High Holidays 5785/2024

Message from Rabbi Gouze

As I reflect over the past year, I am struck by how much of a rollercoaster it has been. From my beginning as your spiritual leader to the highs of the High Holy Days to the horrific tragedy of October 7th and the subsequent war to experiencing the uncertainties of the presidential election to my formal installation as your Rabbi, it has been a year of hope and despair, joy and sadness, blessings and challenges. For me, one of the ways that I have been able to negotiate all these emotions has been through being with community. Being able to share all of these concomitant feelings, being with others who are experiencing the same concerns and dreams, and coming together to laugh and cry has been one of the ways that I have found spiritual and emotional sustenance and nourishment.

I would like to invite all of you to join me in the coming year by participating in programs and religious Services, by volunteering to help us deepen the richness of our sacred community, by showing up. We are made stronger by having all the voices come together. We are enriched by sharing and supporting each other. We are nurtured by joining with others to share meals, by raising our voices together in worship, and by being there to help others celebrate as well as providing support during times of sadness. I view membership in a synagogue as a covenantal relationship. As we give, we also receive. Being in community together nourishes our souls and creates holy connections, something that got lost during Covid and which we are still striving to regain. Please watch the following video that speaks to the power of companionship, of coming together and of creating community.

https://tinyurl.com/24shdur8

Our High Holy Day Services will be a blend of the traditional and the contemporary, with the first day of Rosh Hashanah incorporating the more established rhythm while the second day will be a totally new approach, which will weave together meditations, Torah discussions, chanting and interpretive readings that connect to the themes of the High Holy Days. Come and experience both. I look forward to seeing all of you.

As Jews, our past history has fostered a resilience and, counterintuitively, a sense of hope and optimism that each year will bring about growth, change and the opportunity to reach our potentials, both individually and communally. The themes of the High Holy Days speak to these aspirations. As we enter this New Year of 5785, I look forward to continuing our journey together and hope that we, as a community, as a people and as a country, will find ways to find healing and peace. May this year be a year of blessings and hope, of finding peace and security, of reaching across divides and creating new relationships. L'Shana Tova: A happy and healthy New Year.

All forms must be in by Friday, September 25

All forms can be filled out online. If your bank allows memo notations, payment can be made through online banking. Please remember to include what the check is for, in the memo line.

Forms can also be printed & then mailed.

If you want to receive a hard copy of this packet, please contact office@TempleBethDavid.com

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If you join TBD by *Simchat Torah* (October 24), the cost of your High Holiday pass(es) will be deducted from your pledge.

High Holiday & Festival Service Schedule 5785/2024

Community Healing Shabbat Service

Saturday, **September 28** 10:30 a.m.

S'lichot

Saturday, **September 28** 7:30 p.m. Film & Discussion followed by *S'lichot* Service (no Zoom access)

Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, October 2	7:30 p.m.	Evening Service (Zoom available)
Thursday, October 3	10:00 a.m.	Morning Service (Zoom available) & <i>Tashlich</i>
	10:30 - noon	Children's Service
Friday, October 4	10:00 a.m.	Morning Service (Zoom available)

Yom Kippur

Friday, October 11	7:00 p.m.	Kol Nidrei Service (Zoom available)
Saturday, October 12	10:00 a.m.	Morning Service (Zoom available)
	10:30 - noon	Children's Service

Bring your shofar for the T'kiah G'dolah (Grand Shofar Blast)

2:00 p.m. Spirituality Walk3:45 p.m. *Yizkor, Mincha & N'ilah Services* (Zoom available)

Attendance in Person Service Pass Policy

All outstanding pledges for the prior year must be paid in full, along with 25% of the pledge commitment for the 2024-25 fiscal year. If the timeliness of payments is an issue and/or you need to request a confidential adjustment of your pledge, please contact Temple Treasurer Ari Levitt at Treasurer@templebethdavid.com.

- Free passes are provided to each adult and any child no older than 21 years in households that are in good standing.
- College and graduate students are welcome to worship with us at no charge by presenting a valid student identification upon arrival, so they can be directed to pick up their passes.

Dates to Pick up your High Holiday Passes

If you prefer to pick up your passes at the Temple, you may do so on the following dates:

• Sunday, September 15: 10:00 am - noon

• Sunday, September 22: 10:00 am - noon

• Wednesday, September 25: 6 - 7:30 pm

We require everyone to show their High Holiday passes before entering the building. No one will be denied entrance. This is only a security procedure. As a community, we are committed to including everyone who wants to pray with us.

