

# ewish welcomes you to Congregation High Holy Day Services for 5782

Wherever you are in your journey, you are welcome here.

## Erev Rosh Hashanah

The Eve of the New Year

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Dear CJC, our holy chevre,

The year 5782 is upon us! What a blessing and honor it is to lead CJC through the Days of Awe this year.

One of the names for Rosh Hashanah is Yom Teruah - the Day of Sounding the Shofar. As the three of us have been working together to create our High Holy Day services, the sounds of the shofar weave their way into our thoughts and are felt in the depths of our being.

If you pay attention, you will notice that each section of shofar blasts begins with **tekiah**, followed by a combination of both **shevarim** and **teruah**. And then, always, concludes with **tekiah**. The order of the blasts is no accident! It teaches us that we begin whole (with one solid blast of tekiah), then we are broken into pieces (with three blasts of shevarim), then completely shattered (with nine staccato blasts of teruah). After the brokenness of the shevarim and teruah, the shofar returns to a solid tekiah - and with it, the shofar returns us to wholeness.

Let us remember that today is called *Yom Teruah*, not *Yom Tekiah!* The High Holiday season is a time all about confronting our feelings of brokenness, sitting with them, making space for them and dreaming forward toward the wholeness of tekiah.

Individually and as a community, we may feel the brokenness of shevarim and teruah strongly this year. While the pandemic

continues to impact every part of our lives (and we gather for our second socially-distant High Holiday season), we recognize that we are not yet as whole as we had hoped to be a year ago.

But even now, despite all of our fears, restlessness, and sorrow there is an unexpected gift in *feelings of gratitude for all that we still have and can still imagine! The ability to connect over Zoom, food on our tables every day, trees outside our office window filled with birdsong, seasons changing, cars still running, calls from friends. Giving love, reaching out, looking inward, holding on. As we move into 5782, let us recognize the uninterrupted tekiah of blessing.* 

The final blast of the shofar on Rosh Hashanah and at the conclusion of Yom Kippur is an extra-long tekiah gedolah. This final blast leaves us with the feeling of hope, that the experiences that have left us lost over the past year, will dissipate with the possibility of the sweet year ahead.

We wish you and your loved ones a happy, healthy and sweet new year. Shanah Tovah and blessings for our coming TEKIAH GEDOLAHHH!

# Rabbi Michael Hess Webber, Cantor Jan Morrison and Cantor Linda Baer



## אַיזֵהוּ עָשִׁיר, הַשָּׂמֵחַ בְּחֵלְקוֹ

### Who is rich? One who rejoices in their lot. [Pirkei Avot 4:1]

There are so many members of our community who have given of their time, energy, ability and know-how in preparation for this season. We would like to take a moment for hakarat hatov - recognizing with gratitude, those who have contributed in order to get us to this day.

Above all, thank you to our Executive Director, Robin Rosenfeld, for juggling many, many balls at one time and doing so with grace and mastery. Robin, you are a rock and a source of strength for us all.

Thank you Anna Rubin and the entire CJC choir for your flexibility and heart-full resilience as we navigated the ever-changing COVID landscape. You have helped us lean into *hiddur mitzvah* - beautifying our services with your angelic voices - and you have brought a sense of comfort and normalcy to an uncertain year.

Thank you to our tech team, Leilani, Brandon, Daryl and Kat and Dan. Thank you for helping to get us organized, for being present for filming videos ahead of time and for streamlining our services, making them safely accessible to our beloved CJC community.

Thank you to our Ba'alei Shofar (shofar blowers), Elijah Singleton and Jacob Sorak. With your powerful blasts, you have called us into community, into attention, into hope.

Thank you to our Torah readers for the hours of study and preparation you put in in order to bring Torah to our community. Thank you to everyone who rose for an honor - for an aliyah, a recorded reading, and candle lightings - for adding your voices to our service. And thank you to our schleppers, Hans Plugge, David Trossman and Brian Yellin, for carefully moving our ark, machzorim and all the other accoutrement needed for a High Holy Day service. And thank you to Heléne Kass for her work organizing our service on the second day of Rosh Hashanah.

And finally, thanks to you, the members of our CJC family. Thank you for being here - together, while apart. Thank you for stepping into this season of *teshuvah* with courage and with an open heart. Thanks to you, we begin 5782, in strength and in community.

#### And one more special thank you from the Rabbi:

So much gratitude to Cantors Jan Morrison and Linda Baer who stepped up this year offering their musical leadership to CJC. Thank you both for being rockstar co-creators - thank you for your vision, your energy, your time and support and your beautiful harmonies through our months of holy preparation. Jan, thank you for reuniting the choir in the midst of pandemic. Linda, thank you for creating the supplements for our services this year. CJC abounds with such labors of love.

## The CJC Choir

Stuart Berlin
Joanna Blackman
Sarah Blackman
Mary Lou Carlson
Karina Cowan

Norm Engelberg
Debbie Lavine
Charlene Levine
Del Stanfield
David Zinner

Honorary: Cantor Linda Baer Alana Cowan Arna Rubman Gabriel Yanovitz

Director: Cantor Jan Morrison Accompanist: Anna Rubin Page turner: Jacob Singleton.

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#### **Supplement 1: Creation's Brightest Light**

From Mishkan HaNefesh for Rosh Hashanah

Creation's brightest light, the mystics say, was hidden at the dawn of time. But on this sacred night, this night of hope and joy, a glimmer of that light is here.

In candles' flame, in children's eyes, in eyes aglow with wisdom's light,

it shines in the faces of the ones we love;

in grateful hearts, in tears of loss.

It lives in memories of goodness and in our own desire to do right, to try again, to build anew, to ask forgiveness and make peace.

We enter this new year and look upon the beauty of these lights.

