

High Holy Day Planning 5784

The High Holy Days this year are full of excitement as we gather together as a community once again for in-person services. In addition, we welcome those who are unable to join us in person to worship with us via live stream. Whether you are with us in person or virtually, we hope that all who attend our services will find the same warmth, spirit of introspection, renewal, and celebration that have been part of our tradition for over 47 years.

As we come together, we rejoice in the sense of community and togetherness that we wish to feel over the course of our High Holy Day season. We also find a sense of newness and joy in using our *machzor - Chadeish Yameinu* again. Familiar and new prayers, readings, and meditations blend together to lift up our prayers and focus our thoughts on the essential themes of this time of year. With language and prayers that speak specifically to our community, we put into practice the words of *Rav* Kook, "the old will be made new, and the new will be made holy."

Our Machzor



With great pride and joy, our congregational family published an updated hard-cover edition of our own unique *machzor; Chadeish Yamèinu*, Renew our Days. We are very pleased that all HHD services are printed in a single hard-cover book that provides complete services for *Rosh ha-Shana* and *Yom Kippur*, as well as *Yizkor* and *S'lichot*.

Chadeish Yamèinu offers a variety of beautiful prayers and meditations by contemporary liturgists, including several very talented members of our congregational family. These readings span a wide range of perspectives from traditional to renewal, from transgender and non-binary to more mainstream. Many of

the Liturgy Committee's English translations of the traditional Hebrew prayers resulted from deeply searching the original text and finding new meanings in it.

The link for the text will be available on-line during each service. However, if you would like your own copy to follow at home, copies are available. We suggest a donation of \$54 which includes postage. Please write to hhd@betmish.org to order your own copy of this unique and innovative *Machzor*.



Service Schedules

All services will be in-person and also live streamed. All in-person services, except for *Tashlich*, will held be at the EDCJCC in Cafritz Hall or Kay Community Hall. **Please** note that seating in Cafritz Hall is on a first-come, first-served basis and if we reach the room's seating capacity, the service will be live-streamed in Kay Community Hall for overflow seating.

- Saturday, September 9th, S'lichot service, 8:00 pm
- Friday, September 15th, Erev Rosh ha-Shana 1, 8:00 pm: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin and Alex Carter co-lead, with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan. (Sign Language Interpreted). Services held in Cafritz Hall.
- Saturday, September 16th, Rosh ha-Shana Morning 1,
 10:00 am: Vinny Prell and Scott Reiter co-lead, with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan. Services held in Cafritz Hall.
- Saturday, September 16th, *Tashlich* Service, 3:00 pm: Eryca Kasse leads at the P Street Beach (P Street and 23rd St NW).
- Saturday, September 16th, Erev Rosh ha-Shana 2, 8:00 pm: Allan Armus leads. Services held in Kay Community Hall.
- Sunday, September 17th, Rosh ha-Shana Morning 2, 10:00 am: Jeff Burka and Paula Morris co-lead. Services held in Kay Community Hall.
- Friday, September 22nd, Erev Shabbat Shuva, 8:00 pm: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin leads. Services held in Kay Community Hall.
- Saturday, September 23rd, Shabbat Shuva, 10:00 am: Services held in Kay Community Hall.
- **Sunday, September 24th, Kol Nidrei, 7:00 pm:** Ruth Potts and Larry Neff co-lead, with Rabbi Ben Shalva as *Hazzan*. *Services held in Cafritz Hall*.
- Monday, September 25th, Yom Kippur Morning Service, 10:00 am: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin and Rachel Hamberger co-lead, with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan. Services held in Cafritz Hall.
- Monday, September 25th, Martyrology/Yizkor Service, 12:30 pm: Allan Armus and Elke Martin co-lead. Services held in Cafritz Hall.
- Monday, September 25th, Rabbi's Study Session, 3:00 pm: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin leads. Class held in Kay Community Hall.
- Monday, September 25th, 5:00 pm, Mincha Service: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin and Mindy Gasthalter co-lead with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan. (Sign Language Interpreted) Services held in Cafritz Hall.
- Monday, September 25th, N'ila/Havdala, 6:00 pm: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin and Paula Morris co-lead with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan. (Sign Language Interpreted) Services held in Cafritz Hall.
- Monday, September 25th, Break-the-Fast, following Havdala: Kay Community Hall.



