



High Holiday Newsletter September/October 2011 Tishrei 5772

Saturday, September 24	Selichot Program, Service, Dessert	7:30 pm
Wednesday, September 28	Erev Rosh Hashanah	5:45 pm
Thursday, September 29	Rosh Hashanah - First Day	
	Service in Main Sanctuary	8:15 am
	Family Service in Cultural Center	10:00 am
	Youth Services (School Wing)	10:00 am
	Teen Schmooze/Service (upper school)	11:00 am
	Tashlich at Jemison Park	4:30 pm
	Mincha/Ma'ariv in Kimerling Chapel	5:30 pm
Friday, September 30	Rosh Hashanah - Second Day	
	Service in Main Sanctuary	8:15 am
	Youth Services	10:00 am
	Shabbat Service	5:45 pm
Sunday, October 2	Cemetery Visits	
	Old KI / Beth-El	10:00 am
	Elmwood	11:00 am
Friday, October 7	Kol Nidre	5:45 pm
Saturday, October 8	Yom Kippur	
	Service in Main Sanctuary	8:15 am
	Family Service in Cultural Center	10:00 am
	Youth Services (School Wing)	10:00 am
	Recess	2:00 pm
	Study Session	3:00 pm
	Yizkor	4:00 pm
	Mincha	4:30 pm
	Neilah	6:00 pm
	Final Shofar	7:08 pm

The Temple Beth-El Foundation invites everyone to Break-the-Fast following the Final Shofar. Please join us!

SEATING, HEARING DEVICE, LARGE PRINT AND transliteration INFORMATION

Services in the Main Sanctuary are conducted by Rabbi Michelle Goldsmith and Cantor Daniel Gale and feature the Temple Beth-El High Holiday choir.

A Family Service will be held in

the Rose and Nathan Filler Cultural Center for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in place of the previous years' overflow seating. *Hearing devices* are available by contacting the Synagogue

Office in advance.

Large print High Holiday prayer books and transliterations of various congregational prayers are available from the ushers.

Rosh Hashanah is a time of introspection, looking at the mistakes of the past year and planning changes for the new year. The ten days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is a time to ask forgiveness from those whom we might have hurt during the past year.

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HIGH HOLIDAY TICKET POLICY



For security purposes, all must have a ticket to enter the building during the High Holidays. Please bring your ticket to all services.

- 1) Tickets to the Main Sanctuary are required during the peak times-the first day of Rosh Hashanah and through Musaf on Yom Kippur- but not for Yizkor or Nilah.
- 2) Tickets are issued to all members in good standing several weeks before Rosh Hashanah based upon payment plan established for the 2011/2012 year.
- 3) There is no charge for members' tickets.
- 4) A fee of \$50 per ticket or \$72 for 2 tickets will be charged for a member's out-of-town guest(s). This fee must be paid in advance. Tickets may be picked up prior to 4 pm on Tuesday, September 27.
- 5) Persons who live in Birmingham and are not members of Temple Beth-El will not be sold tickets. However, college students may call Bob Greenberg for complimentary tickets.
- 6) Permanent seats will not be sold nor will there be any assigned seats.
- 7) Possession of a ticket by a member/paid guest does not guarantee a seat but only guarantees admittance. We maintain a first-come, first-served policy.
- 8) A member will receive tickets only for those family members who are dependents above the age of bar or bat mitzvah. Younger family members will be provided services and activities in places other than the Main Sanctuary.
- 9) Tickets are not transferable.



HIGH HOLIDAY CHILDCARE

Temple Beth-El is pleased to offer childcare during the High Holidays, for children one-year through Pre-Kindergarten for daytime services and one-year through First Grade for evening services. The cost is \$25 per child per service, with the exception of Erev Rosh Hashanah, which is \$10 per child. To register for childcare, please contact Jennifer at the Beth-El office for a form or visit our web site, and submit it with payment by Wednesday, September 14th. **Please call Jennifer at the TBE office by the due date to confirm that your registration was received.** We hire the appropriate number of childcare workers to care for those children who are pre-paid and registered, so unfortunately we cannot accept walk-ins or offer refunds.

