We are proud and grateful to celebrate the Jewish high holidays with the Roaring Fork Valley community. Services are free and open to all, whether you are full-time or just visiting. Welcome!

All events will be at Paepcke Auditorium (1000 North 3rd Street, Aspen) unless otherwise specified.

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Rosh Hashanah

Welcome the new year with music, reflection, and joy. Our main service will be led by Rabbi Shira Stutman. Tot and family services will be led by Rabbi Sima Oster. All services will also be led by Cantor Ken Aronowitz, with musical accompaniment.

Friday, September 15

High Holiday Mikvah* 10:00 am (ritual immersion)

Chabad

Family Service 5:00-6:00 pm Evening Service 7:30-9:00 pm

Saturday, September 16

Morning Service 10:00 am-12:30 pm

Tot Service 4:30-5:30 pm

Sunday, September 17

Our alternative second-day Rosh Hashanah service contains ancient and contemporary prayers, secular poetry and music.

Morning Service* 10:30-11:30 am Luncheon* 11:30 am-1:00 pm Anderson Park, Aspen Meadows

Shabbat Teshuvah

Prepare body and spirit for Yom Kippur.

Friday, September 22

Cocktails and Conversation 4:45-5:45 pm Shabbat Service 6:00-7:00 pm

Aspen Chapel, 77 Meadowood Drive, Aspen

Yom Kippur

On this holiday of contemplation and happiness (yes, happiness), we, as individuals and a community, make plans to begin again.

Sunday, September 24 Family Service 5:00-6:00 pm Kol Nidre 7:30-9:00 pm

Monday, September 25

Morning Service 10:00 am-1:00 pm W (Yizkor at 12:30pm)

Memory Walk 1:00 -1:45 pm *** We Remember: A memory walk for children who have lost someone close to them and their family members. Beginning at Paepcke Auditorium

All afternoon events at the Aspen Chapel, 77 Meadowood Drive, Aspen

Learning Sessions

3:00 pm & 4:00 pm

Neila 🐠 5:00 pm

Community Break-Fast Dinner*



Sukkot

Put on a sweater and join us outside on this festival as we offer blessings of gratitude for all that we have harvested this past year.

Friday, September 29 Shabbat in the Sukkah* Service 6:00-6:20 pm Shabbat Dinner 6:30 pm

Simchat Torah

Celebrate the Torah (and the end of the high holiday season!) with raucous, joyous song and dance.

Friday, October 6 6:00-7:00 pm

Led by Rabbi Shira and our team of musicians, this all-ages, joyous evening will merge Shabbat and Simchat Torah with music, hakafot (dancing with the Torah), light bites and heavy drinks.



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From Our Staff

The Kabbalah, or Jewish mystical tradition, teaches that the world is filled with holy sparks, nitzotzot. The sparks are left over from Creation, thrown off during the chaotic beginnings of existence.

These spiritual fragments are hidden everywhere: in people, in places, within interactions between one human being and another, buried in vour heart.

The goal is to liberate each spark so that it can return home to its original place in the cosmos, and repair the flaw that was left by its departure. The mystics teach that when the spiritual structure of the universe is whole again, the world will work as it ought to: justice will flow freely; love, abundantly; human beings will give up the tools of war in order to cultivate a talent for

kindness; we will know that we are all, at root, One.

The process of liberating these sparks has a name in Jewish thought: tikkun olam - the spiritual repair of the universe.

The problem is that the sparks are hidden, and often in ways that may dissuade us from looking too hard for them. It is easy (sometimes) for us to see light in the people we love, and who we respect. It's the ones we don't love guite so much — the adversary in business, politics, or life — in whom we're a lot less likely to

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search. Worst of all, perhaps, sometimes when we look at our own selves, we forget that we too carry nitzotzot, and see only imperfection, anxiety, sin. We too, carry holiness. And it's up to us to make use of it.

The high holidays serve many functions. We gather with friends and family; we gather in community.

We pray and try, with patience and introspection, to recognize where the sparks of holiness within ourselves and others reside. The liturgy demands that we take what is hidden and make it revealed in the world.

The challenge we are given is to extend the work of tikkun olam to the places that are least comfortable, the least expected, the least obvious and accepted. When we come

together on the holidays, we embrace a beautiful opportunity to consider, together, those people, situations, and challenges that we have overlooked. And we endeavor, relying on each other and our spiritual Source, to extend love, thoughtfulness, and righteousness to that which has been neglected — especially when we have neglected ourselves.

May this high holiday season begin a year in which sparks of holiness are laid bare, where we seek out the nitzotzot of compassion, lovingkindness, and generosity --for us, for our loved ones, and for the entire world.

