

WISE TEMPLE

2024 HIGH HOLY DAYS GUIDE



From
S'LICHOT to
SIMCHAT
TORAH





S'lichot Service SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:00 PM - 10:00 PM | Plum Street Temple
Service with Rabbi Kamrass, Rabbi Hirsch, and Rabbi Goodman, preceded by dessert at 8:00 PM
[\(LIVESTREAM\)](#)

Rosh Hashanah Evening WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

Tashlich at the Park ★
4:00 PM - 4:30 PM
Pioneer Park | 10505 Deerfield Rd, Montgomery

Erev Rosh Hashanah Service
8:00 PM - 9:15 PM | Plum Street Temple
Service with Rabbi Hirsch (sermon), Rabbi Kamrass, and Rabbi Goodman; Elana Bell, cantorial soloist
[\(LIVESTREAM\)](#)

Note: Erev Rosh Hashanah service will take place at Plum Street Temple only. There will NOT be an Erev Rosh Hashanah service at Wise Center.

Rosh Hashanah Day THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

Rosh Hashanah Morning Family Service
(Designed for Elementary Ages)
8:45 AM - 9:30 AM | Wise Center
Service with Rabbi Goodman (story) and Rabbi Kamrass; Betsy Lefton-Singer, cantorial soloist
[\(LIVESTREAM\)](#)

Rosh Hashanah Morning Service
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM | Plum Street Temple
Service with Rabbi Hirsch (sermon); Rachel Kobernick, cantorial soloist

Rosh Hashanah Children's Program ★
(PreK - 2nd Grade) | 10:45 AM - 12:30 PM | Wise Center

Rosh Hashanah Children's Babysitting ★
(6 months - 3 years)
10:45 AM - 12:30 PM | Wise Center

Rosh Hashanah Morning Service
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | Wise Center
Service with Rabbi Kamrass (sermon) and Rabbi Burke; Elana Bell, cantorial soloist [\(LIVESTREAM\)](#)

Rosh Hashanah Teen Program ★

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | Wise Center
Led by Rabbi Goodman

YoFI Rosh Hashanah Service ★ (Designed for Infants to Kindergarten)

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM | Wise Center

YOM KIPPUR EVENING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

Yom Kippur Evening Family Service
(Designed for Elementary Ages)
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM | Wise Center
Service with Rabbi Goodman (story) and Rabbi Hirsch; Betsy Lefton-Singer, cantorial soloist

Yom Kippur Evening Service
8:00 PM - 9:30 PM | Plum Street Temple
Service with Rabbi Kamrass (sermon); Elana Bell, cantorial soloist. [\(LIVESTREAM\)](#)

8:00 PM - 9:30 PM | Wise Center
Service with Rabbi Goodman (sermon) and Rabbi Hirsch; Rachel Kobernick, cantorial soloist

YOM KIPPUR MORNING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

Yom Kippur Morning Family Service
(Designed for Elementary Ages)
8:45 AM - 9:45 AM | Wise Center
Service with Rabbi Hirsch (story) and Rabbi Goodman; Betsy Lefton-Singer, cantorial soloist [\(LIVESTREAM\)](#)

Yom Kippur Morning Service
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[\(LIVESTREAM\)](#)

SCHEDULE OF HIGH HOLY DAYS, FESTIVAL SERVICES & HOLIDAY EVENTS 5785/2024

YOM KIPPUR AFTERNOON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

Yom Kippur Study Session

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM | Plum Street Temple
Join Rabbi Burke for an informal study session on a topic of the season.

Wise Learning Guest Speaker Series ★

Nimrod Novik
Israel Fellow, Israel Policy Forum
Topic TBA

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM | Zoom from Plum Street Temple, Wise Center or home

Yom Kippur Social Action Mitzvah Project

2:30 PM - 3:15 PM | Plum Street Temple and Wise Center

Yom Kippur Afternoon, Yizkor and N'eilah Services

Plum Street Temple and Wise Center
3:30 PM - 4:15 PM | Afternoon Service
4:15 PM - 5:00 PM | Yizkor Service
5:05 PM - 6:00 PM | N'eilah Service

Plum Street Temple: Services with Rabbi Goodman; Rachel Kobernick, cantorial soloist

Wise Center: Services with Rabbi Kamrass and Rabbi Hirsch; Elana Bell, cantorial soloist ([LIVESTREAM](#))

*Break the fast following services in both locations

YoFI Yom Kippur Service ★ (Designed for Infants to Kindergarten)

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM | Wise Center

SUKKOT EVENING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Sukkot Evening Service

6:15 PM - 7:15 PM | Wise Center
Service with Rabbi Kamrass, Rabbi Hirsch, and Rabbi Goodman

