

HIGH HOLY DAYS

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Temple Shaaray Tefila is a Reform Jewish congregation with a traditional spirit. We celebrate, teach, and observe the most worthy values and ideals of our Jewish tradition: Torah, Mitzvah, and Tzedakah. In doing so, we connect our members and their families to each other, to the greater Jewish community, and to Israel. Anyone who seeks a warm and vibrant Jewish community will feel comfortable in our congregation.



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Welcome to the 5780 High Holy Day Observances!

Whether you have been members for many years or if you are joining us for the first time, I hope you will find that our beautiful services in the unique setting at Caramoor will create a memorable experience for you.

We strive to make these services as spiritual and meaningful as possible for our congregation. We hope you will enjoy participating in our many offerings including the Selichot program on Saturday, September 21st and the Rosh Hashanah brunch at temple on Monday, September 30th. The Board and I are excited about our High Holy Day experience and look forward to receiving your feedback.

The High Holy Days are a time of reflection and counting our blessings. In addition to our worship services, we also offer the opportunity to remember loved ones who have passed through our Book of Remembrance and to help the greater Westchester community through our food drive. If there is anything we can do to make the holidays more meaningful for you, please do not hesitate to let us know.

We have created this guide book to make it as easy as possible for you to access the grounds and participate in all of our holiday services. Please review it carefully and return the relevant forms, or submit the necessary information online.

As we approach the beginning of 5780, the Board of Trustees and I wish you and your family a happy and healthy holiday season. May we all enjoy a peaceful and sweet new year.

Shana Tovah,
Karen Spiegel
President



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Dear Friends,

As I look ahead to the coming year, I am humbled by the depth and breadth of our unique and vibrant community. I am in awe of the opportunities and of the possibilities that lie before us. And I am inspired by the acts of kindness that I witness every day.

I grew up at Temple Shaaray Tefila and became a Bat Mitzvah in our majestic sanctuary. It is here that I learned about the importance of repairing the world and making it a better place. I learned what it means to welcome the stranger. And I learned that acts of loving kindness are the highest expressions of my faith.

My childhood and teenage experiences at Shaaray Tefila shaped who I am today and guided me as I found my way as a young Jewish adult, strengthening my connections to Reform Judaism. I feel so fortunate that my children will also grow up in this unique and diverse congregation and I am excited to watch all of your children grow and thrive as they shape their own Jewish identities, guided by our transformative, creative programs and led by our dedicated team of Jewish professionals.

This will be a year filled with transitions, farewells and new beginnings. It will also be a year of finding ourselves among the amazing people in this community—a community that we ourselves have created and will continue to build with exciting new opportunities. Together, we can strengthen our hearts and change the world.... one mitzvah at a time.

I hope to help each of you find your place in our community, and I encourage you to discover your passions and to fulfill your deepest dreams and highest spirituality. May this be a year of peace, love and deep gratitude for the gifts that surround us. May we always have the wisdom to know that it is our differences that make us beautiful and our inherent sameness, as Jews, that binds us together as one.

I look forward to worshipping with you at Caramoor in this sweet New Year!

In peace,

Alli West

Executive Director

Shalom!

High Holy Day Thoughts from Our Rabbis

The High Holy Days are a time, not so much for looking outward, but for looking inward. These are days for considering our own lives and the way in which we are living. Are our ideals consistent with our deeds? Are we persisting in the struggle to reveal the deep and sacred aspect of ourselves? Have we learned the truth that “we make a living by what we gain, while we make a life by what we give?”

I hope that our services will be meaningful and inspiring to you, and that you and the ones you love will enter into a year of good health, much fulfillment and a year of knowing that you are making a difference for good in this world.

Rabbi David Greenberg



As Jews, we are no stranger to challenging times and traumatic events. It would seem that we are, once again, witness to perilous times. As a people, we have experienced what our rabbis describe as the reality that in each generation, there are those who have risen to annihilate us. Yet, through all of this, we have more than just endured. We have demonstrated resistance and resilience. We have actively contributed to society through the academic, the scientific, and artistic character of society. Indeed, not only have we survived, but we have [and continue] to thrive. How so? To paraphrase the words of our sages: “Our tradition, values, and understanding of the interconnectedness of the universe has sustained us.”

