

GUIDE TO THE 5784 HIGH HOLY DAYS

ADMITTANCE CARDS

To ensure that we are able to accommodate our congregation, High Holy Day admittance cards are issued to member families only. Each individual of a member's family will receive an admittance card which will be checked at each service. Children under the age of six do not need an admittance card. Admittance cards are assigned to a specific individual and are non-transferable. For security and safety reasons, it is absolutely necessary for all members to bring their admittance card to services. Please be sure to complete your family's admittance card request form and return as soon as possible.

YOUNG ADULTS | YOUNG FAMILIES

Temple membership is available at no cost for our Young Adult/Family membership category, established to encourage young adults ages 21-29 to become members of Temple Beth Am. This incentive is not available to Day School families.

For further details contact Rita Diaz, Membership Director, 786.364.9434, rdiaz@tbam.org.

LOCAL EXTENDED FAMILY

Parents and adult children of members residing in Miami-Dade County are encouraged to join Temple Beth Am and participate in the many programs we offer. Families or individuals who wish to become members, but cannot meet our suggested financial commitment, are invited to meet in total confidentiality with Rita Diaz, Membership Director, 786.364.9434, rdiaz@tbam.org.

OUT-OF-TOWN EXTENDED FAMILY

With the knowledge that some congregants have extended family with whom they wish to share the High Holy Days, our Board of Directors has created an Extended Family policy. Extended Family is defined as parents or adult children over the age of 29 who reside outside of Miami-Dade County. Extended Family are offered High Holy Day admittance cards for a financial commitment of \$100 per person.

RECIPROCITY ARRANGEMENT

Any member who is traveling out of town for the High Holy Days and would like to worship at another synagogue should contact Mindy Robbin, 786.364.9446, mrobbin@tbam.org, as soon as possible to obtain a reciprocity request form.

MEMBERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Special seating is available to our members with special needs (plus one other person) that would otherwise prevent them from attending High Holy Day Services. Contact Mindy Robbin 786.364.9446, mrobbin@tbam.org, with your request. Preparations are necessary to provide special seating accommodations, so we ask that you call no later than Friday, September 9TH.

We may not be able to honor requests after the above date. All approved accommodations will be held until 15 minutes before the beginning of each worship service. At that time, all unoccupied seats will be released for general congregational worship.

CHILDCARE

Babysitting services for children 2-5 years will be available on Rosh HaShanah from 8:15 AM - 2:30 PM, and on Yom Kippur Day from 8:15 AM - 2:30 PM. Contact Donna Coughlin at 305.667.6667 or dcoughlin@tbam.org for more information.

PROCEDURES FOR LATE SERVICES

Those requesting admittance cards to our Late Services (Rosh HaShanah Day and Yom Kippur Day) will be assigned sections for seating. Your admittance card will be color coded by designated sections. These sections will rotate between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, giving everyone an opportunity to be seated in the front seating section of the Sanctuary. Timely arrival for worship services will enable everyone to be comfortably seated in their assigned sections. Your cooperation, assistance and consideration are needed and appreciated.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Safety and security at all times is of primary concern. In order to facilitate a smooth admittance process, please do not bring backpacks or large bags to services, as all of these items will be subject to a security search.

If you decide to use a ride sharing service such as UBER or LYFT please note you will be required to show your admittance cards for the vehicle to enter and drop you off inside the campus. Children under age 12 must be escorted by an adult at all times when they are not worshipping in the Sanctuary. We are not able to monitor your children's actions and activities when they are not in your presence. For the sanctity and holiness of everyone's worship experience we ask for your cooperation and assistance.

HIGH HOLY DAY USHERS

High Holy Day Ushers are needed at each service. If you can volunteer to usher at a service, you will be performing a great mitzvah. Assistance is needed before, during and after each service. Contact Phylicia Cook, 786.364.9432, pcook@tbam.org, for more information.

ANNUAL HIGH HOLY DAY FOOD DRIVE

The Tikkun Olam Committee again will collect food staples for those in need and donate to the Jewish Community Services (JCS) Kosher Food Bank - the only food bank in Miami-Dade County to which those who observe kosher (kashrut) dietary laws can turn. JCS' Kosher Food Bank provides food to more than 400 families and nearly 100 Holocaust survivors. As you exit Rosh HaShanah Services, look for the empty Publix grocery bags. Please fill this, or any other shopping bag, with non-perishable food items, and bring to Temple Beth Am any time between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. Your act of kindness means so much. Please check our website for details at www.tbam.org/hhd.

To preserve the sanctity of our services, cell phones and ALL portable devices must be turned off.