SUKKOT DAY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

Sukkot Morning Service

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM | Wise Center
Service with Rabbi Kamrass, Rabbi Hirsch, and Rabbi Goodman

Shakin' in the Sukkah with YoFI ★

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM | Wise Center

FAMILY SUKKOT CELEBRATION ★

Friday, October 18

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM | Wise Center

BROTHERHOOD SUKKOT COOKOUT, HAVDALAH, BONFIRE & CAMPOUT ★

Saturday, October 19 | Wise Center

7:00 PM | Casual picnic dinner

8:00 PM | Campfire, Havdalah, s'mores & campout

EREV SIMCHAT TORAH/CONSECRATION WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

Erev Simchat Torah/Consecration Service

6:15 PM - 7:30 PM | Plum Street Temple
Service with Rabbi Kamrass, Rabbi Hirsch, and Rabbi Goodman

SIMCHAT TORAH -YIZKOR SERVICE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Simchat Torah Morning Service and Yizkor

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM | Wise Center
Service with Rabbi Kamrass, Rabbi Hirsch, and Rabbi Goodman

For more information on High Holy Days programs, see pages 4 - 5.

For High Holy Days ticket information, see page 8.

★ REGISTER FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS
EVENTS ONLINE AT: [wisetemple.org/
highholydays](http://wisetemple.org/highholydays)





PLEASE SEE PAGES 2-3 FOR LIST OF SERVICES THAT WILL BE LIVESTREAMED.
Livestream will include prayers on screen and live service as on Friday evenings.



Traveling During the Holidays?

The temple office will complete forms needed for members to attend services at a URJ-affiliated congregation in another city. Please contact Heather Spegal at 513-793-2556 or hspegal@wisetemple.org to arrange reciprocity.

Rosh Hashanah Teen Program ★

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3
11:00 AM-12:30 PM | WISE CENTER

Open to all teens 8th-12th grades and taking place during morning services, Rabbi Goodman will lead a thoughtful and worshipful experience highlighting the themes of the High Holy Days.

High Holiday Cantorial Soloists

For more information about our soloists, visit:
wisetemple.org/highholydays



**ELANA
BELL**

Rosh Hashanah
8:00 PM PST
11:00 AM WC
Yom Kippur
8:00 PM PST
11:00 AM and
3:30 PM WC



**RACHEL
KOBERNICK**

Rosh Hashanah
10:00 AM PST
Yom Kippur
8:00 PM WC;
10:00 AM and
3:30 PM PST



**BETSY
SINGER-LEFTON**

**Rosh Hashanah
Family Service**
8:45 AM WC
**Yom Kippur
Family Service**
6:00 PM WC
**Yom Kippur
Family Service**
8:45 AM WC

Shakin' in the Sukkah with YoFI ★

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM | Wise Center

NEW!

YoFI families with children ages 3 and up are invited to share a special meal under the stars while decorating the sukkah, shaking the lulav, and celebrating the joyful holiday of Sukkot. All are welcome!

Family Sukkot Celebration ★

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM | Wise Center

NEW!

Enjoy a fun Sukkot experience! We will kick off the evening with a family-friendly meal followed by a traditional Shabbat service. After the service, we'll gather in the Sukkah to partake in the meaningful tradition of shaking the lulav and etrog. Then, we'll enjoy dessert and fall-inspired ceramic craft painting provided by StarGlazers Pottery. This event is perfect for families with elementary-aged children.

\$10/member family, \$18/guest family

Registration required: wisetemple.org/familysukkot

Sukkot Cookout, Havdalah, Bonfire and Campout ★

Sponsored by the Brotherhood
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

7:00 PM Casual picnic dinner
8:00 PM Campfire, Havdalah, s'mores
& campout



Our 20th Year of celebrating Sukkot by "living in booths" just as our ancestors did! Enjoy a free cookout dinner—simply bring a side dish, salad, or appetizer to share. Then gather at the field for Havdalah, songs and s'mores by the campfire. Bring tents and sleeping bags* and wake the next morning to a camp-style breakfast and coffee, just in time to send kids to Kehillah. **Not mandatory...all are welcome to attend any part of the festivities!*

RSVP: wisetemple.org/sukkotcampout

Obtaining Sukkah Supplies

Lulav and etrog for your sukkah must be ordered by 5:00 PM on Thursday, September 26. The cost is \$85 per set. Order at: wisetemple.org/lulavandetrog/ or contact Heather Spegal at 513-793-2556 or hspegal@wisetemple.org.



Trouble hearing? Plum Street Temple and Wise Center are equipped with a hearing loop, a thin wire compatible with most hearing aids and cochlear implants.