Childcare is available for the following services:

- Erev Rosh Hashanah, Wednesday, September 28 5:45pm – 6:45pm
- Rosh Hashanah-1st Day, Thursday, September 29 8:15am – 1:15pm
- Rosh Hashanah-2nd Day, Friday, September 30 8:15am – 12:30pm
- Kol Nidre, Friday, October 7 5:30pm – 8:15pm
- Yom Kippur morning, Saturday, October 8 8:15am – 2:00pm
- Yom Kippur evening, Saturday, October 8 4:15pm – 7:15pm

Please use the Highland Avenue entrance to our lower school wing. Plan to check on your child every hour. You must label all items belonging to your child. In keeping with our observance of the holiday, please remember not to send writing or coloring items. Snacks will be provided for children 3 and older. For children under 3, please provide kosher food. A crock pot will be available for heating bottles. Please also provide diapers, wipes, and sleeping accommodations (if needed) for your child.

High Holiday Honors list will be sent out in an email later in September.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24: SELICHOT PROGRAM AND SERVICE

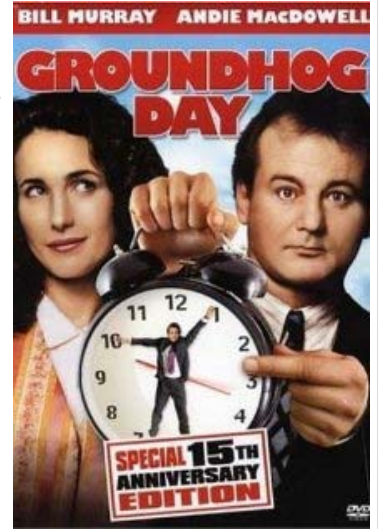
Saturday, September 24, at 7:30pm: Selichot Program and Service featuring the movie, "Ground Hog Day."

During the month of Elul it is traditional to begin to prepare for the High Holidays by reciting special prayers called Selichot, which are prayers in which we ask forgiveness for our mistakes. Selichot is a time for reflection – on what we have and

haven't done during the past year. Each year we are given the chance to review and improve our lives. But what happens if we keep postponing it? In the highly acclaimed movie Ground Hog Day, starring Bill Murray and Andie McDowell, we see where teshuvah (return) relates to the character who is doomed to spend the rest of eternity in the same place, seeing the same

people doing the same thing EVERY day. Come join us on Selichot for a wonderful movie, delicious desserts, and a delightful discussion as we learn that it is never too late to return to our truest selves, to return to our families, and to come closer to God.

Dessert and coffee served. Selichot services following the movie.



TEKIA G'EDOLA! SHOFAR BLOWERS WANTED!

All Shofar blowers are invited to help us conclude Yom Kippur with the final blast of the shofar. To participate, please bring your shofar and be present for the Neilah service which will begin at 6:00pm on Saturday, October 8.

OUR TEMPLE BETH-EL FOUNDATION INVITES EVERYONE TO BREAK-THE-FAST

Our Temple Beth-El Foundation cordially invites everyone to Break-the-Fast following the conclusion of Yom Kippur services in the Rose & Nathan Filler Cultural Center. Nadine Cohen and Coko and Company will be serving a delicious meal including their famous Egg Salad. As always, juice and cookies will be made available at various locations throughout the building at the end of services.



THE TEMPLE BETH-EL FOUNDATION CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO BREAK-THE-FAST

TASHLICH: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 4:30PM

On Thursday, September 29, at 4:30pm, all are invited to join us for our annual congregational Tashlich service. Tashlich takes place on the afternoon of the first day of Rosh Hashanah (except Shabbat). Tashlich in Hebrew means to "send away," and refers to the action of "symbolically casting away one's sins". Bring your entire family and friends as you

experience another dimension of the traditions of Rosh Hashanah. Please bring bread or bread crumbs because it is customary to throw bread into the water as we symbolically cast away our sins.

