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High Holidays Are HERE!

Join Us In-Person or Virtually for Yom Kippur

We hope to see as many of you as possible in person!

Rabbi Dan Gordon and Cantor Francyne Davis Jacobs will be officiating.

2022 High Holiday Schedule

Tuesday, Oct. 4 at 7:30 pm: Kol Nidre

Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 10:30 am: Yom Kippur morning service

Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 3:30 pm: Yom Kippur afternoon and concluding services/A Break-the-Fast meal will follow.

Our Children's Yom Kippur Services will be held at 9:30 am on the morning of Yom Kippur October 5th.

Members: All TBT members wishing to attend in person, please join us! If you will be attending virtually, all members will receive the link prior to the holidays.

Guests: If you are not currently a member of TBT, please call 281-446-5611 or email Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org to register to attend our in-person or virtual Yom Kippur service if you have not already done so.

Suggested donation for those not yet members of TBT: Individuals: \$175 Families: \$350

Donations can be made by sending a check to Temple Beth Torah or submitting payment online under the "Donation" tab at www.tbthumble.org and clicking on "High Holidays." Donations received for the High Holidays can be applied to future dues if you decide to join the temple. **NOBODY IS TURNED AWAY FOR FINANCIAL REASONS** – Please make the gift that works for you.

Help with Our Yom Kippur Services!

It is not too late to volunteer to help or make a donation to support our Yom Kippur services. Please contact Rabbi Dan rabbi@tbthumble.org, or Carrie Keith at education@tbthumble.org if you are interested. We are looking forward to starting a new year with you!

MISSION STATEMENT

Temple Beth Torah is a congregation that embraces the philosophy and values of Judaism in the following ways:

Spiritually, by celebrating the richness and traditions of Torah, prayer, holidays and life cycle events;

Educationally, by encouraging learning, increasing Jewish knowledge and enriching understanding for children, teenagers and adults;

Compassionately, by caring for our members and others in the Jewish community in times of need while also fostering positive relationships with our non-Jewish neighbors.

Temple Beth Torah embraces the spirit of inclusion for Jewish individuals and families who represent a variety of backgrounds and family compositions.

Worship Services in October

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| Friday, September 30 | 7:00 PM | Shabbat and Tashlich Service |
| Tuesday, October 4 | 7:30 PM | Kol Nidre Service – In Person and Virtual |
| Wednesday, October 5 | 9:30 AM 10:30 AM 1:00 PM 3:30 PM | Children’s and Family Service Yom Kippur Service Afternoon Discussion Concluding Services |
| Friday, October 7 | 7:00 PM | Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan – In Person and Virtual Sponsored by Lenny and Karen Simmons in Memory of Jennifer Vanderlip |
| Friday, October 14 | 7:00 PM 6:30 PM | Sukkot Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan – In Person and Virtual Pizza in the HUT |
| Friday, October 21 | 7:00 PM | Simchat Torah Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan and Joe Buchanan - - In Person and Virtual |
| Friday, October 28 | 6:30 PM 7:00 PM | TOT SHABBAT – VIRTUAL ONLY VIRTUAL ONLY Shabbat Service – with Rabbi Dan and the Yedidyah Family Band |

Yom Kippur Afternoon Discussion *Shema, Y'all! The Art of Compassionate Listening* Following the Yom Kippur Morning Service Approximately 1-2 PM Facilitated by Rev. Dr. Amber Mattingly

During the break between the morning and afternoon Yom Kippur services, those who wish to stay will be treated to a special program that can provide the perfect blend to our High Holiday worship. This is Amber Mattingly’s description of the program:

*Our faith communities, our planet, and all living beings in our world are in desperate need of healing. One way for us to enter the healing process is to practice the skill of **Compassionate Listening**. In this gathering, we will share stories and discern new ways of being/doing that promote both the flourishing of ourselves and each other.*

A Kingwood resident, Amber is an ordained minister who, in 2020, completed a doctoral program from Claremont School of Theology, majoring in “compassion.” She incorporates yoga in her ministry, and her doctoral dissertation focused on “*Seeing and Hearing the Outsider*.” She describes her work as “creating safer spaces for people from any or no religious background to engage in spiritual conversation.” A passionate learner of multi-faith traditions, Amber recently co-authored a book entitled, *A Leap of (Inter)Faith: Finding Treasures in Shared Practice*.

