**Shabbat Service Schedule**

**Shoftim**
- September 6 - 7/7 Elul
  - Friday Evening Service: 6:00 pm
  - Inclusion Shabbat: 7:30 pm
  - Shabbat Begins/Light Candles: 7:36 pm
  - Shabbat Warmup – ShabbaTunes: 9:00 am
  - Shabbat Morning Service: 9:30 am
  - Shabbat Clubhouse: 10:30 am
  - Boker Tov Shabbat: 11:00 am
  - Shabbat Ends/Havdalah: 8:42 pm

**Ki Teitzei**
- September 13 - 14/14 Elul
  - Friday Evening Service: 6:00 pm
  - Shabbat Begins/Light Candles: 7:25 pm
  - Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks: 9:00 am
  - Shabbat Morning Service: 9:30 am
  - Shabbat Clubhouse: 10:30 am
  - Israel Discussion Group: 12:30 pm
  - Shabbat Ends/Havdalah: 8:31 pm

**Ki Tavo**
- September 20 - 21/21 Elul
  - Wine & Cheese Oneg: 5:30 pm
  - Shabbat Neshamah: Friday Evening Musical Mindfulness Service: 6:00 pm
  - Shabbat Begins/Light Candles: 7:13 pm
  - Shabbat Warmup – Mah Chadash: What’s News in Israel: 9:00 am
  - Shabbat Morning Service: 9:30 am
  - Shabbat Clubhouse: 10:30 am
  - Shabbat Ends/Havdalah: 8:11 pm

**Nitzavim**
- September 27 - 28/28 Elul
  - Shabbat Begins/Light Candles: 6:39 pm
  - Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks: 9:00 am
  - Shabbat Morning Service: 9:30 am
  - Shabbat Clubhouse: 10:30 am
  - Shabbat Ends/Havdalah: 7:56 pm

**Vayeilech - Shabbat Shuva**
- October 4 - 5/6 Tishrei
  - Friday Evening Service: 6:00 pm
  - Inclusion Shabbat: 7:30 pm
  - Shabbat Begins/Light Candles: 7:01 pm
  - Shabbat Warmup – ShabbaTunes: 9:00 am
  - Shabbat Morning Service: 9:30 am
  - Shabbat Clubhouse: 10:30 am
  - Shabbat Ends/Havdalah: 7:46 pm

**Ha’Azinu**
- October 11 - 12/13 Tishrei
  - Friday Evening Service: 6:00 pm
  - Shabbat Begins/Light Candles: 6:39 pm
  - Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks: 9:00 am
  - Shabbat Morning Service: 9:30 am
  - Shabbat Clubhouse: 10:30 am
  - Shabbat Ends/Havdalah: 7:28 pm

**Shabbat Chol Hamoed Sukkot**
- October 18 - 19/20 Tishrei
  - Wine & Cheese Oneg: 5:30 pm
  - Shabbat Neshamah: Friday Evening Musical Mindfulness Service: 6:00 pm
  - Shabbat Begins/Light Candles: 6:29 pm
  - Shabbat Morning Service: 9:00 am
  - Shabbat Clubhouse: 10:30 am
  - Shabbat Ends/Havdalah: 7:28 pm

**Bereshit**
- October 25 - 26/27 Tishrei
  - Friday Evening Service: 6:00 pm
  - Shabbat Begins/Candle Lighting: 6:19 pm
  - Shabbat Warmup – Torah Talks: 9:00 am
  - Shabbat Morning Service: 9:30 am
  - Shabbat Clubhouse: 10:30 am
  - Shabbat Ends/Havdalah: 7:26 pm

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**Inclusion Shabbat**
- September 6 & October 4: 7:30 pm
  - A warm and meaningful Kabbalat Shabbat for people and families with special needs. All are welcome. For more information, contact Helen Miller at 614-236-4764.

**Boker Tov Shabbat**
- September 7 & October 5: 11:00 am
  - A special Shabbat celebration for children up to age 5 and their grown-ups. For more information, contact Morgan at 614-928-3286 or mlevin@tiferethisrael.org.

**Shabbat Neshamah**
- September 20 & October 18: 6:00 pm
  - Nurture your spirit with Kabbalat Shabbat. We start getting in the Shabbat mood in the Atrium at 5:30 pm with some wine and cheese, generously sponsored by Fran & Steve Lesser and Sharon Simon & Karl Rubin, before moving into the chapel for a service filled with singing, instrumental accompaniment, poetry, prayer, and meditation.

