

Temple Ahavat Achim
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HIGH HOLIDAYS 5779 | 2018
EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

Our Services are Open to All

We do not issue tickets or reserve seats for the holidays. If you know of unaffiliated families or individuals, please do invite them to join us for any of our services.

Donations and Your Guests

It is a long-standing tradition to make a donation to the temple during the High Holiday season. In addition, while we do not charge for seats, we encourage donations for family and friends who might accompany you. The suggested donation is \$50 per person per holiday. As always there will be donation cards on the seats during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. If you choose to make a donation prior to the holidays, we have enclosed an envelope for your convenience. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

We would love to have name tags for your guests. Please email their names to Natalia at natalia.taaoffice@gmail.com and she will prepare them.

Family Services

We will hold two concurrent family services on the first day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur. One will be for infants to five-year-olds while the other will be for 5.5 and up. **On the first day of Rosh Hashanah, they will begin downstairs at 10:00 am and will conclude upstairs in the main sanctuary with the Shofar Service.** We hope that you will accompany your children upstairs where you will be led to the front of the room for an up-close and personal experience.

Babysitting (Complimentary)

Babysitting will be available from 11 am-1 pm to the conclusion of the main service on the first day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur day. The sitters will sign your children in. We ask that you handle bathroom visits and diaper changes before dropping your children off.

Food Collection

We will be collecting donations of non-perishable food for the Cape Ann Food Pantry on Erev Rosh Hashanah and Kol Nidre. We ask for one pound per person. There will be boxes in the lobby for your contributions.

Parking

The parking lot will be reserved for handicapped parking only. The hashed parking area will be needed for unloading and loading of wheelchairs.

The city will allow parking in legal parking spaces without charge or ticketing.

PLEASE NOTE: Do not park on Main Street or Rogers Street or in the Gloucester House parking lot, or the Sawyer Free Library parking lot behind the temple. Vehicles parked in these locations will be ticketed and the tickets will NOT be eligible for abatement by the city.

You must place a temporary parking permit on your dashboard. Permits are available at the TAA office or are printable from our website:

www.taagloucester.org

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Soul Collage

Sunday, August 19th from 1-4 pm. The month of Elul is traditionally a time for introspection and stock taking. Guided by TAA member Nancy Bain, we will explore our hearts, relationships and community. Through the use of images, imagination and intuition, we will create collaged cards and then journal with them to learn what the images are saying to us. No artistic ability required! A few spaces left – please visit www.taagloucester.org to register.

Selichot Service with Rabbi Lewis

Saturday, September 1st at 8 pm

Join us for song and prayer to help prepare ourselves for the Holidays.

Chazzan

Carl Woolf will once again join us as Chazzan. He has been chanting Torah and leading services since his Bar Mitzvah. He works at Harvard Medical School as a software engineer and he performs in symphonic, liturgical, kirtan and klezmer groups. In addition, Carl is studying for rabbinic ordination with ALEPH, a progressive, spiritually focused stream of Judaism.

TAA Community Break-Fast

We will break our Yom Kippur fast together, directly following concluding prayers and Havdalah Wednesday, September 19th. Kindly RSVP by visiting

www.taagloucester.org

Honor your grandchildren by helping to sponsor the Break-Fast! Please visit www.taagloucester.org for more information and to sign up.