With this New Year of 5780 ready to greet us, even in the midst of ongoing intolerance, senseless violence and terror, let us use these prayerful moments together at Caramoor to focus on the sacred work ahead of us: heeding the words of our sages to stand up against the ills of oppression and prejudice, while contributing to the betterment of our local and global communities in whatever ways we are able. Let us come together, in this very synagogue community, to explore and learn more of the beauty of our tradition. Together, let us make 5780 one of hope and simcha (joy), where we maintain our support of one another throughout this journey we call life. May this Shana Tova (New Year) bring you and your loved ones, wholeness, health, love, and peace.

Rabbi Jason Nevarez

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SELICHOT

SELICHOT (TEMPLE JEWISH HERITAGE CENTER)
DESSERT AND COFFEE
PROGRAM
SERVICE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST
8:00 PM
8:30 PM NO TICKET REQUIRED
9:30 PM

SEE PAGE 19 FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS PROGRAM.

ROSH HASHANAH

EREV ROSH HASHANAH

YOUNG FAMILY SERVICE
(FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN THROUGH GRADE 2)

CHILD CARE
(AGES 3-10)

FAMILY SERVICE
(FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN GRADES 3-5)

MAIN SERVICE

MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE GRADES 6-7

TEENAGE SERVICE GRADES 8-12

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

9:30 AM

CARAMOOR TENT #4

10:00 AM-1:30 PM

CARAMOOR TENT #2

10:15 AM

CARAMOOR TENT #4

10:30 AM

CARAMOOR MAIN TENT

10:30 AM

CARAMOOR TENT #3

11:30 AM

CARAMOOR TENT #3

11:30 AM

CARAMOOR TENT #4

PLEASE JOIN WITH YOUR TEMPLE SHAARAY COMMUNITY FOR A LIGHT LUNCH RECEPTION IN THE TEMPLE SOCIAL HALL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF ROSH HASHANAH MORNING SERVICES.

2ND DAY ROSH HASHANAH

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

10 AM CARAMOOR

We welcome members of the local community, joining us for the first time, to purchase tickets for our Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services at Caramoor. Tickets cost \$180/adult and \$80/children (aged 7-18) for both holidays and must be purchased in advance.

For further information contact Cheryl Riina at 666-3133 or visit our website at www.shaaraytefila.org

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YOM KIPPUR

KOL NIDRE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

8 PM CARAMOOR

YOM KIPPUR

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

YOUNG FAMILY SERVICE (FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN THROUGH GRADE 2)	9:30 AM	CARAMOOR TENT #4
CHILD CARE (AGES 3-10)	10AM-1:30 PM	CARAMOOR TENT #2
FAMILY SERVICE (FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN GRADES 3-5)	10:15 AM	CARAMOOR TENT #4
MAIN SERVICE	10:30 AM	CARAMOOR MAIN TENT
MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE GRADES 6-7	10:30 AM	CARAMOOR TENT #3
TEENAGE SERVICE GRADES 8-12	11:30 AM	CARAMOOR TENT #3
ALTERNATIVE SERVICE	11:30 AM	CARAMOOR TENT #4
ADULT DISCUSSION PROGRAM	2:30 PM	CARAMOOR MAIN TENT
YIZKOR/MEMORIAL	4:00PM	CARAMOOR MAIN TENT
AFTERNOON NEILAH SERVICES	4:45-6:30 PM	CARAMOOR MAIN TENT



A LIGHT NOSH WILL BE AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
AFTERNOON NEILAH SERVICE IN THE MAIN TENT AT CARAMOOR

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DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

MAIN SERVICE

Join Rabbi David Greenberg, Rabbi MJ Newman, our cantorial soloists, and choir in the Main Tent for our traditional High Holy Day service at 10:30am.

FAMILY SERVICE

We are pleased to offer a special service for families with children in grades 3 through 5 on both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mornings at 10:15am. This will be a complete High Holy Day service, including a Torah service with readers from the congregation. Led by Rabbi Jason Nevarez and assisted by Kenny Green and Alli West, it is designed to be fulfilling both for parents and their children. We encourage families with children of the appropriate ages to worship together at this service.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

We will once again offer an alternative to the "Main Tent" services on the first day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur. Rabbi Jason Nevarez will lead services with Alli West accompanied by Kenny Green and percussion that include the core liturgy of the High Holy Days, but also feature contemporary readings, poetry, and jazz-oriented music. The Alternative Service begins at 11:30am.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SERVICE (GRADES 6 AND 7)

Join us for an awesome High Holy Day experience on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mornings led by Jessica Herrmann, our new Director of Youth Engagement and Experiential Education. Specifically designed for middle school students, these services will be a great start to your child's Jewish New Year. These services begin at 10:30am.

