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Rabbi Aaron Rubinstein



Upcoming Services

Thursday, September 5

7:00 am Minyan

Friday, September 6

6:15 pm Service

Saturday, September 7

Thursday, September 19

7:00 am Minyan

Friday, September 20

6:15 pm Service

Saturday, September 21

9:30 am Service

9:30 am Service

Thursday, September 12

7:00 am Minyan

Thursday, September 26

7:00 am Minyan

Friday, September 13

6:15 pm Service

Friday, September 27

6:15 pm Service

Saturday, September 14

9:30 am Service

Saturday, September 28

9:30 am Service



Zoom Davening

All services can be viewed via Zoom. You can access these either via computer, smart phone or call in and listen to services with any phone.

Here are the links you will need to 'attend' services:

Wednesday Torah Study - September 11, 18, 25 @ 7 pm

<https://zoom.us/j/94748985900?pwd=cmU3N1RUV0JYR25rTGRNZCtOaFBPUT09>

Passcode: 381362

By Phone: 1-929-436-2866

Meeting ID: 947 4898 5900 **Password: studytorah

Thursday Morning Minyan - September 5, 12, 19, 26 at 7 am

<https://zoom.us/j/94233255435?pwd=NDg2bE5jejFOcVpqay9MZm42VGp0QT09>

Passcode: 695052

By Phone: 1-929-436-2866

Meeting ID: 942 3325 5435 Password: 695052

Friday Evening Kabbalat Shabbat - September 6, 13, 20, 27 at 6:15 pm

[https://zoom.us/j/93760006426?pwd=](https://zoom.us/j/93760006426?pwd=RERBMU5KQ1cwR0RRUFI1TnYvcM9VZz09)

[RERBMU5KQ1cwR0RRUFI1TnYvcM9VZz09](https://zoom.us/j/93760006426?pwd=RERBMU5KQ1cwR0RRUFI1TnYvcM9VZz09)

Passcode: 661400

By Phone: 1-929-436-2866

Meeting ID: 937 6000 6426 Password: 661400

Saturday Morning Service - September 7, 14, 21, 28 at 9:30 am

[https://zoom.us/j/94484008047?pwd=](https://zoom.us/j/94484008047?pwd=NkN2eVNiOTIMc3kwakpwdFdJdVVPUT09)

[NkN2eVNiOTIMc3kwakpwdFdJdVVPUT09](https://zoom.us/j/94484008047?pwd=NkN2eVNiOTIMc3kwakpwdFdJdVVPUT09)

Passcode: 420674

By Phone: 1-929-436-2866

Meeting ID: 944 8400 8047 Password: 420674



A Word From the Rabbi

Love and Resolve

As I write these words on the last Friday of August, Labor Day is just around the corner. A refrain from a favorite Grateful Dead tune: 'Summertime's come and gone, my oh my.' In addition to our looking into September, this Shabbat we announce the imminent arrival of Elul, the month that serves as a corridor toward the new year of 5785.

Our tradition guides us toward spiritually preparing ourselves for the new year. There's *Teshuva*, Turning Back towards God, toward each other...looking inward, taking an inventory. What to keep, what to release, what to fix (can it be fixed?). Our sages transform the name of the month Elul (אלול) into an acronym for אני לדודי ודודי לי , 'I am for my beloved and my beloved is for me.' This powerful teaching tells us that love is at the core of our mission. Our introspection is guided by love and care; caring for, caring about — in circles which radiate outward from our intimate family commitments to other close-knit circles ... eventually — to everyone whose paths we cross.

Back to ancient pop/rock & roll...easy to dismiss the Beatles' declaration that 'all you need is love' ... we probably need a few more tools in the spiritual survival kit, but — love (not such a simple idea) might just be the Most Important thing there is.

One last thing — I saved it for last because it's a tough item. Our brothers and sisters in Israel who have been mourning those who were murdered back on October 7 have recently passed their eleven months of reciting Kaddish. *If anything I've written about love and care means anything at all* - we are not permitted to forget about them. I am talking about a sacred *obligation* to the souls of the dead as well as their families who surely struggle with impossible burdens. As we enter into this corridor of Elul, let us resolve to keep faith. To extend our love. To care. To support our *family* over in Israel in any way we can. Make a promise to

yourself and to them.



A WORD FROM CSI PRESIDENT

Happy Fall to All!

