

## TISHREI 5779

## תחל שנה וברכותיה

May the year and its blessings begin

	דף היומי	מאזנים 🚎		SEPOCT. '18 — תשרי תשע"ט		
מנחוח	לא	10	Mon.	ערב ראש השנה א' דראש השנה, שופר, תשליך	×	מאנטאג
盲	לב	11	Tue.	ב' דראש השנה, שופר	2	דינסטאג
	לג	12	Wed.	צום גדלי׳	1	מיטוואך
	לד	13	Thu.		٦	דאנערש.
	לה	14	Fri.		ה	פרייטאג
	לו	15	Sat.	<b>פ' וילך, שבת שובה</b> הפטרה שובה ישראל	١	שבת
	לז	16	Sun.		7	זונטאג
	לח	17	Mon.	שלש עשרה מדות	п	מאנטאג
	לט	18	Tue.	עיו"כ כל נדרי	ט	דינסטאג
	מ	19	Wed.	יום כפור, יזכור	,	מיטוואד
	מא	20	Thu.		יא	דאנערש.
	מב	21	Fri.		יב	פרייטאג
	מג	22	Sat.	<b>פ' האזינו</b> הפטרה וידבר דוד	יג	שבת
	מד	23	Sun.	ערב סוכות	יד	זונטאג
	מה	24	Mon.	א' דסוכות למען אמתך	טו	מאנטאג
	מר	25	Tue.	ב' דסוכות אבן שתי'	טז	דינסטאג
	מזז	26	Wed.	א' דחוה"מ אערוך שועי	77	מיטוואך
	מח	27	Thu.	ב' דחוה"מ אום אני חומה	יח	דאנערש.
	מט	28	Fri.	ג' דחוה"מ א־ל למושעות	יט	פרייטאג
	1	29	Sat.	<b>שבת חוה״מ</b> אום נצורה קהלת	٥	שבת
	נא	30	Sun.	הושענא רבה	כא	זונטאג
	נב	1	Mon.	OCTOBER שמיני עצרת, יוכור, גשם	כב	מאנטאג
	נג	2	Tue.	שמחת תורה	כג	דינסטאג
	נד	3	Wed.	אסרו חג	כד	מיטוואך
	נה	4	Thu.		כה	דאנערש.
	נו	5	Fri.		כו	פרייטאג
	נז	6	Sat.	<b>פ' בראשית מבה"ח</b> הפטרה כה אמר	כז	שבת
	נח	7	Sun.	תקופת תשרי בשעה 3:00 אחה"צ	כח	זונטאג
	נט	8	Mon.	ערב ר״ח	כט	מאנטאג
	٥	9	Tue.	א' דר"ח חשון	ל	דינסטאג

8 מולד תשרי: מאנטאג פרי 17 מינוט מיט 10 חלקים נאך

## ערב ראש השנה EREV ROSH HASHANAH

SUNDAY, SEPT. 9, 29 ELUL

(Some are accustomed to fast until noon.) We begin saying the many Selichos of Erev Rosh HaShanah that include "זכור ברית, before the pre-dawn sky begins to brighten; Nefilas Apayim during Selichos but not during morning or afternoon prayers; We say למנצח. One who arose before dawn and at that time washed his hands in the prescribed manner, three times alternately on each hand, must wash them again three times after dawn (see Mishne Brurah on Orach Chaim 4:14). We do not sound the Shofar at all during the day to make a distinction between the Shofar of Elul and the obligatory Shofar of Rosh HaShanah; התרת נדרים.

[Harav Yosef Eliyahu Henkin דצ"ד noted: The Chazzan and the Baal T'kiah (the one who sounds the shofar) must be Torah observant, pious individuals who understand the meaning of what they are saying and doing. The melodies used should not distort or interfere with the words of the prayers. Willful and blatant transgressors may not be permitted to represent the congregation. During the rest of the year, too, and especially, during the Ten Days of Repentance, such people should not lead public prayer even if they are mourners or have a Yahrzeit – for their prayers are of no benefit to the deceased.]

We take haircuts and bathe in honor of the approaching holiday. Immersion in a *Mikveh*, not before an hour before midday, is appropriate so that we may enter the Day of Judgement in a state of holiness and purity.

## CANDLE-LIGHTING / הדלקת נרות

The *Brachos* over candle-lighting are "מדמריינו" and "להדליק נר של יום טוב". It is a good habit to give *Tzedakah* before candle-lighting for *Shabbos* and *Yom Tov* (an Ezras Torah *pushka* may be obtained for this purpose). It is proper that at this time a woman pray for sons who will be Torah luminaries (*Mishne Brurah* 263:2).

## א' דראש השנה FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANAH

### SUNDAY EVENING, 1 TISHREI

One comes to *Shul* on Sunday afternoon, the eve of *Rosh HaShanah* with reverence and trepidation for the approaching Divine Judgement. During the Ten Days of Repentance it is proper for everyone to pray at the proper time with a *Minyan*, even if one is not usually so conscientious. Also, in other areas of religious observance one should adopt pieties not ordinarily observed the rest of the year, during these ten days, beginning with *Rosh HaShanah* 

and ending with Yom Kippur, for this is a special time for repentance and Divine mercy. One should be particularly careful throughout the entire year to respond with אמן (Amen) in the correct manner. For example, one should not answer אמן in a hasty fashion before the Chazzan completes the entirety of the Bracha. (See Orach Chaim 124 for additional laws regarding the response of אמן Note that the prohibition against speaking during the Chazzan's repetition of the Shemonah Esrei is a very serious one.)

"Rabbeinu Asher (the Rosh) wrote that during the Ten Days of Repentance, one should read the Letter of Repentance by Rabbeinu Yonah. The Ari ז"ל wrote that one is obligated to study Mussar study of personal behavior) works throughout the entire year. The Vilna Gaon expressed the same idea throughout his commentary to Mishlei and it is related in the work Maaseh Rav (which details the personal habits of the Vilna Gaon) that this was the custom of the Gaon. At the very least, during these days, everyone should attempt to follow the custom of the Zohar which states that each night before one goes to sleep, one should repent, lament his sins, and examine his conduct with scrutiny. See the work Yaaros Dvash (by R. Yonoson Eibshitz) volume 1, Drush I, wherein it states that the seven days between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur are representative of each of the days of the week throughout the entire year. Thus, on that Sunday one does *Teshuvah* for every Sunday of the year, on Monday, for every Monday, etc." (Mishne Brurah 603:2).

#### ערבית / MAARIV

Following the Machzor we say ברכו:,: ופרוש; ופרוש; followed by Half-Kaddish (we say ולעילא לעילא לעילא (or ולעילא) in every Kaddish until after Yom Kippur). In the Shemonah Esrei for Rosh HaShanah we add בספר and וכתוב ,מי כמוך ,זכרנו (during the week המלך המשפט is recited) (if any of these were omitted one does not have to repeat the Shemonah Esrei). The third Bracha is המלך הקדוש (if one says the usual and did not immediately הא-ל הקדוש correct it, the Shemonah Esrei must be repeated over again. This holds true throughout the Ten Days until after Yom Kippur). The conclusion of the final Bracha after "בספר חיים... is the usual: "המברך את" יעמו ישראל בשלום" (many conclude with "עושה השלום"). (according to Nusach Sefard the congregation says לדוד מזמור after the Shemonah Esrei); Kaddish Tiskabel [תתקבל] (the conclusion of every Kaddish during these ten days is "עושה השלום" etc); Kiddush of Rosh HaShanah with לדוד ד' ;עלינו ;שהחיינו אורי: Mourner's Kaddish אדוו עולם.

The *Shulchan Aurch* (*Orach Chaim*: 132) states: "We recite at the end of each

service עלינו לשבח in a standing position. One should be careful to say this prayer with proper intent." The Mishne Brurah (subparagraph 8) makes the following comment: "One should say with great awe and trepidation for the entire Heavenly Host is listening. The Holy One, Blessed be He, stands with his Heavenly contingent and they respond, 'Happy are the people who are in such a case, happy are the people whose G-d is the L-rd.""

On the first night, after services we bless each other with: "מתחתם "ותחתת" ("May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year") (according to the Vilna Gaon we do not say "ותחתם" ('and sealed') on Rosh HaShanah).

At home, *Kiddush*, as above; ritual washing of hands, followed by the *Brachos* מא מל מידים. To symbolize a sweet year we dip the *challah* in honey before eating it. We also dip a piece of apple into honey and eat it after making the *Bracha* שוב. We then say, "May it be Your will our G-D and G-D of our fathers that You renew for us a good, sweet year." Other symbolic foods are eaten such as a bit of meat of a ram's head, or of the head of a fish or fowl, followed by statements such as, "May it be Your will that we be raised high and proud like the head and not lowly like the tail." We eat

grated carrots (the Yiddish word for carrots 'Mehren' can be translated as multiplying') and say, "May it be Your will that we be fruitful and multiply" and "May it be Your will that our merits increase." (The Talmud states that it is proper to eat a variety of symbolic foods on the night of Rosh HaShanah. The Sefardim still eat many of the symbolic foods that are mentioned in the Talmud). "All of these symbolic acts are performed with the intent of exhibiting propitious signs of a good new year. It is, therefore, obvious that one should strive to refrain from anger during this time period. This is not merely in order to avoid the very serious prohibition against anger, but also in order to usher in the new year in a proper state of mind. One should maintain a cheerful disposition and have a secure trust in HaShem, while aspiring to sincere repentance and good deeds." [From the Chayei Adam quoted by the Mishne Brurah: 583: subparagraph 5].

