



## Our Mishpacha

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Everyone is Welcome

### Hazzan's Notes



Dear Friends,

In this year, 5782, we remember the "black" or "dark" fast of Tisha B'Av in the month of August and we contemplate all that has happened to our people over the millennia. Our people have shown great resilience and fortitude in the face of tremendous peril and have come through and remain a vibrant force in the world today.

Once this contemplative time is behind us, as the month progresses, we turn our attention to preparing for the *Yamim Noraim* (the High Holyday season). We will bless the final month of the Jewish year, *Elul*, this month. And we will start the spiritual trek up the "holy" mountain of meeting the divine within us and outside of us toward the goal of being spiritually and mentally prepared for this year's High Holyday season.

We hope that most of you will want to join us in-person this year for these holydays of Selihot, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, and Sh'mini Atzeret/Simhat Torah. This will mark the first time in 3 years we can finally be together for these very special holydays in our calendar. Please do watch for the High Holyday mailing coming out this month and the flyers about all of these special services. We know you will want to see and talk to each other in person after being away from each other for so long.

*Hazzan Lance H. Tapper, Hon DMus*

## From our President

Hello Everyone,

Here we are, almost halfway through the summer. Welcome to August.

I hope your July was safe and fun. My family has several birthdays and anniversaries in July so we had the appropriate barbeques in the backyard with cornhole, ladder ball and lots of good food and laughter.

Beth Shalom had a fun and interesting month. Hazzan Lance was on vacation most of July but we got to see him on Facebook as he was given honors at Pestalozzistrasse Synagogue in Berlin. He did a great job as usual.

While he was gone, we had the pleasure of Rabbi Kenneth Milhander leading 2 of our services. We always enjoy having him here. On July 15<sup>th</sup>, when neither of our clergy were available, we had a Shabbat Dinner at Delucca's restaurant. It was a very enjoyable evening with good food and good companionship. It was really great to be together in person to eat and schmooze and welcome the Sabbath.

August 13<sup>th</sup> brings our Lunch and Learn. A flyer is attached. As usual, we will take all recommended Covid precautions. Learning about a very interesting and timely topic, having good food and being with friends – How can you go wrong? Please let the office know if you will be coming so we know how much food to order.

Shalom,  
Lila



**Beth Shalom Lunch and Learn**  
 with Hazzan Lance H Tapper, Hon DMus  
*The Jewish View of the Beginning of Life and Abortion*  
 Saturday, August 13, 2022  
 12:00-2:00 p.m.  
 We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at First Friends.  
 Lunch will be served.  
 RSVP to the Temple office by August 5th.

### Tribute Cards

To send a Tribute Card in honor or in memory of someone, please contact Michelle Hess with your request @ [michelleh3532@gmail.com](mailto:michelleh3532@gmail.com).

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## Laws and Customs

It is customary to bathe and dress in holiday clothes on Friday afternoon in order to greet and dignify the Sabbath.

Candle Lighting Late Friday afternoon, 20 minutes before sundown the Sabbath candles are lit. The important "Mitzvah" belongs exclusively to the woman of the house. The custom is usually to light two candles although some families light more than the required two.

After she lights the candles she waves her outstretched hands over the flame three times, covers her eyes and recites the following blessing: "Blessed are Thou O Lord our G-d King of the universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us to light the Sabbath candles". If there is no woman in the house the candles can be lit by a man.

To make it apparent to all that the candles are in honor of "Shabbos" they should be placed on the dining room table or other place in the home/synagogue before they are lit. The candlesticks should remain there for the entire Sabbath day even though they have long burned out.

With the lighting of the candles "Shabbos" has officially started. It is proper for the family to attend synagogue services at this time. A few of the family's women remain at home to arrange the table for the Shabbath meal.

Friday Night Services The Friday afternoon "Mincha" service is the usual weekday "Mincha" consisting of "Ashrei", "Shmonah Esrei", and "Oleinu".

Kabolas Shabbos Following the "Mincha" there is a special service to welcome the Sabbath called "Kabolas Shabbos" (The greeting to the Sabbath). In there is a beautiful hymn called "L'chah Dodi". Each stanza begins with a letter of the poet's name Shlome Halevi. In the Hymn he pictures the Sabbath as a beautiful bride, whom we stand and greet her graciously every week. Here is a quotation from this poem: "Come let us go to meet the Sabbath, for it is a source of blessing. From the beginning it was last in creation, first in G-d's thoughts, come my friend to meet the bride; let us welcome the Sabbath."