TEEN SERVICE (GRADES 8 THROUGH 12)

Tent #3 is the coolest spot in town when our teens gather there on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mornings with Jessica Herrmann, our new Director of Youth Engagement and Experiential Education. Great music and material that make kids think – this service has it all, and it begins at 11:30am.

YOUNG FAMILY SERVICE

Children in preschool through second grade and their parents are cordially invited to our Young Family Services on both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The services, conducted by Rabbi David Greenberg, Kenny Green and our ECC Director Patty Goldstick, are geared specifically for this age group. Interactive and engaging, these delightful services will enrich the High Holy Days experience for both parents and children. Young Family Services begin at 9:30am.

2ND DAY ROSH HASHANAH SERVICE

Services on the 2nd day of Rosh Hashanah take place at Caramoor at **10:00AM**. A special ticket is required only for those who do not hold Member or Extended Family & Friends tickets for our other services. Tickets may be requested by using the form on page 14 or online at www.shaaraytefila.org.

YIZKOR SERVICE

Our Yizkor Service will begin at 4:00pm on Yom Kippur. If you wish to remember a loved one in the Book of Remembrance used at this service, please see page 15. A special ticket is required only for those who do not hold Member or Extended Family & Friends tickets for our other services. Tickets may be requested by using the form on page 14 or online at www.shaaraytefila.org.

CHILD CARE

We recognize that there are High Holy Day moments that we want to share with our children, but that prayer sometimes needs to be an adult experience. This year, we offer (free of charge) child care for children ages 3 to 10 (toilet training required). Experienced and qualified caregivers will provide age appropriate activities and snacks. Child care will be available on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mornings from 10:00am until 1:30pm. Please use the form on page 18 to register your child or simply register online at www.shaaraytefila.org.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Welcome to High Holy Days at Temple Shaaray Tefila! We hope that your High Holy Days experience is a meaningful one. To maintain the sanctity and security of our services, and to ensure minimal inconvenience to worshippers, we have developed time-tested protocols you will see below.

Please read this booklet carefully. Should you misplace this booklet or need additional forms, all information is also available on our website at www.shaaraytefila.org. Thank you for your help in making our services a safe and uplifting experience for everyone.

TICKETS

Enclosed in this booklet are tickets for each person in your family (including children ages 5 through 30) printed with the congregant's name as listed in our database. Please be careful not to misplace these tickets. If tickets are lost, a fee of \$18 per ticket will be charged to cover administrative and printing costs.

- You may purchase tickets for your friends and family. To order, please use the Extended Family & Friends Ticket Request Form on page 12 or visit us at www.shaaraytefila.org and purchase online.
- If your child (under 30) is married, you may request an additional complimentary ticket.
- Please use your ticket for all services, including the Alternative Services and Family Services and 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah and Yizkor.
- If you wish to bring additional family members and friends, who do not have Extended Family & Friends tickets, to the 2nd Rosh Hashanah and Yizkor services, please request tickets for them using the form on page 14 or through the website.
- Every member of your family above the age of 5 must present a ticket at the gate for each service. Adults must have photo identification. No one will be admitted without a ticket and identification.
- The tickets enclosed are for both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. Please do not discard them after Rosh Hashanah.
- For your convenience, the complete schedule of High Holy Day services is printed on your tickets.
- Tickets are to be used only by the individual whose name appears on the tickets. No ticket may be transferred to another individual.



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PARKING

Having hundreds of cars park quickly and safely is a big challenge. Please help us in the following ways:

- To avoid disruption of our services by latecomers, we ask that you plan to arrive before services begin. In the event of inclement weather, it becomes even more essential that you arrive early as there is no covered area in which to wait while ushers find you seats.
- We have enclosed a 5780 Parking Pass to expedite your entry into Caramoor. This is valid for all services. Please do not discard it after Rosh Hashanah.
- The Parking Pass should be displayed on the driver side of your dashboard. Those who do not have a pass must stop and show their tickets to the security officer at the entrance. In light of our enhanced security procedures this year, those without a pass or tickets will be denied entry **WITHOUT EXCEPTION**.
- Only one Parking Pass is issued per family. Families taking more than one car to Caramoor must show their High Holy Day tickets to gain entry into the parking lot.
- On Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur mornings, we will allow entry to the lower parking lot and will have a checkpoint convenient to this lot. If you plan to attend the Alternative or Family Services in Tent 4, please plan to use the entrance to Caramoor that is closest to Route 22 and park in the lower lot. If you are planning to start in the Main Tent, or need special parking, please use the entrance that is closest to Route 121 and you will be directed to the upper lot. Once you are in a traffic stream directed towards a particular lot you will need to park in that lot. There is a map of the entrances on the back of your tickets.



