

HIGH HOLY DAYS INFORMATION

Chicago Sinai Congregation



HIGH HOLY DAYS SERVICES 2009/5770

ROSH HASHANAH EVE Friday September 18

- 5:00 pm Early Service at Sinai will be conducted by Rabbi Sternfield; Rabbi Levinsky will deliver the sermon.
(Highly recommended for families with children age 11+)
- 7:00 pm Evening Service at Sinai will be conducted by Rabbi Sternfield who will also deliver the sermon.
- 8:00 pm Community Service at Fourth Presbyterian Church will be conducted by Rabbi Levinsky;
Rabbi Abrahamson will deliver the sermon.
- 9:00 pm Late Service at Sinai will be conducted by Rabbi Sternfield who will deliver the sermon.

ROSH HASHANAH DAY Saturday September 19

- 9:30 am Family Service at Sinai will be conducted by Rabbi Sternfield and Rabbi Levinsky.
- 11:00 am Morning Service at Sinai for Early and Mid-Evening A Seating Groups will be conducted by
Rabbi Abrahamson who will also deliver the sermon.
- 11:00 am Morning Service and Community Service at Fourth Presbyterian Church for Mid-Evening B and Late
Seating Groups will be conducted by Rabbi Sternfield; Rabbi Levinsky will deliver the sermon.

*Join us for a Rosh Hashanah Reception at the Temple immediately following the 11 am services.
Reservations are not required.*

KOL NIDRE EVE Sunday September 27

- 5:00 pm Early Service at Sinai will be conducted by Rabbi Levinsky; Rabbi Sternfield will deliver the sermon.
(Highly recommended for families with children age 11+)
- 7:00 pm Evening Service at Sinai will be conducted by Rabbi Sternfield who will also deliver the sermon.
- 8:00 pm Community Service at Fourth Presbyterian Church will be conducted by Rabbi Abrahamson;
Rabbi Levinsky will deliver the sermon.
- 9:00 pm Late Service at Sinai will be conducted by Rabbi Sternfield who will also deliver the sermon.

YOM KIPPUR Monday September 28

- 9:30 am Family Service at Sinai will be conducted by Rabbi Sternfield and Rabbi Levinsky.
- 11:00 am Morning Service at Sinai for Mid-Evening B and Late Seating Groups will be conducted by
Rabbi Abrahamson who will also deliver the sermon.
- 11:00 am Morning Service and Community Service at Fourth Presbyterian Church for Early and Mid-Evening A
Seating Groups will be conducted by Rabbi Levinsky; Rabbi Sternfield will deliver the sermon.
- 1:00 pm Memorial/Yizkor Service at Fourth Presbyterian Church. All are welcome.
- 2:30 pm Recital of classical music at Sinai.
- 3:30 pm Afternoon, Memorial/Yizkor and Concluding Services at Sinai. These services will be conducted by Rabbi
Sternfield, Rabbi Levinsky and Rabbi Abrahamson. Rabbi Sternfield will deliver the sermon.

**FOR SECURITY PURPOSES, CARDS OF ADMISSION ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL SERVICES.
NO ONE WILL BE ADMITTED WITHOUT A CARD OF ADMISSION.**



ADMISSION CARDS FOR MEMBERS

We are pleased to offer three seating options for High Holy Days Services. Please select your first and second seating preference from the list below. If you choose one of the Mid-Evening Services (OPTION 2a or 2b) you must either select the Early 5:00 (OPTION 1) or Late 9:00 (OPTION 3) service as your second seating choice.

Complete and return the Cards of Admission order form on page 7.

OPTION 1

EARLY SERVICE SEATING GROUP

Rosh Hashanah Eve Service:
Rosh Hashanah Day Service:
Kol Nidre Service:
Yom Kippur Service:

Friday, September 18, at 5:00 pm at Sinai (Rabbis Sternfield & Levinsky)
Saturday, September 19, at 11:00 am at Sinai (Rabbi Abrahamson)
Sunday, September 27, at 5:00 pm at Sinai (Rabbis Sternfield & Levinsky)
Monday, September 28, at 11:00 am at Fourth Presbyterian Church
(Rabbis Levinsky & Sternfield)

OPTION 2a

MID-EVENING A SERVICE SEATING GROUP

Rosh Hashanah Eve Service:
Rosh Hashanah Day Service:
Kol Nidre Service:
Yom Kippur Service:

Friday, September 18, at 7:00 pm at Sinai (Rabbi Sternfield)
Saturday, September 19, at 11:00 am at Sinai (Rabbi Abrahamson)
Sunday, September 27, at 7:00 pm at Sinai (Rabbi Sternfield)
Monday, September 28, at 11:00 am at Fourth Presbyterian Church
(Rabbis Levinsky & Sternfield)

OPTION 2b

MID-EVENING B SERVICE SEATING GROUP

Rosh Hashanah Eve Service:
Rosh Hashanah Day Service:

Kol Nidre Service:
Yom Kippur Service:

Friday, September 18, at 7:00 pm at Sinai (Rabbi Sternfield)
Saturday, September 19, at 11:00 am at Fourth Presbyterian Church
(Rabbis Sternfield & Levinsky)
Sunday, September 27, at 7:00 pm at Sinai (Rabbi Sternfield)
Monday, September 28, at 11:00 am at Sinai (Rabbi Abrahamson)

OPTION 3

LATE SERVICE SEATING GROUP

Rosh Hashanah Eve Service:
Rosh Hashanah Day Service:

Kol Nidre Service:
Yom Kippur Service:

Friday, September 18, at 9:00 pm at Sinai (Rabbi Sternfield)
Saturday, September 19, at 11:00 am at Fourth Presbyterian Church
(Rabbis Sternfield & Levinsky)
Sunday, September 27, at 9:00 pm at Sinai (Rabbi Sternfield)
Monday, September 28, at 11:00 am at Sinai (Rabbi Abrahamson)

ADMISSION CARDS FOR GUESTS

MEMBER GUEST CARDS

Cards of admission for families of members are available for services held at Fourth Presbyterian Church ONLY. The cards are intended to be used by non-affiliated immediate family members (parents, grandparents, adult children and their spouses). The requested donation for each card of admission is \$200. Cards of admission for those under age 30 are available for a suggested donation of \$50 with valid identification.

Your donation should be returned with the form found on page 7. All cards of admission will be mailed during the week of August 31. Please do not request guest cards for non-family members. Temple members who want to attend services with their non-affiliated family members may use their cards to attend services at Fourth Presbyterian Church or the 9:00 pm Late Service at Sinai if space is available.

COMMUNITY SERVICES CARDS

The community is invited to join us for High Holy Days Services held at Fourth Presbyterian Church, located at Delaware Place and Michigan Avenue. If you know anyone who is interested in attending these services encourage them to stop by the Temple office to purchase cards of admission. Cards will be available during regular business hours beginning Monday, August 17 and continuing through Wednesday, September 16. The Temple office will be open on September 9, 10, 14, 15 and 16 until 7:00 pm. The suggested donation for each card of admission is \$400, which supports the year-round programs and activities of our Congregation. Cards of admission for those under age 30 are available for a suggested donation of \$50 with valid identification. The community cards of admission are for the following services at Fourth Presbyterian Church:

Rosh Hashanah Eve	8:00 pm
Rosh Hashanah Morning	11:00 am
Kol Nidre	8:00 pm
Yom Kippur Morning	11:00 am
Memorial/Yizkor Services	1:00 pm

PARKING INFORMATION

Parking will be available at Holy Name Cathedral for all services on Rosh Hashanah Eve and for all services on Rosh Hashanah Day. Detailed parking information will be mailed with your cards of admission.

RECITAL OF CLASSICAL MUSIC

As has been our tradition for several years, a concert of classical music will be presented on Yom Kippur afternoon, Monday, September 28 at 2:30 pm at Sinai. This year we are again delighted to welcome Qing Hou, violinist with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, and her husband, Lawrence Neuman, violist with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

A native of China, Qing Hou came to the United States as a full scholarship student of Sylvia Rosenberg at the Peabody Conservatory, where she earned a Bachelor of Music degree. Hou then studied with James Buswell at the New England Conservatory, receiving a Master of Music degree in 1994. In 1997 Daniel Barenboim appointed her to the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

Lawrence Neuman has been a member of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra since 1991. Before coming to Chicago, he was violist with the Miami String Quartet. He has performed as soloist with the National Repertory Orchestra, the National Orchestra of Costa Rica, the Kammergild Chamber Orchestra, and the Eastman-Dryden Orchestra. As a chamber musician he is heard frequently throughout the Chicago area and has performed across the United States and Europe.