After "L'chah Dodi" we go to the "Ma'ariv" service which is essentially the same as the weekly one except for the addition of a Biblical quotation about "Shabbos" and a special "Shemoneh Esrei".

Grandmother's Shabbos Table When we returned from the synagogue we found everything prepared for the "Shabbos" meal. The table was set with the best silverware and dishes. At the head of the table, where the senior head of the family sat, is the Kiddush cup and the two challis. These symbolize the double portion of Manna that fell in the desert and which the Israelites gathered on Fridays to sustain them since no Manna fell on "Shabbos". The cover for these challa symbolizes the dew that covered the ground that the Chalos fell on which was covered to keep them clean.

The Shabbos Meal The family gather together around the table and sing "Sholom Aleicham". The hymn is a greeting to the Angels of Peace who visits on the Sabbath. We ask them to grant us the blessing of peace, and declare that blessed be G-d who is the King of Kings. The leader then fills the "Kiddush" cup with wine and passes it around the table so that all may have a sip.

Next the family wash their hands and the leader, followed by all, recite the "Motsee" upon the "challa". He then cuts the "challa" and gives a slice to each person at the table.

After the first course of chicken soup followed by the traditional "gefilte fish" we all join in singing Sabbath songs, the Zmiros". The Zmiros are songs that praise G-d thanking Him for the gift, the Sabbath.

The Sabbath services, meals, and Havdalah will be discussed in future issues.

Sam Pearlman

## Clergy Schedule

**Beth Shalom Services:** All services are in hybrid mode. Vaccinated people with proof and a mask may attend in person, all others may watch on our Facebook page, **Beth Shalom of Whittier**. When there is a livestream taking place, you can click on it and watch. We encourage anyone who is not yet comfortable coming to in-person services to tune in each week and take part in our services virtually and leave messages of greeting to other who are watching. This is one way we can all stay in touch.

August 5--Prelude 7:25 pm, Service 7:30 pm--Hazzan Lance and Ty Woodward

August 12--Prelude 7:25 pm, Service 7:30 pm--Hazzan Lance and Ty Woodward

August 19--Prelude 7:25 pm, Service 7:30 pm--Hazzan Lance and Ty Woodward

August 26--PrePrelude 7:25 pm, Service 7:30 pm--Hazzan Lance and Ty Woodward

### Directions for viewing livestream services:

If you are a current Facebook subscriber, you need only to go to our Facebook page, **Beth Shalom of Whittier**, to view these announcements and videos. If you are not a current Facebook subscriber, you need to go to [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and sign up with a username and password and then you can access our page at that point.

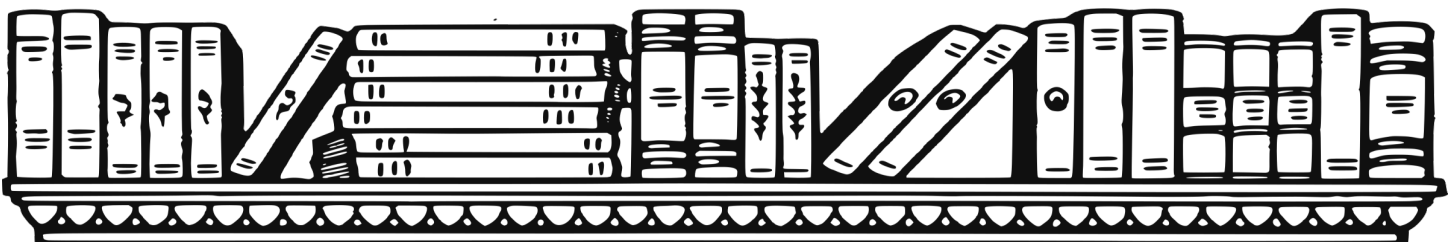


## BOOK CLUB NEWS

The next meeting of the Beth Shalom Book Group is Tuesday, August 16th at 12:30 PST. The book we are reading is "The Woman with the Blue Star" by Pam Jenoff who will be joining us via Zoom. The book has been on The NY Times Best Seller List. Everyone is welcome.

Happy reading everyone.

If you have any questions, or want to join us, please contact either Myra Weiss, or Michelle Hess.



# August

## Candle Lighting Times

- August 5 - 7:32
- August 12 - 7:25
- August 19 - 7:17
- August 26 - 7:08



### This is Our Mishpacha

Our Mishpacha is published monthly, on or near the first of the month.

