

Guide to High Holidays at JRC

Getting to Services

Unless otherwise specified, our services are held at **First United Methodist Church**, 516 Church Street in Evanston

Whenever possible, we encourage you to walk, ride your bike, take public transportation, or carpool when attending High Holiday services. First United Methodist Church is walking distance from the CTA Davis Street Purple Line stop and the Davis St. Metra station.

Parking Lots

Church Street Self-Park, 525 Church Street (Evanston Place Building)

Sherman Plaza Self-Park, 821 Davis Street

City Lot #3, behind Evanston Public Library on Church Street

NU Campus Parking, Northwestern University

Schedules

Erev Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, September 9, 2018

8pm: Erev Rosh Hashanah Service

Rosh Hashanah, Day I

Monday, September 10, 2018

9:30am: Morning service begins

Family Programming: Open to All, No Tickets Required

10–11am: T'fillah (spiritual programming)

0—Pre-K service with grownups

K—2nd grade service, grownups optional

3rd—6th grade service, grownups optional at

The Merion senior community

7th—12th grade programs

11-11:30am: Oneg (snacks and socializing) For All ages in the Great Hall

11:30-1pm: Community Hofshi (free time with activity choices) For Grades K-6, supervised by Grades 7-12 and adult volunteers in the Great Hall

11:45am: Rabbi's Sermon begins in Main Sanctuary (for parents who wish to attend)

4:30-5:30pm: Tashlich Service at Dawes Park

Rosh Hashanah, Day II

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

9:30-11:30am Morning Service (at JRC)

11:30am – Discussion groups

Erev Yom Kippur

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

6:30pm: Kol Nidre Service

Yom Kippur

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

9:30am: Morning service begins

Family Programming: Open to All, No Tickets Required

10–11am: T'fillah (spiritual programming)

0—Pre-K service with grownups

K—2nd grade service, grownups optional

3rd—6th grade service, grownups optional

7th—12th grade programs

11:00-1pm: Community Hofshi (free time with activity choices) For Grades K-6, supervised by Grades 7-12 and adult volunteers in the Great Hall

11:45am: Rabbi's Sermon begins in Main Sanctuary (for parents who wish to attend)

1-2pm: Open Mic

2-3pm: Discussion Groups

4:30-5:30pm: Contemplative Music

5:30pm: Yizkor/Ne'ilah Service

7:30pm: Break-the-Fast Potluck (dairy/veg, nut-free)

Accessibility

- **Accessible Entrance at First United Methodist Church.** There is an ADA-compliant ramp on the north side of the building on Church St. This is the only accessible ramp to the building. There are wheelchair accessible restrooms on the first floor and elevator access to restrooms on the second floor.
- **Priority Seating.** There are reserved seats available in several areas of the Sanctuary, including aisle seats, during High Holiday services for persons with special needs. Please ask ushers for assistance. These seats are limited and available on a first come, first served basis.
- **Assistive Listening Devices.** The First United Methodist Church uses an induction loop system that provides amplification of voices from the microphone. Those with telecoil equipped hearing device should switch them to the T or MT position to use this system.

For additional assistance, please contact an usher during the service.

Kippot and Tallitot

As an egalitarian congregation, JRC encourages both women and men to wear kippot (head coverings) and tallitot (prayer shawls). A limited number of these religious articles are available for people who do not have their own to use during the service. It is traditional to wear a tallit on Erev Yom Kippur (Kol Nidre) and during daytime services. It is also customary to dress in white or light colored clothing and to avoid leather on Yom Kippur.

Entering and Exiting the Sanctuary

To help build kavanah (prayerful concentration), we request that there be a minimum of movement near the bimah, especially during the more contemplative moments of the services. If you must exit or enter at these times, please use the doors at the back of the Sanctuary.