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RECLAIMING OUR STORY:

The Pursuit of Jewish Pride

An Evening with Ben M. Freeman

Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00 PM

Join us for a presentation by author Ben M. Freeman as he discusses his new book, *Reclaiming Our Story: The Pursuit of Jewish Pride*, which explores the impact of Jew-hate on Jews and the long history of internalized anti-Jewishness. Ben will educate, inspire and empower the audience to look inside themselves to identify their own experiences with internalized anti-Jewishness, so they can reclaim their Jewish stories, ultimately moving from prejudice to pride.

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Rabbi Steven Wernick

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Nashuvah: Return Again to Community

I have lived in numerous cities across North America and in Jerusalem. In each of these places, I made friends and have a lifetime of shared experiences of fun, creativity, celebration and loss. Before low-cost long distance and Facebook, my mother^{z"l} was insistent that, no matter where I lived, I write letters to my friends and maintain those connections, especially if someone wrote to me first. As a result of her guidance, I continue to be in touch with many of my friends, from as far back as elementary school.

When I served as CEO of USCJ, an important aspect of my responsibilities was to listen to the experiences of local synagogue leaders and work to create the resources to help them succeed. That meant a lot of travel!

It also meant, with the help of Facebook posts about the cities I was visiting, I was afforded an opportunity to reconnect in-person with some friendships that time and distance just got in the way of.

When my old friends and I would reconnect, we were amazed about how easily we “fell into each other” as if no time had passed. And we also were deeply interested in hearing how

our life experiences impacted the adults we had or were still becoming.

Like Rachel Fadem writing for CNN Health explained recently, “People often underestimate how much their friends and old acquaintances appreciate hearing from them.” (CNN, July 25, 2022) In reconnecting with my old friends, I know that I certainly under-estimated how much I appreciated hearing from them and they from me.

Rachel reported on the recent research of Peggy Liu of the University of Pittsburgh who wanted to “see if people could accurately estimate how much their friends value them reaching out and what forms of communication make the biggest impact.” Reaching out was defined as a phone call, text, email, note or small gift.

“It’s often less about these kinds of grand overtures that we can make in our relationships,” said psychologist Miriam Kirmayer, “and more about the small moments of letting a friend know that we are thinking of them.” In other words, the impact was not in the means of connection but in the connecting.

As a rabbi, I am in the relationship business and the results of this survey were not at all surprising to me. That’s



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because we know from our Jewish wisdom and practice that communities that nourish friendships are communities that nourish *shlaymoot*, well-being. We've seen this play out in real time over the last two and a half years of the COVID pandemic. All the phone calls, text messages, emails, Zooms, *hallah* deliveries, walks, etc. have reduced our sense of loneliness and anxiety and have kept us connected to each other at precisely that moment in which we had to isolate.

This is why one of our core values at Beth Tzedec is **connection**. And this is why I am so excited to see you these High Holy Days at Beth Tzedec.

If a simple note is greatly appreciated by old friends, imagine what it will feel like to see our Beth Tzedec friends in-person in the synagogue again! Who are the friends that sit behind you, in front of you, to the side, in the same section, that you are longing to reconnect with?

It's been a long two and a half years of COVID, and yes, we are not done with it yet but vaccines and masks have greatly reduced the risks and have given us an opportunity to reengage. At recent *b'nei mitzvah* and weddings, even Yizkor, when our services were full, the feeling of spirituality and warmth of community was palpable. It was joyful. It was something we all have missed.

These High Holy Days—the first in which we feel confident and comfortable enough to reconnect in-person—promise to be uplifting, joyful, spiritual and meaningful. We look forward to welcoming you and appreciating the opportunity to *Nashuvah*: Return Again to Community.

For those who are not yet able to join us in-person, we will continue to offer livestream options for some of our experiences. We are working to constantly improve that engagement to make your High Holy Days experiences as meaningful and uplifting as we can. (Accessibility is also an important element of our value of connection.)

Whether we return in-person or online, one thing is certain, the High Holy Days are ultimately about our relationship with God.

We look forward as a community to return once again to God, through our liturgy and ritual, and to be inspired and enabled to live a meaningful Jewish life together.

Shanah Tovah U'metukah—may you have a Sweet New Year!





Patti Rotman

Engagement is more than membership—it's about connection to one another and to Judaism.

Engaging the Generations

Synagogue presidents historically do not train for their jobs. Instead, we learn on the job. Since starting in my role, I am continuously learning in the synagogue boardroom, while at shul and when partaking in programs with others—and with each meeting I attend and every new member I meet, I learn more.

Although I am still learning how to best fulfill my role as president, there are many things about Beth Tzedec that I did not have to learn—these are the things that I know are certain. We are doing our best to innovate at the spiritual and community level. We are committed to being an inclusive and welcoming *kehillah*. And, most importantly, we have an incredibly passionate community of Jews who care deeply for our Congregation. Ultimately, the passion is directly related to the same idea: a desire for our Congregation to thrive, grow and continue to be a sacred space for worship and community—indefinitely.

We are a community whose two parents, Beth Hamidrash Hagadol and Goel Tzedec, gave birth to a new congregation, a sacred congregation, committed to teaching and sharing the principles that sustain a vibrant Jewish life. Beth Tzedec is a leader, a beacon of *tzedec*, of righteousness, for our Toronto community and Jewish communities around the world. And soon, more and more of us will return to this beacon of righteousness for the High Holy Days.

This year's theme of return, *Nashuvah*, can be witnessed in both our personal and spiritual lives. There are so many parts of our lives that we are now able to return to and so many wonderful things going on at Beth Tzedec that we can look forward to as well.

- The return of Cantor Moshe Fishel, Choirmaster Meir Briskman and the Lishmoa El Harina ensemble.
- The return of in-person **Hot Topics!** over the High Holy Days after a two-year hiatus! Pull up a chair in the Museum to listen, learn and connect with a multitude of interesting and inspiring speakers
- The return of this *Bulletin*! It's been quite some time since you have received this wealth of information mailed to your home. I am confident it will help you to become more engaged over the *haggim*.
- The return of our annual *Simhat Torah* luncheon! Please refer to the article on pages 22 & 23 for further information.

If you didn't receive your membership renewal, please contact the Synagogue Office at 416-781-3511. Klara Romm in Membership Engagement will be happy to help you complete the process.

Speaking of memberships, we are so excited that our newest membership category, **Generations Membership**, is now underway! So many singles, couples and young families under the age of 40 have joined our Beth Tzedec community and are ready to be engaged, be inspired, make new and lasting relationships and contribute in many ways to our Congregation.

While this membership is without any financial barriers, we look forward to inspiring this cohort to give back by joining our programs, attending services, connecting with others, volunteering and philanthropy. Community engagement builds deeper, stronger and more trusting relationships that cultivates congregants to take ownership of their experiences and build deeper relationships within the Congregation.



Engagement is more than membership—it's about connection to one another and to Judaism. If your children, your grandchildren or even YOU fit into this category, please join us at Beth Tzedec. This is the future of our shul!

Beth Tzedec, Hollywood North!

Over the summer, Beth Tzedec was abuzz with multiple filming days in and around our building. If you didn't already know, Netflix filmed the upcoming Adam Sandler movie, "You Are SO Not Invited to My Bat Mitzvah!" here. Our parking lot was filled with trailers, trucks, caterers and production people galore. Many of our members and the community had the opportunity to be extras in the film and we look forward to seeing them on the big screen when we host a watch party sometime in 2023. Stay tuned!

Engaging Our Teens

USY on Wheels, a cross-continent tour

of Jewish teens who as a group explore the United States and Canada, discovering new sights and making lasting friendships through their travels, stopped by Beth Tzedec back in June. Rabbi Steve and Jody Wernick graciously provided a BBQ dinner on their deck for all those on the bus. Don Smith, our Chair of the Board, and I enjoyed meeting those involved and hearing many of their experiences.

Welcome Phil David

On July 18, our Executive Office finally became home again to a new Executive Director! Please join me in welcoming **Phil David** to our Beth Tzedec family. Phil comes with over 30 years of experience in both the profit and not for profit sectors. If you're in the building, stop by Phil's office for a quick visit and introduce yourself. We look forward to a long and exciting relationship with Phil at our shul.

COVID Community Update

Masking and other COVID-related policies are formulated by our Re-opening Committee led by Lawrie Lubin. Please refer to our website and eblasts for the most recent updates.

Pre-Rosh Hashanah Shabbat Dinner

And finally, don't delay in making your reservations to join us on Friday, September 23 for a pre-Rosh Hashanah community Shabbat dinner as we welcome Cantor Moshe Fishel, Choirmaster Meir Briskman and the wonderful *Lishmoa El Harina* ensemble.

On behalf of myself and Sheldon, our children and grandchildren, we wish you a *shanah tovah u'metukah*—a sweet year filled with good health, well-being and peace.

I look forward to seeing you at shul.

—Patti Rotman

Beth Tzedec Generations Membership

Our new, no-fee membership
for those under 40.



For more information about this program, contact Klara at 416-781-3514, ext 220 or kromm@beth-tzedec.org

Mazal Tov to our B'nei Mitzvah

WHO HAVE COMPLETED OUR BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM



August 20

Myla Maceroni

daughter of Suzanne Shulman
& Richard Maceroni

שיר בת שושנה



September 10

Rachel Marcus

daughter of Michael Marcus
& Lorraine Lawson

רחל חיה בת גרשון

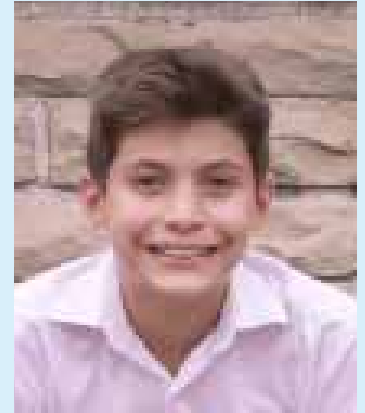


September 15

Nevo Kadosh Redinger

son of Mark Redinger &
Ravit Kadosh

נבו בן משה וררוית



September 17

Noah Samuel Joshua Klimitz

son of Jordan
& Ester Klimitz

נח שמואל יהושע בן יוסף
משה יצחק



October 15

Ruby Karp

daughter of Sean Karp &
Lea Ann Mallett

רבקה חנה בת ישועה הלוי



October 22

Charlotte Kanee

daughter of Richard
Kanee & Elana Schachter

שושנה אהבה בת רונן ואילנה



November 5

Sydney Friedman

daughter of Michael
Friedman & Allison Cepler

שושנה רחל בת אפרים מרדכי
ואדירה זהבה



Phil David

Inspiring and enabling our community to live meaningful Jewish lives". It might sound simple, but in combination with our six core values, it is powerful.

Transitions and Opportunities

Shalom...and I mean that literally since I am the brand 'new guy' sitting at 1700 Bathurst in the Executive Director seat, one I could only have dreamt about when I jumped from the corporate world into Jewish non-profit almost a decade ago.

I admit that I struggled when choosing to leave a terrific experience leading Adath Israel as its ED. So what was Beth Tzedec's appeal? Besides the shul's outstanding reputation in the community, at the tip of the iceberg is the sheer size and scope of our congregation. Did you know that Wikipedia lists us as North America's largest congregation? And with size comes the resources to navigate the very challenging landscape that is today's Conservative shul. That was certainly attractive.

But as I unpeeled the layers during my research, our mission statement jumped out: "Inspiring and enabling our community to live meaningful Jewish lives". It might sound simple, but in combination with our six core values, it is powerful. I interpret it as a chance for each of us to *do Jewish*, to *be Jewish* in a manner each of us finds most relevant for ourselves personally, especially knowing we can always rely on our synagogue and spiritual leaders to guide us each step of the way.

Add to this the remarkable commitment our shul has made to launch the groundbreaking initiative, Generations Membership. We know that many of today's younger Jews choose to define their Jewish journey in ways other than belonging to a shul, especially when finances become a hurdle. So this out-of-the-box idea of free membership for the

18s to 39s could not have come at a better time.

To be clear, our goal is not simply to provide a 'freebie' for younger members who may be facing financial challenges as they begin their careers, get married, and start a family. Yes, that is part of the equation. But we really want to appeal to those looking to engage on their own terms.

The data clearly indicates that younger generations want to feel connected to community before making any financial decision, so our focus had to shift from one that is transactional to one steeped in engagement. This is what will enable us to reinvest in the next generation so that we may sustain our shul well into the future at a time when others are struggling.

And the good news is, we can all play a part, regardless of our age or tenure. Yes, we hope you start feeling comfortable to return to services, whether it is for minyan, Shabbat or the High Holidays. But there are so many other ways to navigate your Jewish journey at Beth Tzedec—through educational programs—leveraging your expertise to serve on committees, volunteerism, and social action—just to name a few. Please check out our website or call the office if you would like help looking for a meaningful way to engage. The sky is the limit.

Thanks to all those whom I've met thus far for the very warm welcome. I look forward to meeting you all and continuing this exciting journey together.



PRE-ROSH HASHANAH CELEBRATION:

KABBALAT SHABBAT

SERVICE AND DINNER

Friday, September 23

Services 6:00 PM | Dinner 7:00 PM

Return again to Beth Tzedec to celebrate together with a community Shabbat dinner. Join us for an inspiring and meaningful Kabbalat Shabbat Service before we gather for a delicious catered dinner and songs with Hazzan Moshe Fishel and the *Lishmoa El Harina* ensemble and time to reconnect with our Beth Tzedec friends and family.

Register at <https://bethtzedecutoronto.shulcloud.com/form/rosh-hashanah-shabbat-dinner.html>



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Births

Quinn Kenneth, son of Michael Sniderman & Samantha Houser, grandson of Martin and Carol Houser and Franci & the late Kenneth Sniderman, great-grandson of Gloria and the late Cyril Houser, **born June 28**.

Theodore Ryan, son of Ashley & Ilan Bahar, brother of Sebastian Max and Mackenzie Luna, grandson of Geni & Eli Bahar and Dr. Ricky & Diana Kochman, great-grandson of Sara Brafman, **born July 19**.

Congratulations



Frances Ackerman, who celebrated her 90th birthday on July 20.

Dr. Mervyn & Frances Deitel, who celebrated their 60th anniversary on June 18. The Deitels married at Beth Tzedec on June 18, 1962 and celebrated their anniversary with their sons Dr. Kevin and Dr. Wayne Deitel.

Jerry Kirsh, who celebrated his 90th birthday on July 11.

Elaine and Eric Ostfield, who celebrated their 50th anniversary on August 6.

Sherna & Gerry Posner, who will celebrate their 55th anniversary on September 3.

Marcia Schnoor, who will celebrate her 80th birthday on September 2.

Weddings



Nicole Simon, daughter of Allan Simon^z, Norman & Jackie Kahn, and **Josh Schiffman**, son of Linda^z & Larry Schiffman, who were married on May 31.



Dr. Lauren Rotman, daughter of Patti & Dr. Sheldon Rotman, and **AJ (Adam Jackson) Goldberg**, son of Daphne & Leslie Goldberg, who were married on June 9.

Lindsay Snow, daughter of Dr. Howard & Emily Snow, granddaughter of Bernard (Bob) & Shirley Zarnett^z and Milton (Mickey)^z & Frimette Snow, and **Adi Elman**, son of Shlomo & Shoshana Elman, grandson of Avraham & Leah Peltzman^z and Menachem & Chana Elman^z, who were married on July 10.



