

# Temple Israel Wishes You a Happy and Healthy New Year

*Both clergy and staff look forward to welcoming you at our High Holy Days services.*

**High Holy Day Schedule:**  
September 8 - Selichot Service, 8:30 PM  
September 16 - Erev Rosh Hashanah, 6:15 PM  
September 17 - Rosh Hashanah Day 1, 8:30 AM  
September 18 - Rosh Hashanah Day 2, 8:30 AM  
September 25 - Kol Nidre, 6:45 PM  
September 26 - Yom Kippur, 10 AM  
Please visit [www.templeisrael-nc.org](http://www.templeisrael-nc.org) for more service and time information.

**New Special Needs High Holy Day Service**  
Temple Israel will be introducing a new Rosh Hashanah service for those in our community with special needs led by Cantor Elias Roochvarg. This Ma'ariv Service will take place on Monday evening, September 17 at 6:15 PM at Temple Israel. Spiritual, lively and inspiring

this service is both accessible and interactive. We strive to provide and environment that is safe, respectful and comfortable while raising awareness to the presence and needs of people with autistic spectrum disorders and other developmental disabilities in our community. Temple Israel is considers itself a spiritual home for all individuals providing services that engage, empower and inspire. **Complimentary College Student High Holy Day Seats**

Temple Israel welcomes college students for the High Holidays and year round. To reserve your free seats, contact Reuven Green, 704-944-6816 or [rgreen@templeisraelnc.org](mailto:rgreen@templeisraelnc.org).

### TI Offers Free High Holy Day Tickets to our Hometown Heroes

In honor of your service to the community, Temple Israel would like to welcome all active duty firefighters, EMT, military, and police personnel and their families

to attend our High Holy Day Services. Please contact Temple Israel at 704-362-2796 to reserve your complimentary tickets. Tickets will be available at the will call window during the day of the High Holy Day Service you choose to attend.

### TI Food Drive for Jewish Family Service Pantry Wednesday, September 26, Yom Kippur

Please bring your bag of non-perishable food to service. Give the food you would have eaten. Birkat HaMazon -Sustain the whole world with kindness and compassion. TI-Y Youth Group members will be helping the Temple conduct the annual food drive for JFS.

### Sukkah Dinners Beginning in October

Temple Israel invites you attend our Sukkah Dinners. Visit [www.templeisraelnc.org](http://www.templeisraelnc.org) for a complete schedule to make a reservation online. ✪



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Save the Date!  
Temple Israel Religious School  
First Day of School  
September 9

## Community Wide Back to Shul Picnic

Friday, September 7 at 6:15 PM

Join us as we welcome Rabbi Tracy Klirs, our new TI Religious School Education Director! Bring your own dairy dinner, blankets, lawn chairs, friends and family but the drinks are on us. After dinner we will have Shabbat services under the stars and dessert. ✪



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## TI-Youth News

**TI-Y Open House**  
September 9 from 11:30 AM-2 PM

This month we are kicking off with our first ever TI-Y Open House. Join us on the lawn between the Temple and Religious School building. We will have lots of fun activities for the kids and lots of information on our new programs and opportunities to meet new friends and for parents to meet our TI-Y staff! For more information contact Reuven Green at 704-944-6816. ✪



Jacob Stark, Junior  
UNC-Chapel Hill, Biology Major

*CJDS pointed me in the right direction!*



When my friend and I were called to the office in kindergarten, we thought we were in big trouble. But it turned out, some teachers just wanted us to identify a dinosaur in a book.

That's the kind of place CJDS is. The teachers valued our knowledge, and they really got to know us.

The small classroom environment at CJDS fostered great habits that have helped me throughout my education. With the school's supportive and enriching atmosphere, I learned to ask questions and realized that it is ok to be friends with your teachers.

As I transitioned to larger classrooms in high school and college, I took the time to introduce myself and directly communicate with my teachers. Therefore, I was able to distinguish myself from other students, do better in my classes and gain research opportunities.

The Day School also helped to foster my love of science and nature. I still remember our 5th grade aquarium project, which, in part, involved monitoring to make sure that the baby guppies didn't get eaten.

These rich classroom memories at the Day School helped me translate my love for the outdoors and science into a major, as well as a possible career path. At UNC, I'm an ecology lab assistant, and I also conduct my own research. My responsibilities at a summer Boy Scout camp have grown to where I am now the Ecology Director with a staff of four. Next year I plan to go to Kenya and Tanzania through UNC's School for Field Studies.