



## **HIGH HOLY DAYS 2024/5785 INFORMATION & REGISTRATION**

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Dear Friends,

Everyone always kvetches that the High Holy Days are 'so early' or 'so late,' but it seems no one is ever happy about *when* the holidays fall. I can confidently say, probably for the first time ever, I am glad they are late this year—more time for me to get up to speed in my new role!

I encourage you to read through this packet for new and updated information that may pertain to your High Holy Days experience. We hope you'll take advantage not only of services and programmatic offerings, but also offer your time for one of the many volunteer needs.

L'shana tova!

Holly Sukol, Executive Director

**You can complete the enclosed registration forms OR register online by scanning the QR code on the first page of the registration packet.  
Please return/submit all registration forms by September 13, 2024.**

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

All services will be in person and most will be live-streamed. Links will be made available before the HHD.

### Selihot

Selihot	Saturday, Sept. 28	8:00pm	<i>Not live-streamed</i>
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### Rosh Hashanah

Erev Rosh Hashanah	Wednesday, Oct. 2	6:45pm	
Morning Services   Day 1	Thursday, Oct. 3	8:30am	
Tashlich ( <i>at Ursuline College</i> )	Thursday, Oct. 3	5:00pm	<i>Not live-streamed</i>
Morning Services   Day 2	Friday, Oct. 4	8:30am	
Shabbat Shuvah	Saturday, Oct. 5	9:00am	

### Yom Kippur

Kol Nidre	Friday, Oct. 11	6:30pm	
Morning Services	Saturday, Oct. 12	8:30am Morning Services 12:30pm Yizkor ( <i>approx.</i> ) 5:00pm Mincha 6:00pm Neilah ( <i>approx.</i> ) 7:30pm Break Fast	

### Sukkot

Erev Sukkot	Wednesday, Oct. 16	6:00pm (@ Roland Home)	<i>Not live-streamed</i>
Morning Services   Day 1	Thursday, Oct. 17	9:00am	
Morning Services   Day 2	Friday, Oct. 18	9:00am	
Shemini Atzeret	Thursday, Oct. 24	9:00am Morning Service ( <i>with Yizkor</i> )	
Erev Simchat Torah	Thursday, Oct. 24	6:00pm OkTorahfest 7:15pm Maariv 7:30pm Hakafot	
Simchat Torah	Friday, Oct. 25	9:00am	

**As service timing will vary, we encourage you to join us as close to starting time as possible.**

## **MEMBER REGISTRATION & TICKETS**

**NEW THIS YEAR:** Member adults do not need to register for the High Holy Days. As a member in good standing, you can attend High Holy Days services at no charge as a benefit of membership. We are happy to take 'register to attend' off your to-do list this season.

**Tickets will again be in the form of nametags.** These will be available at the front (South) door when you attend your first service, and must be shown to the police officer(s) for admittance to High Holy Days services. You will be given a lanyard or clip for your nametag upon entry. Please wear your nametag at all times and return the lanyard/clip at your last High Holy Days service.

Member children will still need to be registered for childcare/children's programming. Childcare and programming information can be found on Page 4 of this booklet and registration can be completed in the Registration Packet or online.

To register your adult children (26 and older) or non-member guests who will be joining you at CST for the High Holy Days, please see Page 6 of the Registration Packet.

## **HIGH HOLY DAY HONORS**

In our ongoing efforts to promote congregational participation, we asked that everyone complete the form sent out via email on August 1.

If you did not fill out a form and are interested in having an honor, please contact Matt Fieldman (mattfieldman@gmail.com) or Elise Braverman-Plotkin (ebravermanplotkin@gmail.com) immediately! They will make every effort to accommodate your request(s).

## **YOM KIPPUR BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

As in past years, our Yom Kippur Book of Remembrance will include the names of your loved ones and will be available on Kol Nidre, October 11. Only the names of those who have passed since last Yom Kippur will be read aloud at the Yizkor Service. The Book of Remembrance will contain your name so that a clear relationship will be evident between the deceased and those who remember them.

Please complete the Book of Remembrance portion of the Registration Packet to have names included.

## **SECURITY**

**NEW THIS YEAR:** The only entrance to High Holy Days services will be the front (South) doors.

We take the issue of synagogue security seriously. As in past years, a security/police officer will be stationed at each entrance. Volunteer security ushers will serve as additional sets of eyes, assisting officers in identifying and greeting our members and guests.

## CHILDCARE & CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

We are pleased to make childcare available for families (including non-members) with children ages 1-5 and programming for children in grades K-7. Children will receive a light lunch and snacks on Rosh Hashanah 1 & 2 and Yom Kippur.

Childcare for children ages 1-5 and programming for children in grades K-7 will be available for the services below:

Rosh Hashanah Days 1 & 2 | Thursday, October 3 · 9:00am – conclusion (9:30am for K-7)

Kol Nidre | Friday, October 11 · 6:30pm – conclusion (**Only for ages 1-5**)

Yom Kippur | Saturday, October 12 · 9:00am – conclusion (9:30am for K-7)

Cost for Childcare: (*only for Children Ages 1-5*)

\$60/child for All Services

\$20/child for Individual Services

Please refer to Childcare & Children's Programming portion of the Registration Packet to register your children (Ages 1-5 AND Grades K-7).

## NON-MEMBER REGISTRATION & TICKETS

High Holy Days tickets (nametags) are available for non-members as well. As we hope to show off our wonderful kehillah (community) at more than just Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, we encourage non-members to attend a Shabbat service, an educational program, and/or a Shabbat or holiday meal at someone's home during the month of Tishrei.

