

TEMPLE BETH EL

FALL RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS



98th Year

October 2025

Tishrei/Cheshvan 5786

No. 2

Regular Service Schedule - In Person and Via Zoom

Morning Minyan (Monday & Thursday).....8:00 am
 Friday Evening Services5:30 pm
 Shabbat Morning Services.....10:00 am



Upcoming Holiday Services:

Sukkot - October 7th and 8th - Services at 10 am
 Shimini Atzeret - October 14th - Service at 10 am
 Erev Simchat Torah - October 14th - Service at 5:30 pm
 Simchat Torah - October 15th - Service at 10 am



*-- Please join us for a nice luncheon following the Simchat Torah service --
 it will be the last celebratory meal at our High Street location!*

TBE HOLY ITEMS BURIAL SERVICE - OCTOBER 23, 11:00 am

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TBE WILL HAVE A NEW HOME STARTING IN NOVEMBER

*****All services will be held at 309 North Main St beginning Nov. 3rd *****

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A message from our Spiritual Leader, Rabbi Mark Elber

I can still remember the very tense days leading up to the Six Day War, listening to the radio, worrying about what would happen with the Egyptian blockade of the Straits of Tiran preventing Israeli shipping and trade through the Red Sea, while Egypt and Syria were positioning huge armies on their borders with Israel. At first, when the war began, the news included Arab claims of great victories during the first days of the war, and then, suddenly, the war was over, and Israel had miraculously and dramatically won.

I remember during my second trip to Israel a year later, in the summer of 1968, the first time I went to the *Kotel*, the outer Western Wall of the *Beit HaMikdash* (the ancient Temple in Jerusalem). Like so many other people, I put a note in between the huge stones of the wall. I truly fell in love with Israel during that trip. On our tour of the Golan there was an American college student with his parents on our bus spending his junior year at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. I decided then and there that that's what I wanted to do. I had a lot of family in Israel including my father's older sister and younger brother, two of his aunts and two of his uncles, my mother's closest living relative (her oldest brother's son) and numerous cousins. When I arrived very late at night on the flight from JFK with many other students on the One-year Overseas Program, my aunt and uncle from Haifa were waiting at the airport to see me for literally a minute before returning to Haifa. We students quickly got on a bus to the Negev to study Hebrew for hours every day at Sde Boker before the academic year started. We lived at the college of Sde Boker which was two kilometers away from Kibbutz Sde Boker where Ben Gurion lived. He came to speak with us (or as *he* said, to listen to us) on our first Shabbat there.

Those were much simpler times. At least they seemed to be. Maybe that was true for certain issues, but less true for others. There was certainly a lot of turmoil over the Vietnam War back in those late 1960s early 1970s days. Israel, however, back then was not a very polarizing issue, especially not in the Jewish world. After the Six Day War it seemed that Israel's existence became increasingly central in Jewish circles. What a contrast with today. As is obvious to anyone, we are living in extremely polarized times. To a large degree the art of listening respectfully to those with whom we disagree is becoming increasingly rare. How different from Jewish tradition. The Talmud, traditionally referred to as the "Oral Torah" (*Torah sheh'b'al'peh*), is largely constructed upon the scaffolding of discussions and disagreements, the vast majority of which are not resolved. Instead, we're often left with a majority opinion and a minority opinion. Even though Jewish law and custom was determined by the majority opinion, the minority opinion was included in the Talmud out of respect for the integrity and insights of the minority.

Today Jewish clergy are left in a very difficult bind. They want to address, particularly on the High Holidays, issues that are of extreme importance, including Israel and the war in Gaza. At the same time, they are afraid of the polarized opinions in the congregation. No one wants to alienate congregants. I listened to the beginning of a Rosh Hashanah sermon by one of the most influential rabbis in the United States, Rabbi Angela Buchdahl who has been the rabbi of Central Synagogue (one of the biggest synagogues in Manhattan) for twenty years. I met her in 2019 at a Friday evening Shabbat service in Tel Aviv held weekly outdoors overlooking the Mediterranean Sea where she had brought 150 of her congregants on their tour of Israel. She opened her Rosh Hashanah sermon saying that she "has never been so afraid to talk about Israel." Though she is a deep supporter of Israel and of Israel's right to defend itself, and lays the responsibility for this current war squarely on Hamas, she also feels a lot of pain for the suffering of innocent Gazans while acknowledging how over and over again Hamas has cynically put its citizens in harm's way, even blocking civilians from leaving areas that Israel has forewarned would be bombed.