As Judaism’s most sacred teaching is *Shema Yisrael* (HEAR O Israel) focuses on the importance of listening, this will be a wonderful way to begin a year with a renewed connection to hearing the many voices within our community, our world and ourselves.

Amber and her husband, Dr. Rev. Chad Mattingly, senior minister of Kingwood Christian Church, have two teenage children. Please join us for an engaging program about a topic that affects us all.

RABBI'S MESSAGE

The First of the Rest

When the final blast of the shofar makes its seemingly endless chord at the end of Yom Kippur, it is time to break our fast and move into the New Year. Philosophically, we began a ten-day period that started on Rosh Hashana. A New Year's celebration includes toasting the sweetness of beginnings with apples and honey, and a day filled with countless prayers to the Holy One asking to be inscribed in the metaphorical "Book of Life." Then we have ten days to reflect on the previous year in preparation for the confessionals of Yom Kippur. The full day of prayer and fasting on Yom Kippur can be both invigorating and exhausting, as we bring an entire year into our focus. No matter how good or bad the previous year was (and like all years, it was probably both!), we pray that next year will be better. And if not, we pray we will be able to deal with whatever comes our way with strength of faith.

We may think of that final shofar blast as an ending; and it is in some ways. It is the end of Highest of Holy Days, and we hope we have made them meaningful and inspiring. And yet, we can also think of it as a call to begin. Begin the New Year with the spirit we brought to these important days.

On Rosh Hashana, the sound of the shofar is broken up into many different sounds. Some scholars have proposed that the brokenness of the shofar sounds represents the disjointed aspects of our lives. From a hundred long, short, and staccato notes, we come together at the end of Yom Kippur to hear one long sound. Some think of this as a coming together, combining the broken pieces as we try to make our lives whole.

I suggest that the real impact of the High Holy Days does *not* happen during Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, **OR** the days in between. The Book of Life starts when we leave our worship space and move into the year. However we prayed, however we behaved, whatever we hoped for, will all come to life. While Rosh Hashana is the first day of the year, the day after Yom Kippur is the first day of the *rest* of the year. Let us continue to hear the sound of the shofar each day, working toward complete wholeness for our souls and for our community. Let these days of awareness inspire us to a growing awareness of how to be blessings for those around us. And may this inspiration lead us to next year's review, excited about how we've grown, with a realization of how far we have to go.

Our sages teach about the importance of the days between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. Let's also remember the importance of the days between Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashana.

Rabbi Dan Gordon

***Join Temple Beth Torah as we Break our Fast
Wednesday, October 5***

Everyone is invited to a community "pot-luck" break-the-fast meal following the Yom Kippur service and Havdallah. There will be a wonderful spread of delicious foods from which to choose. If you have not signed up to bring something, you may still do so at Kol Nidre or the morning of Yom Kippur.

We always need volunteers to help set up, serve, and clean up. Everyone's help will be greatly appreciated.

Tashlich/Shabbat
Friday, September 30, 7:00 PM
In Person and Virtual

On Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, there is much emphasis on transgressions from the previous year and our resolve to do better in the next year. In the Middle Ages, a custom began to ceremonially “cast away” anything from the previous year that may be holding us back from being our best selves and our best community. (*Tashlich* is Hebrew for “cast away”) The custom was inspired by a verse from the prophet Micah that says:

*God will take us back in love;
God will cover up our iniquities,
You [God] will hurl all our sins
Into the depths of the sea. (Micah 7:19)*

The ceremony often takes place near a flowing body of water, usually between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur, and people toss breadcrumbs into the water to represent sins that flow far away from our physical being. While we will not be together near flowing water at Temple Beth Torah, the Shabbat service between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur will incorporate creative elements of a *Tashlich* ceremony as we prepare for our next Holy Days.

Friday, October 28
Virtual Only – A Celebration of Music
Welcome Back Rabbi Yakira and the
Yedidyah Family Band
Tot Shabbat – 6:30 PM
Main Shabbat Service – 7:00 PM

A TBT favorite is coming back to your screens! Rabbi Yakira and the Yedidyah Family Band will enhance our Shabbat with their spirited musical Shabbat. Blending traditional melodies with original compositions, these singers and musicians bring a lively and soulful flavor to Shabbat. Zoom link is the same as every Shabbat service.