We will meet at Jemison Park at the intersection of Overbrook Road and Beechwood Road. Parking is available on Woodhill

Road. The service is casual and will last approximately 30 minutes. Dogs are invited!

You are encouraged to bring blankets or folding chairs and a dairy picnic dinner to enjoy with your Temple Beth-El family following the service.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2: CEMETERY VISITS

It is a custom to visit the graves of loved ones during the High Holiday season. In keeping with this popular tradition, Rabbi Goldsmith and Cantor Gale will conduct a brief service at each cemetery on Sunday

morning, October 2. At that time, you will have the opportunity to recite personal and communal prayers. Alternatively, you may visit the cemetery at any time during the High Holiday season to recite individual prayers.

Schedule:

Sunday, October 2

Old Beth-El/KI: 10:00am

Elmwood: 11:00am

Please call our office if you need assistance with transportation.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 & SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8: FAMILY SERVICE 10:00AM

Families with young children are invited to attend these special services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in the Rose and Nathan Filler Cultural Center. Join with Meg Bruck Krawitz and Jimmy Krell as they lead these fantastic and memorable family services that your family will talk about for many years to come.



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29: TEEN SCHMOOZE AND SERVICE 11:00AM

All Teens grades 7-12 and College Freshman are invited for a special service led by Samathan Dubrinsky, snack and schmooze to celebrate the New Year in the Pillow Room.

YOUTH SERVICES GRADES K-7 10:00AM-1:00PM

Services will take place from 10:00am–1:00pm on both days of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur. In addition to a worship service, the children's program will also include activities, stories, games, snacks, songs and other holiday-related programming. Children should be picked up at 1:00pm promptly.

Schedule: 10am-1:00pm

Grades K-2 Room 23 & 25

Grades 3-4 Room 26 & 27

Grades 5-7 Chapel & Board Room

Please contact Rabbi Flax at 933-2740 for more information.

TENNIS SHOES ARE "IN STYLE" FOR YOM KIPPUR

Rabbi Goldsmith invites the entire congregation to wear sneakers / tennis shoes to Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur services! Among the five prohibitions on Yom Kippur is the ancient law, which prohibits leather shoes from being worn on the Day of Atonement. This tradition is practiced annually among Jews all over the world and this year we would like you to take advantage of this mitzvah. Both men and women often wear canvas instead of

leather shoes because leather was a sign of luxury in early days. There are some who suggest that it does not seem appropriate on this day to wear the skin of an animal slaughtered for human pleasure. In some communities the High Holidays become a fashion show and congregants use this opportunity to show off their lavish and expensive clothing. Our ancient rabbis were concerned with this inappropriate

display and created laws to help us focus on the meaning and purpose of this occasion. At this contemplative time, our spiritual needs are of more importance than our physical needs.

HIGH HOLIDAY CHOIR

A highlight of our High Holiday services is our talented choir led by Cantor Gale. Special thanks to this wonderful group, whose dedication and devotion to our Temple enable all of us to enjoy a more meaningful experience during the Yamim Noraim.

Members of our Choir include: **Robin Benjamin, Roz Feigelson, Ed Fineberg, Bob Greenberg, Barry Ivker, Josh Ivker,**

Naomi Ivker, Sara Krantz, Judith Michaelson, Thea Ostroy, Susan Padove, Cheryl Ann Palmer, Susan Schwartz, Kay Virago and Sam Zuckerman.

Yasher Koach and thank you!



FOOD DRIVE

Do a mitzvah: Take a sack on Rosh Hashanah and on Kol Nidre, bring it back!!

Local food pantries are in need of your help. This year's donations will be given to CJFS and Greater Birmingham Ministries. Please take home a food sack after Rosh Hashanah services, fill it with non-perishable food, and return it on Yom Kippur. Thank you for making a difference!



