



# THE BAYIT BULLETIN

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Weekly Edition

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## Kiddush

There will be no Kiddush this Shabbat.

## This Week

### Shabbat Parshat Haazinu September 10-11

- Candle Lighting: 6:56pm
- Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat: 7:00pm
- Shalom Bayit: 6:50am (2nd Floor BM)
- Sephardic Tefillah: 8:30am (Lower Level BM)
- Shacharit: 8:30am
- Sof Zman Kri'at Shema: 9:42am
- Mincha: 6:00pm
- Shabbat Shuvah Discourse: 6:30pm
- Shabbat Ends: 7:57pm

## High Holiday & Shabbat Davening Schedule

See inside page for weekday,  
Rosh Hashanah, Shabbat Shuvah,  
and Yom Kippur davening times.

*Rabbi Avi Weiss, Rabba Sara Hurwitz, Rabbi Steven Exler, JYEP Director Aaron Braun, Co-Youth Directors Shira Berkovits and Evan Zauder, the Executive Board, the Building Committee, and the Office Staff wish you a Shanah Tova U'metuka!*



## Mazal Tov To:

**Agnes & Irving Steinbaum** on the birth of a great-granddaughter to parents Natalie & Tzvi Buchsbaum.

**Gemma & Ari White** on the birth of a son. To big brother Asher.

**Eva & Richard Rubel** on the engagement of their granddaughter Rena Rubel to Yehuda Williams.



## FREE HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES in English

*Rosh Hashanah: Sept. 9, Sept. 10, at 3:30pm*

*Yom Kippur: Sept. 18, at 3:30pm*

Join Rabbi Avi Weiss and Rabbi Steven Exler for a spirited and inspirational High Holiday Service, open to all. No RSVP required.

## ELEVATOR USAGE DURING THE HIGH HOLIDAYS:

The elevator will not be set to Shabbat mode during the High Holidays. There will be a maintenance staff person at all times to assist you.

If you have purchased High Holiday Seats in the Social Hall, we recommend that you use the driveway to enter and exit the Social Hall.

If you have a child attending the **Youth Babysitting groups** during the High Holidays, please do not bring your baby stroller with you into the elevator, but instead leave it in the coat room. Thank you and we wish you a sweet and **safe** new year!



## Shabbat Shuvah Discourse

Rav Avi will give the Shabbat Shuvah discourse **this Shabbat, September 11** at 6:30pm, titled "High Holidays: Balancing Our Loyalties to the Jewish People and Humankind." Child care will be available during the discourse.

## Join us for our High Holiday Season Weekday Classes

**Tuesday mornings, September 14, and 21**

10:00am - Eat Pray Live: Symbols of the High Holiday Season with Rav Steven

11:00am - Memorable Machzor Moments: A Close Look at Holiday Liturgy with Rabba Sara

The regular class schedule begins the week of October 11.

**HIGH HOLIDAY SEATS 5771:** If you would like seats for Yom Kippur only, and have not submitted your form with payment please mail it in as soon as possible.

## SUKKOT COMMUNAL MEALS 5771: Come join your friends at our annual communal evening meals in our \*new\* Sukkah!

September 22 - September 23 - September 24

For each evening:

Members: \$30/adult, \$20/child 5-12 years old. Children 4 and under: Free.

Non-members: \$35/adult, \$25/child 5-12 years old. Children 4 and under: Free.

Space is limited so please make your reservations early. Reservations without payment will not be accepted.

**Please contact the office with reservation and payment by Friday, Sept. 17.**



# Youth Department

## Hershey Park Trip!

6th - 12th graders, join us on Monday, September 27th, Chol Hamoed Sukkot for our annual trip to Hershey Park. The bus leaves at 8am from the HIR. Cost is \$60 before Sept. 14 and \$65 after. Email Evan to RSVP at [evanhir@gmail.com](mailto:evanhir@gmail.com). Don't forget to pack a lunch, there will be a Sukkah on premises. Bring your friends!

## Youth Groups Schedule, September/October

Because of the holiday schedule, summer youth groups will continue through Shabbat October 2. Babysitting groups for 3 years - 2nd grade will be available for both days of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur; pre-registration through the shul office is required for these groups. Full, regular groups for all ages begin Shabbat October 9.