**Anniversary Shabbat**
- September 21 & October 19: 9:30 am
  - Each month, congregants celebrating a wedding anniversary are invited onto the bimah during Shabbat morning services for the honor of an aliyah and a sweet gift.

**Shabbat Clubhouse**
- Every Saturday: 10:30 am @ The Pit
  - Children in kindergarten through grade six are invited to an all-new, interactive Shabbat experience designed just for them, including leadership opportunities, synagogue skills, fun activities with friends, great prizes, and more. No registration or membership required.

**Daily Services**
- Sunday: 9:00 am & 5:30 pm
- Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am & 5:30 pm
- Friday: 7:30 am & 6:00 pm

Please see the 2019/5780 High Holiday Guide for additional service times.
B'nei Mitzvah

Holland Jagielski will be called to the Torah as a bat mitzvah on Sunday, September 1, 2019. Holland is the daughter of Patricia & Peter Jagielski, sister of Noah Jagielski, and the granddaughter of Matthew & Cecilia Jagielski, and the late Caleb & Elineor Neth.

Holland is an 8th grade student at New Albany Middle School and a graduate of the Samuel M. Melton Religious School. She received her bar mitzvah training from Cantor Jack Chomsky. Holland enjoys playing violin in the orchestra and is a cheerleader at New Albany Middle School.

Spencer Myer Paine will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on Saturday, September 21, 2019. Spencer is the son of Toby Paine and Scott Paine and the grandson of Norton & Sandee Goodman and Sharon & Marvin Paine. Spencer is the brother of Nina Sophia Paine, who is one year older than him.

Spencer is a 7th grade student at Bexley Middle School and attends the Samuel M. Melton Religious School. He received his bar mitzvah instruction from Becca Sigal. Spencer enjoys all sports — football, basketball, baseball, and lacrosse — and hanging out with his family and friends.

The Paine Family cordially invites relatives, friends, and members of the congregation to worship with them and join them on this happy occasion for a kiddush luncheon in honor of Spencer at the conclusion of services.

Jacob Samuel Winer will be called to the Torah as a bar mitzvah on Saturday, October 19, 2019. Jacob is the son of Amy & Steve Winer and the grandson of Judy & Arthur Samuel and Jill & Fred Winer.

Jacob is a 7th grade student at Bexley Middle School and received his bar mitzvah instruction from Dr. Jerry Benis, Cantor Jack Chomsky, and Rabbi Hillel Skolnik. Jacob enjoys the saxophone, basketball, reading, and socializing with his friends.

Amy & Steve Winer cordially invite relatives, friends, and members of the congregation to worship with them and join them on this happy occasion for a kiddush luncheon in honor of Jacob at the conclusion of services.

Mazal Tov To... Jan & Aaron Kanas and Steve Pariser on the birth of their grandson, Arlo Franklin Hurley.

Cantor Jack Chomsky and several members of our congregation, including Jackie Jacobs (Lifetime Achievement Award), Jerry Sigal, Michael Schottenstein, and Saul Laub, on being named to the Columbus Jewish News’ inaugural class of 18 Difference Makers.

Marsha Emerman on the birth of her great granddaughter, Tamara Ita Kahanovitch.

Joel & Erin Marcovitch on the birth of their son.

Grandparents Brad & Susie Blair and great grandmothers Ellen Schottenstein and Judy Blair on the birth of Parker Allan Rubinstein.

Todah Rabah!

The congregation is grateful for the sponsorship of Shabbat kiddush by:

Dix, Gold, and Remer families in honor of the naming of Vivian Rose Remer on Saturday, July 28.
**Build the CTI Sukkah**

*Sunday, October 6 & 13 | 10:00 am*

Join the Tifereth Israel Men’s Club in erecting this year’s congregational sukkah. All ages and skill levels are welcome. For more information, contact Men’s Club President Lawrence Cohen at lawrencehcohen@yahoo.com.

**Torah Trope Tutorial**

*Two Sundays a Month | Starting October 27 | 10:00 am*

Learn how to chant Torah Trope, or refresh your memory, with Dr. Jerry Benis. Basic Hebrew reading skills required. FREE. For more information, contact Dr. Benis at jerrybenis@yahoo.com.

**Men’s Club Brunch**

*Monthly | Sunday, October 27 | 10:00 am*

The entire community is invited to join the Tifereth Israel Men’s Club for a delicious brunch featuring timely and relevant speakers from across Central Ohio. FREE. $5 suggested donation at the door. Additional dates and speakers to be announced. For more information, contact Men’s Club President Lawrence Cohen at lawrencehcohen@yahoo.com.

