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Congregation **Beth El**
Preserving Tradition...Embracing Change

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Let's welcome the new year and find inspiration as we celebrate Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur together as a community. Find the spiritual pathways that speak to you.

Registration: We are asking you to register in advance for the following programs. Please use these links:
Childcare (18mo-PreK) - Click [here](#)
Elementary school drop-off program (K-4th) - Click [here](#)
Reverse Tashlikh - Click [here](#)
Break-fast following Yom Kippur - Click [here](#)

congregational services

Rosh Hashanah

Nashuva - We Will Return

(Fri, 9/15) Erev Rosh Hashanah singing in the round
7:00 - 8:00pm • Susan and Mitchell Lieberman Chapel
Sermon by Rabbi Creditor

Sanctuary Services

(Sat, 9/16 & Sun, 9/17) Both Days of Rosh Hashanah
9:00am Morning Service: Pesukei D'Zimra, Shacharit
10:15am Torah Service
11:00am Shofar Service on 9/17 (no Shofar Service on 9/16)
11:00am Sermon • RH Day 1 by Rabbi Olitzky
11:15am Sermon • RH Day 2 by Rabbi Creditor
11:30am Musaf (ends at approx. 1:00pm)

Pop Torah Live!

(Sat, 9/16) Rosh Hashanah Day 1
11:30am - 12:45pm • Patio Tent
Led by Rabbi Olitzky: Explore how we find themes of the High Holidays in recent Pop Culture Phenomena – including movies, music, and television – and how deep dives into those hit shows, films, and songs can help us better appreciate and prepare to enter into the new year with a clean slate. For adults, teens, and tweens.

Tashlikh

(Sun, 9/17) Rosh Hashanah Day 2
4:00pm • Duck Pond behind South Orange Middle School
Join together as we cast away our transgressions and the year we leave behind and step fresh into the new year. This year we will include a tashlikh service for adults and families with prayers and meditations to recite. In addition, Education Director Nomi Kornfeld will lead a tashlikh activity for kids. Bring your shofar if you'd like to join in the shofar blasts!

Yom Kippur

Erev Yom Yippur (Sun, 9/24)

Kol Nidre Service in the Sanctuary
6:45 - 8:45pm • Sermon by Rabbi Olitzky

Sanctuary Services (Mon, 9/25)

9:00am Morning Service: Pesukei D'Zimra, Shacharit
10:15am Torah Service
11:00am Sermon by Rabbi Olitzky
11:15am Yizkor: Memorial Service
11:45am Musaf
4:00pm Minhah Afternoon Service
5:30pm Neilah Service
7:00pm Ma'ariv & Havdalah
7:30pm Yom Kippur ends, Communal Break-Fast

Communal Break-Fast

(Mon, 9/25) 7:30pm • Social Hall
End the Yom Kippur fast with bagels, blintzes, waffles, salads, and more. Register at no charge [here](#).

Tickets: All members will be mailed tickets during the week of August 27. **Please bring your tickets with you over the holidays to enter the building.** Children under age 23 do not need a ticket. If you would like to acquire tickets for visiting family, please click [here](#). If your visiting family are members of another congregation, please call the Beth El office at 973-763-0111 to apply for reciprocity tickets.

Parking: The Beth El parking lot over the holidays is open only to those for whom walking from farther away from the building would be difficult. Please call the Beth El office at 973-763-0111 to reserve a parking spot during services. Members and their guests are welcome to park on side streets including Killburn, Prospect, & Irvington Ave.

Yizkor Book: On Yom Kippur and festival holidays throughout the year we hold a Yizkor service to remember our loved ones who are no longer with us. You are invited to add names of loved ones to the Beth El Yizkor Book so we can remember them together as a community. If you had a listing in last year's book, you can review your listing [here](#). Please click [here](#) to submit names of loved ones by Tues, Aug 29.

Three Pillars Program: Our Sages taught that the world is sustained by three pillars: Torah, prayer, and acts of kindness (Pirke Avot 1:2). These are all critical spiritual pathways, and on the High Holidays we make space for all three with opportunities to pray, study Torah, and engage in acts of hesed. We hope you find the spiritual paths that are meaningful to you!

adult education

All Adult Education classes take place in the Susan & Mitchell Lieberman Chapel

All Too Human: Eden and Greek Myths of Sin

(Sat, 9/16) Rosh Hashanah Day 1 at 11:30am - Led by Seth Wainer

Singing Through Teshuvah: A High Holiday Sonic Journey

(Sun, 9/17) Rosh Hashanah Day 2 at 11:30am - Led by Allie Kanter

I Forgive It All: The Challenges and Rewards of Reconciliation

(Mon, 9/25) Yom Kippur at 11:30am - Led by Sasha Weiss

Yonah and Micah: 'Seasing' Questions

(Mon, 9/25) Yom Kippur at 2:00pm - Led by Jonathan Greenberg

The Thirteen Attributes of God: Do As I Say, Not As I Do

(Mon, 9/25) Yom Kippur at 3:00pm - Led by Bill Gold

social action

Toiletry Kit Assembly for Those in Need

(Sat, 9/16) Rosh Hashanah Day 1
11:30am • Lower Level

Honey Cake Baking for Isolated Members and Seniors

(Sun, 9/17) Rosh Hashanah Day 2
11:30am • Kitchen

Food Sorting for the Interfaith Food Pantry of the Oranges

(Mon, 9/25) Yom Kippur
10:00am • Lower Level

Hanging Paper Chains for Victims of Mass Shootings

(Mon, 9/25) Yom Kippur
11:30am • Tree at parking lot entrance

Reverse Tashlikh

(Sun, 9/24) 10:00 - 12:00pm
Start off the new year with a mitzvah! We are joining with Tikkun HaYam (Repair the Sea) to clean up a body of water on the Sunday between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Meet at the Rahway River (corner of Meadowbrook Place and Meadowbrook Lane) in South Orange. Participants must be at least four years old. Register [here](#).

