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SYNAGOGUES & CONGREGATIONS

Temple Solel in Fort Mill Prepares for High Holidays

Religious School Prepares for Its Second Year

Temple Solel will again be celebrating the High Holidays, with a Reform lay led service, using the fully transliterated Machzor "On Wings of Awe." All services will be held at St. Philip Neri Church in Fort Mill. For admission information please contact us at info@templesolelsc.org.

- Erev Rosh Hashanah: Wednesday, September 4, 7 PM
- Rosh Hashanah Service: Thursday, September 5, 10 AM
- Shabbat Shuvah: Friday, September 6, 7 PM
- Erev Yom Kippur: Friday, September 13, 7 PM
- Yom Kippur: Saturday, September 14, 10 AM

Temple Solel holds Shabbat services on the 2nd and 4th Fridays, at 7 PM, at St. Philip Neri Church on Munn Road, Fort Mill, SC.

Temple Solel Religious School Prepares for Second Year

Temple Solel, a Reform congregation in Ft. Mill, South Carolina, is currently registering students for weekly religious school classes for the 2013-2014 school year. Classes are set to begin in September and will run till early June.

Temple Solel has decided to give parents another option by holding classes on a weekday evening instead of the traditional Sunday, to allow for families to have more time together on the weekend.

Temple Solel's Religious School offers programming for Kindergarten through 12th grade with B'nai Mitzvah training. Using the ISJL Education Curriculum, students revisit key content areas with increased

sophistication as they progress through the curriculum.

For more information or for registration please contact our Religious Education

department at info@templesolelsc.org or visit our website templesolelsc.org.

Temple Solel holds Shabbat Services the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month and will be conducting High Holiday Services, at our usual place, St. Philip Neri Church on Munn Road, Fort Mill, SC 29715. For information call Russ Cobe, 704-737-3529. ☆



King in the Field Shabbaton August 2

Ohr HaTorah will host a community Shabbaton on Friday August 2. The Shabbaton's theme is "King in the Field" which represents one of the mottos of the forthcoming month of Elul.

Elul is the last month of the Jewish year and it allows us to sum up the past on prepare for the New Year which begins with Rosh Hashanah on September 5. Jewish literature has coined the month of Elul with many names, each indicative of the month's character. Among the names are: month of repentance, month of return, month of compassion. This is because we feel the need to connect with God and God reaches out to us with love and compassion.

Rabbi Schneur Zalman of Liadi, first Chabad Rebbe, used a parable with a mighty king as a metaphor. In his parable, the king takes one month of the year when he leaves his fortified palace and

visits the ordinary folk in the countryside where he greets everyone with a smile and a warm embrace.

Similarly, God takes the month of Elul to visit with us in our domain and greets us just the way we are with a smile and an embrace. All we need to do is turn to God by ridding ourselves of any negative traits and connecting to God with purity of heart.

Judaism sees the entire month of Elul as a gift of time when we can make amends and change direction in our lives in a positive way.

Some of the traditions of the month of Elul include to sound the Shofar every morning starting of the second day Rosh Chodesh. We also recite Psalm 27 twice a day and increase in deeds of charity and the study of Torah.

A midnight Selichot service will be held at Ohr HaTorah on



Saturday night August 31, as it is the Saturday night prior to Rosh Hashanah.

The Shabbaton at Ohr HaTorah is an opportunity to immerse in the spirit of Elul with joy and to celebrate these awesome days with friends and family.

The program begins on August 2, 7 PM with candle lighting and evening services. A delicious Shabbat feast will be served at 7:45 which will include a wine bar, stories, holiday games, and a delightful pre-holiday atmosphere. Cost is \$18 per person. \$50 per family. For more information or to register please visit our website at www.chabadnc.net or call our office at 704-366-3984. ☆

Come and Join Temple Kol Ami for the High Holidays

Temple Kol Ami will be holding our fourth High Holiday services. Temple Kol Ami has been serving York County and the surrounding area since June 2010. This year we are proud to announce that our Rabbi, Yosef Levanon, will be conducting services and we welcome back our Cantorial Soloist Sara Sherman and Cellist Christina McDonald. The schedule for services is as follows.

- Erev Rosh Hashanah, September 4 (Wednesday), 7 PM
- Rosh Hashanah Day 1, September 5 (Thursday), 10 AM
 - o Children's Service, September 5 (Thursday) 10:30 AM
 - o Tashlich approximately 12:30 PM (at the conclusion of the morning service)
- Rosh Hashanah Day 2, September 6 (Friday), 10 AM
- Shabbat Shuva, September 7 (Saturday), 10 AM
- Kol Nidre, September 13, (Friday), 6:30 PM
- Yom Kippur morning, September 14 (Saturday), 10 AM
- Yizkor, September 14 (Saturday), estimated at 11:30 AM
- Afternoon Service, September 14 (Saturday), 5 PM

Cost to attend Temple Kol Ami High Holiday services is \$50 for members and \$100 for non-members. You can purchase seats using paypal via our website, www.templekolamisc.com, or contact us at yorksynagogue@gmail.com or call 803-701-0149. All services will be held at Unity Presbyterian

Church, 303 Tom Hall Street, Fort Mill, SC 29715.

Temple Kol Ami is an independent, dynamic, and welcoming Jewish congregation serving the needs of Jewish individuals, couples, and families from all walks of Jewish life: Jews with traditional backgrounds, interfaith couples, and those who are rediscovering their faith. As a Jewish congregation in York County, we celebrate and embrace the joys of Judaism through ritual, culture, and our vibrant Religious School.

Temple Kol Ami holds Friday night services the first and third Friday of the month at 7 PM. Our services are held at Unity Presbyterian Church in Fort Mill, SC. ☆