

The Valley Temple



September 2013 Elul /Tishri 5773/5774

5774/2013 HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES

ROSH HASHANAH

- ✧ Wednesday, September 4, 8:00 pm
- ✧ Thursday, September 5, 9:00 am
Family Service
- ✧ Thursday, September 5, 10:15 am
Tot Service
- ✧ Thursday, September 5 10:45 am
Morning Service

CEMETERY SERVICES

- ✧ Sunday, September 8
Jewish Cemetery of
Greater Cincinnati
- ✧ Montgomery - 10:00 am
- ✧ Walnut Hills - 11:00 am

YOM KIPPUR

- ✧ Friday, September 13, 8:00 pm
Kol Nidre
- ✧ Saturday, September 14, 9:00 am
Family Service
- ✧ Saturday, September 14, 10:15 am
Tot Service
- ✧ Saturday, September 14, 10:45 am
Morning Service
- ✧ Saturday, September 14, 2:45 pm
Afternoon Service
- ✧ Saturday, September 14, 4:15 pm
Memorial-Concluding Service
Break the Fast hosted by
Jenny Broh in memory of Robert Broh



L'Shanah Tovah

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 8:00 PM
EREV ROSH HASHANAH SERVICE
Reception hosted by members of the congregation

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 - ROSH HASHANAH
9:00 am- Family Service
10:15 am- Tot Service
10:45 am- Gates of Repentance Morning Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 7:30 PM
Shabbat Shuva Service
Music: Bob Pollack and Marilyn Zelcer

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
9:30 am – Torah Study
10:30 am – Shabbat Shuva Service
Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 32:1 – 52

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
Cemetery Services
10:00 am- Montgomery Cemetery
11:00 am- Walnut Hills Cemetery



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 8:00 PM
EREV YOM KIPPUR SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14-YOM KIPPUR
9:00 am – Family Service
10:15 am – Tot Service
10:45 am- Gates of Repentance Morning Service
Torah Portion: Deuteronomy 29:9 – 14; 30:11-20

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
SUKKOT
6:00 pm- Dinner (for those with reservations)
7:00 pm- Service
Music: :David Snyder

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 9:00 AM
Sukkot Morning Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 7:30 PM
Shabbat Service
Music: David Snyder
Music: Bob Pollack and Marilyn Zelcer

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**FROM THE RABBI ...
Sandford R. Kopnick**

DON'T JUST MEET THE GOD OF JUDGMENT...

The High Holy Days create an opportunity for us to create a sense of community, while turning inward as we review our year's behavior. We gather not just to pray, but to be together. I hope, however, we don't gather only to be together.

The High Holy Days is a very challenging time when we confront the liturgy and the goals of the holiday. The liturgy is filled with God represented as a sovereign who sits in judgment on the royal subjects. There are prayers about how we have sinned, and our intent not to repeat the transgressions. And, there is a very difficult passage which suggests that God is sitting on the Heavenly Throne determining who will live and who will die. Even though that passage reminds us that we can temper that Divine Decree by our acts of righteousness, God is represented as judge and arbiter.

The world has harsh elements to it—and that which is out of our control has always made us, believers, wonder what role God has in the random acts of nature and unjust situations so many are forced to endure. These holidays provide a theological possibility—but it is not the entire picture. God is Creator, the source of blessing, and responsible for our redemption at other times of the year. We use the entire year to consider all the ways God inspires us, judges us, asks us to partner in the creative process, and to find our place in our ancient covenant.

So please, do join us for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur and allow yourself the time for reflection of the year's sins and triumphs. Read the English of prayers that we sing in Hebrew—and try to allow the musical setting to help tell the story of the prayer. Consider the ways you connect with God at other times of the year—and allow such moments to temper the harshness of the High Holy Day liturgy. Make a commitment to listen to what you're saying, with an eye to intention and sincerity. By doing so, you may find that the holidays are not only about being present (which should not be minimized, either).

From our home to yours, may you be blessed with a joyous year, meaningful holidays, and another year sealed in the Book of Life. L'shanah Tovah!

B'shalom,

Sandford R. Kopnick
Rabbi

RELIGIOUS SERVICES (continued from pg 1)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9:30 am – Torah Study
10:30 am – Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Exodus 33:12 – 34:26

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 7:00 PM

6:00 pm- Dinner (for those with reservations)
7:00 pm- Simchat Torah Services
Music: Alan Goodis

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 9:00 AM

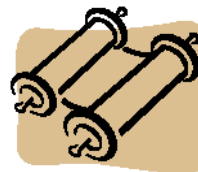
Simchat Torah Morning Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 7:30 PM

Shabbat Service
Music: Bob Pollack and Marilyn Zelcer

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:30 am – Torah Study
10:30 am – Shabbat Service
Torah Portion: Genesis 1:1 – 6:8



Shabbat Morning Torah Study

No experience expected!

