

# HIGH HOLIDAYS

High Holidays are rapidly approaching:

Members and Non-members, please go to [shearthisrael.org/highholidays5776](http://shearthisrael.org/highholidays5776) to make offerings, place lulabim orders, and to purchase seats in the Parallel Service. There are a limited amount of seats available in the Main Sanctuary for \$400. To purchase a seat in the Main Sanctuary and/or for questions, please email [dlandau@shearthisrael.org](mailto:dlandau@shearthisrael.org).  
Deadline to purchase additional seats: Wednesday, September 9 at 5:00 pm.

**Accessibility:** As a reminder, until our new Community House is built, we will not have elevator access to the ladies gallery. We do, however, have a small temporary ladies section in the rear of the lower "men's" level of the sanctuary. We also have a wheelchair climber device for those who need assistance accessing the main level of the Large Synagogue. If you expect to need assistance please contact Maria Caputo at [mcaputo@shearthisrael.org](mailto:mcaputo@shearthisrael.org) or call 212-873-0300, x 230.

## Satan's Yom Kippur Candid Camera Test: How to Avoid Overconfidence

**Labor Day Monday, September 7 | Following 6:30 pm Evening Services**  
Join us for this special class taught by Rabbi Richard Hidary to prepare us for the High Holidays.

## City Harvest Kosher Food Drive

This Fall we are launching a Hesed initiative focused on alleviating hunger in New York City. We will be developing programs culminating in a special activity at the synagogue around Thanksgiving. For the month of September, the Shearith Israel League's Social Action Committee is sponsoring a City Harvest Kosher Food Drive. A food collection bin will be placed outside of Levy Auditorium near the water fountain. We encourage you to donate generously. Please go to [shearthisrael.org/food-drive](http://shearthisrael.org/food-drive) for important kashrut rules and other specifications.

## Sephardic Community Selihot Service Motzei Shabbat, September 13 | 12:30 am Held at the Edmond J. Safra Synagogue 11 East 63rd (Between 5th Ave and Madison)

Join Sephardic communities in NYC for a communal Selihot. Go to [www.ejsny.org/events-and-programs/154](http://www.ejsny.org/events-and-programs/154) to see the list of participating synagogues.

## Shabbat Teshubah Derasha

Delivered by Rabbi Meir Soloveichik

"Rembrandt and the Rabbis:

Blessing Our Children on the Eve of Atonement"

Shabbat Morning | September 19 | Following Morning Services

## High Holiday Programming for Children

Rosh Hashana, Kippur and Succot

Join for special programs like a Shofar blowing exercise and a show & tell of Rabbi Soloveichik's exotic animal shofar collection during youth groups.

# SUCCOT

## Meals in the Succah

For Shearith Israel members and their guests who wish to enjoy self-catered meals in a Shearith Israel community succah, we offer timed seatings for each meal of yom tob. Registration and a cover charge of \$12 per seat (including children) are required for each meal. You bring the food (strictly kosher, of course) and we supply disposables and basic beverages. Space is highly limited. We will accommodate members and immediate family on a first-come-first-serve basis. Non-member guests will be accommodated closer to the date depending on availability. Due to our new building construction, we do not have a courtyard succah this year. However, in addition to our beautiful Elias Room succah we are working toward building a second succah outdoors in our adjacent lot. To register contact [mcaputo@shearthisrael.org](mailto:mcaputo@shearthisrael.org) ASAP. Please let her know if you prefer the Elias or outdoor succah (if available). If we are oversubscribed, we will create a wait list and hope to accommodate as many people as possible.

## Sisterhood Succah Decoration

Thursday, September 24 | 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Friday, September 25 | 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sunday, September 27 | 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Teens and adults, women and men, are invited to help decorate in preparation for the Succot Festival. To participate, contact [lrohde-csi@yahoo.com](mailto:lrohde-csi@yahoo.com) or sign up at [shearthisrael.org/sisterhood-succah-decorating-5776](http://shearthisrael.org/sisterhood-succah-decorating-5776). Financial contributions to the Sisterhood's Succah Fund are also welcomed to help defray the costs of decorating and maintaining the Succah. To make a contribution to the Sisterhood Succah Fund, please either send a donation to The Sisterhood Succah Fund at the synagogue office, make a gift online or contact [ryasky@shearthisrael.org](mailto:ryasky@shearthisrael.org).



CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL  
The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue

*September 4-5*  
**Shabbat Ki Tabo**

Hertz Pentateuch: p. 859; Haftarah p. 874  
Kaplan Living Torah: p. 988; Haftarah p. 1240

**CANDLE LIGHTING** | 7:06 pm  
**MINHAH** | 6:45 pm

**ZEMIROT** | 8:30 am | Levy Auditorium  
**SHAHARIT (NISHMAT)** | 9:15 am | Rabbi Soloveichik  
delivers a Debar Torah

**TOT SHABBAT** | Ages 0-4 | 10:00 am | Coat Room  
**KIDDUSH** | Elias Room | *Sponsored by Gideon and Sharona Gordon*

**SHABBAT AFTERNOON CLASS** | 5:55 pm | Levy  
Auditorium | Rabbi Soloveichik gives a special Shabbat After-  
noon lecture on the topic "Handel with Care: Royalty, Rosh  
Hashana and the Concept of Coronation"

**MINHAH/ARBIT** | 6:55 pm  
**HABDALAH** | 7:59 pm

Our office will be closed on Monday, September 7, in observance of  
Labor Day. Shaharit will be at 8:00 am on Monday.

Weekday Mornings: 7:15 am, Sunday Mornings: 8:00 am  
Weekday Evenings: 6:30 pm

**Wildman Steve Brill Central Park Succot Outing**  
**Hol HaMoed Succot**

**Wednesday, September 30 | 4:00pm**

What better way to celebrate Succot than to admire the beauty and tastes of Nature! Children and adults are welcome to join as we embark on another edible tour of Central Park. Go to [shearithisrael.org/wildman](http://shearithisrael.org/wildman) to register.

**New Kiddush Sponsorship Opportunity**

Kiddush is an enjoyable time to relax and catch up with friends, but at its core, kiddush requires the blessing over a glass of wine or other alcoholic (or permissible non-alcoholic) beverage. In addition to our weekly Kiddush sponsors and contributors we are now also accepting sponsors for the scotch and arak that we make available each week. To sponsor or contribute go to [shearithisrael.org/scotch-and-arak-sponsorships](http://shearithisrael.org/scotch-and-arak-sponsorships)

**Shearith Israel Annual Gala**  
**Wednesday, October 21**

The theme of this year's gala will be "A Celebration of Our Hebrew School: The Polonies Talmud Torah School (PTTS)." Join us in honoring our longtime members and PTTS family, Lloyd Zuckerberg and Charlotte Triefus. We also pay special tribute to Rabbi Shalom Morris who just recently completed his tenure at Shearith Israel and PTTS to assume the pulpit at the Bevis Marks Synagogue in London. Go to [shearithisrael.org/gala](http://shearithisrael.org/gala) to register.

**Hatanim Luncheon**  
**Saturday, October 10**

Join us in honoring our Hatanim and their families with a luncheon following Morning Services:  
Seth Haberman, Hatan Torah  
Ari Sherizen, Hatan Bereshit  
To register, go to [shearithisrael.org/hatanim2015](http://shearithisrael.org/hatanim2015)

Our next public tour is:  
**Tuesday, September 8 at 11:00 am**

**Parnas Office Hours**

Louis Solomon would be delighted to meet with you.  
Please schedule a visit at  
[parnas@shearithisrael.org](mailto:parnas@shearithisrael.org).