

Welcoming the New Year in Community

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Your Presence is a Blessing

Welcome! We are so grateful to gather with you as we celebrate the Jewish High Holidays. Whether you're joining us online or in the tent, we hope this time together uplifts your spirit, offers you connection, and brings you joy.

At Judaism Your Way, we're an open tent, embracing everyone who seeks a connection to Jewish life. Whether this is your first or your 100th time in Jewish space, we welcome you exactly as you are, with only love and appreciation, and without judgment. We invite you to embrace the new year and the present moment, by dropping your shoulders, opening your heart, and taking a deep breath to simply be.

Rosh Hashanah celebrates the turning of the new year, with the themes of creation and re-creation. May these services help us to commit more deeply to re-creation and healing that is so needed in our world – personally, nationally, globally. Yom Kippur invites us to practice the healing power of teshuvah – returning to integrity. On Yom Kippur, we reflect on our own agency and the impact of our actions. We take time to recommit to what is most authentic, meaningful and sacred to us in our lives, relationships, and communities.

Many of us struggle with the dominant metaphor of the Sacred in our culture: God as a big powerful man. If that has been a struggle for you, please know that you're not alone. Fortunately, Judaism offers a diverse and colorful palette of alternative metaphors for the Sacred: Being and Becoming, Life Unfolding, Place, Presence, Voice, Fire, Cloud, Water, Rock, Oneness, Wholeness, Love, and That Which has No Name. You'll encounter these metaphors throughout our services, and we hope you find a metaphor that spiritually moves you.

If you are new to our community, welcome! We're so glad you're here and please don't worry. Our service leaders will be your guides. Please take care of your needs, whatever they may be, during services. You're welcome to get up, stretch, move, sing, dance, cry, and wander the gardens if you want.

May our services help you connect deeply during these High Holidays and throughout the year ahead.

L'shanah tovah! Blessings for a sweet new year.

Rabbi Caryn Aviv



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Rabbi Amanda Schwartz



Student Rabbi Dan Yolles

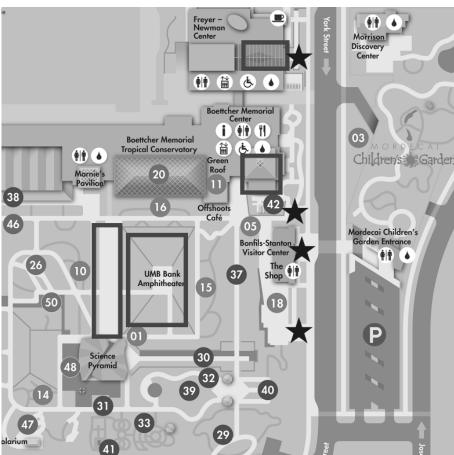


Making Your High Holiday Experience Meaningful and Safe

We're thrilled to welcome you to our inclusive community as we gather for the High Holidays. To ensure everyone feels empowered and prepared, we've provided the following safety information:

- **Situational Awareness:** Please review the map below to familiarize yourself with the locations of all exits at the Denver Botanic Gardens.
- **Medical Emergencies:** If you require assistance, the EMS team, easily identifiable in red shirts, will be stationed just outside the tent.
- **Report Concerns:** If you notice any suspicious, erratic, or threatening behavior, please report it immediately to JYW staff, police officers, or volunteers in blue vests.

We're committed to creating a safe and supportive environment for all.



Denver Botanic Gardens – Exits Marked with Stars

As a maximally inclusive community, we welcome you however you are to celebrate the High Holidays with us. However, attendees who are physically or verbally disruptive to the service will be asked to leave the Denver Botanic Gardens immediately.

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Be strong, be strong, and may we strengthen one another

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Dipping the Apples

Ellen Allard

Chorus: Gimmie an A-P-P Gimmie an A-P-P-L-E Gimmie an A-P-P-L-E on Rosh Hashanah (Woo!) (x2)

Dipping the apples, into the honey, dippadi dippadi do (x4)

(Chorus)

Apple so sweet, apple so crunchy, dippadi dippadi do (x4)

(Chorus)

Thanking the bees, for making the honey, dippadi dippadi do (x4)

(Chorus)

L'shana tova, tika teivu, dippadi dippadi do (x4)



Zvika Pik

בָּרוּך אַתָּה יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶך הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהֶחֶיָנוּ וְקִיְמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזְמַן הַזֶה:

Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu melech ha-olam shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higianu lazman hazeh.

