



TEMPLE RODEF SHALOM HIGH HOLY DAYS



Dear TRS Family,

Happy summer! We hope that wherever you are when this Program Guide reaches you, your summer is off to a wonderful and rejuvenating start. Here at TRS, our building is currently full of children and teens having a phenomenal time at Camp Rodef Shalom, and for adults, we are about to launch our annual Summer Limmud adult education series, with this year's focus on the different movements within Judaism. We are reminded yet again of what a blessing it is to be in a community as vibrant as our own, with so many people who are dedicated to building caring relationships and working together for positive change, in our lives and in the world.

This has been another extraordinarily challenging year. Through it all, we have been so deeply grateful to be in community with all of you. Whether we are gathering for shared meals and conversations, Shabbat and holiday observances, learning, justice and service work, celebration, or mourning, the thoughtfulness, kindness, and vitality of the TRS community is a balm.

As we write to you, we are already looking ahead to the fall, and to our largest annual moment of collective gathering and reflection: the High Holy Days of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. This year especially, we hope that welcoming in the new year of 5786 together will be comforting, sustaining, and galvanizing. One of Judaism's most profound insights is that as human beings, we need each other. Thank you for being our sacred community. May this new year be a good year — for us and all the Jewish people, for us and all the world.

Shana Tova,

*Rabbi Amy Schwartzman
Cantor Michael Shochet
Rabbi Jeffrey Saxe
Rabbi Alexandra Stein
Cantor Sydney Michaeli*

Online Ticket Registration: open Jul 7-Aug 6



SERVICES & EVENTS SCHEDULE

Erev Rosh Hashanah: Mon, Sep 22

5:45 PM | Early Family Service | TRS Sanctuary | Families with children in grades K-6

Family services are fun and informal and feature a short story. The music is participatory and features our Service band. This service is led by Rabbi Jeffrey Saxe and Cantor Michael Shochet with Songleader Jason Flatt, Shir Harmony Youth Choir and our Family band. [Live streamed](#) | [New](#)

5:45 PM | Early Main Service | TRS Social Hall | Geared for adults and teens but kids 5+ welcome

Adult main services feature powerful sermons and majestic music. The liturgy evokes meaningful and contemplative messages relevant for our time. This service is led by Rabbi Amy Schwartzman and Cantor Sydney Michaeli with choir, piano and violin.

[New location](#)

8:00 PM | Late Main Service | TRS Sanctuary | Geared for adults and teens but kids 5+ welcome

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8:00 PM | Teen Service | TRS Mishkan | Open to teens ages 13-18 years

Teen High Holy Day services are designed for and by teens to help connect meaningfully with the holy days on their own terms. This service is led by Camp Director Megan O'Briant, Songleader Jason Flatt and Teen Engagement Coordinator Hannah Foleck.

8:00 PM | Evening Alternative Service | Top of the Town Arlington | All Ages

Join Rabbi Alexandra Stein and soloist Beth Mirahver to welcome in the new year with song, community, reflection and a really great view! These services are open to everyone, including guests from the larger community, and are intimate and participatory with beautiful piano accompaniment. Top of the Town is a quick walk from the Rosslyn metro and ample parking is also available.

[Open to the community](#) | [Metro accessible](#)

Rosh Hashanah Day: Tues, Sep 23

9:00 AM | Early Family Service | TRS Sanctuary | Families with children in grades K-6th

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[New location](#)

11:00 AM | Alternative Service | The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints | All ages-

Join Rabbi Sarah Tasman, soloist Beth Mirahver, and a pianist and other instrumentalists, for a brand new alternative daytime service. Like all of our services, this one will provide many opportunities to connect to the themes of the holidays, and to each other, and like all of our alternative services, it will be more intimate and informal in style. Open to everyone, including guests from the larger community, and most enjoyed by adults and teens. [Open to the community](#) | [New service style](#)

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11:45 AM | Late Youth Program | TRS School Lobby | Open to children, grades K-4th

Service, crafts and activities run concurrently with the Late Main Adult Services. This service is led by Religious School Director Dara Holop and Songleader Jason Flatt.

4:00 PM | Rosh Hashanah Tot & Tashlich Service | TRS Sanctuary | Families with children (focus on 0-5 years)

A fun, musical tot experience for preschoolers with a Rosh Hashanah story, shofar blowing and Tashlich. This service is led by Rabbi Amy Schwartzman and Songleader Jason Flatt. [Open to the community](#) | [Live streamed](#)

4:00 PM | Congregational Tashlich Service | TRS Tent | Adults and children 5+

A song session led by TRS clergy followed by Tashlich: a symbolic casting of our sins into a body of water. Please bring your own bread to throw in the pond. This service is led by Cantor Michael Shochet, Rabbi Jeffrey Saxe, Rabbi Alexandra Stein and Cantor Sydney Michaeli with guitar.