Tashlich: Join us at the lake to sing, play games and learn all about the water service. We leave as a group from HIR after Mincha on Thursday Sept. 9, the first day of Rosh Hashanah.



## SUKKAH HOP

**K-3rd grade, come along for an exciting Sukkot adventure! Sing songs, play games and visit all different types of Riverdale Sukkot with your friends. We walk as a group from the HIR on Friday Sept. 24, at 4:15pm; parents welcome. If you would like to host the hop in your Sukkah, contact Shira.**

## BAYIT KATAN

Calling all toddlers up to age 3 with parent or caregiver!

BAYIT KATAN will meet on Thursdays from 10:30am - 12:00pm. Session 1 runs Oct. 14 - Nov. 18. Our nurturing Jewish environment will include free play, sensory art, circle time with music, and a healthy snack. Fee \$100 for 6 sessions. For more info or to register, contact Kathy Goldstein ([kathyandahron@verizon.net](mailto:kathyandahron@verizon.net)) and Lamelle Ryman ([lamelle.ryman@gmail.com](mailto:lamelle.ryman@gmail.com)).



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW CO-YOUTH DIRECTORS

The Bayit welcomes our TWO fantastic Youth Directors. Shira Berkovits is back as our Shabbat Groups Youth Director, and we

welcome Evan Zauder to energize our weekly youth department activities as our Programming and Events Director. Shira can be reached at [hirshira@yahoo.com](mailto:hirshira@yahoo.com). Evan can be reached at [evanhir@gmail.com](mailto:evanhir@gmail.com).



## Summer Youth Groups Continue this Shabbat

Play Room: 3rd Floor Room 3-7 (Starts 10:00am)

Tot Shabbat: 3rd Floor Room 3-4 (Starts 10:30am)

Nursery - Pre School: 3rd Floor Room 3-3 (Starts 10:00am)

K - 1st Grade: 3rd Floor Room 3-1 (Starts 10:00am)

**Groups conclude at 11:30am. Parents, please be sure to pick up your children from their respective groups.**



## 3rd-5th GRADE RH DAVENING GROUP

3rd - 5th Graders, join Rabbinic Intern, Ari Hart for an interactive Rosh Hashanah tefillah experience, with special Rosh Hashanah treats & shofar blowing. The group meets from 10:30-11:30am on the 3rd floor. See you there!



## Family Simchat Beit Hashoevah

Monday, Sept. 27, 4:30pm-6:30pm

Join the Bayit Band, featuring Lamelle Ryman, Aviva Nash, Avi Rosenfeld and others for songs, stories, and pizza. Children of all ages welcome. Cost \$5.



## DONATIONS

The youth department is looking for donations of gently-used rugs, couches, books, and toys for the youth rooms. If you have one of these items, e-mail Shira.

Please attach a picture of couch and rug donations with your email.



## ROSH HASHANA BABYSITTING

Rosh Hashanah Babysitting groups for 3 year olds - 2nd graders will take place in the third floor classrooms from 9:30am-1:15pm. For safety reasons, children **MUST** be pre-registered to attend these groups. A play room is available for all children & parents on the 3rd floor - no registration necessary. If you did not register your child for Rosh Hashanah groups but would like to register for Yom Kippur groups, contact Shira during the week .

# Davening Schedule 5770-71/2010

## Thursday, September 9

### Rosh Hashanah (Day 1)

Shacharit:

Social Hall & Main Sanctuary 7:30am

Learning Service 9:30am

Shofar Blowing 10:00am (approx.)

Free Service 3:30pm

Mincha/Tashlich 5:15pm

Tashlich at Indian Pond, Livingston North of 246th Street

Mincha/Shiur with Wendy Amsellem 6:45pm

Titled "Fighting With Angels: The Power of Prayer"

Daf Yomi 7:05pm

Maariv 7:45pm

Candle Lighting After 8:00pm



## Friday, September 10

### Rosh Hashanah (Day 2)

Shacharit:

Social Hall & Main Sanctuary 7:30am

Learning Service 9:30am

Shofar Blowing 10:00am (approx.)

Free Service 3:30pm

Daf Yomi 6:00pm

Shiur with Rav Steven 6:15pm

Titled "Apples and Honey and the Meaning of Symbols"

Candle Lighting 6:56pm

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv 7:00pm

## Shabbat, September 11

### Shabbat Shuvah

Shacharit 8:30am

Daf Yomi 11:00am (approx.)