“SHARE BREAD WITH THE HUNGRY...AND NOT TURN AWAY FROM PEOPLE IN NEED”
ISAIAH, 58:7

CHILDREN'S HAVDALLAH PROCESSIONAL

At the conclusion of the Yom Kippur Neilah / Maariv service, pre-Bar/Bat Mitzvah children of all ages are invited to participate in our annual Havdallah processional. All children will march into the sanctuary together, carrying “glow sticks” and singing Hebrew songs. The entire group will join the Rabbi

and Cantor on the pulpit for the Havdallah service and concluding blasts of the Shofar.

The children will meet in the Kimerling Chapel at 6:30pm on Saturday, October 8, to prepare for the processional. All Temple Beth-El children are encouraged to participate, whether they are students in

our Religious School or not. For more information please contact Rabbi Flax. Don't miss this opportunity to share the dramatic conclusion of Yom Kippur with your children and the Temple Beth-El community. The final blast of the Shofar will conclude the service at 7:08pm.



HIGH HOLIDAY BIMAH FLOWERS

We'd like to express our deepest appreciation to the following congregants who have generously donated the flowers which adorn our Bimah.

Rosh Hashanah: In memory of our beloved parents, Nathan & Sylvia Epsman. From: The Epsman Family

Yom Kippur: In honor of my cherished children and grandchildren. From: Pam Ruttenberg

Sukkot: In Loving Memory of our Parents, Bessie & Nathan Zivitz and Mavis & Herbert Doty. From: Melissa & Melvin Zivitz

Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah: Honoring our loved ones. From: Hannah & Colin Helman

Todah Rabah!



“KNOW
BEFORE
WHOM YOU
STAND”

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A NOTE ABOUT DECORUM

Because of the large number of people in our sanctuary during the High Holidays, it is difficult for our ushers to control the traffic flow and noise level. Please help by respecting and listening to our ushers. We request that all those who worship with us remember where they are and to conduct themselves accordingly. We also request that seats not be saved for any great length of

time. Seats may only be saved for a few minutes for someone who is either parking a car or has gone to the restroom. We do not allow the saving of seats for people who have not yet arrived at services. As you enter the Sanctuary, please be sure that your **cell phone and other electronic devices are turned off.** Be considerate of those in worship.

SHAKE YOUR LULAV

To fully appreciate the joyous holiday of Sukkot, it is a mitzvah for every family to own their own lulav and etrog set! By owning a lulav and etrog, one fulfills the Mitzvah of taking in the hand the four species: palm branch, citron, myrtle, and willow.

To order a lulav and etrog, please send a check in the amount of \$40 (per set) to Temple Beth-El by September 20th.

BUILD YOUR OWN SUKKAH

You are invited to participate in one of Judaism's great and holy mitzvot...building a Sukkah during the holiday of Sukkot. The *sukkah* represents the temporary dwellings used by our ancestors as they wandered through the desert. It also served as a dwelling in the fields at harvest time. Finally, the *sukkah* also represents the fragility of our lives and our dependence on God

and nature. The roof of the *sukkah* has branches and greenery across it, yet is purposely left open in order for us to see the stars at night and appreciate the grandeur of nature.

For a beautiful and simple pre-fabricated Sukkah, call the Sukkah Center, 800-227-SUKA or visit them on the web at

www.sukkah.com. The Sukkah Center provides a completely pre-fabricated *sukkah* including all materials necessary. Sukkot begins Wednesday, September 22 and the Temple Beth-El Sukkah will be available for everyone to use during Sukkot and participate in this holy mitzvah. Please call the TBE office at 933-2740 to reserve the Sukkah.



OUR CHEVRA KADISHA



Each year, during the High Holidays, we honor and thank the members of our Chevra Kadisha (Holy Society). These are the special men and women who prepare the dead for burial. We consider this to be one of the most powerful and holy mitzvot.