Saturdays at 9:30 a.m.
With Rabbi Kopnick and/or
Carolyn Glatstein, Rabbinic Intern

CEMETERY SERVICES



Sunday, September 8

JEWISH CEMETERY OF GREATER CINCINNATI

☆Montgomery - 10:00 am

☆Walnut Hills - 11:00 am

Short Memorial Service led by Rabbi Kopnick
Meet inside the cemetery gate

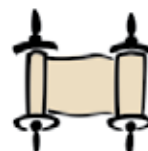
Should you wish to say Kaddish at a
different cemetery, please call the Temple office

Zichrona l'vracha - May their memories be for a blessing



**SUKKOT FESTIVAL
MORNING SERVICE**

Thurs., Sept. 19, 9:00 am



**SIMCHAT TORAH
MORNING SERVICE**

(YIZKOR INCLUDED)

Thurs., Sept. 26, 9:00 am

HIGH HOLYDAY INFORMATION
2013/5774

BAKERS NEEDED

Please bring homemade desserts to the Temple M-F 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. to be used for our Rosh Hashanah Reception following service on Erev Rosh Hashanah, Wednesday, September 4.

Thank you to Clare Deutsch and Sue Bortz for chairing this special reception.



Food Drive Benefits
Valley Interfaith Food and Clothing Center

Bring non-perishable food items in a paper shopping bag to the Temple between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur to help feed the hungry. The custom is to bring a day's worth of food for everyone in your household.


As we fast, others may eat ...

MAZAL TOV

Aubrey and Arlene Herman on the birth of their grandsons, Ariel Daniel Cohen and Ian Samuel Ecker.
Molly and Dylan Druffel and Sue and Arn Bortz on the birth of their son and grandson William Edward
Jeff and Laurie Marks on the engagement of their daughter, Madeline to Patrick Lingwall

MISHEBERACH

Marvin Fischbaum

 **OUR SYMPATHY**

Aubrey Herman on the death of his mother, Dorothy Herman
Bill Magnus on the death of his daughter, Eleanor Magnus

COME LEARN WITH US

Watch Your Mail For
The Fall
Adult Education
Program
including seminars, adult Hebrew classes, Lunch N Learn and more ...

SUKKOT CELEBRATION



Wednesday, Sept. 18
Decorate the Sukkah,
Dinner & Service
Dinner - 6:00 PM
Service - 7:00 PM

Join us for a pizza dinner, salad and our traditional smores and help us decorate the Sukkah.

\$10.00 - adults;
\$5.00 - children 3-11

Please bring fruits and vegetables to help decorate the Sukkah
Service will be indoors;
campfire and oneq outside

SUKKOT RESERVATION FORM

NAME(S) of those attending
.....

.....# of adults @ \$10.00

..... # of children **under 3-11** @ \$5.00 .

..... # of children under 3 (free) .

TOTAL AMT. FOR SUKKOT

Please let us know if you need a veggie meal

שמחת תורה CELEBRATION
Wednesday, Sept. 25

6:00 pm - Congregational Dinner
7:00 pm - Service celebrating the completion of reading the Torah and starting again!



Dinner
\$10.00 - adults;
\$5.00 - **children 3- 11**

Please bring a passing side dish (vegetable, salad, etc.)

SIMCHAT TORAH RESERVATION FORM

NAME(S) of those attending
.....

.....# of adults @ \$10.00

..... # of children **3-11** @ \$5.00 .

..... # of children under 3 (free) .

TOTAL AMT. FOR SIMCHAT TORAH

Bring a passing side dish (vegetable, salad, etc.)
Please let us know if you need a veggie meal.



**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?**

ALISON WEIKEL,
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

Welcome to another year of learning and growing at The Valley Temple Religious School! This year's wonderful faculty and madrichim (high school age teaching assistants) will work with the children of our congregation to fulfill our mission statement:

The Valley Temple Religious School's mission is to develop in each child a positive Jewish identity through the joy of learning together, inspiring all of them to weave Jewish ideals into the rest of their lives.