Food Drive

On Rosh Hashanah, please pick up an empty bag in the Joyce and Neil Goldstein Lobby (or use your own) and on Yom Kippur, please return it filled with food items for local food pantries.

שנה טובה ומתוקה **Wishing you a sweet new year!**



little ones

Mini Minyan (0-PreK)

Rosh Hashanah Both Days & Yom Kippur
10:15 - 11:00am • Social Hall
Enjoy a musical prayer experience, High Holiday crafts, games, and snacks for babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and their caregiver(s). Kids and adults are invited to bring a shofar on Day 2 of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Childcare (18mo-PreK)

Rosh Hashanah Both Days • 9:00am - 2:00pm
Kol Nidre • 6:45 - 8:45pm
Yom Kippur • 9:00 - 2:00pm
Minhah and Neilah • 5:30 - 7:30pm

Drop-off and pick-up during any of the timeslots above at the Sharon and Jimmy Schwarz Welcome Center Childcare Rooms 101, 102, 103

Click [here](#) to register for childcare. Please ensure that your child has a water bottle, lunch, change of clothes, and diapers and wipes if needed. Label all items that you bring. The morning will include fun activities, story time, playtime, and Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur adventures. Please note that childcare does not have a scheduled naptime. Our Thelma K. Reisman teachers will serve as our loving and attentive childcare staff.

middle & high school

T'fillah & Tikkun Olam (5th-9th)

Rosh Hashanah Both Days & Yom Kippur
11:00am - 1:00pm • Lower Level
As we embark on the most holy days of the year, 5th-9th graders are invited for a morning of prayer, study, social action, community building, and on Rosh Hashanah, snacks. Students will be divided by age groups and rotate through activities.

Reminder: Pop Torah Live!

on (Sat, 9/16) Rosh Hashanah Day 1 is also an option for 5th - 12th graders. See details above!

Teen Hangout (5th-12th)

Rosh Hashanah Both Days & Yom Kippur • 10:30am - 2:00pm
Kol Nidre • 7:00 - 8:45pm
Neilah • 5:30 - 7:30pm
Room 104

A new offering this year during High Holiday Services will be an open teen hangout space. This quiet space for teens will have games, snacks, and books available.

Kol Nidre Schmooze (5th-12th)

(Sun, 9/24) Approx. 7:00 - 8:45pm
Susan & Mitchell Lieberman Chapel
Directly following the Kol Nidre prayer at the beginning of the service, teens are invited for an activity organized by the new Teen Board. This will be an opportunity for our 5th-12th graders to come together in a social environment to explore the themes of Yom Kippur. There will be a few stations with games, text study, and a social justice feature. The schmooze will end with a short meditation service.

Neilah Volunteer (5th-12th)

(Mon, 9/25) 6:00 - 7:30pm
Meet in Neil & Joyce Goldstein Lobby, Program in Lower Level
We welcome 5th-12th graders as volunteers in the K-4th Neilah program, which will feature station-based activities for children. 5th-12th graders will help run the activities, facilitate a group skit, and help little ones that may need some one-on-one attention. If you are interested in volunteering, please [email](#) Education Director Nomi Kornfeld.

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Beiteinu - Our Home Family Service (K-2nd & 3rd-4th)

Rosh Hashanah Both Days & Yom Kippur
10:00 - 11:00am
K-2nd • Patio Tent
3rd-4th • Susan and Mitchell Lieberman Chapel
Celebrate the holidays together as a family. Join for an engaging prayer service with age-appropriate storytelling or a skit. We ask one adult per child at least to join in the K-2nd service, and invite, but do not require, adults to join in the 3rd and 4th grade service. Kids and adults are invited to bring their shofar on Day 2 of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Celebration, Creation, and Crafts (K-4th Drop-off)

Rosh Hashanah Both Days & Yom Kippur
11:00am - 1:00pm • Jewish Learning Center school wing upstairs in the Sharon and Jimmy Schwarz Welcome Center
Beginning at 11:00am, you may drop off your child(ren) at the check-in table upstairs across from the elevator. Send your child with a water bottle and if necessary, a change of clothes. Please label all items that you bring. Madrichim (assistant teachers) will walk children to their classroom. This program starts directly following Beitenu (Family Service). Led by Education Director Nomi Kornfeld. Click [here](#) to register.

You may pick up anytime before 12:45pm from upstairs, otherwise, children will be escorted to the sanctuary for the concluding part of services on the Bimah. After Adon Olam, children will wait for you to pick them up on the Bimah.

Kol Nidre Pajama Party (K-4th Drop-off)

(Sun, 9/24) Approx. 7:00 - 8:45pm • Social Hall
Led by Education Director Nomi Kornfeld
Directly following the Kol Nidre prayer at the beginning of the service, children can be dropped off for a pajama and stuffy party in the Social Hall. Students will be divided by grade level and will have a variety of activities in which to participate including games, stories, meditation, and music. Pickup anytime or at the end of services.

Neilah Night Lights (K-4th Drop-off)

(Mon, 9/25) 6:00 - 7:30pm • Lower Level
As we enter into Neilah, children are invited to a program centered on the story of Jonah and the whale, the haftarah we read on Yom Kippur afternoon. As the day comes to an end, we will join together as a full Beth El community in the Sanctuary for the closing shofar blasts and hand out glow sticks for a joyful Night Light parade.

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Registration links for Childcare, K-4 Dropoff, Reverse Tashlikh and Community Break-Fast can be found in this document and on the Beth El website.

Thank you for registering!

