

# Congregation Ahavath Achim

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AUGUST 2021

### **From the Desk of the Rabbi**

The more I study our beautiful faith, the more I find that there is much that I still do not know. As I sit in this office and read out of the various new books that I have recently acquired, I find myself awed and humbled as I study with the words of our sages; old and new. The insight they possessed and transmitted to words cannot be easily dismissed as fictional works of literature. The many issues that face us today, these men faced even then. Yes, the world was smaller. There was no television, radio, internet, or on-line gaming. People's lives were simpler, but were their needs much different than our needs today? The struggle for the day to day survival of our people still exists both physically and spiritually. We wrestle with our jobs to be successful financially, but at the same time try to stay focused on the meaning of what it means to be Jewish; to be a servant of Hashem.

Whether we realize it or not, we are all servants to something. We are servants to our occupations, to those we support and take care of, to the various things that we desire and bring happiness to our lives. We go to institutions of higher learning to gain greater education whereby we can learn to serve others and make better incomes for ourselves and family. In fact, the pursuit of education is synonymous with the essence of a Jewish home! In the process of being a servant to these things, how often do we consider ourselves servants of Hashem? The answer may be simpler than you think.

When I expressed my desire to my father to learn the mechanical contracting trade and follow in the family business at age seventeen, he agreed to my request subject to certain conditions; Number one; he was the boss and that it was his way or the highway (sound familiar?). Number two; the day was done when he said it was done. Number three; learning the trade was not just during working hours. And finally number four; no matter what the time of day was when that phone rang, I was prepared to go at a moment's notice and take care of people who were in trouble. In fact, my father said to me that if I was not prepared or willing to make the commitment to the fourth condition let alone any of the others, he would not teach me his trade. It was then that I understood what it meant to be a Jew. What it meant to be a servant of Hashem. Interesting how these same conditions mirrored the relationship between Hashem, the Torah and the Jewish people. When it came to the observance of the laws, it was Hashem's way or the highway. When it came to the order of the sacrifices, there was no slacking off of their performance. Learning the Laws was not just an eight hour commitment everyday, it was a 24 hour ongoing education. When it came to being of service to others, these laws applied even toward people that you did not get along with.

When we serve our fellow man, we are fulfilling the mitzvot of being a servant to Hashem. How does one show their love for Hashem? The way that they show their love for people. On the 7<sup>th</sup> of this month we begin the Hebrew month of Elul. Elul is the month in the Jewish calendar that proceeds the month of Tishri where we celebrate the high holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. During the entire month of Elul in the morning and evening service and going into the month of Tishri we add Psalm 27 to our worship service. There is much allegory and beautiful poetry in this Psalm. The opening verse begins with "*Hashem is my light and my salvation*". The first part of the verse alludes to Rosh Hashanah and the second part refers to Yom Kippur. The verse "*He will hide me in his Shelter*" alludes to Succot. The verse

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## High Holy Days Service Etiquette

The Ritual Committee met in June to assign aliyot for the coming High Holy Days. We also discussed ways to make our services run more smoothly and we need your help.

**First**, it is important that the Gabbaim know who will be in attendance for their aliyah honor. Whether you accept or decline your honor, please RSVP to the CAA secretary, Leanne, as soon as possible. You may either call and leave a message or email, 903-561-4284 / [caasecretary@suddenlinkmail.com](mailto:caasecretary@suddenlinkmail.com)

**Second**, if you have an aliyah honor, please come before the Torah service starts and take a seat on the first row, in front of the bimah, shortly before the Torah service begins. This will keep the service running smoothly and the Gabbaim will know you are there for your aliyah.

**Third**, both the Kol Nidre service and Mincha (Afternoon) service on Yom Kippur start within 5 minutes of the beginning of the service. If you are over 65 and want to hold a Torah on Kol Nidre or you have an aliyah for the Mincha service, please arrive prior to the beginning of the service.

**Fourth**, as you enter or leave the sanctuary during services, please be considerate of the other congregants. While it is wonderful to visit with friends and family who we rarely see, it is important that you keep your conversations and your voices to a minimum.

We hope you will accept your High Holy Day Aliyah and we appreciate your help in keeping our services running smoothly.