Michael Glazer, son of Robin & Lorne Glazer, and **Phoebe Solomon**, daughter of Dr. Joan Tucker & the late Mark Solomon, who will be married September 11.

Many Thanks

The Tanenbaum Family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on April 16 commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Anne Tanenbaum**.

Diane Grafstein and family, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on March 29 commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Murray Grafstein**.

Wendy & Coleman Rotstein, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 25 honouring their 50th anniversary.

The Kichler and Sermer Families, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 25 honouring the upcoming marriage of **Ryan & Jessica**.

Ellen Band and Sephi Band, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on June 18 commemorating the first yahrtzeit of **Freda Band**.

Jeffrey & Susan Milne, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 20 honouring the upcoming marriage of **Jamie Milne & Brandon Keshen**.

Suzanne Shulman & Richard Maceroni, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 20 honouring the bat mitzvah of their daughter **Myla Maceroni**.

Rachel Bunbury & Jeffrey Kasza, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on August 27 honouring the birth of their daughter **Eliana**.

Aaron Bilek & Oz Vadee, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 3 honouring Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Gerry & Sherna Posner, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 3 honouring their 55th anniversary.

Marcia Schnoor and Morley Goldberg, who sponsored a Congregational Kiddush on September 3 honouring **Marcia Schnoor** on her 80th birthday.

Michael Marcus & Lorraine Lawson, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 10 honouring the bat mitzvah of their daughter **Rachel Marcus**.

The Matlow Family, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 10 honouring **Irving Matlow** on his 95th birthday.

Jordan & Ester Klinitz, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 17 honouring the bat mitzvah of their son **Noah Samuel Joshua Klinitz**.

Mark Redinger & Ravit Kadosh, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on September 17 honouring the bat mitzvah of their son **Nevo Kadosh Redinger**.

Sean Karp & Lea Ann Mallett, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 15 honouring the bat mitzvah of their daughter **Ruby Karp**.

Richard Kanee & Elana Schachter, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on October 22 honouring the bat mitzvah of their daughter **Charlotte Kanee**.

Michael Friedman & Allison Cepler, who will sponsor a Congregational Kiddush on November 5 honouring the bat mitzvah of their daughter **Sydney Friedman**.



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Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin

*In calling out to
God with kavanah,
with sincerity, I
have learned to
listen and find God
calling within me.*

Mindfully Engaging with Self

Dear Friends,

At any moment, there are countless conflicting sounds and noises that beg for our attention. Due to our individualized lists of distractions, we rarely stop to pause and look inward.

Before I began my clergy fellowship with the Institute for Jewish Spirituality (IJS), I might have appeared to be put together, but something inside me was lost. Maybe I was lost. The deepest sense of myself was covered by layer after layer of obligations and responsibility, *narishkeit* and materialism.

IJS provided me with tools to find my way back home to myself. That is how Rabbi Sam Feinsmith defines the word spirituality. He says it is about remembering the way home. It is about taking a step toward our self and into our inner life, even when there is darkness all around.

Over 1,000 years ago, Yehuda Halevi wrote these words:

God, where shall I find You? –
Your Place is lofty and hidden.
And where shall I not find You? –
Your Presence fills eternity.

I have sought Your drawing-near,
Calling You with all my heart;
And in calling out to You –
I found You calling within me.

In calling out to God with *kavanah*, with sincerity, I have learned to listen and find God calling within me. Over a period of 30 months, beginning in January 2020, I was trained to find my “*kol demama*,” my still small voice. It is that vulnerable voice we rarely use. At the same time COVID was majorly impacting us all, and spiritual leaders needed to triage while providing guidance, *hesed* and love, I was gaining tools on how to be authentic to myself. Perhaps it was *besheit*, but this could not have happened at a better time.

It is with humility and gratitude that I thank Beth Tzedec for understanding why this fellowship was the ideal professional development opportunity for my rabbinate. Through practice, I gained skills that I can share with all of you. During the fellowship, we engaged and tried out so many modalities that can lead us to God.

I re-learned how to pray and worship. Many of you know that I can lead a minyan like an Ashkenazi 85-year-old man with my eyes closed. But with IJS, I learned how to focus on specific words like:

I will sing to ADONAI, who has dealt
kindly with me.

(*Ashira la-Adonai, ki gamal alai*)

or



Blessed are You, ETERNAL ONE, our God, Sovereign of existence, who forms light and creates darkness, who makes peace and creates all.

The two times I gathered in person with my cohort (January 2020 and July 2022), we would sing and chant those words and words just like them, over and over again until we reached exhaustion or somehow it would naturally end. I hope to work together this year with Aviva Chernick to create more opportunities for meaningful and soulful prayer experiences for you.

As a cohort, we did a deep dive into *Hasidic* texts. I studied with outstanding *hevrotot* (study partners) and I look forward to continued learning into the future. I hope to unveil some of these texts with all of you through teachings and sermons in the coming years. As my Thursday students know, I have dropped some of them in "Torah Through the Ages".

We also spent a lot of time in mindfulness meditation. Yes, this actually is a very Jewish concept. Mindfulness has impacted the way I parent and the way I interact with others. I am slower to temper. Less gets to me. I have adopted Rabbi Jonathan Slater's approach of "that's not what I expected to happen; I wonder what will happen next." Mindfulness is especially helpful with air travel.

Not only have I begun to spend time teaching mindfulness at RHA on Friday mornings, but I look forward to doing more in this realm with our community. Marcee Bar Isaac and I will be co-facilitating "Torah and Tree Pose", an hour of Torah, yoga and mindfulness monthly on Monday mornings.

I am delighted that Beth Tzedec is co-sponsoring *Nashuva: A Jewish Mindfulness Retreat* on September 14 to 18 at Camp Ramah in Canada. I was fortunate to be the guest rabbi at

Camp Ramah this summer. If the content of the retreat does not encourage us to slow down and look inward, then the natural beauty of the site will.

In the Torah reading for the first day of Rosh Hashanah, after Hagar and Ishmael are banished from Avraham, we read that Hagar runs out of water. In her sadness, she moves away from her son and sits alone and cries out to God. Whatever she is at that moment, she knows that her innermost thoughts reach the Divine.

May we find time to sit alone with our thoughts and hopes and reach deep down into ourselves to connect to God, during these High Holy Days and beyond.

If the words I have written here resonate for you, please reach out to me at rabbiRFB@beth-tzedec.org. I would love to share more.

Shanah Tovah and many blessings!

—Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin

A Weave of Women

led by Rabbi Fryer Bodzin and Friends

Sunday, October 16 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Celebrate and share our changing and growing roles as women in our Congregation. This is a multi-generational program.

No charge. Registration required via

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Hazzan Sidney Ezer

The shofar's shape itself imitates the path from narrow-mindedness to expanded consciousness, from slavery to freedom, from crookedness to straightness.

The Crooked Straight and the Rough Places Plain

Some of the repertoire I learned several years ago when studying with my voice teacher in “Jerusalem was Comfort Ye My People” and “Every Valley Shall Be Exalted” from Handel’s Messiah. These two opening movements of the Oratorio are based on Isaiah 40:1-4 as part of the haftarah for Parashat Va’ethanan.

This haftarah is the first of seven ‘Haftarahs of Consolation’ recited on the seven Shabbats between Tisha B’Av and Rosh Hashanah. They announce God’s heavenly word of comfort and restoration and Israel’s redemption.

“Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the crooked shall be made straight and the rough places plain.” (Isaiah 40:4) Taken literally, it means simply that the impassable valleys and mountains obstructing the path were to be smoothed away to make a level road for the returning exiles.

According to its spiritual interpretation, however, this verse points to the encouragement of those that are cast down, the humiliation of the self-righteous and self-secure, the changing of dishonesty into simplicity, and of haughtiness into submission.

This latter interpretation of the meek exalted, the proud brought low, wrong ways set right, rough natures smoothed, made me think of a discussion from

the Babylonian Talmud, tractate Rosh Hashanah 26b involving an anonymous sage and Rabbi Yehudah.

According to the Mishnah in question, the shofar that was used in the temple on Rosh Hashanah was made from the straight horn of an ibex. In contrast, the shofars used on public fast days were made from the curved horns of rams. Based on this teaching, the anonymous sage of the Mishnah states that on Rosh Hashanah, the more a person straightens his/her mind and avoids any crookedness, the better. On fasts, on the other hand, the more a person bends his/her mind and humbles him/herself, the better.

Rabbi Yehudah disagreed with the above and said the opposite: On Rosh Hashanah, they would blow with the curved horns of rams, and on the Days of Atonement of the Jubilee Years with the straight horns of ibexes.

According to Rabbi Yehudah, “On Rosh Hashanah, the more a person bends his/her mind and humbles him/herself by bending in prayer, the better. Therefore, a curved shofar is sounded as an allusion to our bent minds and bodies. But on Yom Kippur, the more a person straightens his/her mind and prays with simplicity, the better. Therefore, a straight shofar is sounded”. (Talmud Bavli Rosh Hashanah 26b) We should use a curved shofar, especially on the Day of the



Mizmor Monthly

with Hazzan Sidney Ezer and Asher Farber

Saturday, October 29 at 7:30 PM and Friday, November 25 at 3:00 PM

Hazzan Sidney Ezer and Asher Farber welcome you back to *Mizmor Monthly*, now in person and online. Join us once a month on Fridays before Kabbalat Shabbat leading into a musical Kabbalat Shabbat service, or on Saturday nights following Havdalah during the winter months. We will review the themes of the upcoming Jewish month through music and song with plenty of opportunity for everyone to sing along.

Shofar's Call, Rosh Hashanah, as a symbol of this mental twisting that the High Holy Days season demands of us.

The piercing sound of the shofar awakens us and calls us to action and repentance. Whether it is curved or straight, the shofar's shape itself imitates the path from constriction to freedom. As the breath moves through the winding path of the shofar from the narrow end to the wider end, it symbolizes the path from narrow-mindedness to expanded consciousness, from slavery to freedom and from crookedness to straightness. What keeps the sound of the shofar honest is the fact that it is natural, untouched and unrefined by human intervention.

The Rabbis emphasized that any changes to its sound would render it unkosher. (*Talmud Bavli Rosh Hashanah 27b*) All the shofar's own natural sound—thin, thick, or raspy—are kosher but the shofar must sound like itself.

The theme of this year's High Holy Days at Beth Tzedec is "Shuvah", "return". To return to synagogue in person after a long hiatus due to COVID, to return to a sense of normalcy, to return to Israel as it celebrates its 75th birthday and to return to our true selves.

As the lyrics from Neshama Carlebach's song "Return Again" so poignantly state, "return to the land of your soul." As Rabbi Yehudah said, on the days of Atonement of the Jubilee Years, years of freedom, one blows with the straight horns of ibexes.

One can only imagine the future redemption when those that were lost will return. On that day "God will blow the Great Shofar". (*Isaiah 27:13*) May we, too, merit the strength to go from crookedness to straightness.

Shanah Tovah Ugmar Hatimah Tovah.

RETURN AGAIN

**A Community Selihot Service of
Shuvah with the Klei Kodesh
of Beth Tzedec, Beth Torah
and Beth Radom**

Saturday, September 17

9:30 PM Havdalah and Film Presentation

10:30 PM Selihot Service

11:30 PM Dessert reception

Join us for an inspiring musical Selihot Service focusing on the theme of returning. Featuring **Hazzan Sidney Ezer**, **Cantor David Edwards** and **Cantor Jeremy Burko**, accompanied on piano by **Asher Farber**, with insightful readings and *kavanot* by **Rabbi Steven Wernick** and **Rabbi Louis Sachs**.

We begin the evening with a community Havdalah followed by the screening and discussion of the film "Forgiveness" by Rabbi Joseph Telushkin. We will conclude the night with our Selihot Service followed by a dessert reception. Then at midnight, the Gates open!

No charge. Register at

<https://tinyurl.com/return-again-selihot-2022>



HOT TOPICS!

Our “Hot Topics!” are always a highlight of the High Holy Day experience. Join us in person as we open conversations of historical, social and cultural importance.

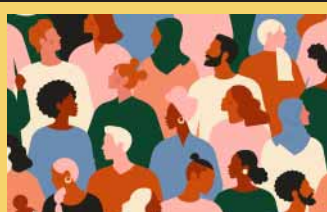


Zionism @ 125 Years with David Matlow

Rosh Hashanah Day 1
Monday, September 26
at 11:00 AM

This year, we mark the 125th anniversary of the First Zionist Congress, convened in August 1897 by Theodor Herzl in Basel, Switzerland.

Beth Tzedec member **David Matlow** will speak about the history and importance of the First Zionist Congress, presented alongside a curation of artifacts from his Herzl and Zionist collection.



Building Back Better

Rosh Hashanah Day 2
Tuesday, September 27
at 11:00 AM

Join Beth Tzedec's REDI Committee (race, equity, diversity and inclusion) for a conversation around inclusion of neurodivergent individuals (people with neurodevelopmental conditions) within the Beth Tzedec community. We will be joined by two experts, **Connie Putterman** (Co-Lead Knowledge Mobilization, Child-Bright) and **Orly Fruchter** (Manager, Neurodiverse Initiatives, Azrieli Foundation) who will share exciting initiatives and data from the field that will help Beth Tzedec develop an accessibility plan for the future.



Yom Kippur L'Chaim with Yacov Fruchter

Yom Kippur
Wednesday, October 5
at 12:45 PM

Join **Yacov Fruchter**, Director of Community Building and Spiritual Engagement, for an exploration of the sanctity of life in Jewish thought.

In this 45-minute session, we will travel through the entire life span, from birth to death and celebrate the mystery that is life.



On Love Triangles and Burying Ghosts with David Koffman

Yom Kippur
Wednesday, October 5
at 3:15 PM

David S. Koffman, author and editor-in-chief of the journal *Canadian Jewish Studies / Études juives canadiennes*, joins us for a special Yom Kippur Hot Topics! session. David serves as the J. Richard Shiff Chair for the Study of Canadian Jewry and an Associate Professor in the Department of History, and is the author of *The Jews' Indian: Colonialism, Pluralism, and Belonging in America*.



Shared Society and Borderless Nature with the Arava Institute

Monday evening, October 3 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM

As Israel's 75th birthday approaches, issues of shared society and regional cooperation have become increasingly important. Hear from alumni of the Arava Institute for Environment Studies—one Jewish Israeli and one Palestinian Israeli—about how this unique institution presents Israel and the Jewish world with a model of cross-border and cross-cultural partnership. This program will be presented in person and via livestream at <https://bethtzedec.tv>.



Yacov Fruchter

*As you enter the shul,
I invite you to let
your eyes wander
with wonder a bit
more, to allow the
exchange of smiles
to linger longer, and
to view those who
share space with
you with more love,
compassion and
curiosity.*



Building Communities of Belonging

It is no secret that Beth Tzedec is a leader in inspiring more young Jews and Jews of all ages to engage in Jewish life in meaningful ways. This commitment is at the heart of our decision to launch the Beth Tzedec Generations Membership at Beth Tzedec, removing the financial barrier of involvement for those under 40.