Amen.

Blessed is the Flow of Being, giving us life, sustaining us, and bringing us to this moment.

Hinei Mah Tov

Mikey Pauker

Chorus: Eooohhhh, (Eooohhhh) Eooohhhhoohhhohhh (Eooohhhhoohhhohhh) Eooohhhh, (Eooohh) ohhh ohhh ohhh (x2)

Hinei mah tov umanayim shevet achim gam yachad. How great it is for brothers and sisters to hang out on this day!

Hinei mah tov umanayim shevet achim gam yachad. How great it is for everybody to hang out on this day!

(Chorus)

Hinei ma tov umanayim shevet achim, shevet achot, gam yachad (x2)



Hal'l'l'l'luyah

Shira Kline

Chorus: Hal'l'l'l'l'l'l' ... la-l'le-lu-yah Hal'l'l'l'l'l'l' ... la-l'le-lu-yah Hal'l'l'l'l'l'l' ... la-l'le-lu-yah Hal'l'l'l'l'l'l' ... la-l'le-loooooyah!

Wave hello to someone far away from you Wave hello and say "*SHALOM*!" (hello) Wave hello to someone far away from you Wave hello and sing

(Chorus)

Scratch the back of someone sitting next to you Scratch their back and say "*TODAH*!" (thank you) Scratch the back the person sitting next to you Scratch their back and say

(Chorus)

Look into the eyes of someone very special Look into their eyes and see their "*N'SHAMA*" (soul) Look into the eyes of someone very special Look into their eyes and sing



We Are One

Artist Unknown

We are One and God is One When we sing, we sing as One (x2)

Lalala Lalalalala Lalala Lalalalala

We are One and God is One When we clap, we clap as one (x2)

We are One and God is One When we pray, we pray as one (x2)

Sh'ma / Listen

Deuteronomy 6:4 Zvika Pik

שְׁמְ**ע** יִשְׂרָאֵל יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יהוה אֶחָ**ד:** בָּרוּך שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

Sh'ma Yisrael Adonai eloheinu Adonai echad, (x4) Listen, those who dance with the Divine, The Source of our being is one!

Baruch shem k'vod shem k'vod malchuto, I'olam va-ed. Blessed is the Presence whose splendor shine

Blessed is the Presence whose splendor shines through all time and space.



Amidah / Whisper Prayer

Families, whisper blessings to one another

Oseh Shalom

Melody and English Lyrics by Elana Jagoda

עשה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמִיו, הוּא יַעֲשָׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵיְנוּ. עשה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמִיו, הִיא תַעֲשָׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵיְנוּ.

Oseh shalom bimromav, Oseh shalom bimromav Hu ya'aseh, hu ya'aseh, hu ya'aseh shalom He ta'aseh, he ta'aseh, he ta'aseh shalom Hu ya'aseh, hu ya'aseh, hu ya'aseh shalom Aleinu

May the One, may the One who makes peace, bring peace down, bring peace down.

Sharing New Intentions



Shofar Blast

Ellen Allard

Chorus: I like to hear the shofar blast Sometimes slow and sometimes fast! I like to hear the shofar blast Happy, happy, happy new year! (x2)

Song leader sings 1st, community repeats:

1. T'ki-ah ---- (repeat)

(Chorus)

2. Sh'va-rim ---- (repeat)

(Chorus)

3. T'ru-ah ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ---- (repeat)

(Chorus)

4. T'ki-ah g'dolah ---- (repeat)



Blessing for Blowing the Shofar

בָּרוּף אַתָּה יהוה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶך הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לִשְׁמֹעַ קוֹל שׁוֹפָר:

Baruch atah Adonai eloheinu Melech ha-olam asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu lishmoa kol shofar.

Blessed are You, Hidden One our God, Sovereign of all worlds, who raises us to holiness with the mitzvah of hearing the Voice of the Shofar.

Bye Bye Yuckies / El Na Refa Na La

Karina Zilberman

El Na, Refa Na La, Lalala, Refa Na La El Na, Refa Na La, Lala Lala Lala

Let's put the yuckies in a blanket and roll them up tight Put the blanket in a rocket and send them out of sight!