Attendance in Person Guest Passes

Passes for relatives and children over the age of 21 who are not in college or graduate school are \$125. The price is \$200 for neighbors and friends. Please note that any expenditure for passes will be applied toward their first-year membership pledge, should your guest join Temple Beth David. Click here or scan the QR code to purchase guest passes.



Attendance via Zoom only

If you choose to attend TBD High Holiday services via Zoom only, there is a \$100 charge for a guest pass. There is no additional cost for temple members. Registration for these sessions will be required. Click this link to register or scan the QR code below to register. You only need to register once; you will be sent a link that will provide you access to all services.



Attendance in Person Reciprocity

If you have family members who belong to a congregation associated with the Union for Reform Judaism (URJ), they are eligible for pass reciprocity. Your relatives must contact their congregation to email a URJ Courtesy Seat Request to Gail Yarosh at membership@templebethdavid.com. If we receive the email before Friday, September 8 we will send the reciprocal passes. Otherwise, we ask that your family members introduce themselves at the door so they can be directed to check in and pick up their passes.

If you need a URJ Courtesy Seat Request for yourself, please contact Temple President Joni Block at president@templebethdavid.com.

If you join TBD by *Simchat Torah* (October 24), the cost of your High Holiday pass(s) will be deducted from your pledge.

Pass Order Form Due September 25

We automatically provide free passes to all members in good standing (see top of page 3) at no charge. Please use this form to receive your passes by mail and to purchase additional passes for your guests. You may order and pay for passes online by <u>clicking here</u>. If you require special accommodations, please complete that form.

Non-members and relatives of Temple Beth David members may buy passes for:

Relatives of TBD members \$125 per person
 All other guests \$200 per person
 Zoom only \$100 per person

Zoom registration: https://tinyurl.com/25ef986x

Name(s)		Tele	ephone # _		
Address		City		Zip	<u>.</u>
Ple	ease mail passes for th	hese persons:			Price
Me	ember's name				Free
Member's name		Free			
		Children younger than 2	l years:		
	Name			Grade	Free
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Temple Beth David
Attn: High Holiday Pass
P.O. Box 479
Canton, MA 02021

Please return this form, with your check, to Temple Beth David by Friday, September 25 to:

For completed online forms, please email to office@TempleBethDavid.com For more information, please contact us at office@templebethdavid.com or 781-828-2275.

Special Arrangements

Parking

To ensure safe parking at all times and allow access to the building in case of an emergency, please follow these parking guidelines:

A limited number of handicap parking spaces (marked HP) are available for those persons who have a valid handicap sticker or placard. Please do not park on the grass, in the fire lanes, or block access to the building.

When the parking lot is full, a cone or barricade will be put in the driveway; and entry will only be allowed for dropping off passengers. Parking on the street is permitted. A police officer will be on duty at peak times. Please follow the officer's instructions. Any vehicle that is left where it poses a safety hazard will be removed at the owner's expense.

Seating in the Sanctuary

Temple Beth David has an open seating policy for High Holiday services, but arrangements can be made for anyone with special needs by completing the Special Arrangements form. It should be returned at pass pick-up or mailed with the Pass Order form by Friday, September 8. Persons who need special seating will have different-colored passes and must arrive 30 minutes before services begin. They will be allowed into the sanctuary first, to claim their seats. (No seats will be reserved after that time.)

To allow families to sit together, each person may save his/her own seat plus no more than 3 others - a total of 4 seats for each person. The person saving the seats must remain seated in the sanctuary and may not simply leave books or personal items on empty seats. Please follow this policy, out of consideration for your fellow worshippers.

Special Accommodations

The building is handicap accessible, with a wheelchair ramp and a handicap restroom equipped with a changing table.

We have a limited supply of large-print prayer books. The sanctuary has an assistive listening system (hearing loop) with several wireless receivers and earphones available.

We need to know in advance if you need space for a wheelchair, walker, or baby carriage so that we can make the necessary accommodations, because chairs must be rearranged to avoid blocking the aisles. A quiet and private space is also available for nursing mothers.

For any of these special services, please complete the Special Arrangements form and return it to the temple by Friday, September 25.