In my role as the Director of Community Building and Spiritual Engagement, I am inspired by all six Beth Tzedec values (<https://tinyurl.com/bt-values>), and I particularly focus on “Care” and “Connect”. One of the ways that we create the space for these values to come to life is through what we call “building caring relationships”. The idea is that we want to foster a community in which people feel they belong, are valued and can count on one another.

Beth Tzedec was one of eight congregations who participated in the **Belonging Project Pilot Survey** organized by Clal - the National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership and administered by the Springtide Research Institute. It was designed to help synagogues build communities of belonging, relationship and care; and in our case evaluate how we are currently doing in this regard so that we can strengthen our community-building and put resources and even more intentionality behind our efforts. Their research reveals that there are three stages in the Belonging Process: being Noticed, Named and Known, and what we learned is that

Beth Tzedec scores quite high on helping people feel they belong.

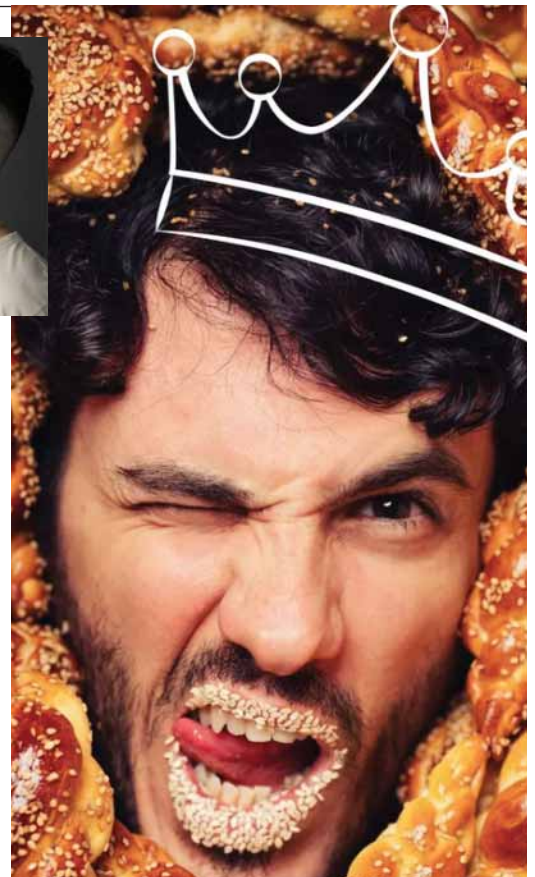
Whether at services, programs, classes and especially in Small Groups (include link), we are promoting the development of relationships between members and (of course) with the synagogue leadership and staff.

Yehoshua ben Perahiah likes to say: Find for yourself a teacher (*rav*), acquire for yourself a friend (*chaver*) and be in the habit of judging **all** people favourably. (*Pirkei Avot* 1:6)

This is one of my favourite quotes from the *Pirkei Avot*. The language of “find” and “acquire” are active verbs that elicit a proactive stance, as does the claim that we need to “be in the habit” of judging all people favourably. The Hasidic rebbe Sefat Emet (Yehudah Aryeh Leib Alter), taught that that word “all” hints at the need to understand and get to know the entirety of the person standing in front of us. I love this notion that we need to actively and passionately develop deep relationships, considering the lived experiences and unique qualities of those we encounter.

We hope that in this upcoming year you find new ways to get involved in are meaningful to you. We also invite you to partner with us in helping others feel they belong.

Shanah Tovah!
Yacov Fruchter



Challah Prince

Wednesday, September 14 at 6:00 PM

Elevate your Challah to a royal level! Join Idan Chabasov AKA The Challah Prince to learn new braids and other techniques for making the perfect Rosh Hashanah Challah. This program is perfect for families, grandparents and anyone wanting to level up their Challah skills.

Cost: \$10 per challah. Pre-registration required by Friday, September 9. To register, visit

<https://bethtzedecutoronto.shulcloud.com/form/challah-prince.html>



The Isadore Abrams Lecture, the Sigmund and Gabriela Schmidt Lecture and the Sheila Zeldin Memorial Fund

FAMILY SHABBAT DINNER

**Fridays, September 16,
October 21 and November 18
beginning at 5:15 PM**

Come together for a delicious Shabbat dinner and great programming for kids of all ages. A young children's craft program begins at 5:15 PM with a lively abridged Kabbalat Shabbat service at 5:45 PM followed by a delicious Shabbat dinner and programming for older kids.

Participants are welcome to join for the craft and service at no cost. As well, you can request a boxed Shabbat dinner to eat at home if you are not interested in eating inside.



Cost: \$60/family for Beth Tzedec members; \$70/family for non-members. Pre-registration is required on the Monday preceding each date. Check our website at www.beth-tzedec.org/page/families for registration links for each date.



Daniel Silverman

Whenever and wherever you hear the shofar this year, think about all that we have been through as individuals, as a synagogue community and as a society.

The Days of Awe

One of the most profound Jewish experiences I have ever had was Rosh Hashanah afternoon in 2020. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we knew that in-person attendance at Beth Tzedec would be extremely limited, so the Spiritual Leadership Team planned a series of outdoor shofar blowings in the afternoon. I volunteered to blow shofar at the baseball diamond in Cedarvale Park.

When I arrived, I was surprised by how many people had gathered. Over 100 people of all ages were sitting, standing, and walking up to the field. When it was time to sound the shofar, something incredible happened. As I blew, the park fell silent and still. Those who had gathered as well as those walking by stopped their movement and their conversation. It was really an incredible moment and feeling.

What I immediately thought of was that this was a use of the shofar in its original mode. In modern times, we associate the shofar only with Rosh Hashanah and the end of Yom Kippur, hearing it blown within the framework of the service within a prayer space. But in ancient times, the shofar was much more. It was used to gather the community, to call the army to war and to signal or mark important moments in the community's calendar.

This gathering in the park was a throwback to how the shofar used to be used. It is an instrument that calls your attention. It causes you to stop, to turn, to wonder. It is by design that hearing the sound of the shofar is one of the requirements of Rosh Hashanah. The shofar, regardless of where you are standing when you hear it, is designed to do what happened in the park.

People stop. They think. They reflect.

They also gather, as people did in 2020 and again when we repeated the outdoor shofar blowings on Rosh Hashanah in 2021. Gathering these last two and a half years has been a fraught subject. Each of us has had to assess what we deem to be safe and worthwhile when gathering with other people. We have gained knowledge and skills about how to gather virtually, yet we have also come to miss and appreciate that in-person, real life face to face experiences cannot be replicated in any other way.

The shofar, as a call to military arms, was the sound of danger. The shofar, as a call to gather for other occasions, was the sound of celebration. The shofar during the Hebrew month of *Elul* is a call to reawaken. The shofar on Rosh Hashanah is a call to reflection and introspection. The shofar at the end of Yom Kippur is a call of relief and exhalation.

Whenever and wherever you hear the shofar this year, think about all that we have been through as individuals, as a synagogue community and as a society. Think about those pieces of your life that might need to be stirred and reawakened. Think about how we have each tried to balance the danger and celebration of gatherings, and that hopefully these difficult decisions are quickly disappearing from view in the rear-view mirror. Think about the repair that our world needs and how you can play a small but important part in enacting change.

*L'Shanah Tovah Techateyv
U'Techateymun. May we all be inscribed and sealed for a good year.*

A VIRTUAL LUNCHTIME MEDITATION SERIES

Torah Through a Mindfulness Lens

with Aviva Chernick

Fridays, October 21 & 28 and November 4, 11, 18 & 25
from 12:30 to 1:00 PM (Zoom room opens at 12:20 PM)

Join artist-in-residence Aviva Chernick for this meditation series engaging with the weekly Torah portion as a source of inspiration. Starting at the very beginning with *Bereisheet* (Genesis), we will approach the Torah portions through a mindfulness lens, discovering what lies within as a teacher of open-heartedness and awakened awareness.

This is an introduction to meditation course and all levels of experience are welcome. Pre-registration is required to access the Zoom link information.

To register, visit <https://bethzedecoronto.shulcloud.com/form/torah-through-mindfulness-lens.html>



The Beth Tzedec Centre for
Spiritual Well-Being



Bree-AH/ The Arts and Pray / Play Lab

with Aviva Chernick

Sundays, November 6, 13, 20 & 27
from 10:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

Join Aviva and guest arts facilitators for Sunday morning services with an arts-based response. Using simple, repeated melodies, silence, movement and artistic media, we will explore the gratitude and praise of some of the morning prayers.

Experienced artists and curious explorers are all welcome. No previous experience with Hebrew, prayer or arts practice is required. Curiosity is encouraged and you are welcome to come, as you are, with your full playfulness.

Pre-registration is required to attend this program.
Register via <https://tinyurl.com/bree-ah-arts-pray-play>.



The Beth Tzedec Centre for
Spiritual Well-Being





Aviva Chernick,
Artist-in-Residence

*So much can happen
when we are
together, in each
other's presence,
mirroring neurons
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meeting virtually.*



Return Again

When I turned 50, I bought myself a couch. It is pacific blue velvet and long enough so that I can lie my whole body down on it and have a fabulous nap. I adore my couch (yes, I know it is a material object). The house in which I grew up had no couch. It had a lot of great things but no couch. My takeaway from this was that hanging out, resting and just being were not encouraged.

The psalmist writes in ps.27 v.4, "One thing I ask of YHVH, only that do I seek: to dwell in the house of YHVH all the days of my life." We recite Psalm 27 every day during this season of *teshuvah* (return). The psalmist asks for just one thing, that is to dwell in the house of the One forever. If this is the one thing that the psalmist is asking for, why do they make it for this? Let's look further.

In her interpretive version of Psalm 27, Rabbi Sheila Weinberg translates this verse with a specific focus for *Beit Adonai* (God's House): "I seek only one thing, one thing alone: to connect to this moment. Nowhere else. Only this. Nothing less. My palace in time." What does *Beit Adonai* mean for you? For many of us, it means our shul, the building itself and the sacred spaces therein where we gather to pray, to commune, to sing, to sway, to learn, to mourn, to comfort and to celebrate together? Perhaps you, along with so many, have felt the loss of not being able to gather in person to pray. It has been painful not to be able to enter this house of prayer and gathering.

So much can happen when we are together, in each other's presence, mirroring neurons and empathy, there is so much more available in terms of connecting than when we are meeting virtually. We can hear the soft breathing of someone who is crying and we can see their tears that otherwise might remain hidden with a camera turned off. We can pick up on the gentle

nuance of body language and, most importantly, we can hear each other's voices raised in prayer.

Perhaps, as it is for Reb Sheila, your *Beit Adonai* is the present moment, a meeting with Divine Presence in the Divine Present. We have a very natural tendency as humans to leave the moment that we are in, jumping backwards to the past or forward to the future with worries or anticipation, with regret or planning, anything that takes us away from right now. This very moment, too, is the dwelling place of the Divine, *Beit Adonai*.

With their one ask, the psalmist is asking to dwell here, in the physical space as well as in the spiritual space. For me, as an artist, as a meditator, as a praying being of deep faith and as someone who yearns to learn how to live with more ease, dwelling is about rest, hanging out without agenda, not to do, necessarily, but to be. Dwelling means being invited to exist in the truth of oneself, loved and welcomed as is. This is a place of deep comfort, a place to which one might want, yearn and need to return to again and again.

It is an honour for me to be continuing my fourth year at Beth Tzedec, moving further into my relationships with each of you and our community. I hope you will join me in the many programs and services which I am a part of this year, including the "Jewish Mindfulness Retreat", the "Meditation" and "Short & Sweet Services" during the High Holy Days. A meditation series will start in October and I am very excited to announce *Bree-AH/The Arts and Pray/Play Lab*, a creative prayer experience series in November.

May we be the psalmist for each other, reminding and helping one another to return to the place and space of dwelling within ourselves and together in our holy home of Beth Tzedec.

Our Simḥat Torah Honourees

After two years of virtual *davening* and celebrations, it is our great pleasure to honour this year's *Kallat Torah* **Dena Libman** and *Hattan Bereisheet* **Oscar Zimmerman** at our Simḥat Torah Services and luncheon. Oscar and Dena have demonstrated outstanding dedication to our Beth Tzedec community and now join our distinguished list of honourees.



Dena Libman

Dena Libman is a lifelong member of Beth Tzedec and a graduate of United Synagogue Day School.

With the support and encouragement of a group of committed shul members, Dena joined the Board in 2007 with a goal of advancing the *halakhic* place of women in the shul. Over the ensuing 11 years, she had the opportunity to celebrate the milestones of women being counted in a minyan and, eventually, the full inclusion of women in all ritual aspects of the Synagogue.

Dena chaired committees that brought us the new *Siddur Sim Shalom* and *Makhzor Lev H'adash*, chaired and participated in multiple Rabbinic Search Committees, was the Parnos/Ritual Chair and, in 2013-2014, served as the Chair of the Board.

Dena may be best known to the Congregation for her many years on the *bimah* as Parnos and *Gabbai*. She is enormously proud of the role she played, modelling ritual participation to girls and women.

Dena has an MSW and a Certificate in Jewish Communal Service from Yeshiva University. In her professional life, Dena is the Chief Strategy Officer for the Azrieli Foundation, overseeing a granting portfolio with a reach across Canada and Israel. Prior to joining the Foundation, Dena spent ten years in a variety of senior roles at the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto. Since “retiring” from the Beth Tzedec Board, Dena has joined the Board of Neshama Hospice, the first residential hospice based on Jewish values to be built in Canada.

During her years as Parnos, Dena had the pleasure of participating in the selection of many previous Simḥat Torah honourees. She is humbled to now be counted among this distinguished group.

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Oscar Zimmerman

Oscar Zimmerman has been an active member and leader of the

Beth Tzedec community for over 35 years.

The child of Holocaust survivors, Oscar was very connected to the Montreal Jewish community throughout his youth. His family were members of the McKenzie Orthodox Shul and he counted as his best friends the children of an Orthodox rabbi, a Reform rabbi and a Conservative cantor! All attended Herzliah Jewish High School together.

After graduating from McGill University, Oscar moved to Toronto to begin his career as an actuary. After 20 years with Crown Life (now part of Canada Life), he moved to Scotiabank, spending 25 years with the department tasked with expanding the bank's global footprint in insurance.

While on a university student trip to Israel in 1971, Oscar met Toronto-native Dr. Anna Day while working on a kibbutz in Tzuba (near Jerusalem). The two married and are the proud parents of two daughters and a son—living in Montreal, New York and Jerusalem—and very proud grandparents of ten grandchildren, with another on the way!

After joining Beth Tzedec, Oscar became interested in shul leadership. He was also elected to the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee, serving as Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee (a committee he continues to serve on today!) and the Human Resources Committee, and was elected Treasurer of the Congregation. He also served on the Audit Committee and worked on the

creation of the Beth Tzedec Foundation.

As parents of two daughters, Oscar and Anna became involved in advocating for increased female participation in ritual practices.

Oscar participated in the recruitment process for a new rabbi, bringing Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl to Beth Tzedec and ushering in a more inclusive ritual practice. He also supported the creation of the Little Minyan, a more participatory service alternative for families.

