

Ohr HaTorah Kiddush Sponsorship FAQs

I am bringing paper goods for my kiddush. How many people should I expect? Will I get a discount for bringing paper goods?

For a regular Shabbos kiddush, bring paper goods for about 100 people. If you are making a simcha kiddush or a bar mitzvah, you will probably need more paper goods depending on how many guests you are expecting. If your paper goods run out, we can always use the plain shul paper goods. There is no discount for bringing your own paper goods.

Can I bring candy or other food to the kiddush?

You can bring sealed food with an appropriate hechsher. Please email Yael Azran (yazran@gmail.com) and Kayla Kraines (kaylakraines@gmail.com) to arrange a time for a volunteer to meet you at the shul to check the hechsher when you drop off the food. Alternatively, you can email a picture of the sealed food with appropriate hashgacha to Yael & Kayla. Then, you can open the packages if you want to plate the food for the kiddush.

Where should I put the food, paper goods, centerpieces, or tablecloths in the shul?

In the kitchen. Sometimes the kitchen gets very hot, so best to leave candy or baked goods that don't go in the fridge in the social hall or fridge.

When should I bring everything to the shul?

Please make sure all items are delivered to OHT by Thursday night.

How do I get into the shul and/or kitchen?

Shul members have access to the shul 24/7. The code is on the door but it's 0517*. If the kitchen is locked, there is a key in the lockbox in the closet in the social hall. The key should be marked "kitchen".

Can I set up the tables in a different format than usual for my kiddush?

Yes, as long as the tables separate between the men's section and women's section. There are extra tables in the shed. The shed is unlocked. Please return tables to the shed and set up the tables the way they were originally after the kiddush.

How many tables should I be getting tablecloths/centerpieces for?

For a regular kiddush we use 3 rectangle tables. If you are making a bar mitzvah or a kiddush that will be much larger than usual, we use 5 rectangle tables (3 in social hall + 2 in shul)

What are my responsibilities for setting up and cleaning up?

Shul volunteers will set up and clean up but would appreciate your help if you're able! Set up for the kiddush usually starts at 10:30 am on Shabbos, or 10:15 am for a bar mitzvah kiddush. If you bring any food that needs to be plated or put on the tables, please take care of putting that out. If you bring any centerpieces that you want to keep, please make sure to keep track of them so the clean up volunteers don't throw them out.