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SPECIAL CEREMONIES CONNECTED WITH ROSH HASHANAH

Although we usually think of the High Holy Days in terms of Synagogue Service, there are many beautiful ceremonies that take place outside the House of Worship.

At the Table

As is customary at every Holiday, the mother initiates the Holiday by lighting the Festival candles. The usual benedictions for the Festival candles are, of course, recited, followed by the "Shehecheyanu" benediction.

Following the Kiddush, the meal is begun by dipping the bread into honey. This custom is continued at all Festival meals until Hoshanah Rabbah.

On the first night, following the breaking of bread, it is customary to dip an apple into honey and after reciting the appropriate blessing over fruit, to add the following prayer:

"May it be thy will O Lord Our God and God of our Fathers to renew unto us a good and sweet year." On the second night it is also customary to make the Shehecheyanu blessing over a new fruit.

Tashlich

On the first day of Rosh Hashanah, the Tashlich ceremony is performed. This ceremony takes place in the afternoon along the banks of a body of fresh water. Appropriate prayers are recited as part of this mystical custom, indicating our desire to cast off all sins from our persons and to correct our ways.

In our community, we customarily gather for Tashlich about one hour before Mincha near the 85th Street entrance to the reservoir path in Central Park.

Eruv Tavshilin

An important ceremony that is performed this year because the Rosh Hashanah Holiday is followed immediately by the Sabbath, is that of the Eruv Tavshilin. Although food may be cooked on the Festivals, this permission applies only when the prepared food is eaten on the Festival Day itself.

In order to permit the preparation of food on Rosh Hashanah for the following Sabbath, Jewish Law provides for the Eruv Tavshilin ceremony. This You, your family and friends are cordially invited to attend

Selichoth Services

This Saturday Night, September 14th

12:30 A.M. in the Synagogue

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will conduct the service Cantor A. Joseph Cohen will officiate



A Midnight Snack

11:30 P.M. - Social Hall

Sponsored by the Sisterhood and Men's Club

involves the preparation of a piece of bread and some cooked food — a hard boiled egg is satisfactory in this respect — on Wednesday, prior to Rosh Hashanah. This food is put aside and may be used on the Sabbath. By means of this ceremony, we indicate that our preparation for the Sabbath begins before the Festival and whatever we do on the Festival itself is merely a continuation of this essential preparation which began before it. The appropriate blessing which accompanies this ritual can be found in the Prayer Book.

Rosh Hashanah Greetings

On Rosh Hashanah, upon leaving the Synagogue, all extend the High Holy Day greeting, מילשנה מוכה תכתבו "May you be inscribed for a good year."

לשנה טובה תכתבו

The Officers and Officials of the congregation and its affiliates extend heartiest wishes to the entire Kehilath Jeshurun family for a year of health, happiness and blessedness.

May the year 5724 usher in an era of everlasting peace for all mankind.

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein will preach this Sabbath at 11:00 A.M.
"STANDING UP TO GOD AND STANDING BEFORE GOD"

PLAN NOW FOR THE SUKKOTH FESTIVAL

Although it may seem somewhat premature to mention Sukkoth in a Rosh Hashanah bulletin, the joyous harvest festival of Succoth is but three weeks away.

The Holiday of Sukkoth, which begins this year on Wednesday evening, October 2nd, is marked by two special features which must be prepared in advance if the holiday is to be ushered in with a gay and happy spirit.

Lulav and Ethrog

The first of these features is the Lulav and Ethrog. The blessing over the Lulav and Ethrog is pronounced every day of the festival except on the Sabbath. These religious fruits are held during the recitation of Hallel and during the procession around the Synagogue.

Year after year, the procession becomes more impressive as more and more worshippers march with Lulav and Ethrog around the House of God. Many congregants obtain an extra set for their children and for making the blessing at home. Of course, the purchase of these fruits not only satisfies the requirements of Jewish law, but also contributes substantially to the growth of one of the largest export items of the State of Israel.

