



The High Holy Days this year will be unlike anything we have ever experienced. The medium will be different, but all who attend our online services will find the same warmth, spirit of introspection, renewal, and celebration that have been part of our tradition for 45 years.

In addition to *T'shuva*, *T'fila*, and *Tz'daka* (Repentance, Prayer, and Justice), this year we are also focusing on *Survival*, *Adaptability*, and *Hopefulness*. We prepare during the month of Elul, which began on the evening of August 19th. At Erev Shabbat services....

On August 21, we **Awoke** *in Gratitude for our Survival*.

On August 28, we **Seek** *Ways to Adapt*.

On September 4, we **Open** *Our Hearts to Whatever Will Be*.

On September 11, we **Enter** *the New Year with Hopefulness*.

On Rosh ha-Shana evening, we celebrate the birthday of the world.

On Rosh ha-Shana morning, we find inspiration in the journeys of our ancestors as we recall the formation of our people.

On Kol Nidrei, we look deeply into our souls.

On Yom Kippur, we find spiritual cleansing and open our hearts to the future.

Our Service Schedule

All services will be virtual, using Zoom Webinar and/or Zoom Meeting, and each service will have its own unique access code. Registration information follows after the service schedule.

Friday, September 18th, Erev Rosh ha-Shana 1, 8:00 pm: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin leads, with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan, TBD as Darshanit and James Radack delivers the appeal.

Saturday, September 19th, Rosh ha-Shana Morning 1, 10:00 am: Paula Morris and Larry Neff co-lead, with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan, Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin as Darshan, music by John Kaboff and Tach'shitim and Rachel Wolkowitz delivers the appeal.

Saturday, September 19th, Erev Rosh ha-Shana 2, 8:00 pm: Allan Armus and Scott Reiter co-lead, with Keith Cohen as Darshan.

Sunday, September 20th, Rosh ha-Shana Morning 2, 10:00 am: Vinny Prell and Jeff Burka co-lead, with Marc Bernstein as Darshan and Michael Resnick as Torah Reader.

Friday, September 25th, Erev Shabbat Shuva, 8:00 pm: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin leads with Eva Freund as Darshanit.

Saturday, September 26th, Shabbat Shuva Morning Service, 10:00 am: Paula Morris and Elke Martin co-lead.

Sunday, September 27th, Kol Nidrei, 7:00 pm: Scott Reiter and Rachel Hamberger co-lead, with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan, Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin as Darshan, music by John Kaboff and Tach'shitim and Joe Pomper delivers the appeal.

Monday, September 28th, Yom Kippur Morning Service, 10:00 am: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin and Alex Carter co-lead, with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan, Al Munzer as Darshan, Michael Resnick as Torah Reader, music by Tach'shitim, and Diane Liff delivers the appeal.

Monday, September 28th, Martyrology/Yizkor Service, 2:00 pm: Allan Armus and Elke Martin co-lead with music by John Kaboff.

Monday, September 28th, Rabbi's Study Session, 3:00 pm: Rabbi Jake Singer-Beilin leads.

Monday, September 28th, 4:00 pm, Mincha Service: See Partner Offerings below.

Monday, September 28th, N'ila/Havdala, 6:00 pm: Larry Neff and Ruth Potts co-lead with Rabbi Ben Shalva as Hazzan and music by Tach'shitim.

Bet Mishpachah Member Registration

All services will be virtual and each service will have a unique ID. Bet Mishpachah members in good standing (dues paid/pledged) will automatically be registered for all services and will receive access information via email for each service.

Non-Member Registration

Non-members will need to register and are asked to make a donation to Bet Mishpachah for services they wish to attend. The suggested donation is a triple chai, or \$54.00, per major service or \$216.00 for all four major services. The major services are Erev Rosh ha-Shana 1, Rosh ha-Shana Morning 1, Kol Nidrei, and Yom Kippur Morning. We ask for your donation to help us defray the considerable cost of providing and hosting these services, which this year includes a production company that will provide a seamless online experience. However, in keeping with Bet Mishpachah tradition, no one will be turned away from our services if they cannot donate at our suggested giving level.

Register for either of the two major Rosh ha-Shana services, and you will automatically be registered for the Rosh ha-Shana 2 services.

Register for either the Kol Nidrei or Yom Kippur Morning services, and you will automatically be registered for Yizkor, the Rabbi's Study Session and N'ila/Havdala.

Non-member registration is via Eventbrite. Search on Bet Mishpachah, or go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/d/online/bet-mishpachah/>. There you will have the opportunity to register for an all access package or individual services.

Registration is now open and will close September 16th for Rosh ha-Shana services and September 24th for Yom Kippur services. Our production company will send access information to you via the email used to register in Eventbrite several days before services. Please be on the lookout for this email, as, depending on your service provider, it may end up in your junk mail.

The Blast DC

Bet Mishpachah is partnering with congregations across the DC metro area to mark the sanctity of the High Holy Days by asking that congregants blow their shofar outside their homes at 5pm on September 18, right before Rosh ha-Shana begins. Just walk outside your house and sound your best tekiah g'dolah. This new year, the sound of the shofar will reverberate around the city as we awaken to the coming of a new year and it will remind us that we are all in this together. Join us as a diverse, pluralistic community of Jews to come together to mark this sacred season. For more information, go to <https://www.theblastdc.com/>

Partner Offerings

Bet Mishpachah is partnering with Rabbi Mark Novak, Washington DC's Renewal Community, for their "More Joy, Less Oy" program so our members can participate in Elul, S'lichot and Yom Kippur Mincha Services.

Wednesdays, August 26 to September 12, Elul Sessions, 8:00 pm: The topics are Creating Sacred Space in Your Home (Aug 26), High Holiday Heart Circle (Sept 2), Be Kind to Your Soul (Sept 9), and Touching the Face of G-d (Sept 16).

Saturday, September 12th, S'lichot, 9:00 pm: Rabbi Mark Novak & Storyteller Renée Brachfeld lead with stories, teachings, and *t'fila*.

Monday, September 28th, Yom Kippur Mincha Service, 4:00 pm: Precedes our N'ila/Havdala services which start at 6:00 pm.

Registration for these programs is required. For more information and to register, please visit their Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/More-Joy-Less-Oy-100365225121985/>

Bet Mishpachah is also partnering with Hadar for a musical S'lichot on Monday, September 14th, at 7:45 pm: A concert and learning experience with Joey Weisenberg and Rabbi Aviva Richman. Register at <https://www.hadar.org/interior-learn-us-page/songful-selichot>.

Lastly, we will post information on our website, www.betmish.org/hhd on ways that you can set up your praying space, prepare yourselves, and configure your home viewing to include TVs.

On behalf of Bet Mishpachah's board of directors and our High Holy Day co-chairs, we wish everyone a sweet New Year.