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5772

A Guide to the
High Holy Day Season
at
Congregation Beth Israel

*May you & your loved ones be blessed with love,
health & joy throughout this New Year.*

לשנה טובה תכתבו

High Holy Day Guide 5772

Introduction

It's no accident that, in one way or another, virtually every Jew participates in the holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

The significance of the festivals of the Hebrew month of Tishrei is so profound as to affect every Jewish soul, regardless of one's degree of knowledge or commitment to Judaism.

Tishrei is the richest month in the Jewish Calendar. It commences with Rosh Hashanah, which begins the "Days of Awe," through Sukkot and Simchat Torah - the "Season of our Rejoicing" - these holidays set the tone for the entire year to come.

This "Holy Day Guide" sets forth many of the practical observances, as well as the inner significance, of these dynamic Yamim Tovim (Jewish Holidays). It also serves as a one stop shopping for the holidays at Congregation Beth Israel.

We hope it will serve you well, and will help you prepare, both spiritually and physically, for the fall holidays.

High Holy Day Candle Lighting Times

Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, September 28, 2011 by 6:17 PM

Thursday, September 29, 2011 after 7:16 PM

Shabbat Shuva

Friday, September 30, 2011 by 6:14 PM

Yom Kippur

Friday, October 7, 2011 by 6:02 PM

Sukkot

Wednesday, October 12, 2011 by 5:53 PM

Thursday, October 13, 2011 after 6:52 PM

Shabbat Sukkot Chol Hamoed

Friday, October 14, 2011 by 5:50 PM

Shemini Atzeret

Wednesday, October 19, 2011 by 5:42 PM

Simchat Torah

Thursday, October 20, 2011 after 6:41 PM

Shabbat Bereshit

Friday, October 21, 2011 by 5:39 PM

**HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE
ROSH HASHANAH 5772**

Saturday, September 24

Ma'ariv, Havdalah and
Selichot (Program & Service) 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 28

Minchah & Ma'ariv 6:15 p.m.

Thursday, September 29

Shacharit 8:30 a.m.
*Torah Reading 9:30 a.m.
*Sermon 10:45 a.m.
*Musaf 11:15 a.m.
Tashlich 5:15 p.m.
Minchah & Ma'ariv 5:45 p.m. (Open seating)

Friday, September 30

Shacharit 8:30 a.m.
*Torah Reading 9:30 a.m.
*Shofar 10:30 a.m.
*Sermon 10:45 a.m.
*Musaf 11:15 a.m.
Minchah, Kabbalat Shabbat, Ma'ariv 5:15 p.m. (Open seating)

**These times are approximations*

May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year.



HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

יום כיפור

YOM KIPPUR 5772

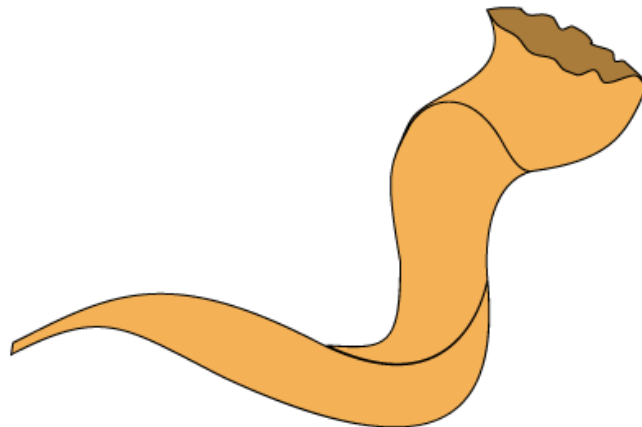
Friday, October 7

Minchah	1:30 p.m.
Kol Nidre	5:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 8

Shacharit	8:30 a.m.
*Torah Reading	10:00 a.m.
*Sermon	11:00 a.m.
*Yizkor - Memorial Service	11:15 a.m.
Minchah	4:30 p.m. (Open seating)
Ne'ilah	5:45 p.m. (Open seating)
Ma'ariv	Before Shofar blowing
Tekiat HaShofar	7:02 p.m. (Open seating)