Following a hiatus from shul leadership roles, Oscar rejoined the Board during a challenging leadership time, filling a vacancy mid-term. During this transitional period, the Congregation celebrated the retirement of Rabbi Frydman-Kohl, welcomed Rabbis Steven

Wernick and Robyn Fryer Bodzin, hired a new caterer, and instituted the Beth Tzedec Centre for Spiritual Well-Being. And little did leadership know that the biggest change was yet to hit ... COVID.

The impact of the worldwide pandemic forced significant changes to personal lives, work routines and spiritual engagement. Lockdowns, gathering restrictions, masking and vaccination requirements necessitated changes to how we daven, celebrate, connect and grieve. During this time, Oscar provided leadership through his involvement with the Executive and Budget & Finance and Reopening Task Force committees. (Oscar's wife Dr. Anna Day, a respirologist, also provided expert guidance as part of the Reopening Task Force.)

While much of Oscar's leadership involvement has been behind-the-scenes, he has, on occasion, stepped 'in front of the curtain'. Many likely recall his cameo as Bigtan alongside Lorne Hanick's Teresh in one of Beth Tzedec's entertaining Purim musicals!

Though he retired from his Scotiabank executive insurance role in 2017, Oscar keeps his hand in the business providing consulting to an Israeli cyber security/ threat intelligence firm. He also provides direction on Beth Tzedec's insurance matters when needed.

Oscar's current shul focus is identifying, recruiting and mentoring future lay leaders to help the transition to the next generations.

Beth Tzedec's Annual Simhat Torah Luncheon



Join us in the stunning Mezzanine Banquet Hall as we honour our *Kallat Torah* Dena Libman and our *Hattan Bereisheet* Oscar Zimmerman.

Tuesday, October 18 following Services
following Services

Adults: \$45; Youth (ages 13 and under): \$28; Children under 4: Free

Reserve online at <https://tinyurl.com/simhat-torah-lunch-2022> or call 416-781-3511 by **Friday, October 7**. Limited Space. Reserve Now!

NASHUVAH

RETURN AGAIN

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Rosh Hashanah | Kol Nidrei | Yom Kippur
Sukkot | Shemini Atzeret | Simhat Torah

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Our Services

We're bringing back your favourite High Holy Day services for you and your family to enjoy! Beth Tzedec members can participate either in-person or via our virtual hub to access those experiences that are most meaningful to you.

This *High Holy Day Guide* will be updated with direct links to access the services as we move closer to Rosh Hashanah. Check your emails or weekly eblasts for updated information.



Sanctuary Services

Join **Rabbi Steve Wernick**, **Hazzan Moshe Fishel** and **Maestro Meir Briskman** along with the **Lishmoa El Harina** choir for our spectacular and inspiring High Holy Day services with excellent Hazzanut, choral singing and teaching. Congregational Torah and Haftarah readers participate in the Torah Service.

The Shofar Service and initial blasts begin at approximately 10:25 AM. Cantor Fishel and the choir will commence when the Torah is removed from the Ark. *Musaf* on Rosh Hashanah will conclude at approximately 1:00 PM.

The Sanctuary Services will be livestreamed via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.

Rosh Hashanah

September 26 & 27 at 8:45 AM

Kol Nidrei

October 4 at 6:40 PM

Yom Kippur

October 5 at 9:00 AM



Mezzanine Services

Join **Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin**, **Hazzan Sidney Ezer** and Ritual Director **Lorne Hanick** for this inspiring and participatory service. The warm atmosphere and emphasis on singing will help every member engage with the liturgy as we celebrate the *haggim*. These Services are offered **in-person only**.

Rosh Hashanah

September 26 & 27 at 8:30 AM

Kol Nidrei

October 4 at 6:40 PM

Yom Kippur

October 5 at 9:00 AM



Return Again and Again: Meditation

Begin your day with time in silent reflection, simple repeated melodies and deep learning. Artist-in-Residence **Aviva Chernick** will guide us using the mindfulness tools of returning to the breath and the body, together with the teachings of this season, to awaken our hearts and open the pathway for the prayers that are waiting to be spoken. All are welcome. Previous experience with meditation is not necessary. These Services are offered **in-person only**.

Rosh Hashanah

September 26 & 27 at 9:30 AM

Yom Kippur

October 5 at 12:45 PM



Short & Sweet Outdoor Services

Join **Yacov Fruchter**, Director of Community Building and Spiritual Engagement, and Artist-in-Residence **Aviva Chernick** for this spirited and welcoming 90-minute High Holy Day Service highlighting the essential elements of the liturgy (*Maḥzor*). We will combine familiar melodies and meaningful takeaways in an approachable way. These Services will be livestreamed via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.

Rosh Hashanah

September 26 & 27 at 10:30 AM

Kol Nidrei

October 4 at 6:40 PM

Yom Kippur

October 5 at 10:30 AM



Family Service

For children ages six and up and their families, this 90-minute service is intimate, lively and lots of fun. Join **Daniel Silverman**, Director of Education and Program Development, and rabbinic intern **Anna Bruder** for inspirational stories and songs to delight the whole family.

Rosh Hashanah

September 26 & 27 at 10:30 AM

Kol Nidrei

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October 5 at 10:30 AM



Festival Minhah-Ma'ariv

Everyone is invited to join us at the end of each day for evening services in the Hendeles Chapel or on our livestream via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.

Erev Rosh Hashanah

September 25 at 6:00 PM

Rosh Hashanah

September 26 & 27 at 7:00 PM

Kol Nidrei—Early Minhah

October 4 at 2:00 PM



Shemini Atzeret/Yizkor Musical Participatory Service with the HarmonEzers

Join us for a musical service led by **Hazzan Sidney Ezer**, **Asher Farber**, and **The HarmonEzers**, our small vocal ensemble. We will introduce new melodies and revive some older and familiar ones in a way that will be sure to get our toes tapping and our voices singing in harmony.

This Service is presented as part of the Shemini Atzeret Sanctuary Service and will be livestreamed via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.

Shemini Atzeret

October 17 at 9:30 AM

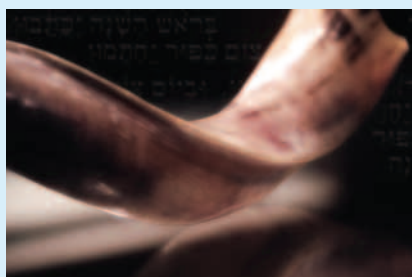


Yom Kippur Minhah Service

Join us in the Sanctuary for our Minhah Service with a Torah reading and a reading of the Book of Jonah. It will also be livestreamed via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.

Yom Kippur

October 5 at 4:30 PM



Neilah, Ma'ariv and Shofar Blowing

Join members of our Spiritual Leadership in the Sanctuary as we conclude the High Holy Days with this beautiful and inspiring service in which we imagine the Gates of Heaven closing and offer our final plea for redemption and life.

Neilah will be followed by Ma'ariv, the final shofar blowing and Havdalah.

If joining us via our livestream for Havdalah, we suggest that you turn off the lights and turn on a glow stick. Then grab your shofar and sound the final blast with us.

This service will also be livestreamed via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.

Yom Kippur Evening

October 5 at 6:00 PM

(Minhah Services begin at 4:30 PM)

Our High Holy Day Programs

Nashuvah. Return again.

Mark your calendar and bring the family to Beth Tzedec as we celebrate and connect with friends and neighbours together at these engaging High Holy Days programs!



Return Again: Community Selihot Service of Shuvah

Saturday evening, September 17
beginning at 9:30 PM

Join us for an inspiring musical Selihot Service on the theme of returning, featuring **Hazzan Sidney Ezer** of Beth Tzedec, **Cantor David Edwards** of Beth Torah and **Cantor Jeremy Burko** of Beth Radom, accompanied on piano by **Asher Farber**, with insightful readings and kavanot by **Rabbi Steven Wernick** and **Rabbi Louis Sachs**.

At 9:30 PM, we begin the evening with a community Havdalah followed by the screening and discussion of the film "Forgiveness" by Rabbi Joseph Telushkin. We will conclude the night with our Selihot Service at 10:30 PM followed by a dessert reception. Then, at midnight, the Gates open!

This special program will be presented both in person and via livestream. Pre-registration is required.

To register, visit <https://bethtzedecutoronto.shulcloud.com/form/return-again-community-selihot.html>.

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High Holy Day Youth Programs for kids in SK to Grade 5

Fun and educational holiday programming is provided for children, including activities, snacks and games. Participants should check in on the second floor using Staircase A.

Rosh Hashanah

September 25 & 26
from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Kol Nidrei

October 4
from 6:30 to 9:00 PM

Yom Kippur

October 5
from 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM



Middle School Lounge for Grades 6 to 8

Join **Sylvie Moscovitz**, our Teen Engagement Coordinator, in the Rabbi's Study to discuss the High Holy Day liturgy, a meaningful discussion about the themes of the holidays and an opportunity to reflect on the past year while looking toward a new year. Snacks on Rosh Hashanah only.

Pre-registration required to Sylvie at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.

Rosh Hashanah

September 25
from 11:00 to 11:45 AM

Yom Kippur

October 5
from 11:00 to 11:45 AM



Outdoor Family Experience: Shofar Blowing and Tashlikh with Daniel Silverman

Monday, September 26
from 3:30 to 4:30 PM

Join **Daniel Silverman** in Cedarvale Park for an outdoor shofar blowing after which we will walk to Cedarvale Ravine to perform the ritual of Tashlikh, symbolically casting our sins into the river.

Pre-registration required to Daniel Silverman at dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org.



Outdoor Shofar Blowing and Tashlikh with Rabbi Steve Wernick

Monday, September 26
from 4:00 to 5:00 PM

Join **Reb Steve** in the Beth Tzedec parking lot for an outdoor shofar blowing. Then, at approximately 5:00 PM, we will walk to Cedarvale Ravine to perform the ritual of Tashlikh, symbolically casting our sins into the river.

Pre-registration required to the Synagogue Office at info@beth-tzedec.org.



To learn more about Shofar Blowing, see:

<https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/the-shofar-blasts/>

To learn more about Tashlikh, see:

<https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/tashlikh/>



Babysitting and Child Care

To ensure a safe and secure environment for your children, Beth Tzedec engages the services of babysitters, based on specific staff-to-child ratios. Parents are asked to register their babies and toddlers with the babysitting staff in Room 103.

Rosh Hashanah

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Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 5
9:30 AM to 1:00 PM

For information, please contact Daniel Silverman at dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org



COVID Mask Updates

We've come a long way in returning to public gatherings for services, programs, classes and events. While most pandemic restrictions have been lifted by government and public health authorities, we remind our community that it is still good practice to wear masks indoors and in crowded locations, to keep up-to-date with vaccinations and boosters and stay home if you are feeling unwell.



Challah Prince: A Rosh Hashanah Program for Families

Wednesday, September 14
from 6:00 to 8:30 PM

Elevate your Challah to a royal level! Join **Idan Chabasov** a.k.a. The Challah Prince to learn new braids and other techniques for making the perfect Rosh Hashanah Challah. This program is perfect for families, grandparents and anyone wanting to level up their Challah skills.

Cost: \$10 per challah. Pre-registration required by Friday, September 9. To register, visit <https://bethtzedecutoronto.shulcloud.com/form/challah-prince.html> or call 416-781-3511.



A Pre-Rosh Hashanah Celebration: Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Community Dinner

Friday, September 23 6:00 PM

Return again to Beth Tzedec to celebrate together with a community Shabbat dinner. Join us for an inspiring and meaningful Kabbalat Shabbat Service before we gather for a delicious catered dinner and songs with *Hazzan Moshe Fishel* and the *Lishmoa El Harina* ensemble and time to reconnect with our Beth Tzedec friends and family.

Cost: \$45 for adults; \$28 for children. Register by September 19 at <https://bethtzedecutoronto.shulcloud.com/form/rosh-hashanah-shabbat-dinner.html> or call 416-781-3511.

Sukkot and Simḥat Torah

We are happy to be able to extend our Holy Day celebrations with programs and events highlighting Sukkot and Simḥat Torah. Be sure to mark your calendars and join us for these engaging, educational and welcoming opportunities.



Gesher Candy Sukkah for Grades 6 to 8

Wednesday, October 12 at 5:00 PM

Join your friends for a Sukkah building contest—made out of sweet candy treats!

Pre-register by Thursday, October 6 at <https://tinyurl.com/gesher-candy-sukkah>.



BTUSY Sukkah Hop for teens Grades 8 to 12

Saturday, October 15 at 8:00 PM

Join BTUSY for a teen Sukkah hop, featuring Havdalah, a volunteer project, candy Sukkah making, and more! Community services hours will be provided.

For information, email Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.



Simḥat Torah Luncheon honouring Dena Libman and Oscar Zimmerman Tuesday, October 18, following Services

Join us at Beth Tzedec as we return again for our annual Simḥat Torah Service and luncheon honouring our Kallat Torah **Dena Libman** and our *Hattan Bereisheet* **Oscar Zimmerman**. Following an uplifting service, we'll gather in our beautiful Orenstein Mezzanine Hall for a delicious catered lunch where we can reconnect with friends, neighbours and fellow members while celebrating with Dena and Oscar.

Cost for lunch: \$45 for adults; \$28 for children (ages 13 and under). Register by October 7 at <https://bethtzedecutoronto.shulcloud.com/form/simhat-torah-lunch-2022.html>.

To download a copy of our High Holy Day guide, click [here](#).



For information and links to all our programs, click [here](#).



High Holy Days Hot Topics!

Our “Hot Topics!” are always a highlight of the High Holy Day experience. Join us in person as we open conversations of historical, social and cultural importance.



Zionism @ 125 Years with David Matlow

Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Monday, September 26 at 11:00 AM

This year, we mark the 125th anniversary of the First Zionist Congress, convened in August 1897 by Theodor Herzl in Basel, Switzerland.

Beth Tzedec member **David Matlow** will speak about the history and importance of the First Zionist Congress, presented alongside a curation of artifacts from his Herzl and Zionist collection.



Building Back Better

Rosh Hashanah Day 2

Tuesday, September 27 at 11:00 AM

Join Beth Tzedec's REDI Committee (race, equity, diversity and inclusion) for a conversation around inclusion of neurodivergent individuals (people with neurodevelopmental conditions) within the Beth Tzedec community. We will be joined by two experts, **Connie Putterman** (Co-Lead Knowledge Mobilization, Child-Bright) and **Orly Fruchter** (Manager, Neurodiverse Initiatives, Azrieli Foundation) who will share exciting initiatives and data from the field that will help Beth Tzedec develop an accessibility plan for the future.



Yom Kippur L'Chaim with Yacov Fruchter

Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 5 at 12:45 PM

Join **Yacov Fruchter**, Director of Community Building and Spiritual Engagement, for an exploration of the sanctity of life in Jewish thought.

In this 45-minute session, we will travel through the entire life span, from birth to death and celebrate the mystery that is life.



Shared Society and Borderless Nature with the Arava Institute

Monday evening, October 3
from 7:30 to 9:00 PM

As Israel's 75th birthday approaches, issues of shared society and regional cooperation have become increasingly important. Hear from alumni of the Arava Institute for Environment Studies—one Jewish Israeli and one Palestinian Israeli—about how this unique institution presents Israel and the Jewish world with a model of cross-border and cross-cultural partnership.

The Arava Institute for Environmental Studies is a leading environmental studies and research institute in the Middle East. This program will be presented in person and via livestream at <https://bethtzedec.tv>.