# MONDAY MORNING, SEPT. 10 אחרית / SHACHRIS

(One should not alter the special traditional melodies associated with Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur). The Chazzan wears a Kittel under his Tallis (some have the custom that all the congregants wear the Kittel on Rosh HaShanah). The custom is to say the שׁיר היחוד (for the

2nd day of the week); אנעים זמירות; the Psalm of the Day and לדוד אורי, followed by Mourner's Kaddish and אדון עולם; the regular morning Brachos, followed by the customary morning order: פסוקי דזמרה; שיר); המלך ושתבח; Half-Kaddish (שיר) is said between ישתבח and the Half-Kaddish); ברכת יוצר; ברכו (with the customary additions - Piyutim for Rosh HaShanah); קריאת שמע; אהבה רבה; [Rav Henkin noted that according to the Talmud, the Chazzan should say the entire text of the Brachos of the Shema, both morning and evening, in an audible voice (as is the custom of the Sefardim). The Ashkenazim are lenient in this matter and have the Chazzan say only part of the Brachos audibly; the essence being the beginning and the end of each Bracha. A Chazzan who says the ending of גאל ישראל in an inaudible voice, is violating the Talmud's ruling. Therefore it is a Mitzvah to correct this matter, and to insist that the Chazzan begin יוצר אור and conclude גאל ישראל in an audible voice the entire year]; Shemonah Esrei of Rosh HaShanah.

#### חזרת הש"ץ / CHAZZAN'S REPETITION

The customary Piyutim are said; מלכנו after the Shemonah Esrei; Kaddish Tiskabel; "אין כמוך" (Nusach Sefard: "הראת "); open Aron; מדות followed by the special רבונו של עולם for Rosh HaShanah; we take out two Sifrei Torah;

### TORAH READING / קריאת התורה

ויעזר ויגן: there are five Aliyahs in Parshas Vayeira (Genesis: 21:1-34). The second Sefer Torah is placed next to the first and Half-Kaddish is said. The Maftir reads from the second Sefer Torah in Parshas Pinchas (Numbers 29:1-6). The Haftorah is read from Samuel I: 1:1-2:10. In the Brachos after the Haftorah, we say "יום הזכרון הזה" and we conclude: "ישראל ויום הזכרון הזה". After the reading from the Torah we blow the Shofar.

### תקיעת שופר / SOUNDING THE SHOFAR

מקריא (The custom is to appoint a מקריא (prompter), who stands by the side of the Baal T'kiah and calls out the proper order of הקיעות. The prompter must be a Torah scholar who is totally familiar with the laws of the Shofar. Before sounding the Shofar, we recite "למנצח" (Psalm 47) seven times, followed by the verses whose first letters spell out "קרע שטן" "destroy Satan." The Baal T'kiah makes the Brachos: "קול שופר לשמוע", and "קול שופר "שהחיינו" He must bear in mind that he is making the Brachos and sounding the Shofar on behalf of all those who are listening.

The Baal T'kiah blows three sets each of תש"ח, תש"ח, and תר"ח. The prompter must listen carefully for any possible deviation from the Halacha, which would

require a repetition of any of the sounds.

One may not talk during the first thirty sounds, and even afterwards one should not talk until the conclusion of all one hundred sounds at the end of services. After these first thirty blasts we say: אשרי יושבי ביתך ;...שרי יושבי ביתך אשרי העם יודעי תרועה; we return the Sifrei Torah to the ark. [Rav Henkin noted that one may not eat before hearing the Shofar sounded. However if one feels weak, he may make Kiddush and taste some food immediately after the first thirty blasts – the בייעות דמיושב.].

## מוסף / MUSSAF

The Chazzan says הנני; Half-Kaddish; in the Shemonah Esrei of Mussaf we say "ובחדש השביעי". (Nusach Sefard calls for the blowing of תר"ת, תשר"ת, and מלכיות, מלכיות, מלכיות, and שופרות during the silent Mussaf as well as during the Chazzan's Repetition).

### חזרת הש"ץ / CHAZZAN'S REPETITION

Following our custom, we blow תשר"ת, תשר"ת, מלכיות after מלכיות, מלכיות and mrand שופרות, and we say after each group of Shofar blasts, "היום הרת עולם" and ארשת" and "שפתינו".

#### לשיאת כפים / THE PRIESTLY BLESSING

The Kohanim wash their hands until the wrist before the Chazzan reaches רצה The custom is for a Levi (if there is no Levi, then a first-born) to pour the water on the Kohen's hands.

At רצה the Kohanim begin to mount the platform and the congregation says "ותערב". after the Chazzan says נאה". "...אלקינו ואלקי אבותינו ברכנו" he says "להודות" in a whisper. When he reaches the word "כהנים" he says it in a loud voice to which the congregation responds: "עם" קדושר כאמור"; after which the Kohanim pronounce the Bracha: "אשר קדשנו בקדושתו של אהרן...". The Chazzan prompts the Kohanim with the Priestly Blessing, word by word, and they repeat each word after him. The congregation says the prayers found in the Machzor. [Rav Henkin noted that in some congregations the Kohanim repeat the final word of each of the verses that compose the Bracha (שלו', ויחנך, וישמרך), immediately after the Chazzan, who then pauses to allow the congregation to recite the above -mentioned prayers. This is done so as to avoid the possible problem of an undue interruption within the Blessing, and to leave no room for error on the part of the Kohanim. The prayers that are found in the Machzor are then recited by the congregation afterwards.] Kaddish Tiskabel; (before the Chazzan says the word "תתקבל" the Baal T'kiah sounds תש"ת, תשר"ת, and תר"ת which consist of ten sounds); אין כאלקינו; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish; then we blow an additional thirty sounds to make a total of one hundred sounds. (Those who followed Nusach Sefard and blew thirty

sounds during the silent *Mussaf* blow only ten additional sounds at the end of the service). If the Daily Psalm or לדוד were omitted before services, they should be recited now; אדון עולם.

At home, Kiddush over wine: תקעו followed by ברוא פרי הגפן. We eat a typical Yom Tov meal, followed by Birkas HaMazon, which includes יעלה ויבא. We should attempt to remain awake the entire day of Rosh HaShanah, spending the day in the study of Torah and in the recitation of Tehillim.

#### MINCHA / מנחה

ובא לציון ;אשרי ; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Rosh HaShanah (with all of the appropriate additions: יברול, etc.); according to Nusach Ashkenaz, שלום רב, 'Kaddish Repetition; אבינו מלכנו ; Mourner's Kaddish. The prevailing custom is to go to a river (or other body of water) to say Tashlich; some add the additional prayers and requests that are found in the Machzor. If one did not say Tashlich on Rosh Hashanah, he may do so throughout the Ten Days of Repentance.

# ב' דראש השנה SECOND DAY ROSH HASHANAH

MONDAY NIGHT, SEPT. 10, 2 TISHREI (We wait seventy-two minutes after

sunset before lighting candles. The same length of time applies for all preparations for the second day. In extenuating circumstances, an hour's wait is sufficient.) The *Brachos* over the candle-lighting are (it is proper for women, to wear a new garment or display a new fruit at candle-lighting so that the שהחיינו applies to this as well. The fruit may only be eaten after *Kiddush*).

### ערבית / MAARIV

ברכו; ...תקעו ברכו;,...קעו התקעו; followed by Half-Kaddish; the Shemonah Esrei of Rosh HaShanah (with all of the appropriate additions: יזכרנו, (according to Nusach Sefard the congregation says לדוד after the Shemonah Esrei); Kaddish Tiskabel; Kiddush; אורי אורי (all as on the previous day). Kiddush at home.

## אידוש / KIDDUSH

On the second night we bring to the table a new fruit or we wear a new garment so that the *Bracha* שהחיים that we recite at the end of *Kiddush* applies to these as well. The fruit may only be eaten after *Kiddush*. (If one forgot to prepare a new fruit or garment he may still make the שהחיים).

## TUESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 11 אחרית ומוסף / SHACHRIS and MUSSAF

As on the previous day, we commence with the שיר היחוד (for the third day of the

week); אנעים זמירות; the Psalm of the Day and לדוד אורי; followed by Kaddish and אדון עולם; the regular morning Brachos, followed by the customary morning order ישתבח; ושמה; ושמה; ישתבח; Half-Kaddish (שיר המעלות ממעמקים is said between ישתבח and the Half-Kaddish). ברכו: ברכת יוצר...; (with the customary additions - Piyutim for the Second Day of Rosh HaShanah); אהבה רבה; Shema; Shemonah Esrei; repetition by the Chazzan; אבינו מלכנו; Kaddish Tiskabel; "אין כמוך"; open Aron; י"ג מדות; followed by the special רבונו של עולם for Rosh HaShanah; We take out two Sifrei Torah; שמע ישראל; בריך שמיה; אחד; אחד; ויעזר ויגן ;על הכל ;גדלו. There are five Aliyahs in the first Sefer Torah. We read again from Parshas Vayeira continuing from Genesis 22:1-24 (from "ויהי אחר הדברים" until the end of the Parsha): Half-Kaddish: in the second Sefer Torah we read the same Maftir as vesterday: Numbers 29:1-6 (Parshas Pinchas ובחדש השביעי); Haftorah from Jeremiah 31:1-19; Brachos after the Haftorah; Shofar blowing; Mussaf; all as was done yesterday. It is advisable that on the second day of Rosh HaShanah the Baal T'kiah wear a new garment that requires a שהחיינו in the manner of last night's Kiddush.