Mincha 6:00pm

Shabbat Shuvah Discourse 6:30pm

Shabbat Ends 7:57pm

## Sunday, September 12

### Fast of Gedaliah

Fast Begins 5:21am

Shacharit with Selichot 8:30am

Mincha 6:45pm

Fast Ends: 7:52pm

## Selichot Schedule for Aseret Yemei Teshuvah

### Monday, September 13 - Thursday, September 16

Every Night at 9:30pm

Shacharit with Selichot 6:15am and 8:00am

## Friday, September 17

### Erev Yom Kippur

Shacharit 6:35am and 8:00am

Mincha 3:30pm

Kol Nidrei 6:40pm

Candle Lighting 6:44pm

Fast Begins by 7:02pm

## Shabbat, September 18

### Yom Kippur

Shacharit:

Social Hall 7:15am

Main Sanctuary 7:30am

Learning Service 10:00am

Yizkor 10:30am (approx.)

Free Service 3:30pm

Fast Ends 7:45pm

### **ERUV TAVSHILIN**

*\* Please remember to prepare an Eruv Tavshilin prior to the onset of the holiday - even if you do not plan to cook - to allow preparation for Shabbat and lighting Shabbat candles. The blessing can be found on page 654 in the Artsroll siddur.*

### **Shabbat Shuvah 9/11 Memorial Gathering**

After tefillah we will march together to the Riverdale Monument to remember the victims of 9/11.

### **MIKVEH TIMES**

*The Riverdale Mikveh will be open for men: Erev Rosh Hashanah, Wed., Sept. 8, and Erev Yom Kippur, Fri., Sept. 17, from 4:45am - 1:45pm..*

## Wednesday, September 22

### Erev Sukkot\*

Candle Lighting 6:35pm

Mincha/Maariv 6:40pm

## Thursday, September 23

### Sukkot (Day 1)

Shacharit 8:30am

Mincha/Shiur 6:15pm

Maariv 7:15pm

Candle Lighting After 7:37pm

## Friday, September 24

### Sukkot (Day 2)

Shacharit 8:30am

Candle Lighting 6:32pm

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv 6:35pm

## Shabbat, September 25

### Shabbat Chol Hamoed Sukkot (Day 3)

Shacharit 8:30am

Mixed Kohelet Reading after services

Mincha/Kohelet in Sukkah 6:10pm

Maariv/Shabbat Ends 7:33pm

## Sunday, September 26 - Tuesday, September 28

### Chol Hamoed Sukkot (Days 4-6)

Sunday Shacharit 8:30am

Monday & Tuesday Shacharit 6:20am and 8:00am

Mincha/Maariv 6:30pm

## Wednesday, September 29

### Hoshannah Rabbah (Day 7)\*

Shacharit First Minyan 6:00am

Shacharit Second Minyan with Live Music 8:00am

Candle Lighting 6:23pm

Mincha/Maariv 6:25pm

## Thursday, September 30

### Shmini Atzeret

Shacharit 8:30am

Yizkor 10:30am (approx.)

Mincha/Torah Trivia 6:00pm

Maariv and Hakafot 6:45pm

Candle Lighting After 7:25pm

Communal Hakafah 9:15pm

## Friday, October 1

### Simchat Torah

Shacharit 8:30am

Candle Lighting 6:20am

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv 6:25pm

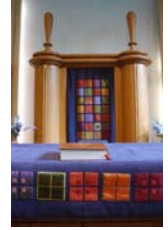
## Shabbat, October 2

Shacharit 8:30am

Mincha/Shiur 5:55pm

Maariv/Shabbat Ends 7:15pm

*\* Please remember to prepare an Eruv Tavshilin prior to the onset of the holiday to allow one to cook on Yom Tov in preparation for Shabbat and light Shabbat candles. The blessing can be found on page 654 in the Artsroll siddur. Feel free to contact the rabbinic staff for further explanation.*



**MESSAGE FROM THE RABBIS:**

During the holiday season, we recite twice daily Psalm 27, in which we call out to God:  
 אַחַת וְשְׂאֵלְתִי מֵאֵת ה' אֹתָהּ אֲבַקֵּשׁ שְׁבִיטִי בְּבַיִת ה'; כָּל יְמֵי חַיֵּי

One thing that I ask of you God, that shall I seek: That I dwell in the House of God all the days of my life ...”  
 The Psalmist makes just one simple request from God - to live in God’s Bayit, to reside in the sweetness of God’s home. This year, we have built a Bayit that is large enough for each and every person to find their own seat in our home. We have dynamic programs, spiritually uplifting prayer services, classes for children and adults alike, and youth activities that will leave our children asking for more. And we at the Bayit ask just one small thing - that each of you seek out the class or program that speaks to you, that enters your soul and that helps you grow.