On Love Triangles and Burying Ghosts with David Koffman

Yom Kippur

Wednesday, October 5 at 3:15 PM

David S. Koffman, author and editor-in-chief of the journal *Canadian Jewish Studies* / *Études juives canadiennes*, joins us for a special Yom Kippur Hot Topics! session. David serves as the J. Richard Shiff Chair for the Study of Canadian Jewry and an Associate Professor in the Department of History, and is the author of *The Jews' Indian: Colonialism, Pluralism, and Belonging in America*.

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Bree-AH/The Body III

Liberating the Voice



Wednesday, August 31 at 7:30 PM (in person)

Bree-AH returns with the third session in the **Bree-AH/The Body** series:
Liberating the Voice with our very own Artist-in-Residence,
singer Aviva Chernick.

We make sound from our first moments, small and large wordless sounds filled with emotion, unabashedly communicating our deepest and most intimate needs. How do we reclaim this liberated voice? We start by allowing ourselves to sigh; in relief, in grief, in sadness and in joy. Join Aviva for this vocal adventure that will begin with yawns and sighs as we find our way together into song. Bring your curiosity and log in prepared to play. You do not need any previous vocal experience to participate. All are welcome.





Anna Bruder

Anna Bruder, Tanenbaum Fellow

Introducing Anna Bruder, the Anne and Max Tanenbaum Fellow for 5783.

The Fellows receive a significant financial award and the opportunity for a two-week internship at Beth Tzedec followed by a two-week experience at Camp Ramah Canada. Fellows alternate between rabbinical students with a Canadian connection who study at the Jewish Theological Seminary and Israeli students from the Beit Midrash of the Schechter Institute. While here, the Fellow shadows our rabbis, experiencing daily activities in synagogue and community, participates in lifecycle events, learns about the life of a large congregation and teaches Torah in a variety of settings.

Anna, who is also Beth Tzedec's rabbinic intern for 2022-2023, has a passion for creating and facilitating Jewish communal and educational experiences while helping others find their place in the spaces Judaism

provides. Anna is completing her MA in Jewish Education at the William Davidson Graduate School of Jewish Education at the Jewish Theological Seminary and is excited to begin Rabbinical School at JTS this fall 2022.

Anna grew up in North Vancouver and is a Jew-by-choice; her path has led from Newfoundland to British Columbia and Toronto and she now primarily resides in New York. Anna earned a Bachelor of Arts in History at Simon Fraser University and has worked in Jewish spaces in university including the Vancouver Holocaust Education Centre and, more recently, at the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue in New York. She is inspired to pursue the rabbinate and teach the next generation of Canadian Jews.

Anna enjoys embroidery, backpacking the great outdoors of her home province of BC, and baking delicious gluten-free foods.

20s and 30s Welcome Back SHABBAT DINNER

Friday, September 9

Join Yacov Fruchter for a 20s and 30s Shabbat dinner as we come back together following the summer months. We will begin with our Shabbat at the Floor service followed by a Shabbat dinner.

Cost for dinner: \$18. Pre-registration required by Friday, September 2. Register via <https://tinyurl.com/welcome-back-dinner-2022>



Welcoming Phil and Nicole

Beth Tzedec is honoured to introduce the two newest members to our team. Welcome to Phil David as Beth Tzedec's Executive Director and to Nicole Leybman, Assistant to Rabbi Wernick!



Phil David

Phil David joins us with more than 30 years of leadership experience gained in both the private and Jewish non-profit sectors, most recently as Executive Director of Adath Israel. He spent the first two decades of his career in sales and marketing at large multinationals including Wrigley's, Mars, and Warner-Lambert, before switching

to an operations-based role heading up Toronto Pearson's Parking and Ground Transportation business.

In 2014, Phil transitioned to the non-profit sector, serving four years as Executive Director for Camp Kadimah before moving to Adath Israel. Phil is a proud Cape Bretoner and a graduate of Dalhousie University (BSc, MBA). He is passionate about hockey, having coached since 1993 at all levels in Toronto and abroad.

Phil is incredibly excited about starting his new career at Beth Tzedec, meeting our members, and shaping our shul's future in collaboration with Rabbi Wernick, our great staff teams, and the Board of Directors.

You can contact Phil by phone at 416-781-3514, ext. 211 or by email at pdavid@beth-tzedec.org.



Nicole Leybman

Nicole Leybman was born and raised in Bat-Yam, a city in central Israel, near Tel Aviv, and served in the Israeli police as an HR Administrator. Nicole moved to Canada with her family in 2019 and graduated in 2022 from George Brown College with a Business Diploma.

Nicole joins Beth Tzedec as the assistant to Rabbi Steven Wernick. Nicole will manage administrative and scheduling tasks for Reb Steve and for the Spiritual Leadership Team group.

Nicole can be reached by phone at 416-781-3514, ext. 227 or by email at nleybman@beth-tzedec.org.



The H̱esed Report

H̱esed Fund Occasion Cards

Our H̱esed special occasion cards are now available for purchase through the Synagogue office. Why not send your Rosh Hashanah greetings or other commemorations to friends and family while supporting the worthwhile initiatives undertaken by our Committee! Your purchase of these cards helps support many of our projects throughout the year.

Thursday Games Afternoons

It has been such a long time since we have been able to gather together for our Thursday Games Afternoons. At the present time, we are not yet able to resume our weekly get-togethers, but stay tuned for updates.

Wishing you all a Shanah Tovah U'metukah!

Care • Connect • Learn • Pray • Celebrate • Give & Get

These six core values represent the unified mosaic guiding the programs, services and events offered by Beth Tzedec that make our *kehillah* such a special and unique place.

Care



Grieving Together Support Group
led by **Rabbi Fryer Bodzin** and
Yacov Fruchter

**Mondays, September 12, October 24
and November 7 & 21**

7:45 to 9:00 PM

The loss of a loved one, at any time, is challenging. Judaism has a clear set of mourning rituals that help us relearn to be in the world after our significant loss. For many of us, these rituals have been altered or limited, just as the rest of life has been full of uncertainties.

Loss during the time of COVID-19 brings a host of other issues that may complicate our grief and bereavement. What has not changed is our desire to support you at this time, and our belief in the power of coming together as a community. Join us here at Beth Tzedec as we gather together for the opportunity to meet, support and share—together.

Pre-registration required via
<https://tinyurl.com/grieving-together-group>
or call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

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SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING

Connect



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the Voice with Aviva Chernick**

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You do not need any previous vocal experience to participate. All are welcome.

No charge. Pre-registration is required via
<https://tinyurl.com/liberating-the-voice> or
call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

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SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING



**20s and 30s Welcome Back
Shabbat Dinner**

Friday, September 9 6:00 PM

Join Yacov Fruchter for a 20s and 30s Shabbat dinner as we come back together following the summer months. We will begin with our Shabbat at the Floor service followed by a Shabbat dinner catered by Apex Kosher Catering at 7:00 PM.

Cost for dinner: \$18. Pre-registration required by Friday, September 2. Register via
<https://tinyurl.com/welcome-back-dinner-2022>.



Torah and Tree Pose Series
with **Marcee Bar-Isaac** and
Rabbi Fryer Bodzin

**Mondays, September 12, October 24,
November 7 and December 5**
9:00 to 10:00 AM

Join us for a brief Torah text study followed by yoga and moments of mindfulness and meditation. Please bring your own yoga mat and water.

Cost: \$10 per session or \$36 for four sessions.
Registration is required via
<https://tinyurl.com/torah-and-tree-pose-2022>.

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FOR SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING AND
ROBBINS HEBREW ACADEMY



**For candle-lighting and service times,
refer to our website calendar.**



Nashuva/Let Us Return: A Jewish Mindfulness Retreat

September 14 to 18, 2022

After more than two years of distance and disconnection, we join together for an immersive experience of Jewish mindfulness, learning, prayer and connection with nature. Celebrate Shabbat and the unique seasonal *Selichot* prayer service as we focus and reflect on the process and experience of *teshuvah* in preparation for the *Yamim Nora'im*, Days of Awe.

Practice meditation and yoga, engage in text study and contemplative prayer with abundant opportunities for paddling, hiking, pottery and other arts in our beautiful camp setting.

Registration is closed.

PRESENTED BY CAMP RAMAH IN CANADA IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BETH TZEDEC CENTRE FOR SPIRITUAL WELL-BEING AND THE INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH SPIRITUALITY



Ess Gezunterheit! for Seniors

Thursday afternoons at 4:00 PM

A weekly get-together of seniors, to meet and chat about Very Important Things: What's new? What's cooking? What did your Bubby teach you about chicken soup? How come bialys never made it to Canada? What did you recently read/watch that's worth sharing? What brings you joy now?

For information or to acquire the Zoom link, call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.



Family Shabbat Dinner

Fridays, September 16, October 21 and November 18

5:15 to 7:00 PM

Come together for a delicious Shabbat dinner and great programming for kids of all ages. We begin with young children's craft program and a lively abridged Kabbalat Shabbat service at 5:45 PM followed by a delicious, catered Shabbat dinner and programming for older kids. Participants are welcome to join for the craft and service at no cost.

Cost: \$60/family (Beth Tzedec members); \$70/family (non-members). Pre-registration is required the Monday preceding each program. <https://bethtzedecoronto.shulcloud.com/form/family-shabbat-dinner-september-16.html>.



Shabbat Basketball

(For teens in Grades 7 to 12)

Saturdays, September 17, October 29 and November 19

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Spend a Shabbat afternoon at Beth Tzedec playing basketball with Jewish teens in the Kimel Family Gym. The gym will be open from 1:00 to 3:00 PM; light snacks and water are provided.

This is a drop-in program. RSVP to Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.



ECRUSY Kick-Off @ Wonderland

(For kids in Grades 3 to 12)

Sunday, September 18

12:00 NOON to 4:00 PM

Kick off the year with a trip to Canada's Wonderland with Jewish kids and teens from the GTA, Hamilton, St. Catharines, Niagara and London! Take part in exciting icebreakers (divided by age group), delicious pizza lunch, and an afternoon of fun with friends at the amusement park.

***Teens/Tweens in Grades 7 to 12 will be able to walk around the park in groups by themselves with hourly staff check-ins. Kids in Grades 3 to 6 will be escorted by USY/Synagogue Chapter staff and parent volunteers.**

Cost: \$55 per person. For info or to register, email Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.

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Hadashot for Teens

(For teens in Grades 9 to 12)

Tuesdays, September 20, November 8 and December 6

6:00 to 7:30 PM

Hang out with our *shinshinit* Amit at Aroma Café in Spadina Village to discuss the latest *hadashot* (news) from Israel and get a free Israeli Aroma drink!

This is a drop-in program. RSVP to Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.



A Weave of Women led by Rabbi Fryer Bodzin and Friends

Sunday, October 16 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Celebrate and share our changing and growing roles as women in our Congregation. This a multi-generational program.

No charge. Registration is required via <https://tinyurl.com/weave-of-women> or call the Synagogue office at 416-781-3511.

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Torah Through a Mindfulness Lens with Aviva Chernick

**Fridays, October 21 & 28 and
November 4, 18, 11 & 25**

12:30 to 1:00 PM (via Zoom)

Join Aviva Chernick for this meditation series engaging with the weekly Torah as a source of inspiration. Starting at the very beginning with Bereisheet (Genesis), we approach the Torah portions with a mindfulness lens, discovering what lies within with a mind of open-heartedness and awakened awareness. In this introduction to meditation, all levels of experience are welcome.

No charge. Registration is required via <https://tinyurl.com/torah-mindfulness-lens>.

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Jewish Couplehood with Yacov Fruchter

**Mondays, October 31, November 14
& 28 and December 12 7:30 PM**

This four-week course for couples (dating, engaged or married) will create an inclusive framework to learn about, grapple with and begin to answer the most crucial Jewish questions that a couple needs to address while building a meaningful life together. Same sex and interfaith couples welcome. Traditional as well as modern approaches to core practices will be explored; couples should expect to be left with choices rather than one direct path towards building a meaningful home.

No previous experience in Jewish learning required but past experiences will be built upon and a desire to learn with an open mind is a must.

Cost: \$36 for Beth Tzedec members; \$54 for non-members. Watch for registration information coming soon.



ECRUSY Inter-Chapter Fall Convention (in Ottawa, ON)

(For teens in Grades 9 to 12)

November 11 to 13, 2022

Join teens from Eastern Canada for an amazing Shabbaton in our nation's capital!

Watch for registration information and fees coming soon.



Shabbat Teen Lounge

(For teens in Grades 8 to 12)

Saturday, November 19 10:30 AM

Join Sylvie Moscovitz, our Teen Engagement Coordinator, and hang out with friends to discuss the *parashah*, hear from special guests, learn Tefillah skills, play games and more!

This is a drop-in program. RSVP to Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.



A Night at the Aquarium for Chaverim & Gesher with ECRUSY

(Chaverim: Grades 3 to 5 / Gesher: Grades 6 to 8)

Saturday evening, November 19

6:30 to 9:00 PM

Calling all Jewish kids and tweens—Join us for an exciting night at Ripley's Aquarium, featuring a photo scavenger hunt and lots of fun with friends!

To register, email Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.

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Learn



Talking Torah with Daniel Silverman

Every Shabbat morning 9:30 AM

Take a fresh look at the weekly Haftarah with traditional and modern interpretations of the weekly reading. Intellectually stimulating and challenging.



Conversations Over Coffee with Rabbi Steven Wernick

Monday afternoons 12:30 PM

Reb Steve gathers a cadre of community personalities for conversations on politics, culture, social existence and Jewish life. Grab a coffee and join us. Sessions will be streamed to **Facebook** and **YouTube**.

New sessions added regularly.

Check our website at

<https://tinyurl.com/conversations-over-coffee>.

Visit our website at
www.beth-tzedec.org for
updated information.



Beth Tzedec Book and Film Club

Wednesday afternoons 1:30 PM

Join us for the return of our in-person Book and Film Club. Each session is preceded by lunch and time to connect with fellow literature aficionados.

FALL SESSIONS

October 19: **The Promise**

by Damon Galgut

This story charts the crash and burn of a white South African family living on a farm outside Pretoria. Gathering for Ma's funeral, the younger generation detests everything the family stands for—not least the failed promise to the Black woman who has worked for family her whole life. **Led by Elaine Newton**

November 9: **The Tunnel**

by A.B. Yehoshua

From the award-winning, acclaimed Israeli author, *The Tunnel* is a poignant and suspenseful story of a family coping with the sudden mental decline of their beloved husband and father, an engineer who they discover is involved in an ominous secret military project. **Led by Cynthia Good**

November 30: **Fight Night**

by Miriam Toews

Told in the unforgettable voice of Swiv, a nine-year-old living in Toronto with her pregnant mother who is raising Swiv while caring for her own elderly, frail, yet extraordinarily lively mother. As Swiv records her thoughts and observations, this novel unspools the pain, laughter, love and, above all, the will to live a good life across three generations of women in a close-knit family. **Led by Cathy Tile**

Pre-registration is required the Wednesday preceding each program. Check our website at <https://www.beth-tzedec.org> for information, fees and registration links.