Sincerely,

The Ritual Committee,

Dee Wapner ☆ Steve Roosth ☆ Christie Osburn ☆ Seth Clark ☆ Jerome Smith ☆ Barbara Zimmerman

## Aliyah Cookout LUNCHEON!!

We hope that everyone will join us for a special LUNCH

The Aliyah Cookout Lunch

After Tephillin services, the CAA Board of Trustees Meeting  
and the Sisterhood Meeting on Sunday August 8th at 11:30

High Holiday Honors and Aliyot will be announced, as well as the recipient  
of this year's Congregant of the Year Award.

The Sisterhood will be serving great burgers and hot dogs—grilled by the  
Brotherhood GrillMasters along with the side dishes and fixins -  
along with a load of great desserts!

Please RSPV with CAA office— you can pay at the door.

\$9.00 for adults, \$6.00 for kids

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

It is wonderful to see that the attendance to Sabbath services has been steadily improving. There is more participation in services. Several members have shared the responsibility of Gabbaim. I appreciate the efforts of Dee Wapner to also keep our services organized. Of course, these efforts are directed by Rabbi Alan Learner. I appreciate his continued efforts on training our youth and teaching adult education. Hannah Walls has progressed to her Bat Mitzvah. Levi Learner is working toward his Bar Mitzvah. I am grateful to note that the Sisterhood has done more with the Kiddush with the continued efforts of Kesleigh Terry. I am hopeful that Tallis and Tefillin will restart on a regular basis. I am also hopeful that the Brotherhood will once again be active. Without the continued support and participation of many of the congregation, this could not happen.

However, we must continue the vigilance of maintaining the health and safety of all the members of the synagogue. There is a resurgence of the coronavirus especially now the delta variant. There is also the continued ever presence of antisemitism. I wish that the news is all positive. As we continue to move forward with our plans to resume full active participation in our synagogue community, I ask Hashem to bless our efforts and to guide us through these troubled times.

Sincerely,  
Michael C. Tobes  
President, CAA 2021/2022

## RABBI'S MESSAGE CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

*"Hashem, hear my voice when I call, be gracious towards me and answer me"* alludes to the Divine salvation that we seek from Hashem to help us in our struggle against the evil inclination. Then the verse that stands out with the theme of my drash, *"Conceal not Your Presence from me, repel not Your servant in anger"* fits in with the definition of what it means to be Jew and a servant of Hashem. Here King David identifies himself with being Hashem's servant as well as being a servant of the nation of Israel. He implores Hashem to be with him spiritually and not forsake him.

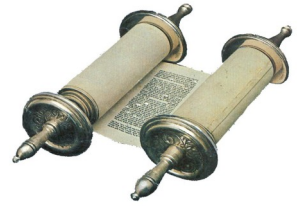
These few verses stated here are the central themes that we should be concentrating on as we not only approach the High Holidays, but for the entire year as well. Look to Hashem for the light necessary to illuminate your path. Constantly look to Hashem for forgiveness and salvation. When you sit comfortably in your homes, realize it is through Hashem who provides you with the means for shelter. Call out in your prayers to Hashem for the strength to perform mitzvot and lastly, may the Divine Presence dwell within your midst so that you may continue serve Hashem by serving your fellow man with justice, righteousness and love.

Let us all come together on the morning of the 8<sup>th</sup> where we can usher in the month of Elul with a Tephillin morning service with Hallel, the reading of the Torah for Rosh Chodesh, and the blowing of the Shofar beginning the period of repentance, culminating with the Selichot of Yom Kippur. The month of Elul is when according to our Sages; Hashem is in the field. Let us especially look forward to connecting with Hashem this year as we gather together for the High Holidays this year!

With Torah Blessings,  
Rabbi



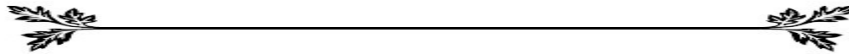
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## AUGUST SCHEDULE OF READINGS

Triennial Readings/Holiday Readings

			Birchat HaChodesh		
Saturday	August	7	Morning Service	<b>RE'EH</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Deuteronomy 12:29 - 14:29	
			Haftorah	Isaiah 54:11 - 55:5	
Sunday	August	8	Tephillin Service	Rosh Chodesh Elul	8:00 A.M.
Saturday	August	14	Morning Service	<b>SHOFTIM</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Deuteronomy 18:6 - 19:13	
			Haftorah	Isaiah 51:12 - 52:12	
Saturday	August	21	Morning Service	<b>KI TEITZEI</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Deuteronomy 23:8 - 24:13	
			Haftorah	Isaiah 54:1 - 10	
Saturday	August	28	Morning Service	<b>KI TAVO</b>	9:00 A.M.
			Torah Reading	Deuteronomy 26:12 - 28:6	
			Haftorah	Isaiah 60:1 - 22	
			Evening Service	<b>Maariv/Selichot</b>	8:30 P.M.



