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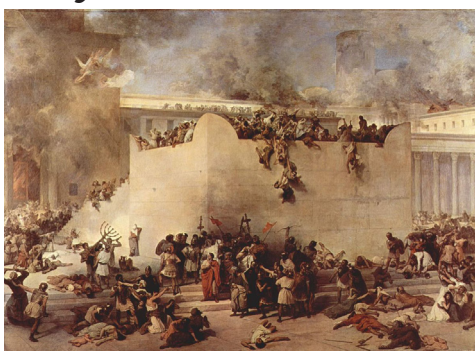
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If by Rabbi Shawn Zell

If there is one day that is antithetical to Judaism, it is Tisha B'av. It is beyond me, how the very same Judaism that teaches us mitzvah g'dolah l'hiot b'simcha (it is a great mitzvah to be in a state of joy) can earmark a national day of mourning on its calendar. Even though emotions cannot be automatically turned on or off like an electric current or water from a faucet, the most effective way to commemorating the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem as far as I'm concerned is not necessarily through tears.

If we truly care about the destruction of the Holy Temple, then perhaps it's time to brush away the tears. As Jews, we are bona fide contrarians. If the destruction of the Holy Temple means something to us, then our response cannot and must not be limited to tears. As Jews, it is incumbent upon us to respond to destruction with construction. Brick, stone and drywall aside, the proper response to Tisha B'av is to fortify one's individual synagogue. The Temple in Jerusalem needed Kohanim with integrity, proper animals for sacrifice, and a committed public with a reason to believe in and support HaShem's house. Current day synagogues are not much different. They too need a realistic and sustainable budget, rabbinic leadership with integrity, and a committed membership, with a positive attitude as far as dues, participation in programs, and attendance at services. Other than demographic reality, no congregation should, G-d forbid, ever experience the congregational collapse of a synagogue.



If we truly mourn the destruction of the Holy Temple, then we have to assess what went wrong. Our rabbinic sages were quick to explain the cause for the destruction on a disease known as *sinat chinam* (baseless hatred). As American Jews, we have perfected our reaction and response to anti-Semitic comments. Our ears automatically prick up at the slightest anti-Semitic comment, real or perceived. How ironic then, that we are so hard of hearing when we Jews make comments about one another. How is it that any uncalled for remark made by Jew against Jew gets a pass, while any uncalled for remark made by non-Jew against Jew gets scrutiny? Can you imagine how different American society would be, if we Jews acted as casually when we heard negative remarks – real or perceived by non – Jews, as we do when we hear negative remarks made by one another within the fold? Alternatively, can you imagine how different Jewish America would be if we Jews were as sensitive to remarks made by Jew against Jew as we are to remarks made by non-Jew against Jew?

If we truly mourn the destruction of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem, then we have to revisit the RX prescribed by our

rabbinic sages in wake of the calamity. Seeing that there could be no more sacrifices, the rabbis instituted prayer. As one who is committed to daily minyan, I maintain that as necessary, vital, and non-negotiable as prayer is, prayer alone just won't cut it. The RX that our rabbinic sages should have prescribed at the time the Temple in Jerusalem was destroyed was to replace animal sacrifice with personal sacrifice. From Abraham until this very day, sacrifice has been the sine qua non of Judaism. Sacrifice is as indispensable to Judaism as oxygen is to humans. Judaism can only survive when Jews are prepared to sacrifice. For far too long, we have been trained to ask ourselves, what are we prepared to give as Jews? That is an ill-phrased question that should never have been posed. The proper question that we should have asked ourselves and remains to be asked is: What are we prepared to give up as Jews?

If each year, we approach Tisha B'av with the hope and prayer that this be the last year for us to mourn nationally, then we would do well to revisit the three "if's" listed above. If we can take our synagogue to heart, if we can adopt the same set of rules for Jews maligning Jews as we have for non-Jews maligning Jews, if we realize that a healthy Judaism is as much contingent on giving up as it is on giving, then it is entirely possible for Tisha B'av to become a time where tears of sadness are turned into tears of joy.

*Rabbi Zell*

## Upcoming Events at Tiferet!



### In Touch with Tishri

A 4 week class, held Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM, with Rabbi Zell. Explore the meaning of the High Holy Days.

