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"The Temple With A Heart"

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"We pray for them because they deserve to be remembered" (Adapted from Scribbles and Crumbs)



We are the believers in the great "OUR", and the great "US, for example, "Our God...who commanded US". This is part of the pattern found in 95% of all Jewish prayers. It is probably one of the reasons we are the most socially involved peoples the world has ever known. Often I have given you general ways to extend the we or us. Today. I want to propose a variation on a prayer that will increase our holiness, our sanctity and our preservation of life.

Sometimes the pure numbers of the deceased of tragedies overwhelm us. Such it is for the Holocaust with me. As the Talmud teaches "each person is a world unto his/herself", every day when I see or hear the numbers of the Covid 19 victims, I feel the same. As I believe in an active Judaism, I thought, what can I do for those we know and those we don't know? Our congregation has had its victims Covid-'9 as have many other congregations. But what of the nameless victims who died that we don't know and perhaps don't have someone to say Kaddish

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**Every Wednesday
at Noon**

<http://www.templebethemet.com/home/upcoming-events/zoom-weekly-events/>

SISTERHOOD MEETING

Sunday, October 3, 2021 - 10:00 AM
at the Temple

TEMPLE BOARD MEETING

October 5, 2021 - 7:00 PM
at the Temple

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING

Sunday, October 10, 2021 - 9:00 AM
at the Temple





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Music and Choir Director,
Robyn Kreisberg

Rabbi Emeritus William M. Kramer Z"L*
*His memory will always be a blessing
to us.

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*New Year's Day, President's Day,
First day of Pesach, Memorial Day,
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for them?

For years when I have performed funerals and unveilings and when Mourner's Kaddish was about to be said, I have asked those present, even if they were not mourners of the person being remembered, to recite the Mourners' Kaddish with us because on any given day we don't have enough people to say the Kaddish for those who have died in the Holocaust, Israel's wars, and America's conflicts where people have given up their life for righteous behavior.

I would tell the assembled, "Say the prayer and like that old T-shirt, Let God sort it out". The more anonymous the better. In this way, the prayer becomes more than itself. It becomes an act of Tzedakah, righteous giving.

I am pleased to share with you that we requested of the High Holiday congregation to do this as well and the response was outstanding. We will continue to request and I am sure be responded to positively as we say the Mourners' Kaddish for those we know and those we don't therefore showing love physically with our hearts and spiritually with all our souls.

Shana Tova u'Metuka,

(A Good and Sweet Year),

Rabbi Mark

They Did It Again!

Thank you, Temple Beth Emet La-Sha-Na-Na Tova Choir!



Along with Rabbi Mark, Cantorial Soloist and Music Director Robyn Kreisberg, and Accompanist David Goldstein, you gave us beautiful, meaningful, and inspirational High Holiday services. Thank you for all your hard work and dedication!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - October 2021

Rabbi Mark is a big believer in angels. He frequently points out incidences in people's lives where angels have intervened to avert disaster or deliver a message. Diane believes in angels, too. We have a hallway filled with framed cards depicting angels in paintings and illustrations. There are sculpted angels hugging the door frames and elsewhere in our house. In Judaism, angels appear throughout scripture and rabbinic literature. There are different classifications of angels, each with their own responsibilities. Every Shabbat we chant Shalom Aleichim welcoming the angels that join us as we celebrate and observe the day.



I tend to be a bit more skeptical about angels. I am not so arrogant as to deny their existence, but growing up in a secular and rational world, I cannot readily accept their power to influence our lives. Do angels exist or do they not exist? Do their actions affect our lives or don't they? I'm not entirely sure. Maybe they do. Probably they do. Or not. The thing is, I am entirely comfortable holding both possibilities in my life.

One thing I do know for sure. If angels do exist, one of them is named Sean, and he drives a taxi in New York City.

