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Dear Community Members,

Young Israel Shomrai Emunah (YISE) is excited to invite you to join us for High Holidays services this year. Building on previous years' successes along with valuable insights from your responses to a survey we conducted shortly after last year's services, we are making a few small changes this year.

Please read below for more about

- What's New This Year
- Service Alternatives
- Seat Assignment Details and Timeline
- Prices
- Childcare
- How You Can Help
- Appeals

We are committed to continuing to evolve to make our services as inspiring, uplifting, and accessible as we can for our community. Please send any feedback to seats@yise.org.

If you are ready to sign up for your seats, please visit

wp.yise.org/high-holidays-5785

to sign up online. If you are unable to access the website, please complete the attached paper form and return it to the shul office.

We look forward to davening with you as the year 5785 arrives, may it be with blessing.

Sincerely,
YISE High Holidays Seating Committee
Isaac Moses, Chair

Attached:

- Appeals letter
- Seating Charts for Belonofsky Sanctuary, Social Hall, and House
- Yizkor Guide letter and form
- HaShomer form
- Seating/Childcare form

What's New This Year

- House Minyan

Thanks to the popularity of last year's Neitz Minyan, we are offering full Rosh Hashanah services (Maariv, Shacharis, Musaf, and Mincha) in The House, featuring Neitz scheduling in the mornings. Please see the Service Alternatives section, below, for more details.

- Social Hall Layout

Last year's survey results indicated that while most Social Hall Minyan attendees preferred the new table-based layout, a significant minority would prefer to go back to chairs without tables. To facilitate accommodation of both preferences, we are designating small sections on both sides of the mechitza without tables. Please see the attached seating chart for more details.

Service Alternatives

- Ashkenazic

Rabbi Rosenbaum and Rabbi Postelnek will alternate between the Belonofsky and Social Hall minyanim.

- Belonofsky Sanctuary

A traditional *nusach ha'tefilah*, invoking classic, time-honored melodies and a pace of prayer consistent with previous years, led by Judd Lifschitz and Rafi Katz.

- Social Hall

An opportunity for participatory congregational singing of older and newer melodies, with a pace intended to accommodate introspection and focused tefilah, led by Yehuda Shinensky and Richie Broth.

- House

Rosh Hashanah services in a smaller setting. Morning services will meet at 6:20 am in the YISE House in order to arrive at the amidah at sunrise, and will proceed at a pace similar to the later minyanim.

- Sephardic

- Franco Family Beit Midrash

Led by Rabbi Yehoshua Levy, the Sephardic minyan will offer services in the style and traditions of the *Edot Hamizrach*.

Seat Assignment Details and Timeline

YISE is committed to providing a place to daven on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur for everyone who needs one. *If reservation rates present financial hardship, please contact the Treasurer, President, or Rabbi for arrangements. No one will be turned away.* We will also do our best to meet seating preferences. Accordingly, we request that you purchase your seats by Rosh Chodesh Elul (September 4, 2024).

Until Rosh Chodesh Elul:

- Full members who purchased or reserved seats last year have first priority to retain the same seats.
- Full members' seating preferences will be honored first, followed by those of associate members, followed by those of non-members.

After Rosh Chodesh Elul:

- Preferences will be honored on a first-come, first-served basis.

Seat assignments will be sent out about a week before Rosh Hashanah. While requests for seats will still be accepted after that date, we might not be able to accommodate preferences or family seating blocks.

Full members who purchased seats last year and who do not intend to use them this year, but who want to retain them for next year may reserve them for \$35.

Prices

Seat prices are as follows:

	Both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur			One Holiday Only		
	Full Members	Associate Members	Non-Members	Full Members	Associate Members	Non-Members
Adults	\$105	\$130	\$145	\$70	\$85	\$100
Students*	\$85	\$100	\$125	\$55	\$70	\$85
Children**	\$45	\$60	\$80	\$30	\$40	\$55
Family Max	\$425	\$500		\$280	\$325	

* Students are ages 13 to 18 and college and yeshiva students.

** Children are ages 6 to 12.

Payment may be made by credit card directly through the online registration form, by credit card called into the YISE office, or by check mailed to the YISE office.

As a general practice, we request that YISE members be current in their financial obligations including the payment for *past* seats and *past years'* dues (*i.e.* charged to you before 2024). Recognizing the many variables that may be present in various households, the treasurer (treasurer@yise.org), president (president@yise.org), or Rabbi Rosenbaum may be contacted to discuss deferred payments or other arrangements to accommodate the affordability of your reservation. These discussions will be held in strictest confidence and with every effort made to welcome you for all High Holiday services.