**Stitching Sisters**

This summer, Tifereth Israel became the home of the Stitching Sisters, a volunteer organization dedicated to creating quilts for people with chronic illness, specifically cancer. The organization uses the lower social hall once a week to meet and work and stores their equipment and materials there at other times. For more information about joining and/or supporting the organization, contact Joanne Lester at joannelester23@gmail.com.

**Lunch & Learn @ TI**

*Wednesday, September 11 | 12:00 pm*

Join Rabbi Braver for a FREE vegetarian lunch (courtesy of Fran & Steve Lesser, Karl Rubin & Sharon Simon, and Marty & Debra Rosenthal) and stimulating conversation about preparing for the High Holidays, all on your lunch hour. We will meet this month at Tifereth Israel. RSVP to Joy at jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org or 614-928-3291.

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**Growing Yachad, Together, Now and Year Round**

Rabbi Hillel Skolnik | hskolnik@tiferethisrael.org

One of my favorite Israeli songs from the late 90s was a song sung by Gaya Band and Din Din Aviv called “Yachad,” which means “together.” “Yachad lev el lev niftach v’ni’ir’eh ta’or shebashamyim; Yachad lev el lev niftach b’zikvah la’ahava - Together, heart to heart, we’ll open and we’ll see the light in the sky; Together, heart to heart, we’ll open with hope for love.” These words are most appropriate, for several reasons, as we approach the High Holidays.

First, you’ll notice we have brought yachad/together what used to be two separate mailings. In past years, you have received a Forum for the months of September and October while also receiving a High Holidays guide with specific information about Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkot. This year, both of these publications are contained within the pages that follow. The High Holidays guide can be removed, if you wish, simply by pulling it out. Sending these two important pamphlets out together allowed us to be more efficient as a synagogue, while sharing the same information with all our members. As always, we are interested in feedback and look forward to hearing your thoughts on this combined mailing.

Second, our community will be coming together this High Holiday season in a way which has not been true for several years. Our amazing family service will, once again, take place within the friendly confines of Tifereth Israel, in the lower social hall. For the last few years this service, geared specifically for kids in grades K-6 and their grown ups, has been held just down the street at Taylor Mansion in an outdoor tent. Despite the fact that it has, on occasion, been a bit hot and one had to walk between the two buildings, the reaction to this service was immensely positive. This was, no doubt, due in part to the fact that the tent at Taylor Mansion was a beautiful setting. But, it is also surely related to the incredible leadership shown in this service by Associate Rabbi Alex Braver, Youth & Families Director Morgan Levin, and Education Director Miriam Berk. I would be remiss if I did not mention Sam Weiss, who has enhanced the service with his guitar. Sadly, Taylor Mansion is no longer renting out its space. That change brings with it the opportunity to bring our entire community yachad/together in one building for all of our High Holiday services. Though the location will be different, the service and its spiritual beauty will be just as it was, including the leadership of Rabbi Braver, Morgan, and Miriam, as well as Sam and his guitar.

Third, as a special pre-High Holiday opportunity to get yachad/together, you are invited to meet up with Rabbi Braver and me at 10:00 am on Tuesday, September 3, at the Starbucks in Bexley (2250 East Main Street) or on Friday, September 6, at the Starbucks in New Albany (220 Market Street) to pick up your High Holiday passes in person. Anyone who can’t make it in person need not worry – we will mail them to you later. Come sit and have a cup of coffee and a pre-High Holiday schmooze.

Lastly, we are thrilled to continue the policy of making our High Holiday passes available free of charge to all. On these most holy days of the year, Jews of all kinds should feel they are welcome to share our sacred space as we follow the example of Abraham and Sarah, who opened their tent to all those in need of a place to rest. Ours is a warm and welcoming congregation of big synagogue resources, and a small synagogue feel. Please help us show off this feeling by spreading the word about our synagogue within the community and bringing even more people yachad/together.

May the year to come be one filled with happiness, peace, hope, love, and many opportunities to be yachad.
In the mere two months that I have been president of the Congregation Tifereth Israel Board of Trustees, I have walked through the entrance to the shul more times that I can count. Sometimes I am arriving to attend services, sometimes to take care of shul business, sometimes for meetings, sometimes just to catch up on what’s going on. Each trip entails strolling across the brick pavers on the walk to the entrance and the door. Each time I can’t help but notice the sad state of those bricks that have been engraved with memorials and in honor of our members and families.