Eph Mazer, Co-Chair

Fred Benjamin
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J.B. Mazer
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Morton Stern

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Julie Bernstein
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Sandra Gilbert
Susan Green

Susan Greene
Fran Ivker
Kelley Jefferson
Mary Kimerling
Esther Levy
Nancy Lewis
Cheryl Palmer
Cathy Rogoff
Micky Rubenstein
Wendy Rutkoff
Wendy Siegal
Toby Siegel
Diane Slaughter
Ellen Sokol
Susan Stein
Melissa Zivitz

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

The following families wish you a New Year filled with health and happiness.

Melissa, Steve, Mallie, Ari & Josie Altmann	Marjie & Myron Butler	Rabbi Ira & Vicki Flax & Family
Betty & Bob Anfanger & Family	Sherry & Jerry Cherner & Family	Joy & Robert Fleisher
Tobie & Bernard Axel	Leah, Jeremy & Wyatt Cohen	Rhoda, Wayne, Rachel & Rebecca Fleisig
Sandy & Ilene Axelroth	Linda Cohn & Family	Brenda, Fred and Jordan Friedman
Simmy, Phillip & Lyle Barrocas	Elenor & Sidney Conn	Shari & Gregory Friedman & Family
Jean Bearman	Charlotte Corenblum & Family	Shirley & Ron Froehlich
Suzanne & Howard Bearman	Nikki & Stephen Crawford	Cantor Daniel Gale & Maria Bitran
Angela & Steven Becker & Family	Susan & Mark Crayne	Glenn, Debbie, Stacy & Stephanie Geldzahler
Phyllis & Norman Berk	Eileen Curtis & Family	Pat & Alan Geldzahler & Family
Faye & Sidney Bernstein	Heidi & Martin Damsky & Family	David & Holly Gettinger
Thelma Bernstein & Family	Anita Danneman	Scott, Hilary, Harris, Ansley & Schuyler Gewant
Susan & Karl Biedinger	Vicki & Eddie Denaburg	Steven & Kathy Goldman
Melissa & Sheldon Black	Lisa & Alan Engel & Family	Jeff & Rabbi Michelle Goldsmith & Family
Lynn & Bert Bloomston	Melba Epsman	Sabra, Jeremy & Benjamin Goodman
Gina & Rex Boyd	Mervyn Epsman	Barbara & Gary Gordon & Family
Adrienne & Julian Brook	Sheri & Jay Epstein	Joan & Hunter Gordon
Doug Brook	Roz, Vic & Brandon Feigelson	Marshall & Penny Gordon & Family
Ginger, Larry, James Henry & Eli Brook	Rhoda & Robert Feirman	Sylvia Gouse
Esther & Jerome Brown & Family	Jimmy, Carol and Nan Filler	
Ellen Bruck & Family	Murray & Arlene Fisher & Family	
	Enid Flax	

Monroe & Helen Green	Mary Kimerling	Sybil & Larry Michalove
Rochelle & Marty Green	Sheryl & Jon Kimerling & Family	Pat & Neal Miller
Sidney & Gayle Green	Toby & Walter Klein	Dan, Kim, Andrew, Michael & Valerie Mirelman
Cherie & Bob Greenberg & Family	Ricki & Lanny Kline	Joan Loretta Munn
Steve, Susan, Daniel, Katie, Robin & Scott Greene	Amy & Scott Koplon	Jary, Celia, Jennifer, Brett, Josh & Marley Reese Nadler
Mira & Eddie Griffith	Sara & Dennis Krantz	Glenda & Paul Nagrodzki
Vikki & Ken Grodner & Family	Sheri & Jimmy Krell & Family	Ilse Nathan
Sherrie & Steve Grunfeld	Billy, Susan, Noah & Clara Lapidus	The Niedenthal Family
Maurine & Jacob Halpern & Family	Eileen & Len Levin	Bernard, Sidney & Emily Nomberg
Shirley & Jack Hasson	Linda Levin & Family	Marla & Steve Ostroff
Virginia & Hertzl Heiman	Esther & Jack Levy & Family	Thea Ostroy
Roz Hellman	Paula & Joe Levy	Susan and Stuart Padove & Family
Colin & Hannah Helman	Bill & Sue Lischkoff	Sharon Peetluk & Yitzi
Max, Cecille, Caryl & Elliot Herzel	Harold & Ruth Lischkoff	Hazel & Murray Pizette
Felice Hirsch	Norma Jean Long	Joe & Andi Preston
Riva & Aisic Hirsch	Helena Lubel	Janet Reagan
Riv & Herb Husid & Family	Dede & Leroy Lurie	Joe Reznik
Bettie Jaffe	The Mannon Family	Loraine & David Reznik
Kenny, Jan, Kendal & Tyler Jaffe	Sandy & Brian Martin	Sherri & David Romanoff
Sharon Kahn & Richard Lehr & Family	Cindy & Harvey May & Family	Bari & Barry Roseman
Lynda, Fred & Johanna Kemeny	Judy & Gerson May	Barb & Don Rothman
Lisa, Alan, Natalie & Hayley Kianoff	Lynette & J.B. Mazer & Family	
	Judith Michaelson	