REPENTANCE 101: PREPARING FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS

With Rabbi Levinsky

Have you ever sat down at High Holy Day services and wondered what to do next? Sure you could just read through the prayers. On the other hand, proper preparation before services can create a more meaningful experience. Come learn a liberal Reform Jewish perspective on repentance. In two interactive classes, we will draw from rabbinic and literary sources to discover how the Jewish tradition can shape our lives. The first class will meet on Sunday, September 13 at 10 am and the second class will meet on Sunday, September 20 at 10 am. Everyone is welcome.

Questions? Telephone the Temple office at 312.867.7000

HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Throughout the world Jews remember their departed ones during the High Holy Days. Chicago Sinai Congregation observes this tradition by preparing an annual Book of Remembrance which is distributed during the Yizkor Service on Yom Kippur, Monday, September 28. We consider it equally appropriate to remember Jewish and non-Jewish departed loved ones at this season. If you would like to include the name(s) of your departed family members or friends in the Temple's Book of Remembrance please complete the form found on page 8 of this booklet. Return the form along with your donation to the Temple office. To be included in the Book of Remembrance requests must be received no later than Wednesday, August 26.

CHILDCARE

We offer childcare for members' children ONLY (ages 0-9) for the 5:00 pm services on Rosh Hashanah Eve and Kol Nidre, as well as from 10:30 am to the end of Morning Services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Day. We will not be able to accommodate children who are not pre-registered. To maintain appropriate child-staff ratios no exceptions will be made. Please return the registration form found on page 8 of this booklet along with your payment.

The cost for childcare is \$15/child per day. Please allow ample time before services to drop off/sign in your child(ren). Registration will take place in the first floor Temple lobby.

Please provide your children with a snack (not requiring refrigeration). We will provide beverages and a light snack after the Family Service. For infants and toddlers please provide diapering essentials, a change of clothing, food and/or bottles.

Please pick up your children before attending the Rosh Hashanah reception. Children are welcome to attend with their families. Childcare will not be available during this time.

PULPIT FLOWERS

Honor your loved ones by sponsoring pulpit flowers during the High Holy Days season. Please call DeeDee at 312.867.7000, ext. 229.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Yom Kippur Afternoon, Memorial/Yizkor and Concluding Services for members will be held at Sinai at 3:30 pm on Monday, September 28. An earlier Memorial/Yizkor Service for members and guests will be held at Fourth Presbyterian Church at 1:00 pm. Members may attend either the early Memorial Service at Fourth Presbyterian Church or the later Service at Sinai.

FAMILY SERVICES

Family services are designed for families with children ages 4 through 11. Rabbi Sternfield and Rabbi Levinsky will lead the services at 9:30 am on Saturday, September 19, and at 9:30 am on Monday, September 28. We will use the Sinai Family High Holy Days Prayerbook for these services. Please indicate how many seats you are reserving on the form found on page 7.

Each service is approximately one hour long and includes traditional holiday music, responsive readings, a shofar service and a story. Because these are very popular services and space is limited, we ask that you request seating for you and your immediate family **only**. Rabbi Sternfield encourages parents to bring their children ages 11+ to the 5 pm Early Service.

Unfortunately we are not able to accommodate guests at the family services. If you know of families who want to attend our services, please feel free to invite them to join us for any of our monthly Friday evening and/or Sunday morning family services. All family services are listed in the Temple bulletin and on our website www.chicagosinai.org.

CALL FOR USHERS

Please consider volunteering to join us as an usher for one or more of this year's High Holy Days services. One of the best things about Sinai is that it is a warm, welcoming place, "A House of Prayer For All People." At the High Holy Days the ushers contribute greatly to that warm and welcoming feeling. Also, ushering is a great way to meet people and to be a contributor to the success of our High Holy Days. To volunteer please email Alan Tinsmon at atinsmon@kapfam.com or call the Temple office at 312.867.7000.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Throughout its history, Chicago Sinai Congregation and its leaders have embraced a commitment to participate in the betterment of the community and social action on behalf of the poor, the deserted, the oppressed and the hungry. From its abolitionist founders to the advocacy of gay, lesbian, and women's rights today, Sinai members have made their voices heard and their efforts count as champions of unpopular causes. In an effort to ensure that donations to our community partners create the most effective outcomes, the Community Concerns Committee is planning to align the Community Concerns Fund donations with the Face-to-Face program priorities of poverty/education, environment and seniors/health care with the intent to create long term, more meaningful partnerships.

