

Rosh HaShanah Second Day – Sunday, September 13, 2026

Family Service in the Tent

What will the service look like?

The service is scheduled for 11:00am-12:15PM and will be led by Rav Hazzan Ken Richmond and Rabbi Raysh Weiss (taking turns). We'll touch on High Holiday themes in a family-friendly way, with enthusiastic singing, High Holiday highlights, and a lot of shofar blasts.

Who is the service geared towards?

Everyone is invited! We are **not** holding the other youth and young family services that we'll have on the first day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur, so that families with children of all ages can join us in the tent.

What if I don't have any kids with me?

If you enjoy being with children and would like to try out this more informal service, with songs, stories, and movement, please join us!

Where do I sit?

The family service in the tent will have open seating. Sit wherever you would like!

If you decide not to attend the Family Service, the main service will take place inside, with open seating in the Social Hall, and seating in the Sanctuary by reservation. The main service starts at 8:30 AM and finishes around 12:15 PM.

What prayer book will we use?

We will use the *Lev Shalem Mahzor*, which includes translations, transliterations, and interesting readings. We will skip around much more than in the main services.

What about the sermon?

About 11:30, Rabbi Weiss and Rav Hazzan Richmond will switch places between the family service in the tent and the Sanctuary. If part of the family would like to catch the sermon in the Sanctuary, they can head inside at that time. The Family Service will then continue until 12:15pm. The sermon will also be viewable later via Livestream, and links to written copies of all sermons will be shared after the holidays.

Is there any extra charge for this service?

No. The service is free and open to all.

Do I have to be a member of the temple to attend the family service?

No-- all are welcome at our family service. Feel free to bring friends or family members.

If you are interested in attending our main services inside and don't already have holiday tickets, please contact the Temple Israel office.