

High Holiday

HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Fellow Congregants,

This High Holiday Highlights contains important information to help make our services run smoothly and be more meaningful for everyone.

Temple Beth-El's High Holiday Services are conducted at Glenbrook South High School (except for Selichot and 2nd day Rosh Hashanah). Glenbrook South's large auditorium and plentiful parking allow our congregation to share the holidays together in comfortable surroundings. Directions to Glenbrook South and a map will be provided with your High Holiday tickets.

Please review the types of services we have during the High Holidays as described on page 3, and choose the service that is appropriate for your family. Services begin promptly at the designated times.

Everyone must complete and return the High Holiday Ticket Request Form to receive tickets. Please return the form to the Temple no later than **Friday, September 9**. For those who in good standing, tickets will be available for pick up from September 28 through September 30.

We wish you and your family a happy and healthy New Year, and look forward to seeing you at services.

L'Shalom,
Doug Schwartz, Religious Activities Vice President

SELICHOT* Saturday, September 24		CEMETERY SERVICE	
		Sunday, October 9	
Dinner & Movie	7:00 pm	Kever Avot Service	10:00 am
Dessert Reception	9:15 pm	at Shalom Memorial Park	
Candlelight Service	10:00 pm	KOL NIDRE	
EREV ROSH HASHANAH		Tuesday, October 11	
Sunday, October 2			
Evening Service	8:00 pm	Evening Service	6:30 pm
ROSH HASHANAH		YOM KIPPUR	
Monday, October 3		Wednesday, October 12	
Contemporary Service	9:00 am	Contemporary Service	9:00 am
Young Children's Program	9:00 am	Young Children's Program	9:00 am
Traditional Service	11:15 am	Traditional Service	11:15 am
Children's Service	2:30 pm	Children's Service	1:30 pm
Tashlich at Wood Oaks Park	4:30 pm	Adult Study Session	1:30 pm
Tuesday, October 4		YoBE High Holiday Program	1:30 pm
Morning Service*		Afternoon Service	2:45 pm
Followed by Lite Lunch	10:00 am	Yizkor & Ne'ilah Service	4:45 pm

* Services for Selichot and the second day of Rosh Hashanah will be conducted at Temple Beth-El.

All other services will be conducted at Glenbrook South High School at 4000 W. Lake Ave., Glenview. Doors to the school open 30 minutes before services begin.

Financial Obligations

Under the long-standing customs and by-laws of the congregation, all members are reminded of their responsibility to have their accounts in good standing **before** High Holiday tickets can be picked up or mailed. Special arrangements may be made with Nancy Reil. Please handle this in a timely manner to ensure receipt of your High Holiday tickets. If you have any questions, contact Nancy Reil in the Temple office at 847.205.9982 ext. 209.

Tickets

Temple policy only allows complimentary tickets to be issued to a member's immediate family. This includes single youth/young adult, grade 3 through age 30. Adults over age 30 or married children are encouraged to join the Temple. **Presentation of a ticket for each person is required for admittance to each service. Please wear your tickets as you enter.**

Members' Extended Family Tickets

Members in good standing may purchase tickets to High Holiday services for extended family members. Extended family members include: parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, siblings and their families. Please also include their relationship on the Ticket Request order form. The cost is **\$200** per adult and **\$100** per youth/young adult* ticket.

Reciprocity

Members of Reform congregations may receive reciprocal privileges at Temple Beth-El upon written notification from their temple administrator. Reciprocity letters, which must include name(s), mailing address, and phone number of recipient, may be faxed to Marcy Chez at 847.205.9921.

Non-Member Tickets

Tickets for non-members are **\$350** per adult and **\$250** per youth/young adult.*

*A youth/young adult is defined as single, grade 3 through age 30.

"Lost Ticket" Procedure

Lost High Holiday tickets will not be replaced with additional tickets. In the event that you misplace or lose any of your tickets, please contact the Temple office. Your name(s) will be placed on a lost ticket report, and you will be required to check in prior to each service at the High Holiday usher table at Glenbrook South High School.

Bimah Flowers

A donation for flowers to beautify our bimah may be made in celebration of a simcha, or in memory/honor of a loved one. Flowers are a statement of love, and add beauty to every moment of life. Flowers adorn the bimah at all of our High Holiday services. Please complete the enclosed form and return it to the Temple by September 9 to have your name listed as a donor.

Transportation to Services

The Temple will assist in facilitating transportation arrangements to Glenbrook South from the Skokie-Lincolnwood area for those who are in need of a ride. There is no charge for this service. Please let Marcy Chez in the Temple office know by September 9 if you need our help.

Accessible Parking

If you require accessible parking, please indicate that on the enclosed form. Accessible parking will be clearly designated by cones in the north and/or west parking lots at Glenbrook South High School. Look for uniformed officers to remove cones. A map will be included with your High Holiday tickets.

Accessible Seating

Accessible seating will be available. **To ensure accessible seating, arrangements need to be made in advance.** Please answer the appropriate questions on the enclosed form. We have set up a special entrance to the auditorium.

Please pick up your tickets in the Administrative Office

Wed, September 28 9:30 am—7 pm
Thurs, September 29 9:30 am—6 pm
Fri., September 30 9:30 am—3 pm

Selichot . . . Preparing for Rosh Hashanah
Beginning the Saturday night before Rosh Hashanah and continuing through Yom Kippur, Jews recite "Selichot", special prayers for forgiveness that prepare us for the High Holidays.

The month of Elul is a time for personal reflection and spiritual preparation for the New Year. It offers an opportunity to examine what holds us back from being who we really want to be. If we use Elul to take concrete steps towards change, we can make a difference!