The Sinai Community Concerns Fund makes contributions to organizations in our neighborhood, as well as nationally and internationally. Last year, donations were made to:

International: Yad L Yad, New Israel Fund, Elem and American Jewish World Service/Darfur.

National: Jewish Fund for Justice, Southern Poverty Law Center, Just Congregations, Mazon and The Religious Action Center.

State: Illinois Council Against Handguns, Planned Parenthood, Hirsch High School and Jewish Vocational.

Jewish Community: Council for Jewish Elderly, The Ark, Jewish Council on Urban Affairs and Shalva.

Local Grassroots: Vital Bridges/Open Hands Chicago, Chicago Coalition for the Homeless, Career Transitions Center of Chicago, Greater Chicago Food Depository, Childlink, Greenhouse, Goldie's Place, Changing Worlds, Greater Exodus Pantry, Deborah's Place, Family Matters, Erie House and R.E.S.T.

Sinai's Projects: Sinai Schools Initiative, SAB Nourish-Thanksgiving, Member Care and New Orleans.

We urge you to contribute generously. Contribution envelopes will be mailed with your cards of admission and will be available at all services during the High Holy Days.

FOOD DRIVE & COLLECTION FOR AREA SHELTERS

This year your help is urgently needed to provide food for the hungry in our community. The weak economy and cutbacks in the food supplied by the government's emergency food programs have emptied the shelves of the local pantries. Beginning on Sunday, September 13, collection boxes will be in the Temple lobby for your donations. Members are encouraged to bring the following non-perishable food items when they come to Services, Religious School or at any other time during this season. Collections will be accepted through October 18. The food will be distributed to the Greater Exodus Baptist Church Food Pantry, Erie Neighborhood House Food Pantry and The Ark.

"The Jew assumes for himself the historic post of a soldier of righteousness and justice; responsibility and service are the sacramental words of the Jewish philosophy of life."

Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, 1903

- Canned goods, including soups, meats, vegetables
- Boxed pasta (mac & cheese), noodles, rice
- Peanut butter, jams in plastic containers
- Cereals, oatmeal, and crackers
- Canned fruit and fruit juice
- Cooking oil, flour & sugar

**NO GLASS CONTAINERS PLEASE
NO EXPIRED FOOD PLEASE**

We will also be collecting the following items for local shelters:

- 1. Personal Care Items:** Shampoo, soap, deodorant, towels & washcloths, feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes, toothpaste, body wash, hand soap
- 2. Gift cards:** Jewel, Dominick's, Target, Wal-Mart and CTA cards and passes
- 3. Clothing:** New men's clothing, new men's and women's underwear and socks
- 4. Accessories:** Purses and backpacks
- 5. Household Items:** Pots and pans, sheets, serving bowls, baking dishes, plastic ware and irons

On Tuesday, October 20, beginning at 5 pm, we will sort and pack the food and shelter donations. Volunteers are encouraged to join us. Please call the Temple office to let us know if you will join us for packing and dinner.

ROSH HASHANAH RECEPTION



The Rabbis, Officers and Trustees of
Chicago Sinai Congregation
invite all Sinai members, their children and their guests
to join together at our

Annual Rosh Hashanah Reception

Saturday, September 19
Immediately following Services

*Greet old friends and meet new members
as we wish everyone a joyous New Year.
Enjoy a light lunch, with apples and honey for all!*

UNION PRAYERBOOK FOR THE HIGH HOLY DAYS, SINAI EDITION

The Sinai Edition of the Union Prayerbook for the High Holy Days will be used at all Services. If you wish to have your own prayerbooks for personal use or for gifts they are available at a cost of \$35 each. We will be pleased to mail books for an additional charge of \$3 per volume. Copies of Volume I, (for the Sabbath, Weekdays and Festivals), are also available. Books may also be purchased at the Temple during regular office hours. Sinai provides prayerbooks for use at each Service; purchase is optional. The Sinai Family High Holy Days Prayerbook is also available at a cost of \$20 each.

PRAYERBOOK PURCHASE FORM (please print)

I/We would like to purchase a prayerbook(s). Please indicate quantity:

Volume I (Sabbath/Weekdays/Festivals)	\$35 per book plus shipping	Qty _____
Volume II (High Holy Days)	\$35 per book plus shipping	Qty _____
Family High Holy Days Prayerbook	\$20 per book plus shipping	Qty _____

Name: _____

Address, City, Zip: _____

Enclosed is \$ _____
(\$35 + \$3 shipping per book, \$20 + \$3 shipping for Family Prayerbook)

CARDS OF ADMISSION ORDER FORM due Wednesday, August 26

Please complete all necessary information and return to the Temple office by Wednesday, August 26. Cards of Admission will be mailed the week of August 31. Please remember that at least one-half of the current year's dues, as well as all outstanding balances, must be paid before the cards are mailed.