Wishing you each a sweet new year, Rabbi Shira, Rabbi Sima & Jason

SAVE-THE-DATES

Kabbalat Shabbat & Dinner
With Rabbi Shira Stutman & Musicians

Nov. 17, Dec. 8, Jan. 5, Feb. 2, Mar. 22, Apr. 12, May 10 & June 28 ASPEN JEWISH CONGREGATION

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High Holiday Supplement

1. Ozi

Exodus 15:2, Song of the Sea, after the Israelites crossed from slavery to freedom.

Ozi ve-zimrat Yah, Vayehi li lishuah

עזי וזמרת יה ויהי לי לישועה

God is my strength and song, and has become my rescue.

2. Or Chadash (with Broken, by Coldplay)

אוֹר חַדַשׁ עַל צִיּוֹן תַּאִיר וְנִזְכֵּה כַלְנוּ מְהֵרָה לְאוֹרוֹ:

Or Chadash al tziyon tair.

Lord, when I'm broken

I'm in need I feel that ocean

Swallowing me

Head is hanging

So sorry for me

Oh Lord, come shine your light on me

Oh, shine your light Oh, shine a light

Then I know that in the darkness I'm

alright

See there's no sun rising, but inside I'm

'Cause the Lord will shine a light for me

Or Chadash al tziyon tair.

Let a new light shine forever upon Zion. Soon, may everyone of us be worthy of its light.

3. Lo Yisa Goy (Source: Isaiah 2:4)

ָלא יִשַּׂא גוֹי אֱל גוֹי חֶרֶב לא יִלְמְדוּ עוֹד מְלְחֲמָה.

Lo yisa goy el goy cherev lo yil'medu od milchamah.

Nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war anymore.

4. Hevenu Shalom Aleichem (Folk song)

הבאנו שלום עליכם

Hevenu shalom aleichem, (3x) Hevenu shalom, shalom, shalom aleichem

We come to greet you in peace...

5. One Day (Words and Music by Matisyahu)

Sometimes I lay Under the moon

And thank God I'm breathing.

Then I pray

Don't take me soon

'Cause I am here for a reason.

[Chorus] Sometimes in my tears I

drown

But I never let it get me down So when negativity surrounds I know some day it'll all turn around

'cause

All my life I've been waiting for

I've been praying for For the people to say

That we don't wanna fight no more

There will be no more wars And our children will play

One day [6x]

It's not about Win or lose

'Cause we all lose

When they feed on the souls of the

innocent

Blood-drenched pavement

Keep on moving though the waters

stay raging

In this maze you can lose your way (your way)/It might drive you crazy but don't let it faze you, no way (no

wav)...Chorus

One day this all will change Treat people the same Stop with the violence

Down with the hate. One day we'll all

be free

And proud to be Under the same sun

Singing songs of freedom like

One day [4x]

6. Al Shelosha D'varim (Source: Pirke Avot, Ethics of our Ancestors, 1.2)

על שָׁלשה דָּברים העוֹלם עוֹמֶד עַל הַתּוֹרֵה, ועַל הַעָבוֹדַה ועַל גָּמִילוּת חֶסַדִים

Al sh'loshah d'varim haolam omeid

Al hatorah, v'al ha'avodah, v'al g'milut chasadim

Upon three things the world stands: On Torah, on service (prayer), and on acts of loving kindness.

7. Kol Ha-Olam Kulo (Words by Rabbi Nachman of Bratslav, edited)

כּל העוֹלם כָּלוֹ גֵשֶׁר צר מָאֹד וָהעיקר לֹא לְפחד כָּלל

Kol Ho-Olam kulo, gesher tzar m'od, v'ha-ikar lo l'fached k'lall.

The whole world is a very narrow bridge--and the main thing is not to be afraid at all.

8. Al Kol Eileh (By Naomi Shemer)

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Al ha'esh hamevo'eret Al hamayim hazakim Al Ha'ish hashav habayta min hamerkhakim

Chorus: Al kol eleh, al kol eleh, Shmor nah li eyli hatov. Al hadvash ve'al ha'okets. Al hamar vehamatok.

Al na ta'akor natu'a Al tishkakh et hatikvah Hashiveyni va'ashuva El ha'arets hatovah.

Shmor Eli al ze habayit Al hagan, al hakhoma Miyagon, mipakhad peta Umimilkhama.

Shmor al hame'at sheyesh li,Al ha'or ve'al hataf Al hapri shelo hivshil od Veshene'esaf. Over the honey and the stinger, Over the bitter and the sweet, Over our daughter, our baby, My God, watch over what is good.