Anyone joining us for the HHD who is not a member of CST must register in advance and pay the designated fee. Nametags will be available at the check-in table upon entering CST.

### Non-Member High Holy Days Tickets:

College Students (with ID)	No cost
Active Duty Members of the Armed Forces	No cost
Members of Out-of-Town Synagogues (with confirmation letter provided to CST office)	No cost
Members' children ages 26-30 and not married	No cost
Members' children over 30 and/or married	\$180/adult
All Other Non-Members	\$180/adult

## **TASHLICH 5785**

### **“Casting Forth”**

The custom of Tashlich provides an opportunity to symbolically cast off that which comes between us and realizing our ideal selves. We are grateful guests of Ursuline College again this year and plan to respect their property leaving it as pristine and peaceful as we found it. Small rocks will be provided for casting. NO BREAD, please.

Tashlich will take place October 3 at Lake Elissa. Directions will be available in the weekly emails or by contacting Debbie at 216-765-8300 x100 or [debbie@shaareytikvah.org](mailto:debbie@shaareytikvah.org).

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### **USHER/GREETER/SECURITY TEAM**

We continue to have a need for adult volunteers to usher for the HHD worship services. Please consider volunteering for this important work. Various shifts are available and you are welcome to sign up for more than one shift.

**South Doors Ushers:** Welcome congregants and guests and supplement the police security

**West Doors Ushers:** Welcome people into the sanctuary and provide assistance as needed

**Check-In Greeters:** Greet congregants and guests and ensure name tags are worn/displayed

**Floaters:** Be available to assist the other ushers at expected peak times and serve as a circulator during those busiest periods of the High Holy Days

Please refer to the Volunteer portion of the Registration Packet to indicate your interest and availability. We will be in touch by late September with your assignment(s).

## **CHILDREN'S HIGH HOLY DAYS EXPERIENCE TEAM**

Thank you for supporting the youngest members of our congregation with your time and being part of the High Holiday Children's Programming Team.

**Ages 1-5:** Read stories, play age-appropriate games, etc.

**Grades K-7:** Lead a learning, play age-appropriate games, etc.

**Snack Helpers:** Prepare/serve snacks (all food and instructions provided) for kids' snack break

**Check-In Table:** Greet congregants and guests and ensure name tags are worn/displayed

Please refer to the Volunteer portion of the Registration Packet to indicate your interest and availability. We will be in touch by late September with your assignment(s).

## CORNERS OF OUR FIELDS FOOD DRIVE

Our Jewish tradition impels us to set aside “the corners of our fields” for the poor and the stranger, so that they might share in the bounty of our harvest. For many years, thousands of Jews have given life to that tradition by supporting hunger relief organizations by donating food and supplies or money.

This year, we are asking our community to support local families as well as those affected by the war in Israel.

- **Want to donate food and supplies?** Shaarey Tikvah invites each member/family to donate a grocery bag (or more!) of food and/or much-needed supplies. Donations must be dropped off by Friday, November 1.
  - Especially Needed Items: diapers, baby food, desserts, canned items (i.e. pasta, fish, soup, vegetables, fruit). Donations of toilet paper and paper towels are always needed.
- **Want to donate monetarily?** As Operation Iron Swords continues, Shaarey Tikvah has selected Eran's Angels as the Israeli beneficiary of these efforts. Eran's Angels provides food and supplies to soldiers, evacuees, and citizens in impacted areas.
  - You can donate by credit card at [eransangels.com/en](http://eransangels.com/en) or by sending a check made out to Shaarey Tikvah, with 'Eran's Angels' in the memo.
- **Want to help sort or deliver donations?** Join us on Sunday, November 3 from 10:00 to 11:30am at the synagogue to sort donations and/or to help take donations to the various local food banks during the following week. Register to volunteer on Page 5 of the Registration Packet.

## HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR ALL

### WHAT TO BRING TO EACH SERVICE

**MAHZOR** | Our primary prayer book for the High Holy Days is Mahzor Lev Shalem, the Conservative Movement’s mahzor. Through the generosity of several anonymous donors, we have additional copies for our guests. Please bring your personal mahzor with you, taking care to inscribe your name in your books. If you would like to purchase a mahzor, please see the Registration Packet or contact the office.

**KIPPOT and TALLITOT** | As a sign of respect for our sacred space we ask that kippot are worn at all times in the synagogue. Though this custom is traditionally observed by men, we encourage women to wear a head covering as well. All men and women must have their heads covered when ascending the bimah. Jewish men and women over the age of bar/bat mitzvah are strongly encouraged to wear a tallit. Tallitot and kippot are available at the door.

## SANCTUARY ETIQUETTE

- Please wait in the rear or aisles when the congregation is standing in prayer or when the Ark is open.
- Please minimize leaving or entering during Rabbi Roland's sermons.
- Please keep personal conversations to a minimum.
- At the conclusion of services, please do not leave the sanctuary until after the final benediction.
- Unless there is an emergency, please do not enter or exit through unauthorized doors.

## CONGREGATIONAL SHOFAR BLAST

The Neilah Service on Yom Kippur concludes with a final blast of the Shofar. All who wish to participate in the blowing of the final "Tekiah Gedolah," are invited to do so following the solo blast from the Baal Tekiah's Shofar.

## PURCHASING LULAV AND ETROG

Lulavim & etrogim are available for purchase through Frank's Hebrew Bookstore (South Euclid), Grand Judaica (Cleveland Heights), Gross Schechter Day School, or Mandel Jewish Day School.