*These times are approximations



Youth High Holy Day Services

Thursday, September 29

ROSH HASHANAH

10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Shoresh: Babysitting (18 months through 5 years of age)

Family Room

11:30AM-12:00PM

Tot Services (18 months through 5 years of age)

Family Room

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Family Service

(Recommended for families with children in Grades K-6)

Conducted by: *Me'ir Sherer, Director of Congregational Learning*

Palley Library

12:15 PM-1:15 PM

USY Discussion Group (Grades 7-12)

Conducted by: *Me'ir Sherer, Director of Congregational Learning*

Palley Library

Friday, September 30

ROSH HASHANAH

10:00 AM-1:00 PM

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Saturday, October 8

YOM KIPPUR

10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Shoresh: Babysitting (18 months through 5 years of age)

Family Room

11:30AM-12:00PM

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Ticket Information
Rosh Hashanah September 29TH & September 30th
Yom Kippur October 8th

Questions and Answers about High Holy Day Tickets

The High Holy Days are a special time for Congregation Beth Israel and for Jews everywhere, in part because so many people want to come to the Synagogue and worship as a community. Despite the large seating capacity of Congregation Beth Israel's Sanctuary and Social Hall, the High Holy Days are the one time of year that we distribute tickets for religious services. The tickets serve to help organize the services on the holidays and ensure the safety of our community. This year ticket pick-up is Monday, September 19th from 7:30pm to 9:00pm . If you cannot pick-up your tickets, please call the office to make other arrangements.

Who Is Entitled To High Holy Day Tickets?

Beth Israel members in good standing—**those who have paid at least 60% of their current dues and have nothing in arrears**—are assigned seats according to the family size. Those with family memberships are assigned seats for up to two adults, plus one seat for each dependent child who has attained bar/bat mitzvah age and is a full-time student or is not gainfully employed and has not attained his/her 27th birthday. Congregants with single memberships are assigned one seat. *We will make every effort to keep families together. To facilitate planning, please request only those seats you will actually be using.* **If you cannot fulfill the 60%, please contact Ken Turkewitz at (508) 756-6204.** In addition, members in good standing of other Conservative synagogues may obtain tickets if they will be in the Worcester area during the High Holy Days by having their home congregation fill out the USCJ Reciprocal Form. Similarly, Congregation Beth Israel members who will be traveling during the High Holy Days may attend services at other Conservative congregations by obtaining a reciprocal form from Congregation Beth Israel. Finally, Congregation Beth Israel does provide tickets to students with valid student identification.

Is There Any Way To Obtain Additional Tickets?

Additional family members may purchase seats for \$200 in the main sanctuary or \$100 in the supplementary section. Non-members may purchase seats in the supplementary section for \$200. Ticket order forms may be obtained at the Synagogue.

Is It Necessary to Confirm How Many Seats I Need When I Know Where I Sit Year After Year?

The Sanctuary had many empty seats last year while the temporary seats were overflowing. This year we are making an effort to find out who is attending services so we may move as many members as possible into the permanent seating. **MANY SEATS WILL CHANGE TO MAKE OUR SANCTUARY A FULLER MORE SPIRITUAL PLACE TO PRAY ON THE HOLIDAYS.**

It is mandatory you fill out the ticket information in the back of this packet.

Due September 1, 2011

Selichot

Saturday, September 24, 2011



**Hosted by
Congregation Beth Israel**



***An evening of reflection, self discovery and prayer
that is open to all.***

View the film, "Seeking the 36",
and engage in discussion with Me'ir Sherer, Director of
Congregation Learning

Seeking the 36 is a quixotic quest by teenage seeker Nico Lanson to find the Lamed Vov, the Thirty-Six Just Souls of Jewish folklore, in the world today. According to the legend, there are 36 anonymous individuals so righteous that they counterbalance all the sins and follies of mankind, and keep our troubled world afloat.

See the film trailer at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hmOYYUVtFR0>.

Services led by Cantor Yosi Weintraub

Cantor Weintraub will be leading us in prayer during the high holy days this year, as well.