Here’s the good news: The brick pavers are being removed, restored, and replaced. Once this is accomplished, by the end of August and before the High Holidays, the messages on the bricks will again be clearly legible and provide a dramatic and fitting pathway to our synagogue. Our deep gratitude for funding this project goes to Martha and Mark Rosenson. Due to their kindness and generosity, the doorway will be more welcoming, and the families and individuals honored by the bricks will be clearly displayed.

As I was thinking about this anticipated project, I came to realize that the renewal of the bricks was an apt metaphor for the present and future of Tifereth Israel. In addition to the maintenance of the physical structure that houses our shul, and which is a constant renewal of our historically important building, we must also maintain and renew the spiritual structure that is the essence of our faith. In a real sense, we are constantly re-engraving the bricks of our worship and our learning.

Assisting with this spiritual maintenance are our clergy, of course, but also those who work in the CTI office, who do the physical work associated with the comfort we enjoy in the building, and who prepare food for us. The members of our Board of Trustees are certainly part of the team, making sure the congregation is welcoming and fulfilling. The many lay members of CTI who lead services and read Torah every weekday, every Shabbat, and on holidays help us all share in the rewards of Jewish worship. The extensive adult and youth educational opportunities provide a pathway to greater awareness.

If you would like to honor a loved one or memorialize a life event, and, at the same time, help with the ongoing maintenance of our spiritual path, you can purchase new bricks to be added to the entrance. An eight-by-eight-inch brick with up to six lines of text is $360; a four-by-eight-inch brick with up to three lines of text is $180. Each line can contain up to eighteen characters. Contact Executive Director Steve Friedman at 614-253-8523 or sfriedman@tiferethisrael.org to order or for more information.

I hope you enjoy the reborn brick walkway into the shul – and all that is within.

Singing Yachad: High Holiday Melody Workshop

Wednesdays I September 18 & 25 I 7:00 pm
Interested in preparing musically and spiritually for the Days of Awe? Join Rabbi Braver for one or both of these melody workshops, exploring and practicing some new and some familiar melodies from the Yachad (Together) Alternative High Holiday service. RSVP to Rabbi Braver at abraver@tiferethisrael.org or 614-928-3294.

Hebrew Reading Refresher Course

Tuesdays I September 17 & 24 I 6:15 pm
Taught by Pamela Feldman Hill, this class is designed for those who already have a good grasp on reading Hebrew and are looking for a way to refresh their skills before the High Holidays. Cost is $20. To register online, go to bit.ly/ReadingRefresherCourse5779. For more information, contact Wendy at 614-253-8523.

Perek Yomi

Weekly I Tuesdays I 8:30 to 9:30 am
Explore a new chapter of the Hebrew Bible each day, beginning with “In the beginning” and moving onward from there! Then, meet with others to discuss what you have learned. Drop in for a few sessions, or make it a regular part of your week! Led by Rabbi Hillel Skolnik. Includes bagel breakfast. FREE. For information, contact Joy at jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org.

Book Group: A. J. Heschel

Weekly I Fridays I 8:15 to 9:15 am
Join the conversation as we explore the concept of the divine-human partnership in Abraham Joshua Heschel’s classic book, “God in Search of Man.” Led by Rabbi Alex Braver. For information, contact Joy at jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org or 614-928-3291.
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High Holidays guide

Pull out and SAVE

From all of us here at Tifereth Israel!

S H A N A H T O V A H
Moments of awe are few and far between in our daily lives. Amidst the exhausting busy-ness and distraction of everyday life—the buzzing of our phones, our carpool calendars, our demanding work and school and life schedules—it's hard to think beyond the immediate needs of the moment, and of our daily or weekly routines.

But now, as the great cycle of the Hebrew calendar returns again to the High Holy Days, we begin, slowly but surely, to sense there's something larger we've been missing in our lives. Something we glimpse in moments of wonder and meaning, but that tends to elude us in the day-to-day.

What is it? Abraham Joshua Heschel, the great rabbinic sage and civil rights leader of the mid-20th century, spent much of his career exploring the answer to this question, ultimately calling that something “awe.” He writes:

“There is [...] only one way to wisdom: awe. Forfeit your sense of awe, let your conceit diminish your ability to revere, and the universe becomes a market place for you.” (God in Search of Man)

The loss of awe is the great block to insight. A return to reverence is the first prerequisite for a revival of wisdom, for the discovery of the world as an allusion to God. Wisdom comes from awe rather than from shrewdness. It is evoked not in moments of calculation but in moments of being in rapport with the mystery of reality. The greatest insights happen to us in moments of awe.” (God in Search of Man)

The High Holidays—the Yamim Nora’im, or Days of Awe—are our yearly reminder to reconnect with awe and “the mystery of reality.” They are our yearly reminder that there is meaning in our lives even if we don’t always feel it, that our choices do matter, that we do have the capacity to choose better this time around. We pray, we fast, and we reconnect to the values and the people who truly matter in our lives. We wear away at our hardened hearts, covered by a year’s worth of crust and plaque, with a marathon’s worth of our tradition’s most sacred and stirring poetry and melodies, hoping to crack through the shell and let in a little bit of light.

