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Your interactive guide to services and programs for Rosh Hashanah | Kol Nidrei | Yom Kippur Sukkot | Shemini Atzeret | Simhat Torah 5782/2021

Our Services

We're bringing back your favourite High Holy Day services for you and your family to enjoy! Beth Tzedec members will can participate either in-person (pre-registration required to ensure adequate physical distancing) or via our virtual hub to access the experiences that are meaningful to you.

This High Holy Day Guide will be updated with direct links to access the services as we move closer to Rosh Hashanah. Check your emails or weekly eblasts for updated information, registration forms and virtual/Zoom links.



September 7 & 8 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM Kol Nidrei September 15 7:15 to 9:30 pm

Yom Kippur September 16 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Sanctuary Service

Join Rabbi Steve Wernick, cantorial soloist Jaclyn Cepler-Klimitz, Hazzan Moshe Fishel and Maestro Meir Briskman along with members of the Lishmoa El Harina Ensemble for our inspiring and soulful High Holy Day services with excellent hazzanut and inspiring teaching. Congregational Torah readers will participate in the Torah service.

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All membership renewal packages were emailed to members in June. Check your email inbox or contact Klara Romm at 416-781-3514 ext. 220 or kromm@beth-tzedec.org with any questions.



Mezzanine Service

Join Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin, Hazzan Sidney Ezer and ritual **director Lorne Hanick** for this participatory service held in the Hendeles Chapel. The warm atmosphere and emphasis on singing will help every member of our community engage with the liturgy as we celebrate the *haggim*.

Rosh Hashanah



Outdoor Short & Sweet Service

For a relaxed and welcoming experience, join this stirring service led by Yacov Fruchter and cantorial soloist Jaclyn Cepler-Klimitz. With a combination of familiar melodies and kavanot (meaningful intentions), it celebrates the momentous spirit of the season in an approachable and informal way. (This service will also be recorded and will be available on demand.)

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Online Membership Payments

Beth Tzedec has now transitioned our membership information to Shulcloud, our database system that makes it easier and more convenient for members to access, update and renew their membership and profile information. We encourage everyone to review their profile information, accessible at

https://bethtzedectoronto.shulcloud.com. From Shulcloud, you can also register for programs, classes and events or make tribute or memorial donations. For a guide to using Shulcloud, click here.



Family Service

For children ages six and up and their families, this abbreviated service is intimate, lively and lots of fun. Join **Daniel Silverman**, Director of Education and Family Programming, for inspirational stories and songs to delight your entire family.

This service will be pre-recorded and available on-demand to ensure it fits your family's schedule.

Rosh Hashanah September 7 & 8

Kol Nidrei September 15

Yom Kippur September 16



Indoor Neilah, Ma'ariv and Shofar Blowing

Everyone is invited to join us in the Sanctuary or via our livestream as we September 16 conclude the High Holy Days with this beautiful and inspiring service in which we imagine the Gates of Heaven closing and offer our final please for redemption and life. Neilah will be followed by Ma'ariv, the final shofar blowing and Havdalah.

If joining us via our livestream feed, for Havdalah, maybe turn off the lights and turn on a glow stick. Then grab your shofar and sound the final blast with us.

For those intending to join us onsite, pre-registration is required. Watch for the registration link being shared soon.

Yom Kippur Evening

September 16 6:35 to 8:10 PM (Minhah Services begins at 5:15 PM)



Outdoor Neilah, Ma'ariv and Shofar Blowing

Join Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin and Cantor Sidney Ezer in the Beth Tzedec Parking Lot as we conclude the High Holy Days with this beautiful and inspiring service in which we imagine the Gates of Heaven closing and offer our final plea for redemption and life. Neilah will be followed by Ma'ariv, the final shofar blowing and Havdalah.

This service will be offered onsite only. Pre-registration is required. Watch for the registration link being shared soon.

