



Belsize Square Synagogue

High Holyday Guide 2020/5781



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

DEAR MEMBERS

This booklet is your guide to the synagogue's High Holyday Services 2020/5781. This year has been a year like no other. The Covid-19 pandemic has changed the way we do many everyday tasks and at Belsize Square it has been no different. With new guidance being released almost daily and the fear of further lockdowns and restrictions to come, we are preparing for every scenario so that your spiritual needs are met and you are able to join us either physically or virtually.

By now you will have received confirmation if you are attending the synagogue for services over the High Holydays. Bookings were open for two weeks in August and due to our limited space, we had to offer everyone the chance to attend one service only.

Please read through the booklet to understand all that's on offer from the synagogue.

PLANS FOR THIS YEAR

Thanks to the hard work of our team, we have been able to open up for Shabbat Services since the end of July. This has helped us in preparing and understanding our limitations for the High Holydays, while working within the government restrictions for places of worship. Check the Service Timings page for the start time of each Service.

ROSH HASHANAH – Erev and Morning Services

We will hold services on both the evenings and mornings of Rosh Hashanah. There will be a limited number of attendees at each service and they will be available to watch on BelsizeLIVE.

KOL NIDREI

Our traditional Kol Nidrei Service will follow the same pattern as Rosh Hashanah with a limited number of guests in attendance. It will be streamed on BelsizeLIVE for those who can't attend.

YOM KIPPUR

This year's Yom Kippur Service will be different to anything we have tried before. We are splitting the day into three distinct parts in order to allow a greater number of people to attend services at the synagogue. Check out the service timings page for details. All services will be streamed on BelsizeLIVE.

YOUTH SERVICES & KIKAR KIDS

Sadly, we made the difficult decision not to hold any Youth and Kikar Kids Services at the synagogue this year. But, with the help of Zoom, we'll be bringing these Services directly to you at home. Full information on these Services can be found on the relevant pages in this booklet. Our young people have worked very hard in preparing for Services and I am hope that many of you will be able to join them for the Service.

CONTINGENCIES

Our team is preparing for every eventuality, including a further lockdown which would restrict any attendance at the Synagogue. We are grateful to Cantor Heller for piecing together a full complement of services that can be streamed if a lockdown is imposed.

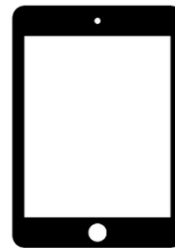
If you have any questions on any of the contents of this booklet, please contact the synagogue office.

On behalf of the Ministers, Honorary Officers and the members of the Board I wish you a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.



Jackie Alexander Chairman

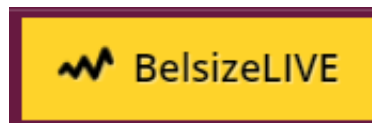
BelsizeLIVE



Accessing BelsizeLIVE could not be easier. Just follow these simple instructions:

1. From your computer, smartphone or tablet – visit the Synagogue website www.synagogue.org.uk

2. Click on the BelsizeLIVE button at the top of the page



3. The screen will display the current service or an upcoming service. Click on the Play button in the centre for your video to start.



4. Click  in the bottom right corner of the video to enlarge to full screen

If you have missed a Service we have a full archive available.

SERVICE TIMES



Erev 1st Day Rosh Hashanah
Friday 18 September at 6.45pm

1st Day Rosh Hashanah
Saturday 19 September at 9.30am

Erev 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah
Saturday 19 September at 6.45pm

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah
Sunday 20 September at 9.30am

Kol Nidrei
Sunday 27 September at 7.00pm

Yom Kippur Shacharit & Mussaf
Monday 28 September from 9.30am-1.30pm

Yom Kippur Minchah
Monday 28 September from 2.45-4.15pm

Yom Kippur Yizkor & Neilah
Monday 28 September from 5.30-7.30pm

ATTENDING SERVICES

If you are attending Services during the High Holydays, you will have received a confirmation email or letter from the Synagogue office. The email will have a full list of guidelines and instructions for those who attend.

CAR PARKING & VOUCHERS

To reserve a space in the car park please contact the office to book your car in. Anyone using the car park is at risk of their car being blocked in and will need to stay until the end of the service. To purchase parking vouchers for parking on the street contact the synagogue office.

SAFETY MEASURES

On arrival your temperature will be taken by a volunteer using a contact free thermometer. Anyone with a temperature above 38° will be refused entry. **Please do not come to services if you are feeling unwell or have any flu like symptoms.**

There will be a one-way system in place and seating will be allocated into family bubbles. The synagogue will be cleaned and sanitised before each Service.

Those attending (aged over 11) **must wear masks** while in the building.