First, some reminders:

Please be sure that you have sent the secretary an RSVP with your name and those of any guests, if you are planning to attend our September 4th meeting with a survivor of the October 7th massacre in Israel. This event will start at 7:00 pm at CSI. Also in September, on the 28th at 8:00 pm at CSI, we will have a guest artist doing a stone-working demonstration for Selichot. Again, you need to RSVP ahead of time with names for you and guests for this event. The Rabbi has told me that it should be a very special evening.

There will also be a joint CSI and TBI memorial service on October 7th at Temple Beth Israel. More information will be forthcoming.

Even though the High Holy Days don't start until early October this year, CSI has done a lot of planning in advance. This bulletin contains the HH schedule, so be sure to take note of the relevant dates and times. Key observances are Rosh Hashanah on 10/3 and 10/4, Yom Kippur on 10/12 and Sukkot on 10/17 and 10/18. If you would like to participate in High Holy Day honors, please contact Evan Koplin. If you have any other questions, please contact Stephanie in our office, or Jeff Lehman, chair of our ritual committee, or me.

I've been thinking about ways to celebrate the Shabbat of September 21st, which is the International Day of Peace. This is a day voted on by the United Nations in 1981 to remind us to work toward peace in the world. It might be a perfect date to attend Shabbat morning services

and share lunch with friends in the Social Hall afterwards.

CSI's religious school has started its new academic year. The teachers have planned terrific activities for their students. Be sure your children are enrolled.

Unfortunately, Covid is still with us. There is a new variant surfacing in Middle Georgia, so please be careful during the coming days. Pharmacies will soon have a vaccine for this strain of the virus; you might want to take advantage of it. Of course, we can also stay safe by wearing masks and washing our hands. Please take care of yourself and those in your family.

Shalom, everyone. Have a great month!

Jan

Tentative High Holiday Schedule

2024				
Date	Who	Activity	Time	Location
28-Sep	CSI	Selichot Program		CSI
2-Oct	CSI	Erev Rosh Hashanah		CSI
3-Oct	CSI	Rosh Hashanah Day 1		CSI
3-Oct	CSI	Tashlich Service		
4-Oct	CSI	Rosh Hashanah Day 2		CSI
6-Oct	CSI	Cemtery Service		Rose Hill Old Section
11-Oct	CSI	Erev Yom Kippur Dinner		CSI
11-Oct	CSI	Kol Nidre- Mincha Service		CSI
11-Oct	CSI	Kol Nidre- Musical Interlude		CSI
11-Oct	CSI	Kol Nidre		CSI
12-Oct	CSI	Yom Kippur Service		CSI
12-Oct	CSI	Yom Kippur Afternoon Service		CSI
12-Oct	CSI	Break the Fast		CSI
16-Oct	CSI	Supper in the Sukkah		CSI
17-Oct	CSI	Sukkot Service Day 1		CSI
18-Oct	CSI	Sukkot Service Day 2		CSI
TBD	CSI	Scotch in the Sukkah		Elmo & Marty Koplin House
TBD	CSI	Sukkot Hop Warner Robins		Wengier House
TBD	CSI	Sukkot Hop Milldgeville		
TBD	CSI	Shabbat Dinner Rubinstein House		
24-Oct	CSI	Shemini Atzeret- Yiskor		CSI
24-Oct	CSI	Erev Simchat Torah		CSI
25-Oct	CSI	Simchat Torah		CSI



THE CSI BOOK CLUB

The CSI Book Club will meet at 1 p.m. on Sunday, September 29th. We will discuss the book *BOYHOOD*, a novel by Reuven Fenton. All are welcome. For more information, please contact Jan Lewis at janlewis73@gmail.com.

High Holiday Honors

Rosh HaShana/Yom Kippur Maftir
\$300.00

Kohen Aliyah for all services
\$300.00

Levi Aliyah \$300.00

All other Aliyot \$300.00

Hagbah/G'ilah \$50.00

Holding the Torah during Kol Nidre
\$50.00

P'ticha (opening Ark curtains)
\$35.00

For all other honors, (English readings, etc.) donations of any amount are always welcomed.

Please contact Evan Koplin to secure an honor at 478-718-7000.



Please call Stephanie at the synagogue office 478-745-4571 or email her at secretary@csimacon.org for donations to all funds Except The Wall of Jerusalem.