But we won’t get a taste of awe in a vacuum. And we’re less than likely to stumble into it, walking into services on Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur without having done anything to prepare ourselves and our souls in advance. To get the most out of the 5780 Days of Awe, we’ve got to start early. Take a look at the various practices below that will guide you up to and through these High Holy Days. Take the time to ready yourself for awe. And then, we hope you’ll join us for the task—and the year—ahead.

**Invest Some Time**

**Elul.** The Hebrew month leading up to the High Holidays is set aside as a “warm up” for the Days of Awe, so we don’t show up to High Holy Day services unprepared. We sound the shofar each morning at minyan and use this time for cheshbon hanefesh (an accounting of the soul). Begin asking yourself: What do I need to work on this year? Who do I need to ask for forgiveness? How can I return to my better self?

**New Year’s Cards.** Reach out to family and friends with a friendly “shanah tovah” message. This is a great way to help repair relationships you may have neglected in the past year. Be sure to include pictures of family and pets! Later, the cards can be used to decorate your Sukkah.

**Selichot.** This late-night service is the “overture” before the main event, giving us our first taste of some of the prayers and melodies that will accompany us through Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. We’ll prepare for selichot with study and refreshments, then invite members of the congregation to help change the Torahs into their special, white High Holiday coverings, before beginning the midnight Selichot service. See the schedule on page 2 of this guide for more details.

**High Holiday Services.** There is something for everyone—the main Sanctuary Service, the musical Family Service (this year in the Lower Social Hall), and the Yachad (Together) Alternative Service. If you have questions, please contact the synagogue office. The Erev Rosh HaShanah service, preceded by a musical program, is also a lovely and more intimate way to start off your High Holidays. A complete list of services is included on page 2 of this guide.

**Tashlich.** Based on a verse from the prophet Micah, we cast bread crumbs into a body of moving water, symbolically casting away our sins. As always, there are two convenient times and locations to perform this ritual. Bring your bread, family, and if you like, pets!

**Teshuva.** This word, which is often translated as “repentance,” comes from the Hebrew root meaning “to turn,” and is the heart of what Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur are all about. During the High Holidays, our goal is to turn away from behaviors that ultimately don’t benefit us, and to turn toward a better and more whole way of being— to return to our better selves. Though prayer, meditation, and reflection can help us recognize the mistakes we’ve made in the past year, the only way to actually rectify them is to seek out the people we’ve wronged and genuinely ask their forgiveness for the specific ways in which we’ve hurt them. Meet up for coffee, give them a phone call, or shoot them an email.

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About High Holidays at Tifereth Israel

Selichot
Saturday, September 21
10:30 pm
Prepare yourself for the new year with learning and a reflective, penitential service. We will set the tone for approaching the High Holidays with a deeper sense of meaning and purpose and dress our Torahs in their white High Holiday covers.

Erev Rosh HaShanah Musical Prelude
Sunday, September 29 @ 5:00 pm
We welcome and set the mood for the High Holidays with a special musical program, featuring musical members of our congregation. This event is free and open to all. No passes required.

Morning Main Service
Rosh HaShanah I: Monday, September 30 @ 8:30 am
Sermon by Rabbi Hillel Skolnik
Rosh HaShanah II: Tuesday, October 1 @ 8:30 am
Sermon by Rabbi Alex Braver
Yom Kippur: Wednesday, October 9 @ 9:00 am
Sermon by Rabbi Hillel Skolnik
This service includes traditional prayers chanted in both Hebrew and English. Families, including children, are invited to participate and sing along whenever they can.

Yachad (Together) Alternative Service
Rosh HaShanah I: Monday, September 30 @ 9:00 am
Yom Kippur: Wednesday, October 9 @ 9:00 am
Sermons and reflections by Rabbi Alex Braver and congregation members
Looking for a more informal service focused on lay-participation, singing, spirituality, and reflections on the meaning of the High Holiday prayers? Check out this service, held in the Milk & Cookies Room. If interested, please contact Rabbi Braver at abraver@tiferethisrael.org.