This year's faculty is:

- PreK- Gavi Ballaban
- Kindergarten- Nancy Kopnick
- 1st grade- Joanna Jones
- 2nd grade- Scott Steinberg
- 3rd grade- Eric Mollo
- 4th grade – Leslee Lisnek
- 5th grade – Kara Schneider
- 6th grade- Brian Meeron
- 7th/8th grade- Carolan Glatstein
- Alef Hebrew- Kara Schneider
- Bet Hebrew – Leslee Lisnek
- Gimmel Hebrew – Jenny Dapper
- Music- Michael Danziger

One of the great strengths of our program is our teachers' abilities to create a sense of community based on Jewish text and tradition and to co-construct the learning with your children. Because of our size, our teachers are able to provide personalized instruction depending on what each of our students needs. We strive to find ways to reach different learners with different teaching methods and activity styles. But we need your help.

The Religious School Registration form is one way to let us know what your child needs. What are your child's strengths, interests and areas of vulnerability? Can you share any tips for helping your child that you use at home, or that other teachers and coaches have used successfully? What are your hopes for your child's time in The Valley Temple Religious School? **(You should have received forms via email. Please contact me if you need forms.)** Everyone's Jewish identity is unique, so the journey one takes should be personalized as well. Help us provide the setting that will make your child's journey a success.

Religious School begins on Sunday, September 22 at 9:45 AM. There will be a parent meeting at 10:30 AM. Plan to stick around for the school assembly at 11:30 and the annual picnic hosted by Sisterhood at noon. Midweek Hebrew for grades 4-6 begins on Tuesday, September 24.

B'Shalom,
Alison
Alison

THE VALLEY TEMPLE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
2013-2014/5774

SUNDAYS (PreK-6) 9:45a.m.–Noon

- September 22, 29
- October 6, 13, 20, 27
- November 3, 10, 17, 24
- December 8, 15
- January 12, 26
- February 2, 9, 23
- March 2, 9, 16*
- April 13, 27**
- May 4, 10***, 18

* Purim Carnival immediately following RS

** Dan Nichols concert at 11AM

*** Shabbat School on Saturday, May 10

TUESDAYS (gr. 4-5-6) 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

- September 24
- October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- November 5, 12, 19
- December 3, 10, 17
- January 7, 14, 21, 28
- February 4, 11, 18, 25
- March 4, 11, 18
- April 8, 22, 29
- May 6, 13



FAMILY EDUCATION DATES

Pre-Kindergarten

January 12, 2014 – 11:20-12:00

Kindergarten

November 17, 2013 – 11:20-12:00

First Grade

October 27, 2013 – 11:00-12:00

Second Grade

October 6, 2013- 11:00-12:00

April 27, 2014 – 10:00-11:00

Third Grade

March 9, 2014 – 10:00-11:00

Fourth Grade

October 6, 2013- 9:45-11:00

February 23, 2014 – 11:00-12:00

Fifth Grade

October 27, 2013 – 10:00-11:00

February 23, 2014 – 10:00-11:00

May 4, 2014 – 10-11:30

Sixth Grade

December 8, 2013 – time TBA

January 26, 2014 - 9:45 – 11:15

May 4, 2014 – 10-11:30

7TH/8TH GRADE RETREAT



**in Indianapolis
September 27-28
SAVE THE DATE**



Religious school is right around the corner- September 22 is the first day. Please join us right after classes that day for the annual picnic, hosted by the Sisterhood. We ask that you bring a side dish or dessert, and have fun!

The Valley Temple Annual Congregational Picnic, hosted by the Men's Club, was tons of fun! Thanks to all who volunteered!

Sisterhood is sponsoring a Shredding Fundraiser at the JCC on Sunday, October 6 from 9:30 am to 12:30. Volunteers are needed for this event; Please contact Sue Spohr at valleywrj@valleytemple.com to volunteer.

Our first tentative Sisterhood meeting is September 29. Meetings are typically at 10 am during Religious School. We are also having our New Member Welcome Brunch October 13, site to be determined at a later date. Mark your calendars, and watch for future updates!

A great way to support the Sisterhood would be to register your Kroger card to the Sisterhood through the Kroger Community Rewards program. Just register at krogercommunityrewards.com and help Sisterhood support Valley Temple programming just by doing your shopping! Please contact Chrissy Knarr with any questions.

Are you on Facebook? Like the Valley Temple page and the Valley Temple Sisterhood page and you can keep up on the happenings!