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

Indicate your 1st & 2nd preference

Please note: If you choose option 2, your 2nd choice must be option 1 or 3.

_____ Total # of Cards Needed

_____ Option 1: Early Service 5:00 pm

_____ Option 2: Mid Evening Service 7:00 pm

_____ Seating Group A (See Page 2)

_____ Seating Group B (See Page 2)

_____ Option 3: Late Service 9:00 pm

I/We are Sustaining Member(s).

Please send _____ (one or two) additional guest cards for service selected above.

MEMBER GUEST CARDS:

I am a regular member. I would like to obtain guest cards for my immediate family members (parents, grandparents, adult children and their spouses) for attendance at the services which are held at Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Please send me _____ cards for the following people:

(List additional names on reverse side.)

I am enclosing a donation of _____ (\$200 for each seat requested).

FAMILY SERVICE CARDS:

(Recommended for families with children ages 4 to 11)

Rosh Hashanah Family Service

_____ # of Admission Cards (Members and their immediate families)

Yom Kippur Family Service

_____ # of Admission Cards (Members and their immediate families)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Regular _____

Sustaining _____

Received _____

Mailed _____

Early _____

Evening A _____

Evening B _____

Late _____

RH Family _____

YK Family _____

Guest _____

**Return this form to Chicago Sinai Congregation
15 W. Delaware Place, Chicago, 60610
on or before Wednesday August 26, or fax it to the Temple office at 312.867.7006**

CHILDCARE REGISTRATION FORM due Wednesday, August 26

Please print and complete all necessary information and return to the Temple office by Wednesday, August 26 or fax to 312.867.7006.

Parents' Name(s): _____

Names and Age(s) of Child(ren): _____, age _____, age _____
_____ , age _____, age _____

_____ Rosh Hashanah Eve 5 pm Service ONLY (Friday, September 18)

_____ Rosh Hashanah morning (Saturday, September 19)

_____ Kol Nidre 5 pm Service ONLY (Sunday, September 27)

_____ Yom Kippur morning (Monday, September 28)

Please list any food allergies or health conditions about which the staff should be aware:

Physician's Name and Phone Number: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Per the request of the Rabbis, all cell phones, pagers, electronic devices are to be turned off during services. Please remember to set these to vibrate if you are using them as your emergency contact number.

I give my permission for Chicago Sinai Congregation to get emergency medical treatment for my child(ren) _____ in the event that the parents, guardian, or physician cannot be reached. I will assume financial responsibility for treatment rendered during this time.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

Date _____

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ (\$15 per child per day)

**Questions? Telephone the
Temple office at 312.867.7000**

Please register your child(ren) between 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm and/or 10:30 am - 11:00 am and pick them up immediately following Services. Childcare registration will be in the first floor lobby of Sinai. Remember to provide your child(ren) with a snack (not requiring refrigeration) and for infants and toddlers please provide baby essentials, as needed.

YOM KIPPUR BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE FORM due Wednesday, August 26

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY ALL
INFORMATION AS YOU WOULD
LIKE IT TO APPEAR IN THE
BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

_____ Please reprint the name(s) of my/our departed one(s) from last year's
Book of Remembrance.

_____ Please reprint the name(s) of my/our departed one(s) from last year's
Book of Remembrance and add the additional name(s) listed below.

Please include the name(s) of my/our departed loved ones as follows:

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| 1. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 6. _____ |

(Please list additional names on reverse side)

Remembered by: (Please Print Clearly)

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

I/We have lost a dear one since last Yom Kippur. (Print clearly in spaces below)

Name(s) of departed since last Yom Kippur	Relationship	Date of Death
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Each year it is customary to make a donation in memory of your loved ones.
All names listed above will be included in the Book of Remembrance.

Enclosed is my/our donation of \$ _____

The Book of Remembrance will be distributed at the Yizkor Service on Monday, September 28.

_____ Please mail me a copy of the Book of Remembrance to the following address:

**Return this form to Chicago Sinai Congregation
15 W. Delaware Place, Chicago, 60610
on or before Wednesday, August 26**