Boker/Lailah Tov Families w. Children in K & younger
Rosh HaShanah I: Monday, September 30 @ 9:15 am
Rosh HaShanah II: Tuesday, October 1 @ 10:30 am
Yom Kippur: Wednesday, October 9 @ 9:15 am
Simchat Torah: Monday, October 21 @ 5:30 pm
An exciting, hands-on experience for families with children 5 and under. We will sing, dance, craft, and celebrate the High Holidays and Simchat Torah through special moments together. This year we will be meeting in the lower social hall.

Musical Family Service Families w. Children in K-7
Rosh HaShanah I: Monday, September 30 @ 10:30 am
Yom Kippur: Wednesday, October 9 @ 10:30 am
An engaging, musical experience for families of all kinds with school-age children, including accessible selections from the traditional prayer service along with innovative reflections, stories, and activities based on the themes of the High Holidays. This year we will return to the synagogue and gather in the lower social hall. This service is accompanied by a guitar player.

Tashlich Services
Rosh HaShanah I
Monday, September 30 @ 4:00 pm
Cantor Chomsky
Fenway Pond in New Albany, parking available on Olmsted Road behind the pond

Rosh HaShanah I
Monday, September 30 @ 6:00 pm
Rabbi Skolnik & Rabbi Braver
Clifton Ave. Bridge over Alum Creek, located between St. Charles and Nelson Park

Kol Nidre
Erev Yom Kippur, Tuesday, October 8 @ 6:15 pm
All of Congregation Tifereth Israel will worship together in our sanctuary as we set the stage and complete our final preparations for seeking forgiveness. Sermon by Rabbi Skolnik.

Book of Jonah Study Session
Yom Kippur, Wednesday, October 9 @ 4:00 pm
Rabbi Braver leads an exploration of what’s behind the story of the reluctant prophet Jonah, who bitterly resists his calling and somehow manages to be one of the most successful prophets in the entire Hebrew Bible. Join us for study and conversation between Musaf and Mincha on Yom Kippur afternoon.

Neilah “Candlelight” Procession
Yom Kippur, Wednesday, October 9 @ 7:30 pm
All children are invited to gather outside the sanctuary to participate in a “candlelight” procession to mark the close Yom Kippur. Sponsored by Tifereth Israel Men’s Club.

So a Rabbi Walks Into a Sukkah Happy Hour
Erev Sukkot, Sunday, October 13 @ 6:15 pm
It’s no joke! Join our clergy and Tifereth Israel community for a casual drink and snacks in the sukkah, rain or shine.

Skolnik Family Sukkah Celebration
Sukkot I, Monday, October 14 @ 5:00-7:00 pm
Skolnik Home, 114 N. Merkle, Bexley, 43209
Rabbis Hillel Skolnik and Sharon Barr Skolnik and their children invite the whole Tifereth Israel community to join them in their family Sukkah for a relaxed evening of snacks, games, and more before davening Mincha and Ma’ariv together. No RSVP needed.
HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSINGS
In observance of the High Holidays, the Tifereth Israel offices will be closed on the following dates:
- Monday, September 30 & Tuesday, October 1
- Tuesday, October 8 @ 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, October 9
- Monday, October 14 & Tuesday, October 15
- Monday, October 21 & Tuesday, October 22

Emails, phone messages, and tweets will not be seen or heard during the holidays. **If there is an emergency, please contact a member of the clergy team directly.**

SINGING YACHAD: HIGH HOLIDAY MELODY WORKSHOP
**Wednesday, September 18 & 25 @ 7:00 pm.** Interested in preparing musically and spiritually for the Days of Awe? Join Rabbi Braver for one or both of these melody workshops, exploring and practicing some new and some familiar melodies from the Yachad (Together) Alternative High Holiday service. No RSVP required.

YIZKOR BOOK
Each year, Tifereth Israel publishes a memorial book for the remembrance of departed loved ones. This book includes a complete list of all yahrzeit names, at no charge. Families also have the option to purchase an additional memorial listing, in a variety of sizes, that will be included in a separate section of the book.

To purchase an additional memorial listing, please fill out the 2019/5780 High Holiday Order Form, available on page 6 of this guide, at the synagogue, and online at tiferethisrael.org. Please submit all requests, along with payment, no later than Monday, September 9. For more information, please contact Joy Contreras at 614-928-3291 or jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org.

GUEST ADMISSION
Non-members and guests of members are invited to attend High Holiday services at Tifereth Israel at no charge. To request guest passes, please fill out the 2019/5780 High Holiday Order Form, available on page 6 of this guide, at the synagogue, and online at tiferethisrael.org. For more information, please contact Wendy Lake at 614-253-8523 or wlake@tiferethisrael.org. Please submit all requests no later than Monday, September 9.