Childcare

For Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur 5785, the Youth Department is pleased to offer High Holiday child care services for children ages 2-9. This year we are excited to be offering expanded child care ages and times to give our members a wider range of options for all parents to be able to daven with the congregation.

YISE members who purchase two adult seats will be eligible to reserve complimentary child care services.* The fee will also be waived for any child who has their own seat in shul. Otherwise, the fee is \$15 per session per child.

* At least one adult seat for single-parent households

You may choose from the following sessions:

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|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| - Rosh Hashanah Day 1 | Thursday, October 3 | 9:00 am – End of services |
| - Rosh Hashanah Day 2 | Friday, October 4 | 9:00 am – End of Services |
| - Yom Kippur Shacharis | Saturday, October 12 | 9:00 am – 2:00 pm |
| - Yom Kippur Mincha/Neila | Saturday, October 12 | 4:15 pm – 7:15 pm |

Child care will be held at YISE in the upstairs youth classrooms and at the YISE House next to the Shul and/or at the Yeshiva. More details will be provided as we approach Yom Tov. *A parent must be onsite in the YISE building when a child is in childcare. For the safety of our children, no exception to this rule will be made. Registered children will be linked to parents and their seat locations so that parents can be contacted should a need arise.*

We encourage you to reserve, with payment, as early as you can to secure your child(ren)'s spot. Registration is due by Friday, September 20, 2024. For staffing and safety reasons, no walk-in babysitting services will be accommodated. Please register when you purchase your High Holidays seats using the online or paper seating form.

If you have any questions about childcare, please email Youth Director Sharon Shimoff at sshimoff@yise.org.

How You Can Help

The High Holiday Committee will be working on setting up spaces for High Holidays services, deploying appeals materials, and returning the spaces to their year-round setup at the following times. You are welcome to come lend a hand! No experience or RSVP necessary.

- Sunday morning, September 29, after the 8:45 am minyan (about 9:30 am)
- After services on both nights of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur night
- Saturday night, October 12, at 9:30 pm

Appeals

Please read the attached letter from our President about our Rosh Hashanah appeal on behalf of Israel Bonds and our Yom Kippur appeals on behalf of YISE general and youth programming, and please consider responding to both ahead of time. You can include your early contribution to the Yom Kippur appeals on your seating form.



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August 15, 2024
11 Av 5784

Dear Friends,

Since last year, the Jewish people has experienced significant, challenging events. October 7, singular by itself, triggered cascading impacts in Israel and across the world.

Our shul has not been untouched. Members of the YISE community suffered the loss of valiant IDF soldiers; other fellow members join us as we pray for the safety of their children and others who courageously defend our people while serving in the IDF. In February, YISE's leadership mission to Israel visited affected communities and those shaken by the war, delivering much needed, albeit partial, relief. The generosity, thoughtfulness, and concern of members who participated continues to inspire us all.

At this time of year, YISE usually appeals for your support. These requests are generally ensconced neatly between accounts of our achievements in the past year and plans for the year ahead. This year, circumstances beg a more modest, tempered approach.

To be sure, your support is critical to our ability to provide vital services for our members' varied needs. YISE Youth is enjoying resurgent energy with numerous events for boys and girls of all ages, including holiday programming, *melaveh malkahs*, Girls' Night Out, Boys' Trivia Night, and the ever-popular and thriving Dor L'Dor Motzei Shabbos learning program for children and their older *chavrusahs*. Rabbi Rosenbaum's warm support and spirited participation remain a highlight of each Dor L'Dor evening.

YISE's Social Committee is in high gear with a fresh slate of planned programs and Rabbi Postelnek has helped launch men's and women's weeknight learning sessions, attracting many young adult members. This year's Yomim Noraim offerings reflect the positive response to last year's programming, including a Rosh Hashanah *neitz minyan* and refreshed davening for the Social Hall Minyan.

While all these efforts are driven by our valued rabbinic leadership and volunteers, they succeed only when your participation brings life to them and, by extension, to our shul. Your ongoing and generous support is necessary to maintain high-level, diverse programming as we grow in service to our community.

Outside our existing walls, the Building Committee is preparing for property acquisitions and building and land design. With G-d's help, we hope to share details soon and enter a new, exciting phase of building and promise for our shul.