Hope to see you at the picnic!
Susan
B'Shalom,

MEN'S CLUB COMINGS AND GOINGS

The Valley Temple Men's club held an executive board meeting on July 31st at Scott Steinberg's home. President, Sam Lobar; Vice President, Scott Steinberg; Secretary, Len Elgowsky; and Treasurer, Elliot Spieler were in attendance. During this time, a Facebook page was set up to advise members of the goings on of the club. The committee also discussed several ways to gain new members. Feel free to join the Valley Temple Men's Club Facebook page.

The club is planning the following events:

- FANTASY FOOTBALL- Sept. 3rd Looking for dues paying members, but you must be a member of the Men's Club to play.
- CYCLONES HOCKEY game planned for the fall.
- MEN'S CLUB meeting - Tues., Oct. 29 at 6:30pm.
- CANDLE PIN BOWLING - Jan. 26, 2014.

Scott Steinberg is helping with two events: Dads and Donuts function this Fall, preceding a Religious School session and he is helping organize the High Holy Days ushering schedule. Aron Schneider will help with Men's Club breakfast gatherings outside the Temple on Sunday mornings while the kids are in Religious School - anyone who wishes to attend these can just meet up at the lobby of the Temple beginning Sunday September 22, 2013.

Remember to become a dues paying member of the Men's Club. \$36 Dues checks made payable to The Valley Temple Men's Club, and left in the Temple office Men's Club mail box. You can also mail it directly to the Temple. Your dues will run fiscally from July through June, and, combined with the dues of others, will help offset some of our events, fully fund the annual Picnic/BBQ, and, eventually, will also serve as a fund to support other Valley Temple programs. We look forward to a terrific year for the Men's Club!

Regards,
Len
Len Elgowsky, Secretary

COMMUNITY SHREDDING
Fundraising Event
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH 9:30am – 12:30pm
Mayerson JCC (Staff Parking Lot)
8485 Ridge Road
\$2.50 per box/bag




Sponsored by
The Valley Temple
Sisterhood

Powered by Cintas – Onsite Shredding
Rain or Shine
Volunteers will be needed the day of the event
Contact Sue Spohr at valleywrj@valleytemple.com

SAVE THE DATE
THE SUGARFEST
A celebration of desserts.

Sunday, March 2, 2014
Sharonville Convention Center



ADULT EDUCATION

Reform: Choice Through Knowledge with Carolan Glatstein

Tuesdays, Sept. 24 and Oct. 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Help our rabbinic intern, Carolan Glatstein, conduct research for her thesis by participating in this focus group. We will be discussing our Jewish backgrounds and experiences, the basis upon which we make Jewish choices, and the original texts from which our traditions draw.



Jewish Community in Liquid Times with Dr. Michael Marmor

Vice President of HUC-JIR
Tuesday, October 8 at 7:30 p.m



We are living in "liquid times" (a phrase coined by the sociologist Zygmunt Bauman). Many of the institutions, assumptions and identities which our grandparents experienced as solid and fixed are now in a state of flux. What does it mean to live in community under such conditions. We will explore this theme using Jewish and other sources.

Born and raised in England, Rabbi Marmor completed a BA in Modern History at the University of Oxford before moving to Israel in 1984. While studying for an MA in Ancient Jewish History at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, he completed his studies in the Israel Rabbinic Program of HUC in Jerusalem, where he currently lives and works.



American Judaism With Rabbi Ken Kantor

Dean, HUC-JIR
Tuesdays, October 22, 29 at 7:30 p.m.

October 22

The Greatest Gift to the World: The Jew in American Music.

October 29

Give Us Your Tired, Your Poor: The Immigrant Experience in Popular Culture

Adult Hebrew

Begins on Tues., Sept 24 and Mon., Sept. 30

Level Bet

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Join instructor Carolan Glatstein as she helps students who know the letters and are hoping to read more fluently. We'll also learn how the language works, so we can translate some of the prayers.

Level Gimmel

Tuesdays at 6:30p.m.

Rabbi Sandford Kopnick, instructor
For those who can read Hebrew and know basic grammar. A continuation of Bet and Gimmel class from 2012-13. New students welcome.

Advanced Hebrew

Mondays at 5:30 p.m.

Rabbi Sandford Kopnick, instructor
Students with very good Hebrew or continuing Advanced Hebrew students. We'll be translating the prayer book as we focus on grammar. New students welcome.

If you were planning on taking Beginning Hebrew, call the rabbi to see if we have enough students to populate a class!!