7:30 pm Light snack, Program and Selichot Service

**Congregation Beth Israel
15 Jamesbury Drive
Worcester, MA 01609**

Please RSVP on the order sheet near the back of the guide.

Hello everyone,

As we near the High Holy Days, our thoughts turn to our Jewish community and especially our youth. This year, we will again include our annual High Holidays Tribute Book solicitation in our High Holy Day Guide. This is the only invitation we will send asking for your participation.

Our Synagogue youth program is a wonderful center of learning and nurturing for our youth. The experiences our children have in youth group build their identity as Jews and impact them for a lifetime. Many of us know this from personal experience; our own treasured experiences in youth group became the basis for our deepest life decisions about careers and family. Our children deserve a vibrant youth group, and we need your support for the programming this entails.

The major annual fundraiser for USY is our High Holidays Tribute Book. By listing your loved ones in this booklet, you will not only bring honor to them, but you will also perform a mitzvah by helping our youth. The booklet is prepared in time for Yom Kippur and is placed on each seat in the Sanctuary for the Kol Nidre service.

Please make a commitment to our future by supporting our youth groups today by participating in the Tribute Book. If you've donated to the Tribute Book in the past, we hope you will consider increasing your donation to the next level. If you have not participated in the Book before, please let 5772 be the year you do so.

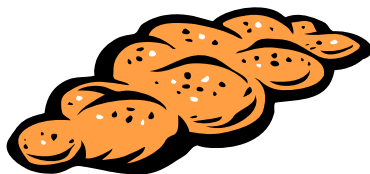
We thank you in advance for your support! Please mail in or drop-off your pledge by September 15th. You will find the form on the back of this booklet.

Shanah Tovah

Jodi

Jodi Hirschman

Youth Activities Committee Chair



USY Challah Sale

Please support USY
programming by
purchasing your
New Year Challah from us.

Plain Challah \$5.50

Raisin Challah \$6.50

Challah Pick-up
Tuesday, September 27th
6:30pm – 8:00pm and
Wednesday, September 28th
7:45am – 11:00am

Luach 5772 Sale

The Luach is an annual guide to prayers, readings, laws, and customs. It is put out by the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism (USCJ) and The Rabbinical Assembly (RA). It gives a day-by-day account of the proper prayers and readings, as well as commentary on extraordinary circumstances for the day.

The Luach is used at the bima each Shabbat and holiday to help guide services and as an easy reference for the proper readings.

For those familiar with the Luach, please note that it was redesigned for 5772. Information on the new book can be found on the USCJ web site at:
<https://secure.uscj.org/bookservice/sample/luah5772sample.pdf>.

Individual congregants at BI who are interested in purchasing a Luach 5772 can do so by indicating on the order page in this guide. As part of our bulk order, they are \$20 each.

The Luachs are expected to be delivered in mid-September. If you order one, the office will notify you when they are in and they will be available for pickup at the office.

OPERATION ISAAH

**A Harvest of Generosity:
Jews Observe High Holy Days by Giving Food to Those
in Need**

**Kol Nidre Night
Friday, October 7, 2011
Please bring your donation before 6:02PM
(the start of the Holiday).**

**Please fill a grocery bag with your donation of food.
Bags are available at BI.**

**The food we collect will go to *Rachel's Table* where it will be
distributed to those in need.**

**Foods Needed: Cereal, powdered milk, jam, jelly,
mayonnaise, rice mixes, cake mixes, peanut butter,
pasta, crackers, salad dressing, cookies, mustard,
ketchup, tea, spices, tuna, vegetables, fruits, soups,
beans, juices, spaghetti sauce, coffee, baby foods.**

WE ALL THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION!

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We don't blame you for feeling tired of hearing stories about the ever-growing number of families struggling with hunger.

Can you imagine
the *exhaustion*
from a constant
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food on the table?