In today's climate of deep divisions, some Jews cannot acknowledge the suffering of innocent Palestinians, while other Jews can no longer acknowledge the suffering of Israelis because they are so outraged by the images of the war they see almost daily. The latter response is more prevalent among the younger generation of college students who tend to no longer feel the attachment and centrality of Israel to Jewish life as did their parents or grandparents. Of course, there are still young Jews who love Israel and many of them have experienced antisemitism, or antisemitism masquerading as "anti-Zionism" on college campuses, but that's a topic too big for this column.

Generations naturally differ in their responses to things for many reasons. The Zionist pioneers of the early 1900s differed from those who came after the state was founded, who are different from young Israelis today, despite the common feature of loving their country. It is important to acknowledge that one can both love one's country *and* be critical of its government's policies. Clearly hundreds of thousands of Israelis who demonstrate weekly against the way Netanyahu is conducting the war believe that. When that ceases to be tolerated, democracy is in danger. For those of us who feel strongly that Israel should be both a Jewish and a democratic state, that is vital. As I'm sure you all know, unlike in the United States, virtually every Israeli (with the exception of the ultra-Orthodox) serves in the army and sees its government's policies as a matter of life and death both for themselves and for their country.

Wishing you all a very Happy, Healthy, and Sweet New Year !!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, we have done it. We have had our final High Holiday services in our beautiful sanctuary. It was bittersweet, but it also made me realize just how fortunate I have been to worship and celebrate Judaism in such a special place for my entire life. Thank you to all who came in person, and to those on Zoom, for making the Holidays so special.

This column is dedicated to thanking all of those who have helped to make our congregation what it is today, and will help determine its future path. Thanks to:

Our spiritual leaders, Rabbi Mark and Cantor Shoshana, who work hard to keep Judaism alive and accessible in our congregation and in the greater Fall River Area.

Our staff, Marie Twomey and Henry Parker, who keep the business running and our building safe. Tom Gregory who helps out whenever we need him, especially during the High Holidays. Carleen Makowski and Judy Morgenstern, fantastic volunteers who help Marie in the office. Libby Cohen and Sisterhood for all they do to make our events wonderful and keep our members well fed. Leonard Lehrer, our Treasurer and Project Manager for everything to do with our move. I can't imagine where we would be without him. Libby Cohen, our Secretary, and Carleen Makowski, our new Vice President (and wearer of many hats). Leonard, Carleen and Libby have all spent countless hours getting us ready for the move. Robert Falconero, our retired Treasurer, who got us started on this journey. Our full Board of Directors, with special thanks to Nancy Seibert for her help with religious items, and to Jeff Weissman for his assistance with the cemetery. To Bill Chebot, the heart and soul of our congregation, for his leadership and guidance for so many years. I can't remember a time without him!

Judy Trieff, Ron Caplain and Libby Cohen for working with the Fall River Historical Society, which will be taking a number of items, especially pictures, to add to their collection of Jewish history in Fall River.

Charlie Winokoor for blowing the shofar during the holidays. He and Rabbi Mark closed the Yom Kippur service with the last blast of the shofar to be heard in this building.

Bill Hathaway for expertly running the streaming service for our High Holiday services.

Tilden Bogus for stepping up to run the Fall River United Jewish Appeal, which had its beginnings in this very building. UJA will continue to operate from Tilden's and Marie's home offices.

Mike Levinson and his legal team from Brainsky Levinson LLC, for doing a great job guiding us through all of the legalities related to the move and the cemetery.

The Jewish Omni Fund for all of their support.

There are many others who helped in one way or another over the last year, and we appreciate you all. Here's to a smooth transition to our new home!

Rick Schwartz
President

Sisterhood President's Message

As I sit here preparing my first message of the New Year of 5786, I am caught between sadness and hope. You may wonder why I feel this way, so I'm going to share with you my innermost thoughts. Good memories of days gone by are in the past, and it's time to bid them a "fond adieu". We are entering a time of hope. We look forward to all of you taking this step with us. Let's ensure that the greater Fall River area continues to have a viable Jewish community. Temple Beth El is not disbanding; we are just changing our address. Trust me, we are here to stay.

