

TASHLICH -("to cast away") - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th - 5:00PM

The Tashlich service offers a physical means toward the spiritual task of renewal. During this service, which traditionally takes place on the first day of Rosh Hashana, (or the second day if the first is a Shabbat) we toss pieces of bread into a living body of water. (any stream, brook, lake or river will do) These crusts of bread represent the sins and regrets which we wish to throw away. The water then carries away our mistakes, and we emerge from the ceremony cleansed and prepared for renewal. The practice is based on a verse from the book of the Prophet Michah (Michah 7:19) ...

V'tash-likh bim-tsulot yam kol hatotam

"And you shall cast all your sins into the depths of the sea"

There are no special prayers for Tashlich, however, there are several readings relating to teshuvah (repentance) and selichot (forgiveness) that are very appropriate. Families with young children are encouraged to introduce them to this lovely aspect of the holiday. We will be gathering at the Temple at 5:00pm and walking together to the brook on Boden Lane for the Tashlich service.