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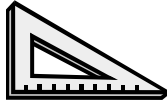
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Monthly Collection for September



School Supplies



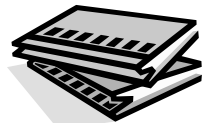
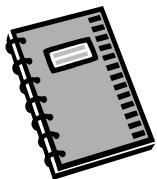
-  Pencils
-  Pens
-  3 ring binders
-  Crayons
-  Markers
-  Colored Pencils
-  Erasers
-  calculators (*they don't have to be expensive*)
-  backpacks (*new or VERY gently used*)
-  Rulers
-  Notebooks
-  Pocket folders
-  3 hole lined paper
-  Glue sticks
-  Dictionaries
-  Pencil grips

OR please feel free to purchase anything else elementary and middle school students might need.

The Social Action Committee's first monthly collection
is School Supplies.

Many of the stores are having great sales now!

When you are shopping for your children's school supplies
(*or even if you don't need to go school shopping*)
please pick up a few of the items listed.



The drop off barrel is located
near the BI Lobby



Please think about dropping off a few
items when you pick up your
Yom Tov tickets.

Collection ends September 30th

Alternative Northborough drop off point:
Call Nan Gold, 508-393-9682

Congregation Beth Israel Sukkot and

New Member Dinner

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

14th day of Tishrei 5772

After Services (Approximately 6:10 pm)

*BI invites you to join us in fulfilling the
mitzvah of eating in a sukkah.*

BI Sukkot Dinner

(Chicken, kugel, and more)

Adults @ \$18

Children (6-12 Years) @ \$12 each

Children under 5 Free

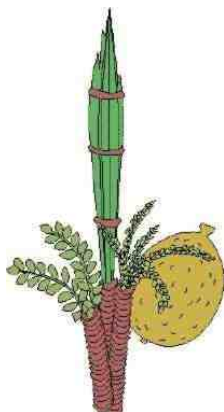
(Maximum per Family \$50)

RSVP due October 7, 2011.

There is limited seating so please send us your check ASAP to reserve your spot.

"MAKE A LULAV SHAKE"

One of the great joys of Sukkot is building your own sukkah and having your own lulav and etrog to go with it. Order your own Lulav and etrog the easy way — through the Congregation!



Fill out the lulav and etrog section on the order sheet in the back and return it to the office with a check made out to Congregation Beth Israel by Wednesday, September 28th. Your lulav and etrog will be available for pick-up at the Synagogue on Tuesday, October 11th, 11AM to 1PM and Wednesday, October 12th, 8AM to 11AM. They are shipped very close to the beginning of Sukkot to assure maximum freshness. Happy Sukkot!



**Order a lulav and etrog at
the low cost of \$54 each.**

Sukkah Visits

Hosts

Are you building a sukkah this year? Would you like to share it with your friends at Beth Israel?

Call the office (508-756-6204) and let us know if:

- ◆ You're open to "sukkah-hopping" visitors, and if so when you're sukkah will be "open"
- ◆ You're open to having guests for a meal

We'll publish a list of local sukkahs and when they are open for visiting. We'll also let you know what opportunities you may have for hosting guests for a meal!

Guests

Are you potentially missing out on the pleasure of being an exalted guest at a sukkah this year?

Let us help you find a local sukkah. Call the office (508-756-6204) and let us know if you'd like to be a guest at a fellow-congregant's hut.

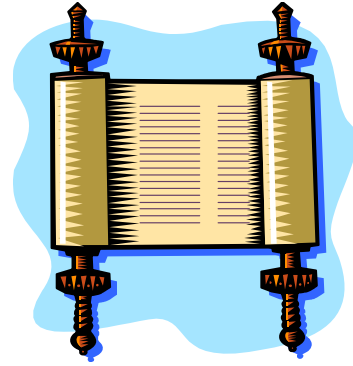


Shoresh: Babysitting



Babysitting services for children aged 18 months to five years will be available on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Family Room. Cost per family is \$15 per day or \$40 for three days to help defray expenses. Toys, games and kosher snacks will be provided.

To register your child, children, or grandchildren, please complete the section for Shoresh in the back of this booklet and return it to the synagogue office with a check made payable to Congregation Beth Israel no later than **Thursday, September 1th.**



**SIMCHAT TORAH
CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL**

*Congregation Beth Israel cordially invites
you and your family to join us in honoring this year's*

*Hatan or Kalah Torah
&
Hatan or Kalah Bereishit*

(Honorees to be announced shortly.)