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Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidrei: Wed, Oct 1

5:30 PM | Early Main Service | TRS Sanctuary | Geared for adults and teens but kids 5+ welcome

Kol Nidrei main services feature powerful sermons, the chanting of Kol Nidrei by our Cantors and by cello, along with majestic music. The liturgy evokes meaningful and contemplative messages relevant for our time. This service is led by Rabbi Jeffrey Saxe and Cantor Sydney Michaeli with our choir, piano and cello. *Live streamed | New*

5:30 PM | Early Family Service | TRS Social Hall | Families with children in grades K-6

Family services are informal, featuring a story with participatory music. The service is led by Rabbi Amy Schwartzman and Cantor Michael Shochet with Songleader Jason Flatt, band and Shir Harmony Youth choir. *New*

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8:00 PM | Evening Alternative Service | Top of the Town Arlington | All ages

Join Rabbi Alexandra Stein and soloist Beth Mirahver (with piano and cello as well) as we enter Yom Kippur with song, community, and reflection (and a really great view!). These services are open to everyone, including guests from the larger community, and they are intimate and participatory. Top of the Town is a quick walk from the Rosslyn metro and ample parking is also available. *Open to the community | Metro accessible*

Yom Kippur Morning: Thur, Oct 2

9:00 AM | Early Main Service | TRS Sanctuary | Geared for adults and teens but kids 5+ welcome

Main adult services feature powerful sermons, and majestic music. The liturgy evokes meaningful and contemplative messages relevant for our time. This service is led by Rabbi Amy Schwartzman and Cantor Michael Shochet with our choir, piano and violin. *Live streamed*

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11:45 AM | Late Youth Program | TRS Merkaz | Open to children K-4th grades

Service, crafts, and activities run concurrently with the Late Main Adult Services. This service is led by Religious School Director Dara Holop.

Yom Kippur Afternoon: Thur, Oct 2

2:00 PM | Yom Kippur Panel Discussion | TRS Social Hall | Geared for adults and teens but kids 5+ welcome

Join a discussion of temple members on a topic relevant for our time. Subject will be announced prior to the High Holy Days.

2:00 PM | Ark open for personal prayer & meditation | TRS Sanctuary | All ages welcome

3:00 PM | Yom Kippur Music & Meditation | TRS Mishkan | Adults and ages 13+

A spiritual hour of soothing and meditative music with pianist Tony Nalker and guest instrumentalists. *Live streamed | New time*

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3:00 PM | Yom Kippur Tot Service | TRS Sanctuary | Families with children 0-5 years

This fun, short, tot experience engages preschoolers with a story and lots of singing. Open to all children accompanied by at least one ticketed adult, the service is led by Rabbi Alexandra Stein and Songleader Jason Flatt. *Open to the community | Live streamed | New time*

3:45 PM | Yom Kippur Forgiveness & Healing Service | TRS Sanctuary | Adults and ages 13+

On Yom Kippur, we look inward for spiritual sustenance to help us through the difficult times and moments in our lives. This service is designed to help us find comfort and solace through the words and music in search of forgiveness and healing and is led by all clergy with piano, violin and guitar. *Live streamed | New time*

5:00 PM | Yom Kippur Yizkor (Memorial) Service of Remembrance | TRS Sanctuary | Adults and ages 13+

A loving service to remember those who have been a blessing to our lives. It is customary to observe Yizkor and recite the Mourner's Kaddish on Yom Kippur and the festivals for family members who have died. This service is led by Rabbi Amy Schwartzman, Cantor Michael Shochet and Rabbi Alexandra Stein with choir, piano and violin. *Live streamed | New time*

6:00 PM | Yom Kippur N'ilah (Concluding) Service | TRS Sanctuary | Adults and ages 13+

The climactic ending of our High Holy Days features all our clergy and service leaders, along with piano, choir and band. This uplifting service allows us to conclude the Days of Awe with engaging music and inspiring words designed to leave us renewed for the New Year. All congregants who blow shofar are invited to join for the final T'kiah G'dolah. This service is led by all clergy with choir, piano and band. *Live streamed*

7:15 PM | Yom Kippur All-Congregation Break Fast | Mercaz Community Room

The High Holy Days are such a wonderful opportunity to draw together members of our sacred community. Let's continue to gather as the last notes of the shofar drift away. Join other temple members for a Break-Fast following our N'ilah service. We'll enjoy bagels and schmear and other delectables. Advance registration is required by Mon, Sep 29 at noon. Please see our events calendar to register.

Online Ticket Registration: open Jul 7-Aug 6

Important High Holy Days Info

- **Online ticket registration will be open Jul 7-Aug 6.**
- **Questions or other assistance:** Please reach out to us at HHVOL@templerodefshalom.org or 703-532-2217. You may also use the QR code to visit our website or go to templerodefshalom.org/HHD.
- **Member registration details:** Registration instructions for members will come to you via email. If you have any questions or did not receive your email please contact us.
- **Yizkor:** We are continuing our tradition of sharing our Yizkor booklet. If you wish to have loved ones remembered in our Yizkor book, please share that with us via the member registration portal.
- **Guest tickets:** Due to space constraints on-site, we only have room for members and their guests. Guest tickets are available for family and friends who accompany members to services – you can request guest tickets and see prices in our member registration portal.
- **Services open to the community:** We are pleased to welcome the general public to our metro-accessible services at Top of The Town in Rosslyn as well as our off-site services at the Church of Latter Day Saints. Please use the QR code to visit our website or go to templerodefshalom.org/HHD for registration details.



High Holy Days Info
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TO REGISTER

Table of Togetherness

Register Sep 1-19 for Dinners on Erev Rosh Hashanah, Mon, Sep 22

Rosh Hashanah Table of Togetherness helps connect members who have an extra seat (or more) at their table with those looking for a welcoming place to celebrate. If you can offer a seat or need one for the evening of Erev Rosh Hashanah on Mon, Sep 22, please visit the calendar to register, and we will do our best to make a meaningful match. Together, we can share the warmth and joy of the holidays as one community. Also join us for the congregational Yom Kippur Break Fast at the temple at 7:15 PM on Thur, Oct 2 (see above).

Babysitting

- 9:00 AM & 11:45 AM
- Rosh Hashanah Day: Tues, Sep 23
- Yom Kippur Day: Thur, Oct 2
- TRS Classroom 245
- Children ages 2-4 years
- Runs concurrently with the Adult Main Services
- Preregistration is required via our online portal

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