



Temple Beth Or High Holy Days Information 2024 (5785)



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Registration
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Deadlines

- **September 15** - Deadlines for: ORacle greetings, *Yizkor* list changes, Rosh HaShanah lunch, High Holy Days Singers sign up
- **September 26** - Deadline for In-person registration

Member Attendance & Registration

- **All attendees must register to attend in person.** The deadline to register to attend services in person is September 26.
- No need to register to attend individual services in person. Simply register for Rosh HaShanah and/or Yom Kippur and then attend any services.
- All online attendance is via self registration and linked from our website (templebethor.org/high-holy-days). There is no need to look for a missing Zoom link sent from TBO weeks before the service. You can register right up until, or even after, the beginning of services. Registration is directly through Zoom and linked from our website at the link above.

Guest Attendance & Registration

- Online - Guests are invited to register for any of our online High Holy Day experiences free of charge.
- Rosh HaShanah - Guests are also welcome to register and attend our Rosh HaShanah festival with no registration fee. Erev Rosh HaShanah attendance is limited to members.
- Yom Kippur - In-person attendance for Yom Kippur services is limited to members and immediate family. If you would like to attend with a family member who is a member of Temple Beth Or, please contact the office (office@templebethor.org).

Volunteering

Volunteering for our Rosh HaShanah festival or at Temple Beth Or on Yom Kippur is a great way to begin your Jewish year. You are very much needed to help make the High Holy Days a meaningful expression of our TBO family/community.

Please consider giving an hour or two of your time to assist. Volunteers are still needed for a variety of roles. For a full list of volunteer opportunities and an easy online sign-up, please visit tinyurl.com/hhdvolunteer2024

High Holy Days Singers & Musicians

With the High Holy Days just around the corner, it is time to get your voice warmed up and join our group of community singers. No experience is necessary. It's a great way to participate in the High Holy Days, connect with other members and get an opportunity to work closely with our new High Holy Days soloist, Steven Chaitman. Music and recordings will be available in advance. You can choose which of the songs you want to sing or go all in and do them all. Instrumental musicians who can read music or chords are welcome to participate too. We have two rehearsals, one for each holy day. Please contact the office if you have any questions and/or are interested in becoming a member of the High Holy Days Singers and Musicians. Deadline for sign-up is September 15.

High Holy Days Food Drive

Once again this year Temple Beth Or is helping our local Volunteers of America Food Bank as part of the High Holidays Food Drive. The Torah and Jewish tradition command that we feed the hungry and help eradicate hunger from our society.

Food/Hygiene Items: Any non-perishable food or hygiene items are welcome but there is a special need for: canned fruit/vegetables, peanut butter, boxed/canned meals, and diapers/baby wipes.

Checks/Cash: Checks made payable to the VOAWW (Volunteers of America Western Washington) Food Bank are also greatly appreciated and may be preferable because the food bank can purchase what is most needed, including perishables. Envelopes with donation information will be available at the registration desk on Rosh HaShanah. Direct donations can also be made at voaww.org/donate.

Volunteering: Other ways to support the community include volunteering at a community garden that donates product to food banks, or volunteering at the food bank. For more information please contact volunteer.voaww.org.

Donations can be brought to one of two Yom Kippur services - Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidrei), or the Yom Kippur Morning Service. Volunteers will be available in the classroom adjacent to the garage on the edge of the parking lot before services to receive your donations. Please note we will not be accepting donations at Rosh HaShanah this year. Please help make our fast a feast for those whose daily fast is neither symbolic nor voluntary.

Prayer Books

High Holy Days prayer books will be available for your use at our Rosh HaShanah retreat and at TBO for Yom Kippur. If you are a member attending online only and wish to borrow a book, please contact the office.

If you wish to have your own copy of the two-book *Mishkan HaNefesh* set, it can be purchased from the publisher CCAR Press (tinyurl.com/ccarpressmh) or as an e-book on Amazon Kindle. Amazon Kindle books can also be read through the Kindle app on any phone.

Service Participation

If you would like to participate in services, please note it on your registration form. English or Hebrew readings are available. If you have any questions, please contact Leslie Elsemore.