On the morning of Simchat Torah

Kiddush following Services

We celebrate Simchat Torah with music, laughter, dancing and singing. The Torah ends with the death of Moses and immediately begins again with the story of Creation. The chanting of Genesis 1 is a reminder that humans participated in the creation and, like the cycle of the Torah reading, this partnership never ends.

**Thursday evening, October 20th
22 Tishrei 5772 at 5:45 PM (Afternoon services at 5:30 PM)**

GLICK SANCTUARY

Friday morning, October 21st

23 Tishrei 5772 at 9:00 AM

GLICK SANCTUARY

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Seating: Those with family memberships are assigned seats for up to two adults, plus one seat for each dependent child who has attained bar/bat mitzvah age and is a full-time student or is not gainfully employed and has not attained his/her 27th birthday. Congregants with single memberships are assigned one seat.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Children Name(s) eligible for seats _____ Ages _____

Additional seats needed _____

TOTAL ADDITIONAL SEATS NEEDED _____

TOTAL SEATS NEEDED _____

@ \$100 (Temporary) _____

@ \$200 (Sanctuary) _____

Ticket order total _____

Selichot RSVP

of Adults # of Children

Shoresh Registration

Family _____

Child _____ Age _____

Street _____

Child _____ Age _____

City, State, Zip _____

Child _____ Age _____

Telephone _____

Child _____ Age _____

Please register the above child(ren) for baby-sitting services on

Fee Per Family

_____ **Rosh Hashanah 1: Thursday, September 29, 2011**

_____ **1 day @ \$15**

_____ **Rosh Hashanah 2: Friday, September 30, 2011**

_____ **2 days @ \$30**

_____ **Yom Kippur: Saturday, October 8, 2011**

_____ **3 days @ \$40**

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5772**Jewish Holidays****2011-2012**

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

Thursday, September 29, 2011

Friday, September 30, 2011

Friday, October 7, 2011

Saturday, October 8, 2011

Wednesday, October 12, 2011

Thursday, October 13, 2011

Friday, October 14, 2011

Wednesday, October 19, 2011

Thursday, October 20, 2011

Friday, October 21, 2011

Tuesday, December 20, 2011 (evening)

Wednesday, December 21, 2011 (evening)

Thursday, December 22, 2011 (evening)

Friday, December 23, 2011 (evening)

Saturday, December 24, 2011 (evening)

Sunday, December 25, 2011 (evening)

Monday, December 26, 2011 (evening)

Tuesday, December 27, 2011 (evening)