Yom Kippur Evening 7:00 to 8:10 PM

Our High Holy Day Programs

We're bringing back your favourite High Holy Day services for you and your family to enjoy, either from home or here at Beth Tzedec with our kehillah! Plan to join us, either virtually or in person, for our High Holy Day experiences that are most meaningful to you.



Collaborative Selihot Program and Service

This is the night we gather to prepare, hearts and spirits for the season of return. We hear the majesty of the musical modes once again and we call out the familiar words of Avinu Malkeinu. This is the night of Selihot.

Join us as we bring alive the preparations for this holy season, partnering the voices of our leadership with an exceptional musical ensemble to make one great prayer.

This special program will be presented both in person and via Zoom. Pre-registration is required. For those attending in person, proof of COVID vaccination forms must be included with your registration.

To register for in-person or virtual participation, click here or visit www.beth-tzedec.org.

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Soul Brew Video Series with Rabbi Rachel Rosenbluth

August 29 to September 3 9:00 AM

Percolate your mind, body and soul in the theme of "Panim el Panim: Face to Face- Reflections on human engagements during and post COVID" as we journey through the month of Tishrei with voices from around the world. Enjoy introspection and inspiration leading to the High Holy Days with a daily series of 15-minute videos and a series of artists, thinkers and leaders from Beth Tzedec and across the globe.

Find the series on YouTube here>> Find the series on Facebook here>>



The Three Tenets: A Musical Series on Teshuvah, Tefillah and Tzedakah

Sunday afternoons, August 29 and September 5 & 12 at 12:00 NOON

Each Sunday between Selihot and Yom Kippur, Cantor Sidney Ezer and Asher Farber will discuss and share melodies based on the famous line from the Mahzor outlining the three fundamental principles associated with the High Holy Days. New videos will be posted on the Beth Tzedec Facebook page and YouTube channel.



Program for Grades 6 to 8 Tuesday, September 7

from 10:15 to 11:00 AM

Join Sylvie in Rabbi Wernick's backyard (15 Avenal) for a fun and meaningful Rosh Hashanah experience for middle schoolers.

Pre-registration required to Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org



Our 'Treasures of Beth Tzedec' series, by local photographer Darren Levant, beautifully captures signature architectural details, noteworthy art and precious artifacts-timeless treasures of our Congregation. The Tribute cards featuring general, lifestyle and holiday themes, with space to add your own personal message, are available as a set of 6, or as individual cards sent from the Synagogue office.

All 'Tribute card' contributions are fully tax receiptable. For information or to purchase, contact the Synagogue Office at 416-781-3511 or info@beth-tzedec.org.

Middle School Rosh Hashanah



Family Rosh Hashanah Experience in Cedarvale Park

Tuesday, September 7 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM

Join us for an outdoor family Rosh Hashanah experience in Cedarvale Park. Rain or shine, this 45-minute guided program will bring themes of the High Holy Days to life in a new setting and is designed for all members of a family to participate in.

Pre-registration required to Daniel Silverman at dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org.

This year, when you **CELEBRATE • HONOUR • COMMEMORATE** Choose 'Treasures of Beth Tzedec' Tribute Cards

• Purchase a package of 6 cards for \$50, or \$10 for an individual card, and personalize and send them out yourself; or

• Call us to order cards at a cost of \$18 each and we'll inscribe and send them out for you.

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High School Rosh Hashanah Tuesday, September 7 from 11:15 AM to 12:00 NOON

Teens are invited to join Sylvie in Rabbi Wernick's backyard (15 Avenal) for a meaningful, short and sweet Rosh Hashanah experience. Pre-registration required to Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.



Shofar Blowing and Tashlikh with Daniel Silverman

Tuesday, September 7 from 3:00 to 4:00 PM

Join Daniel Silverman in Cedarvale Park for an outdoor shofar blowing after which we will walk to Cedarvale Ravine to perform the ritual of Tashlikh, symbolically casting our sins into the river. Bring bread to toss into the river.

