



**Am Kolel Member
Information Package**

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HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES 5772

September 28, 29, and 30; October 7 and 8, 2011

Summer 2011 - Av-Elul 5771

Rabbi Pinhas said: "At New Year's, God is in that concealment which is called 'sitting on the throne,' and everyone can see him, everyone according to his nature: one in weeping, one in prayer, and one in the song of praise."

Dear Friends,

In a few weeks we will be celebrating the Yom Tovim together once again. While we come to these sacred days with our own needs and memories, we also come together as a community with an ancient and revered history. I am looking forward to sharing this time with you. Being together we find strength and renewed joy in life and new hope for the future.

I have a special relationship with two communities, Kehila and Am Kolel. *Correction! It's actually three communities. The third community is those of you who come primarily on the High Holy Days and see me as your rabbi, too. Consider formally becoming members of Kehila or Am Kolel. Please look at our respective web sites. The various educational, social justice and holiday programs are opportunities to strengthen and grow with each other throughout the year.*

A new program that we are launching this year is the Maalot Hebrew Immersion and Jewish Culture Institute, a week or two weeks of immersion in the Hebrew language arts and Jewish culture at Sanctuary. If you are curious check the web sites for more information. And If you need to reach me personally please call me at the Am Kolel office during the week at 301-349-2799 or e-mail rabbidavid@am-kolel.org.

Selichot, the preparation evening of reflection, niggunim, prayers and discussion of High Holy Day themes, will take place at my home on Saturday evening, September 24 at 9 PM.

May you have a fulfilling, joyful and healthy New Year. May we continue to lift each other, bring peace and healing to ourselves, to all humanity and to this earth.

L'Shanah Tovah Tikateyvu,

Rabbi David Shneyer



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Dear Friends,

Kehila Chadasha welcomes your participation in services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. **This year, services will be held at Walter Johnson High School at 6400 Rock Spring Drive in Bethesda.** Rabbi David Shneyer will again lead services, and on the 2nd day of Rosh Hashanah (September 30), services will be held outdoors at the Veirs Mill Recreation Center.

There are two ways to order tickets. First, you can order tickets on the Am Kolel website, www.am-kolel.org (payment by **credit card**, only). You can also list names for the Yizkor scroll and make Tzedakah contributions on the website at the same time. **Or**, you can order tickets and make contributions using the enclosed paper forms. Availability is limited, so please place your ticket order well in advance.

We will mail your tickets to you as long as we receive your order by **September 16th**. Tickets for orders received after September 16th can be picked up at services at "Will Call."

Your donation defrays the cost of the services and supports the ongoing work of Rabbi Shneyer in the larger Jewish community. As you may know, his diverse activities enrich Jewish life and promote an inclusive Jewish philosophy, human rights, social justice, and collaboration between Jews and non-Jews.

In order to meet the demands of rising overhead costs and to keep the suggested contribution rate reasonably low, we have adopted these practices for accepting contributions.

- High holiday tickets are available **either for each individual holiday or for both holidays**.
- Those who feel their financial circumstances do not permit them to make the suggested contribution should use the enclosed paper order form.
- Special rates are available for seniors and college students.

If you are a current, **Full Household** dues paying member of Am Kolel, two (2) tickets for each holiday will automatically be mailed to you by Am Kolel. If you are a dues paying **Full Individual** member, one (1) ticket for each holiday will be mailed to you. If you are an **Associate** member or if you need additional tickets, please fill out the paper form included in this packet, or purchase tickets online at the Am Kolel website, www.am-kolel.org.

For All Am Kolel Members - Ticket orders, Yizkor forms & Tzedakah contributions should be sent to the Am Kolel office: 19520 Darnestown Rd, Beallsville, MD 20839. If you have questions, please call 301-349-2799 or send an email to info@am-kolel.org.

Non-Members: Please contact Kehila Chadasha by calling 301-887-3777, emailing to kehilahighhol@gmail.com or going to their website at www.e-kehila.org.

B'Shalom

Kehila Chadasha High Holidays Planning Committee & the Am Kolel staff



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Children's Services Thursday, September 29, 2011 (Rosh Hashanah) and Saturday, October 8, 2011 (Yom Kippur)

Kehila Chadasha is once again pleased to offer an experiential High Holiday program for children. Our unique programs integrate worship, music, art and storytelling. The children experience the joy and meaning of the holidays through these special, hands-on Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur activities. Healthy snacks will be served both mornings and the children will have an opportunity to join the adult service to hear the blowing of the Shofar.

