on Sunday, October 6th
Shovelshop Pond, 50 Oliver Street, Easton

Yom Kippur

Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidrei
7:15 pm, Tuesday, October 8th
Yom Kippur Day
8:15 am or 11:30 am, Wednesday, Oct. 9th
For our Children: 8:15 am or 11:30 am
Lower School *Minyan* Grades K-3
Upper School *Minyan* Grades 4-6
For our teens in grade 7 and older:
8:15 am in sanctuary
11:30 am special teen service and discussion
Meditative Music in the Sanctuary at 3:30 pm
Yizkor Service at 4:00 pm
Afternoon, N'ilah and Havdalah at 4:45 pm
Congregational Break Fast
Following Havdalah (Sponsored by Sisterhood)

Sukkot Activities for Everyone



"Raise the Roof"

Sunday, October 13th
4:30 pm SULAM meets in the Sukkah
5:30 pm "Raise the Roof"
Help decorate our temple Sukkah
6:00 pm Sukkot service in the Sukkah for
the entire community

Suds in the Sukkah

Wednesday, October 16th
7:30 pm
Brotherhood Members Only

Shabbat in the Sukkah

Join us for a Festive Evening in the TCS Sukkah
Friday, October 18
6:00 pm Potluck Shabbat Dinner
Shake the Lulav and Etrog
7:30 pm A joyous and meaningful holiday service,
including Yizkor

Wine & Cheese in the Sukkah

Sunday, October 19th
Sponsored by Senior Chai
All are invited, more details to follow.

Simchat Torah with a Live Klezmer Band

Sunday, October 20th
No SULAM in the morning
4:30 pm SULAM children will prepare for leading
parts of Rabbi Ken's Torah Tour
5:15 pm Vegetarian/dairy pot luck dinner
open to the whole community
6:00 pm Simchat Torah service for the whole
community, featuring dancing to a live
Klezmer band! (Eastern European Jewish
dance music)
See the entire Torah unrolled, while Rabbi Ken, with
the help of SULAM students, gives a guided tour!