Last month Diane and I were in New York. Our nephew and his wife were having their long (COVID-19) delayed wedding ceremony at their home in the Berkshire Hills, about an hour's drive from Albany. We had decided to spend a few days in New York City, and after comparing airfares and hotel rates, we decided to sandwich the family function between a couple of days in the city before and after the event. On our first day in New York we were caught in tropical storm Ida. While we personally escaped the worst of the storm physically, it did disrupt our museum plans and then, at the last moment, our train travel plans to and from Albany, where we were renting a car for the family weekend. We secured Greyhound tickets. Upon our return to the Port Authority bus terminal in New York City I found that I no longer had my wallet. I made a report with the police, and we made our way outside to get a taxi to our hotel, which was a short distance from the terminal.

I mentioned to the dispatcher what had happened and he directed us to Sean's cab, telling him what had happened and saying "Don't run the meter." Sean was so positive and helpful. "If you need anything, call me. Money, whatever." There was no charge for the cab ride and he refused a tip. We took his number so we could call him for our ride to the airport when we left the city, but that morning he was in Brooklyn and none of his friends were available.

Sean was our angel that evening. I was grateful but not entirely surprised at his kindness as I have found that New Yorkers, despite their reputation as rough people, are among the nicest and most helpful people you will ever meet.

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Yahrzeit Donations

Miriam Pasternack, remembered by Peter Golper

Lynnie Cannon, remembered by Howard Liebgot

Michael Liebgot, remembered by Howard Liebgot

Joe Murez remembered by Herbert Murez

Shabbat Services In The Sukkah

A beautiful evening for a beautiful Shabbat service!





Temple Beth Emet welcomed back families to Religious School on September 12th. We were excited to see so many old friends and welcome our new families!



The Religious School Parent Association is currently seeking parents to join and lead the organization. If you are interested, please attend our next meeting on Sunday, October 10th at 9:00am. We are happy to have parents participate as much as they are able. Please come and support the kids!

Remember, if your child is feeling sick or has a temperature, please keep him or her home. We do our best to follow LAUSD guidelines for safety during the pandemic. Also, please make sure your children have a good breakfast before Religious School. Kids do participate in Kiddush, but juice and bread is not a substitute for a meal. Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to seeing you at drop-off and for the parent meeting on the 10th.

-- Cherie



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We can all be angels. We can always show kindness to others and offer assistance to strangers, just as we do for friends and families. I think God actually depends on us to do this as His angels can't be everywhere at the same time.

You never know when you might be called upon to be an angel for someone, or when someone might end up being an angel for you.

During my Kol Nidre appeal last month I spoke of a sermon by Rabbi Angela Buchdahl of Central Synagogue in Midtown Manhattan. As part of her sermon she talked about things being lost and returned, noting that as long as we hold on to the possibility of something being returned it is not lost, it is simply misplaced. A couple of weeks after we got home I decided to order a new wallet on Amazon. I told Diane, "I guess this means I'm really giving up on getting the wallet back..." but even then I kept checking the mailbox with a lingering hope someone had found it. Then, a week later, there it was, sent by a charter bus company in Poughkeepsie. As expected, the cash was gone, but the "emergency" cash tucked inside was still there! So one or more other angels brought my wallet back to me. I'm making a donation to a local Poughkeepsie food bank to pay the kindness forward.

We can all be angels; we just need to be mindful of the opportunities to so.

-- IRA L. GOLDSTEIN, President



Temple Beth Emet of Burbank
sisterhood

The Temple Beth Emet Sisterhood focus on serving the Temple and the community. Membership in Sisterhood means making a commitment to living Jewish. By being a member, you become an active link in the history of our people. You serve as a role model for Jewish values. Each member blossoms in their own individual way as they experience the camaraderie of Sisterhood and share in service to the Jewish community.



FROM THE SISTERHOOD PRESIDENT - Marlene Dreyfuss

We will meet on October 3rd and follow up with plans for fund raising for the Temple. We are happy to be back and have high hopes for the future. We invite everyone who was a member or who wants to be a member to come to our next meeting on the 3rd of October at 10 a.m. Looking forward to seeing you there.