#### MINCHA / מנחה

אשרי; אשרי; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Rosh HaShanah; according to Nusach Ashkenaz – אלום רב; the Chazzan's Repetition; אבינו מלכנו; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish.

# מוצאי ראש השנה THE NIGHT FOLLOWING ROSH HASHANAH

(It is proper to wait 72 minutes after sunset [under extenuating circumstances, 60 minutes] before making *Havdalah* and doing work. This applies to every night that follows *Shabbos* or *Yom Tov*).

#### ערבית / MAARIV

We begin "ברכו; "והוא רחום; weekday Shemonah Esrei: "זכרנו"; "זכרנו"; "מי כמוך"; הקדוש": the additions in Shemonah Esrei; apply throughout the Ten Days of Repentance. (See our instructions for the first night of Rosh HaShanah concerning the omission of these additions); "אתה חוננתנו"; "אתה משפט" (we add המלך המשפט during every weekday Shemonah Esrei of the Ten Days of Repentance. If one omitted it he does not have to repeat the Shemonah Esrei. If one remembered that he omitted the words המלך המשפט immediately at the conclusion of the Blessing, he should say the words המלך המשפט then.); "וכתוב"; "בספר חיים"; Kaddish Tiskabel; Havdalah – No candle or spices - only the Brachos "בורא פרי הגפו" and לדוד אורי; עלינו; "המבדיל"; Mourner's Kaddish.

### HAVDALAH / הבדלה

Havdalah at home as in Shul.

[Rav Henkin noted that the most appropriate time to begin the morning prayers is in the following fashion: The introductory Bracha to יפסוקי; "סוקי" should be begun twenty minutes before sunrise, so that the Shema and its final Bracha "גאל ישראל" are completed by sunrise, and the Shemonah Esrei begins exactly at sunrise, in the fashion of the "חתיקין" – the ancient pietists whose lives revolved around the performance of Mitzvos in the most exemplary fashion possible).]

The earliest time that one may unquestionably put on Tefillin and recite the Shemonah Esrei is approximately one hour before sunrise (this is the time when there is enough natural illumination to recognize a casual acquaintance from a distance of six to eight feet). In extenuating circumstances, one may put on Tefillin and daven 72 minutes before sunrise. However, earlier than 72 minutes before sunrise, one cannot fulfill the Mitzvos of Tefillin, the morning Shema etc.]

# צום גדלי' FASt OF GEDALIAH

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 12, 3 TISHREI This is a Public Fast Day. *Selichos* are said before the regular morning service throughout the days between Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, except for Shabbos (one should attempt to begin the Selichos before the pre-dawn sky begins to brighten); the regular morning service; in the Shemonah Esrei: המלך המשפט ,המלך הקדוש ,מי כמוך ,זכרנו; and בספר (all these are repeated during the Chazzan's Repetition of the Shemonah Esrei); the Chazzan says עננו between רפאנו and רפאנו; (If the Chazzan forgot to say עננו here; he should add it during שומע תפילה as an individual does at Mincha.); אבינו מלכנו (this is said after the Chazzan's Repetition of the Shemonah Esrei at Shacharis and Mincha throughout the Ten Days of Repentance except after mincha Erev Shabbos, Tachanun; Half-Kaddish: (some have the custom of saying the י"ג מדות whenever we take out the Sifrei Torah throughout the Ten Days of Repentance, except Shabbos); three Aliyahs in the usual reading for Public Fasts, "ויחל" in Parshas Ki Sisah (32:11-14, 34:1-10); Half-Kaddish; למנצח; אשרי; ובא לציון; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Psalm of the Day; לדוד אורי; Mourner's Kaddish.

#### מנחה / MINCHA

אשרי; Half-Kaddish; we take out a Sefer Torah (some say י"); if there are at least six people present who are fasting, we have three Aliyahs in "ויחל" as in the morning; [Rav Henkin noted that there are those who read "ויחל" even if there

are only three men present who are fasting. Those three men who are fasting are called to the Torah. This leniency applies only to the four Fast Days mentioned by the Prophets (Tzom Gedaliah, the Tenth of Teves the Seventeenth of Tamuz, and Tisha B'Av). It does not extend to Taanis Esther or to Public Fasts that are decreed by a Kehillah because of a state of emergency.] the third Aliyah is the Maftir; no Half-Kaddish after the Torah is read. The Haftorah "דרשו": Isaiah: 55:6-56:8, is the usual one for the afternoons of Public Fasts (except for Yom Kippur); Brachos after the Ĥaftorah until מגן" יהללו ; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei including המלך הקדוש ,מי כמוך ,זכרנו שים שלום ;וכתוב ;"שמע קולנו" in עננו ,המשפט; and בספר.

#### חזרת הש"ץ / CHAZZAN'S REPETITION

As in the morning the *Chazzan* adds all the special insertions of the Repentance, also saying אנאל between אוא between ברכת כהנים before ברכת כהנים מלכנו ; שים שלום toefore; אבינו מלכנו ; שים שלום; Mourner's Kaddish.

## שבת שובה SHABBOS SHUVAH

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, SEPT. 14, 5 TISHREI

[Rav Henkin noted that in preparing for

Shabbos, one should be certain that all food that is to be kept warm, must be completely cooked before candle-lighting time. The possibility of permitting קידרא חייתא (food that is totally raw to be placed on a covered flame immediately before candle-lighting) that is discussed in the Talmud, should not be used nowadays. If food is not completely cooked before Shabbos, there is a strong possibility that one might, Heaven forbid, come to violate the Torah prohibition against cooking on Shabbos. If one wishes to leave hot food that has been prepared exclusively for the daytime Shabbos meal in the oven overnight on Shabbos, he must close the oven door securely, and place some type of reminder there to prevent anyone from opening the oven until the daytime meal. These precautions should be followed every Shabbos of the year.]

Hot cooked foods that are to be kept warm must be put in their proper place before candle-lighting. One must light candles in the proper time (approximately 20 minutes before sunset). The *Bracha* on *Shabbos* candles is "להדליק נר של שבת".

# פרשת וילך PARSHAS VAYEILECH FRIDAY EVENING, 6 TISHREI

# קבלת שבת וערבית WELCOMING SHABBOS AND MAARIV

...וברכו...; ושמרו...; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Shabbos with the appropriate additions for the Ten Days of Repentance – המלך הקדוש, מי כמוך, המלך הקדוש, and בספר; after the Shemonah Esrei "ויכולו"; המלר הקדוש is said in מגן אבות; Kaddish Tiskabel. Kiddush for Shabbos is made in Shul; לדוד אורי; לדוד אורי; Mourner's Kaddish; אדון עולם; If one recited Maariv before the appearance of the stars, one must later recite the Shema over again without its accompanying Brachos [Shulchan Aruch Siman 235.] The Mishna Brurah states there (subparagraph 6) in the name of the classical Poskim that this is not a stringency, but the essential Halacha. The Mishna Brurah further states (subparagraph 19) that if one who has recited Maariv early returns home after the appearance of the stars, it is proper that he repeat the Shema before commencing to eat. Kiddush at home.

### SHABBOS MORNING, SEPT. 15

### שחרית / SHACHRIS

Regular Shabbos services; שיר המעלות) is said between ישתבח and the Half-Kaddish); in the Shemonah Esrei and in its repetition by the Chazzan, we say וכתוב, המלך הקדוש, מי כמוך, זכרנו and

בספר; Kaddish Tiskabel after the Chazzan's Repetition of the Shemonah Esrei; take out one Sefer Torah; seven Aliyahs in Parshas Vayeilech; Half-Kaddish; Haftorah is "שובה ישראל" – Hosea: 14:2-10; then we conclude with Joel 2:11-27 (some add verses 7:18-20 from Micah). We do not honor a child under thirteen years old to read this Haftorah. (Many congregations have the custom that the Rav is given this Haftorah, as he knows how to exhort his congregation to repent); א-ל, יקום פורקן Half-Kaddish.

## מוסף / MUSSAF

We add the appropriate insertions for the Ten Days of Repentance to the Shemonah Esrei and to the Chazzan's Repetition of the Shemonah Esrei; after the Chazzan's Repetition – Kaddish Tiskabel; אנעים זמירות ;עלינו ;אין כאלקינו ;אין כאלקינו; אין כאלקינו; Psalm of the Day of Shabbos; לדוד אורי; Mourner's Kaddish; אדון עולם:

#### MINCHA / מנחה

ובא לציון ; אשרי; Half-Kaddish; ; ואני תפילתי; three Aliyahs in Parshas Haazinu; (no Half-Kaddish after Torah reading of Mincha); if Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei for Shabbos Mincha with the appropriate additions for the Ten Days of Repentance; Chazzan's Repetition; צדקתך צדק; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish. Pirkei Avos is not studied.

(The custom is for the Rav of the

community to lecture on matters of Repentance in what is known as the Shabbos Shuvah Drasha).

# מוצאי שבת AT THE CONCLUSION OF SHABBOS

(It is proper to wait 72 minutes after sunset [under extenuating circumstances, 60 minutes] before making *Havdalah* or doing activities prohibited on *Shabbos*. This is true for every *Shabbos*).