And, yet, with all the quiet satisfaction we take in our accomplishments, we are ever-cognizant of the needs in Israel. YISE is an active participant in Bonds for Israel High Holiday campaigns; I urge every member to consider investment in Israel Bonds to strengthen the Israeli economy at this challenging time. Bonds are available with maturities from 2 to 12 years, with accessible opportunities beginning at \$36. Printed information will be available in the shul during High Holiday services.

We live in dichotomous times. A *kinah* we read just days ago illustrates the poles of emotions we feel as a people: *B'tzeti me'mitzrayim* contrasts the joy of leaving Egypt with the crushing exile from Jerusalem. We are at once inspired by the heroism and unity of our people — while waiting breathlessly and prayerfully for the safe return of our hostages. We are committed to our support for Israel — even as we plan for a thriving and brilliant future here.

But, woven throughout, we are strengthened by the concluding line of the *kinah*:

שְׂשׂוֹן וְשִׂמְחָה, וְנֶס יָגוֹן וְאַנְחָה, בְּשׂוֹבִי לִירוּשָׁלַיִם
*Happiness and joy, gone are sorrow and sighing,
When I return to Jerusalem.*

May our support for Israel and our shul stand in good merit for *Klal Yisrael* and enable, with G-d's blessings, our confident future.

With prayers for *besoros tovos* and wishes for a *kesiva v'chasima tova*,

Joshua Seidemann
President

YOUNG ISRAEL SHOMRAI EMUNAH - BELONOFSKY SANCTUARY MAIN FLOOR

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YOUNG ISRAEL SHOMRAI EMUNAH - BELONOFSKY SANCTUARY WOMEN'S BALCONY

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WOMEN'S SECTION

To Upper Lobby

MEN'S SECTION

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YOUNG ISRAEL SHOMRAI EMUNAH - HOUSE - 5785 SETUP

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				D34	C34	B34	A34						
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August 14, 2024

Dear Friend,

The YISE Yizkor Guide will once again be available in Tishrei 5785. The Yizkor Guide will contain the Yizkor prayers in the order they are said in our Shul. It will be used on Yom Kippur, Shemini Atzeres, Pesach and Shavuot, during the Yizkor service.

The Yizkor Guide is an important YISE fundraiser, raising over \$10,000 for YISE in 2023. Please support YISE by contributing to the 5785 Yizkor Guide.

Your participation in this Yom Tov fundraiser is a very meaningful way to commemorate your departed loved ones. We suggest that donations be made in the z'chus of the neshamos of your loved ones for whom Yizkor will be said.

Two donation options are available. For a sponsorship of \$180, your family can purchase an unlimited number of name listings. Alternatively, individual name listings can be purchased for \$18 each. In both of these cases, the name(s) of the departed will be listed, in Hebrew and in English next to each donor name.

All names from YISE plaques will also be listed by their Yahrzeit date in a separate section of the Yizkor Guide. If you would also like any of these names included with the rest of your family listings, simply include them with your other names on the attached form at \$18 per name, or as part of your Yizkor Guide sponsorship.

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact Marc Katz at mkatz@yise.org

The deadline for Yizkor Guide sponsorships or individual listings is Friday, September 13, 2024.

In order to participate, please fill out the Yizkor Guide Form and return it to the Shul office with your check made out to YISE. Alternatively, go to: www.yise.org/yizkor to sign up. From the website, you can make your payment electronically.

Thank you, in advance, for your continuing support of the YISE Yizkor Guide.

5785 YISE YIZKOR GUIDE

Please type or print clearly in ink, to ensure accuracy. Use another page for additional names and attach to this page.

Your Name(s): _____ Phone: _____

Email address: _____

CHECK ONE OF THE BOXES BELOW:

- ☐ I would like to be a \$180 sponsor for the Yizkor Guide with an unlimited number of listings.
- ☐ I would like to sponsor the following name(s) at \$18 per name.

YIZKOR GUIDE INFORMATION:

Family Name: _____

(e.g., Mr. & Mrs. Abraham and Sarah Cohen)

- ☐ Check here if you participated last year and would like to repeat the same list of names. If you check this box and would like to include additional names, please add them below.

State both names of the Departed -- English (first column) and transliteration of Hebrew (second column) - **exactly** as you would like them listed:

	<u>English Name</u>	<u>Transliteration of Hebrew Name</u>
Examples:	Sol Cohen Rebecca Greenberg	Shlomo ben David Hakohen Rivka bas Yosef
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
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10.	_____	_____
11.	_____	_____
12.	_____	_____

TOTAL AMOUNT REMITTED: _____

Please make checks payable to "YISE" and mark them "Yizkor Guide". Send form and check to the YISE office, 1132 Arcola Avenue, NO LATER THAN September 13, 2024.