August 9, 16, 23, & 30

No Charge to attend. RSVP Requested.



### Back to School Shabbat Dinner

Friday, August 18

7:30 PM

Immediately following services at 6:30 PM  
\$20 per adult, \$10 per child under 13,  
Children under 3 may attend for free.  
RSVP Required by August 14.

## High Holy Days at Tiferet Israel

High Holy Day Booklets will be mailed shortly.  
Ticket orders are requested by Monday, August 28.



Rosh Hashana Day 1 - Thursday, September 21  
Rosh Hashana Day 2 - Friday, September 22  
Kol Nidre - Friday, September 29  
Yom Kippur - Saturday, September 30

In addition to standard High Holy Day Services with Rabbi Zell,

Rabbi Sabo will lead a Young Families Service on Rosh Hashana Day 1 & Day 2.

There is a charge to attend his services if you do not already have High Holy Day tickets.

High Holy Day booklets will also be available in the office.

## Brotherhood and Sisterhood Program

“The House Whisperer:

A Forensic Expert’s Tips on Avoiding Catastrophic Damage to Your Home”



by Johnie Spruiell of  
Integrity Forensics & Engineering

August 27 at 10:00 AM

A brunch featuring omelette stations by Dallas Culinary Institute Students will be served.

\$10 per person. RSVP required!

## Volunteers needed!

Tiferet Israel needs volunteers!

We have many ways to get involved at Tiferet.

Our Marketing and Membership committees need members.

The Sisterhood Kitchen Krew can always use a hand in preparing Kiddush.

Have a skill that you would like to share?

The Programming committee would love to talk to you!



## August Torah Topics

August 5: Va'etchanan - Park and Hark

August 12: Ekev - Observing and Deserving

August 19: Re-eh - Needy or Greedy

August 26: Shoftim - Venting or Preventing

## Did you Know?

Upon seeing a Jew observing Tisha B'av in a small, non-descript European synagogue, Napoleon apparently cried out, “A nation that cries and fasts for over 2,000 years for their land and Temple will surely be rewarded with the rebuilding of their Temple.”