### ערבית / MAARIV

We do not sanctify the New Moon (קידוש לבנה) until immediately after Yom Kippur (some do sanctify the New Moon before Yom Kippur); Havdalah at home as usual after every Shabbos.

MONDAY, SEPT. 17, 8 TISHREI Selichos: "יו"ג מדות".

[Rav Henkin noted that the custom of Kapporos requires great diligence so that no error in ritual slaughter result from the great number of fowl to be slaughtered in a very limited amount of time. Nowadays, the custom should be relegated to several days before Yom Kippur. It is sufficient to have one bird slaughtered on behalf of several individuals. Ŏne is permitted to say on behalf of another, "This is the Kapporah atonement for so and so," even if he is not present. The Kapporos should be redeemed with money that is then given to Tzedakah, or let the whole process be done with money as redemption for the soul (דמים in Hebrew refers to both soul ["כי הדם הוא הנפש"] as well as 'money,' so we have דמים – 'money' in place of דמים – ['the soul']).

# ערב יום כפור EREV YOM KIPPUR

TUESDAY, SEPT. 18, 9 TISHREI

We say only a few *Selichos* in the morning; the usual morning services; no אבינו מלכנו no *Tachanun*; no מזמור לתודה.

We eat in a bountiful fashion the entire day. After midday we immerse ourselves in a *Mikveh* not before an hour before midday, – this immersion is obligatory. Even a mourner who is sitting *Shiva* immerses himself late in the afternoon. (Some people observe the

custom of giving each other symbolic lashes before *Mincha*.)

#### MINCHA / מנחה

אשרי; Half-Kaddish; weekday Shemonah Esrei; after the concluding Bracha "המברך את עמו ישראל בשלום" and the "המברך את עמו ישראל "..." and the "...לרצון "..." that follows it, we say Viduy – confession: "על" and "י..." and "על" and "ו..." just as on Yom Kippur itself. The Chazzan recites the usual repetition of the Shemonah Esrei without Viduy. No Tachanun or עלינו מלכנו אבינו מלכנו; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו Mourner's Kaddish.

We give ample amounts of *Tzedakah* throughout the day (in particular to **Ezras Torah** whose benefactors will have great merit on the Day of Judgement).

We finish the סעודת המפסקת – the concluding meal well before sunset. It is advisable that one eat light, easily digested foods, and not overeat. One should avoid cheese, milk, fish, eggs, and wine at this meal. One should drink plenty of water (before any fast) so as not to be afflicted by thirst during the fast.

# הדלקת נרות CANDLE-LIGHTING

At the proper time (not later than 20 minutes before sunset); the *Brachos* are "שהחיינו" and "להדליק נר של יום הכפורים". Where there is a custom for everyone to light a candle in *Shul*, no *Bracha* should be made over that candle. Regarding the custom to light a "lamp symbolizing the soul" (וו נשמה), it is sufficient to light one lamp for departed parents, and one lamp for the household.

We bless our children and pray that they have long lives, and that they shall become Torah scholars, G-D fearing individuals, and ardent supporters and lovers of Torah.

# יום הכפורים YOM KIPPUR

TUESDAY EVENING, SEPT. 18, 10 TISHREI

All activities that are forbidden on *Shabbos* are forbidden today. We are also obligated to afflict ourselves in five ways by abstaining from the following: all eating and drinking, any washing (even to dip a finger in cold water for pleasure is prohibited), the application of oils and creams to the body, wearing leather footwear, and marital relations. Hands that are soiled may be washed in cold water.

We come to *Shul* early enough to allow the saying of *Kol Nidrei* before sunset. The custom is to don the *Kittel* and *Tallis* (with the *Bracha* "להתעטף בציצת" before sunset. One should also allow oneself enough time to say the "תפלה זכה"

that is found in many *Machzorim*. It is proper to seek each other's forgiveness for any possible wrongdoing.

Two respected members of the congregation, each holding a *Sefer Torah*, stand at the right and left sides of the *Chazzan*. The *Chazzan* says *Kol Nidrei* three times, with the congregation repeating along quietly. Afterwards the *Chazzan* leads the congregation in the recitation of the *Bracha* "שהחייני". The congregation should finish the *Bracha* before the *Chazzan* does so that they can answer "אמן" to his *Bracha*. Women who have already made the *Bracha*. Women who have already made the *Bracha* in *Shul*.

#### ערבית / MAARIV

As is customary: ברוך שם כבוד מלכותו לעולם ועד" in a loud voice; "ברוך שם כבוד מלכותו לעולם ועד"; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Kippur; before "אלקי נצור" we say, "יהיו לרצון" followed immediately by Viduy and "היהיו". After Shemonah Esrei, the customary poetic renditions – Piyutim, in the format of Selichos are said with the Chazzan; this leads into the saying of Viduy and "על חטא" together with the Chazzan; מלכנו אבינו (according to Nusach Sefard לדוד הבינו is recited); Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו אדון עולם; Mourner's Kaddish;

Many congregations have the custom to say all the יוחוד and אנעים זמירות at

the conclusion of services. Many people say the first four chapters of *Tehillim* (Psalms) before they go to sleep. Some people recite the entirety of *Tehillim* on *Yom Kippur*. One should be particularly careful not to harbor impure thoughts this night.

Upon arising one should wash each hand, alternately, up to the end of the knuckles, three times. Washing the face is not permitted. However, while one's hands are still somewhat moist, one may wipe them over his eyes so as to clear them of sediment. We make the *Bracha* over the washing of hands as well as the other usual morning *Brachos*.

[Rav Henkin noted that the proper time for the recitation of Shema should not be delayed because of the numerous melodies that are chanted before the Shema on Yom Kippur. However, we should not begin the services extremely early in order to avoid a delayed recital of Shema, as we do not wish to cause undue distress to people for whom a long fast is difficult. It is very important that people not rush out from Shul later that evening, when it might still be Yom Kippur and come, Heaven forbid, to violate the holiday.]

## WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPT 19 אחרית / SHACHRIS

The custom is to wear a *Kittel* underneath the *Tallis*. As on *Rosh* 

HaShanah, the custom is to say the שיר היחוד (for the fourth day of the week); אנעים זמירות; the Psalm of the Day and לדוד אורי; followed by Mourner's Kaddish and אדון עולם; the regular morning Brachos, followed by the usual morning order; המלך; פסוקי דזמרה; ישתבח; ישתבח; Half-Kaddish; שיר המעלות ממעמקים is said between ישתבח and the Half-Kaddish); יוצר ברכו (with the customary additions - Piyutim for Yom Kippur); קריאת שמע ;אהבה רבה ;המאיר לארץ; in which we say: "ברוך שם כבוד מלכותו לעולם ועד" in a loud voice; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Kippur; before אלקי נצור we sav "יהיו לרצון", Viduy, and "על חטא" etc.

### הזרת הש"ץ / CHAZZAN'S REPETITION

In Kedushah, we say נעריצך)(in all of the services of Yom Kippur, the Kedushah is על"); Piyutim; Selichos; Viduy and על" etc.; אבינו מלכנו (געריצך Kaddish Tiskabel.

### TORAH READING / קריאת התורה

"אתה הראת" (Nusach Sefard: "אתה הראת"); open Aron; י"ג מדות, followed by the special רבונו של עולם for Yom Kippur; we take out two Sifrei Torah; ישראל אחד ; על הכל ;גדלו ;קדוש ונורא ;אחד ;ישראל .... Six Aliyahs are read from the first chapter of Parshas Acharei Mos, Leviticus 16:1-34; Half-Kaddish; Maftir reads from the second Sefer Torah in Parshas Pinchas, Numbers 29:7-11 ("ובעשור לחדש"); Haftorah is from Isaiah 57:14-58:14. In Brachos

after the haftorah we mention יום כפור in the middle and in the conclusion.

#### אוברת נשמות / YIZKOR

We make pledges to *Tzedakah* as a means of elevating the souls of the departed (particularly beneficial as a source of merit for both the living and the dead are donations to *Ezras Torah*, which aids thousands of needy families of *Bnei Torah* in Israel and throughout the world). איז הללו (אשרי אב הרחמים: we return the *Sifrei Torah* to the *Aron HaKodesh*.

## מוסף / MUSSAF

The Chazzan says הנני; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Mussaf of Yom Kippur; Viduy and "על חטא", in same place as in Shachris; Chazzan's Repetition; Kedushah; Piyutim; אמיץ כה (Nusach Sefard "על חטא" etc.; אמיא כניים (the Kohanim wash their hands until the wrist); Kaddish Tiskabel (we do not say עלינו, פטום הקטורת, אין כאלקינו (Raddish).

#### מנחה / MINCHA

(We do not say ובא and ובא ובא נבא לציון). We take out one Sefer Torah (no "ועל הכל"); אדלו ;בריך שמיה (י"ג מדות"); three Aliyahs in Parshas Acharei Mos (Levit. 18:1-30) – the Parsha of עריות (forbidden relationships); no Half-Kaddish after the Torah Reading; The third Aliyah is Maftir who reads the Haftorah, consisting of

the entire Book of Jonah (some add at the end verses from the Prophet Micah, 7:18-20 – "מי א-ל כמוך"); Brachos after the Haftorah until "מזמור ; return the Sefer Torah to the Aron HaKodesh; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Kippur; Viduy and "על חטא" in same place in Shemonah Esrei as in Shachris; the Chazzan's Repetition; Kedushah; Piyutim; Selichos; Viduy and "אלקינו"; אלקינו מלכנו (אבינו מלכנו) מלכנו (אבינו מלכנו) or Mourner's Kaddish.