NOTE: Given the nature of the program this year, it would be ideal if your child arrives at 9:45 AM.

NOTE: There will be no children's program during the evening services on Rosh Hashanah and Kol Nidre. If you choose to bring your children, they must be able to sit quietly through the services.

Enrollment for children's services is on a first come, first serve basis and spaces are limited. Please register **by September 14th** either on the website at www.am-kolel.org or by using the enclosed Ticket Registration Form.

The Essentials:

Ages: Younger than 5 years -- accompanied by a parent or familiar adult who remains with the child throughout the program.

5 - 6 years who do not require parental supervision -- with a parent or familiar adult checking once every hour.

7 - 12 years -- can be unaccompanied.

Location: *Walter Johnson High School Cafeteria*

Dates/Time:	ROSH HASHANAH	Thursday, September 29	9:45 AM - 12:30 PM
	YOM KIPPUR	Saturday, October 8	9:45 AM - 12:30 PM

Fee per child: \$55.00 - includes both holidays. Parents who choose to attend with their children instead of attending regular services are welcome, but we encourage you to make a contribution to help defray our costs.

To pay for tickets or make contributions by:

- **credit card**, order online at www.am-kolel.org.
- **mail**, use the enclosed form and mail to Am Kolel; 19520 Darnestown Rd; Beallsville, MD 20839.

Questions about Children's Services? Call Audrey Tepper at 301-571-0440, before 9:00pm. Please leave a message and she will return your call within 24 hours. To minimize confusion, be sure to identify yourself as an Am Kolel member.



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October 8, 2011

In Memory of Our Relations – Yizkor

This year, we will again create a Remembrance Scroll. It will be hung near the entrance to the Auditorium at Walter Johnson High School during Yom Kippur.

There are two ways to have a member of your immediate family (or more than one) remembered on this scroll. If you are ordering tickets on-line, you can provide the names of your family members when you place your on-line order. Or, you can submit the names on the enclosed form and mail it to us (please print clearly). We ask that you include only the names of immediate family members.

The tradition of memory is also strongly connected to tzedakah. Please consider making a Yizkor contribution to honor the memory of your family member(s).

Your Yizkor contribution will go to Kehila Chadasha's Tzedekah Fund. In recent years, the Tzedekah Fund has supported many organizations and causes, including the Capitol Area Food Bank, Mazon, DC Central Kitchen, International Rescue Committee, Ziv Tzedakah Fund, Rabbi's for Human Rights, Shepherd's Table, Jewish Foundation for the Righteous (supporting impoverished rescuers in Europe), American Jewish World Service, Heartbeat Jerusalem and several grassroots projects in Africa working with women and children affected by AIDS.

This year your contributions will continue to support a wide range of organizations in our own local area, throughout the United States, in Israel, and around the world that meet a variety of human needs. Contributions may be made by check, as shown on the enclosed form.



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SCHEDULE of SERVICES

ROSH HASHANAH

Wednesday, September 28 8:00 PM Rosh Hashanah Evening Service
NO CHILDREN'S SERVICE

Thursday, September 29 9:30 AM Rosh Hashanah Morning Service
9:45 AM – 12:30 PM – Children's Service

Friday, September 30 9:30 AM Rosh Hashanah Morning Service (at Veirs Mill Recreation Center)
NO CHILDREN'S SERVICE
1:00 PM Tashlich (at Veirs Mill Recreation Center)

YOM KIPPUR

Friday, October 7 6:30 PM Kol Nidre
NO CHILDREN'S SERVICE

Saturday, October 8 9:30 AM Yom Kippur Morning Service
9:45 AM – 12:30 PM – Children's Service
11:45 AM – Yizkor
3:00 PM – Discussion Groups
4:00 PM – Mincha and Panel on Social Justice
6:00 PM – Ne'ila
7:00 PM – Havdala/Break-fast

SUGGESTED CONTRIBUTIONS for TICKETS

CATEGORY	BOTH HOLIDAYS	ONE HOLIDAY
ADULTS	\$165	\$110
SENIORS 65+	\$110	\$85
COLLEGE STUDENTS	\$50	\$25
CHILDREN (for Children's Services or Adult Services)	\$55	N/A

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