So may the Days of Awe renew the light within us.

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#### **Supplement 2: We are all on a Journey Together**

by Anne Hillman

We are all on a journey together...

To the center of the universe.

Look deep into yourself, into another.

It is to a center, which is everywhere, that is the holy journey.

First you need only to look -

Notice and honor the radiance of everything about you.

Play in the universe.

Tend to all these shining things around you -

the smallest plant, the creatures and objects in your care.

Be gentle and nurture.

Listen. As we experience and accept all that we really are,

we grow in care.

We begin to embrace others as ourselves and learn to live as one among many.



#### **Supplement 3: Asher Bidvaro/Maariv Aravim**

From Mishkan T'filah, a Reform Siddur

Praise to You, Adonai our G-d

From whom the evening flows.

Your wisdom sets the way on which time and seasons glide

Your breath guides the sail of the stars.

Creator of the tide of time and light,

You guide the current of day into night.

As heaven spans to infinity,

You set its course for eternity.

Praise to You, Adonai our G-d,

From whom the evening flows

#### Supplement 4: Hashkiveinu

Hebrew text: evening liturgy; English lyrics and music by Linda E. Baer © 2021

Hashkiveinu Adonay Eloheinu I'shalom V'ha-amideinu Malkeinu, Malkeinu I'chayyim

U'shmor tzeiteinu, u-vo-einu, L'chayyim, u-l'shalom, mei-atah v'ad olam.

Hashkiveinu Adonay...

Ufros aleinu sukkat sh'lomechah, We pray for the shelter of Your peace How will it ever come to be?

When we lie down and ponder Your kindness And vow to let our mercy shine, When we rise and look beyond our fear We can see You in each other's eyes

In our going out, and our coming in, We can be the blessing that we seek We can be the Sukkat Shalom, We can be the shelter of G-d's peace.

Hashkiveinu Adonay...

הַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ לְשָׁלוֹם, וְהַעֲמִידֵנוּ מֵלְבֵּנוּ מַלִבֵּנו לִחַיִּים

> וּשְׁמוֹר צֵאתֵנוּ וּבוֹאֵנוּ, לְחַיִּים וּלְשָׁלוֹם, מֵעַתַּה וָעַד עוֹלַם.

> > הַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ יְיָ.

וּפְרוֹשׁ עָלֵינוּ, סֻכַּת שְׁלוֹמֶדְּ,



#### **Supplement 5: Mi Sheberach L'Cholim**

Hebrew text based on the liturgy, Music by Rahel

Adonay yislach, yishlach lahem Refuah Sh'leimah

יְיָ יִשְׁלַח, יִשְׁלַח לָהֶם רְפוּאָה שְׁלֵמָו

Refuat hanefesh, u'r'fuat ha-guf V'nomar Amein. רְפוּאָת הַנֶפֶשׁ וּרְפוּאָת הַגוּף, וִנאמֵר אַמֵן.

ַהַשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ יְנָ...

Cause us Adonay to lie down in peace, and let us rise, Our Guardian, unto life Guard our going out and our coming in, unto life and peace, from this time forth and evermore Spread over us the shelter of Your peace.

Adonay, please send to them complete healing Healing of the soul, healing of the body and let us say, Amen.

#### **Supplement 6: My Shalom, My Peace**

by Shlomit Grossberg, age 13

What shall I ask You for, G-d? I have everything.
There's nothing I lack, I ask only for one thing
And not for myself alone:
It's for many mothers, and children, and fathers—
Not just in this land, but in many lands hostile to each other
I'd like to ask for Peace. Yes, it's Peace I want.
And You, You won't deny the single wish of a girl.
You created the Land of Peace,
Where stands the City of Peace,
Where stood the Temple of Peace,
But where still there is no Peace—
What shall I ask for, G-d? I have everything.
Peace is what I ask for, Only Peace.

#### **Supplement 8: Return Again**

Niggun by Shlomo Carlebach; Lyrics and current © Ron Kahn (translation learned from Rabbi Liz Bolton)

Return again, return again Return to the home of your Soul Return again, return again Return to the home of your Soul

Return to who you are Return to what you are Return to where you are Born and reborn again

Return again, return again, Return to the home of your Soul Return again, return again Return to the home of your Soul

#### **Supplement 7: Anim Zemirot (Ki Eilecha)**

Hebrew Text: Liturgy, by Rabbi Yehudah HaChassid (1150-1217); Music by Shirona

Anim zemirot v'shirim e'erog Ki eilecha nafshi ta'arog.

Ki Eilecha, ki Eleicha, ki Eilecha, nafshi ta-a-rog

Nafshi chomda b'tzel yadecha lada'at kol raz sodecha.

Ki Eilecha...

Midei daberi bi'chvodecha homeh libi el dodecha.

Al ken adaber b'cha nichbadot v'shimcha achabed b'shirei y'didot

אַנְעִים זְמִירוֹת וְשִירִים אֶאֱרֹג כִּי אֵלֵידָ נַפָּשִי תַּעֵרֹג

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אַנְעִים זְמִירוֹת

נַפְשִי חָמְדָה בְּצֵל יָדֶדְ לָדַעַת לָדַעַת כָּל רָז סוֹדֶדְּ

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עַל כֵּן אֲדַבֵּר בְּדְּ נִכְבָּדוֹת וְשִמְדְּ אֲכַבֵּד בְּשִירֵי יִדִידוֹת

Ki Eilecha...

בִּי אֵלֶידְ...

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Soothing songs and poems I weave because my soul longs for You.

My soul desires the shadow of your hand,
to know every one of Your secrets.

Each time I speak of Your glory, my heart longs for Your love.
Therefore, I will speak about You, about Your glories.
Your name I shall honor with love songs.