Wendy & Jonathan Rutkoff, Ida Rose & Bobby	Natalie & Albert Sikora	Phyllis G. Weinstein
Pam Ruttenberg & Arnold Shiland	Renee & Steve Singer	Steve, Brenda & Jared Weinstein Gloria & Izzy Weintraub
Beth, Jack, Mark & David Schaeffer	Maxine Kline Sklute	Chita & Howard Weintrob & Family
Donna, Gary, Caren, Julie & David S Schiff	Diane & Howard Slaughter	The Weissman Family: Jeff, Sherri, Matthew, Jake & Gabrielle
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Lewis & Zena Schulman	Robin & Steve Smith & Family	Michelle, Seth, Meyer & Raquel Wolnek
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Gail, Abe, Daniel, Naomi & Rebecca Schuster	The Solomon Family: Gloria, Mark, Robert, Alison, Rachel, Bennett & Rebecca	Dorothy Ziff & Family
Bobbye & Michael Seligman & Family	Dolly & David Staff	Melissa & Melvin Zivitz
Joyce & Arthur Serwitz	Joyce & Gaston Stein	Sam Zuckerman & Cliff Wright
Sol & Marlene Shapiro	Susan & Michael Stein & Family	
Arlene & Marvin Shelsky & Family	Bernard & Carolyn Stern	
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Sandy & Gene Siegal & Family	Razelle Toranto & Family	
Rhonda, Eric, Stuart, Philip & Nathan Siegel	Merv & Bettie Torme	
Toby, Bert, David & Abby Siegel	Debbie, Louis, Allan & Betsy Tuck	
Ruth Siegler & Family	Barbara Touger & Family	
Bridget, Steven, Jack, Max & Austin Sikora	Nan, Doug, Jesse & Joey Unkenholz	
	Karen & Dan Weinrib & Family	

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Here's to a sweet New Year in 5772!
 Rosh Hashanah is soon, which means it's time to place your order **now**
 for yummy, kosher apple cakes baked by our very own Temple Beth-El Sisterhood.

apple cake sale

Apple cakes will be available for pick-up at Temple Beth-El on Sunday, September 25 from 9am - noon in the downstairs dairy kitchen. Easy!
 Order enough so you'll enjoy a traditional holiday dish this year for family, and have a sweet gift for friends!

Apple cakes are \$20/ea.

Call Hannah Helman at 967-9659 before September 12 for your orders.

Don't be disappointed - buy early!



Order your 100% pure Kosher clover honey to give for Rosh Hashanah. 8 oz. jars of Kosher honey, complete with your personalized message, shipped anywhere in the world. Your gift will arrive in time for Rosh Hashanah 5772, which begins September 28, 2011 at sundown. Funds raised through our Honey from the Heart fundraiser will help supply funds for Camp Ramah Darom scholarships, youth activities, and the needs of our Religious School.

\$10.00 per jar plus shipping. Please go to the link below.