## August Birthdays:

### August 4

Soloman Israel

### August 6

Linda Blasnik

### August 7

Hanna Gershoni  
Lily Marcus

### August 8

Chelsi Schwaber

### August 9

Rick Cohen  
Kerrie Wolfson

### August 11

Henri Hassouni  
Simon Post  
Rica Sonogo

### August 12

Dr. Deborah Charles  
Connie Tolmas

### August 13

Dr. Kenneth Bayles  
Marsha Ring

### August 14

Dr. Jeanie Tolmas

### August 15

Dr. Aviva Hopkovitz Dunsky  
Mira Roosth

### August 17

Bennett Robinson  
Elandra Weinberg

### August 18

Ronald Romaner  
Allan Rubin

### August 20

Haia Goldenberg  
Albert Lampert  
Ina Weingarten  
Sylvia Schepps

### August 21

Rosalie Budnoff  
Robert Sylvia

### August 25

Erin Smith

### August 26

Alfred Hassouni

### August 27

Karen Hazan-Cohen  
Melanie Skipper Relyea

### August 29

Brenda Dunn  
Jonathan Libby

### August 30

Terye Dubner  
Kevin Libby

### August 31

Alan Shlansky

## August Anniversaries:

### August 6

William & Heddy Roth

### August 7

Stuart & Andrea Roosth

### August 15

Steve & Tina Israel  
Donald & Adele Miller  
Garry & Debbie Smith

### August 17

Israel & Gilit Mandelbaum



### August 20

Albert & Tanya Lampert

### August 26

Rabbi Shawn & Shirah Zell

### August 28

Chaim & Bina Domb

### August 29

Dr. Kenneth & Shirley Bayles

### August 31

Erv & Shirley Rovinsky

## August Yahrzeits:

### August 1 - 9 Av

Eddie Ferber

### August 2 - Av 10

Reb Ytzhak Malka

### August 3 - Av 11

Morris Stillman

### August 5 - Av 13

Sadie Cohen  
Fred Gross  
William Kimmel

### August 6 - Av 14

Ann Gadol  
Katie Weingarten

### August 7 - Av 15

Peggy Jo Skibell

### August 8 - Av 16

Annie Lesser  
Benjamin Prengler  
Charles Rubenstein  
Cecile Tolmas

### August 9 - Av 17

Lilli Anderson  
Nathan Yohay

### August 10 - Av 18

Linda Friedman

### August 11 - Av 19

Joseph Kastor  
Mary Simon Levine  
Erven Michaelson

### August 12 - Av 20

Jente Zolondz

### August 13 - Av 21

Haskell Daiches

### August 14 - Av 22

Rosalie Danburg  
Jerome Epstein

### August 16 - Av 24

Chana Kopel  
Isaac Schwartz

### August 17 - Av 25

Samuel Karten  
Elza Katz

### August 18 - Av 26

Joseph Feldman  
Armin Fruhlinger  
Larry Lampert  
Sylvia Scolnic

### August 19 - Av 27

Hanna Hirschberg

### August 21 - Av 29

Anne Karten

### August 22 - Av 30

Dr. William R. Berk  
Rishe Rojel Gizunterman  
Laura Weiner

### August 23 - Elul 1

Libby Goldberg

### August 24 - Elul 2

Toba Greenberg

### August 25 - Elul 3

Ty Barron  
Mollie Blashka  
Serena Grinpas

### August 26 - Elul 4

Ralph Candy

### August 27 - Elul 5

Birdie Kissner  
Rita Stollon

### August 28 - Elul 6

Cudek Davidson  
Mort Robin

### August 29 - Elul 8

Charlotte Baum  
Lowell Maurice Rosenthal  
Dorothy Tolmas

### August 31 - 9 Elul

Iren Pokloff

# August 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 9 Av  <b>Tisha B'Av</b>	2 10 Av	3 11 Av	4 12 Av	5 13 Av  <b>Va'etchanan Shabbat Nachamu</b>
6 14 Av  Programming Committee Mtg. 9:30 AM Fundraising Committee Meeting 11:00 AM	7 15 Av	8 16 Av	9 17 Av  Rabbi's Class Touched by Tishri 7:00 PM	10 18 Av	11 19 Av	12 20 Av  <b>Ekev</b>
13 21 Av	14 22 Av	15 23 Av  Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 PM	16 24 Av  Rabbi's Class Touched by Tishri 7:00 PM	17 25 Av	18 26 Av  Back to School Shabbat Dinner 7:30 PM \$20 per adult \$10 per child under 12. No charge, under 3	19 27 Av  <b>Re'eh</b>
20 28 Av  Baking for Peru with Debby 9:30 AM	21 29 Av  Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 PM	22 30 Av  <b>ROSH CHODESH</b>	23 1 Elul Women's Rosh Chodesh Prog. Beading Dreams 6-8 PM \$25 class - BYODinner Rabbi's Class Touched by Tishri 7:00 PM <b>ROSH CHODESH</b>	24 2 Elul	25 3 Elul	26 4 Elul  <b>Shoftim</b>
27 5 Elul  Brotherhood/ Sisterhood Meeting 10:00 AM Baking for Peru with Debby 11:00 AM	28 6 Elul  High Holy Day Ticket orders are due!	29 7 Elul	30 8 Elul  Rabbi's Class Touched by Tishri 7:00 PM	31 9 Elul		

## Mitzvah of the Month - August 2017

Back to School Supplies to be collected for Shared Housing's Supply Drive. Items needed are:

**Ruled Notecards, Wide Rule Paper, Pens, and Pencils.**

Items should be brought to Tiferet before August 11, so the kids will have the supplies before school starts! A donation box is available in the main hallway.