Pre-registration required to Daniel Silverman at dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org



Shofar Blowing and Tashlikh with Reb Steve

Tuesday, September 7 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM

Join Reb Steve in the Beth Tzedec parking lot for an outdoor shofar blowing after which we will walk to Cedarvale Ravine to perform the ritual of Tashlikh, symbolically casting our sins into the river. Bring bread to toss into the river.

Pre-registration required . Contact the Synagogue Office at info@beth-tzedec.org for details.



Rosh Hashanah Fun for Children ages 1 to 4

Wednesday, September 8 from 10:00 to 10:30 AM

Anat Kriger leads an engaging Rosh Hashanah program for especially for families with kids ages 1 to 4 accompanied by an adult in Rabbi Fryer Bodzin's backyard (77 Chiltern Hill).

Pre-registration required to Anat Kriger at akriger@beth-tzedec.org.



Rosh Hashanah Fun for Children ages 4 to 8

Wednesday, September 8 from 10:45 to 11:15 AM

Anat Kriger takes kids ages 4 to 8 on a Rosh Hashanah adventure without leaving Rabbi Wernick's backyard (15 Avenal)! Parent or caregiver is required to accompany their child.

Pre-registration required to Anat Kriger at akriger@beth-tzedec.org.



PJ Library presents Sweet Beginnings!

Sunday, September 12 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM

There is no better way to start the year rather than with some sweet treats, fun activities and a PJ library book! Join Anat Kriger in the Beth Tzedec parking lot for this special program celebrating the High Holy Days, created especially for toddlers and their families.

Pre-registration required to Anat Kriger at akriger@beth-tzedec.org.



Yom Kippur Middle School Program for Grades 6 to 8

Thursday, September 16 from 10:15 to 11:00 AM

Join Sylvie in Reb Steve's backyard (15 Avenal) for a meaningful Yom Kippur time of reflection and discussion.

Pre-registration required to Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.

Family Yom Kippur Experience in Cedarvale Park

Thursday, September 16 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM

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Pre-registration required to Daniel Silverman at dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org.

The PJ Library Presents Series

(For toddlers ages 1 to 5 with a parent or caregiver)

Sundays from 10:30 to 11:30 AM

Meet some new friends while enjoying Jewish story-time and free play.

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October 17—Play & Act

Let's improvise a show based on the characters from Parashat HaShavuah Bereisheet, Noah's Ark and Lekh Lekha!

November 14-Let's Decorate Sufaniot

Join to our festive Hanukkah program and enjoy sufganiot decorating, arts & crafts and a Hanukkah story!

Pre-registration required to Anat Kriger at akriger@beth-tzedec.org.

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Join us, rain or shine, for an outdoor family Yom Kippur program in Cedarvale Park. This 45-minute guided experience will bring to life the themes of the day and give every member of the family a meaningful connection to Yom Kippur's rituals



High School Yom Kippur Program for Grades 9 to 12

Thursday, September 16 from 11:15 am to 12:00 NOON

Teens are invited to join Sylvie in Reb Steve's backyard (15 Avenal) for short, meaningful Yom Kippur experience with time for reflection and discussion with peers.

Pre-registration required to Sylvie Moscovitz at smoscovitz@beth-tzedec.org.





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Sukkot and Simhat Torah

We are happy to be able to extend our Holy Day celebrations with programs and events highlighting Sukkot and Simhat Torah. Be sure to mark your calendars and join us for these engaging, educational and welcoming opportunities.



Sukkot Pickle Making with Marty Strub for Grades 4 to 12

Sunday, October 17 4:00 PM

The cucumbers and containers are finally ready and the time has now for our long-awaited pickle program! Join us for this once-in-alifetime opportunity to make pickles with local pickle celebrity Marty Strub!

Cost: \$18 for Beth Tzedec members; \$25 for non-members (includes materials). Pre-registration required to ensure adequate supplies are available for each.

Pre-registration required via ShulCloud.