For donations to the Wall of Jerusalem Fund, please call Shelley Kruger at 478-474-0060.

For donations to the Noah's Ark Fund, please call the CSI secretary.

Yahrzeit donations should be mailed directly to synagogue.

Please note that you can also make donations to the various CSI funds through our website:

www.csimacon.org

It's easy and quick!
You can designate which fund to honor your loved ones.

SEEKING NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND CHAIRS

We have two committees that need new leadership: Marketing/



Mi Sheberach

Congregation Sha'arey Israel
extends Get Well Wishes to:

Ian Altman
Henry Koplin
Miriam Wengier



September Birthdays

1 - Blythe Koplin
2 - Sharon Elowitz
4 - Kristy Yashinsky
5 - Lori Dreizen-Garrett
6 - Chip Koplin
6 - Linda Blumenthal
12 - Riley Bernstein
16 - Peggy Feldman
18 - Olivia Bayme
18 - Janice Bailey
19 - Cara Bayme
20 - Brittany Mier y Teran
22 - Gloria Brody

Communication and Social Action. If you think you might want to chair either of these committees, please contact Jan Lewis at janlewis73@gmail.com.

Also - CSI invites all members to serve on one or more committees. What are your interests? How could they fit in with one of our working groups? The list of committees is below:

Adult Education and Cultural Affairs

Board of Education

Cemetery

Gifts and Memorials

House

Kitchen

Marketing/Communication

Membership

Ritual

Security

Social Action/Military Affairs

Special Projects

We want your input and we need your help in running CSI, so please feel free to volunteer. Contact Jan Lewis and she will answer your questions.

Rabbi Aaron is meeting with congregants by appointment. You can call him at 478-250-5952 to schedule an appointment.

23 - Marty Koplin
 23 - Pam Webster
 24 - Robert Blumenthal
 25 - Barbara Altman
 25 - Evan Koplin
 26 - Allison Brody
 28 - Joe Finkelstein
 28 - Louis Piassick
 30 - Nathalie Goodrich



September Anniversaries

1 - Matt Garrett & Lori
 Dreizin-Garrett
 5 - Evan & Marty Koplin
 7 - Robert & Renee Schwartz
 9 - David & Beth Cohen
 14 - Robert Fieldsteel & Jan
 Lewis
 20 - Richard & Sandra Singer



KRUGER TORAH FUND DONATION

Happy Anniversary to

MATTERS OF DEATH AND LIFE

An informative guide to
 Traditions and Practices
 around death and mourning

for the Middle Georgia Jewish Community

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 2024 10:00 A.M.

CONGREGATION SHA'AREY ISRAEL

611 FIRST STREET, MACON

What is the meaning behind....?

Why do we.....?

What do we do when.....?

Let's explore the answers together.

Featuring Rabbi Josh Heller, B'nai Torah, Atlanta,
 Rabbi Elizabeth Bahar, Temple Beth Israel and
 Rabbi Aaron Rubinstein, Congregation Sha'arey Israel

Talking about what happens after someone passes away can be tough,
 but it's really helpful to know a bit about it ahead of time. This way,
 you and your loved ones can be better prepared.

Refreshments will be provided
 (death & doughnuts)



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SYNAGOGUE & MAZEL TOV FUND DONATIONS

In memory of our beloved son,



Terri & David Frolich
Steve & Shelley Kruger

**Happy Anniversary to
Shelley & Steve Kruger**
Terri & David Frolich

**Happy Anniversary to
Reeda & Doug Katz**
Terri & David Frolich

**In memory of my loving
grandmother, Fanny Kahn**
Terri & David Frolich

In memory of Jeffrey Kirsh
Terri & David Frolich

Jeff Kirsh
Fran & Alan Kirsh

**In memory of my beloved
brother, Bob Kirsh**
Alan Kirsh

**In memory of my beloved
mother, Helen Frank Chanin**
Steve Chanin

**In memory of my beloved
mother, Frances Kamensky**
Carol Chanin

In memory of Amalie Proskauer
Ed & Diane Vogel

In memory of Kay Morrison
Israel

**Happy Anniversary to
David & Terri Frolich**
Alan & Hershele Goldman



**RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY
FUND DONATIONS**

**Thanks to Rabbi Aaron
for his hospitality**
Mark Edelstein



Congregation Sha'arey Israel is a partner with DAYBREAK, a daytime safe haven for members of our community who are either homeless or are in need of a place

to spend a day with people; a place where they can shower, get a light snack, and feel part of a community. DAYBREAK needs volunteers. If interested, call (478) 216-9119 or visit <https://depaulusa.org/programs/macon/>. You can also drop off donated items at their Macon location at 174 Walnut Street. You can also ship directly from Amazon.

