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High Holiday Guide & Schedule of services

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This year's holiday season is different in so many ways. The emphasis on all our planning at SRJC has been to ensure our congregants' comfort, safety, and security. We will be utilizing the spaces in our building in a new way, intended to be safe, healthy, and spiritually rewarding. This will necessitate reducing, and limiting the actual seats in the space. The Rabbi & Hazzan have worked very hard to streamline services to minimize contact time together.

There are no tickets for this year's services. Admittance to live services are available through our on-line registration at <u>www.srjc.org</u>. If you are not comfortable registering online, please contact the office at <u>highholidays@srjc.org</u> or 516-741-4305. **Every individual attending in person must be registered for each service they wish to attend. Guests must also be pre-registered** and will be accommodated, space permitting. Children may attend if they are accompanied by a parent and they can sit with their parents throughout the entire service.

There will be no admittance to the building without pre-registration. All visitors will be checked in using the check-in list through the tent at the front entrance. Exiting and entering the sanctuary will be guided by the ushers, and seating will be socially distanced by family group.

In addition, we will be **live-streaming** services which will make it easy for those not comfortable coming to our sanctuary to be able to participate from home in a safe and thoughtful way in keeping with our traditions. The link to stream will be emailed before Rosh Hashanah.

If you have not already paid your dues, or made financial arrangements by contacting <u>FinancialSecretary@srjc.org</u>, please do so now.

Important points regarding this year's services

With the exception of family groups, attendees at all services will be expected to observe the rules of proper social distancing by remaining at least six feet away from others at all times.

Face masks that cover the mouth and nose must be worn properly at all times in the synagogue, as well as outside the building. There will be **no** exceptions to this rule,

All services will be held in the expanded main Sanctuary, where individual seats will be separated from adjacent ones and grouped as one, two, three, or four seats together for those from the same household.

There are hand sanitizer machines throughout the building. Please sanitize your hands upon entering and exiting.



RSVP early to secure your seat. You must register separately for each service that you, your family members, and your guests plan to attend.

If you have not arrived within a half hour of the beginning of services and we have reached capacity, your place your place may be reassigned, and no longer available.

Regretfully, there will be **no congregating in the lobby** this year.

High Holiday prayerbooks will be provided for in person services. If you are joining us via the live-stream and wish to borrow a machzor or siddur for home use, please contact the office.

Please bring your own kippot and tallitot.

Children may attend only if they are accompanied by a parent and they can sit with their parents throughout the entire service.



Please use discretion in joining us in person, and only if you feel comfortable doing so. **Stay home** if you have a cough, fever, cold symptoms, muscle aches, or gastrointestinal symptoms.

If you have traveled out of state in the two weeks prior to the holiday, please ensure that you do not require quarantine upon returning to New York. If so, please do **not** attend in person.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperating as we navigate these holidays together.

Schedule of services

All services will take place in person in our main Sanctuary & will be live-streamed.

SELICHOT Saturday evening, Sept 12	Beginning at 7:55 pm Ma'ariv & havdalah, We will then start off our evening of learning with Rabbi Cohen and singing with Hazzan Goller. At 8:30 pm we will join with the entire Conservative movement for a full evening of learning. Register at <u>www.cjselihot.org</u> for link.
EREV ROSH HASHANAH	Candlelighting 6:38 pm
Friday evening, Sept 18	Ma'ariv 6:30 pm
1st day ROSH HASHANAH	
Saturday morning, Sept 19	Shacharit 9:30 am - noon
2nd day ROSH HASHANAH	
Saturday evening, Sept 19	Ma'ariv 6:30 pm
	Candlelighting 7:38 pm
Sunday morning, Sept 20	Shacharit 9:30 am - noon
	with shofar blowing outdoors
	following the service
Sunday afternoon, Sept 20	Tashlich at Herricks Pond 5:30 pm
	Mincha 6:30 pm
	Havdalah 7:36 pm
SHABBAT SHUVAH	Candlelighting 6:27pm
Friday evening, Sept 25	Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 pm
Saturday morning, Sept 26	Shacharit 9:30 am
Saturday evening, Sept 26	Havdalah 7:26 pm
	Ma'ariv 7:45 pm
YOM KIPPUR	
Sunday afternoon, Sept 27	Mincha 3:00 pm
Sunday evening, Sept 27	Kol Nidre 6:00 - 7:30 pm
	Candlelighting 6:24 pm
Monday morning, Sept 28	Shacharit 9:30 am - approx 12:00 pm with Yizkor approx 10:30 am
Monday evening, Sept 28	Mincha/Neilah/Ma'ariv 6:00 - 7:30 pm with shofar blowing outdoors Fast ends 7:23 pm

High Holiday Youth programs

Also... watch for our Religious School "Milkshakes in the Sukkah" on October 4 at 12:30 pm. Pre-holiday family learning will be offered by our Religious School Director, Phil Dickstein on Zoom on **Sunday, Sept 13.** Contact him at <u>RSdir@srjc.org</u> to register.