Pizza in the Hut
Friday, October 14, 6:30 PM

The High Holiday spirit doesn't end with Yom Kippur! On Friday, October 14, please join us for “Pizza in the Hut!” at 6:30 p.m. Come celebrate Sukkot by decorating the Sukkah, shaking the lulav, and having a little Pizza “in the hut”! There is no charge, but donations are welcome. On Sukkot, everyone's invited, including mystical guests known as “Ushpizin.” Traditionally, we invite our biblical ancestors to share Sukkot with us, but Ushpizin can also be anyone. Think about mystical guests from the past who you wish we could celebrate with. Shabbat services will begin at 7:00 pm. The service will be in person and virtual.

Owen Brawn's Bar Mitzvah
October 22, 10:00 AM

Join us at Temple Beth Torah
for a very special and joyous occasion
on October 22
at 10 AM
as Owen William Brawn
is called to the Torah
as a Bar Mitzvah

Condolences to the Klager Family

The TBT congregation is sad to announce that Dennis Klager passed away last week. He and his wife, Ellen, have been TBT members for decades. They have been very supportive of our Jewish community through the years, and highly respected role models.

Dennis was a dearly loved husband, father (to Curtis and Morgan) father-in-law (to Aime and Ethan) and grandfather (to Fenix, Ursula, Molly, Everett and Abigail). He was a loyal, supportive, honest, caring man who will be very missed by all.

Celebrate Simchat Torah in Folk/Country Style!
Joe Buchanan brings Americana with a Jewish Soul back to TBT
In Person and Virtual
October 21, 7 PM



On Friday, October 21, Joe Buchanan returns to Temple Beth Torah to help us celebrate the most festive of Jewish holidays. He brings with him his unique style of music that includes a little country, a little bluegrass and a lot of Jewish soul! Rabbi Dan and Joe have shared their musical storying together at TBT several times in the past, always with exciting results. Dance and clap and tap your toes as we celebrate the circular year of learning, from Genesis to Deuteronomy and back!

Mr. Buchanan's participation is generously underwritten by the Brawn family in honor of Owen's bar mitzvah the next morning.

Kulanu: Synagogues in Action Against Antisemitism

The Anti-Defamation League Names Temple Beth Torah as New Partner

Kulanu, Hebrew for "all of us," is an eight-month program, running from October 2022 to June 2023, dedicated to empowering congregations to address antisemitism and hate in their communities through education, community engagement, and advocacy. We are excited to announce that TBT has been accepted to participate. During the program, we will join a network of congregations to build bridges of understanding across communities. ADL will provide resources to develop and implement engaging and impactful programming through our exclusive Kulanu initiative inspiration library, interactive webinars with ADL experts, and guidance from ADL professionals.

If you would like to be part of TBT's planning team, please contact our coordinator, Hy Penn, directly or by sending a message to admin@tbthumble.org.

Watch for updates in upcoming newsletters.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Although Yom Kippur is the time for asking and giving forgiveness, I also feel that it is a time to remember gratitude. As we slowly heal from the events of the last two years, it is easy to focus on our struggles. However, if we try to focus more on being grateful, our whole perspective may change. Not only can being grateful make us happier, the change of mind set can also help us improve our perspective on all things. I have been too focused on what others have than being thankful for the things that I have. I am going to take this opportunity to practice gratitude on a daily basis and turn to helping others. Forgiving and gratitude can help create a kinder life and hopefully be a trend that will spread throughout our community and beyond. Be grateful for a kinder and happier life. Reach out and support each other's health and happiness.

Shari Ellsworth
TBT President



BATTER UP FOR AN ALL-STAR EVENT

Temple Beth Torah's 3rd Annual Ner Tamid
(Eternal Light) Award

Honoring Jeff Kaufman

Saturday, December 10, 2022

7 – 9:30 pm

Address: 320 Shallow Drive, Humble TX 77338
RSVP by going to www.temple-beth-torah.org/1955-2/

This special evening honoring Jeff Kaufman includes a Welcome and Introduction by Rabbi Dan Gordon, Master of Ceremonies, Havdalah Service, Toasts to our Honoree, Entertainment and a Dessert Reception featuring a Silent Auction.

