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**Rabbi**  
Matthew Durbin

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It is with great joy and humility that I wish the TBH community on this eve of Rosh Hashanah, a “Shanah Tovah”, a good new year . Myself, Rabbi Durbin and Temple leadership had hoped that this year’s high holiday services would be a “return to normal”. Unfortunately, given the resurgence of the COVID pandemic, we have had to re-institute stringent safeguards for in-person services. We ask that ALL attendees over 2 yrs old remain FULLY masked during all services, practice social distancing and refrain from congregating after services. We will be fully streaming all High Holiday services on our temple website , fully open to all members and non-members without password or tickets, due to a generous gift from Temple member Harriet Shapiro. Please utilize the streaming services if you or your family members cannot fully abide by these COVID protections.

We have recently sent out the membership renewal package to all temple members. I would hope that all of you recognize the importance of maintaining a strong Reform Jewish presence on the Treasure Coast. As it is stated in Psalms 133, “Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity”. A strong and vibrant Temple Beit HaYam community is essential in providing a multitude of religious, spiritual, social and supportive activities for the benefit of the greater Treasure Coast community. As first stated by past Temple President Amy Alpert, come be a member of Temple Beit HaYam, “your home away from home”. Thank you to all that have renewed your membership and special thanks to those that have chosen an enhanced category of membership.

We are in the initial stages of searching for a replacement Cantor/Cantorial Soloist and Director of Religious Education. As the process continues, I will inform the congregation where appropriate. Everyone will get the opportunity to meet with prospective candidates during the interview process.

I leave you all with a Jewish proverb I am using during my second stint as TBH President: “Change what you cannot accept, accept what you cannot change.”

May you and your families all have a healthy and happy New Year and may all of you be inscribed in the Book of Life.

L’ Shanah Tovah,

Karl Drehobl MD  
President