אבודת הווח
טייכר למבונן
סלפףק
רשת



Judaism Confronts Contemporary Issues

First Monday of the Month at Noon
Law Office of Jon Hoffheimer
12th Floor of Mercantile Bank Bldg on Walnut Street

Second Monday of the Month at Noon
Valley Temple

Whether from the headlines, medical ethics, business ethics, and ritual dilemmas, our one-hour discussions provide an opportunity to learn and to share Judaism's on-going relevance to our world.

BEGINS MONDAY, OCT 7 & 14

Sustaining the Generations ...

We gratefully acknowledge the following contributions:

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In memory of Bob Broh; *from Jon & Susan Hoffheimer, Jay & Susan Price, Lois Gushin, Sue & George Trenkamp, Sue & Arn Bortz, Kathleen & Ivan Tamarkin, Marlene Kantor*

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THE VALLEY TEMPLE BUILDING FUND

In memory of David Ensel; *from Laura & Sam Lobar and family*

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Harold & Bernice Blatt	09/06/1951
Andrew & Jessica Kaplan	09/01/2001
Rhoda & John Ulas	09/02/1978
Sandford & Nancy Kopnick	09/02/1990
Mark & Robin Miller	09/02/2001
Jim & Cindi Miller	09/03/2005
Phyllis Bossin & Rob Strauss	09/04/2011
Julian & Carol Magnus	09/04/1956
Karen & Joe Frecker	09/05/1999
Leah & Steve Joos	09/05/2009
Amanda Stein & Tom Enneking	09/07/2003
Emily & Adam Nahmias	09/13/2011
Jan Goldstein & Chuck Frank	09/15/2007
Dolph & Nancy Berman	09/16/1961
Dave & Amanda Katz	09/17/1989
Ben & Karen Rosenfield	09/17/2000
Dorian & Cindi Naveh	09/22/2000
Bill & Barbara Klein	09/24/1972
Randi & Brian Kaplan	09/25/2005

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Keith Pennix	09/03
Charles Vordenberge III	09/03
Clyde Dempsey	09/04
Sarah Sawin	09/04
Martin Schragger	09/06
Zola Makrauer	09/06
Jacob Cogan	09/06
Amy Frank	09/07
Neil Kravitz	09/07
Dolph Berman	09/07
Donald Dornheggen	09/08
Stephanie Kaufman	09/08
Anne Straus	09/09
Pamela Geller	09/09
James Miles	09/11
Elaine Rosin	09/11
Wendy Walsh	09/12
Jay Levinson	09/13
Jerry Newfarmer	09/13
Nicole Menkhaus	09/14
Charles Frank	09/14
Alex Levinson	09/15
Joshua Weikel	09/15
Aaron Levy	09/16
Bruce Walker	09/16
Emily Ehrle	09/17
Nathan Berman	09/18
Amanda Stein	09/18
Matthew DelMauro	09/18
Brian Cusack	09/18
Lucy Schragger	09/22
Sarah Weiss	09/22
Aron Schneider	09/23
Zoe Codd	09/23
Mark Sass	09/23
Rheda Harris	09/23
Debra Hoffheimer	09/25
Charleen Catt-Lyon	09/25
Annaliese Levy	09/26
Sallie Berg	09/26
Susan Kahn	09/26
Joel Shulman	09/27
Sam Hecht	09/29
Ellen Siegel Kovacic	09/30

MAZAL TOV

Honor a special occasion by donating to one of our funds which will suit the donor or honoree. These contributions support special programs and projects not covered by our operating budget. For more info, call the Temple office.

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The Valley Temple Religious School

ANNUAL OPENING DAY PICNIC

Sunday, September 22, 2013
(Immediately following Religious School)

This will be a potluck event hosted by Sisterhood. Hotdogs and drinks will be provided. Each family is asked to provide a side dish or dessert (**There is no additional cost for this event**).

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND
YOU DONT HAVE TO HAVE CHILDREN IN
THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL TO COME!**



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PICNIC Sunday, September 22, 2013 Reservation Form

NAME (S) _____
Adults _____ # Children _____

PLEASE SPECIFY SO WE CAN ORDER FOOD APPROPRIATELY:

Hotdog lunches _____

Veggie Hotdog lunches _____

In order to coordinate our menu, please let us know what type of dish you will bring:

I/We will bring (for eight):

_____ Side dish (Pasta salad, cole slaw, potato salad fruit salad, etc.)

_____ Dessert

_____ I/We will be happy to volunteer the day of the event (set up, clean up, etc.).

Please email Kathy Klein at valleywrj@valleytemple.com or call the Temple office- 761-3555 no later than Tuesday, September 17