### LOOKING AHEAD TO THE HIGH HOLIDAYS

Shelichot Saturday Evening August 28th  
 Erev Rosh Hashanah Monday, September 6th  
 1st Day Rosh Hashanah Tuesday September 7th  
 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah Wednesday September 8th

Erev Yom Kippur Wednesday September 15th  
 You Kippur Thursday September 16th  
 Erev Sukkot Monday, September 20th  
 Sukkot Monday Tuesday September 21st  
 Shimini Atzeret Tuesday September 28th  
 Simchat Torah Wednesday September 29th

### AUGUST Bimah Schedule

- 7 Christie Osburn
- 14 Steve Roosth
- 21 Sean Hammel
- 28 Dr. Michael Tobes

Remember, if you can't be on the Bimah when scheduled, you need to find a replacement.

### BULLETIN DEADLINE:

**AUG 18**  
 for the  
 September Bulletin  
 Submit articles to:  
 caasecretary@  
 suddenlinkmail.com  
 Thank you !

### AUGUST BOARD MEETING

Sunday,  
**AUGUST 8, 2021**  
 9:00 a.m. at the Synagogue  
 If you have an item for the agenda,  
 please call or e-mail  
 Dr. Michael Tobes or  
 Samantha Clark

# August 2021

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 ROSH HODESH I Tephillin Service: 8:00 a.m.; Board of Trustees Mtg: 9:00 a.m.; Sisterhood Mtg: 10:00 a.m. Aliyah Luncheon 11:30 a.m.	9 ROSH HODESH II	10	11	12	13	14 Service: 9:00 a.m. Parsha: SHOFTIM Bimah: Steve Roosth Brunch:
15 Unveiling: 10:00 a.m. Frances Broberg CAA Cemetery	16	17	18	19	20	21 Service: 9:00 a.m. Parsha: KI TEITZEL Bimah: Sean Hammel Brunch:
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 SELIHOT Service: 9:00 a.m. Parsha: KI TAVO Bimah: Dr.. Michael Tobes Brunch: Service: Maariv/Selichot 8:30 p.m.
29	30	31				



NO TORAH STUDY  
AFTER SERVICES

# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Things are gearing up at Ahavath Achim! High Holy Days are upon us and a new school year. The Sunday School committee is excited to get our kids together after a long hiatus. Our theme for the year is "Train up a child in the way they should go." We plan to meet once a month for crafts and lessons which highlight Jewish values. Sunday School is open to children ages 3 and up. Please contact Kimberly Walls if you want to join us this year.

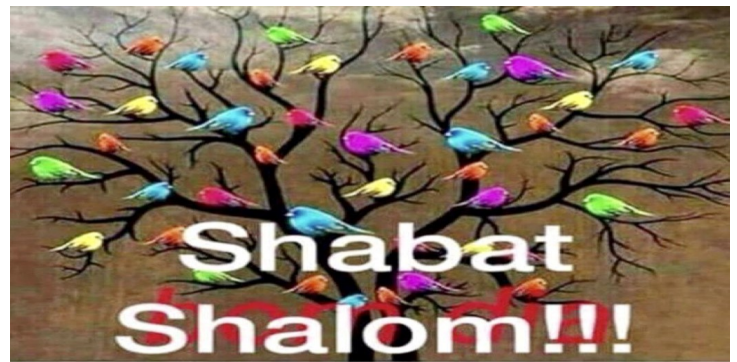
Kimberly Walls  
903-283-4438 or [wallskj@gmail.com](mailto:wallskj@gmail.com)