The Selichot prayers are pleas for mercy. The melodies are sad and full of longing, expressing the despair that accompanies separation from God and the desire to repent. The words, which express the feeling of life's fleetingness and the burden of vanity that motivates so much of what one does, cause us to ponder how to break the cycle of our lives and change ourselves for the better.

We invite you and your friends to join us at Temple Beth-El on Saturday, September 24

- 7:00 pm Dinner & Movie
What the BLEEP Do We Know !?
(See enclosed form to RSVP for dinner)
- 9:15 pm Dessert Reception
(Sponsored by TBE Sisterhood)
- 10:00 pm Selichot Candlelight Service

Contemporary Service

This High Holiday service is designed for 3rd grade students and up and their families. This service emphasizes communal participation (without the choir). We use the Gates of Repentance High Holiday prayer book, and the service is 1½ hours in length.

Traditional Service

Our traditional Temple Beth-El High Holiday service with the choir uses the Gates of Repentance High Holiday prayer book and is 2 hours in length.

Tashlich

The ancient custom of casting our sins into the waters will take place on Monday, October 3 at 4:30 pm at Wood Oaks Park in Northbrook.

Kever Avot Service

Shalom Memorial Park will offer traditional Kever Avot services on Sunday, October 9. Families join in solemn remembrance of their departed loved ones. Prayers are led by rabbis and cantors representing all branches of Judaism. We invite you and your family to participate. The program begins promptly at 10:00 am in the funeral home chapel.

High Holiday Opportunities for Families with Young Children

Young Children's Program

Children **age 2 through 2nd grade** can attend an age appropriate supervised program in the cafeteria at Glenbrook South while parents worship at the 9:00 am Contemporary Service. Stories, games, crafts and other fun surprises are planned to introduce children to themes of the holidays.

Children must be signed up by September 9. (see enclosed registration form) NO child will be admitted without pre-registration. The parent's High Holiday ticket must be shown at drop-off. (We will not have anyone to change diapers at these sessions.)

Children's Service

This service is designed for children below 3rd grade and their parents, to introduce children to themes of the holidays and provide them with a meaningful experience geared to their age level. **Tickets are not required for these services.** Infant seats and strollers are only permitted in the auditorium during Children's Services. Food is not permitted in the auditorium. This service will be ASL interpreted.

YoBE (Youth of Beth-El) High Holiday Program

All 8th - 12th graders are invited to join our teen community as we reflect on the day with prayer and discussion. A special service and study session all our own! **Yom Kippur 1:30 pm** at Glenbrook South.

Yom Kippur Study Sessions

Yom Kippur is about repentance, renewal and reflection. After the Yom Kippur Morning Service, please stay and join us in a study session at 1:30 pm. Two concurrent classes will be held to explore the themes of the High Holidays.

The topics and facilitators will be listed in the *Announcements* distributed at High Holiday services.

Prayer Books **will not be available for purchase during the High Holiday services**, so please plan to bring your own book. *If you do not own a Gates of Repentance High Holiday prayerbook, loaner books will be available at services.*



Don't miss being part of our

EXCITING Tikkun Olam Programs!

Our flyer will be available at Ticket Pickup. We have planned Tikkun Olam projects for all ages. Don't miss

the September projects. Use the following link to register: <http://bit.ly/TBETikkunOlam>

Sept 10	4:30 pm	Feed My Starving Children
Sept 11	10 am	Maot Chitim—Make boxes
Sept 18	11:30 am	Maot Chitim—Pack boxes
Sept 25	9:40 am	Maot Chitim—Deliver boxes

Ushering

The Religious Activities Committee helps coordinate the ushers for the High Holidays. Please do a mitzvah by ushering at one or more of our services. Ushers are needed for the services listed below.

Plan to arrive at least 30 minutes before the start of the service. Thank you for participating in this mitzvah. Please sign up using the following link (<http://bit.ly/TBEHighHolidayUsher>) or use the enclosed Ticket Request form. Contact Doug Schwartz (douglas4016@comcast.net) for more information on how to become a High Holiday usher.

Selichot	Sept.	24
Erev Rosh Hashanah Service	Oct.	2
Rosh Hashanah Contemporary Service	Oct	3
Rosh Hashanah Traditional Service	Oct.	3
Rosh Hashanah Children's Service	Oct.	3
Rosh Hashanah Second Day Service	Oct.	4
Kol Nidre	Oct.	11
Yom Kippur Contemporary Service	Oct.	12
Yom Kippur Traditional Service	Oct.	12
Yom Kippur Children's Service	Oct.	12
Yom Kippur Afternoon, Yizkor & Ne'ilah Service	Oct.	12

Scroll of Remembrance

Yizkor refers to a Memorial Service which reminds us that a person's faith and goodness live on in the memories of their family, friends and community. Yizkor Services occur 4 times during the year, on Yom Kippur, Simchat Torah, Pesach and Shavuot.

The "Scroll of Remembrance" is produced once a year for use at our Yizkor services. This booklet records the names that are inscribed on Temple Beth-El's walls, as well as those we recall in our hearts. It demonstrates that our loved ones continue to be treasured, celebrated, and remembered. By recording these names in the "Scroll of Remembrance" booklet each year, we link ourselves with them and bind them to the community who were a part of their life. Memory is a link between our past and our future; it roots us in the past and gives us hope for the future.

High Holiday Food Drive for the ARK

At Rosh Hashanah services, ushers will hand out bags to take home and fill with KOSHER food. **Bring your filled bags back to Glenbrook South on Yom Kippur** and deposit them in the ARK storage containers in the parking lots. **For security reasons, please DO NOT bring bags into the High School, or to the Temple.**

Questions

If you have any questions regarding High Holidays, please call Marcy Chez at 847.205.9982 ext. 207 or Janice Hadesman at ext. 211.

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