Need a ride to morning services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur? Contact Malia Schaefer at 513-793-2559 or email: mschaefer@wisetemple.org

Obtaining Copies of Sermons

If you'd like a copy of any High Holy Day sermon, contact Malia Schaefer at: mschaefer@wisetemple.org.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



TASHLICH AT THE PARK ★

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM | Pioneer Park
10505 Deerfield Rd, Montgomery

Join us for a sweet and musical family-style gathering at Pioneer Park. Bring some bread or small stones and meet us at the Gazebo to cast away our sins and start the year afresh. Together, we'll reflect, let go of past wrongdoings, and embrace a fresh start. All are welcome to participate in this beautiful, cleansing ritual.

ROSH HASHANAH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

Family Service

(Designed for Elementary Ages)

8:45 AM - 9:30 AM | Wise Center

Families with elementary aged children are invited to pray, sing, and reflect together in a service led by Rabbi Goodman and Rabbi Kamrass.

Children's Program ★

PreK (age 4) - 2nd Grade

10:45 AM - 12:30 PM | Wise Center

Children's Babysitting ★

6 months - 3 years

10:45 AM - 12:30 PM | Wise Center

YoFI Rosh Hashanah Service ★

(Designed for Infants to Kindergarten)

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM | Wise Center

Led by Rabbi Burke, Rabbi Hirsch, Rabbi Goodman, and Matt Check, the YoFI worship experience is designed for infants through kindergarteners, with a special place for parents, older siblings, and grandparents. The brief service includes music, movement, and a story followed by special Rosh Hashanah snacks and activities.

YOM KIPPUR

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

Family Service

(Designed for Elementary Ages)

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM | Wise Center

Families with elementary aged children are invited to pray, sing, and reflect together in a service led by Rabbi Goodman and Rabbi Hirsch.

YOM KIPPUR DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

Family Service

(Designed for Elementary Ages)

8:45 AM - 9:45 AM | Wise Center

Families with elementary aged children are invited to pray, sing, and reflect together in a service led by Rabbi Hirsch and Rabbi Goodman.

Children's Program ★

PreK (age 4) - 2nd Grade

10:45 AM - 12:30 PM | Wise Center

Children's Babysitting ★

6 months - 3 years

10:45 AM - 12:30 PM | Wise Center

YoFI Yom Kippur Service ★

(Designed for Infants to Kindergarten)

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM | Wise Center

Led by Rabbi Burke and Matt Check, this service is geared especially toward our youngest cohort, with a special place for parents, older siblings, and grandparents. All are welcome for our brief, musical service and story followed by free play in the Open Room.

Babysitting ★ and Children's Programs ★

Children PreK (must be at least 4 years old) through 2nd Grade are invited to join us in the Open Room for holiday-themed stories, songs, and crafts. We will also enjoy some of Wise Center's outdoor spaces, weather permitting.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: Fee of \$10 per child per holiday. Limited space available.

Babysitting will be staffed by Jackie Preston, this year's Kehillah Threes program teacher.

Turn Your Fast Into Philanthropy!



Yom Kippur Mitzvah Bag Project

In over 30 years, Wise Temple congregants have donated more than 743,600 pounds of food and personal care items to the Freestore Foodbank.

Carry the Mitzvah: Bring your bags to either temple on Yom Kippur for Freestore Foodbank to collect.* Or, from September 20–October 12, drop off bags in the Wise Center lobby.

Click the Mitzvah:

Visit wisetemple.org/clickthemitzvah from September 20–October 7 to have your donations delivered directly to the temple.

**At Wise Center, please park before removing bags from your car in order to keep traffic flowing.*

Yom Kippur Social Action Mitzvah Project

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

2:30 PM - 3:15 PM

Congregants may spend Yom Kippur day at either Plum Street Temple or Wise Center, and participate in a container labeling project for La Soupe.



★ REGISTER FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS EVENTS ONLINE AT: wisetemple.org/highholydays

All events at Wise Center unless noted.

SPECIAL BLESSINGS FOR THE HOME DURING



Before the beginning of Rosh Hashanah, it is a custom for each member of the household to put some money (tzedakah) aside for a worthy cause of choice and to say this prayer:

We hereby vow to fulfill the mitzvah of tzedakah as we begin this Festival. We remember the words of Your prophet, who called us to share our bread with the hungry, to clothe the naked, and never to hide ourselves from our own kin.

May we, together with the whole House of Israel, be mindful of the needs of others, sharing with them the fruits of our labor and helping to sustain them, so that the promise may be fulfilled:

Then your light shall blaze forth like the dawn, and your wounds shall quickly heal; your righteousness shall walk before you, the glory of Adonai shall follow you.

