



# Congregation Ahavath Sholom

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## A Message From Our Rabbi



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Our final Cafe Kehillah of the Jewish year is tomorrow morning at 10...we'll continue of course into the New Year next week!!!!

Friday evening at 7pm we gather for the Erev Rosh HaShanah service at the Berkshire South Community Center and Saturday morning at 10am to welcome the year 5784 together. I would look so forward to wishing you a Shanah Tovah in person. If you have not registered for services, I ask that you do, please. It just lets us know who will be there. It doesn't mean you cannot attend. Of course, you'll be welcomed...it's a courtesy to our greeters to have your name on our list.

Please forgive yourself for things you could have done better and commit to working on improvement in the coming year. Ask those living (and dead... it's not too late) for forgiveness for things you have done that you regret. Offer forgiveness if you can. It doesn't mean others are absolved. It means you might not have to carry anger and resentment without having explored whether you were ready to let it go. Come with an open mind and open heart to these holy days and hopefully you will feel renewed and warmed by the support and companionship of our wonderful Ahavath Sholom community.

Much as I hope never to hurt anyone intentionally or not, if somehow I have hurt you in the past year, I hope that you can forgive me. This community enhances my life every day and for that I am grateful to each and every one of you.

Shanah Tovah U'metukah...a Sweet and Good New Year, Barbara

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