

# Shabbat Update September 18, 2021

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Dear BCC Membership,

It's been a busy, but rough week here in Cumberland. As I mentioned during my Rosh Hashanah evening sermon, this time of reflection is not festive—as a “holiday” would be. These Days of Awe have also coincided with the 20th-year marking the destruction of the Twin Towers, a serious resurgence of the COVID-19 virus, and inclement weather that appears to be no longer so inclement.

Try not to let the secular overwhelm the spiritual during this most holy time for us. Of course, as with many things, easier said than done. I hope that you have been able to spend some quiet moments with your own reflections before tonight, the start of Yom Kippur.

Rosh Hashanah's services went well, thanks to the help of many in all matters of High Holy



### September Calendar of Events

*B'er Chayim  
Temple is open for  
in-person  
services.  
Same safeguards  
will be in place.*

*ZOOM services  
continue*

**Wednesday**

Day preparation and execution: Bruce Dubins, Debbie Lang, Gayle Griffith, Brian Lang, and Debra Schaaf. (No doubt one or two names were left out.) The hybrid in-person/Zoom services worked seamlessly.

Yom Kippur services begin tonight at 7:00 pm. The link for Mishkan HaNefesh can still be found on the website if you do not own it or you were not able to pick one up in the temple. We have plenty of copies here if you attend in person. Tomorrow, the morning service begins at 10:00 am and will end with Yizkor. We reconvene with the afternoon service at 3:00 pm which concludes with Ne'ilah and Havdalah (6:00 pm or so).

The Appalachian Festival in Frostburg takes place this weekend. Dr. Deborah Weiner will examine the Jewish experience at 3:00 pm. From their website: "Why did numerous small Jewish communities develop in Appalachia during the early 20th century? And why did most of them disappear? This presentation will tell the story of the Jewish immigrants who made their way to the region and how they established small communities far from America's Jewish centers. It will track how subsequent generations maintained Jewish life and will explore the factors that led some to leave and some to remain." Our member, Al Feldstein, will share his historical knowledge of the area around 3:45 pm. I certainly plan to be there.

Friday, September 17  
Shabbat Evening services at 7:30 pm.

Saturday, September 18  
Torah study at 10:00 am.

See you tonight, and G'mar chatima tova  
(May you be sealed in the Book of Life),

Cantor Richard Bessman

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This Week's Torah Portion

September 15  
7:00 pm  
Yom Kippur  
begins  
(Kol Nidre)  
in person &  
ZOOM

Thursday  
September 16  
10:00 am  
Yom Kippur  
Morning Service  
and Yizkor  
in person &  
ZOOM

3:00 pm  
Afternoon  
Service

5:00 pm  
Ne'ilah Service

Friday  
September 17  
7:30 pm  
Erev Shabbat  
Service  
In person &  
ZOOM

Saturday  
September 18  
10:00 am  
Torah Study



Yahrzeits for  
week ending

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## *Haazinu*

### הַאֲזִינוּ Listen Deuteronomy 32:1–52

#### Summary

- Moses sings his last song, a love poem to God and a chastisement of the people, who are not worthy of Adonai. (32:1–6)
  - The poem recounts the blessings that God has bestowed on the Israelites, the wicked deeds they have committed, and the punishments that God then inflicted upon them. (32:7–43)
  - God tells Moses to begin his ascent of Mount Nebo, from where he will see the Land of Israel from a distance but will not be allowed to enter it. (32:45–52)
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**September 18,  
2021  
12 Tishrei 5782**

Jenny Rosenberg  
Helen Teitelbaum  
Ruth R. Millenson  
Reba Alpert  
Clara Price  
Henrietta H. Fries  
Milton S. Granet  
Harry Kauffman  
Leslie Wade



### **Happy Birthday**

**September 1**  
Beth Goldstein

**September 19**  
Irma Dezen

**September 21**  
Mark Perman

### **Happy Anniversary**

**September 2**  
Tamar & Alan  
Clarke

**September 3**  
Gayle Griffith &  
Lee Schwartz

**September 28**

Larry & Dottie  
Hohing

share your birthday  
and anniversaries  
dates with our friends  
and families...contact  
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instructions -**

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and the ID and  
Password will be  
emailed back to you.  
The ZOOM Id and  
Password will be the  
same each Friday  
evening. Please  
remember that Rebecca  
is part time, and leave*

*yourself enough time.*

*Following along in  
prayerbooks for ZOOM  
services:*

*Links for prayerbooks  
are found on our website  
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to Mishkah T'Filah for  
Shabbat Services.*

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