

HIGH HOLY DAYS HONORS*

The BEKI High Holy Days Honors Committee attempts to assign honors to the congregation mindful of and respecting the considerable diversity of our community.

If you are interested in participating in our High Holy Days services, but have not been notified of assignment of an honor, please contact HH Honors Committee Chairperson (see contact info below).

If you have received an Honors card in the mail, a notice by email, or a phone call offering you a part in our High Holy Days services**, here is what you need to know:

1. **RSVP is required by Sunday, September 8, 2019.** You must notify Jennifer Myer, chair of the Honors Committee, at 203-241-7439 (text or call) or via email at jennifer.myer@yale.edu.

We hope you will accept! But if you cannot, please give us the opportunity to find a substitute in good time to insure smooth progress of the service. If you have any concerns or questions, ask as early as possible.

2. **Note all information on your card.** Your notice will include your name, an honors number, the day and date of the service during which you have your honor, the name of the service itself, the page number, the time by which to be present (times listed are a guide for arrival, to ensure that you are present at the actual time for participation). The notice will also include your Hebrew name if it is needed for your honor. Please check this NOW to make sure it is correct.



3. **Practice your part.** If you have a reading, please be sure to note the part of the service and the exact page number (on your card) in our Mahzor Lev Shalem...and PRACTICE to be sure that you are prepared. (If you need a copy of the reading, please let us know.)
4. **When you arrive at BEKI on the day of your honor:**
 - a. If you received a card or email, bring it with you.
 - b. Arrive no later (earlier is better!) than the time listed on your card. Please note that if you are not in the sanctuary within 10 minutes of the honor, a substitute will be assigned.
 - c. Please inform an usher in the sanctuary that you have arrived (you can hand them your card). Let them know where you will be sitting and if you will need extra time or assistance to get to the bima.
 - d. We ask that all participants in the service, regardless of age or gender, wear **a kippa/yarmulke or other head covering when on the bima.**
 - e. In most cases, you will be escorted by an usher onto the bima where you will wait seated for a few minutes for your honor/participation. **Please follow all directions given by the ushers.**
 - f. If the congregation is standing, we recommend you remain on the bima until they are seated and then return to your seat.

Thank you for honoring our community by participating in this way.

SHANA TOVA!