## August Celebrations Birthdays

- 5 Mollie Elizabeth Rose  
Rebecca Ruth Frank  
Matthew Joshua Frank
- 14 Dr. Steven L. Feld
- 15 Mira Shoshana Roosth  
16 Galit Moyal
- 18 Christopher Seth Clark  
Shiloh Learner
- 23 Dee Wapner  
Delores Katryn Perez-Escamilla
- 24 Gail Eisen

## Anniversaries

- 7 Stewart & Andrea Roosth
- 8 Paul & Christie Osburn
- 21 Dr. Steven & Joanne Feld



### CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM DONATION FORM - Thank You For Your Donation!!!!!!

Please use this form to make your donations and send to:  
Congregation Ahavath Achim 3501 South Donnybrook, Tyler, TX 75701

**Thank you for printing!!!**

Attached is my check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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This donation is being made:  
IN HONOR / MEMORY / OTHER OF:

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Indicate the fund of your choice below and in the memo area of your check.  
Minimum donation \$5 per remembrance.

- Breakfast Fund
- Maintenance Fund
- Hebrew School Fund
- Adult Education Fund
- Safety Fund
- General Fund
- Rabbinic Fund
- Book Fund

THE FUNDS BELOW REQUIRE A SEPARATE CHECK

- Sylvan Mellinger Maintenance Fund
- Rabbi Discretionary Fund
- Sisterhood Flower Fund - CAA Sisterhood
- Cemetery Fund - CAA CEMETERY



## MEMORIAL BOOK 2021 REMINDER

Your remembrance forms for the Memorial Book  
are due by Friday, August 6, 2021

Please get your information sent in,  
so your loved ones will be included in this year's Memorial Book

Barbara Forzano Zimmerman  
Memorial Book Coordinator

## PURCHASE A LULAV & ETROG

Be a part of this special holiday experience!

Order your Lulav and Etrog by

**SEPTEMBER**  
**Full Deluxe Set**  
**\$60.00**

(prepayment required)  
**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL**

Pick up at CAA offices: TBA  
If you have questions, please contact  
Rabbi Learner or Leanne during  
office hours or by email.

Please  
Plan to Attend  
the Unveiling  
for  
Frances Bromberg  
Sunday, August 15th  
10:00 a.m.



## TODAH RABBAH BREAKFAST FUND

Dr. Michael & Becky Tobes in Honor of Our Friends & Congregants

## RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Ruth Elmakiss

## Yahrzeits

### JULY 30 - AUGUST 5

31 Albert Weintraub  
 2 Jacob Meyer Edelman  
 4 Molly Luskey  
 Jeanne Glasser  
 5 Hannah Goldstein

### AUGUST 6 - AUGUST 12

6 Eve Abramsky Smith  
 7 Lester Waghalter  
 8 Rose Heffler  
 10 Stella Jarett  
 11 Max Edelman  
 Morris Forman

### AUGUST 13 - AUGUST 19

13 Abraham Davidoff  
 15 Mary Davidoff  
 Herta Levite  
 17 Israel Smith  
 18 Charles Simon Weintraub

### AUGUST 20 - AUGUST 26

23 David Howard Smith

### AUGUST 27 - SEPTEMBER 2

27 Frank Covnet  
 Kolman Marmar  
 Annie Wagalter  
 28 William Zuckerberg  
 30 Mollye Goldberg  
 31 Betty Smith  
 David L. Wapner  
 Hannah Solinger  
 1 Christopher Jeffers Forzano  
 Harry Krumholtz

### SEPTEMBER 3 - SEPTEMBER 9

3 Mose Heffler  
 Sydelle Israel  
 5 Isaac Levine  
 Anne Werbner  
 6 Abraham Schumer  
 8 Sam Mayerson  
 9 Leah Cosel  
 Hilda Genecov  
 Dorothy Berlin Heffler

### SEPTEMBER 10 - SEPTEMBER 16

10 Earl Dan Israel  
 11 Jennie Roosth  
 13 Isadore Greenberg  
 Anne Mayerson  
 14 Rosa Josephine Wolf  
 15 Zelick Greenberg

### SEPTEMBER 17 - SEPTEMBER 23

17 Solomon Golenternek  
 18 Anne Beleck  
 19 Hanna Kaplan  
 20 Esther Roosth  
 21 Ethel Cohen  
 Pincus Kessler  
 Ethlyn Tucker  
 22 Sam A. Gaylin