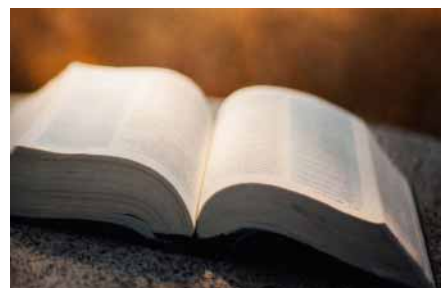
Torah Through the Ages with Rabbi Fryer Bodzin

Beginning Thursday, October 20
at 10:00 AM

Rabbi Fryer Bodzin looks at the weekly Torah portion with traditional and modern commentaries. This series will be presented via Zoom. Having an Etz Chaim humash will be beneficial; other materials will be provided.

No charge. Registration is required via
<https://tinyurl.com/torah-through-ages-2022>.

THE INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH LEARNING IN
MEMORY OF ANNE AND MAX TANENBAUM



Learn Talmud with Reb Steve

Begins Monday, October 24

7:30 to 8:30 PM

One of Judaism's greatest strengths is its affinity for diverse opinions and the debate, for the "sake of Heaven" to implement God's will in our lives. The *Talmud* is the source from which this affinity for debate and the code of Jewish *halakhah* (law) is derived.

For many, the study of *Talmud* can seem overwhelming. We will learn at a slow and deliberate pace, sequentially studying a single page of *Talmud* throughout the week.

No charge. Registration is required via
<https://tinyurl.com/xxxxxxx>.

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MEMORY OF ANNE AND MAX TANENBAUM



Mizmor Monthly with *Hazzan Sidney Ezer and Asher Farber*

**Saturday, October 29 at 7:30 PM
and Friday, November 25 at 3:00 PM**

Join us once a month on Fridays before Kabbalat Shabbat or Saturday nights following Havdalah during the winter months. We will preview the themes of the upcoming Jewish month through music and song with the opportunity for all to sing along.

This program is offered in person and via livestream at <https://bethtzedec.tv>.



Day Trips in Jewish History with *Hana Werner*

**Mondays, October 31 and
November 7, 14, 21 & 28**

1:30 to 3:00 PM

Educator Hana Werner explores the concept that Jews are blessed by many visionary leaders, inspired by "growth mindset", guided by a strong sense of Jewish peoplehood and destiny, and work tirelessly to achieve it.

FALL SESSIONS:

- October 31: Sarah
- November 7: Miriam, Pua and Shifra
- November 14: Gideon and Gephthah
- November 21: Deborah and Yael
- November 28: Ezekiel

Watch for registration information coming soon.



The Meaning, Structure and Choreography of Synagogue Services with *Lorne Hanick*

**Mondays, October 31 and
November 7, 14, 21 & 28**

7:45 to 8:45 PM

Ritual director Lorne Hanick analyzes the meaning, structure and choreography of weekday, Shabbat and festival services. We will look at the routine of prayer in Jewish tradition: what to expect at each type of service, what to bring on which days, what to wear and when to stand, bow and other physical gestures.

This learning series is for both beginners and those with intermediate Hebrew skills. It is not necessary to purchase any prayerbooks.

No charge. Registration is required via <https://tinyurl.com/meaning-structure-2022>.

THE INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH LEARNING IN
MEMORY OF ANNE AND MAX TANENBAUM



Bree-AH/The Arts and Pray/Play Lab led by *Aviva Chernick*

Sundays, November 6, 13, 20 & 27

10:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

Join Aviva Chernick, our artist-in-residence, and guest arts facilitators for Sunday morning services with an arts-based response. Using simple, repeated melodies, silence, movement and artistic media, we will explore the gratitude and praise of some of the morning prayers.

Experienced artists and curious explorers are all welcome. No previous experience with Hebrew, prayer or arts practice is required. Curiosity is encouraged and you are welcome to come, as you are, with your full playfulness.

No charge. Registration is required via <https://tinyurl.com/bree-ah-arts-pray-play>.

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Grieving Together

SUPPORT GROUP

Led by Rabbi Fryer Bodzin
and Yacov Fruchter

**Mondays, September 12,
October 24 and
November 7 & 21 at 7:45 PM**

Pre-registration required at
<https://tinyurl.com/grieving-together-group>

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The Beth Tzedec Centre for
Spiritual Well-Being

Pray



Weekday Shāharit Services

Sunday mornings at 8:45 AM

Weekday mornings at 7:30 AM

Begin your day with Beth Tzedec's morning minyan, either in person or virtually on Zoom:

Sundays: <https://zoom.us/j/894447868>

Weekdays: <https://zoom.us/j/733141765>

You can also join by phone. Visit www.beth-tzedec.org for the phone numbers and meeting IDs.



Weekday Minhah-Ma'ariv Services

Every Sunday to Thursday evening; check website for times

At the end of the day, join us in person in the Hendeles Chapel or on Zoom for our evening services via <https://zoom.us/j/668598809>. You can also join by phone only by calling 647-374-4685 and inputting the meeting ID 668-598-809.



Shabbat at the Floor Services

Friday evenings, September 9, October 7 and November 4 at 6:00 PM

Shabbat at the Floor is a welcoming, inclusive, musical, connected, caring and relevant monthly Kabbalat Shabbat experience. It's not just another service, we choose music intentionally to represent diverse Jewish voices, identities and life stories, some familiar and others new.

Prepare to be moved, inspired and connected. The Shabbat at the Floor services are offered both in person and livestreamed via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.



Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma'ariv

Every Friday evening; check website for times

Prepare your spirit for Shabbat with song, comfort and community at our Kabbalat Shabbat and Ma'ariv services, either in person in the Hendeles Chapel and livestreamed via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.



Shabbat Sanctuary Services

Every Saturday morning 9:30 AM

Our Shabbat Service offers the energy and inspiration of a complete spiritual and liturgical Shabbat experience as you sing along with **Hazzan Sidney Ezer**. **Rabbi Steven Wernick** and **Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin** offer insights into our Torah reading, expertly chanted by ritual director **Lorne Hanick**. Lift your soul in prayer as you sing with us or close your eyes in meditation and be carried away by the magnificent harmonic sounds of the service. Services are offered for in person daveners and livestreamed via <https://bethtzedec.tv>.



Little Minyan Service

September 10 & 24, October 8 & 22 and November 5, 12 & 19

For those looking to be more actively involved in the worship experience, the Little Minyan offers a traditional service in a welcoming, relaxed atmosphere. Participants lead portions of the service, read Torah and Haftarah, and share Torah insights. Torah readers, daveners, and those wishing to give a D'var Torah are always welcome and are offered skills, support and encouragement. Come to participate or simply to experience a Shabbat service full of song, spirit and warmth.



We are calling on you to help the shul maintain a minyan for services. We have launched a new reservation system daveners can use to get a better idea which services require additional attendance to form a minyan. Register via <https://www.bethtzedec.tv/book>



Musical Participatory Services

**Saturdays, October 29 and
November 19 at 9:30 AM**

Join us for a musical participatory service led by **Cantor Sidney Ezer, Asher Farber** and our small vocal ensemble, **The HarmonEzers**. We introduce new melodies and revive older and familiar ones in a way that will be sure to get our toes tapping and our voices singing in harmony.

Services are offered for in person *daveners* and livestreamed via

<https://bethtzedec.tv>.



A Shabbat of Remembrance Musical Participatory Service

Saturday, November 5 9:30 AM

As part of our morning experience with **Rabbi Steven Wernick, Rabbi Fryer Bodzin** and ritual director **Lorne Hanick, Cantor Sidney Ezer, Asher Farber** and **The HarmonEzers** lead morning services as we reflect and remember through music and prayer. Explore melodies and themes intrinsically linked to Remembrance Day that remind us of loss and sacrifice, and yet inspire us towards hope, life, love and peace.

This Service is offered for in-person *daveners* and by livestreamed via

<https://bethtzedec.tv>.



Short and Sweet Family Service

Saturday, November 5 10:30 AM

Our monthly Short and Sweet Family Service—led by **Daniel Silverman** and supported by other Beth Tzedec staff and volunteers—offers an engaging, lively prayer service incorporating the participation of the children, teens and families in attendance, followed by a community dairy luncheon.

This Service is offered for in-person participation only.

[Watch for more information coming soon.](#)



Minḥah / Seudah Shlisheet / Ma'ariv Services

**Every Saturday evening;
check website for times**

Our in-person Saturday afternoon/evening Services have resumed!

Join us for *Minḥah* followed by *Seudah Shlisheet* (the third Sabbath meal) and Torah study. We will then return to the Chapel for *Ma'ariv* and *Havdalah* following.

This Service is offered in-person only. Pre-registration is not required.

Give & Get

Sukkah of Peace/ Sukkat Shalom:

Sukkah of Peace/Sukkat Shalom: 20s and 30s Shabbat Dinner with Ukrainian Newcomers

Friday, October 14 7:00 PM

Join us for an opportunity to connect with young Ukrainian newcomers and celebrate Shabbat and Sukkot together. Space is to keep the experience intimate and maximize relationship building. We begin at Kabbalat Shabbat Services followed by dinner catered by Apex Kosher Catering in the Sukkah at 7:00 PM.

Cost for dinner: \$18. Pre-registration required by October 6. Register via
<https://tinyurl.com/sukkat-of-peace>.

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JIAS AND UJA GENESIS



Toronto USY Lounge and Ḥesed Project

**Wednesday, November 17 5:30 PM
(at Beth David Synagogue)**

Join teens from around Toronto for a special *ḥesed* project hosted by BDUSY (Beth David USY)! Registration info will be coming soon.

DAY TRIPS IN JEWISH HISTORY

with educator and lecturer

HANA WERNER



Mondays, October 31 and November 7, 14 & 21 at 1:30 PM

FALL SERIES

In their life journey, real heroes are guided by hope, inspiration and determination in taking major risks.

October 31: Sarah—A Partner in Forming a Nation

November 7: Miriam, Pua and Shifra—Role Models

November 14: Gideon and Gephthah—Charismatic Leaders

November 21: Deborah and Yael—Empowered Women

November 28: Ezekiel—Revolutionary Thinking



It's Time to Renew Your Membership

It's easier than ever for members to access, update and renew their membership online. Take a few moments to explore your member account at <https://bethtzedecutoronto.shulcloud.com>, confirm your information and renew your commitment to Beth Tzedec.

For information, call Klara Romm at 416-781-3514 ext. 220.

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Let's keep it
**SCENT
FREE**





Thank You from the REDI Committee!

In early 2022, the anti-Racism, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (REDI) Committee emailed a survey to the members of Beth Tzedec to get a better understanding of the Congregation's composition and to help assess how Beth Tzedec can serve the diverse needs of its membership. The survey was intended to identify and address any racial, equity, diversity or inclusion concerns faced by members in their relationship with Beth Tzedec and the Synagogue's community, services and programming. The hope is that the results of the survey can help Beth Tzedec continue its work in building a safe and welcoming environment for all of its members and their families, no matter their background or personal identity.

While we are all, first and foremost, Jews, we recognize that people come from differing backgrounds. Beth Tzedec wants to acknowledge the plurality of our congregants' lives, whether it is as a Jew and a racial minority, as a Jew who is part of an inter-faith family unit, as a Jew and a member of the LGBTQ2S+ community or any number of other lived identities and experiences. We

have to say we were blown away by your engagement with and response to the survey, and were so pleased to see so many responses come in. Thank you!

The REDI Committee has been working through the data with the Beth Tzedec leadership. Our biggest learning so far is that this is an issue that resonates with many of the respondents, and that there are a lot of opportunities for improvements and education related to these matters. We are planning events to continue learning about the lived experiences of our members and the larger Jewish community. If you have any ideas for speakers or issues you'd like to see us engage with, please reach out to us via redi@beth-tzedec.org.

For those who expressed an interest in joining the REDI Committee to advance our important work, we have reached out to you via the contact information you provided. We look forward to having you join us!

If you would like to participate in our Committee or if you have any questions about the survey, feel free to reach out.

With gratitude,

The REDI Committee



“If you will it, it is not a dream”

This year we mark the 125th anniversary of the First Zionist Congress that was held in Basel, Switzerland in August 1897.

Theodor Herzl was the visionary of the State of Israel. He initiated the process that led to the birth in 1948 of the Jewish State and his dream was not only about having a land for the Jewish people, but of building a model society in that land. David Ben Gurion declared the independence of the State of Israel a little more than 50 years later under a portrait of Herzl, connecting the vision with its realization.

Artifacts from the Herzl and Zionism Collection of Beth Tzedec member David Matlow will be on display to mark this milestone during the High Holy Days. All are welcome to walk through and enjoy this important exhibit.

Men's Club Makes a Difference



Give & Get: Support Men's Club As It Supports Our Community

During COVID, the Beth Tzedec Men's Club continued to be actively involved in our Synagogue's programs. Men's Club financially supported the Sisterhood's annual Mothers Day program, Stephen Berk lectures, Rabbi's "Mezuzah Project", B'nei Mitzvah gift program, Rabbinical Assembly ScholarStream series, Out of the Cold program, UJA Cuban Passover Fund, Masorti Ukrainian Relief Fund and contributed to the Abayudaya Congregation, (a Jewish congregation in Uganda.)

Along with these contributions, Men's Club continued its involvement with the Beth Tzedec Men's Club Scholarship program. In the past two years, through its scholarship committee, our Club has awarded scholarships supporting post-secondary school Jewish learning to 12 candidates.

All the above programs are funded through our members' yearly contributions. When you renew your shul dues, please choose to support our Men's Club. Your contribution of

\$36 will provide you with a three year card that identifies you as a privileged Men's Club member. Women are welcome.

Wishing you all a happy, healthy New Year, filled with love, joy and peace.

Men's Club Scholarship Program

The Men's Club announces that applications are being accepted for their Scholarship Program for 2023, assisting young adults pursuing programs of higher Jewish education.

Before submitting an application, candidates should review the criteria used to award each scholarship. To view the criteria or to access the scholarship application, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/scholarship-application-2023>. The deadline for submissions is **April 30, 2023**.

ScholarStream Series

Realizing that many in-person educational and other programs that the Men's Club sponsored in the past were unlikely to occur because of COVID public restrictions, Men's Club decided to sponsor the

ScholarStream virtual learning series on behalf of Beth Tzedec members.

ScholarStream was a partnership of Conservative movement seminaries and institutions including the Rabbinical Assembly. The program for 2021-2022 / 5782 included eight different virtual series, each consisting of three or four lectures via Zoom, under three distinct categories: Cultivating our Relationships (series 1, 2); Defining our Sacred Spaces (series 3, 4, 5); and Renewing our Resilience (6, 7, 8).

Outstanding speakers and rabbis gave high quality presentations and took questions for registered participants. Many Beth Tzedec members availed themselves of the Men's Club's generous support of ScholarStream, allowing our members to participate in the learning opportunities without cost.

As you make arrangements to renew your membership with Beth Tzedec, consider supporting our Men's Club so that they can continue supporting our Congregation.

NOW ... MORE THAN EVER ... BETH TZEDEC NEEDS A STRONG MEN'S CLUB

For only \$36, Men's Club Contribution gives you

- ☒ A Personalized Plastic 3-Year Membership Card & Jewish Holiday Calendar
- ☒ Preferred Seating at Selected Men's Club Sponsored Events
- ☒ Benefits from National Men's Club Federation
- ☒ FREE Dinner with Fellow Men's Club Board Members





Beth Tzedec Small Groups Initiative

We are excited for year three of our Beth Tzedec Small Groups initiative.