(Neilah, the closing service of Yom Kippur, should be begun shortly before sunset. Those who start Neilah too early (thereby ending it too early) only allow for the strong possibility of the violation of Yom Kippur, Heaven forbid, with eating and drinking, or the performance of prohibited activities during a time that might still be Yom Kippur, or sometimes is definitely Yom Kippur. May the Merciful One protect us from such errors.)

"The Divine Judgement that was written on *Rosh HaShanah* concerning the fate of all beings, whether for good or for bad, is sealed by the end of *Neilah*. A person must actively prepare himself for the prayers of *Neilah*. For the culmination of the Ten Days of Repentance is *Yom Kippur*, and the culmination of *Yom Kippur* is *Neilah*; everything hinges upon these final few moments. If not now, when?

Therefore, even if one is physically weakened by the fast, he still must gird himself, like a warrior preparing for battle, in order to pray with a pure and clear concentration and to accept upon himself all of the many facets of genuine repentance. One who comes to purify himself is helped from Above and will be sealed in the Book of Good Life" (Mishne Brurah: 623:3).

## לעילה / NEILAH

ובא לציון ;אשרי ; Half-Kaddish; the Shemonah Esrei of Neilah; we say "ודחתמנו" in place of "ונכתבנו" in place of "ונכתב" in stead of "ונכתב" in stead of "ונכתב" instead of "אתה נותן יד" instead of "אתה נותן יד" in the Chazzan's Repetition; Viduy; "ואתה נותן יד" in the Chazzan's Repetition: Kedushah; Piyutim; Selichos; Viduy according to custom; "שים שלום ;"אלקינו ואלקי אבותינו ברכנו בברכה" is said once; "שים שלום "ברוך שם כבוד מלכותו לעולם ועד" is said once; "ברוך שם כבוד מלכותו לעולם ועד" is said three times; "בדי הוא האלקים" is said seven times; Kaddish Tiskabel — we blow one long תקיעה before בירושלים" [some blow "לשנה הבאה בירושלים".

If it is already the proper time, we recite *Maariv* slowly and with great concentration.

(One should be extremely careful not to make *Havdalah*, eat or do any prohibited activity until 72 minutes have elapsed since sunset [in extenuating circumstances, 60 minutes will suffice].)

#### ערבית / MAARIV

As on all weekday nights we begin "והוא רחום". In Shemonah Esrei we no longer recite any of the additions for the Ten Days of Repentance (if one forgot and said "המלך הקדוש instead of הא-ל" הקדוש - he does not have to repeat the Shemonah Esrei). אתה חוננתנו: Kaddish Tiskabel after Shemonah Esrei; Havdalah for the departure of Yom Kippur; בורא בורא מאורי האש :פרי הגפו. (One must make the Bracha בורא מאורי האש over fire that has been burning since before the commencement of Yom Kippur, to which one adds another candle that was lit from it after Yom Kippur); לדוד ד' אורי ;עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish.

If one has not yet sanctified the New Moon, he should do so now if it is visible. *Havdalah* at home as it was done in *Shul*. (After one has eaten it is a good custom to begin working on the *Succah*.) The next morning we arise early for services in *Shul*.

Between Yom Kippur and Succos we do not say Tachanun nor the series of "ה.יהי רצון..." after the reading of the Torah. We do say "א-ל ארך אפים", before taking out the Torah, and ממנצח (some have the Minhag not to say "א-ל ארך אפים" and למנצח on days when Tachanun is not said). We do not recite the א-ל מלא.

[Rav Henkin noted that one should endeavor to build for himself a Succah that

is fit for the purposes of eating, drinking and sleeping. One who would, because of his physical distress, be exempt from living in the Succah, is still not exempt from building a Succah.

If one must use someone else's Succah he should make certain that it is located in a place to which he will be able to bring his food and drink on Shabbos.

One should purchase a fine set of the Four Species (Lulav – palm branch, Esrog – citron, Hadassim – myrtle, and Arovos – willow).

Esrog – The Esrog should be free of any holes, any thin blister-like protrusions (usually a result of the decomposition of the fruit), or any discoloration. One may purchase an Esrog only from a reputable Torah observant dealer who can be trusted to guarantee that the Esrogs that he sells are not the products of grafted branches (usually, we can rely on the classical appearance of the Esrog, e.g., its shape and bumpy surface, as evidence that the Esrog is not the product of grafted branches).

Lulav – One should ascertain that the central leaf that protrudes from the spine, whose end is the highest point of the Lulav, is whole (not split or clipped), straight and green. The minimum length of the Lulav's spine is four handbreadths (בד' טפחים).

**Hadassim** – We take three stems of Haddasim, the majority of each covered with groups of three leaves that emanate from

the same rung of the stem. Each stem should be at least three handbreadths (ג' טפחים) long. Most of the leaves should be intact.

Arovos – We take two Arovos stems, each of which is reddish in color, whose leaves are long and smooth (not jagged) at the edges. Each stem should be at least three handbreadths (ג' טפחים) long. Most of the leaves should be intact.

We bind the Lulav, Haddasim, and Arovos together to fulfill the Mitzvah in the proper manner. The Haddasim are to the right of the Lulav and the Arovos are to the left of the Lulav when the back of the spine is facing the person holding the Lulav. We make two (some make three) additional rings out of the leaves of the Lulav and place them around the Lulav higher than the Haddasim and Arovos. If one is not familiar with the many intricate laws of the Four Species he should consult a Torah authority.]

## שבת פרשת האזינו SHABBOS PARSHAS HAAZINU

SEPT. 22, 13 TISHREI

Welcoming the *Shabbos, Maariv, Shachris* as usual; we call seven *Aliyahs* to the Torah without any additions; Half-Kaddish; Haftorah is from Samuel II: 22:1-51; no "אב הרחמים" or "אב הרחמים".

#### MINCHA / מנחה

ובא לציון ;אשרי ; Torah Reading: three Aliyahs in "Parshas V'zos HaBracha;" no Half-Kaddish after Torah Reading; יהללו: returning of the Torah; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei; the Chazzan's Repetition; no יעלינו; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו); Mourner's Kaddish (we say neither Pirkei Avos nor ברכי נפשי).

# מוצאי שבת קודש DEPARTURE OF SHABBOS

#### ערבית / MAARIV

For the departure of *Shabbos;* usual weekday *Maariv,* "אתה חוננתנו" in *Shemonah Esrei; Kaddish Tiskabel;* no "ואתה קדוש" and "לדוד אורי ;עלינו ;ויתן לך; we say לדוד אורי ;עלינו ;ויתן לך; Mourner's *Kaddish.* 

The final time for the sanctification of the New Moon of *Tishrei* is the entire night of Saturday, September 22 (14 *Tishrei*). (If necessary, the New Moon of *Tishrei* may be sancitified the first night of *Succos*, Sunday night, September 23 [15 *Tishrei*] and second night of Succos until 2:39 AM [16 *Tishrei*]).

## ערב סוכות EREV SUCCOS

SUNDAY, SEPT. 23, 14 TISHREI

Usual *Shachris* and *Mincha* services; no *Tachanun* but מנצח is said. We conduct

ourselves as we do every *Erev Yom Tov*: we bathe, (*Mikveh*), and we make our necessary preparations in honor of the *Yom Tov*. Candles are lit in the *Succah* and the *Brachos* "להדליק נר של יום טוב" are said.

# א' דסוכות FIRSt DAY SUCCOS

SUNDAY NIGHT, SEPT. 23, 15 TISHREI

### ערבית / MAARIV

תברכו:, אוברכו:, אוברכו:, Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov; הדה ביום חג הסוכות"; Kaddish Tiskabel after Shemonah Esrei. (During the holiday of Succos, it is customary not to make Kiddush or Havdalah in the Shul; the same holds true for Shabbos Chol HaMoed and for Shmini Atzeres. However, if there is a Succah by the Shul, then the Chazzan makes Kiddush and Havdalah there.) לדוד אורי "עלינו"; אדון עולם: Mourner's Kaddish;

We say אושפיזין in the Succah. We may not make Kiddush on the first two nights before the appearance of three small stars. Kiddush for Yom Tov: בורא פרי הגפן; before making the Bracha שהחינו.

On the first two nights one is obligated to eat in the *Succah*. Even if one suffers distress as a consequence of being in the *Succah*, or if it rains, one should eat at least an olive's size (כזית) of

bread in the Succah (however one should not make the Bracha "לישב בסוכה" if it is raining). On the other nights, and during the days, anyone who suffers distress from rain or from any physical condition or malady is exempt from staying in the Succah.

(The entire seven days of *Succos*, one should eat, drink, and spend his free time in the *Succah*. Snacks, such as a quantity of bread up to the size of an egg, or fruit of any quantity, need not be eaten in the *Succah*. One who strives, out of his dedication to the *Mitzvah*, to do all of his eating and drinking in the *Succah* will be rewarded. In the colder climates, one is exempt from sleeping in the *Succah*.)

(When one does not make Kiddush he should make the Bracha "לישב בסוכה" after "המוציא", and he should intend that this Bracha applies to all of his activities in the Succah until the next meal.)