Special Arrangements Form Due September 25

If you need special seating for a health problem, space for a wheelchair, walker, or baby carriage (which fire regulations do not allow in the aisles), a large-print prayer book, or a headset for our assisted listening system, please complete this form:

Name(s)	Telephone #
Address	Email
Special Seat	ing
Such as: hard back, soft seat,	near an aisle, etc.
The color of your pass will allow you to enter the sanctuservices begin, for you to choose	se your own seat(s).
Reason for this accommodation	
Number of seats requested (no	more than 4)
Other Needs	Services You Will Attend
Space for wheelchair, walker, or baby carriage	Erev Rosh Hashanah (10/2)
Large-print prayer book*	First day: Rosh Hashanah (10/3)
Headset for assisted listening system*	Second day: Rosh Hashanah (10/4)
*Our supply is limited.	Kol Nidrei (10/11)
	Yom Kippur Morning (10/12)
	Yom Kippur Afternoon (10/12)

Please return this form to Temple Beth David by Friday, September 25 to:

Temple Beth David
Attn: High Holiday Special Arrangements
P.O. Box 479
Canton, MA 02021

For more information, please contact us at office@templebethdavid.com or 781-828-2275.

High Holiday Children's Services

Services will be held from 10:30-12:00 on Rosh Hashanah Day 1 and Yom Kippur Morning in the Library. These services are open to elementary school students. We encourage you to sign up your younger children for the Babysitting Services that we will also be offering.

The Children's Service will consist of an abbreviated, child-friendly Service as well as storytelling, snacks and other interactive activities that will be meaningful and spiritually enriching.

We encourage you to register your child(ren) so that we can plan accordingly. As there will be three leaders and if there are enough children, we hope to have the opportunity to have smaller break out groups, based upon ages, so that developmentally-appropriate activities are utilized.

I would like to register the following child(ren) for the High Holy Day Services:

Name	Age	Rosh Hashanah Day One	Yom Kippur Morning

Please return this form to Temple Beth David by Friday, September 25 to:

Temple Beth David
Attn: High Holiday Children's Services
P.O. Box 479
Canton, MA 02021

Or email the information to office@templebethdavid.com

For more information, please contact us at office@templebethdavid.com or 781-828-2275.

Yizkor Remembrances due September 25

This year we will be honoring the memories of our loved ones through an "In Memoriam" video. We invite you to send in the names and pictures of those whom you want to remember during the Yizkor Service. They will then be added to the presentation that will be shown during the Service.

If you would like to include a picture of the person, please send it as either a JPEG or a PDF and include the name with the picture (but not on it). Hard copies of pictures will be accepted as well; if so, please let us know if you want the pictures returned.

The cost for each name is \$5.00. For name and picture combination, the cost is \$10.00; \$50.00 maximum per family. Please complete this form and send electronically to rabbi@templebethdavid.com or hard copy.

Your name:			
Names to be remember	ed:	Picture included:	Price:
		Y: N:	
		TOTAL ENCLO	OSED:
	Yahrzeit Inf	formation due September	25
Please help us update our	r <i>yahrzeit</i> records	by completing this form. To ensu	re accuracy, please print.
Your name for our recor	<u>ds</u>		Do you want to receive <i>yahrzeit</i> notices?
Name of the deceased	Date of his/her death	Person observing the <i>yahrzeit</i> & their relationship	Do you prefer the Hebrew or English date?
Gus Langenthal	6-20-98	Sharon's grandfather	☐ Yes ☐ No
			☐ Hebrew ☐ English
			☐ Yes ☐ No
			☐ Hebrew ☐ English
			☐ Yes ☐ No
			☐ Hebrew ☐ English
			☐ Yes ☐ No
			☐ Hebrew ☐ English

Please return this form, with a check payable to Temple Beth David by Friday, September 25 to:

☐ Yes

■ No

☐ Hebrew ☐ English

Memorial Plaque Form due September 25 In order to be posted by Yom Kippur

The memory of the righteous is a blessing.

Proverbs 10:7

What is the blessing? It is not a statement about the righteousness of the one who has died. The act of remembering that person is a blessing. In medieval times, one prayed for the soul of the departed. Today, we understand it differently. The blessing of remembering is that it connects us to past generations, and models for our children the power of standing in a line, a chain of tradition: *shalshelet ha-kabbalah*.

I will give them, in My House
And within My walls,
A monument and a name...
I will give them an everlasting name
Which shall not perish.
Isaiah 56:5

Name of your loved one	
English date of death	
*Hebrew date of death	<u> </u>
Your name	
Address	
Phone	Email

* If you do not know the Hebrew date of death, we can determine that for you, as long as you provide the English date, including the year.

Each plaque is \$300, payable in advance.

If the price is a challenge, please contact Rabbi Gouze at rabbi@templebethdavid.com

Please return this form, with a **check payable** to **Temple Beth David** by **Friday**, **September 25** if you want it **posted** by **Yom Kippur** to:

Temple Beth David
Attn: Memorial Plaques
P.O. Box 479
Canton, MA 02021

For more information, please contact the Temple office at office@templebethdavid.com or 781-828-2275.