As we are itching to reconnect with old friends and develop new caring relationships, Beth Tzedec Small Groups are an opportunity to connect with other Beth Tzedec members over a shared goal, project or interest.

SENIORS

Slow Walk and Friendly Talk

Led by Shirley Brazer

Tuesdays at 11:00 AM

(weekly)

Wise Aging: A Year of Contemplative Inspiration

Led by Lorraine Sandler

Wednesdays at 11:30 AM

(monthly)

Have You Dreamed of Writing Your Story? Let's Do It!

Led by Norman Bacal

Wednesdays at 3:00 PM

(bi-weekly)

Ess Gezunterheit!

Led by Judy Libman

Thursdays at 4:00 PM

(weekly)

20s AND 30s

Jewish Couplehood

Led by Yacov Fruchter

Mondays at 7:30 PM

(monthly)

Advancing Your Career

Led by Norman Bacal

Tuesdays at 7:30 PM

(monthly)

Interfaith Families

Led by Kayla Kwinter

Weekday evenings

(monthly)

ISRAEL @ 75

Treasure Trove Live: Discovering Our History Through Objects

Led by David Matlow

Tuesdays 7:30 PM

(monthly)

The Zionist Ideas

Led by Heski Bar-Isaac

Monday evenings

(monthly)

Jewmba

Led by Gaby Heymann

Weekday evenings

(monthly)

Beth Tzedec Art Club

Led by Miriam Melamed

Tuesdays at 7:30 PM

(monthly)

The Voice of the Other: Women in the Bible

Led by Nira Kolars

Wednesdays at 3:00 PM

(monthly)

The Good Life Conversations: Living a Balanced Life

Led by Pearl Gropper Berman and
Judy Moncik

Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

(monthly)

Zentangle

Led by Bonnie Greenberg

Fridays at 1:00 PM

(monthly)

GENERAL

Chapters for Change: A Social Action Book Club

Led by Bari Zittell

Monday evenings

(monthly)

For more information or to register for a Small Group,
visit <https://tinyurl.com/bt-small-groups-2022-2023>.



Building Community with Small Groups

The mission for BTSG in 2019 was to create smaller caring communities, deepen meaningful connections to one another and Beth Tzedec and create a sense of responsibility to one another.

This past year has been a great social experiment for Beth Tzedec and other organizations. Questions we grappled with before COVID-19 became even more pressing. It started with: How are we going to make the large shul feel like a series of smaller connected groups? It became: How can we support people from a distance? How do we maintain and grow meaningful relationships when we are apart?

I was approached by Yacov Fruchter to be part of the Leadership Team for the Beth Tzedec Small Groups initiative. Coming from a background in volunteer management and community development, I know how important inter-connections can be, and how sharing a common goal can impact lives.

The mission for BTSG in 2019 was to create smaller caring communities, deepen meaningful connections to one another and Beth Tzedec and create a sense of responsibility to one another. I envisioned lively discussions on interesting topics taking place in living rooms over wine and pie. What could be better!

Then COVID -19 changed our course. We questioned whether meaningful conversations and relationships could happen over the computer but decided to forge ahead, recruiting amazing group leaders who wanted to share their passions and skills with others to create a more connected community. Maybe this could be even more vital as many connections were severed.

What occurred was quite miraculous. Through surveys and personal outreach, we found we were making a difference—86 percent said the experience decreased feelings of isolation and 84 percent said participation “increased my meaningful connections and friendships with

others at Beth Tzedec”. Some actually preferred the Zoom environment, like people who couldn’t get out during the day or those with small children. Some thought a cooking at home demo was even better than being there in person to watch.

Patti Rotman, our current President, led a “Cooking During Corona” small group. She noted, “Everyone connected almost immediately and enjoyed our once-monthly virtual cooking experience. Each session began with a relational moment which helped the participants ease into thoughtful chatter. Through the commonality of cooking, our Small Group engaged in meaningful conversation while creating delicious food. Two participants from very different generations developed a lovely bond and have since shared many in-person meals together. One was an older member who had been isolated most of the pandemic while the other was a younger, single woman new to Toronto and alone in a big city. Together, our Small Group had a very positive and purposeful experience while navigating through these virtual waters. I am truly looking forward to fostering further togetherness and inclusivity in the next session!”

This August, we’ll be opening the next round of Beth Tzedec Small Groups. While we might all start on Zoom, the hope is that we will be able to provide some combination of different ways to meet, depending on the topic and needs of the participants and community health guidelines. I am personally inspired by the stories of connection and growth, and I hope many of you will sign up for this enriching personal and communal experience.

—Joanne Schwebel,
Beth Tzedec Small Groups

This year, when you **CELEBRATE • HONOUR • COMMEMORATE**
Choose 'Treasures of Beth Tzedec' Tribute Cards



Our 'Treasures of Beth Tzedec' series, by local photographer Darren Levant, beautifully captures signature architectural details, noteworthy art and precious artifacts—timeless treasures of our Congregation. The Tribute cards featuring general, lifestyle and holiday themes, with space to add your own personal message, are available as a set of 6, or as individual cards sent from the Synagogue office.

- Purchase a package of 6 cards for \$50, or \$10 for an individual card, and personalize and send them out yourself; or
- Call us to order cards at a cost of \$18 each and we'll inscribe and send them out for you.

All 'Tribute card' contributions are fully tax receiptable. For information or to purchase, contact the Synagogue Office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Wave Hello to Sukkot!

Participate in the mitzvah of shaking the lulav and etrog!
Order your families set at Beth Tzedec.

The cost is \$50 per set. Deadline for orders is **September 30**;
pick-up date is Sunday, October 9.

For information or to order a lulav set, please contact the Synagogue office at **416-781-3511** or info@beth-tzedec.org.



Soups & Appetizer

Butternut Squash and Pear Soup \$15 per litre (serves 4)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chicken Noodle Soup with Brunoise of Carrot, Celery, Onion and Diced Chicken \$18 per litre (serves 4)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matzah Balls \$2 per piece (2.5" – 3" Diameter)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sweet Gefilte Fish With Red Horseradish and Carrots \$5 per 4oz portion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Salt and Pepper Gefilte Fish With Red Horseradish and Carrots \$5 per 4oz portion	<input type="checkbox"/>

Salad

Mixed Green with Aged Balsamic Watermelon, Sweet Pickled Cabbage, Rosemary Grilled Peaches, Cherry Tomatoes, Raspberry Vinaigrette \$5.50 per portion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Classic Caesar Salad Romaine, Herb and Garlic Croutons Creamy Caesar Vinaigrette \$5 per portion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tossed Chickpea Salad Chickpeas, Tomato, Cucumber, Edamame, Maple Dijon Roasted Sweet Potato, Sweet and Spicy Croutons, Honey Lime Vinaigrette \$6.50 per portion (5oz)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Sides/Starch

Maple Dijon Roasted Sweet Potatoes \$5 per portion (5oz)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potato Latke With Herb Garlic Swiss Charred Onion \$6 per piece (3" round)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Avocado Harissa "Butter" Roasted Tricolour Carrots, Parsnips, Butternut Squash \$5 per portion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Herb Sautéed Mixed Vegetables \$ per portion	<input type="checkbox"/>

Client Information

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Pick Up: BE ☐ BT ☐ HBT ☐

Mains

Crispy Breaded Chicken Roulade Stuffed with Smoked Pastrami and Caramelized Onion Served with Au Jus \$18 per portion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Seared Chicken Supreme with Herb and Garlic Served with Cast Iron Grape and Mandarin Salsa With an Au Jus \$22 per portion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chicken Scaloppini Topped with Spinach, Artichoke, Mushroom Ragout \$16 per portion	<input type="checkbox"/>
Applewood Home Smoked Brisket With Herb Mushroom Jus \$28 per 8oz cooked weight	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maple Orange Rosemary Salmon Filet With a Strawberry Mango Salsa \$18 per portion (6oz)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Additional

Chicken Fingers With Ketchup and Plum Sauce \$30 per dozen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chipotle Chicken Wings \$24 per pound	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sticky Honey Garlic Chicken Wings \$24 per pound	<input type="checkbox"/>
Apple Kugel \$16 per pan (7"x4")	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potato Kugel \$14 per pan (7"x4")	<input type="checkbox"/>

Dessert

Frozen Lemon Cake \$65 per cake (Serves 12)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Apple Crumble Tart \$32 per tart (8-10 Servings)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assorted Biscotti Apricot and Cranberry, Cinnamon Sugar, Mocha Chip \$36 per dozen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chocolate Decadence Cake \$55 per cake	<input type="checkbox"/>
Honey Apple Cake \$32 per loaf pan (7"x4")	<input type="checkbox"/>

Delivery \$15.00 In GTA ☐

Tributes

Make a donation, send a tribute card and include your listing here to honour your friends and loved ones. For more information about tribute opportunities, call the office at 416-781-3511.

Arts and Culture Fund

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging **Rodica Eugen and family** in memory of **Jean Eugen**.

Dot Whitehouse, honouring her **Shul Sisters, Honorary Shul Sisters and the Peeps** who have shown such profound lovingkindness and *menschlichkeit*.

Dot Whitehouse, honouring **Yacov Fruchter**.

Camp Ramah Fund

Phyllis Flatt, honouring **Patti and Sheldon Rotman** on the marriage of their daughter **Lauren Rotman and A.J. Goldberg**.

Ilene and Stephen Flatt, honouring **Patti Rotman** on being elected President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Rayna Jolley, honouring **Harold Wolfe** on receiving the Charles H. Revson Award from the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS).

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, honouring **Harold Wolfe** on receiving the Charles H. Revson Award from the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS).

Cantor Sidney Ezer Discretionary Fund

Sandra and Martin Karp, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Paul Weisfield**.

Sandra and Martin Karp, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Samuel Weisfield**.

An anonymous contribution, honouring **Cantor Ezer and the Ezer Family**.

Daily Minyan Breakfast

Jane and Jeffrey Gertner, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Sidney Oscar Stern** and **Ruth Gertner**.

Bonnie Grossman and Karen Mann, marking the conclusion of Kaddish for **Ruth Mann**.

Riva and Jerry Kirsh, honouring the marriage of **Seth Blustein and Julia Reiss**.

Eric and Linda Lerner, honouring the marriage of **Lawrie Lerner and Erin Warner**.

Sheldon Levitt and Maureen Shandling, honouring the marriage of **Eitan Levitt and Ashlyn Kettner**.

The Milne Family, honouring the memory of **Ruth Milne**.

Elana and Lawrence Mandel and family, honouring their son **Benjamin Mandel** on reaching the age of *mitzvot*.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Norem Litvak**.

Judith Shostack and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Aron Shostack**.

Ari and Sari Silverberg, honouring the their son **Tyler Silverberg** on reaching the age of *mitzvot*.

The Sobel Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bert Fine**.

Elaine Ungar and family, honouring the *brit milah* of **James Thomas Rodness**.

Daily Minyan Breakfast Fund

Riva and Jerry Kirsh, honouring the marriage of **Seth Blustein and Julie Reiss**.

Caren Riby and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Gerry Ruby**.

Jane and Jeffrey Gertner, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ruth Gertner**.

Jane and Jeffrey Gertner, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sidney Oscar Stern**.

Dr. Eudice Goldberg and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Arthur Konviser**.

Bonnie Grossman and Karen Mann, marking the conclusion of Kaddish for **Ruth Mann**.

David Samuel Kalman, honouring **Lawrence Kalman**.

The Lapedus Family, honouring **Cole Lapedus** on his *tefillin* bar mitzvah.

Linda and Eric Lerner, honouring **Lawrie Lerner and Erin Warner** on their *auf ruf*.

Sheldon Levitt and Maureen Shandling, honouring **Eitan Levitt and Ashlyn Kettner** on their *auf ruf*.

Elana and Lawrence Mandel and family, honouring **Benjamin Mandel** on his *tefillin* bar mitzvah.

The Milne Family, marking the conclusion of *shloshim* for **Ruth Milne**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, honouring the marriage of their daughter **Dr. Lauren Rotman and AJ Goldberg**, son of Daphne and Leslie Goldberg.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Norem Litvak**.

Judith Shostack and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Aron Shostack**.

Ari and Sari Silverstein, honouring **Tyler Silverstein** on his *tefillin* bar mitzvah.

The Temes Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sandra Ruben Temes**.

Elaine Ungar and family, honouring the birth of **James Thomas Rodness**.

The Winston Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Shirley Krem**.

Sara Wunch Glick, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Srul Irving Glick**.

Food Insecurity Fund

Amanda and Brian Cepler, honouring **Lorne Hanick**.

Beryl, Stuart and Jordan Ducoffe, honouring **Pearl and David Elman** on their 65th anniversary.

Esther Green, honouring **Sharon Singer Karlin** on her birthday.

Rayna Jolley, honouring **Judy Libman**.

Rayna Jolley, honouring **Patti Rotman** on being elected President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Rayna Jolley, honouring **Patti and Sheldon Rotman** on the marriage of their daughter **Lauren Rotman and AJ Goldberg**.

Irving Matlow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Goldie Matlow**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, acknowledging **Ivan Betcherman and family** in memory of **Ann Betcherman**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, acknowledging **Jeff Milne and family** in memory of **Ruth Milne**.

Patti and Sheldon Rotman, honouring **Francie and Arnold Smith** on the marriage of their son **Zev Smith and Alana Engelberg**.

Francie and Arnold Smith, honouring **Patti and Sheldon Rotman** on the marriage of their daughter **Lauren Rotman and AJ Goldberg**.

Deborah Steinman, acknowledging **Jason Stein** in memory of **Jeanette Stein**.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Herman Itkoff**.

Cantor Deborah Staiman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Shirley Jane Staiman**.

General Fund

Beverley Applebaum, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Ragals**.

Lynn Carzman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hon. Justice Marvin Catzman**.

Miranda Ferris, honouring **Miriam Zittell**.

Bonnie and David Goldstein and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Malka Green**.

Stanley Gordon, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lillian Gordon**.

Stanley Gordon, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **William Gordon**.

Lou Hoffer and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Hoffer**.

Gloria and Norman Jacobs, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sarah Leibman Levine**.

Howard and Vardina Kaiman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Benjamin Jerry Kaiman**.

Riva and Jerry Kirsh, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Toby Waltman**.

Nadine and David Koff, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Simon Zalman Koff**.

Carolyn and Eliot Kolers, acknowledging **Maurice Stekel** in memory of **Karen Barbara Stekel**.

Mildred Kriezman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sol Glazier**.

Karen Miller, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Shepherd**.

The Miller Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bessie Miller**.

Norman Mogil and family, honouring the memories of **Harry Mogil** and **Brenda Mazelow**.

Ellen Plenner, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Kalmanson**.

Paul and Gella Rothstein, honouring the memory of **Marjorie Rothstein**.

An anonymous contribution, honouring **Beth Tzedec Congregation** for welcoming the Toronto Partnership Minyan.

Jerry Schendel, honouring the memory of **Efraim (Fred) Scheindel**.

Pesia Signer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Zahava Terner**.

Sylvia Steinberg and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Arnold Steinberg**.