Our Ritual Director, Israel D. Rosenberg will be happy to arrange for you to obtain a Lulav and Ethrog. Please call him at the Synagogue office.

The Synagogue Sukkah

The second major feature of Sukkoth is the Sukkah itself. Every year our congregational Sukkah is rendered more beautiful thanks to the efforts of a devoted committee of women of the Sisterhood. This year under the leadership of Mrs. Hyman Abrams and Mrs. Sidney Scheinberg, arrangements have already been made for the decoration of the Sukkah. Kiddush will, of course, be served there for the entire congregation at the conclusion of every service.

In addition, special catered meals will be available according to the following schedule:

Wednesday night, October 2nd Thursday noon, October 3rd Friday night, October 4th Saturday noon, October 5th

Plan to be with us in the Sukkah for as many meals as possible. Make it a family affair by bringing the children. The spirit and warmth which pervade the Sukkah will render the experience an unforgettable one.

SYNAGOGUE ORDINANCES

- There are no vacant seats in our synagogue on the High Holy Days. All seats are reserved. We, therefore, ask our worshippers not to bring children or guests to the synagogue unless seats have been reserved for them. This will save embarrassment to all concerned.
- Tickets for the High Holy Days are not transferable. A seat may be used only by the one for whom it was reserved.
- 3) Children of ages six through twelve are invited to attend the Children's Services which are described elsewhere in this Bulletin. These services will be held from 11 to 1 o'clock on both days of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.
- 4) Children under the age of six and over the age of twelve will not be admitted to the Children's Services. Adults are requested not to enter the Children's Services to observe the service or the children while the service is in progress.
- 5) Worshippers who find their seats occupied are asked to call this fact to the attention of an usher on the floor.
- 6) The ushers serving during the High Holy Days do so voluntarily in order to maintain the proper

- decorum during the service. Your full cooperation with them will be greatly appreciated.
- 7) Worshippers are urged to join in the congregational singing and in the responsive readings.
- Conversation of any kind is forbidden during the services. Proper decorum is essential for dignified worship.
- 9) In spite of the fact that smoking is permitted on a holiday, when it does not occur on the Sabbath, we respectfully request our worshippers to refrain from smoking on synagogue premises during the entire holiday.
- 10) Please do not remove the Talith, or leave your seat until after the benediction is pronounced at the close of the services.
- 11) Our worshippers are urged to take advantage of the checking facilities which have been provided. White skull caps are available to all.
- 12) Uniform prayer books are available to all. At the close of services please leave the Prayer Book at your seat.
- 13) Worshippers' attire should be conservative and subdued in keeping with the sanctity of the House of God and the solemnity of the season

JUNIOR CONGREGATION BEGINS THIS SATURDAY

This Saturday morning, September 14th, at 10:15 O'clock, the Junior Congregation will hold its opening service of the season. The service will be held, as in the past, in the chapel of the synagogue. Although the meeting place for the service is the same, the service itself will take on a different and more interesting form.

The entire Junior Congregation program this year is under the direction of Mr. Noam Shudofsky, our director of Youth Activities. An enriched program has been outlined, from which our youngsters will gain a great deal in their understanding of the Sabbath prayers. The Junior Congregation will, of course, continue to have its own Kiddush following the completion of their service. The service will begin at 10:15 o'clock. Children from the ages of 9 through 12 are invited to attend this service.

Special service for 6-8 year olds begins on Rosh Hashanah

A new feature this year in our Junior Congregation activities will be the

special service for younger children. Beginning with Rosh Hashanah, children between the ages of 6-8 will hold a special service. This service will be led by a select group of Teen-agers of the congregation and will be under the direction of Mr. Noam Shudofsky.

On the first and second days of Rosh Hashanah, these younger children will meet at 10:50 in the auditorium of the synagague house. The Teen-age supervisors will direct them to a designated room for their service. Parents will meet their children in the auditorium after the conclusion of the services.

We list below the schedule for the Junior Congregation Services:

Saturday, Sept. 14th — 10:15 A.M. 9-12 year olds — chapel

Thursday, Sept. 19th and Friday, Sept. 20th — 10:50 A.M.

