



TOURO SYNAGOGUE

HIGH HOLY DAYS

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*BRING US BACK, O GOD, TO YOU, AND WE WILL RETURN;
RENEW OUR DAYS AS OF OLD.*

LAMENTATIONS 5:21

WAYS TO ENGAGE

We welcome a return to full capacity in-person attendance at Touro Synagogue. Masking is welcomed but optional. Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services will also be broadcast live on WLAE-TV as well as via livestream on our website.



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SECURITY PASS REMINDER

High Holy Day Security Passes will be mailed to all members in good standing. Please remember to bring your member security passes to services. With these passes, member families and any accompanying guests, will be admitted without security screening. These passes are intended to allow family groups to bypass entry security screening. Members will use their issued passes for each service during the High Holy Days and are asked to keep the passes in their possession throughout. (It is not necessary that each individual family member have a pass, but to avoid screening, members and their families, and accompanying guests must enter together with one of the passes.) Security passes are non-transferable. If you did not receive your pass, please feel free to contact the Touro office to make arrangements to pick one up during office hours (9:00am-5:00pm).

As always, non-member visitors are welcome. Non-member guests and anyone unaccompanied by a security pass will be screened by security personnel before admittance.

HIGH HOLIDAY PRAYER BOOKS

There will be opportunities for Touro congregants to both borrow and purchase High Holiday Prayer Books before the High Holidays. Please call the Touro office at 504-895-4843 to arrange to borrow a High Holiday prayerbook. For a free online version of Mishkan HaNefesh or to purchase your own copy, please visit www.ccarnet.org/publications/hhd/

HIGH HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Throughout the High Holiday season, Touro will be collecting nonperishable food items for distribution to Second Harvest. Help fight food insecurity in New Orleans by bringing bags of groceries to Touro Synagogue, Monday-Friday from 9:00am-5:00pm, including Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur morning services. We encourage each Touro family to provide food for a comparable size family in need.

Monetary donations can also be made to Rabbi Bauman's Discretionary Fund earmarked High Holiday Food Drive.

A SNAPSHOT OF TOURO HIGH HOLIDAYS 5783

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION IN THE COMING WEEKS

THE MONTH OF ELUL

MACHZOR 103

HIGH HOLIDAY LITURGY & THE WRITINGS OF LEONARD COHEN

WITH CANTOR MARGOLIUS

THURSDAY EVENINGS AT 7PM

SEPTEMBER 8, 15, & 22

The poetry and prose of the Machzor — the High Holiday prayer book — weave together the many evocative themes that guide us through the introspective work of the season. We will explore the unique High Holiday liturgy as a spiritual resource, but also as a treasured expression of the Jewish soul through literature and music. This year we will study the liturgy alongside Leonard Cohen's poetry and music. Register online at touro synagogue.com/machzor103.

SELICHOT: BEGINNING THE PROCESS OF TESHUVAH

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 8:00PM

Our High Holiday season begins with the beautiful service of Selichot. It includes a darkened sanctuary, meditative music with the Touro Synagogue Choir, and poems and reflections about forgiveness. We will gather together in the sanctuary to spiritually orient ourselves to the new year ahead and our collective and individual process of teshuvah.

ROSH HASHANAH

EREV ROSH HASHANAH SERVICE   

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 8:00PM

ROSH HASHANAH MORNING SERVICE   

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 10:00AM

TASHLICH AT THE FLY

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 5:00PM

A Partnership with the Sherry and Alan Leventhal Center for Interfaith Families

We'll gather at The Fly for Tashlich, a ritual of "casting off" the remnants of the past year that we wish to leave behind. With music, prayer, and time spent together as a community, we'll look ahead to the possibilities and opportunities for 5783 alongside our congregational family. Be sure to bring your bread or bird seed!

SHABBAT SHUVAH

WITH SPECIAL GUEST SERMON BY JUSTIN EHRENWERTH

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 6:00PM

The Shabbat between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is a unique moment on our calendar. Amidst the Yamim Noraim, the Days of Awe, we are invited to prepare for Yom Kippur and linger in the mindset of teshuvah. On this Shabbat Shuvah, the Shabbat of Return - to ourselves, to the right path, to God and to community, we will gather for solemn and spiritual Shabbat service and learn from Touro Board Member Justin Ehrenwerth, President and CEO of the Water Institute, about how the themes of the High Holidays are present in his important work fighting climate change.