Sylvia Steinberg and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Glanzstein**.

Sylvia Steinberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rozica Glanzstein**.

Norman and Ava Tobias, Joseph, Claire and Ori and Avery Alexis, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **David Charles Tobias**.

Roslyn Verny, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Elsie Hoffer**.

The Walters Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Walters**.

Hesed Fund

Frances Ackerman and Henry Einstoss, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bella Einstoss**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Abraham Greenberg**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harold Albert Green**.

Rosalee Berlin and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Max David Berlin**.

Bayla and Leo Chaikof, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Appel**.

Jeffrey and Terry Cummings, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Robert Cummings**.

Sam and Melissa Glazer, acknowledging **Jason Stein** in memory of **Jeannette Stein**.

Sam and Melissa Glazer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jennie Potash**.

Sam and Melissa Glazer, honouring the memory of **Bertha Sklar**.

Irving Gold, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dora Gold**.

Judith Golden, acknowledging **David Promislow** in memory of **Shirley Promislow**.

Nathan Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Anne Greenberg**.

Nathan Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jacob Greenberg**.

Nathan Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Greenberg**.

Brenda Orser, honouring **Riley Burstyn**.

Sheldon and Patti Rotman, acknowledging **David Promislow and family** in memory of **Shirley Promislow**.

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, honouring **Naomi Azrieli and Joel Reitman** on being appointed to the Order of Canada.

Lorraine Sandler, honouring **Dana Solnik**.

Duke Segel and Rose Sobel, acknowledging **Jason Stein** in memory of **Jeannette Stein**.

Duke Segel and Rose Sobel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Esther Segel**.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segel, acknowledging **Maurice Stekel** in memory of **Karen Barbara Stekel**.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Grimson**.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Nathan Chelin**.

Rose Sobel and Duke Segel, honouring the memories of **Isaac Segel** and **Benjamin Chelin**.

Dot Whitehouse, acknowledging **Jason Stein** in memory of **Jeannette Stein**.

Howard (Hy) Cooper Trust Fund

Jerry Grammer, acknowledging **Maurice Stekel** in memory of **Karen Barbara Stekel**.

David, Carol, Ari, Marissa, Yonit and Adam Grossman, honouring **Sandi Grossman** on her special birthday.

Jewish Family Living Fund

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sonia Weinstock**.

Albertin Sarraf, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ezat Shenassa**.

Jonathan Kahn Memorial Fund

Loren and Mark Roth, honouring **Cari, Ben, Annie and Zachary** on the birth of **Zachary Landon Roth**.

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, honouring **Debbie Rothstein** for doing an outstanding job as President.

Kaddish Fund

Brenda Orser, acknowledging **Claire and Kenny Shapiro** in memory of **Jakob Shapiro**.

Brenda Orser, acknowledging **Elaine and Joey Steiner** in memory of **Jonathan Steiner**.

Brenda Orser, acknowledging **Mark Burstyn and family** in memory of **Rhonda Burstyn**.

Kosher Food Bank

Martha Drassinower

Simor Gelman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Elyse Gelman**.

Sharon and Paul Haberman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Doris Winer**.

Shelley and Hartley Kestenberg, honouring **Patti Rotman**.

Marsha Krakowsky

Gloria Salomon-Levy, honouring **Patti Rotman** on being elected President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

David and Evelyn Pollock, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ben Pollock**.

Esterita Rajsky and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ida Zelda Chananie**.

Sandra Rosen, honouring the memory of **Samuel Zatz**.

Janet Wortsman, honouring the memory of **Kelly Wortsman**.

Membership Relief Fund

Zina Glassman, honouring **Harold Wolfe** on receiving the Charles H. Revson Award from the Jewish Theological Seminary (JTS).

Gella and Paul Rothstein, acknowledging the memory of **Pauline Goldhar**.

Deborah Staiman, honouring **Patti Rotman** on being elected President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Music Fund

Nathan Greenberg, acknowledging the memory of **Lola Friedberg**.

Steve Katz, honouring **Lena and Kolman Katz**.

Albert Weinstein and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Evelyn Weinstein**.

Online Learning Fund

Phyllis Fien, honouring **Lorraine Sandler**.

Marcia Schnoor, honouring **Lorraine Sandler** for facilitating the Wise Aging group.

Ruth and Lony Gropper, honouring **Lorraine Sandler** for facilitating the Wise Aging group.

Judy Libman, honouring the memory of **Dr. Arnold Cohen**.

Brenda Orser, honouring **Joey Steiner** on his graduation.

Brenda Orser, honouring **Patti Rotman** on being elected President of Beth Tzedec Congregation.

Millie Pollock, honouring **Toby Saltzman**.

Out-of-the-Cold Fund

Frances Ackerman and Henry Einstoss, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Nancy Einstoss**.

Bella and Leonard Brody, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Abraham Jacobs**.

Garry and Patti Pollock and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harry Aiken**.

Garry and Patti Pollock and family, honouring **Larry and Pam Shapiro** on the b'nei mitzvah of **Sloane and Hudson Shapiro**.

Gary and Patti Pollock and family, honouring **Warren Green** on his 84th birthday.

Lisa Reynolds-Jones, acknowledging **Evelyn and David Pollock** in memory of **Daniel Pollock**.

Gella and Paul Rothstein, acknowledging **Shirley Promislow**^{z"l} in memory of **Arlene Gandler Moskowitz**.

Sheila Rubinoff and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Geraldine Rubinoff**.

Sheila Rubinoff and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Melvyn Paul Rubinoff**.

Sheila Rubinoff and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rose Langer**.

Sheila Rubinoff and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Tracey Jill Rubinoff**.

Mel and Ruth Steinhart, acknowledging **Shirley Promislow**^{z"l} in memory of **Arlene Gandler Moskowitz**.

Prayer Book Dedications (Siddur)

Bonnie Grossman and Morley Halberstadt, honouring the memory of **Ruthe Mann**.

Claire Friedlich Markus and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Thomas Friedlich**.

Claire Friedlich Markus and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Isadore Steinberg**.

David and Shirley^{z"l} Promislow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dorothy Promislow**.

Gella and Paul Rothstein, acknowledging **Michael Firestone** in memory of **Faye Firestone**.

Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin Discretionary Fund

The Citron and Himel Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. S Paul Citron**.

Barry Gang, honouring **Rabbi Fryer Bodzin** for her assistance with their son's *auf ruf*.

Melissa and Sam Glazer, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Saul Pasen** and **Gertrude Thuna Pasen**.

Sam and Melissa Glazer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Albert Glazer**.

Andrew and Sharon Himel and Alec and Will Biderman, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Malka Green**.

Gordon and Gail Pape, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Walter Pape**.

Rabbi Steven Wernick Discretionary Fund

Earl Berger and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Louis Berger**.

Earl Berger and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Salome Berger**.

The Citron and Himel Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. S Paul Citron**.

Ralf Gold, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dina Gold**.

Marcia Schnoor, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Ernest Billinkoff**.

Arlene Himel, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Philip A. Pearl**.

Jerome and Pearl Kazdan, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jeanette Schwartz**.

Harvey and Carole Kerbel, honouring **Rabbi Steven Wernick**.

Harold and Ruth Margles, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Mary Margles**.

Sonia Schwartz, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sara Schwartz**.

Jeffrey Stutz

Refugee Program

Rosette Rutman, Stephen and Tamara Abrams, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Edith Valo**.

Beverly Abramson and Buddy Schwartz, honouring **Blake Abramson** on his bar mitzvah.

Paula and Manny Agulnik, acknowledging **Rosalie Abella and family** in memory of **Professor Irving Abella**.

Albina Backman and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Steve Rozencwajg**.

Maury and Cheryl Cepler, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Louis Cepler**.

Gene and Peter Chodos, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Samuel Granat**.

Diane and Ronnie Ennis, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Wayne Rose**.

Phyllis Fien, honouring **Yacov Fruchter**.

Fred and Ruth Fishman, honouring **Bari and Teddy Zittell and the Zittell and Stein Family** in honour of **Henry Stein's** bar mitzvah.

Maxine Gallander Wintre, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harold Gallander**.

Maxine Gallander Wintre and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Harold Gallander**.

Maxine Gallander Wintre and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Helaine Gallander**.

Maxine Gallander Wintre and family, honouring **Toddy and Irving Granovsky** on their 60th anniversary.

Maxine Gallander Wintre, honouring the memory of **Professor Irving Abella**.

Rosemary and Morty Goldhar, honouring **Nancy Kraft** on **Jonathan Kraft's** bar mitzvah.

Susan Laufer and Barry Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Irving Berlin**.

Liane Greenberg, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rebecca Greenberg**.

Nathan Greenberg and family, honouring the memory of **Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg**.

Martin Halpern and Karen Glass and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Malca Janice Litovitz**.

Beverly Kupfert, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Eva Kupfert**.

Gloria and Norman Jacobs, honouring the memory of **David Leibman**.

Riva and Jerry Kirsh, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Rubin Schneider**.

Esther and Jerry Kravice, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Fanny Pesses**.

Malki Lazar, acknowledging **Mark Medicoff** in memory of **Ellen Medicoff Parks**.

Malki Lazar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Evelyn Lazar**.

Malki Lazar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Lazer Lazar**.

Malki Lazar, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Regina Lazar**.

Ellen and Alan Levine and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Shirley Steinberg**.

Jodi and Paul Mandel, honouring **Yacov Fruchter**.

Roz Mendelson and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Audrey Ellison**.

Roz Mendelson and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Murray Mendelson**.

The Menkes Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Murray Menkes**.

Pauline Menkes, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Florence Weintraub**.

Honey Milstein and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Solly Nisker**.

Sybil Milstone and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jacqueline Penny**.

Ruth Nichols, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Carolyn Cronenberg**.

Ruth Nichols, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Hilda Nichols**.

Diane Friedlich Betel, Michele Friedlich-Pollock and families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Aurelia Aranka Friedlich**.

Esterita Rajskey and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Saul Alexander Rajskey**.

Mary and Les Richmond and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Olly Mittelman**.

Mary and Les Richmond and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Samuel Richmond**.

Mary and Les Richmond and family, commemorating the yahrtzeiten of **Meir and Tirza Friedman**.

Ferne Rubinstein, honouring **Bonnie Greenberg** on receiving the Small Groups Leadership Award.

Alan and Lorraine Sandler, acknowledging **Rosalie Abella and family** in memory of **Professor Irving Abella**.

The Seigel, Alter and Levine Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pearl Alter**.

Naomi Zittell and Jared Stein, honouring **Yacov Fruchter** for leading **Henry Stein's** bar mitzvah.

Martha Sud and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Grossman**.

Sharon L. Yale, honouring the memory of **Jacob Morris Wineberg**.

Dorothy Tassis, acknowledging **Dr. Ken and Rona Shulman** in memory of **Arthur Schwartz**.

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Dorothy Tassis and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Stanley Tassis**.

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Percy Pollock
Shirley Promislow
Michael Pupko
Sally Reisman
Gary Rubinoff
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Alan Schwartz
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"May the God of mercy sustain and strengthen them in their sorrow."

Memorial Plaques

If you wish to honour the memory of a dear one, a fitting, traditional and dignified remembrance is through a memorial plaque and lamp. Each plaque, bearing the name and yahrtzeit date, is mounted on a bronze tablet in the Sanctuary. The lamp is lit on the Shabbat of the week of the yahrtzeit, on the day of the yahrtzeit, and on the four festivals during the year when Yizkor is recited. To order a memorial plaque, call 416-781-3511.

Everything we do Today is for Tomorrow

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Dorothy Tonchin, honouring **Lyon Wexler** on his birthday.

Ted and Annette Wine and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Wine**.

Ben and Susie Zarnett, acknowledging **Rosalie Abella and family** in memory of **Professor Irving Abella**.

The Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl Endowment Fund

The Brockman Families, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Sophie Brockman**.

The Brockman Family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of yahrtzeit of **Louis Brockman**.

Paul and Tammy Brown and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Gina Brown**.

Sidney Brown, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Gina Brown**.

Sidney Brown and Sarah Tanenbaum, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Faiga Brown**.

Bob and Flory Cohen, acknowledging **David Promislow and family** in memory of **Shirley Promislow**.

Marnie Burke and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Pauline Burke**.

Bonnie Grossman and Karen Mann, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Mark Heller, David Heller and Steven Heller and Lisa Glassman, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl**.

Michael Katz, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Bertha Katz**.

Karen Laurie-Lester and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Dr. Michael Lester**.

Roslyn Nathanson and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Joseph Bigman**.

Hart and Marcia Nemoy, acknowledging **David Promislow and family** in memory of **Shirley Promislow**.

Barbara Rusch, Mark Rash and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Goldie Rash**.

Jill Reitman, honouring **Joel Reitman** on being appointed to the Order of Canada.

Caryl and Bernie Schwartz, acknowledging **Florence and Jared Stekel** in memory of **Karen Barbara Stekel**.

Janice Segal, honouring **Rabbi Baruch Frydman-Kohl** on being appointed to the Order of Canada.

Judith Shostack, acknowledging **Rosalie Abella** in memory of **Professor Irving Abella**.

Ruth and Mel Steinhart, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Allen Martin Siegel**.

Dara Schwartz, Amir Walden and family, acknowledging the **Stekel Family** in memory of **Karen Stekel**.

Ted and Annette Wine and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Jack Wine**.

Arlene Grajcer, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Annette Nathan**.

Arlene Grajcer, honouring **Harvey Worth** on his 80th birthday.

Torah Through the Ages Fund

Sephi Band, Jeffrey Mitz and Zoe Mitz, acknowledging **Annalee Wagman** in memory of **Evelyn Wolfe**.

Gloria Houser and family, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Cyril Houser**.

Marsha Joseph, acknowledging **Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg** in memory of **Pearl Hermant**.

Irving Matlow, commemorating the yahrtzeit of **Goldie Matlow**.

Young Professionals Fund

Joni and Rob Kwinter, honouring **Yacov Fruchter**.

Youth Initiatives Fund in Memory of Adam Kruger

Laura Kalef and Daniel Kornblum, honouring the **Adina Sarah Kornblum's** baby naming.

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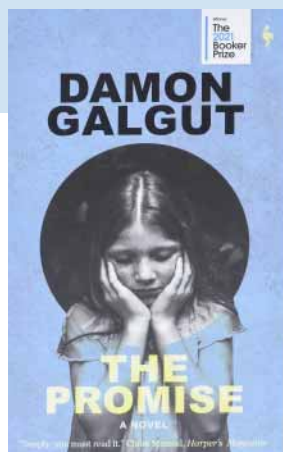
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OCTOBER 19
***The Promise* by
Damon Galgut**

Led by Elaine Newton

This story charts the crash and burn of a white South African family living on a farm outside Pretoria. Gathering for Ma's funeral, the younger generation detests everything the family stands for—not least the failed promise to the Black woman who has worked for family her whole life

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NOVEMBER 9
***The Tunnel* by
A.B. Yehoshua**

Led by Cynthia Good

From the award-winning, acclaimed Israeli author, *The Tunnel* is a poignant and suspenseful story of a family coping with the sudden mental decline of their beloved husband and father, an engineer who they discover is involved in an ominous secret military project.



NOVEMBER 30
***Fight Night*
by Miriam Toews**

Led by Cathy Tile

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