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Congregation B'nai Jehoshua Beth Elohim

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ROSH HASHANAH

Evening Services Wednesday, September 24 at 6:00 pm or 8:30 pm

L' Dor Vador Services Thursday, September 25 at 9:00 am or 12:00 pm

Traditional Services
Thursday, September 25 at 9:00 am or 12:00 pm

Tinok (pre-reader) Service* Thursday, September 25 at 2:30 pm

Tashlich* Thursday, September 25 at 4:00 pm Wood Oaks Park, Northbrook

YOM KIPPUR

Evening Services Friday, October 3 at 6:00 pm or 8:30 pm

L' Dor Vador Services Saturday, October 4 at 9:00 am or 12:00 pm

Traditional Services Saturday, October 4 at 9:00 am or 12:00 pm

> Tinok (pre-reader) Service* Saturday, October 4 at 2:30 pm

> Torah Study* Saturday, October 4 at 2:30 pm

Contemplation and Reflection, Yizkor (Memorial) & Neilah (Concluding) Services*
Saturday, October 4 at 4:00 pm

* ticket not required

BJBE HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS

L' DOR VADOR (FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION) SERVICE

Our multi-generational service offers a spiritual opportunity for all members of BJBE's families and is appropriate for school-age children, parents and grandparents. This service includes contemporary and traditional readings, music, vocal ensemble, as well as Torah reading and sermon. The service is designed by our clergy to bring a contemporary worship experience to the High Holy Days and provide the opportunity for families to celebrate together and pass on Jewish traditions L' Dor Vador - from generation to generation.

TRADITIONAL SERVICE

Our Traditional Service featuring our High Holy Day Choir and geared toward adult worship, unites all the elements of the BJBE High Holy Day experience: meaningful prayer, Torah, choral music, and a moving and thought provoking sermon. We gather to celebrate the New Year together in our spiritual home as we reaffirm our traditions and begin anew our religious journey.

TINOK (PRE-READER) SERVICE

The Tinok Service provides a festive and fun atmosphere for preschool through kindergarten-aged children, their parents and grandparents to celebrate the High Holy Days. This engaging service introduces the youngest members of our community to the mitzvah of celebrating the beginning of a new year. This service does not require a ticket and is open to all who wish to attend.

TASHLICH SERVICE

The Taschlich Service is held in the late afternoon on Rosh Hashanah at Wood Oaks Park in Northbrook. We will gather by Lake Shermerville for an intergenerational, musical service during which we will cast bread into the lake to symbolize ridding ourselves of our sins. This contemplative service does not require a ticket and is open to all who wish to attend.

AFTERNOON SERVICE OF CONTEMPLATION & REFLECTION, YIZKOR (MEMORIAL) & NEILAH (CONCLUDING) SERVICES

Yom Kippur afternoon begins with the reading of Torah and the telling of the story of Jonah. Immediately following is a service of Contemplation & Reflection which seeks to elevate moments of stillness and introspection with music, prayer and inspirational readings. This service transitions into Yizkor and then Neilah Services which conclude by 6:00 pm.

MEMBER TICKETS

BJBE offers a choice of services and times for the evening and daytime services. This year for the first time, families are asked to choose by individual services. **Please mark only those services that you plan on attending.** A customized ticket will be created for each family member based on your selections. For detailed information on BJBE High Holy Day Services, see the front inside cover of this booklet for the service schedule and the adjoining page for service descriptions.

Out-of-town relatives who request reciprocal tickets to worship at BJBE should be informed of your choices so that you can attend together as a family.

Please fill out the form in the enclosed mailing and return it to the temple office as soon as possible. **Requests will be filled on a first-come**, **first served basis**.

GUEST TICKETS

Congregation BJBE warmly invites the entire community to worship with us during select High Holy Day Services. All are welcome to attend our Tinok, Tashlich, Contemplation and Reflection, Torah, Yizkor and Neilah Services without a ticket and at no charge.

Tickets may be purchased by members for their relatives and guests. Guest ticket pricing is as follows:

- One Individual Service: \$150
- Tickets to all BJBE High Holy Day Services (one evening and one morning service for both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur): \$550

BJBE will fulfill guest ticket requests for Traditional Services on a first-come, first-served basis once congregant tickets orders that have been placed by September 1st have been processed. Families can request up to 2 guest tickets for the Traditional Services. We will accommodate you in another service if we cannot fulfill your request. Guest tickets are available for L' Dor Vador Services.

Guests affiliated with another Reform Congregation can receive reciprocal tickets by asking their home synagogue to inform BJBE of their attendance.

Non-congregant college students will be admitted with their college ID to the Erev and L' Dor Vador Services.

A limited number of guest tickets are available for purchase by prospective members for the Erev and L' Dor Vador Services. Contact the office for more information.

TICKET INFORMATION

BJBE Introduces Badge Tickets for High Holy Days!