9-12 year olds — chapel

6-8 year olds — auditorium

Evening

WELCOME HOME MR. PRESIDENT

We extend a hearty welcome home to Max J. Etra, President of the congregation, who returned this week from a trip abroad. We are happy to have him back in our midst.

"THE DAYS BETWEEN"

According to tradition, our fate for the year is determined during this season. It is not widely known, however, that on Rosh Hashanah itself only the fate of the completely righteous and the totally wicked is decided. The intermediate person's fate remains pending during the Ten Days of Penitence until Yom Kippur.

It is proper for each individual to consider himself as such an intermediate person. He, therefore, tries during the period between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur to conduct himself in a thoroughly ethical manner. He is more scrupulous than usual in his attention to religious details.

During "The Days Between" we observe the Fast of Gedaliah on the day after Rosh Hashanah. This fast commemorates the assasination of the Governor of Judea, marking the final disintegration of the First Jewish Commonwealth. Inasmuch as the day following Rosh Hashanah this year is the Sabbath, the Fast of Gedaliah is observed on Sunday. The Fast begins before sunrise and ends after sunset.

Special Selichoth prayers continue to be recited during the week between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. On Sunday morning Selichoth will be recited at 8:00 o'clock, while during the week they will be said at 7:00 o'clock, one half-hour before the regular morning service.

It is customary during this period to examine one's charitable obligations which may have been overlooked during the past year. One then has an opportunity to fulfill these obligations while the spirit moves him.

None of us can be considered to be completely righteous. On the other hand, Jewish tradition does not allow us to view ourselves as totally wicked. We must, therefore, be classified as "intermediates" for whom "The Days Between" present an opportunity for the improvement of ourselves and of our moral standing. This much is certain, by exploiting all of the religious opportunities during these days, we have nothing to lose but a world to gain.

SCHEDULE OF ROSH HASHANAH SERVICES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th, ROSH HASHANAH EVE

Selichoth	Services .			6:30
				rvices will follow
*Evening	(Mincha	and	Ma'ariv)	6:00

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th, ROSH HASHANAH I

Morning		8:
	Sermon by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein	
	"The practical uses of Faith"	

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th, ROSH HASHANAH II

Mornina	8:00
9	Sermon by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
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"Mankind's Pursuit of Happiness Shall We Join The Chase?"

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st, SHABBAT SHUVAH

Morning 9:00
Sermon by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein
Evening 6:30
An Halachic discourse will be delivered by Rabbi Haskel Lookstein
Conclusion of Sabbath 7:25

DAILY SERVICES	
**Morning	7:30
Evening	6:00
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*An Eruv Tavshilin should be prepared.

**Selichoth Services will be held during the week between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, one half-hour before the regular morning services.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY CLASSES

On Saturday afternoon, September 14th, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will conduct a class at 6:00 o'clock in the Laws of Rosh Hashanah. The particular subject with which the class will deal will be the sounding of the Shofar. The laws of this ritual and its significance as part of the High Holy Days liturgy will be discussed.

Shabbat Shuvah Discourse

Following Mincha services on Saturday afternoon, September 21st, Rabbi Haskel Lookstein will deliver an Halachic discourse in keeping with the tradition of Shabbat Shuvah.

All those who are interested - men and women - are invited to participate in these special High Holy Day features.

SELICHOTH DURING THE WEEK

6:00

While the "Midnight" Selichoth Service has a special glamour and importance all its own, Selichoth Services continue to be held throughout the week preceding Rosh Hashanah and the week between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. During the coming week, Selichoth will be recited on Monday and Tuesday mornings at 7 o'clock, one half hour before the start of the regular morning service.

