



**Tzedek Chicago  
High Holidays 5778  
FAQ's**

**1. What are Tzedek Chicago High Holiday Services like?**

Our services are a mix of the traditional and contemporary; some of our prayers are set to familiar, well-known melodies and others are sung to newly introduced settings. They will be led by Rabbi Rosen, cantorial soloist/guitarist Leah Shoshanah and rabbinical intern Jay Stanton. We will also feature guest musicians from among the Tzedek Chicago membership as well as new liturgy/poetry read by Tzedek members.

**2. What prayer book is used during the services?**

We use a prayer book that was created by Rabbi Rosen that reflects the values of Tzedek Chicago. The prayer book will be available to download prior to the services and hard copies will be available at the service. Stay tuned for information about the prayer book as we get closer to the holidays.

**3. Do I have to be a member of Tzedek Chicago to attend services?**

While we certainly hope you will join us, you do not need to be a member of Tzedek Chicago to attend our High Holiday services. As in the past, there will be a fee of \$20.00 per holiday to help us cover our costs.

**4. If I'm a member of Tzedek Chicago do I automatically receive tickets to High Holiday services?**

Membership dues in Tzedek Chicago do not include tickets for High Holidays services. We understand there are those who want to attend High Holiday services but may not be ready to join as members. We try to keep costs for both as low as possible so that you can make the decision that is right for you.

## **5. How do I Become a Member of Tzedek Chicago?**

Our membership drive will formally begin on **October 1**, immediately after the High Holidays. We have adopted a model of “a sustaining member contribution” – an amount that the Tzedek board determines based on the amount that we will need from each adult member to sustain our congregation. For 2017-2018, that amount will be the same as it was in 2017: \$400 per adult.

Of course if you can afford more than this, we encourage you to do so. If you cannot afford that amount, please contribute any amount that is doable for you, no questions asked. We value all members of Tzedek Chicago equally.

Members are free to join online or by mailing us a check. We are currently upgrading our online system to add a convenient new option that will allow members to make automatic monthly payments. Membership information will be available shortly.

## **6. What is the cost of the High Holiday Services?**

The cost of Rosh Hashanah services is \$20 per person. Rosh Hashanah services take place on Thursday, September 21, beginning at 10:00 am. There will be a Tashlich service at 4:00 pm.

The cost of Yom Kippur services is \$20 per person. Kol Nidre will begin at 6:30 pm on Friday, September 29. Yom Kippur services will take place on Saturday, September 30, beginning at 10:00 am. They include an afternoon discussion and Neilah.

Children under the age of 18 are free. Please register children so that we can ensure seats for them.

## **7. Will there be children’s programming/childcare?**

There will be a children’s program for families with small children (ages 2 – 6) that will take place for the duration of the Rosh Hashanah service on September 21 and the Yom Kippur morning service on September 30.

## **8. Do you need volunteers to help with the services?**

Yes, thanks for asking! We will send an email request for volunteers a few weeks before services, so stay tuned!

**Please do not hesitate to contact Tzedek Chicago at [tzedekchicago@gmail.com](mailto:tzedekchicago@gmail.com) if you have any questions about our High Holiday services.**