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The editor welcomes comments and suggestions. [bswoffice@verizon.com](mailto:bswoffice@verizon.com)

## Birthdays

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|-----------------|-----------|
| Jordan Eres     | August 19 |
| Liz Herrera     | August 20 |
| Samuel Pearlman | August 27 |

## Anniversary

Alberto & Liz Herrera  
August 20 - 34 Years

Beth Shalom of Whittier wishes you a happy birthday and happy anniversary!!



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### ROSE HILLS CEMETERY PLOTS

If you want to do your family the mitzvah of pre-planning, please call the office. They can give you information as to what gravesites are available and what steps to take to secure your plot(s). Plots are \$3500 each. There are only a few plots remaining, so if you are Interested, please let us know.

**Yahrzeit**

<b>Observed By</b>	<b>Dear Departed</b>	<b>Relationship</b>
<i>Susan Lieberman</i>	<i>Nat Arnold</i>	<i>Father</i>
<i>Miriam Brookfield</i>	<i>Howard Brookfield</i>	<i>Husband</i>
<i>Kathleen King</i>	<i>Werner Brookfield</i>	<i>Brother-in-Law</i>
<i>Steve &amp; Eileen Baptista</i>	<i>Gilbert Gaal</i>	<i>Father</i>
<i>Mark Hilliard</i>	<i>Grace Galvin</i>	<i>Mother of Eileen</i>
<i>Esther Dobrin</i>	<i>Carol Zur Hilliard</i>	<i>Mother</i>
<i>Michelle Hess</i>	<i>Louis Rosen</i>	<i>Father</i>
<i>Arlene Norton</i>	<i>Dora Sandler</i>	<i>Aunt</i>
<i>Jay Weinschenker</i>	<i>Louis Vinetsky</i>	<i>Father</i>
<i>Dorothy Wiener</i>	<i>Evelyn Weinschenker</i>	<i>Mother</i>
	<i>Leonard Wiener</i>	<i>Husband</i>

**Yahrzeit Observed by Beth Shalom of Whittier**

<b>Dear Departed</b>		
<i>Sate Abrams</i>	<i>Jacob Friedman</i>	<i>Lillian Lovitch</i>
<i>Irving Bix</i>	<i>Minnie Fritz</i>	<i>Ida Markovitz</i>
<i>David Bohrer</i>	<i>Paul Goldenberg</i>	<i>Walter Popkin</i>
<i>Samuel Cohen</i>	<i>John Harber</i>	<i>Lawrence Roseman</i>
<i>Arthur Diamond</i>	<i>Jacqueline Herman</i>	<i>Beatrice Sarkin</i>
<i>Robert Feder</i>	<i>Max Higher</i>	<i>Max Segarnick</i>
<i>Arthur Fishbein</i>	<i>Sarah Jaffe</i>	<i>Jack Sherman</i>
<i>Harris Fisher</i>	<i>Nathan Klasky</i>	<i>Louis Slade</i>
<i>Mathis Fisher</i>	<i>Benjamin Klugman</i>	<i>Sadie Weiss</i>
<i>Max Fleischman</i>	<i>Abraham Levin</i>	<i>Irving Wemdrousky</i>
<i>Dora Friedman</i>	<i>Eve Levy</i>	<i>Francis Winter</i>
<i>Freda Friedman</i>	<i>Mary Levy</i>	

**Yahrzeit Donations**

<b><u>Remembered by</u></b>	<b><u>Beloved Departed</u></b>	<b><u>Relationship</u></b>
Michelle Hess	Dora Sandler	Aunt
	Benjamin Steinhauer	Uncle
Rita Rubin	Morey Gnessin	Brother
Bernard Starkman	Madelaine Starkman	Wife
Dorothy Wiener	Leonard Wiener	Husband

*We honor the memory of our loved ones who have departed this earth as we kindle the Yahrzeit candle in remembrance. May their memory endure as an eternal blessing.*

# August 2022

## Av - Elul 5782

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 7:30p Shabbat Service	6 Parashat Devarim 9 Av
7	8	9	10	11	12 7:30p Shabbat Service	13 Parashat Vaethanan 12:00p Lunch 'n Learn 16 Av
14	15	16 12:30p Book Club	17	18 7:30 Board Meeting	19 7:30p Shabbat Service	20 Parashat Ekev 23 Av
21	22	23	24	25	26 7:30p Shabbat Service	27 Parashat Re'eh 30 Av
28	29	30	31			



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