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August 14, 2024

Dear Members:

The Rosh Hashanah issue of *HaShomer* will print the traditional New Year's Greetings from our members. Again, we have held the line despite increased costs- the prices will be the same as last year, as follows:

_____ Eighth-page	\$18	2" high x 3" wide
_____ Quarter-page	\$32	3.75" high x 3" wide
_____ Half-page	\$54	3.75" high x 6.25" wide
_____ Full Page	\$100	7.5" high x 6.25" wide

Since each greeting requires typing or specific lettering and layout, we ask that you please reply by Friday, September 13, to give time for this additional work. Questions? Call Simi at the Shul office, 301-593-4465 x103.

Please check off the size, and write your message below, on the reverse side or on another sheet of paper, and return this sheet. **You may also email your ad to hashomer@yise.org** Preferred format is image file or PDF matching the ordered ad size. If you want the ad to appear as it did last year, please say so clearly in the email or on the form.

Rosh Hashanah Greetings
Young Israel Shomrai Emunah
1132 Arcola Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20902

We thank you for your support of YISE and wish you good health & best wishes in the coming year.

Thank you.

YISE High Holidays Form 5785 / 2024

Please complete both sides and return to the YISE office: 1132 Arcola Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20902

See accompanying letter for more details.

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____
Address _____

Seats

Name	Status (A)dult (S)tudent (C)hild	Location (check one*)								Holiday (one or both)		Seat requests Leave blank for "same as last year."	
		Belonofsky Sanctuary			Social Hall		House (RH only)		Sephardic Minyan				
		Floor Men	Floor Women	Balcony Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	RH	YK	
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* If you select House for RH and will be joining us for YK as well, please select another location for YK.

Childcare Sessions

Childcare is complimentary for either of the following two categories. Otherwise, it costs \$15 per session.

1. You designated a seat in shul for this child, above.

2. This child is a member of your YISE Member household, and you purchased at least two adult tickets, above (at least one if your household is single-parent).

While your child is at child care, a parent must be onsite in the YISE building.

Childcare sign-up will close on Friday, September 20.

Child's Name	Age (2-9)	Complimentary? If so, indicate which category (1 or 2, above)	Which sessions?				Total non-complimentary sessions _____
			Rosh Hashanah		Yom Kippur		
			Day 1	Day 2	AM	PM	
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Seats for Full Members (and immediate family)

Both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

_____ Adult Seats X \$105 = \$ _____
 _____ Student¹ Seats X \$85 = \$ _____
 _____ Child² seats X \$45 = \$ _____

One Holiday Only

_____ Adult Seats X \$70 = \$ _____
 _____ Student¹ Seats X \$55 = \$ _____
 _____ Child² seats X \$30 = \$ _____

Reserve

_____ Reserve³ Seats X \$35 = \$ _____

TOTAL (Max \$425 for both holidays, or
\$280 for one holiday only): \$ _____

Seats for Non-Members and Guests

Both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

_____ Adult Seats X \$145 = \$ _____
 _____ Student¹ Seats X \$125 = \$ _____
 _____ Child² seats X \$80 = \$ _____

One Holiday Only

_____ Adult Seats X \$100 = \$ _____
 _____ Student¹ Seats X \$85 = \$ _____
 _____ Child² seats X \$55 = \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Seats for Associate Members (and immediate family)

Both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

_____ Adult Seats X \$130 = \$ _____
 _____ Student¹ Seats X \$105 = \$ _____
 _____ Child² seats X \$60 = \$ _____

One Holiday Only

_____ Adult Seats X \$85 = \$ _____
 _____ Student¹ Seats X \$70 = \$ _____
 _____ Child² seats X \$40 = \$ _____

TOTAL (Max \$500 for both holidays, or
\$325 for one holiday only): \$ _____

Childcare

_____ Non-complimentary
childcare sessions X \$15 = \$ _____

Appeals

Kol Nidre Appeal (general operations) \$ _____

Yom Kippur Appeal (youth program) \$ _____

Misc

Dues or other charges (please specify) \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL

Sum of all boxed totals, above \$ _____

Definitions

1. Student: Ages 13 to 18 and college and yeshiva students
2. Child: Ages 6 to 12
3. Reserve: To retain rights for next year for seats you used last year but will not use this year. NOT FOR SEATS THIS YEAR.

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Requests for honors or other special requests