On Thursday, September 11th, Sisterhood hosted its annual membership luncheon at the Old Grist Mill. What a joy to see so many ladies there. It was a time to socialize and catch up with friends and acquaintances. I would be remiss if I didn't thank Elaine Weiss Reback for her input with the menu and setup at the restaurant. If you were unable to attend this year, there's always next year.

On October 15th at 10 am we will have our service to celebrate Simchat Torah. This is slated to be our last event in this location. We would like to make this a day to remember. So please plan on joining us for a day of music, reminiscing and a nice luncheon. Also, you can dance with a Torah!

I hope many of you were able to attend Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur. It was our last chance to imbibe the special ambience of our sanctuary. Following the final blast of the shofar we had a special "Break the Fast." We hope you were there to enjoy it.

The flowers adorning the bimah this year were spectacular. Thank you to Henry Parker for introducing us to a new florist, Olivia's Floral," and to our resident flower expert, Elaine Weiss Reback, who knows what questions to ask and what to expect in return. Thank you, Elaine, for a job well done. It's not too late to make a donation to the flower fund. If you are so inclined, make it out to Sisterhood of Temple Beth El and designate it for the flower fund. I will personally acknowledge all donations in my next message.

I want to thank each and every one who makes my job easier: our Board of Directors, especially Rick Schwartz, Leonard Lehrer and Carleen Makowski, our spiritual leaders, Rabbi Mark and Cantor Shoshana, the Events Committee (Sylvia Eisner, Cantor Shoshana, Elaine Weiss Reback, and Carleen Makowski) and our staff, Marie Twomey and Henry Parker, and a special thanks to Tom Gregory for always being willing to help, especially during the High Holidays.

There will be many things happening over the next few weeks. Please make sure to open and read all your e-mails. This way you will be up to date on all things Temple. Marie works very hard to keep you up to date.

Libby Cohen
Sisterhood President

Service Schedule

October 2025: Tishrei/Cheshvan 5786

Wednesday, October 1 (9 Tishrei)

Erev Yom Kippur
Kol Nidre 6:00 pm
Candle Lighting 6:08 pm

Thursday, October 2 (10 Tishrei)

Yom Kippur 10:00 am
Yizkor
Mincha & Ne'ilah 5:30 pm

Friday, October 3 (11 Tishrei)

Shabbat Service 5:30 pm
Candle Lighting 6:05 pm

Saturday, October 4 (12 Tishrei)

Weekly Portion: Ha'azinu 10:00 am

Monday, October 6 (14 Tishrei)

Erev Sukkot
Candle lighting 6:00 pm

Tuesday, October 7 (15 Tishrei)

Sukkot - First Day 10:00 am
Candle lighting after 6:58 pm

Wednesday, October 8 (16 Tishrei)

Sukkot - Second Day 10:00 am

Friday, October 10 (18 Tishrei)

Chol HaMoed Sukkot
Shabbat Service 5:30 pm
Candle Lighting 5:53 pm

Saturday, October 11 (19 Tishrei)

Chol HaMoed Sukkot 10:00 am

Monday, October 13 (21 Tishrei)

Hoshanah Rabbah
Candle Lighting 5:48 pm

Tuesday, October 14 (22 Tishrei)

Shemini Atzeret 10:00 am
Yizkor (approximately 11:45 am)
Erev Simchat Torah 5:30 pm
Candle Lighting after 6:47 pm

Wednesday, October 15 (23 Tishrei)

Simchat Torah 10:00 am

Friday, October 17 (25 Tishrei)

Shabbat Service 5:30 pm
Candle Lighting 5:42 pm

Saturday, October 18 (26 Tishrei)

Weekly Portion: Bereshit 10:00 am

Wednesday, October 22 (30 Tishrei)

Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan

Thursday, October 23 (1 Cheshvan)

Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan

Friday, October 24 (2 Cheshvan)

Shabbat Service 5:30 pm
Candle Lighting 5:32 pm

Saturday, October 25 (3 Cheshvan)

Weekly Portion: Noakh 10:00 am

Friday, October 31 (9 Cheshvan)

Candle Lighting 5:22 pm
Shabbat Service 5:30 pm

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Monday - Wednesday - Friday, 9 am to Noon

OFFICE CLOSED:

Wednesday, October 8th - Sukkot
Monday, October 13th - Columbus Day
Wednesday, October 15th - Simchat Torah

IN MEMORIAM

SCOTT SOKOLL

August 28, 2025 - 4 Elul 5785

May his memory be for a blessing

TEMPLE FAMILY

- Our sincere condolences to Marilyn Sokoll and family on the loss of her beloved son, Scott Sokoll.

