









Magen Avot

Sunday 25 September 2022 / 1 Tishrei 5783

Rosh Hashana 2022 / 5783 ראש השנה

Sunday 25 Mincha	Mon/Tue 26/27 Shacharit	Mon/Tue 26/27 Kiddush	Mon/Tue 26/27 Shofar	Mon/Tue 26/27 Mincha	Rosh Hashana Ends
 6.35PM	 8.15AM	 AROUND 10.45AM	 NOT BEFORE 11.00AM	 6.34PM	 7.34PM

Yom Tov

We are in the OYH Hall for all services over Yom Tov. We ask that members follow signs to get to the hall downstairs via our usual entrance, turning left and past the OYH entrance and around the left hand side of the building, down the ramp and into the hall. We have been asked to not use the stairs by OYH to avoid disturbances. Additionally, can we please ask parents to not allow their children to bring ball games and instead try to encourage their children to daven in Shul.

RH1: Kiddush is sponsored by Chaya and Moshe Langerman.

RH2: Kiddush is sponsored by Esther and Simon Bentley.

Y@MA will be taking place during leining (~10.15am) on first day Rosh Hashanah in the usual place inside NRPS.

Additional Notes and Times

1. Earliest time for candle lighting on erev RH is **5.38pm** and Yom Tov comes in at **6.38pm**.
2. Sof Zman Kriat Shema: **9.51am (Day 1) | 9.52am (Day 2)**
3. The final 40 shofar blasts will take place after **12.50pm**
4. Tashlich is usually done before Mincha on the first day, but may be done even until Hoshanah Rabbah
5. No work for the 2nd day should be done before nightfall
6. Candle Lighting for 2nd night is after nightfall at **7.37pm**
7. T'Zom Gedaliah (Wed 28) fast **5.17am** until **7.26pm**

Davening

Rosh Hashanah I	Rosh Hashanah II
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Night 1: Daniel Ehreich • PD: Richard Herman • Shach: Raffi Maurer • Leining: Dan Artman • Mussaf: Daniel Greenberg • Drsha: Rabbi Dr Rafi Zarum • No Shiur (Maariv) • Baal Tokea: Richard Taylor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Night 2: Josh Abeles • PD: Ashley Katz • Shach: David Kass • Leining: Dan Artman • Mussaf: Alex Jaffe • Drsha: Chief Rabbi E Mirvis • Shiur: Rabbi Dr Rafi Zarum • Baal Tokea: Richard Taylor

Message from Rabbi Yoni Golker:-

Dear Friends,

Dina and I are really looking forward to joining Magen Avot this Sukkot, but in excited anticipation, I wanted to reach out and write to you all to extend warm טובה greetings.

Rosh Hashanah is a time for new beginnings, and for the Golker family this year, this is especially the case. As we complete our final duties at St John's Wood Synagogue over the ימים נוראים, we reflect upon, reminisce, and indeed celebrate the achievements of the past six years.

We now prepare to join Magen Avot, feeling energised and empowered by all our experiences gained in NW8. We can't wait to get to meet you all!

Rav Moshe Avigdor Amiel was a fascinating and outstanding Torah scholar and writer in the early 20th century in Tel Aviv. He was renowned for his poetic, erudite and piercing sermons.

In his famous collection of sermons, *Derashot el Ami*, he points out that the names of Parshiot towards the end of *Sefer Devarim* that send us a powerful message at the end of the Jewish year. *Ki Tetzei* and *Ki Tavo* – we can come and go, but, in truth, "atem Nitzavim hayom kulchem lifnei Hashem Elokeichem", we are always standing before Hashem, wherever we may be and no matter how far our feet and our minds may roam.

As the Jewish year 5782 draws to a close, and we recollect all our sojourns of the last twelve months, the busy and exciting places we have been to, the challenges and times of joy we have experienced, and special moments we have shared, we reflect on this idea. On Rosh Hashanah we return; we come home to our source, whether that be in Shul or around the Yom Tov table, surrounded by family and friends. When we dip the apple into the honey, and pray for the year ahead, we return to and rededicate our relationship with the Almighty and with our millennia-old traditions. On Rosh Hashanah, each of us, in our own way, will look back over our past year, learning from our experiences, and pledge to renew and refresh our ambitions, hopes and aspirations for the year ahead.

The תפילה that most encapsulates these ideas is:

זכרנו לחיים מלך חפץ בחיים וכתבנו בספר החיים למענך אלוקים חיים
Remember us for life, O King Who desires life, and inscribe us in the Book of Life For your sake, O God of Life!

It is noteworthy that the word 'life' appears no fewer than four times in this תפילה.

We, the Jewish people, value, and care for life and hope to be re-energised to enable us to live lives full of meaning and mutual recognition and connection.

I would like to conclude my message with a beautiful alternative interpretation of the 'זכרנו לחיים' refrain which I saw in the published sermons of the late Rabbi Louis Rabinowitz, a former Chief Rabbi of South Africa and ardent anti-apartheid campaigner. He posed the question: do we really have the right to ask for life from the Almighty? Can we truthfully declare ourselves to be worthy of life, having regard to the number of sins we have committed in the past year?

His answer is as follows: if we scrutinise carefully the words of Zochreinu, we will find included there the all-important word 'Lema'an'cha', 'for Your sake'. In other words, we plead for our continued survival, both as individuals and as the Jewish nation as a whole, to enable us to continue striving to connect to spiritual meaning and observing the moral code and the mitzvot that the Almighty has laid down for us in His Torah, so that we can fulfil our destiny of being a 'עם סגולה', as well as 'a light unto the nations'. And, by fulfilling that destiny, we are proclaiming Hashem's supremacy over all creation and affirming the purpose of that creation. It is thus ultimately 'for Your sake, Hashem, that we seek life, for, as דוד המלך declares: 'לא המתים יהללו י-ה'.

Dina joins me in wishing you and your loved ones a חתימה טובה,

Warmest Wishes,
Rabbi Yoni Golker

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