Member Registration

Registration For In-Person Services: Registration begins August 1st. Registrants will receive a confirmation for each service. Please print the ticket(s), or save to your mobile device, and bring it (them) for entry to services.

Registration for all in-person services for *Rosh ha-Shana* will close at 12:00 pm on Wednesday, September 13th. Registration for all in-person services of *Yom Kippur* will close on Thursday, September 21st.

Registration for Live Streamed Services: Members do not need to register for live streamed services. All members in good standing will automatically receive via email the Zoom links for all services.

Non-Member and Guest Registration

Registration For In-Person Services: Non-members, including the guests of members, are cordially invited to attend in-person services. The links will be public and searchable on Eventbrite and are shown below.

Eventbrite Links For Non-Members and Guests

Please go to: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/5784-bet-mishpachah-non-memberguest-high-holy-day-tickets-tickets-685069881457?aff=oddtdtcreator

Bet Mishpachah asks that non-members consider a \$54.00 donation per service when registering, to help defray the significant cost of the services. If you are planning on attending all services, we ask for a total donation of \$225. The registration process on Eventbrite will allow non-members to make the donation at check-out.

Please note that first year membership to Bet Mishpachah is only \$180. This includes tickets to all High Holy Day services as well as engaging in our community, programs and sharing life cycle events throughout the year. For membership information, please refer to our website or contact Deb Hyman at membershipdirector@betmish.org.

Registrants will receive an Eventbrite confirmation for each service. Please print the ticket(s), or save to your mobile device, and bring it (them) for entry to services.

Registration for Live Streamed Services: Non-members may also register for live-streamed services. There are no capacity constraints. Registration will also be on Eventbrite, with donations requested, and registrants will receive service Zoom links separately via email before each service for which they registered.



Check-In for In-Person Services

All attendees will check in at the EDCJCC reception desk. At the Bet Mishpachah reception table attendees will present their printed or mobile Eventbrite ticket (hard copy or electronic) to have their names verified on the registration list. Arrive early to process through EDCJCC security and Bet Mishpachah registration tables.



Yizkor Book

Each year, we memorialize and remember our loved ones during the Yizkor service of Yom Kippur with a booklet listing their names. If you would like to have your family and/or friends listed, please download the form from our website, or contact hhd@betmish.org. All submissions are due by September 1, 2023.



Break-the-Fast

Once again, we will be holding a Break-the-Fast for those who wish to end their Yom Kippur with us. The cost is \$18.00 per member, and \$36.00 per non-member. Pre-registration is required to ensure we order sufficient food. Please refer to our Eventbrite page to register. All reservations must be completed by Friday, September 15th.

In Conclusion

Please contact hhd@betmish.org if you need any assistance in registering online. On behalf of Bet Mishpachah's Board of Directors and our High Holy Day committee, we wish everyone a sweet New Year.



Making Your Home a Sanctuary: Spiritual and Technological Preparation If you choose to attend some or all services at home, you are encouraged to create a *mishkan*, a sanctuary, a dwelling place for Spirit, in your own home.

Take the opportunity ahead of time to be prepared. Is there a quiet place you could create a sanctuary for yourself? How will it feel during the day, and at night? What kind of lighting or seating would make you feel most centered? What special clothes will you wear? Are there some objects you could put in your space that are beautiful or meaningful or fragrant? Gather up whatever you would like to have for the appropriate service: challah, candles, apples and honey, wine or grape juice or appropriate beverage, yartzeit candle, a stone for the Yizkor service, Havdala set for Erev Rosh ha-Shana 2 and for Yom Kippur.

Since services will be live streamed through Zoom, you have the opportunity to watch through your computer or, if you are so connected, through your TV. What's important is the process of thinking about how you want to view and spiritually connect with us.