Tickets:

Gold Level: \$250.00 per ticket includes a full-page ad in the program, invitation to hors d'oeuvres before the program, a ticket for a glass of wine, dessert reception.

Silver Level: \$100.00 per ticket includes half-page ad in the program, invitation to hors d'oeuvres before the program, dessert reception.

Bronze Level: \$50.00 per ticket includes admission to the program and dessert reception.

Zoom Only: \$25.00 per ticket for Zoom access.

Get into the "batter's box" and register today to attend! Click for more information and to "join the team:"

www.temple-beth-torah.org/1955-2/



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CORNER

It was wonderful seeing so many families at Rosh Hashanah services. Kol Nidre begins at 7:30 on Tuesday, October 4th. Yom Kippur Children's service begins at 9:30 on October 5th. The regular service will follow at 10:30.

There is no Religious School on October 2. Classes resume on October 9 at 9:00 when we will celebrate Sukkot with all students. Students may bring a decoration to hang in the Sukkah. Parents are welcome to attend our celebration in the Sukkah beginning at 10:30. The next week we will celebrate Simchat Torah during Religious School. Parents are welcome to attend during sanctuary time for fun songs with Rabbi Dan at 10:45.

We are so excited that Owen Brawn will become a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, October 22 at 10:00. He has worked diligently to reach this milestone. On Friday, October 21 the Brawn family is sponsoring singer, songwriter Joe Buchanan as he and Rabbi Dan celebrate Simchat Torah and Shabbat together. Services begin at 7:00 and everyone is encouraged to attend!

In November, the Gimmel Class (6th – 8th grade) will have a field trip to the Holocaust Museum. TBT's own Michael Cahn will be our docent for this extraordinary experience. Parents of students are encouraged to chaperone this field trip.

It is so nice that Fall is here with all the holidays and experiences that this brings to our students and families.

Shanna Tova,

Carrie Keith
Religious School Principal

SUNDAY DISCUSSION GROUP SUNDAYS at 11:30 A.M.

We are currently reading and discussing "Awakening: Conversations with the Masters" by Anthony DeMello. De Mello explores "the wisdom that cannot be conveyed in human speech." Through 365 meditations, blending the mystical traditions of both East and West, he creates the lessons of a profound "master" to his "pupil," illustrating our common need for harmony and enlightenment.

If you are interested in joining the discussion or have any questions, please email Susan at spollard@tbthumble.org. The discussion group meets through Zoom. The link remains the same each week and is sent out in our weekly emails.

ADULT EDUCATION - TORCH (TORAH OUTREACH RESOURCE CENTER OF HOUSTON) SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM VIA ZOOM

TORCH Rabbi Yaakov Wolbe leads a discussion of **Pirke Avot** (Ethics of the Fathers). All meetings will be through Zoom. Any questions please contact admin@tbthumble.org. The Zoom links are sent out in the weekly email.

Join the Fundraising Committee

We are looking for volunteers to join our fundraising committee. There are many events that we plan throughout the year, and we would like to have a number of people involved on this team to work together. If you are interested in participating in planning an event or two during the year, please contact our President Shari Ellsworth at president@tbthumble.org or Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org. Thank you all!!!

Simchas in October *Birthdays*

6 Janet Sisler
9 Susan Meinholz
9 John Ruskis
11 Abraham Ramirez
11 Jessica Pous
12 Al Bleiberg
17 Sammy Baur
17 Maddox Jensen
20 Irene Carroll
22 Allan Daniels
24 Marvin Sussman
26 Lacy Bormaster
26 Sean Miller
27 Patricia Klemz
28 Manette Farber
28 Barbara Heller
29 Jeremy Blumin
30 Debye Lurie

Anniversaries

1 Ryan and Lacy Bormaster
2 Allan and Irene Carroll
7 Allan and Lael Daniels
11 Tony and Carole Curtis
15 Dany Pilman and Gail Ambrose
17 Jeremy and Stacey Blumin
19 Roy and Sara Bleiberg
22 JQ and Ellen Delap
23 Pete and Emma Brawn
29 Tony Sullivan & Jennifer Ofsowitz

KROGER card to support TBT

Kroger has recently upgraded their Community Rewards system and as a result TBT has a new account number-VE980. Please use this new number when linking your Kroger card to TBT so we can receive a percentage of your Kroger purchases. It's an easy way to help TBT earn some money. While the previous number will continue to be associated with our organization, it will not be visible to members when enrolling. New members can enroll by searching for either VE980 or Temple Beth Torah. If you are a Kroger shopper, please link your Kroger card to TBT at no cost to you.