Daybreak's current needs are:

canned or fresh fruit	large sturdy back packs	
applesauce	Bio freeze	
breakfast bars (soft)	Claritin	
sandwich cookie packs	daytime cold medicine-no alcohol	
powered lemonade/tea	eye drops	
coffee creamer	insect repellant	
instant grits	hydrocortisone cream	
sugar	reader glasses - 2.00/higher	
brown paper snack bags	Benadryl	
plastic spoons	ponchos	
lawn bags - 33 gallon	disinfectant spray	
vinegar	air freshner	
bleach	hand/foot towels	men's
T-shirts (white, size lg, XL, 2X)	\$10 gift cards	
men & women's underwear		



September 2024 Yahrzeits

Evening of

September 6th/7th-September 13th

Alma Dykman
Frances Kamensky
Morris Cohen
Gladys Rosen
Barry Freedman*

Juliet Dayan
Eugene L. Mendel
Emil Hirsch
Fannie Korros*

Evening of

September 20th/21st-September 28th

Meyer Mendelson Schneider
Joseph Klein*

Sam Chanin*
Charlotte Shepard
Elizabeth Annie Van Ollefen
Bob Fieldsteel, Sr.
Mindel Oxlander

Evening of
September 13th/14th-September 20th

Carmen Gaudet
Abby Hirsch
Elissa Lois Geller
Bea Marshall*
Samuel Kahn*
Lena Divinsky Strumar
Shirley Altman
Goldie Eckstein
Shirley Kemper Roobin

Evening of
September 28th/29th-October 4th

Sonia Katz*
Bess Safer*
Shirley Huskey
Esther Berkman Kaplan*
Eva C. Wolf

* Indicates names listed on a plaque in the main sanctuary.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1 28 av	2 29 av	3 30 av	4 1 elul FACES OF OCTOBER SEVENTH 7 PM	5 2 elul 7 AM MINYAN	6 3 elul 7:33 PM 6:15 PM SERVICE	7 4 elul 8:28 PM 9:30 AM SERVICE	
8 5 elul SUNDAY SCHOOL	9 6 elul LABOR DAY	10 7 elul ROSH CHODESH	11 8 elul ROSH CHODESH	12 9 elul 7 AM MINYAN	13 10 elul 7:24 PM 6:15 PM SERVICE	14 11 elul 8:15 PM 9:30 AM SERVICE	Shofetim
15 12 elul SUNDAY SCHOOL	16 13 elul	17 14 elul	18 15 elul	19 16 elul 7 AM MINYAN	20 17 elul 7:15 PM 6:15 PM SERVICE	21 18 elul 8:08 PM 9:30 AM SERVICE	Ki Teitzei
22 19 elul SUNDAY SCHOOL	23 20 elul	24 21 elul	25 22 elul	26 23 elul 7 AM MINYAN	27 24 elul 7:05 PM 6:15 PM SERVICE	28 25 elul 7:59 PM 9:30 AM SERVICE 8 PM SELICHOT SERVICE Nitzavim-Vayelelech SELICHOT	Ki Tavo
29 26 elul SUNDAY SCHOOL	30 27 elul	AUGUST S M T W T F S 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31		OCTOBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31			

2023-2025
Executive Committee

2023-2025 Board Chairs
Adult Education - Rosalind Simson

President - Jan Lewis
Vice Presidents - Michael Kruger &
Lara Geller
Treasurer - Evan Koplin
Recording Secretary - Pam Hill
Corresponding Secretary - Shelley
Davidson
Parliamentarian/Security - Theresa
Rosengart

Board of Education - Jennifer Bernstein
Cemetery - Marty Koplin
Gifts & Memorials - Marcus Hill
Membership - Pam Webster
House - Jonathan Atzmon
Ways and Means - Michael Kruger
Ritual - Jeff Lehman
Special Projects - Gary Simson



Secretary - Stephanie Johnson

Office Hours

8 am - 4 pm Monday & Wednesday

8 am - 12 pm Friday

Lunch 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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