BJBE is rolling out a new ticket system for the 2014/5775 High Holy Days! We will be using an environmentally friendly system where we send out one name badge insert for each person attending High Holy Day services. At the first High Holy Day service you attend, we request that you pick up a badge holder from the ushers, place your ticket insert inside and display your ticket. Please save your name badge and reuse it for each service you attend. At the last High Holy Day service you attend, kindly return the badge holder in bins that will be placed at the exits. Thank you for helping BJBE in our continued effort to be green!

- Tickets are required for all Erev, L' Dor Vador and Traditional Services.
- Tickets are issued to all members in good standing with the congregation.
- Adults will receive a name badge insert listing the services they will attend.
- Young Adults, including children 13 years and older and any unmarried children age 30 and under who are living at home, will receive a name badge insert listing the services they will attend.
- Children age 12 years and under will receive a sticker ticket for each service they will be attending.
- Tickets will be processed in batches, with mailing dates in late August and early September.
- The entire community is invited to our Tinok, Tashlich, and Yom Kippur Afternoon Services (including Contemplation and Reflection, Yizkor and Neilah) at no charge and without a ticket.
- Limited tickets are available for purchase. Contact the office for information. Tickets are available for individual services and as a set.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Reserved seating can be arranged for those individuals with special needs. **Due to space considerations, we must limit reserved seating to two seats per family.** *Seats will be reserved until 20 minutes prior to the start of services.* To make these arrangements, please fill out the form enclosed with this mailing and return it to the BJBE office by September 1st.

MEMORIAL BOOKS

During our Yom Kippur Yizkor Service, we distribute a meaningful Memorial Book listing the names of family and friends who have been lost to us over the years. The Memorial Book will also be distributed during the Passover Morning Yizkor Service. Our Memorial Book includes special features of inspiration and remembrance to commemorate your loved ones.

All members are invited to include the names of their deceased loved ones in our Memorial Book. Names can be included for \$36 for the first name and \$25 for each additional name. You also have the option to include the names of those you wish to memorialize *In Perpetuity*. The cost for this is \$360 per name. Please return the form enclosed with this mailing to the BJBE office by September 1st to ensure the inclusion of your loved ones.

Members and guests are also invited to meditate in our beautiful Contemplation Room.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Children's programming during the High Holy Day Services has been a BJBE tradition for many years. This programming includes prayer, music, stories and art, and is taught by our own experienced BJBE teachers and teaching assistants. Juice and a healthy snack will be provided. *No food from home may be brought into the classrooms*.

Children's programming is available for the early Erev Services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur for children between the ages of 24 months and third-grade.

If you plan to attend Traditional daytime Services and have a child between the ages of 24 months and third-grade, we invite them to participate in our children's programming. You may bring your third-grader to either the Traditional Services or to children's programming.

If you plan to attend the L' Dor Vador daytime Services and have a child between the ages of 24 months and kindergarten, we invite them to participate in our children's programming. You may bring your kindergartner to either the L' Dor Vador Services or to children's programming.

The fee is \$18 per child, per service, whether it is the Traditional Service or the L' Dor Vador Service. Walk-in registration is \$25 per child, space permitting. The fee is non-refundable. Please use the enclosed form to make your reservations by September 1st.

Sukkot

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

Sukkot Morning Service at 9:30 am

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

Simchat Torah and Religious School Consecration Service at 6:30 pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

Simchat Torah Morning Service at 9:30 am

Lulav & Etrogs are available for \$50 through the Temple office.

Contact the office for more information or to place your order by September 1st.

BUILD A SUKKAH WITH BJBE!

Community Sukkah Building Day

Sunday, October 5, 2014 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm Men's Club volunteers are available to help fellow congregants build their sukkahs. It's easy to do and won't take more than an hour.

Contact: Fred Beslow at fredbeslow@gmail.com

PRAYER BOOKS

Gates of Repentance, the High Holy Day prayer book, will be used for the evening and Traditional Services and is not provided by the Congregation. Books can be purchased in the BJBE office prior to Rosh Hashanah at a cost of \$25 each. BJBE will provide a prayer book for the L' Dor Vador Service to attendees free of charge.

PARKING

With two daytime services running concurrently, offsite parking will be available with bus service to BJBE to accommodate the expected number of people. This is in addition to parking that is within walking distance to the temple. We are actively working with our security personnel, the Deerfield Police Department and local establishments to finalize these arrangements. Details will be provided with your tickets

BJBE HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE

"And when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corner of your field. You shall leave them for the poor and the stranger..."

Leviticus 19:9



For 37,000 Chicago area Jews, the Yom Kippur fast is not always a voluntary activity. Please help us end the shame and pain of hunger. During Rosh Hashanah, bags will be distributed for you to fill with non-perishable food items and paper goods to be returned to BJBE on Yom Kippur. Items will be donated to **The ARK** for distribution.

We also urge you to support MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger.

Donations may be sent to:
MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger
1990 South Bundy Drive Suite 260
Los Angeles, CA 90025
www.mazon.org

Please contact Arlene Mayzel, Executive Director, with any High Holy Day questions or comments. She can be reached at amayzel@bjbe.org or by contacting the temple office.



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