

# 5781 High Holidays At A Glance



Below are some of our tentative plans for this year's High Holidays.

**Elulminations** – during the month of Elul leading up to the holidays, we will be emailing daily inspirational messages and have live daily online learning opportunities led by Rabbi Shawn, Rabbi Haaz, Dr. Ely Levine, Rabbi Ira Flax, Rabbi Moriah SimonHazani, Dr. Sara H. Cohen and others.

**The Shofar is Coming!** - Get in the holiday spirit as we bring the Shofar to you over the course of the month of Elul. Stay tuned for times and locations.

**Drive By HZT** – an opportunity to stop by and drop off food for the annual Food Drive, and pick up machzors to use during online services, a special care package with High Holiday materials and treats, and school material for kids in NCCECE and JFGRS.

*Pre-Rosh Hashanah Virtual Seder* – Join Rabbi Shawn and Rabbi Haaz for a family-centered experience on Friday evening just before Rosh Hashanah begins, to start the holidays off right.

## **Rosh Hashanah Services (highlights):**

For everyone's health and safety, congregational participation will be virtual only. We will only have staff physically in the building for services.

**Morning Services** – We will have a halachic service going all the way thru a complete Torah reading and Haftarah, with a minyan of staff and their families. We will then have a **Community Experience "Har Zion Rosh Hashanah" Mosaic**, featuring many of the essential components of the services, including prayers with familiar tunes, portions of Torah readings by our youth and Rabbi Haaz's sermon, interspersed with input from members of our community. We will then complete the service with a halachic Musaf service.

*Family Friendly Service and Picnic* – Join Norman, Rabbi Shawn and Rabbi Haaz on Saturday afternoon for an outdoor service (weather permitting) geared towards young families. Plan to bring a blanket for your family to sit on (socially distanced) in the field behind the building. (Rain plan will be virtual.)

*Online Programming for High Schoolers and College and Beyond (to age 25)* – Join Norman on Saturday night for lounge and discussion sessions for our older youth.

**Shofar on the Roof** – Sunday afternoon we will be opening up the HZT parking lot for live Shofar services. Don't miss this opportunity to hear the Shofar bring in 5781 as part of a short service on-site (but please stay in your car to maintain social distancing).

**In-person visits to the Bronstein Memorial Room and the Main Sanctuary** – The week between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, you will be able to sign up to come into the building for some quiet reflection in advance of the Yom Kippur holiday and Yizkor.

## **Kol Nidre & Yom Kippur (highlights):**

Services on Sunday night and Monday, similar in format to Rosh Hashanah.

**Adult Education** classes on Yom Kippur afternoon to complete your day.

*Family Friendly Multigenerational Yizkor* – Join Rabbi Haaz and Norman for a memorial service designed for family participation.