Donations

As the High Holy Days are a traditional time to make donations, may we suggest donations in support of these Temple Beth Or Funds: General Fund, Wexler Family Music Fund, Religious School Scholarship Fund, Torah Repair Fund, and/or the *Tzedakah* Fund, which helps organizations and individuals in need. Many thanks to Eldon and Carolyn Wexler for establishing and seeding the Wexler Family Music Fund which helps support hiring a musical leader to enhance our High Holy Days services. Donations to the Wexler Family Music Fund are matched dollar for dollar by the Wexler family. These donation options, as well as bookplate information, are available on your registration form. Donations can also be made on our website (templebethor.org/donate/) or via mail.

Bookplates

Help support Temple Beth Or by purchasing High Holy Days prayer book bookplates in memory of a loved one or in honor of a person, persons, or event. Please be as generous as possible, as the funds raised will be used to meet the Temple's greatest needs, such as Torah repair. The suggested minimum donation is \$36.00. Bookplate order forms are included as part of your High Holy Days registration.

ORacle High Holy Days Greetings

If you would like to send a warm New Year's greeting to your Temple family and friends, please visit templebethor.org/HHD-greetings/. Greetings are \$18.00. The deadline for submissions is September 15.

Listen Everywhere System for Hearing Enhancement

The Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle granted TBO an Ignition Grant to improve services for people under the ADA umbrella. We chose to request funding for a system to enhance hearing options for those with decreased hearing, and have purchased a program called Listen Everywhere.

The Listen Everywhere system is for people with any kind of hearing aid, or anyone who does not yet use a hearing aid but could use some amplification. It is a Bluetooth system with a phone app for those who have that capability on their phones.

If you would like to use the Listen Everywhere system for upcoming High Holy Days services, please check the box on your registration form so we can plan ahead.

Special Accommodations

If you are in need of special seating, large print books, or any other kind of additional accommodations in order to make your High Holy Days experience more accessible and enjoyable, please check the box on your registration form and the office will contact you. You are also welcome to reach out to the office directly with questions or requests.

Rosh HaShanah Lunch Information

This year we are offering deli sandwiches picnic lunches. The deadline for ordering is September 15. Lunch registration is included on your High Holy Days registration form. Lunches are \$18.

Please feel free to bring your own lunch. Water will be available so please remember to bring your own water bottle. Water fill ups will be available in the dining room.

Sandwich options are listed below. All sandwiches come with chips, drink, cookies, and fruit.

- Turkey & Avocado - mayo, mustard, roasted turkey, avocado, tomato, lettuce
- Roast Beef - horseradish aioli, caramelized onions
- Tuna - mayo, mustard, tuna, lettuce
- Tofu Banh Mi (Vegan) - marinated tofu, pickled carrots, cucumber slices, cilantro, vegan mayo, sriracha

Rosh HaShanah Youth Programming

- Morning Youth Programming will be with members of our Religious School faculty and is for Pre-K (fully potty trained) - 7th grade aged children.
- Babies and toddlers are welcome to dance and play on the lawn during services and will especially enjoy stories with Rabbi Kort in the afternoon.
- 8th graders and older are invited to assist with Youth Programming in the morning or attend Worship Services.
- There will be a special program for middle and high school students in the afternoon.
- Please let us know the names and ages of children in your registration so we can plan accordingly.