PRAYER BOOKS, TALLITOT AND KIPPOT

The synagogue will not provide Prayer Books, Tallitot and Kippot for people who do not bring them. Please bring your own and take them away at the end of the service. Prayer Books can be purchased from the synagogue office, details in this booklet. If you do not bring a tallit, you will still be granted entry.

CANCELLATIONS

If you have booked to attend a Service but can no longer attend, please let us know as soon as possible so that your space can be allocated to someone on the waiting list.

SELICHOT



Saturday 12 September from 9.00pm

Selichot Programme

Our annual choral Selichot Service will be livestreamed directly into your homes.

At 9.15pm, Rabbi Altshuler will lead a Shiur on Zoom:

The Revolution of Deuteronomy



Meeting ID: 858 1443 1995 Passcode: 474950

From 10.00pm, join Cantor Heller, Ben Wolf and our choir on BelsizeLIVE for our uplifting musical Service, live from the Synagogue.

YOUTH SERVICES

We made the unprecedented decision to hold all of our Youth Services online this year due to the difficulties involved with preparing and organising multiple Services at the Synagogue. All Youth Services will be held on Zoom.

Services will follow the same format as if they were taking place on site but without our fantastic Youth Choir. Due to the lack of preparation and rehearsal time, more of the Service will be in English than usual. Please join us and support these very special young people.

1st Day Rosh Hashanah

Saturday 19 September at 11.00am

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah

Sunday 20 September at 11.00am

Yom Kippur

Monday 28 September at 11.30am



Zoom Meeting Details:
Meeting ID: 404-366-1217
Password: 461030

KIKAR KIDS

Our under 5s Kikar Kids Services will also take place on Zoom. Join us for an informal fun filled Service with lots of songs and games.

1st Day Rosh Hashanah

Saturday 19 September at 10.00am

2nd Day Rosh Hashanah

Sunday 20 September at 10.00am

Yom Kippur

Monday 28 September at 10.30am



Zoom Meeting Details:
Meeting ID: 605-826-9629
Password: Kikar

YOUTH ACTIVITIES



Youth Activities For Yom Kippur

This Yom Kippur, B² would love to keep your child(ren) busy throughout the day in order to give parents and carers time for some “serious” atoning in the main Services!!!

Please encourage your children to join us, via Zoom, at various points during the day for the following fun and thought-provoking activities:

Reception, Years 1 & 2

1.30-2.00pm

Storytelling

Caroline will be sharing a special Yom Kippur story or two and discussing The messages in them.

Years 3 & 4 4.30-5.00pm

Drama

Join Caroline to find out more about the story of Jonah and the Big Fish and experience “Hot seating” and other drama techniques.

Years 5 & 6 5.30-6.10pm

Discussion

Caroline will discuss the Jewish value of “Teshuvah” and understand why it is so important on Yom Kippur.

Years 7 & 8 1.30-2.10pm

Discussion

Join Joe Hacker or Shelly Masters as they take the B’nei Mitzvah aged children for what promises to be an interesting session about Yom Kippur and Atonement.



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Kahoot!

IT'S QUIZ TIME – 2nd Day Rosh Hashanah

On 2nd day of Rosh Hashanah, the Youth Service will be running a Kahoot quiz throughout the service. If you would like your child(ren) to join in with this interactive element, you will need to download the **Kahoot!** app on to a 2nd device (i.e. NOT the device that you will be using for Zoom but separate phone or iPad etc) BEFORE the Service begins at 11am so that this then becomes a “Gamepad” for the quiz.

We will provide the Game PIN once the Service begins and are sure this will be great fun for everyone involved! The app can be downloaded from the relevant App Store.

PRAYER BOOKS

Edited and translated by Rabbi Rodney J Mariner
Published by Belsize Square Synagogue



Belsize Square Synagogue is unique in that it is the only Jewish community in this country which has published a collection of prayer books for Shabbat and the Festivals specifically designed to help worshippers to appreciate all aspects of its religious services throughout the year. Each volume features, in addition to the order of prayers and, in the case of the Festivals, the relevant Scripture readings, a selection of passages from rabbinic literature for study and contemplation.

The Synagogue will not be providing Prayer Books at Services for the foreseeable future so there has never been a better time to purchase your own books.

PRAYERS BOOKS

Part I	Shabbat	£30.00 + P&P £2.50 each
Part II	Festival	£40.00 + P&P £4.50 each
Part III	Rosh Hashanah	£30.00 + P&P £2.50 each
Part IV	Yom Kippur	£40.00 + P&P £4.50 each
Parts III/IV	High Holyday Set	£60.00 + P&P £6.00 per set

SPECIAL OFFER UNTIL 18 SEPTEMBER
FULL SET OF 4 BOOKS – ONLY £110!

Prayer Books can be purchased through the Synagogue website or by calling or emailing the office.

Please note: Prayer Books will not be available for collection at the High Holyday Services.

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