Weather permitting, we will hold an <u>outdoor</u> youth service for <u>accompanied</u> children on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, **Saturday, Sept 19** from 10:30 to 11:30 am. As in past years, the service will be led by Joan Cohen and is geared for elementary-school aged children (but all ages are welcome). Advance registration is required; contact <u>Susan@Pavane.org</u> to book your spot.

North Hills Orthodox Minyan The North Hills Orthodox Minyan will conduct services in the downstairs auditorium. Reservations are required in advance of the holiday to <u>northhillssynagogue@gmail.com</u> Thanks to a generous donation by the Abraham Magid building fund, a chairlift is available for use for accessibility to the lower level,

High holiday Prayerbooks For our holiday services we use the Mahzor Lev Shalem. At the end of the service, please leave on your seats. They will be put away by our custodial staff.

For those who choose to live stream, please be in touch with the office to borrow a Machzor or Siddur for home use. Please be in touch with office to set up a time to pick up and return after the holidays.

The sound of the shofar

To accomplish this safely, securely, and audibly, we will exit the Sanctuary after the end of the service and gather outside with our faces still masked and while continuing to observe the rules of social distancing. The Shofar Service will take place in the green space adjacent to the Holocaust Memorial Garden. All services will be held in the expanded Sanctuary, where individual seats will be separated from adjacent ones and grouped as one, or two, three, or four seats together for those from the same household. Ushers will be available to point out available seats. Please be considerate of all. Arriving early is the only way to ensure a seat near the bimah. If you have not arrived within a half hour of the beginning of services and we have reached capacity, your place your place may be reassigned, and no longer available.

Ushers

Seating

Our ushers are all volunteers and, especially this year with all our new restrictions, appreciate your respect and cooperation. Their sole interest is in maintaining the decorum of our services, while keeping all our worshipers safe and healthy. Your understanding is greatly appreciated.

Parking

As in past years parking will be available in the synagogue parking lot, the Herricks Community Center, and on Shelter Rock Road, between the synagogue exit and the Herricks High School entrance.



A single person elevator is available at the front door for wheelchair users, or those who have difficulty walking up the front steps to services on the main floor. Within the main Sanctuary, accessible chairs are designated for those who need them.

Cell phone use

Out of respect for the sanctity of the holidays, please silence your cell phones, and do not use them at all within the building.

Sukkot - Shemini Atzeret - Simchat Torah

In observance of the holiday of Sukkot we currently plan on building the Sukkah in the parking lot. It will be smaller, with more openings for air circulation, and decorated less elaborately than we are used to. Unfortunately, due to current health regulations, there are currently no official programs planned within the Sukkah. Contact the office to reserve for small, socially distanced family gatherings.

In addition, our annual Erev Sukkot dinner, and Sukkah Hop, both highlights of our normal festival season have been cancelled. Mark your calendars for September 20, 2021 to celebrate Sukkot next year.

On Simchat Torah, we will read the last Torah portion, V'Zot HaBerachah, and then proceed immediately to the first portion, Bereshit. Again, unfortunately, our traditional Simchat Torah party will not take place this year.

Sukkot Services

SHABBAT & EREV SUKKOT Friday evening	October 2 Candlelighting 6:16 pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 pm
SHABBAT & 1st day SUKKOT Saturday morning Saturday evening	October 3 Shacharit 9:30 - 11:30 am Ma'ariv 6:30 pm Candlelighting 7:14 pm
2nd day SUKKOT Sunday morning Sunday evening	October 4 Shacharit 9:30 - 11:30 am Havdalah 7:14 pm Ma'ariv 8:00 pm
Chol Hamoed Sunday - Thursday Monday - Thursday Hoshanah Rabbah	October 5 - October 8 Ma'ariv 8:00 pm Shacharit 7:15 am October 9
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Friday morning Shacharit 7:15 am

Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah services

SHABBAT & SHEMINI ATZERET

Friday evening, October 9 Candlelighting 6:04 pm Kabbalat Shabbat 6:30 pm

Saturday morning, October 10

Shacharit 9:30 am - 11:30 pm with Yizkor approximately 10:30 am

SIMCHAT TORAH

Saturday evening, October 10

Ma'ariv 6:30 pm Candlelighting 7:03 pm

Sunday morning, October 11 Shacharit 9:30 - 11:30 am Sunday evening, October 11 Havdalah 7:02 pm

Ma'ariv 8:00 pm

Annual Sukkot food drive October 2 - 12

In the course of the holiday of Sukkot red bins will be outside in the sukkah to collect for the food bank at the Sid Jacobson JCC. Thank you in advance for your contributions.



To you and your family, from all of us here at Shelter Rock Jewish Center

L'shanah Toyah Tikateiyu May you be written and sealed for a Shanah Tovah!