Over the flame that is burning. Over the water running pure. Over the man returning home from far away.

Chorus:
Over all these, Over all these. God please watch over them for me, Over the honey and the stinger, Over the bitter and the sweet.

Do not uproot what is planted. Do not forget the hope. Return me, and I will return to the good land.

Watch over this house for me, my God, the garden, and the wall, protect them from pain, from sudden fear, and from war. על הַדְּבַשׁ וְעַל הָעֹקֶץ עַל הַמֵּר וְהַמֶּתוֹק עַל בִּתֵּנוּ הַתִּינֹקֶת .שָׁמֹר אֵלִי הַטוֹב

עַל הָאֵשׁ הַמְּבֹעֶרֶת עַל הַמַּיִם הַזַּכִּים עַל הָאִישׁ הַשָּׁב הַבַּיְתָה מִן הַמֶּרְחַקִּים

עַל כָּל אֵלֶה, עַל כָּל אֵלֶה שְׁמֹר נָא לִי אֵלִי הַטוֹב עַל הַדְּבַשׁ וְעַל הָעקֶץ עַל הַמֵּר וָהַמֵּתוֹק.

אַל נָא תַּעְקֹר נָטוּעַ אַל תִּשְׁכַּח אֶת הַתִּקוְה הָשִׁיבֵנִי וַאֲשׁוּבָה אֶל הָאָרֶץ הַטּוֹבָה

שְׁמֹר אֵלִי עַל זֶה הַבַּיִת עַל הַגַּן – עַל הַחוֹמָה מִיָּגוֹן מִפַּחַד פֶּתַע וּמִמֵּלְחָמָה.

שְׁמֹר עֵל הַמְּעֵט שֶׁיֵשׁ לִי עַל הָאוֹר וְעַל הַפַּף עַל הַפְּרִי שֶׁלֹא הִבְשִׁיל עוֹד וִשְׁנָאֱסַף

עַל כָּל אֵלֶּה, עַל כָּל אֵלֶּה... שְׁמֹר נָא לִי אֵלִי הַטּוֹב עַל הַדְּבַשׁ וְעַל הָעֹקֶץ .עַל הַמַּר וְהַמָּתוֹק 10. Ashrei Ha'Am (Psalm 89:16, 15, Music by Rabbi Miriam Margles)

אַשְׁרֵי הֻעָם יֹדְעֵי תְרוּעֶה ה' בְּאוֹר־פָּגֵיךְ יְהַלֵּכְוּן: צֶדֶק וְּמִשְׁפָּט מְכָוֹן כִּסְאֵךְ חֶסֶד וְׁאֱמֶׁת יְקַדְּמִוּ פָּגְיךְ:

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Ashrei ha'am (4x) Ashrei ha'am yod-ei t'ruah (4x) Tzedek umishpat, mechon kisecha / Tzedek umishpat, umishpat Tzedek umishpat, mechon kisecha / Chesed v'emet y'kadmu fanecha

Happy are the people who know the joyful shout; O God, they walk in the light of Your presence. Righteousness and justice are the base of Your throne; Lovingkindness and truth stand before You.

11. Byado (from the Adon Olam prayer, English and music by Craig Taubman)

בְּיֶדוֹ אַפְקִיד רוּחִי בְּעֵת אִישַׁן וְאָעִירָה וְעִם רוּחִי גְּוּיָתִי הֹ לִי וְלֹא אִירָא

B'yado afkid ruchi, B'eit ishan ve'a'i'rah Ve'im ruchi geviati, ado-nai li v'lo irah (2x)

My soul I give to you, My spirit in your care Draw me near, I shall not fear, Hold me in your hands Draw me near, I shall not fear, Safely in your hand

My soul I give to you / B'yado afkid ruchi My spirit in your care / B'eit ishan ve'a'i'rah

12. Keep Open the Gates (Eliana Light)

פְּתַח לָנוּ שַּׁעַר, בְּעֵת נְעִילַת שַּׁעַר

The sun is setting, the gates are closing, the day is through. The sun is setting, the gates are closing, we're here with you. Keep open the gates; keep open the gates for us. Keep open the gates at the end of the day. P'tah lanu sha·ar b'eit n'ilat sha·ar ki fanah yom.

Chorus:

9. L'chi Lach (From Genesis 12, Words and Music by Debbie Friedman)

L'chi lach, to a land that I will show you. Leich I'cha, to a place you do not know. L'chi lach, on your journey I will bless you; And You shall be a blessing 3x I'chi lach

L'chi lach, and I shall make your name great; Leich I'cha, and all shall praise your name. L'chi lach, to the place that I will show you.
L'sim-chat cha-yim 3x I'chi lach