On Wednesday morning, Erev Rosh Rosh Hashanah, there is an extended service known as "Z'chor Brith." This service, which is composed mostly of moving liturgical poems from the middle ages is conducted by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein. This service will begin at 6:30 in the morning. The regular service will follow at 7:30.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

*Evening	.6:15
SATURDAY	
Morning	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:15

Weekly Portion: Nitzavim-Vayelech Deuteronomy 29:9-31:30 Haftora: Isaiah 61:10-63:9

Evening	7:00
Conclusion of Sabbath	
DAILY SERVICES	
Morning	7:30
Sunday Morning	
Evening	6.00

*Sabbath Candles are kindled twenty min-utes before sunset. Those, however, who conform to our schedule of ushering in the Sabbath at 6:15 P.M. should also light candles at that hour.

PLEASE NOTE

Please retain this issue of the Bulletin as it contains information pertaining to the forthcoming two weeks.

The next issue of the Bulletin will reach you prior to Yom Kippur. In that issue, there will be included all the information regarding the Yom Kippur services. For your advance information - the Kol Nidre Service will begin at 6:20 on Friday evening, September 27th.

THANKS, MR. JOSEPH ADLER!

In the course of the summer, Mr. Joseph E. Adler, our esteemed Associate Trustee, was kind enough to officiate as Cantor at services on several Sabbaths. As usual, his renditions were wonderful and extremely well received. We are grateful to him for his constant cooperation, graciously offered.

YAHRZEITS

September

- 14-ANNA KAPLAN
- 14—EVE SANDERS
- 14—SAMUEL LUSTBADER
- 14-MAX SCHEIDT
- 15—ANNIE TRACHMAN
- 17—BERTHA HAUPTMAN
- 17—BANY KRAUSS
- 17-ANNA ZUCKER
- 18-NANNETTE KAHAN
- 18-FANNIE MOSKOWITZ
- 18-FANNY DATTNER
- 19-SAMUEL GOLD
- 19-ADOLPH DATTNER
- 20-YETTA KAPLAN
- 21-BERTHA MAYER
- 21-MARGARET LEVIN
- 21-SAMUEL FELDMAN
- 21-ANNA GROSS
- 21-JACOB HASS

22-PHILIP POLNER

- 22-JACOB GREENFIELD
- 22-BELLA GOLDBERG
- 22-SARA B. KAPLAN
- 23-SADIE H. LUBELL
- 24-WILLIAM BACHRACH 24-ANNA SHEAR
- 24-BESSIE N. COHEN
- 24-HANNAH R. EPSTEIN
- 24-HARRIS B. GOLDMAN
- 26-ZALI LICHTMAN
- 26-JACOB HECHT
- 27—IGNATZ MARGARETEN
- 27-M. PINCUS LANDAU
- 27-DAVID ABRAMSON
- 27-LILLIAN R. ZUCKERBRAUN
- 27-CHARLES GOODMAN
- 27-ROSALIE ISRAEL
- 27-CARL SIEGEL
- 27-DORA BRODY

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays-

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Hyman Abrams, Mrs. Rose Alpert, Mrs. Hilda S. Berger, Dr. Samuel W. Bloom, Mrs. Max Dattner, Mrs. Usher Doppelt, Mrs. Leo Edelman, Isidore Grossman, Dr. William F. Herzig, Joseph Kagan, Mrs. Nathan Kalischer, Lawrence A. Kobrin, Mrs. Alexander Kommel, Mordie Mann, Mrs. Joseph A. Perlman, Mrs. Frank Roth, Murray J. Schlussel, Julius Schwartz, Adrian Skydell and Mrs. Ralph Spencer.

Anniversaries—

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Saul J. Lance and Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Lichtman.

Well Done-

Our hearty congratulations to our esteemed Trustee, Joesph Schlang, on the forthcoming publication of an outstanding volume on the Bible, entitled "The Graphic History of the Jewish Heritage". This volume which has already been glowingly described in the New York press, was published through the efforts of a foundation headed by Mr. Schlang. It represents about twenty-five years of work on the part of the author and the sponsors.

We congratulate Mr. Schlang on a splendid service to the Jewish Community. We express our collective hope that the volume will be received well and that it will contribute to the study and comprehension of the Bible.