Megillah Moments: Kohelet

September 23, 24 & 26 9:00 AM

Join members of the Spiritual Leadership Team and a few special guests as we take a new look at the *megillot* and their connection to festivals and holidays. We will look at the highlights of Kohelet following morning minyan on Hol Hamoed Sukkot.

This program will be offered for both in-person participants and on Zoom. Pre-registration is required for access to Beth Tzedec and to receive the Zoom link information.

Pre-registration required to Marni Turner Serbin at mturnerserbin@beth-tzedec.org.



Sushi in the Sukkah for BTUSY and Kadima

Thursday, September 23 6:00 PM

Kick off the year with friends and sushi in the sukkah! We will be making our own sushi, playing games and celebrating Sukkot together.

This program will be offered onsite in the Beth Tzedec sukkah. No charge, but pre-registration is required to ensure adequate physical distancing.

Pre-registration required via ShulCloud



Family Sukkot Extravaganza Sunday, September 26 from 11:00 am to 12:00 NOON

Join us in the Beth Tzedec Sukkah as we celebrate the holiday of Sukkot and see each other face-to-face after a long time apart.

This program will be offered onsite in the Beth Tzedec sukkah. No charge, but pre-registration is required to ensure adequate physical distancing.

Pre-registration required to Daniel Silverman at dsilverman@beth-tzedec.org.



A Simhat Torah Hakafot **Family Celebration**

Wednesday, September 29 from 11:30 am to 12:15 PM

Calling all families! Plan to join us for a special Hakafot celebration. Watch for details and registration information coming soon.

High Holy Day Hot Topics!

Our "Hot Topics!" are always a highlight of the High Holy Day experience. Since we continue to be mindful of Public Health recommendations regarding physical distancing and safe gathering practices, we will continue to offer our Hot Topics! sessions via Zoom.



Environmentally Aware with Dr. Tareq Abu Hamed Sunday, September 12 10:00 AM

Dr. Tareq Abu Hamed is the Academic Director of the Arava Institute, the first Israeli Arab to hold the position. Dr. Hamed and Reb Steve will speak about environmental issues and the Institute's work as well as shared society and the unique make up of its student body.

As this new year is a Shmita year cycle, the Torah directs our attention toward the environment, the wealth gap, and our spiritual well-being. With people coming from all over the world to the Arava Institute to learn about the environment, they will discuss how the Arava Institute creates opportunities for coexistence between Arabs and Jews. Israelis and Palestinians and others.

A short question and answer period will follow.

To register, click here or visit www.beth-tzedec.org.



REDI, Set, Go: Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion with Leah Mauer and Nicole Yuen Monday, September 13 7:45 PM

Congregation.

the REDI Committee.

To register, click here or visit www.beth-tzedec.org.



Join members of the new anti-Racism, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (REDI) Committee at Beth Tzedec to hear about some of the work we're starting to do in our

We'll be highlighting the lived experiences of some Beth Tzedec members and talking about some of the work our group is starting to undertake for our kehillah. This panel will be facilitated by Leah Mauer and Nicole Yuen, co-chairs of



The Neshama Hospice with Debbie Berlin. **Robert Kamen and** Rabbi Fryer Bodzin

Tuesday, September 14 7:45 PM

Rabbi Fryer Bodzin will join Debbie Berlin and Rob Kamen, Founders, Board Secretary and Director of Operations at Neshama Hospice. They will discuss the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on end-of-life care and on planning for Neshama Hospice, and explore how the Face to Face work of hospice care is a critical component of end-of-life care.

Neshama Hospice is Canada's first hospice residence based on Jewish values. We will be located on Brightwood Street in a quiet, tree-lined residential neighbourhood in North York, Ontario. The purpose-built, home-like hospice will comprise 12 resident rooms and will be guided by a philosophy of providing exceptional, familycentred, end-of-life care in a calming, comfortable environment. It will be a place of community, friendship and compassion, where staff and volunteers will provide round-the-clock medical, emotional and spiritual support for residents.

To register, click here or visit www.beth-tzedec.org.