LEADERSHIP

Mark Elber.....Rabbi
Shoshana Brown.....Cantor
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TBE News & Notes from Cantor Shoshana

Happy 5786!

A huge *todah rabbah* (thank you) to all who helped to make our final High Holy Days in our High Street location beautiful and meaningful: to all who participated with us in person or online; to all who took an aliyah; read a poem on the bimah; chanted Torah or a haftarah; contributed to the flower fund; blew the shofar; served as an usher; helped with the opening and closing of the ark; organized and prepared the break-the-fast at the end of Yom Kippur...you see, it truly “takes a village” to keep a synagogue community alive and functioning.

But we are not done with the holidays yet! Rabbi Mark and I hope to see some of you during *Sukkot*, when we will share a modest bite and fellowship with **Kiddush in the temple’s sukkah after morning services on the first two days of Sukkot (10/7 and 10/8), as well as on the intermediate Shabbat (10/11).**

Technically, Sukkot ends on Hoshanah Rabbah (this year on Monday 10/13), when we will “beat our willows” (part of the “4 species” bundle that we wave during Sukkot), and the next day, **the holiday of Shemini Atzeret (literally the “8th day of assembly”), is the day when we will recite Yizkor (the morning of 10/14).** That night we will hold an **abbreviated Erev Simchat Torah service** (beginning at 5:30), but we will be **saving our fuller Simchat Torah celebration for the next morning (Wed., 10/15)** – because that morning is our October Make a Minyan, and **our freilikh service (wear your dancing shoes!) will be followed by a celebratory luncheon.**

This luncheon will likely be **the last full meal ever served in our historic building**, so I hope that as many of you as possible can make it!

As of now, **the last two scheduled Shabbat services in our High St. location will be the Friday night Kabbalat Shabbat service on 10/31 and the Shabbat morning service on 11/1.**

I wish I could alert you now to early November events in our upcoming space in the Unitarian Church at 309 North Main St., but there have been so many things that we have had to juggle, what with the High Holy Days and Sukkot/Simchat Torah coming right before our time to vacate the High St. building – it has just been too overwhelming! So please – **keep on the lookout for emails from the Temple office** which will inform you of any special events marking our inauguration of the new space. (We want to have a joyful celebration of our move and a way to “dedicate” our new home – but we have yet to make firm plans!)



SUNDAY AFTERNOON AT THE JEWISH MOVIES

October 26, 2 PM: *The World Will Tremble:* Written and directed by Academy Award-nominee Lior Geller, *The World Will Tremble* tells the powerful true story of Michał Podchlebnik and Solomon Weiner, two prisoners who became the first to escape the Chełmno extermination camp on January 19, 1942, and courageously bear witness to the horrors perpetrated by the German regime. Of the more than 320,000 Jews sent to Chełmno, only four survived—two of them were Weiner and Podchlebnik, who risked everything to expose the truth. Located near Łódź, Chełmno was one of six extermination camps established solely for mass murder during WWII.

Geller spent over a decade meticulously researching this film, collaborating with historians, Jerusalem’s Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial center, and the families of these brave men to create an authentic and moving retelling of their remarkable escape.

This is the first feature film adaptation of Michał and Solomon’s untold story, a testament to their incredible courage in the face of unimaginable odds.
2025; 1 hour 48 minutes

TBE Outing Club

Wed. October 22: Meet on Locust St. at Noon

“Lunch and Leaves!” Yes, we are so busy now at TBE, it was not easy to fit this walk in, but we didn’t want to miss one of the prettiest months in nature in New England.

So...this month we are going to take an afternoon walk, beginning with lunch at the **Sweet Rose Café** in Fall River, and then traveling over to Mt. **Hope Farm** in Bristol where the trees should be in full autumnal color, and the path is an easy, paved one, skirting meadows and beautiful views of the Mt. Hope Bay and Bridge. If those morning walks have been too early for you, this is your chance to join us!