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

Wednesday, March 7, 2012

Thursday, March 8, 2012

Friday, April 6, 2012

Saturday, April 7, 2012

Sunday, April 8, 2012

Monday, April 9, 2012

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

Wednesday, April 11, 2012

Thursday, April 12, 2012

Friday, April 13, 2012

Saturday, April 14, 2012

Thursday, April 19, 2012

Wednesday, April 25, 2012

Thursday, April 26, 2012

Thursday, May 10, 2012

Sunday, May 20, 2012

Saturday, May 26, 2012

Sunday, May 27, 2012

Monday, May 28, 2012

Sunday, July 29, 2012

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Rosh Hashanah I

Rosh Hashanah II

Erev Yom Kippur

Yom Kippur

Erev Sukkot

Sukkot I

Sukkot II

Hoshanah Rabbah

Shemini Atzeret

Simchat Torah

Chanukah: 1 Candle

Chanukah: 2 Candles

Chanukah: 3 Candles

Chanukah: 4 Candles

Chanukah: 5 Candles

Chanukah: 6 Candles

Chanukah: 7 Candles

Chanukah: 8 Candles

Tu B'Shvat

Megillah Reading

Purim

Erev Pesach First Seder

Pesach I

Pesach II

Pesach III

Pesach IV

Pesach V

Pesach VI

Pesach VII

Pesach VIII

Yom HaShoah

Yom HaZikaron

Yom HaAtzma'ut

Lag B'Omer

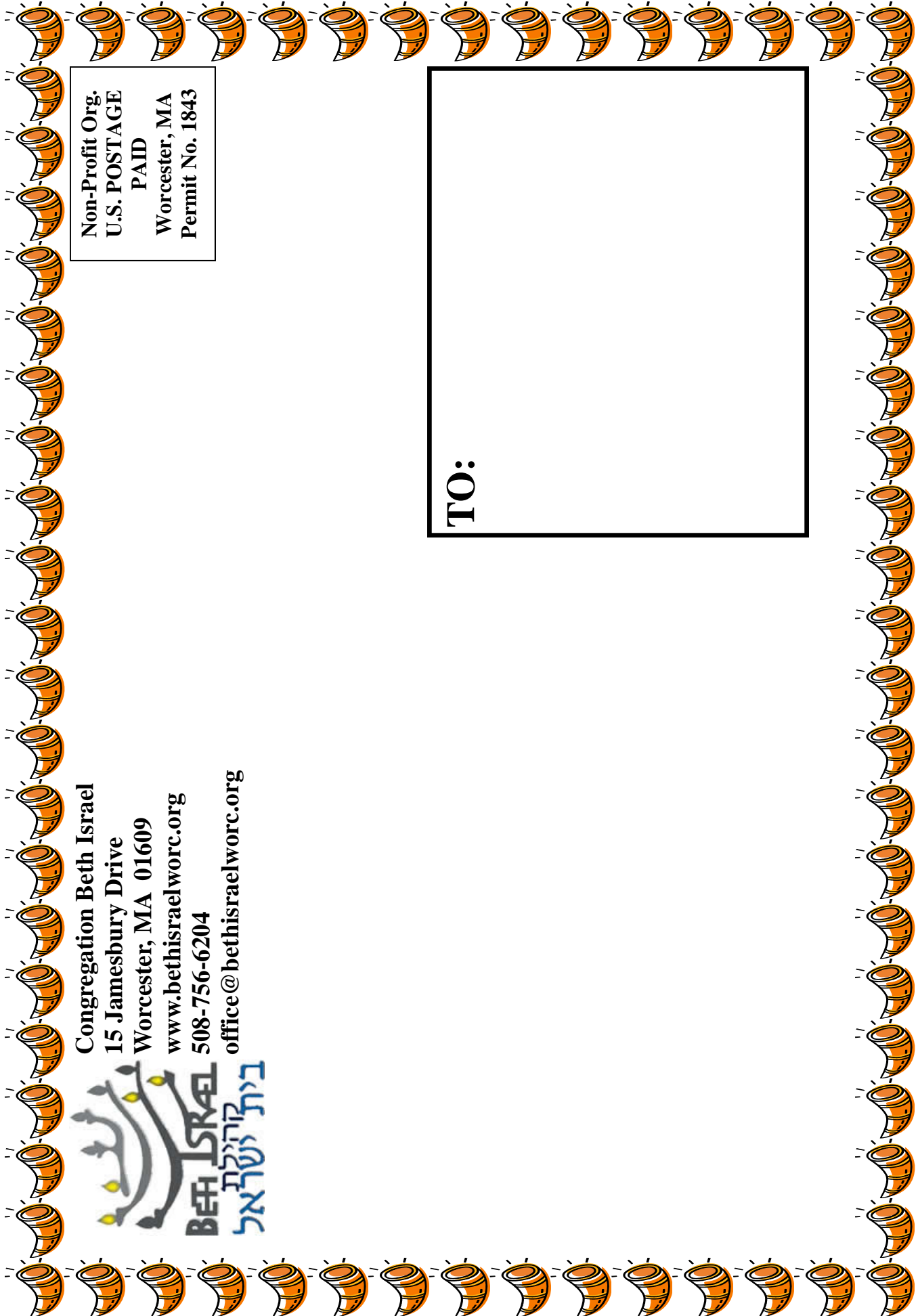
Yom Yerushalayim

Erev Shavuot

Shavuot I

Shavuot II

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