KUMZITS IN PREPARATION FOR YOM KIPPUR

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 7:45PM (AFTER SHABBAT DINNER)

After Shabbat services and dinner on Shabbat Shuvah, we will have a Kumzits, an informal time for singing together. On Yom Kippur Afternoon, Music and Meditation will return in a renewed form: Songs of Healing and Hope. This Kumzits will be an opportunity for all who wish to learn some of the music we will share on Yom Kippur and invite it to infuse the remainder of the Yamim Noraim. No preparation necessary - just come ready to lift your voice.

KEVER AVOT AT HEBREW REST CEMETERY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 3:00PM

We, along with our sister congregation Temple Sinai, will participate in the tradition of Kever Avot, visiting the graves of loved ones between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Whether or not loved ones are laid to rest in Hebrew Rest Cemetery, all are invited to attend this brief service and recall our dearly departed whom we carry with us into this new year.

YOM KIPPUR

KOL NIDRE SERVICE   
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 8:00PM

YOM KIPPUR MORNING SERVICE   
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5 AT 10:00AM

YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON SESSIONS: STAY THE WHOLE DAY!

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 12:15PM-3:00PM

As we emerge from the contemplative depths of the Yom Kippur morning prayer service, we invite you to stay connected to everyone by signing on to some meaningful learning sessions. Recordings will be available after Yom Kippur.

EMBRACING JUDAISM WITH NAOMI YAVNEH KLOS AND SAMANTHA GUICHET

12:15PM-1:00PM

Embracing Judaism is our ongoing initiative at Touro for those interested in exploring a Jewish life, and this Yom Kippur gathering will be a chance to process the meaning of the High Holidays together as a class, and look ahead to Sukkot. If you have ever wondered if Judaism could be your spiritual home, this program is for you — contact the office to join our current group. Throughout the year, Embracing Judaism combines experiential learning, cohort building, engagement with Hebrew, and discussions of monthly reading.

LEARNING SESSION WITH PROFESSOR ILANA HORWITZ

FIELDS-RAYANT CHAIR IN CONTEMPORARY JEWISH LIFE AT TULANE UNIVERSITY

12:15PM-1:00PM

SONGS OF HEALING AND HOPE, A REFLECTIVE MUSICAL HOUR

1:00PM-2:00PM

Inspired by the beautiful Music and Meditation offerings of past years, this will be a spiritual hour of singing and prayerful reflection. Led by Rabbi Bauman with congregational musicians, all are invited to lift our congregational voice for the healing of the world and the hope for a better future. (If you would like to become familiar with the songs we'll share, please consider attending our Shabbat Shuvah Kumzits. See above for details.)

MEDITATIVE TIME IN THE SANCTUARY

2:00PM-3:00PM

We invite you to spend time sitting in our sanctuary to engage in a quiet time of personal reflection and prayers. Throughout this hour, we will be joined by pianist Adam Matasar's interpretations of Jewish musical themes.

YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON SERVICE WITH CONGREGATIONAL VOICES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 3:15PM

The Yom Kippur Afternoon Service focuses on our stories and values. Many from our congregation will give voice to these powerful texts, from Jonah wrestling with forgiveness to the ancient ritual of Yom Kippur in the Temple.

YIZKOR AND NEILAH CONCLUDING SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 4:15PM

We remember all our loved ones whom we have lost in recent and distant days. The 5783 Book of Remembrance will be made available in the sanctuary and electronically. We will conclude with our last Tekiah Gedolah and Havdalah at 6:00pm.

SUKKOT

Sukkot is known as the most joyful holiday of the Jewish year. Its hallmarks are a return to the gentle embrace of nature, audacious hospitality, and an open heart to those who have neither home nor shelter. We'll savor this week of communion with our natural world by shaking the lulav, dwelling outside in the sukkah, and reflecting on our responsibility to provide for all.