Thank you for your donations received Sept. 28th

YAHARZEITS

For the yahrzeit of my beloved... Donated by:

Father, Louis J. Cohen	Anne Griffin
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Mother, Fannie Goldberg	Rick & Wendy Levine
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Mother, Esther Meyerson	Anita Bolski
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Loved one, Dora Wagner	Bruce Lider
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Mother, Ethel Winokoor	Charles Winokoor

MAURICE ALPERT MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND

For the yahrzeits of my beloved grandparents, Lillian & Maurice Alpert and ida Rothman
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In memory of Edythe Steinberg and Iris Katzman
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In memory of our beloved parents, Dr. N Kenneth Shand and Ruth Shand
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For the yahrzeit of my beloved father, Bernard Horowitz
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In honor of Dr. Rahim Aghai's special birthday
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DR & MRS. N. KENNETH SHAND MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of our beloved parents, Anna & Morris Lepes
Ellen & Terry Shand & Family

Simchat Torah Luncheon!

Mark your calendars! On Wednesday, October 15th, immediately following the Simchat Torah service (which begins at 10 am), Sisterhood is sponsoring our final celebratory meal in our vestry. For many years Anita and Norm Bolski did all the cooking for a delicious Simchat Torah Supper (if we were lucky, Anita made her famous sweet and sour meatballs). This year, the Events Committee has decided to have a delicious luncheon following the morning service. We hope you will plan to join us!!

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TBE HOLY ITEMS BURIAL SERVICE - OCTOBER 23, 11:00am

As part of exiting the High Street building, we have been gathering items that require a Jewish religious burial.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to invite you to attend the Ceremonial Burial of our holy items at the TBE Cemetery in Fall River.

When: Thursday, October 23, 11:00am

Where: TBE Cemetery, 4515 N Main St, Fall River, MA

RSVP: Contact Marie at 508-674-3529 or email templebethel@comcast.net, to let us know if you might attend so we can plan for enough seating.

This is an event that does not occur often. It is a part of your TBE heritage. Perhaps you used some of the prayer books that are being buried. Most of all, it is a solemn occasion, and the TBE spirit would be warmed by having many TBE Family and Friends attend the burial.

Here are some additional details:

- Duration: 30-45 minutes.
- There will be a tent and chairs, similar to any funeral.
- We will load boxes of books etc. into the grave (Rabbi Mark, Cantor Shoshana, Carleen, Rick, Leonard, and Tommy, our landscaper).
- Rabbi Mark & Cantor Shoshana will lead the service.
- All attendees are invited to help shovel earth to bury the items. (Tommy will use a machine to finish the job after the ceremony)
- If anyone would like a walking tour of the cemetery we can do that after the service.
- There will be a handwashing station as you exit the cemetery.

A few reasons why we have items to bury.

- Prayer books that are out of date, and we have more modern versions which we use.
- Prayer/Religious books, and some old Torah covers that were in areas having mold, mildew, water damage, etc.
- As we cleaned out our library, we had books that no one wanted, but which had the name of G-d written in Hebrew, or similar Hebrew scripture in them and thus require ritual burial.
- All items selected were reviewed and approved by Rabbi Mark.

We hope to see you at this special service.

Best Regards,
Leonard Lehrer,
TBE Treasurer

SALE OF THE TBE HIGH STREET BUILDING HAS CHANGED FROM A DIRECT SALE TO AN AUCTION ON NOV. 6th

Shalom TBE Family and Friends,

This is to inform you of very important information regarding High Street Building sale.

THE ORIGINAL BUYER, HYDE DEVELOPMENT, HAS BACKED OUT OF THE SALE AND IS NO LONGER INTERESTED.

THEREFORE, WE HAVE SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TO PUT THE HIGH STREET SITE UP FOR AUCTION, WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 6, 2025, WITH THE FINAL CLOSING IN MID-DECEMBER 2025

The Auction company/agent is the same as we were using for the Hyde Development sale.

- o Southcoast Auctions & Realty, Inc. of Fall River
- o There will be announcements of the auction through various electronic communication channels, e.g. to developers, real estate investors, etc.
- o Signs will be put up at High Street in October announcing the auction.
- o Our Attorney, Mike Levinson Esq, of Brainsky/Levinson, LLC, has participated in all appropriate discussions and reviewed all contracts.

Hyde Development has not shared much information as to why they have withdrawn. But they have fully assured us it has nothing to do with TBE, nor our agreement terms, nor our agent. It had nothing to do with the price. They noted that their reasons were all related to other projects they had on-going.

People Incorporated Preschool, which was renting the school section of TBE, moved to their new building in September. They are paying rent through Oct 31st, which is the end of their lease.

Shortly after the November 6th auction we will send announcements to the membership on the outcome.