Individuals and families are encouraged to join Tifereth Israel and support the synagogue’s work year-round. Tifereth Israel is committed to ensuring all who are interested in being a part of our community are welcomed with open arms and no one, of any age or background, is ever turned away due to financial hardship. For those age 29 and under, membership is free. New members age 30 to 39 also receive their first year of membership at no cost. For more information about becoming a member, please contact Member Liaison Joy Contreras at 614-928-3291 or jcontreras@tiferethisrael.org.

ACCESSIBLE PARKING
Tifereth Israel is committed to making services accessible to all our members. However, because accessible parking is limited, it will be provided on a first come, first served basis. We apologize that we cannot guarantee everyone a space and appreciate your understanding.

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HIGH HOLIDAY HONORS
All members of the Tifereth Israel community are encouraged to consider taking part in High Holiday services by accepting or donating a High Holiday honor, specifically an aliyah or a p’ticha (ark opening/closing). It is an important and meaningful way for members to participate, support the synagogue, and have an enriching holiday experience.

Many individuals and families commit, year after year, to accepting or donating the same honor. That tradition is expected to continue this year as well. If you are a member of one of those families, the congregation thanks you. If you have not participated in the past, additional honors are always available and it is sincerely hoped that you will consider starting your own High Holiday family tradition. To make arrangements for a High Holiday honor, please contact Sheila Chodosh at sheilachodosh@gmail.com or 614-736-8713.

SYNAGOGUE SAFETY & SECURITY
Please help us keep our community safe and secure during the High Holidays.
Tifereth Israel takes the comfort and safety of its members and guests very seriously. We ask that you please cooperate with the Columbus Police officers monitoring the synagogue throughout the holidays. They will be available at both of our entrances and the parking areas if you need help or to report anything suspicious. Please park in designated areas only and leave the driveway clear at all times. You may drop off passengers in front of the main entrance doors, but please do not park or leave a car standing in the driveway for any reason. Please do not bring backpacks, briefcases, cameras, recording devices, and/or large bags — you will not be allowed to bring them into the building. All handbags and personal items brought into the building are subject to search. If an item is deemed inappropriate, you will be asked to return it to your car. Please be prepared to provide identification if asked. No weapons of any kind are permitted, except as authorized by the Board of Trustees. Thank you for your cooperation and help creating a safe and welcoming house of worship.
A thought Before the Days of Awe

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Rabbi Alan Lew’s book, “This is Real and You are Completely Unprepared: The Days of Awe as a Journey of Transformation,” is an incredible work of Jewish thought, taking readers through the entire cycle of the High Holidays within the framework of Jewish mindfulness and spirituality. This selection highlights the importance of self-reflection and teshuvah, pushing us not only to examine the mistakes we’ve made, but also the mistaken ways in which we look at the world around us:

“I once went for a hike with my son, Stephen, who is an entomologist, in a nature preserve on Martha’s Vineyard. A storm came up and we had to take refuge in a little shack with a big picture window. I sat looking out the window in the rain at the birds and other flora and fauna of Martha’s Vineyard, none of which was all that compelling. My son, on the other hand, was having a much more interesting time. He was looking, not through the window at what was outside, but rather at the window itself. The window, he pointed out to me, was a very active world in and of itself, a nature preserve for insect life, as it were. And in fact, when I gave my full attention to the window instead of just looking through it, it turned out to be a veritable wonderland, full of gossamer membranes, spherical silver eggs, and metallic silver flies like Art Deco flying machines. It was clear this window wasn’t just something through which to view the world, it was a world in itself, a place with a life of its own. […]

The essential act of the High Holiday season is Teshuvah, a turning toward mindfulness, and an important step in this process is a kind of turning in to examine our perceptive mechanisms, the way we see the world. It is a shifting of our gaze from the world itself to the window through which we see it, because that window, the screen of our consciousness, is not just a blank, transparent medium. Rather it is a world unto itself, a world teeming with life, and that life affects what we see. And because that life makes us see the world differently, the first step in Teshuvah is to look at the window itself.”

Set a Goal for the Jewish New Year. What are your Rosh HaShanah resolutions? Don’t overdo it – choose one or two things that are achievable. Might we suggest some Jewish-themed goals? Resolve to attend a class at the synagogue or read a Jewish book this year. Resolve to come to minyan once a month or week. Commit to a volunteer activity for a whole year.