October Yahrzeits

The following names will be read each week during October to acknowledge those who have passed away who were connected with our community. If there are mistakes or omissions, please e-mail the temple at admin@tbthumble.org or leave a message at 281-446-5611.

*Max Muller, Morris Cahn, Jesse W Bluhm,
Helen Shaw Smith, Jean Krafcheck Farber,
Lisa Kantor de Szereszewski, E. L. Tabor, Max Glaser,
Samuel Herman, Lee Biegel, Louis Feldstein,
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Ethel Simmons, Roslyn Smith, Lloyd Spalter,
Samuel Weiss, Benjamin Weiss, Ben Solomon,
Mary Hauptman Conway, Rose Markowitz, Sam Winter,
Ethel Lappen, Lawrence Wallach, Joseph Cohn,
Mary Hauptman Conway, Harry Kimmel*

Membership Forms for the 2022-2023 Year Are Due

All TBT members should by now have turned in their membership renewal forms. If you have not done so, please send it to us now. This will ensure your names are in the new directory and registration is confirmed for High Holidays. Thank you for supporting TBT!

For Membership questions please contact Jeff Kaufman, Membership Chair at membership@tbthumble.org For Financial questions, contact Lenny Simmons at treasurer@tbthumble.org For admin questions contact Stacey Blumin at admin@tbthumble.org.

Interested in joining TBT? Please contact us—we would love for you to be part of our family!!

For HAAM (Humble Area Assistance Ministries)

TBT collects food for HAAM on an ongoing basis. Whenever you attend services, classes, or events at TBT, please remember to bring nonperishable items with you to help stock their pantry. Every item helps! Thank you for your support.

Torah Portions for October 2022

Summarized by Rabbi Dan Gordon

Sept. 30-October 1, Va-Yelech Deuteronomy 31:1-30

In *Vayelech* Moses announces to the Israelites that at one hundred and twenty years old, he is no longer active. He publicly transfers his authority to Joshua and empowers the Levites to bring the Teachings of the Torah into the Ark of Covenant. Moses warns the Israelites to remember all of G-d's commandments by re-reading the teachings even after his own death.

October 7-8, 2022, Ha'Azinu Deuteronomy 32:1-52

Moses, nearing the end of his life, uses poetry and song to recount the journey in the desert. At the conclusion of the song, G-d instructs Moses to climb to the top of Mount Nebo, overlooking the Jordan River. This is where Moses will die, able to see the Promised Land, but not enter it. G-d explains this is because Moses broke faith with Him when he struck the rock. Moses is 120 years old.

Oct. 14-15, Sukkot Torah Reading, Exodus 33:12-34:26

The Torah reading on Shabbat during the intermediate day of Sukkot includes the dramatic story in which Israelites form a Golden Calf when Moses is taking a long time to return from Mount Sinai. Despite this action, G-d instructs Moses to construct a new set of tablets, since he smashed the first set. According to Torah, while G-d wrote the first set of tablets, Moses must make the second set himself. On Sukkot, shortly after we have experienced Yom Kippur, it is a good lesson of second chances, and taking responsibility for our actions. Moses behaved in an angry manner when he smashed the tablets and took responsibility by making the second set.

October 21-22, 2022 Bereshit, Genesis 1:1-6:8

For our Simchat Torah celebration, we repeat the last lines of Deuteronomy and begin immediately with the first passages in Genesis. Torah is a never-ending learning process, so as soon as we finish, we begin again, searching for new insights. The end of Deuteronomy includes the final blessings that Moses bestows upon the Children of Israel, detailing the end of his life and the transition to new leadership for the new land. The opening chapters of Torah outline G-d's creation of the world day-by-day and move into the struggles of the human family. These passages include commonly known stories; Adam and Eve eating the forbidden fruit, Cain's murder of his brother, Abel and the Tower of Babel, leading up to the time of Noah. Simchat Torah, coming at the end of Sukkot, highlights the transition from one journey to the next.

