



CONGREGATION SHA'ARE SHALOM

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HIGH HOLIDAYS SCHEDULE, REGISTRATION, AND INFORMATION

SCHEDULE

Selichot and Havdalah

Saturday, September 9

Selichot and Havdalah service, 7:30pm-8:30pm, Zoom

Rosh Hashanah

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Friday, September 15

Services, 6:30pm, Zoom and in-person, main sanctuary

Rosh Hashanah Day 1

Saturday, September 16

- Services, 9:30am, Zoom and in-person, main sanctuary
- Teen High Holidays program, 11:30am-12:30pm, Zoom and in-person, religious school pod
- Community Box Lunch from Moti's Market (by pre-purchase only) 12:45pm

Rosh Hashanah Day 2

Sunday, September 17

- Services, 9:30am, Zoom and in-person, main sanctuary
- Shofar, So Good! casual, interactive service, 9:30am, Zoom and in-person

RUJEC High Holiday Program

Friday, September 22

Program, 12:15pm, in-person, school. This program is intended for RUJEC families. For further information, please contact RUJEC at 703-737-0686.

Yom Kippur

Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidrei)

Sunday, September 24

Kol Nidrei service, 6:45pm, Zoom and in person, main sanctuary

Yom Kippur

Monday, September 25

- Yom Kippur service, 9:30am, Zoom and in-person, main sanctuary
- Yizkor service to begin approximately 11:30am
- Youth program, 10:30am-11:30am, in-person only, social hall
- Teen program, 11:30am, Zoom and in-person, religious school pod
- Guided Meditation, 5:15pm, Zoom and in-person, main sanctuary
- Mincha 5:45pm, Zoom and in-person, main sanctuary
- Ne'ilah, 6:30pm-end of holiday ~ 7:45pm, Zoom and in-person, main sanctuary
- Grab and Go Break-Fast package (by pre-purchase only)

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

REGISTRATION FORM

Please fill out our [High Holidays Registration and Volunteer form](#) to help us plan our programs. Forms should be filled out by **Wednesday August 30, 2023** including any information for the items listed below and to sign up for volunteer opportunities.

To pay for any options noted (non-member reservations, Book of Remembrance, Machzor dedications) or make a general donation, please send a check to CSS, P.O. Box 4518, Leesburg, VA 20177, or contact Laurie Mangold, Executive Director, at exec_dir@shaare-shalom.org or 703-737-6500 to charge your payment, or go to <https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/shaareshalom>. If paying by check or PayPal, please note "High Holidays" and any other detail in the memo.

RESERVATIONS / TICKETS

Non-member reservations are \$180.00 for an adult or \$360.00 for a family. For High Holiday reservations, a family may include parents attending with children 26 years and under. Children 27 and over are considered adults. As part of our continuing efforts to be "green" we will not be mailing tickets. Non-members will be emailed confirmation upon receipt of registration. All members and registered non-members will be admitted for services by showing their photo ID at the greeters table.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

We will continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and will update our precautionary measures as appropriate. Our current plan is that masks will be optional in the building. For building security, law enforcement will be on site during our services and programs.

CHILDCARE

We will not be providing childcare, but children are welcome to join us in any of our services, either in the main sanctuary or the adjacent chapel. Parents, please discuss with your children what constitutes appropriate synagogue behavior and emphasize the need to respect those who are praying. In keeping with traditional observance of the holidays, please bring toys, books, or games that do not make noise or involve writing or coloring. Please, no electronic devices of any kind. If your child needs a special snack, please provide this, too (must be dairy or pareve, free of peanuts and tree nuts, and made in a nut-free facility). Snacks may be eaten in our administrative pod.

PARKING

Parking will be available in the synagogue parking lots. Overflow parking is available at Heritage High School's parking lot in the spaces closest to Evergreen Mills Road. Several handicapped spaces will be reserved in front of the building. Please be considerate and do not obstruct the cars of other congregants. Law enforcement will assist with street crossings.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Please be mindful of seating that is reserved for those in need of accommodations. If you anticipate needing accommodations or have questions about physical access, please let us know on the registration form or contact Laurie Mangold, Executive Director, at exec_dir@shaare-shalom.org or 703-737-6500.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

In conjunction with *Yom Kippur* and *Yizkor*, our congregation prepares a digital *Book of Remembrance* dedicated to departed loved ones. If you would like to have someone remembered in this listing, please complete the appropriate section on the registration form. **Suggested donation is \$36 per slide** (roughly up to ten names fit per slide depending on any other text or pictures provided).

HIGH HOLIDAY VOLUNTEERING AND PARTICIPATING

It takes a village, or in this case, a congregation to help make the High Holidays a success. Please consider participating in services, volunteering your time, or asking your teen to volunteer to receive service hours. On the registration form there are several opportunities listed. Please indicate how you would like to help and a member of the Board will be in touch with you.

FOOD DRIVE

Our custom at Congregation Sha'are Shalom is to do *tikkun olam* (repairing the world, community action) projects during the High Holidays. **We ask congregants to bring non-perishable food items during both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur and place them in the drop-off box located inside near the entrance.** The items will be distributed to Loudoun Hunger Relief in the name of Congregation Sha'are Shalom.

SPONSORSHIPS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Traditionally, during the High Holidays, Congregation Sha'are Shalom appeals for support. Member dues do not cover all of our expenses. We are grateful for any additional donations from members and guests. Contributions can be made for the High Holidays alone or in memory of a loved one, for the commemoration of a specific event, or to help cover costs for those in need of assistance. We also have opportunities for sponsorships for additional High Holiday needs. If paying by check or Paypal, please note "High Holiday" and any other detail in the memo. Please click [here](#) for more information.

SUKKOT - SHEMINI ATZERET - SIMCHAT TORAH

More information about services for Sukkot (September 29-October 6), Shemini Atzeret (October 6-7), and Simchat Torah (October 7-8) will be coming soon. If you would like to purchase a lulav and etrog for Sukkot, please go to www.hadaretrogim.com. Deadline for purchases is **September 5, 2023**.

DEDICATION OF MACHZOR (High Holy Day Prayer Book)

Machzors can be purchased for individual use or for donation to the congregation. Any machzor purchased can also be dedicated in honor or in memory of a loved one. If you would like to purchase a machzor, please note whether it is for donation or not. Also, if it is in honor or memory of someone, please provide the specific dedication wording you would like. Please complete the appropriate section on the registration form. **Suggested donation is \$36 per dedication.**

Whether in person or online, we are looking forward to gathering together to worship and bring in the sweetness of the new year. Please remember to fill out the [High Holidays Registration and Volunteer form](#) by **Wednesday, August 30, 2023**. For more information, please visit our web site www.shaareshalomleesburg.org or call us at 703-737-6500.

Shanah tovah!

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