This Is Your Personal Invitation to Join Temple Beth Emet's Sisterhood

Sisterhood is a group of friends who work together for our Temple, our children, and our community, in a very tangible way. Our President,

We meet the first Sunday of every month at 10:00 AM in Blum Hall. Please join us. Dues are only \$15 per year (commencing September of every year). Please fill out this form, cut it out and send it with your payment to: TBE Sisterhood, c/o TEMPLE BETH EMET, 600 N. Buena Vista Blvd., Burbank, CA 91505; or just leave it with the Temple Office.

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ADULT EDUCATION 2021-2022

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"Funny you don't look Jewish!" "Oh Yeah. I had my _____ fixed!"

THE CARIBBEAN AND SOUTH AMERICA - November 9, 2021

From Tarshish to Salmon Kay

NORTH AFRICA AND EGYPT - December 14, 2021

Ptolemy to Elephantine

ETHIOPIA AND SUB SAHARAN AFRICA - January 11, 2022

Haile Salasse was one of ours?

CHINA AND JAPAN - February 8, 2022

A Tallis by any other name would still wrap nicely!

INDIA AND COCHIN - March 8, 2022

A madras imprint on my soul

All session 7:00PM at the Temple - No charge, donations appreciated.



Join Temple Beth Emet Pen Pal Program and make a new intergenerational friendship!

Temple Beth Emet has older members who are going through this tough time alone, and who may not have access to a community online. We also know there are many families with Religious school kids who would love to brighten someone's day and foster some new friendships.



If you and/or your child would like to join this program, or if you are a Senior interested in a pen pal, please contact Laura Goldstein at lauragoldstein25@gmail.com or call 818-468-1572.

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OCTOBER Yahrzeits

NAME	REMEMBERED BY:	DATE:	NAME	REMEMBERED BY:	DATE:
At Temple October 1, 2021			At Temple October 22, 2021		
Nosrat Hakakha	Mina Sobel	October 1	Alan Shear	Phyllis Shear	October 18
Msgr Martin Keating	Congregation	October 1	Solomon Friedberg	Pamela Franklin	October 19
			Els Valk Gold	The Congregation	October 19
			R.L. Manocchia	Mary Manocchia	October 20
Joe Murez	Herb Murez	October 5	Thomas Landolfi	Mary Manocchia	October 21
Vaughn Verdi	Barry Verdi	October 6	Daria Grosberg	Samantha Blank	October 21
Irwin Eugene Siegel	Lisa De Luca	October 7	Fanny Rosenberg	The Congregation	October 22
Stephen Merrill	The Congregation	October 9	Mary Reinhart	The Congregation	October 22
Anne Mundon	Cheryl Mundon	October 9	Samuel Sopasnik	Judith Antelman	October 23
Millie Epstein	Jerry & Adrienne Everakes	October 9	Samuel Sopasnik	Marlene Flowers	October 23
At Temple October 15, 2021			At Temple October 29, 2021		
Nan Gold	Congregation	October 10	Larry Weinfeld	Brad Weinfeld	October 24
Zeke Manners	Susie Manners	October 11	William Aronoff	Naomi Aronoff	October 24
Conor Lynch	Neil & Vicki Margolin	October 11	Eva Resnick	Fred Bayer	October 26
Joseph Schanzer	Orven Schanzer	October 11	Herman Shaffer	Felice McDaniel	October 26
Irma Karchmer	Linda Mazur	October 12	Dora Bigley	Bruce Bigley, Robert Bigley	October 27
Rabbi Albert Shulman	The Congregation	October 12	Henry Shapiro	Mayer Nudell	October 29
Bernard Cohen	Robert & LaVerne Cohen	October 13	Eva Pandrowitz	Harriet Feinstein	October 30
Sarah Solomon	The Congregation	October 14	Jennie Nudell	Mayer Nudell	October 30
Blanche Kranz	Jack & Linda Kranz	October 14	Frances Rose	Eileen Martin	October 30
Aaron Kleinman	Matt Kleinman	October 15			
Ida Freemel	The Congregation	October 15			
Berthold Kleinberg	The Congregation	October 15	Joseph Testa	Ann Testa	October 31
Robert Charofsky	Mr. & Mrs. Don Spielvogel	October 15			