### MONDAY MORNING, SEPT. 24

In the morning, we can make the *Bracha* over the Four Species from sunrise on (in extenuating circumstances, from עלות השחר). The *Bracha* over the Four Species is: "בצונו על נטילת לולב..." and on the first day, שהחיינו The *Brachos* are made with the *Esrog* held upside down (the *pitum* facing down) so that the *Mitzvah* is first performed in its proper manner after the *Bracha*, when the *Esrog* is held

the right way (with the pitum facing up). One holds the *Esrog* in the left hand, and the Lulav, with the other species, in the right hand, with the back of the Lulav's spine facing the person holding it. (Some have the custom to take only the Lulav and its species in the right hand before the Bracha, and then to take the Esrog in the left hand after the Bracha, and then to bring both hands together to perform the Mitzvah.) When the Four Species are held together properly, they are [according to Nusach Ashkenazl, shaken three times back and forth in front of the person [who is facing East], three times to his right, three times behind him, three times to his left, three times above, and three times downward.

#### שחרית / SHACHRIS

In the usual Yom Tov fashion; Morning Brachos; ימשמת פסוקי דומרה; Shema and its Brachos; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov; the Chazzan's Repetition; complete Hallel. It is very important to say every word in Hallel and to pronounce each word correctly. One has not fulfilled the mitzvah of Hallel if a word is said in a manner that changes the meaning (See Mishne Berurah 488:2,3 and the mitzvah of Hallel and shake them, in the manner prescribed above, [according to Nusach Ashkenaz] during every "הודו"

and during the two אנא ה' הושיעה נא". The Chazzan shakes them only at the first "יאמר נא" and at both "אנא" ה' הושיעה נא and then at the two times "הודו". After Hallel, Kaddish Tiskabel (some have the custom to say the Hoshanos immediately after Hallel and before the Kaddish Tiskabel); אין כמוך; open Aron; י"ג מדות followed by the special מדות for Yom Tov; two Sifrei Torah are removed from the Aron HaKodesh. שמע בריר שמיה ויעזר ויגן; על הכל ;גדלו ;אחד; ישראל. There are five Aliyahs in the first Torah from Parshas Emor – שור או כשב Levit. 22:26-23:44; we place the second Torah next to the first and say a Half-Kaddish over both Torahs; Maftir reads in second Torah Parshas Pinchas, Numbers 29:12-16; the Haftorah is read from Zechariah 14:1-21; Brachos after the Haftorah for Yom Tov; י-ה יהללו ;אשרי ;א-לי return the Sifrei Torah to the Aron HaKodesh.

### מוסף / MUSSAF

Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov Mussaf; the Chazzan's Repetition; רביים – the Priestly Blessing (יהי רצון); after the Chazzan's Repetition we say the Hoshana: "למען אמיתך a member of the congregation holds a Sefer Torah on the central Bimah, while the Chazzan and the congregation march in procession around the Bimah with their Lulavim and Esrogim while

saying the Hoshanos; Kaddish Tiskabel; אין אין; יום ;אנעים זמירות ;עלינו ;כאלקינו לדוד ;שיר של יום ;אנעים זמירות ;עורי אדון עולם; Mourner's Kaddish; אדון עולם.

#### מנחה / MINCHA

ובא לציון ;אשרי; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov; the Chazzan's Repetition; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish.

# ב' דסוכות SECOND DAY SUCCOS

MONDAY NIGHT, SEPT. 24, 16 TISHREI

(We delay lighting candles and doing any preparations for the second day of *Yom Tov* until 72 minutes after sunset (under extenuating circumstances, 60 minutes will suffice). At candle-lighting we make the same *Brachos* as yesterday – "שהחיינו" and "נהדליק נר של יום טוב".

#### ערבית / MAARIV

In Yom Tov fashion; וברכו ...; ברבר.; י...ידבר...; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov; Kaddish Tiskabel; אדון אולם; Kiddush in the Succah: שהחיינו אשר בחר, בורא פרי הגפן (Some say that on the second night the Bracha "שהחיינו" should follow "לישב בסוכה" the same as last night.)

# TUESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 25

שחרית / SHACHRIS

As yesterday, in the usual Yom Tov

fashion; Morning Brachos; פסוקי דזמרה; נשמת; Shema and its Brachos; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov; the Chazzan's Repetition; Lulav (we do not make the Bracha "שהחיינו" on the Lulav on the second day): complete Hallel; Kaddish Tiskabel; (י"ג שרות) we take out two Sifrei Torah; We have five Aliyahs in the same Parsha as yesterday, (Levit. 22:26-23:44); we place the second Torah next to the first and say a Half-Kaddish over both Torahs; Maftir in second Torah, same as yesterday, Parshas Pinchas - Numbers 29:12-16; the Haftorah is read from Kings I 8:2-21. Brachos for Yom Tov after the Haftorah; אשרי; י-ה א-לי; יהללו; return the Sifrei Torah to the Aron HaKodesh.

#### מוסף / MUSSAF

Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov Mussaf; the Chazzan's Repetition; נשיאת); after the chazzan's Repetition we say the Hoshana; "אבן שתי"; Kaddish Tiskabel; אנינו אין כאלקינו; אין כאלקינו; שיר של יום ;אנעים זמירות; שיר של יום ;אנעים זמירות; Kaddish; שדון עולם; אדון עולם

### MINCHA / מנחה

Exactly as yesterday: ובא לציון; אשרי Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov; the Chazzan's Repetition; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish.

# א' דחול המועד FIRSt DAY CHOL HAMOED

TUESDAY EVENING SEPT. 25, 17 TISHREI

#### ערבית / MAARIV

As is usual for the night following a Yom Tov: weekday Shemonah Esre: אתה לדוד ;עלינו ;Kaddish Tiskabel; יעלה ויבא; אורי, Mourner's Kaddish.

(If one had forgotten to say יעלה ויבא and suddenly remembered before he began מודים, he can say it now, before מודים. If he had already begun מודים and then he remembered that he had forgotten to say יעלה ויבא, he must return to the beginning of רצה. If he stepped backward already at the conclusion of the Shemonah Esrei, he must repeat the Shemonah Esrei. By Birkas HaMazon (Blessings after a meal) too, if one omitted יעלה ויבא and remembered after he concluded the third Bracha. ("בונה ירושלים") but did not yet begin the fourth Bracha ("הא-ל אבינו") he should say the compensatory Bracha: "...אשר... מתו"; as is found in Siddurim. If he had already begun the fourth Bracha, on Yom Tov he must begin again because of the omission of יעלה ויבא. However, on Chol HaMoed (the Intermediate Days) one does not have to repeat Birkas HaMazon if he forgot יעלה ויבא.)

At home we make Havdalah on wine

(only בורא פרי and המבדיל) in the Succah.

### WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 26 אחרית / SHACHRIS

(According to Nusach Sefard and the Vilna Gaon, one does not wear Tefillin at all during Chol HaMoed [the Intermediate Days.] Those who do wear Tefillin during Chol HaMoed, do so without the Brachos (some have the custom to make the Brachos, but in an inaudible voice). Customary weekday order of prayer; מזמור לתודה is said; יעלה ויבא in weekday Shemonah Esrei; complete Hallel; everyone, including the Chazzan removes their Tefillin before Hallel; we take the Lulav [for the manner of taking the Lulav see Shachris of the first day of Yom Tov]; before (with no שהחיינו) and during Hallel; Kaddish Tiskabel after Hallel; we take out one Sefer Torah and read four Aliyahs from Parshas Pinchas, Numbers 29:17-25, in the section dealing with the Additional Sacrifices of Succos: the Kohen reads "וביום השני", the Levi reads "וביום השלישי", the Yisroel reads from וביום "וביום and the fourth Aliyah reads "וביום "וביום השלישי; Half-Kaddish; יהללו; אשרי; ובא לציון; (no למנצח); Half-Kaddish:

#### מוסף / MUSSAF

Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov Mussaf; the additional offerings mentioned are of וביום השני and וביום השני; Chazzan's Repetition; weekday Kedushah (according to Nussach Ashkenaz); Hoshana: "אערוך" (as on Yom Tov, on each of the Intermediate Days of Succos, a Sefer Torah is taken out and held by a congregant on the Bimah while the other congregants march around him with their Four Species); Kaddish Tiskabel; שיר של יום ; עלינו ; Mourner's Kaddish.

#### MINCHA / מנחה

אשרי; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei with יעלה ויבא; Chazzan's Repetition; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish.

# ב' דחול המועד SECOND DAY CHOL HAMOED

#### THURSDAY, SEPT. 27, 18 TISHREI

Maariv, Shachris, Lulav, Hallel and Mincha as yesterday; Torah Reading: Four Aliyahs from Parshas Pinchas, Numbers 29:20-28: Kohen – נוביום החמישי '', וביום החמישי '', וביום החמישי '', וביום החמישי and וביום השלישי and וביום וביום הרביעי; ובא לציון ;אשרי ;יהללו '', Half-Kaddish', למנצח ('', למנצח אור'', למנצח '', Half-Kaddish'); Half-Kaddish.

### מוסף / MUSSAF

Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov Mussaf; the additional offerings mentioned are of

ישים השלישי and וביום וביום; Hoshana: "אום; אום".