# September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 10 Elul	2 11 Elul  <b>Ki Tetze</b>
3 12 Elul	4 13 Elul  <b>OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY</b>	5 14 Elul	6 15 Elul	7 16 Elul	8 17 Elul	9 18 Elul  Shabbat with Shirah  <b>Ki Tavo</b>
10 19 Elul  Jewish Life Around the World - featuring Peru! 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$18 per person	11 20 Elul	12 21 Elul	13 22 Elul	14 23 Elul	15 24 Elul	16 25 Elul  Selichot Program Discussion 9:30 PM Service 11:00 PM <b>Nitzavim-Vayelech SELICHOT</b>
17 26 Elul Kever Avot 10 AM, 11 AM, & 12:30 PM Programming Meeting 9:30 AM Goup Tickets to Jewish Film Festival "Fever at Dawn" 12:30 PM	18 27 Elul	19 28 Elul  Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 PM	20 29 Elul  <b>EREV ROSH HASHANAH</b>	21 1 Tishri  <b>ROSH HASHANAH</b>	22 2 Tishri  <b>ROSH HASHANAH</b>	23 3 Tishri  <b>Ha'azinu SHABBAT SHUVAH</b>
24 4 Tishri  <b>FAST OF GEDALIAH OBSERVED</b>	25 5 Tishri  Board of Directors Meeting 6:00 PM	26 6 Tishri	27 7 Tishri	28 8 Tishri	29 9 Tishri  <b>KOL NIDRE</b>	30 10 Tishri  <b>YOM KIPPUR YIZKOR</b>

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# Calendar of Events - August 2017

**August 1:** Tisha B'av

**August 6:** Programming committee meeting - 9:30 AM  
Fundraising Committee meeting - 11:00 AM

**August 9:** Rabbi's class - 7:00 PM. "Touched by Tishri," a 4 week study of the High Holy Days with Rabbi Zell. Meets Wednesday nights. RSVP requested.

**August 15:** Executive committee meeting - 6:00 PM.

**August 16:** Rabbi's class - 7:00 PM. "Touched by Tishri."

**August 18:** Back to School Shabbat dinner - 7:30 PM. Immediately following services at 6:30 PM. \$20 per adult, \$10 for children under 13, children under 3 may attend at no charge. RSVP's are required by August 14. Contact the office to respond.

**August 20:** Baking for Jewish Life - Peru with Debby - 9:30 AM. Learn to bake wonderful Peruvian treats with a Jewish flair. Please RSVP to office if you can help.

**August 21:** Board of Directors meeting - 6:00 PM.

**August 23:** Rabbi's class - 7:00 PM. "Touched by Tishri." Women's Rosh Chodesh Program - 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Gather at Beading Dreams located at 5629 W. Lovers Ln., Dallas to create a unique piece of jewelry. \$25 per person. BYODinner and beverage. Dessert provided. RSVP required by August 18.

**August 27:** Brotherhood and Sisterhood program - 10:00 AM. "The House Whisperer: A Forensic Expert's Tips on Avoiding Catastrophic Damage to Your Home." Speaker Johnie Spruiell. \$10 per person. Includes brunch featuring omelette stations with Dallas Culinary Institute students. RSVP required. [jennifer@tiferetisrael.org](mailto:jennifer@tiferetisrael.org) or 214-691-3611.

Baking for Jewish Life - Peru with Debby - 11:00 AM

**August 30:** Rabbi's class - 7:00 PM. "Touched by Tishri."

## Schedule of Services - August 2017

### SHACHARIT

### DAILY SERVICE TIMES

### MINCHA/MA'ARIV

Days	Time	Latest Time for Shema	Week Of:	Time
Sunday	8:00 AM	9:39 AM	July 30 - August 3	8:10 PM
Monday-Friday	6:30 AM	9:44 AM	August 6 - 10	8:05 PM
Shabbat	9:00 AM	9:49 AM	August 13 - 17	7:55 PM
*Morning service on national holidays: 8:00 AM		9:54 AM	August 20 - 24	7:50 PM
		9:58 AM	August 27 - 31	7:40 PM

### FRIDAY & SHABBAT SERVICE TIMES

Shabbat Beginning	Parsha	Candle Lighting	Friday Night Mincha/Ma'ariv	Shabbat Mincha/Ma'ariv	Shabbat Ends
August 4	Va'etchanan Shabbat Nachamu	8:02 PM	6:30 PM	7:35 PM	9:03 PM
August 11	Ekev	7:56PM	6:30 PM	7:30 PM	8:57 PM
August 18	Re'eh	7:48 PM	6:30 PM	7:20 PM	8:49 PM
August 25	Shoftim	7:40 PM	6:30 PM	7:10 PM	8:41 PM
September 1	Ki Tetze	7:31 PM	6:30 PM	7:00 PM	8:32 PM

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**August 22 & 23**

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