<http://www.orthoney.com/store/mystore-bu-down.cfm?StoreCodeI=BEB>

Renovations and High Holiday Entrance, Exit and Parking

The 2011 TBE Renovation Project is moving along very well. Additional work on the windows and roof of our historic building has extended the project time-line into December. However, the hallways connected to the 21st Way entrance WILL BE OPEN for entrance and exit. You will be able to see the renovation project in process while making your way into the Sanctuary, Chapel or Cultural Center. However, THE CONGREGATIONAL AND OFFICE SPACES WILL NOT BE OPEN. Please note the bullet points below as you plan your holiday service schedule.

- **Handicap Access:** A Security Guard will be present at the 21st way entrance, as well as at the lower parking lot entrance. All elderly and handicapped members may enter or exit at either location. The entire lower parking lot will be reserved for handicapped parking. Using an elevator or ramp will allow access to both the sanctuary and cultural center.
- **Parking:** Please use the back parking lot (where the BBQ is held) or street parking for general parking.
- **Social Hall Break Space:** The hallways along the sanctuary will be busy. To alleviate noise and allow for contemplation and prayer in the sanctuary, we encourage you to use the social hall for lengthy breaks. Children will be directed to the school areas downstairs or other locations for youth services.
- The **Chapel** will house live video viewing, and the **Cultural Center** will be the location of the Family Services and the Break the Fast.
- **Ushers:** We have a wonderful group of volunteer ushers organized by our Men's Club who will focus on security, safety, and creating a community atmosphere. If you have a question feel free to find one of the ushers to help solve a problem or find the right information.

We appreciate your support and flexibility so that the High Holiday period is a meaningful period of prayer and connection with God.



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AN EREV YOM KIPPUR RITUAL FOR THE HOME

Tzedakah

It is customary, before the beginning of Yom Kippur, for each of us to put money aside for some worthy cause. We hereby vow to fulfill the mitzvah of *tzedakah* as we begin this festival. We remember the words of the prophet, who called us to share our bread with the hungry, to clothe the naked, and never to hide ourselves from our own kin. May we, together with the whole House of Israel, be mindful of the needs of others, sharing with them the fruits of our labor and helping to sustain them, so that the promise may be fulfilled.

Candles

The lights are kindled after the meal and before leaving for the synagogue. The holiest day of the year is about to begin. May it be for each one of us a day of renewal. We seek this day to overcome what wrong we have done, and to strengthen what is good in our lives. May it bring us closer to one another, and

make us more loyal to our community and our faith.

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu meh-lech ha-o-lam, a-sheh ki-d'sha-nu b' mitz-vo-tav v'tzi-va-nu l'had-lik ner shel yom tov.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe: You hallow us with your Mitzvot, and command us to kindle the lights of the Day of Atonement.

Ba-ruch a-ta Adonai, Eh-lo-hei-nu meh-lech ha-o-lam, sheh-heh-cheh-ya-nu, v'ki-y'manu, v'higi-anu la-z'man ha.zeh.

We praise You, Eternal God, Sovereign of the universe, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.

Parental Blessing

We bless our children with the following: May God bless you and guide you. Seek truth always, be charitable in your words, just and loving in your deeds. A noble heritage has been entrusted to you; guard it well.

FOR A BOY:

May God inspire you to live in the tradition of Ephraim and Menasheh, who carried forward the life of our people.

FOR A GIRL:

May God inspire you to live in the tradition of Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel, and Leah, who carried forward the life of our people.

FOR BOTH:

Y'va-reh-ch'cha Adonai v'yish-m'reh-cha. Ya-eir Adonai pa-nav ei-leh-cha vi-chu-neh-ka. Yi-sa Adonai pa-nav ei-leh-chav' ya-seim l' cha sha-lom.

May God bless you and keep you. May God look kindly upon you, and be gracious to you. May God reach out to you in tenderness, and give you peace. *There may now be a moment of silence, in which all present think of one another with blessing.*