Bye, bye yuckies go away don't come back any other day Bye, bye yuckies go away don't come back any other day

El Na, Refa Na La, Lalala, Refa Na La El Na, Refa Na La, Lala Lala Lala



Please heal us now

Family Blessing

Emily Aronoff Teck

Parents Sing: Song leader sings 1st, community repeats:

You are a blessing (repeat) Everyday (repeat) When I watch you grow (repeat) And see you play (repeat) So I'll love you and keep you (repeat) And I'll hug you and kiss you (repeat) Forever and ever (repeat) And ever (repeat)

Kids Sing: Song leader sings 1st, community repeats:

You are a blessing (repeat) Everyday (repeat) When you care for me (repeat) And our family (repeat) So I'll love you and keep you (repeat) And I'll hug you and kiss you (repeat) Forever and ever (repeat) And ever (repeat)

Everyone Sings:

Song leader sings 1st, community repeats:

May God bless you (repeat) May God keep you (repeat) Shine light on you (repeat) Help you find peace (repeat) May God watch you (repeat) And stay with you (repeat) Forever and ever (repeat) And ever (repeat)



L'Shanah Tovah / Echo Song

Josh and the Jamtones

L'shana tovah tikatevu. Say happy, happy new year, happy new year to you! L'shana tovah tikatevu.

Say happy, happy new year, happy new year to you!

A good year, A sweet sweet year! A great year, filled with laughter, filled with cheer!

L'shana tovah tikatevu. Say happy, happy new year, happy new year to you! L'shana tovah tikatevu. Say happy, happy new year, happy new year to you!



Open Tent Be Mitzvah

The Open Tent Be Mitzvah program is unique, in part, because of the range of our students. Many of our students' families are interfaith/mixed heritage. Many of our students are coming into formal Jewish education for the first time or are returning into the educational space looking for a renewed experience. So, if you're ready for your child, or ready yourself, to embark on an incredible journey of personal growth, connection, and radical hospitality, join us for our Open Tent Be Mitzvah program. It's an experience like no other, tailored just for you. Explore more and register at:

www.judaismyourway.org/open-tent-be-mitzvah



Learning in a Classroom

This model is geared towards tweens who want to learn with peers within a two year period. In Year One, students explore Judaism 101 through experiential learning. In Year Two, students pick the Torah or Chai cohort – as they explore designing their unique Shabbat service.



One-On-One Mentorship

Build a relationship with a mentor and develop a fully customized focus of study. Students design their own Shabbat service after taking a deep dive into how they connect with Judaism in a meaningful way.



Adult Re & Be Mitzvah

Within a cohort of adult peers, you will explore prayer and delve into growing your relationship with Judaism. Next cohort will begin in 2025. Registration opening soon!

Year Round Programming

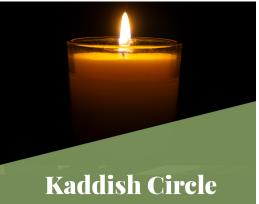


Shabbat aLIVE



Shabbat Sing-Along





Looking for a way to connect your family to Judaism and community in a hands-on, meaningful way?



This program is for elementary-aged students and their grown ups to create community and practice the Jewish value of Tikkun Olam, repairing the world. We meet four times in locations around the front range to engage in service learning, build community together and strengthen our Jewish values.

Spots are limited and filling up fast! Register today at: www.judaismyourway.org

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In Loving Memory: Donald Sturm



This year, we remember Donald Sturm who passed away on August 17, 2024. Don was the Founder of Judaism Your Way with his wife Sue Sturm. Their vision and support led Judaism Your Way to much success over the last 20 years.

Don and Sue's lifelong dedication as board members and donors has empowered Judaism Your Way to touch the lives of thousands annually. Their unwavering commitment to our organization's sustainability played a pivotal role in the successful completion of our endowment campaign.

Don is survived by Sue Sturm, his beloved wife of 36 years, his four children, Robert Sturm, Melanie Sturm (Marc Zachary), Stephen Sturm (Sydney Hodgson Sturm) and Emily Sturm Ehrens (Ben Ehrens), his grandson Zane Zachary, and an extended family whose lives he enriched through his kindness and belief in the meaningfulness of strong family bonds. He was preceded in death by his two sisters Helen Coel and Fern Haberman.

May Don's memory be a blessing.

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