
September 2020 - L'Shanah Tovah 5781



Wishing all a wonderful, happy, healthy, year!

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HIGH HOLIDAYS WITH A TWIST

Mike Feinstein, long-time Anshe Emeth awesome shofar blower will be the constant for this year's High Holidays. Services will be led by Rabbinic Intern Tzvia Rubens. All evening services will be by Zoom. All day-time services will be in person at the Hollows Park, outside, under a shelter house with masks required and also available by Zoom.



We will be using the (burgundy) *Gates of Repentance*, please email ansheemeth@gmail.com for the .pdf or let us know if you would like to cover the costs and have the books shipped to you. Rabbi has a lovely idea of having everyone on Zoom as a community so the prayer book will not be screen shared.

LEGACY MEMBERS!

**Your valued support continues to be needed.
And, with Zoom services,
you can participate from anywhere!**

September 18

Friday, Erev Rosh Hashanah, 7:30 PM
Services via Zoom.

September 19

Saturday, Rosh Hashanah Services at 10 AM at the Hollows Park, in person, outside under a shelter house*. Challah and wine, with a snack in oneg to-go boxes. Also available by Zoom.

September 27

Sunday, Kol Nidre Service at 7:30 PM via Zoom.

September 28

Monday, Yom Kippur Services 10 AM at the Hollows Park*, in person, outside, under shelter, followed by Yizkor Services up the hill at our Cedar Hill cemetery.
4:30 PM – Afternoon & Concluding services, Hollows Park. A light, boxed Break-the-Fast will be provided.

** Masks required. Bring a chair if you prefer to the park picnic table benches*

Friday Shabbat services to come
**October 23 - November 20 -
December 18.**

Please see **all links** to

ZOOM

on page 3, for connecting by laptop, tablet or any phone.

Please join services 20 minutes prior to time to schmooze!



Tzvia Rubens, Rabbinic Intern

Shalom Congregation Anshe Emeth,

It is that time of year again – the one where we prepare for the High Holidays. This year, however, it feels very different. Everything seems to be on Zoom these days, and Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are no exception. That being said, this is a beautiful time of year. A time where we can engage in *Teshuvah*, repentance, and start over. This time of year is about new beginnings, and I know a lot of us could use that right now. We have the opportunity to be in touch with people with whom we might have lost contact, just because everything has turned virtual. Our circles have expanded much further than we once thought.

I pray that we take this time to pause, reevaluate who is in our lives, and make an honest effort to reaffirm those relationships. It is hard right now to feel like we are in community, especially during the holidays. This is all the more reason that we should be reaching out to our loved ones and reminding them of their value in our lives. Sometimes, though, even during the best of years, it is hard to participate in *teshuvah*. It is hard to seek forgiveness, and it is hard to forgive. Sometimes the timing is wrong, sometimes we have been hurt too much – and we just are not ready. If you find yourself in this space, find peace that you are not alone. Let this community, either virtually or when we are in person, be one that you can lean on as you work through the difficulties in processing those emotions.

My prayer for us all is that we go into this new year with optimism and strength. We should be remembering that just how the honey is sweet, and the apple is tart, we too experience the sweet and sour bits of life. It is what we do with them that matters. May it be God's will that we, as a community, grow in strength in this upcoming year and work together to navigate these challenging times.

G'mar Chatimah Tovah, may we all be inscribed in the book of life.

Tzvia Rubens

Rabbinical Student; Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion

Mishabeirach Prayers for Healing:

Shelley Roberts, Meredith Carpe, Mike Swanger

September Yahrzeit's ... May their memories be a blessing.

Evel Barcus, Herman Brateman, Harry Feingold, Herman Goodman, Joseph Kastner, Edward S. Kastner, , Julius Kottler, Maurice Kramer, Dorothy Perlis, Florence Shapiro, Louis Sorkin, Philip Wagner, Marlene Kaufman Wolf, Eileen Yearsley

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Temple Anshe Emeth
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Greenville, OH 45331

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Share your friendship, your love, your commitment to Judaism, by honoring a friend, remembering a loved one, celebrating an occasion, or simply contributing to Anshe Emeth! Your gift is always appreciated.

Legacy Fund/ E. Litchfield Sustainability Fund – Established 2014 as the Legacy Fund; the members changed the name to the Eileen Litchfield Sustainability Fund to reflect a more positive outlook. Legacy members and donors have had a family connection to the synagogue. This fund has served as our cash balance for the last 3 years.

Cemetery Fund - strictly for maintenance of our Cedar Hill cemetery
Libbie Murstein Hospitality Fund - for support of the onegs and fellowship after services.

Mitzvah Fund - for support of mitzvahs including charitable purposes
Religious Education Fund - for support of the educational program for the children of the congregation

Clara and Herman Barr Fund-for support of special needs at Temple
General Fund-for general operations of the synagogue.

CEDAR HILL CEMETERY UPDATE

There has been no change since last year, bottom line. The work on the Legacy Plan, a Living Will of sorts, has been continuing. The focus has been to plan for the perpetual care of Cedar Hill Cemetery, established in 1858.

We have been working with the coordinator and initiator for several years of the legally formed & IRS sanctioned group, Jewish Cemeteries of Greater Dayton (JCGD).

The JCGD group is comprised of three major congregations in the Dayton area, all of whom have their own cemeteries as we do. They have to raise \$4 million dollars for perpetual care of those cemeteries IF and WHEN they do, we may be considered to join them.



HIGH HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Tzedakah, righteous justice, is the Jewish value that reminds us to care for those in need.

Bethany Center is providing take-out lunches and pre-packed foodbank boxes. They **need: pasta, canned fruit, soups and canned noodle meals like Spaghetti-O's.**

Please bring canned goods to the daytime Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur services or write a **check to Bethany Center** and we will send all checks in together: please mail to Eileen Litchfield, 3808 Beanblossom Rd., Greenville, OH 45331

Or donations to Mazon, the Jewish response to hunger, can be made at mazon.org



SUKKOT AND PLANETARY PROGRAM WITH THE FEINSTEINS, VIRTUALLY

We invite you to ZOOM into our succah on **Sunday, October 4th at 2:00 pm.**

We can all wave the lulav (any branch) and etrog (a lemon) and repeat the holiday blessings together.

We will (screen) share photos of Anshe Emeth family hosted Sukkot celebrations, from Bargemanns to Culls to Shuchats, over the decades. Then we can virtually look up through the succah ceiling at the brightest constellations and planets visible this October during the festival of Sukkot.

ZOOM LINKS FOR ALL SERVICES:

Please join in 20 minutes before the start of services to schmooze!

ZOOM INFO. FOR EVENING SERVICES, 7:30 PM:

Meeting ID: 810 4667 9632; **Passcode:** Shalom5781



Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81046679632?pwd=WGpGQnM1cTJDd0ZqVHhpT2Rabmttdz09>

ZOOM INFO. FOR DAY SERVICES, 10 AM (and Sukkot at 2 PM):

Meeting ID: 937 623 1234; **Passcode** 0092



PREFER TO CALL IN? Dial from any phone: 929-205-6099, when asked, put in the

Meeting ID shown above followed by the # sign. Do this also for the Passcode.