SEATING

To facilitate the seating of nearly 2,000 attendees in the Main Tent and 800 in the Family Service Tent, we ask that you please observe the following seating requests:

- As your family takes their seats, please do NOT leave empty seats between you and your fellow congregants.
- Please do NOT save seats for friends and family members.
- If seats become available due to family members leaving the service, please make them available to others.
- As our ushers look for places to seat congregants, please let them know if any seats near you are available.
- If you have a part in a particular service, please either sit near the front in an aisle seat or move forward well before you need to go up on the bima.

DECORUM

- Parents, please speak to your children about the behavior expected of them during High Holy Day services and supervise them while at Caramoor.
- No one is allowed to climb trees, destroy plants, or pick flowers on the Caramoor grounds.
- Running around the tents, and loud and raucous play are also not appropriate.
- Electronic devices may not be used in any of the tents. Use of such devices in the fields outside of the tents is discouraged.
- While we encourage children to meet with their friends before and after services, we discourage the playing of cards and other games.
- Resources in the child care tent are to be used only by child care participants.

FOOD DRIVE

We will be distributing shopping bags on Rosh Hashanah and collecting food to help those in need on Yom Kippur at both entrances. There is great need – please be generous! Items in demand include pasta, cereal, soup, and beans.

For more information and to volunteer for this effort, please contact Joyce Greenhaus at jkgreenhaus@gmail.com.



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EXTENDED FAMILY & FRIENDS TICKETS

You may purchase tickets for your family and friends to join us at Caramoor. Extended Family & Friends tickets offer access to all High Holy Day services including 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah and Yizkor, and to receptions on both holidays. Purchase tickets online at www.shaaraytefila.org or complete the form below and mail, fax or scan/email to the office by Friday, September 20th -- Email: criina@templest.org -- Fax: 914-412-9905

Adults: \$180 per person

Children (Ages 5 to 18): \$80 per person

ADULTS WILL ONLY BE ADMITTED WITH A TICKET AND VALID PHOTO IDENTIFICATION.

EXTENDED FAMILY & FRIENDS TICKET REQUEST FORM

Member Name: _____

Member Address: _____ Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

List the names of all adults and children using extended family tickets:

Please charge my: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover Total: _____

Account Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

YOUNG FAMILY SERVICES

Children in preschool through grade 2 and their parents are cordially invited to our Young Family Service on Monday, September 30th (Rosh Hashanah) and Wednesday, October 9th (Yom Kippur). Both services begin at 9:30am. The services, conducted by Rabbi David Greenberg at Caramoor in Tent #4, are geared specifically for preschool through 2nd grade children and their parents. Interactive and engaging, these delightful services will enrich your family's High Holy Day experience.

There is no charge for Young Family Service tickets for Temple members and ECC Families. If you purchase Extended Family & Friends tickets, the Young Family Service is included and there is no need to complete this form or order additional tickets. If your guests have children in 2nd grade and under, you may purchase Extended Young Family & Friends tickets for \$36 per guest over the age of 4 years old. We must receive your request by Friday, September 20th in the mail, by email (criina@templest.org), by fax (914-412-9905) or online at www.shaaraytefila.org. Tickets are non-transferable.

ADULTS WILL ONLY BE ADMITTED WITH A TICKET AND VALID PHOTO IDENTIFICATION.

EXTENDED YOUNG FAMILY & FRIENDS TICKET REQUEST FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

List the names of all adults and children attending services:

Adults

Children

Child's Age

Guest Charge (\$36/adults & child over 4)

2ND DAY ROSH HASHANAH & YIZKOR SERVICES

Please note that if you have a Member ticket or Extended Family & Friends ticket for our other High Holy Day services, you do NOT need to complete this form. This form is used to request ticket for guests who will only attend 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah and/or Yizkor services. Tickets can also be requested online at www.shaaraytefila.org. There is no charge for these tickets.

GUEST TICKET ORDER FORM

Member Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Tickets Required: _____

LIST THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO WILL JOIN US IN WORSHIP AND THE AGE OF EACH CHILD.