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Program Leader	Date, time	Description, themes, & target audience
<p>Jewish "Soul" Music for the High Holy Days Spiritual Preparation for the High Holy Days with Cantor Ellen Dreskin</p> <p>Online only</p>	<p>Sunday, September 22, 10:00-11:30 am Zoom: tinyurl.com/elulprogram2024 Meeting ID: 836 1119 1319 Passcode: 735095</p>	<p>Who on earth do I think I am, and what in Heaven's name do I think I'm doing here? Come explore and reflect on the ways in which our texts, melodies, and metaphors might help us to prepare for and deepen our experience of the High Holy Days and the year ahead.</p> <p><i>Adult program</i></p>
<p>Selichot Service At TBO with Rabbi Kort and Shoshana Stombough, Song Leader</p> <p>In person only at TBO</p>	<p>Saturday, September 28 7:30 pm <i>oneg</i> followed by service from 8:15-9:15 pm</p>	<p>Meditate on the themes of renewal and forgiveness while enjoying the softness of candlelight and the special music of our High Holy Day season. This service will also include Havdalah, changing of the Torah garment to white and sounding of the shofar. <i>All Ages</i></p>
<p>Teiglach Baking with Carolyn Wexler (TBO Member)</p> <p>Online only</p> <p>Please register in advance so we can provide the recipe. No closing date to register. Registration: tinyurl.com/teiglachwithcarolyn</p>	<p>Sunday, September 29, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm</p>	<p>Bake for the new year in your very own kitchen via Zoom! Teiglach is a honey boiled pastry popular with Lithuanian Jews and a recipe enjoyed by Carolyn's grandparents from neighboring Russia. The recipe will be supplied and we'll bake together and schmooze as we make delicious honey drenched teiglach for a sweet new year.</p> <p><i>Multigenerational</i></p>
<p>Erev Rosh HaShanah with Rabbi Kort and Steven Chaitman</p> <p>In person at TBO and streamed online</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend. Erev Rosh HaShanah attendance is limited to members.</i></p>	<p>Wednesday, October 2, 7:30-8:45 pm</p> <p><i>oneg</i> reception to follow</p>	<p>We will announce and welcome the new year in-person as a TBO community. This will be a traditional evening service with some contemporary elements. Our President, Wanda Bresnick will share remarks and Rabbi Kort will offer a sermon: Blessings in the Midst of Brokenness. <i>All Ages</i></p>
<p>Rosh HaShanah: A New Year's Festival With Rabbi Kort, Steven Chaitman - Music Leader, and Youth Programming with Stefanie Somers</p> <p>In person at an offsite outdoor location (provided when registration processed) and streamed online (only the 10:30 am Rosh Hashanah service will be streamed).</p> <p>In the event of potential streaming issues a clean recording of the service may be provided at a later date.</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend. Open to non members.</i></p>	<p>Thursday, October 3 10:00-10:30 Arrive/Shmooze 10:00-12:00 Youth Programming 10:30-12:00 Morning Service 12:15-1:15 Lunch 1:30-1:45 <i>Tashlich</i> at the lake 2:00-3:00 pm Afternoon Options: Singing with Steven, Apple Cider Tasting, Hike around the Lake, Storytime with Rabbi Kort, Teen Activity led by our BOTY advisor Sam Fuchs 3:00 pm Closing Circle & Cupcakes</p>	<p>Engaging opportunities for all ages in an accessible outdoor setting</p> <p>The morning service will be contemporary in nature with traditional elements. The Torah reading will be the <i>Akedah: the Binding of Isaac</i>.</p> <p>Sermon: Rebuilding After Destruction: The Jewish Talent for Re-Invention</p> <p>BYO water bottle, lawn chairs, blankets, umbrellas for lawn seating, sunscreen, hats, and raingear as required. Maps available Casual Attire <i>Multigenerational</i></p>