# ג' דחול המועד THIRD DAY CHOL HAMOED

FRIDAY, SEPT. 28, 19 TISHREI

Maariv, Shachris, Lulav, Hallel and Mincha exactly as yesterday; Torah Reading: Four Aliyahs from Parshas Pinchas, Numbers 29:23-31: Kohen – וביום הרביעי; Yisroel – וביום החמישי; Levi הששי ; הששי ; Fourth Aliyah השטי ; ובא לציון ; אשרי ; יהללו ; Half-Kaddish; למנצח (מוצר); Half-Kaddish.

### מוסף / MUSSAF

Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov Mussaf; the additional offerings mentioned are of א-ל": Hoshana: "ביום החמישי Hoshana: ".למושעות

# ד' דחול המועד יום שבת קודש FOURTH DAY CHOL HAMOED THE HOLY SHABBOS

FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 28, 20 TISHREI

We place hot cooked food in the oven and make all other preparations for *Shabbos* before candle lighting. We light candles at the proper time – 20 minutes before sunset. The *Bracha* is "להדליק נר של".

# קבלת שבת WELCOMING THE SHABBOS

Nusach Ashkenaz begins with מזמור השבת ד' מלך מלך מלך השבת 'ד, followed by Mourner's Kaddish (neither לכו נרננה nor יבמה מדליקין is said). (Since there are many variant customs among those who follow Nusach Sefard, each congregation must follow its own Minhag in these matters.)

#### ערבית / MAARIV

ברכו...; וופרוש (ב...; וושמרו...; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Shabbos; יעלה ויבא with and מגן אבות after Shemonah Esrei; Kaddish Tiskabel; לדוד אורי; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish; אדון עולם.

Regular Kiddush of Shabbos in the Succah; at the end of Kiddush the Bracha לישב בסוכה is made.

### SHABBOS MORNING, SEPT. 29 אחרית / SHACHRIS

Regular Shabbos services: פטרקי דומרה, shemonah Esrei of Shabbos with יעלה ויבא, Shemonah Esrei of Shabbos with יעלה ויבא; Chazzan's Repetition; complete Hallel (we do not take the Lulav on Shabbos), Kaddish Tiskabel; Sefer Koheles (Ecclesiastes); Mourner's Kaddish; we take out two Sifrei Torah; in the first, there are seven Aliyahs from Parshas Ki Sisah (Exodus 33:12-34:26) from "התה" until "בחלב אמו" Half-Kaddish; Maftir

from second Torah in Parshas Pinchas, Numbers 29:26-31 - "וביום הששי" and "וביום הששי"; Haftorah from Ezekiel 38:18-39:16; in the Brachos after the Haftorah both Shabbos and the holiday of Succos are mentioned; the concluding Bracha is "מקדש השבת וישראל והזמנים"; (מ, יה א-לי וח), מקדש השבת וישראל והזמנים; אשרי ; יקום פורקן ; (א-ל מלא and no אב הרחמים; etc. Half-Kaddish.

### מוסף / MUSSAF

Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov Mussaf – "ומפני חטאינו"; we mention Shabbos at all the appropriate places; the additional offerings mentioned are "וביום השבית" Chazzan's Repetition;Kedushah with אדיר אדירנו (We do not take out a Sefer Torah, nor do we march around the Shul. However, the Aron HaKodesh is opened); Kaddish Tiskabel; שיר של יום ;אנעים זמירות; עלינו ;אין כאלקינו (Psalm of the Day); אדון עולם ; Mourner's Kaddish; לדוד אורי

#### MINCHA / מנחה

; ואני תפילתי ; Half-Kaddish; ואני תפילתי ; Torah Reading: three Aliyahs in V'zos HaBracha (no Half-Kaddish after Torah Reading); יהללו ; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Shabbos with יעלה; Chazzan's Repetition; (we do not say עלינו; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish.

We wait 72 minutes (under extenuating circumstances, 60 minutes will suffice) after sunset before making *Havdalah* or doing any of the activities that are prohibited on *Shabbos*.

# הושענא רבה HOSHANA RABBA

SATURDAY NIGHT SEPT. 29, 21 TISHREI

# מוצאי שבת DEPARTURE OF SHABBOS

#### ערבית / MAARIV

Weekday Shemonah Esre: אתה חוננתנו; Kaddish Tiskabel; (we omit ייבא; Kaddish Tiskabel; (we omit יירתן לך אלינו ;ויתן לך we say לדוד אורי; Mourner's Kaddish.

We make the regular *Havdalah* for the departure of *Shabbos* in the *Succah* (the *Bracha* לישב בסוכה is not made in *Havdalah*).

(Many have the practice to stay awake on the night of *Hoshana Rabba* steeped in the study of Torah; there is also a practice to have a public recitation of the entire *Chumash Devorim* and the *Book of Psalms* (*Tehillim*) after midnight of *Hoshana Rabba*.)

#### SUNDAY MORNING, SEPT. 30 אחרית / SHACHRIS

From the perspective of its status as a *Yom Tov, Hoshana Rabba* is the same as any other of the Intermediate Days. However, many extra prayers are added

to the service on Hoshana Rabba. The reason for this is that throughout the Yom Tov of Succos we are judged concerning the fate of our water supply. On Hoshana Rabba, the judgement is finalized. The conclusion of any period of Judgement is our last chance to influence the Divine Judgement and, therefore, it is of great importance to us. The Chazzan wears a Kittel. The custom, as on the High Holy Days, is to begin the services with the שיר היחוד (for the first day); אנעים זמירות, followed by Kaddish at the beginning of services. Then we say אדון עולם, the regular morning blessings, followed by the usual morning order; מזמור; פסוקי דזמרה is said, followed by the פסוקי דזמרה of Shabbos and Yom Tov. except for נשמת. which is omitted; ישתבח; Half-Kaddish. (Many say שיר המעלות ממעמקים between ישתבח and the Half-Kaddish); regular weekday Shachris: אהבה רבה;...יוצר אור; Shema; weekday Shemonah Esrei with יעלה ויבא; Chazzan's Repetition; taking of the Lulav; complete Ĥallel; Kaddish Tiskabel; י"ג מדות ;אין כמוך; followed by the special רבונו של עולם for Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur. שמע ישראל; אחד אחד; שמע; אחד ; על גדלו ויעזור ויגן; four Aliyahs from Parshas Pinchas, Numbers 29:26-34: Kohen – וביום וביום Levi - וביום הששי, Yisroel - וביוםהשביעי, fourth Aliyah – וביום and וביום and השביעי; Half-Kaddish; השביעי; אשרי; ובא לציון Half-Kaddish.

### מוסף / MUSSAF

In usual Yom Tov fashion: Shemonah Esrei of Mussaf of Yom Tov (the Additional Offerings are וביום הששי and וביום השביעי); Chazzan's Repetition; Kedushah of נעריצך (Nusach Sefard: אדיר אדירנו); אדיר אדירנו etc.; at conclusion of Chazzan's Repetition, we take out all of the Sifrei Torah from the Aron HaKodesh and bring them to the Bimah where members of the congregation hold them while the rest of the congregation, led by the Chazzan, march around the Bimah seven times with their Lulavim and Esrogim; all of the Hoshanos for Hoshana Rabba are said; when we get to "תענה אמונים" we put the Four Species down and we take the special Aravos of Hoshana Rabba (the custom is to take five stems that are bound together) into our hands (anything that invalidates the Arovos of the Four Species during Succos invalidates these Arovos on Hoshana Rabba): at the end of the Hoshanos we beat the Arovos against the floor five times according to custom (some, following the custom of the Ari, wait until after the completion of the Kaddish after the Hoshanos before beating the Arovos); Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו אין כאלקינו; the Psalm of the Day; לדוד אורי; Mourner's Kaddish: אדוו עולם.

We conduct ourselves as with every *Erev Yom Tov*: we bathe and we make our

necessary preparations in honor of the *Yom Tov*, (*Mikveh*).

### שמיני עצרת SHEMINI ATZERES

SUNDAY EVE., SEPT. 30, 22 TISHREI

Candles are lit (in the *Succah*) at the proper time, (20 minutes before sunset). with the *Brachos* "להדליק נר של יום טוב" and "שהחיינו".

#### ערבית / MAARIV

(After the appearance of stars) in the customary way: הברכו...; ברכו...; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov "ביום שמיני עצרת החג הזה" Kaddish Tiskabel after Shemonah Esrei; עלינו 'עלינו', אלינו' Mourner's Kaddish; (Nusach Sefard makes Hakofos on the night of Shemini Atzeres as on the night of Simchas Torah); אדון עולם.

We make the Yom Tov Kiddush, with שהחיינו, in the Succah; however, we do not make the Bracha "לישב בסוכה". We eat in the Succah both the night and day of Shemini Atzeres, again, without making the Bracha "לישב בסוכה".

### MONDAY MORNING, OCT. 1 אחרית / SHACHRIS

In the customary Yom Tov fashion; Morning Brachos; ישמת ; פטוקי דומרה; Shema and its Brachos; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov; the Chazzan's Repetition; (the Four Species are not taken on Shemini Atzeres) complete Hallel; Kaddish Tiskabel; אין 

#### אוצא / הזכרת נשמות / YIZKOR

We make pledges to *Tzedakah* as a means of elevating the souls of the departed (particularly beneficial as a source of merit for both the living and the dead are donations to Ezras Torah, which aids thousands of needy families of *Bnei Torah* in Israel and throughout the world). אב הרחמים: ((שערי אפרים] י-ה א-לי (שערי אפרים] י-ה א-לי (שערי אפרים] י-ה א-לי (אשרי the *Aron HaKodesh*. The *Shammash* announces "משיב הרוח ומוריד הגשם" before the congregation begins the silent *Shemonah Esrei* of *Mussaf*, so that the congregation will add it in their silent *Shemonah Esrei*.