October 28-29, 2022, Noah, Genesis 6:9-11:32

Noah's story is also about new beginnings. Noah, having been "righteous in his day" gains G-d's trust, and his family becomes the sole survivors of the Great Flood. The evil world is washed away, and Noah and his family gave the opportunity to rebuild and repopulate. G-d makes everlasting promises to mankind. The rainbow tells us that G-d will never again destroy the world, and Noah's line will lead us to Abraham, with whom G-d will connect the eternal covenants.

Give-a-Gift to TBT An Easy Way to Help TBT

TBT is in need of the following items this month. If you would like to donate any of these items, please send a message to giveagift@tbthumble.org to ensure we do not get too many of a needed item. The items can be brought to TBT whenever we are open, or we may be able to arrange for a pick-up.

Items needed this month:

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| Coffee cups with lids | |
| AA Batteries | 9-V batteries |
| Hand wipes | Copy paper |
| Bottled water | |
| Gallon and Quart Size Ziplock Bags | |

Join a Committee!

Have you thought about becoming more active at TBT? One way is to join a committee. Some of our committees include the building, ritual, social, membership, fundraising, education, social justice and safety & security committees.

A new committee that is being brought back is the caring committee. This committee is designed to remember members on special occasions, help with meals if ill, and brighten people's lives.

If you are interested in serving on a committee or for more information, please contact Shari Ellsworth at president@tbthumble.org

AMAZON SMILE

Please make sure you are using Amazon smile for all your purchases.

Shop on amazon and give tzedakah to TBT. Type this web site and log into your amazon account and choose Temple Beth Torah in Humble, TX and a percentage of your shopping will go to TBT. smile.amazon.com

DONATIONS

RABBI DISCRETIONARY FUND

*Brian Eoff
John and Bobbylee Ruskis*

GENERAL FUND

*Lynn Gordon and Hy Penn –
In Honor of Owen Brawn's Bar Mitzvah
In Memory of Neil Davis, Dale Vine, Rose Lerner,
Phyllis Harris (mother of Davis Harris), Lila
Belofsky (mother of Joanne Spalter) and Dennis
Klager*

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In Memory of Jennifer Vanderlip

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HIGH HOLIDAY FUND

Jeff and Alice Kaufman

Dennis and Carrie Keith

Lynn Gordon and Hy Penn

Joni Levy and Castine Theriot –Flowers

Castine Theriot - Security

TOM THERIOT MEMORIAL PROGRAM FUND

Castine Theriot – In Memory of Tom Theriot

If you would like to sponsor a TBT service or event in honor of an occasion or in memory of a loved one, please contact Stacey at admin@tbthumble.org.

THE CARING COMMITTEE

The Caring Committee can help in stressful times, such as family illness, death, birth, etc. We can provide a meal and offer sympathy, transportation, childcare, or congratulations for simchas. If you know of a congregant who could use a little caring, contact our Caring Committee at admin@tbthumble.org or leave a message at TBT, 281-446-5611.

DONATIONS

Making a donation to TBT is a perfect way to honor a joyous occasion like a birthday, anniversary, wedding/engagement, new home, job change, or retirement. It is also appropriate to honor someone who has passed away with a donation in his/her memory at the time of the passing or on the yahrzeit (anniversary) of the passing. All donations to Temple Beth Torah are tax deductible. You can choose where you would like your donation to be applied.

You can now make a donation online to any of our funds. Tell your friends and family to visit our website, www.tbthumble.org, to make a donation or see the donations form in this newsletter.

GENERAL FUND

Any donation that is not specified to another specific fund goes to the General Fund, which helps maintain the operating budget of the temple. Building expenses, insurance, staff salaries and all program expenses that are not underwritten come out of the General Fund, as well as support for the Religious School.

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

This separate tzedakah fund enables the rabbi to make confidential contributions to help individuals and causes that may be in crisis. The rabbi may also use this fund to help support unbudgeted programs that will benefit the temple or community.

BURT LEVY MEMORIAL LIBRARY FUND

This fund maintains the library and helps purchase new books. Our library, located in the back of the sanctuary, is named after TBT's founding president, Burt Levy, who was a major inspiration in starting Temple Beth Torah.