CREATE A LASTING LEGACY

Planned Giving is a wonderful and loving way to ensure the legacy of Temple Beth Emet of Burbank and future generations. Planned Giving can be as simple as a bequest or a more complex financial arrangement which can provide many options and possible tax deductions for the donor.

Speak with your legal and financial advisors as to the best way to structure your wills and estate planning to include the Temple in your current and future plans.

Information on Planned Giving can also be found on our website at:

<http://www.templebethemet.com/social-action/donations/>



October Birthdays

Joseph Tanner	October 1
Lucy Berman	October 3
Miranda Goldstein	October 3
Isabel Frischman	October 6
William Frischman	October 7
Delaney Gallagher	October 15
Theida Salazar	October 15
Robin Klein Plesh	October 16
Flora Werner-Mendoza	October 16
Quinn Alexander Margolin-Moultrie	October 22
Lynda Feldman	October 24
Ben Gordon	October 25
Leona Zollman	October 25
Sarra Lerner	October 26
Ethan Cohen	October 29
Oliva Goldstein	October 30

October Birthdays

Lauren & Chris DeVillier	October 19
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Tribute Cards

Tribute cards are always in order for happy or sad occasions. These cards are a wonderful way to remember or honor someone.

Did you know that you can get on an automatic mailing to those in need of well wishes by contacting the office?

A card will automatically be sent from you in your name to those in need of healing and an amount of \$18 (*Chai*) will be added to your bill each time a card is sent in your name.

Contact the Temple Office at: 818 843-4787

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> Follow Us!   </div>				1 7:00PM Shabbat Services	2
3 Religious School 9:00 AM - Noon 10:00 AM - Sisterhood Meeting	4	5 7:00PM Temple Board Meeting	6 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	7	8 7:00PM Shabbat Services	9
10 Religious School 9:00 AM - Noon 9:00 AM - Religious School Parent's Assoc. Meeting	11 	12	13 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	14	15 7:00PM Shabbat Services <div style="border: 2px solid blue; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> Chai Times Submissions Due </div>	16
17 Religious School 9:00 AM - Noon	18	19	20 12:00 - Lunch with the Rabbi on Zoom	21	22 7:00PM Shabbat Services	23
24 Religious School 9:00 AM - Noon <div style="text-align: right;"> 31 Religious School 9:00 AM - Noon </div>	25	26	27	28	29	30

Lunch With the Rabbi - Every Wednesday at Noon via Zoom. **Shababt Services** - Every Friday at 7:00 PM.
Tuesday, November 2 - 7:00 PM - Temple Board Meeting. **Sunday, November 7 - 10:00 AM** - Sisterhood Meeting.
Tuesday, November 9 - Adult Education



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Fran Bourne Johnson

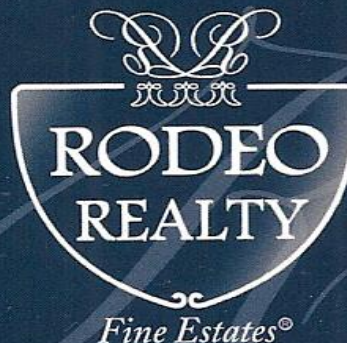
Bailey Harrison

Orven Schanzer has been ill for some time now, may
G-d grant him comfort and complete recovery.

Stuart Friedman has been ill. Let's join together in
prayer for his improved and continued good health.

We pray for **Maya Lee** & wish her good health

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Temple Member is sick, recovering or
hospitalized.*



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