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<p>Creative Shabbat Shuva Service with Rabbi Kort and Rabbi CB Souther</p> <p>In person at TBO and streamed online Please use Shabbat Zoom link. tinyurl.com/tboshabbatzoom</p>	<p>Saturday, October 5, 10:00-11:30 am</p>	<p>Our Shabbat Shuva service will offer a creative and prayerful space to engage with the themes of our High Holy Days. This service will include contemporary poetry, music, meditation and an optional hands-on creative practice. This service will have some traditional prayers including an opportunity to remember loved ones with our <i>Kaddish</i> – mourner’s prayer. <i>All Ages</i></p>
<p>Cemetery Memorial Service</p> <p>GAR Cemetery 8601 Riverview Rd, Snohomish</p> <p>In person only</p> <p><i>No pre-registration needed to attend.</i></p>	<p>Sunday, October 6 , 2:00 pm</p>	<p>This peaceful outdoor service of remembrance is appropriate for anyone of any age who is comfortable with a quieter service of reflection, poetry and prayers. You do not have to have a loved one buried in this cemetery or have suffered a recent loss. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. <i>All Ages</i></p>
<p>Family Erev Yom Kippur Service with Rabbi Kort, Steven Chaitman, and violinist Meghan Lefrancois-Hanson (TBO member)</p> <p>In person only at TBO</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend.</i></p>	<p>Friday, October 11 4:30-5:15 pm</p>	<p>This special service geared towards families with elementary age kids and younger will begin with a blast from the shofar and include special High Holy Day songs, including Kol Nidrei played on violin, and a story sermon. <i>Youth</i></p>
<p>Erev Yom Kippur Service with Rabbi Kort, Steven Chaitman, and cellist Rebekah Hood-Sava from the Pacifica Chamber Orchestra</p> <p>In person at TBO and streamed online</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend.</i></p>	<p>Friday, October 11, 7:30-9:00 pm</p>	<p>Kol Nidrei will be a traditional service with some contemporary elements. Jewish adults are encouraged to wear a tallit (prayer shawl) at this service. It is also a tradition to wear white.</p> <p>Sermon: Inherited Trauma & Inherited Resilience <i>All Ages</i></p>
<p>Yom Kippur Morning Service with Rabbi Kort and Steven Chaitman</p> <p>In person at TBO and streamed online</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend.</i></p>	<p>Saturday, October 12, 10:00 am -12:30pm</p>	<p>Our Yom Kippur morning service will be traditional with some contemporary elements. In addition to Rabbi Kort’s leadership, members of our TBO community will introduce prayers to help weave the diversity of our TBO community into our service.</p> <p>Sermon: The Gifts of Our Community <i>All Ages</i></p>
<p>Yom Kippur Adult Learning Opportunity with Rabbi David Fine</p> <p>In person only at TBO</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend.</i></p>	<p>Saturday, October 12, 1:00-2:00 pm</p>	<p>Hope - the Jewish Superfood It is no accident that the Israeli national anthem is HaTikvah - the hope. Let’s discuss how Jews and Jewish history have leaned into hope rather than pessimism and despair. <i>Adult</i></p>

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<p>Yom Kippur Afternoon Creative Healing Service</p> <p>with Rabbi Kort and Steven Chaitman</p> <p>In person at TBO and streamed online</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend.</i></p>	<p>Saturday, October 12, 2:30-3:30 pm</p>	<p>There is an immense amount of brokenness and uncertainty we experience in our personal lives and the larger world. This service will focus on themes of comfort and healing through contemporary poetry and music in addition to traditional Jewish healing resources.</p> <p><i>Adult</i></p>
<p>Yom Kippur Yizkor Service</p> <p>with Rabbi Kort and Steven Chaitman</p> <p>In person at TBO and streamed online</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend.</i></p>	<p>Saturday, October 12, 4:00-5:00 pm</p>	<p>Traditional Memorial Service including recitation of community <i>Yizkor</i> list.</p> <p><i>All Ages</i></p>
<p>Yom Kippur Concluding Service</p> <p>with Rabbi Kort and Steven Chaitman</p> <p>In person at TBO and streamed online</p> <p><i>Must be registered for High Holy Days to attend.</i></p>	<p>Saturday, October 12, 5:00-6:15 pm</p>	<p>Our <i>N'ilah</i> service will be traditional with some contemporary elements. It will include time for individuals to come up to the open ark, recitation of <i>Avinu Malkeinu</i> (which is customary to omit until <i>N'ilah</i> when Yom Kippur falls on Shabbat). We will conclude with shofar and <i>Havdalah</i>.</p> <p><i>Multigenerational</i></p>
<p>Sukkot Membership Dinner and Music Under the Stars</p> <p>with Rabbi Kort and Ken DeRoche, guitar</p> <p>In person only at TBO</p> <p>RSVP required to attend. More info to follow.</p>	<p>Friday, October 18, 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Shabbat and Sukkot blessings and share a Sukkot story. There will be lots of shmoozing, good food and good music to enjoy too.</p> <p><i>Multigenerational</i></p>
<p>Simchat Torah Celebration</p> <p>with Rabbi Kort and Shoshana Stombaugh</p> <p>In person only at TBO</p>	<p>Thursday, October 24, 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Celebrate Simchat Torah with singing, dancing, and unrolling the entire Torah scroll. This service will last about an hour.</p> <p><i>Multigenerational</i></p>