TRACY TOBIN JOHNSON MEMORIAL EDUCATION FUND

This fund provides scholarships to Jewish summer camps for children and for educational conferences for teachers. It also helps support special educational programs that are not in the general budget. The fund honors Tracy Tobin Johnson, who was an active TBT member, volunteer and teacher before passing away at a young age.

TOM THERIOT MEMORIAL PROGRAM FUND

This fund supports special dynamic programs, often related to the arts. It is named after Tom Theriot, a lover of the arts, who was a constant presence at TBT and supported every cause.

LEGACY GIVING SOCIETY

TBT's Legacy Giving Society is a group of visionary donors who have committed themselves to the future of Temple Beth Torah. Legacy gifts are easily to establish, cost nothing during your lifetime, and make a difference for our community. Contact admin@tbthumble.org for more information.

SCOTT ERIC KAUFMAN TECHNOLOGY FUND

This fund helps support the technology needs of TBT including computers, screens, and cameras and will help with our virtual programming. The fund was established in memory of Dr. Scott Eric Kaufman.

Temple Beth Torah Donate a Brick Campaign

TBT member Will Pollard has built a brick path in front of our Sukkah as part of his Eagle Scout project. We are now giving everyone an opportunity to donate an engraved brick for the path with **all donations going to support Temple Beth Torah!**

This is a wonderful way to remember a loved one or honor a friend/family member. You can also use it to commemorate an occasion, like a bar/bat mitzvah, a wedding, an anniversary or a memorable birthday.

Each brick can be inscribed with 3 lines and 20 characters per line (letters, numbers, spaces, punctuation and other keyboard symbols are considered characters).

Various approved clip art designs can be made available for an additional \$20 donation per brick. If clip art is used, the text is limited to 15 characters per line.

Brick donations are:

1 Brick= \$100

2 Bricks= \$180 @ \$90/each

3 Bricks= \$240 @ \$80/each

4 Bricks= \$280 @ \$70/each

5 Bricks= \$300 @ \$60/each

6 or more Bricks= \$50 a brick

Please send your check with the engraving information to TBT:
320 Shallow Drive, Humble, Texas 77338.

Questions? Please contact project coordinator Jeremy Blumin at admin@tbthumb.org.

Name of donor: _____

Phone number or email address: _____

Engraving details (please print):

Brick 1:

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

Brick 2:

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

*Please consider making a donation to support
Temple Beth Torah's many worthy endeavors.
You can indicate which fund you would like your contribution
to support on the form below,
as well as the names of those you wish to honor or remember.*

You may contact the Temple by calling 281- 446-5611 with any questions.

THANK YOU

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OCTOBER 2022 TISHREI - CHESHVAN 5783

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | SEPT 29 | 30 | OCT 1 |
| | | | | | 7:00 PM Tashlich Shabbat Service - In Person and VIRTUAL with Rabbi Dan | |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| NO Religious School 10:00 AM – Adult Ed TORCH – Virtual 11:30 Adult Ed – Sunday Discussion Group -Virtual | | 7:30 PM Kol Nidre Service – In person and Virtual | 9:30 AM Children’s Service 10:30 AM Rosh Yom Kippur Service 3:30 PM Concluding Service | | 7:00 PM Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan In Person Shabbat and VIRTUAL - Sponsored by Karen and Lenny Simmons in memory of Jennifer Vanderlip | |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 9:00AM – 11:15AM Religious School 10:00 AM – Adult Ed TORCH - Virtual 11:30 Adult Ed – Sunday Discussion Group -Virtual | | | | | 7:00 PM Sukkot Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan - In Person Shabbat and VIRTUAL 6:30 PM PIZZA IN THE HUT | |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 9:00AM – 11:15AM Religious School 10:00 AM – Adult Ed TORCH - Virtual 11:30 Adult Ed – Sunday Discussion Group-Virtual | | | | | 7:00 PM Simchat Torah Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan and Joe Buchanan | 10:00 AM – Owen Brawn Bar Mitzvah |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 9:00AM – 11:15AM Religious School 10:00 AM – Adult Ed TORCH - Virtual 11:30 Adult Ed – Sunday Discussion Group-Virtual | | | | | 6:30 PM VIRTUAL TOT SHABBAT 7:00 PM Shabbat Service with Rabbi Dan and the Yedidyah Family Band – VIRTUAL ONLY | |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | |
| 9:00AM – 11:15AM Religious School | | | | | | |