These names will be imprinted on the tickets and adults will be required to show matching photo identification.

PLEASE JOIN US AFTER SERVICES

JOIN YOUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY FOR FOOD AND CONVERSATION
AT OUR HIGH HOLY DAY COMMUNITY GATHERINGS:

ROSH HASHANAH LUNCH AT THE TEMPLE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th

FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF SERVICES IN THE MAIN TENT

A SWEET NOSH IN THE MAIN TENT

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE YOM KIPPUR CONCLUDING SERVICE

Everyone Is Welcome!

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

We are honored to provide you with the opportunity to include the names of your loved ones in our Book of Remembrance. If you gave us names last year or we have your names in our yahrzeit database, your list has been included in this mailing. You do not need to re-submit any names on this list. If you wish to add names or need to correct names, please use the form below.

If you have not previously submitted names, please use this form so that we can add your loved ones to the Book of Remembrance. All forms are due by Monday, September 16, 2019. Please email Cheryl Riina, criina@templest.org, with any questions.

It is traditional to make an annual contribution to the Book of Remembrance in memory of family members or friends. You may make your contribution to the Book of Remembrance or any Temple fund in the name of your loved ones by returning the form below. You may also submit names and/or make a contribution by completing the online form available on our website at www.shaaraytefila.org.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE LISTING FORM

Your name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Please find enclosed our contribution of \$ _____ (Make checks payable to Temple Shaaray Tefila)

I am paying by the following credit card: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Account Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Please memorialize the names of the following departed family members/friends in the 2019/5780 Yom Kippur Book of Remembrance: (Please print names clearly and in alphabetical order)

Name of Deceased:

Date of Passing:

Relationship:

HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

At Temple Shaaray Tefila we strive to build and strengthen sacred community all year long. We especially feel the power and vitality of our community at High Holy Days, as we gather together to be inspired, reflective and challenged.

As you think about your many blessings and about the many ways in which Shaaray Tefila has made a difference for you and your family, I encourage you to translate those thoughts into action. Your financial contribution will help to ensure that the temple will continue to provide a wide range of programs and services, as well as a greater ability to offer educational opportunities.

Thanks to the past generosity of our congregants, we maintained the high quality you have grown to expect and we rely on your generous contributions for the future. We are all links in the chain that bind us together as families.

**On behalf of all those who will benefit from your generosity,
I thank you and wish you a happy and healthy new year.**

Karen Spiegel

Karen Spiegel
President



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HIGH HOLY DAY PLEDGE FORM

This form can be returned to the Temple by mail, fax (914-412-9905) or scan/email (mhalter@templest.org). You can also give online through our website www.shaaraytefila.org.

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____

Amount pledged (Please Indicate)

\$ 10,000 \$ 1,000 \$ 250

\$ 5,000 \$ 750 \$ 100

\$ 2,500 \$ 500 Other Amount \$ _____

We expect to satisfy the balance of this year's pledge by _____.

We wish to make a pledge of \$ _____ dollars per year over _____ years.

Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$ _____.

Please charge my: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover Total: _____

Account Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

THANK YOU

CHILD CARE REGISTRATION

Fill out the form below and return to the attention of Eve Spence or register online at www.shaaraytefila.org

ROSH HASHANAH

Child's Name _____ Child's Age _____

will be in Child Care from _____ until _____

Child's Name _____ Child's Age _____

will be in Child Care from _____ until _____

Child's Name _____ Child's Age _____

will be in Child Care from _____ until _____

Parents intend to be in Tent _____ from _____ until _____

YOM KIPPUR

Child's Name _____ Child's Age _____

will be in Child Care from _____ until _____

Child's Name _____ Child's Age _____

will be in Child Care from _____ until _____

Child's Name _____ Child's Age _____

will be in Child Care from _____ until _____

Parents intend to be in Tent _____ from _____ until _____

CONTACT INFO

Parents' Names _____

Parent 1 Cell Phone _____ Parent 2 Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Allergies/health issues/other information:

“THE CHALLENGE OF THE HIGH HOLY DAYS”

Selichot 2019

Saturday, September 21st

Led by Rabbi David Greenberg

8:00pm – Coffee and Dessert

8:30pm – Program

**9:30pm – Selichot Service in the
Jewish Heritage Center**

**JOIN US ON
YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON**

AT 2:30PM in the Main Tent at Caramoor

for an uplifting discussion

LED BY RABBI DAVID GREENBERG



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