Eat Special Foods. Honeycake and apples and honey are traditional ways to express our hopes for a sweet new year. Many also follow the custom of putting honey on their special, round challah for the holidays, replacing the salt normally used on Shabbat. Perhaps less sweet, but still meaningful to many, is the unique Sephardi custom of eating fish heads on Rosh HaShanah, so that we will be at the head (rosh) instead of the “tail” for the coming year.

Fasting on Yom Kippur. This is the ultimate anti-cuisine. For 25 hours we do not eat, drink, bathe, wear leather, have intimate relations, or do any other activities that are forbidden on Shabbat. Even though your stomach might grumble, this is a chance to practice elevating our minds from physical concerns to spiritual ones. Don’t forget, though, that it is a mitzvah to preserve your health, even if that means eating on Yom Kippur! Consult your doctor if you have concerns about fasting this year.

Get Ready For Sukkot. Five days after Yom Kippur (with all its seriousness) is Sukkot — one of the most fun holidays on the Jewish calendar. Sing Hallel, shake the lulav and etrog, put up a sukkah, and drink etrog liqueur. The especially pious have a custom of beginning the construction of their sukkah immediately after Yom Kippur ends! After seven days, join us for Shemini Atzeret (including Yizkor and the Prayer for Rain) and Simchat Torah, when we end our reading of Deuteronomy and start over with Genesis. We’ll dance, drink, and eat brisket (or BBQ tofu)!

Invest in the Community

Kol Nidre Appeal. We invite you to support this major fundraiser that sustains the work of our Tifereth Israel community, allowing us to continue creating meaningful, joyful, and spiritual experiences year round. Detailed information will be coming soon.

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Our Columbus Agencies & Organizations. Do you love the JCC? Do you have a loved one at Heritage House? Did Jewish Family Services help you or someone you know? Are you proud of the great education our day schools provide? Find a way to support the local Jewish community in ways that matter to you. You can also support interfaith efforts, like BREAD or one of Central Ohio’s other fine charities. It will make you feel good and tip the scales toward a good year.
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Mincha 6:00 pm
Dinner 6:15 pm
Evening Service & Hakafot 7:00 pm
Light Candles 7:25 pm

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Why I Love Tifereth Israel

Mike Price  I moved to Ohio in 1983 with a “small crowd” of AEP employees from the NY Metro area. While I missed my four-hour daily commute, I rapidly became used to a different way of life. When I first walked into Tifereth Israel, I was struck by how much it felt like home. Like other Conservative synagogues that I’d attended, the books, prayers, and many of the tunes were the same as I was used to. But what really impressed me was the way the clergy and congregants greeted me; they were actually glad that I was there and went out of their way to let me know that they were.

I love the fact that Tifereth Israel is an open and welcoming place to all who want to attend. We state this at the entrance to our Synagogue, but more importantly, we demonstrate this by actively trying to make visitors and newcomers feel comfortable in our Synagogue.

Tifereth Israel clergy have been a wonderful constant since I’ve been in town. I’ve learned so much from Rabbi Berman and Cantor Chomsky over the years. With the addition of Rabbis Skolnik and Braver, I have confidence that our synagogue’s future is in good hands. As a recent retiree, I have enjoyed the ability to take part in more educational opportunities presented by our clergy. If you can’t make the classes in person, most are streamed live, recorded, and available on-line. If you’re attending a morning class, show up at 7:30 and attend minyan before the class. I’ll see you there on Tuesday and Thursday mornings!

I also love that the congregants are encouraged to take part in the services by leading parts of the service, reading Torah, and doing haftarahs. I was so inspired seeing others do this, that on the 50th anniversary of my bar mitzvah I did my haftarah again. Since then, I’ve done a few other haftarahs and a Torah reading (I’m overdue, time to start preparing for another one!). For some of us, it takes a good deal of work to do these readings, but it is a tremendous learning experience and worth the effort. Our Clergy and fellow congregants can help; you can do it too!

I’d be remiss if I didn’t mention the Tifereth Israel Choir. I’ve been singing with the choir since 1985, and I can’t imagine attending High Holiday services without the Choir.

Jack Chomsky is an amazing hazzan, composer, and choir director/leader. Each year I learn more about how the music and the liturgy combine to make the experience of the holidays even more meaningful. With the exception of an occasional solo, being part of a choir requires the blending of your voice with those around you. Sometimes that blend is perfect and it sends a shiver down your spine; it is a shared experience that makes the time and effort worthwhile. For those of us who do not have generations of family in the Columbus area, the choir is like a family.

I love that I can call Tifereth Israel my synagogue home.

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#### Sunday, October 27

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