Feel free to send questions to the office at templebethel@comcast.net. I will answer them.

Your Board is trying very hard to handle the AUCTION of High Street with the dignity it deserves.

Best Regards
Leonard Lehrer,
TBE Treasurer

CONGREGATION TEMPLE BETH EL WILL HAVE A NEW HOME STARTING IN NOVEMBER

Shalom TBE Friends and Family,

As noted in a few articles, and sermons, we are moving from our High Street Building to a new home three blocks away.

We will be sharing a building with the Unitarian Society of Fall River, located at:

309 North Main Street, Fall River, MA 02720

AS OF NOVEMBER 3, 2025

We will be holding all services and classes at this new location.

Marie's office will also be located there.

This will also be the new address for all TBE correspondence, including Cemetery Correspondence.

The building has a bright and airy chapel with a high ceiling and lots of glass panels, with views of the sky and surrounding grounds.

It also has a Function Room which we will be using for Kiddushes, Sunday Movies, and any other social events.

There are absolutely no Christian symbols anywhere in or on the building. It is a very generic place of worship. The leaders have been exceptionally welcoming. One time we noticed something that "might" be construed as iconography. They immediately took it down. They were excited about having an Aron Kodesh (Torah Ark) on the Bimah. Rick has arranged for a new Aron Kodesh. (We could not move the existing ones.) Cantor Shoshana and Rabbi Mark like it very much.

There is a fully functioning kitchen. We will have a separate refrigerator and storage cabinet. Libby Cohen, Carleen Makowski, and Elaine Weiss-Reback have been there several times, and are making preparations to facilitate meal functions. Libby will talk more about this in upcoming bulletin articles.

We just installed a new smooth entry walkway with a sturdy handrail. Everything is at ground level. There are NO STEPS anywhere. The restrooms are ADA friendly. There is a small parking lot.

Please come see for yourself !!!!

Best Regards,

Leonard Lehrer,
TBE Treasurer

Below are some pictures of the new location as it looks today. We will put additional pictures in future bulletins after we fully move in and set up.

It is the first driveway on the right on North Main Street after Cherry Street (heading north).



The Exterior, Showing the Side Entrance, which has just been upgraded with a new walkway and sturdy railing. Note the High A-frame style roof filled with glass panels



The Chapel



The Function Room





Our website is constantly changing, so be sure to check it out regularly. There are links to articles written by Rabbi Mark and Cantor Shoshana, updated service schedules and upcoming events. You can also see the bulletin there first,
 Go to www.frtemplebethel.org

YAHREITS

10/1/2025 9 Tishrei 5786
Israel Lipson

10/2/2025 10 Tishrei 5786
Dr. Abraham Kaufmann

10/3/2025 11 Tishrei 5786
James Michael Friedman
Hilda McVay

10/4/2025 12 Tishrei 5786
Muriel Feldman
Michele (Shelley) Fox
Charlotte Sandler

10/6/2025 14 Tishrei 5786
Jonathan Lash
Atty. Richard Levin

10/7/2025 15 Tishrei 5786
Ruth Shand

10/8/2025 16 Tishrei 5786
Dr. Harry Levine

10/9/2025 17 Tishrei 5786
Arlene Friedman

10/10/2025 18 Tishrei 5786
Miriam Klein
Rabbi Samuel S. Ruderman
June Zeitz

10/11/2025 19 Tishrei 5786
Suetelle Bernstein
Linda Edgar
Henry Griffin, Jr.
Sadie E. Smith

10/12/2025 20 Tishrei 5786
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10/13/2025 21 Tishrei 5786
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Rose Krasnow
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10/14/2025 22 Tishrei 5786
Dr. Gerson Elber

10/15/2025 23 Tishrei 5786
Jeffrey Entin
Carl Goodman
Jack Leonard

10/17/2025 25 Tishrei 5786
Irma Feldman
Solomon Moss

10/19/2025 27 Tishrei 5786
Elizabeth M. Chebot
George Simon
Luba Twersky

10/21/2025 29 Tishrei 5786
Max Gold
Stewart Kusinitz
Dr. Herbert Rubin
Joseph Zalkind

10/24/2025 2 Cheshvan 5786
Mildred Lider

10/25/2025 3 Cheshvan 5786
Juliet Ann Goldstein

10/26/2025 4 Cheshvan 5786
Dr. Hammond Bender

10/27/2025 5 Cheshvan 5786
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