Fountain of Life, as we begin a new year, let Your light and Your truth come forth to lead us. We look back upon the days that are past and see troubled times and days of celebration. Now we look ahead with the prayer that the new year be one of health and prosperity. When pains and troubles beset us, may we find strength to face them with courage; and when times are good for us, may we have the wisdom to be grateful for our blessings. Amen.

Special Blessings for the High Holy Days

Light the Rosh Hashanah candles and then say these two blessings:

ברוך אתה, יי אלהינו, מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו להדליק נר של יום טוב.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik neir shel Yom Tov.

Blessed are You, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, who hallows us with mitzvot, and commands us to kindle the lights of this Festival.

ברוך אתה, יי אלהינו, מלך העולם, שהחיינו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech ha-olam, shebechyanu v'kivy'manu v'higi-anu laz'man hazeh.

We praise You, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, for giving us life, sustaining us, and enabling us to reach this season.

ROSH HASHANAH AND YOM KIPPUR

Lift up a cup of wine or grape juice and say:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְּרֵי הַגֶּפֶן.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech ha-olam, borei p'ri hagafen.

Blessed are You, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine.

Take a slice of challah and say:

(A round challah is traditional on Rosh Hashanah)

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech ha-olam, hamotzi lechem min ha-aretz.

Blessed are You, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

Dip a slice of apple in honey and say these blessings for a sweet New Year:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְּרֵי הָעֵץ.

Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech ha-olam, borei p'ri ha-eitz.

Blessed are You, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the tree.

הֲיֵי רָצוֹן מִלְּפָנֶיךָ, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, שֶׁתַּחֲדֹשׁ עֲלֵינוּ שָׁנָה טוֹבָה וּמְתוֹקָה.

Y'hi ratzon mil'fanecha, Adonai Eloheinu, shet'chadeish aleinu shanah tovah um'tukah.

May it be Your will, Lord our God, that this be a good and sweet year for us.

Light the Yom Kippur candles and then say:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתַיִךְ, וְצִוָּנוּ
לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל שַׁבָּת וְשֶׁל יוֹם הַכִּפּוּרִים.

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tizvanu
l'hadlik neir shel Shabbat v'shel Yom HaKipurim.*

Blessed are You, Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, who hallows us with mitzvot,
and commands us to kindle the lights of Shabbat and of the Day of Atonement.

Remember, this year tickets for High Holy Days will be delivered electronically to your smartphones on Tuesday, September 24!

TICKET POLICY

All tickets will be sent to your email electronically this year. Each ticket will work for one person only. High Holy Days tickets are provided to all members in good standing. Members who are not in good standing will be notified and asked to make arrangements to improve their status. If they do so, they will be provided tickets. There are other instances when tickets are provided for attendance:

- Out-of-town, unaffiliated adult children of congregants are offered tickets upon request, free of charge.
- Congregants may request tickets for out-of-town, unaffiliated family members and guests to accompany them. A donation is requested, with a minimum donation of \$100 per guest.
- In town, unaffiliated, adult children 35+ are asked for a \$100 donation per ticket.
- Free High Holy Days tickets are provided upon request to any young adult, 34 and under.
- Tickets are provided free of charge to prospective members for one year only.

FOR TICKET REQUESTS

Email Heather Spegal at hspegal@wisetemple.org or go to: wisetemple.org/donate. Make your donation to the **General-Prayerbook Fund** and list the names and email addresses of those needing tickets in the acknowledgment box. Tickets will be emailed directly to your guests, so please make sure to provide accurate information.



Watch for emails from the temple! Tickets cannot be sent without a correct email address. Update your email address and phone number in the portal to make sure you receive your tickets and so we can contact you if needed. If you aren't receiving regular emails from Wise Temple, your email address needs to be updated.

PAPER TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLY TO THOSE WITH NO EMAIL ADDRESS.

IF YOU HAVEN'T RECEIVED YOUR TICKETS BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, or have questions, please contact Heather Spegal at 513-793-2556 or hspegal@wisetemple.org

SAVE THE DATES

CELEBRATING RABBI LEWIS KAMRASS'
40 YEARS AT WISE TEMPLE

STREET PARTY

SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025
12:00 noon – 3:00 pm

WISE CENTER
8329 Ridge Road, Amberley

SPECIAL SHABBAT SERVICE

FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2025
7:00 pm service - Oneg to follow

PLUM STREET TEMPLE
720 Plum Street, Cincinnati

AN EVENING OF DINNER & DANCING

SUNDAY, MAY 18, 2025
5:00 pm – 10:00 pm

MUSIC HALL
1241 Elm Street, Cincinnati

#KAMRASSFEST