### SEPTEMBER 24 - SEPTEMBER 30

25 Max Dworkin  
 Hyman Ginsberg  
 Samuel Goldstein  
 29 Barbara Beth Dworkin  
 Tanya Dworkin  
 Sylvia Miller

### OCTOBER 1 - OCTOBER 7

1 Elissa Dworkin  
 Henry Heffler  
 David Lawrence  
 Warren Roosth  
 Bertha Taylor  
 Helen Bolnick  
 2 David Forchheimer  
 David Davidoff  
 3 Dr. Robert Swerdlow  
 Adolph Topperman  
 4 William Bromberg  
 Arnold Oblonsky  
 Lillie Katz  
 5 Dora Antonoff  
 Helen Cromer  
 6 Morris Lulky  
 7 Julius Genecov  
 Elizabeth S. Gugenheim

### OCTOBER 8 - OCTOBER 14

9 Evelyn Greenwald Lazarus  
 10 Joe Harr  
 11 Beatrice Dworkin  
 13 Bernice Golden  
 Samuel Offricht  
 Gitel Sack  
 Jacob Sack  
 14 Fannie Ginsberg

### OCTOBER 15 - OCTOBER 21

15 Mary Bromberg  
 16 Freda Lichtman  
 19 Pauline Edelman  
 21 Boyce Genecov

### OCTOBER 22 - OCTOBER 28

23 Edward Hertzfeld  
 Leo Golenternek  
 24 Mayer Mayerson  
 26 Ester Katz  
 Max Katz  
 Sam Krumholtz  
 27 Julia Weintraub  
 28 Helen Heffler Silverman  
 Isadore Mayerson

### OCTOBER 29 - NOVEMBER 4

30 Alexander Mirsky  
 31 Hyman Falk  
 Goodman Lazarus  
 Sidney Waghalter  
 1 Sylvia G. "Teeby" Forchheimer  
 Yetta Engle  
 Burton Gaylin  
 3 Ely Taylor  
 4 Abraham Leon Luskey





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 caasecretary @ suddenlinkmail.com  
 Or write to: CAA 3501 S. Donnybrook Ave.  
 Tyler, TX 75701

**OFFICE HOURS**  
**FOR SECRETARY**  
**MONDAY-FRIDAY**  
**10:30 A.M.-4:30 P.M.**  
**FOR RABBI LEARNER**  
**TUESDAY- THURSDAY**  
**4:15 -7:15 P.M.**  
**PLEASE CALL FIRST!**

- **Congregation Ahavath**
- **Achim** will not permit the open
- carry of firearms on synagogue
- property. This includes the Syna-
- gogue building, grounds, and ceme-
- tery. Pursuant to Section 30.07, Pe-
- nal Code (trespass by license holder
- with an openly carried handgun), a
- person licensed under Subchapter
- H, Chapter 411, Government Code
- (handgun licensing law), may not
- enter the property with a handgun
- that is carried openly.

**Remember A Loved One**

Memorial Plaque Order Form  
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 Hebrew Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hebrew Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_

Plaques - \$250 each

Make checks payable to Congregation Ahavath Achim and send to 3501 South Donnybrook,

**SISTERHOOD FLOWER FUND**

Interested in ordering flowers for the Bimah?  
 Contact Charlene Goodman 903-894-7488  
 After you order, send your check, made out to:  
 Congregation Ahavath Achim Sisterhood to  
 The Synagogue

**OUR TREE OF LIFE - A SISTERHOOD FUNDRAISER**

Upon entering the synagogue, one is welcomed by a beautiful, wooden tree, with golden leaves. This tree is our Tree Of Life and is a way to honor, thank, congratulate, show love, and/or appreciation for a living person in your life. Let's fill our Tree of Life with lots of joy and happiness.

To help you with your wording, please look at the leaves currently on the tree. You will notice that the fewer words, the better, as the letters are larger and can be seen more clearly. We encourage you to follow this formula when you plan the wording for your leaf. If there are too many words, you will be asked to revise the wording and I will give you suggestions for changes. Remember.....simple is better!!

Each leaf is \$100.00 and should take about 3 weeks from order, to receipt, to placement on the tree. You may choose the placement of your leaf. Please consider these things when you are placing an order. If you are interested in a leaf, please contact Leanne the secretary and I will be more than happy to help you!  
 Thank you, Leanne