EREV SUKKOT CELEBRATION AND LIFTING THE SKY CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 5:00-7:00PM

Touro Synagogue is conducting an exciting, once in a generation, community-wide capital campaign focused on significant improvements to our home in order to ensure a robust and sustainable future for our congregation as it enters its 200th year! Over the last several months, leaders within Touro have been hard at work designing and implementing the Lifting the Sky Campaign, and there is much to share. On the first night of Sukkot, our holiday celebrating shelter, hospitality, and community impact, we will come together to toast our progress. Please come to the celebration and learn how each of us can be a part of this historic moment for Touro Synagogue and work together to lift the sky of our congregation, our city, and our world in the years to come.

SHABBAT SERVICE WITH SPECIAL GUEST MUSICIAN DAN NICHOLS

FOLLOWED BY SONGS AND STORIES IN THE SUKKAH

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 6:00PM

A Partnership with the Sherry and Alan Leventhal Center for Interfaith Families

Celebrate Shabbat Sukkot with a beautiful, musical service followed by scrumptious food, delicious wines and great company – under the twinkling white lights in the trees of our Bowsky Garden. This year, we welcome internationally renowned Jewish composer and musician Dan Nichols to our bimah and, following services and dinner, Dan will share songs and stories in the Touro Synagogue sukkah.

SIMCHAT TORAH

FESTIVAL YIZKOR MEMORIAL SERVICE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 10:00AM

Our tradition teaches that when we observe festivals together as a community, we also bring the memories of those who are no longer with us. We will read the names of those in our extended Touro Synagogue family who have died since last Simchat Torah. We will also read the names of loved ones we have lost in years past. Please call Donna in the office at (504) 895-4843 to add the names of those you are remembering at our Yizkor service.

SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATION AT THE UPTOWN JCC BART FIELD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 5:00PM

Our Touro family will gather to celebrate our return to the beginning of the Torah, joined by Panorama Jazz Band!

YOUTH HOLIDAY EXPERIENCES

We are so excited to celebrate the upcoming High Holidays with Touro's kids, teens, and families. We will mark these passages of sacred time with reflections of the past year, dreams of the new one ahead, and lots of joyful music. We hope to see all of you with us, celebrating life and the start of the new year together!

HIGH HOLIDAY CHILDCARE DURING SERVICES

We are happy to offer babysitting for select services during the High Holy Days for children ages 6 months to 7 years. Children will spend time making holiday crafts as well as reading holiday stories and observing other fun and meaningful traditions. Please see below for details and sign up online at tourosynagogue.com/hhdbabysitting.

ROSH HASHANAH MORNING SERVICE CHILD CARE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 10:00AM-12:00PM

Deadline to register is Friday, September 23

YOM KIPPUR MORNING SERVICE & YIZKOR CHILD CARE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 10:00AM-12:00PM & 4:00PM-6:00PM

Deadline to register is Monday, October 3

ROSH HASHANAH ROCKS! FOR ALL FAMILIES WITH KIDS UP TO AGE 5 
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 9:30AM

ROSH HASHANAH FAMILY SERVICES FOR ALL FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN 
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 9:00AM

There will be two services taking place simultaneously, one intended for early childhood and one intended for elementary-aged children. As always, please choose the best service for your family to attend.

YOM KIPPUR FAMILY SERVICE FOR ALL FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN 
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 9:00AM

There will be two services taking place simultaneously, one intended for early childhood and one intended for elementary-aged children. As always, please choose the best service for your family to attend.

SUKKOT & SIMCHAT TORAH FOR TEENS, KIDS, & FAMILIES

6TH-9TH GRADE TEEN SUKKOT CELEBRATION 
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 6:00PM

10TH-12TH GRADE SUKKOT GATHERING 
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 6:00PM

SUKKOT ROCKS! FOR ALL FAMILIES WITH KIDS UP TO AGE 5 
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 9:30 AM

SIMCHAT TORAH CELEBRATION AT THE UPTOWN JCC BART FIELD 
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 5:00PM

Each year on Simchat Torah, we mark the completion of our annual cycle of weekly Torah portions, and celebrate while winding back the scrolls to begin the cycle again. Join us for this culmination of the High Holiday season as we dance, sing, and hear a special Torah reading only heard on Simchat Torah!

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