We wish you a Shana Tova, a year of comfort and peace.

*Rav Avi, Rav Steven, and Rabba Sara*

**Chesed Opportunity**

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT THE RIVERDALE HOMELESS SHELTER:** Looking for volunteers to cook meals for 8 homeless men at the Ethical Culture Society on the first Monday night of every month. The next date is Oct. 4. Please contact Shira Gordon at 718-549-5280 or e-mail shiragordon@optonline.net to volunteer.  
 We are looking for overnight volunteers to staff our monthly rotation. Additionally if you are interested in helping to coordinate volunteers for the shelter or have general questions please contact Danny Chameides at 646-316-3909.

**Do you know someone who needs any of the following?  
 Would you like to volunteer for any of these committees?**

**Shiva:** We are looking for fill-in volunteers during Jane Flechner’s absence. Please contact ravstevensexler@gmail.com.

**Home or Nursing Home Visits or Telephone Calls:**

Rivka Haut: 718-543-1072, rivkahaut@yahoo.com  
 Ruth Licht: 718-796-3491, ruth.licht@verizon.net  
 Isaac Geld: 917-733-4961, kindcare@aol.com

**Meals for New Mothers:**

Aimee Baron: 718-432-0777, baronajl@yahoo.com

**Hospitality and Welcome:** hirwelcome@gmail.com

**Young HIR:** hirsocial@gmail.com



**Construction Update**

**Driveway:** We have just completed the paving of our driveway.

**Exterior work on Main Sanctuary:** Long deferred pointing and other maintenance has been completed on the north side and is now underway on the south side.

**Kitchen:** Installation of our kitchen equipment has begun.

**Movable Wall for dividing Social Hall:** Is in fabrication and is scheduled for installation in mid-October.

**Lighting in Main Sanctuary:** We are working with a lighting consultant on options for enhancing the lighting for certain areas of the Main Sanctuary.

**Baby Changing Tables:** Three new baby changing tables have been installed in the main level men’s bathroom, in the third floor children’s bathroom and in the lower level nursing room.

**Yahrtzeit Plaques:** The ritual committee is deciding on an appropriate location and re-installation is anticipated shortly after Sukkot, if not before.

**Bookcase for Siddurim for Main Sanctuary:** An additional bookcase (for the mens’ side of the entrance vestibule) will be installed between Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur.

**Air-Conditioning:** The new system is not yet working optimally and we are working with our design engineer, contractor and consultants to properly balance the system. We appreciate your patience and understanding in the meantime.

**Elevator:** The elevator has not worked properly since it was installed. This is a top priority of the building committee and, here again, we appreciate your patience as we work to address the situation.

**Punchlist:** We have a long list of punchlist items that our general contractor is working on.

**Pledges:** If you have not yet made a pledge to the Building Fund, please do so during this High Holiday Season as we cannot complete and pay for this Project without the support of the entire HIR Family. If you have already made a pledge, we thank you and ask that you redeem your pledge as early as possible.

**Beyond the Bayit**

**HIR CHOIR RESUMES:** The HIR Choir has started its 9th season. New members are invited to join. Next rehearsal is on Wed. evening Sept. 15th at 7:30pm in room 3-1 in the new Bayit. For further information, contact Jonathan Dzik at 718-549-8520 or at JFDzik326@aol.com.

**THE BAYIT**

**The Hebrew Institute of Riverdale - The Bayit - is an open Orthodox Synagogue which serves the entire Jewish community. We warmly embrace all Jews regardless of affiliation, commitment or background. HIR is affectionately known as the "Bayit", which is a home - a place of love and welcome. The Bayit is known nationally for bringing spirituality into the synagogue, for activism, learning programs, and work on behalf of the elderly, the homebound, and the mentally and physically challenged.**