#### מוסף / MUSSAF

The Chazzan wears a Kittel; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Mussaf of Yom Tov; we say "משיב הרוח" and "ביום השמיני" etc.

### חזרת הש"ץ / CHAZZAN'S REPETITION נשיאת . "משיב הרוח" (Geshem): "תפילת גשם

כפים (the Priestly Blessing); Kaddish Tiskabel; אנעים זמירות; אין כאלקינו; אנעים זמירות; אנעים - Psalm of the Day; לדוד אורי; אדון עולם.

#### MINCHA / מנחה

ובא לציוו: Half-Kaddish: Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov with "משיב הרוח" (if one forgot to sav "משיב הרוח" but remembered before he began "אתה קדוש" then he may say "משיב הרוח" there; if not he must begin the Shemonah Esrei again. Nusach Sefard that say "מוריד הטל" during summer do not have to say Shemonah Esrei again): the Chazzan's Repetition; Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו: Mourner's Kaddish. (It is advisable to repeat 101 times [at the very least 90 "רב להושיע משיב הרוח ומוריד הגשם "רב להושיע משיב הרוח so as to make the inclusion of משיב" הרוח ומוריד הגשם habitual and fluent, thus eliminating any future doubt as to whether one included "משיב הרוח" in the Shemonah Esrei or not.)

# שמחת תורה SIMCHAS TORAH

MONDAY EVENING, OCT. 1 23 TISHREI

We wait 72 minutes (under extenuating circumstances, 60 minutes) after sunset before lighting candles or making any preparations for the second day of *Yom Tov.* One should be careful on *Simchas Torah* to refrain from any wild and un-

becoming types of behavior. One should behave in a joyous, but proper, fashion that reflects reverence and love for the Most High and His Torah – שמחה של מצוה.

#### ערבית / MAARIV

ברכו:, וידבר:, Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov - ביום שמיני" "עצרת החג הזה; after Shemonah Esrei Kaddish Tiskabel;" "אתה הראת" (It is customary to auction "אתה הראת" and the other honors of Simchas Torah such as Chasan Torah, Chasan Breishis, and "כל הנערים", with the monies collected going to Tzedakah. The purchaser of "אתה הראת" distributes its verses, one by one, to other members of the congregation.) All of the Sifrei Torah are removed from the Aron HaKodesh. The members of the congregation, in a joyous and animated manner, carry the Torahs around the Bimah (Hakofos) seven times. At the conclusion of the Hakofos, the Torahs are returned to the Aron HaKodesh, except for one. The congregation recites with the Chazzan "גדלו", "קדוש ונורא", "אחד". Three (some have the custom of five) Aliyahs are made in Parshas V'zos HaBracha (Deut. 33:1-17 or 1-26); Half-Kaddish; יהללו ושמחו"; Kiddush for Yom Tov exactly as last night (but not in the Succah). (People who attend a Shul where a public Kiddush is made before Hakofos, and everyone [including the women] partakes of at least an olive's size [כזית] of cake or crackers, doesn't make *Kiddush* again at home); עלינו ; Mourner's *Kaddish*; אדון עולם. (We no longer say אדון עולם.)

### TUESDAY MORNING, OCT. 2 אחרית / SHACHRIS

In the usual Yom Tov fashion: Morning Brachos נשמת, פסוקי דזמרה; (Piyut for Simchas Torah): Shema and its Brachos: Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov; the Chazzan's Repetition; we perform נשיאת כפים at Shachris (we do not say ותערב at Shachris, we skip the usual רבונו של עולם and the יהי רצון); complete Hallel; Kaddish Tiskabel; (we do not say אין כמוך); we begin with "אתה הראת as we did last night); we remove all the Sifrei Torah from the Aron HaKodesh and again joyously celebrate with seven Hakofos; after the Hakofos, three Sifrei Torah remain out, while the rest are returned to the Aron HaKodesh: ישמע ישראל; אחד אחד; ויעזור ויגן; ויעזור ויגן; ויעזור ויגן; the first five Aliyahs are made in V'zos HaBracha (Deut. 33:1-26). The custom is that every man in the Shul receives an Aliyah on Simchas Torah. The first five Aliyahs are repeated again and again, or the congregation divides itself into several rooms, each of which has a reading, until everyone has had his Aliyah. The last man is called up for the Aliyah of "כל הנערים". All the children in Shul come up with him and many Talleisim are placed over all of them. The man makes the Brachos on the Torah with all of the children. Before the Bracha after the reading is made, the congregation recites the passage "המלאך הגואל...." The Aliyah of Chasan Torah extends from "מעונה" to the end of the Torah (Devorim 33:27-34:12). After the Torah is concluded, the congregation calls out "חזק חזק ונתחזק". The second Sefer Torah is placed on the table. The first Sefer Torah is lifted off the table, rolled up, and covered. The second Sefer Torah is read, with the Aliyah of Chasan Breishis, from the beginning of Breishis until "אשר ברא אלקים לעשות" (1:1-2:3). We place the third Sefer Torah next to the second, and a Half-Kaddish is recited over both of them. The Maftir reads in the third Sefer Torah from Parshas Pinchas the same verses as vesterday. The Haftorah that is read is the entire first chapter of Sefer Yehoshua (the Book of Joshua) (from "ויהי אחרי" until "חזק" "ואמץ"). The Brachos after the Haftorah are recited; אשרי; שישו ושמחו; (no י-ה א-לי); יהללו: the Sifrei Torah are returned to the Aron HaKodesh.

### מוסף / MUSSAF

Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Mussaf of Yom Tov (same as yesterday); Chazzan's Repetition; Kaddish Tiskabel; אין Psalm of the Day (we no longer say לדוד אורי); Mourner's *Kaddish*; אדון עולם.

(One should endeavor to refrain from wanton foolishness and levity – rather one should engage only in celebration that is for the sake of Heaven).

#### מנחה / MINCHA

אשרי; אשרי; Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Yom Tov – exactly as yesterday.

### אסרו חג ISRU CHAG

TUESDAY NIGHT, OCT. 2, 24 TISHREI

#### מעריב / MAARIV

As is customary after a *Yom Tov*: weekday *Shemonah Esrei* with אתה חוננתנו *Kaddish Tiskabel;* (*Havdalah* only בורא פרי mourner's *Kaddish. Yut'ii*; (המבדיל hourner's *Kaddish. Havdalah* at home as above.

# WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCT. 3 אחרית / SHACHRIS

As is customary for *Isru Chag*, we do not say *Tachanun*. We do say למנצח (Some do not say *Tachanun* till after *Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan*.)

# שבת פרשת בראשית SHABBOS PARSHAS BREISHIS

FRIDAY EVENING OCT. 5, 27 TISHREI

Welcoming the *Shabbos* and *Maariv* as usual for every *Shabbos*.

### SHABBOS MORNING, OCT. 6 אחרית / SHACHRIS

As is customary for Shabbos: Morning Brachos, פשמת, פסוקי דומרה; Shema and its Brachos; Shemonah Esrei of Shabbos the Chazzan's Repetition; Kaddish Tiskabel; Reading of the Torah: seven Aliyahs in Parshas Breishis; Maftir reads Haftorah from Isaiah: 42:5-43:10.

(The remarks "Sefardim begin here" and "Sefardim conclude here" that are commonly found in the *Chumash*, refer to those Jews whose ancestors originally came from Spain, not to those who follow *Nusach Sefard*. In a similar vein we commonly find notations that say "the Italians begin" or "conclude here," where we are obviously speaking about Jews whose ancestors came from Italy. Those who follow *Nusach Sefard*, still follow the general customs of most *Ashkenazic Jewry*. [See 79:2

We bless the month of MarCheshvan (and announce the time of the appearance of the New Moon\*). We say neither א-ל יהללו (אשרי אב הרחמים יש יהללו (אשרי אב הרחמים), we return the Sefer Torah to the Aron HaKodesh.

\* [Rav Henkin noted: The time of the appearance of the New Moon is that single moment when the New Moon is visible in Israel. When we announce that the time of

the Molad is in the early morning, we mean that it appeared in Eretz Yisroel in the early morning, although here in America, it was not yet midnight. This discrepancy in time does not affect the yearly calendar, which always follows Eretz Yisroel. However, it does affect our Sanctification of the New Moon, which should be done before the exact moment of mid-month, which is one half of 29 days, 12 hours and 793 prom the Molad. (A property is 1/1080 of an hour or 1/18 of a minute). It is logical to conclude that we in America must sanctify the moon before mid-month in Eretz Yisroel, (which is 7 hours before mid-month in New York.)

### מוסף / MUSSAF

Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Shabbos Mussaf, Chazzan's Repetition; Kaddish Tiskabel; אנעים ;אין כאלקינו (Psalm of the Day); Mourner's Kaddish; אדון עולם.

#### MINCHA / מנחה

ואני" ; אשרי; אשרי; Half-Kaddish; י'תפלתי; Torah Reading: three Aliyahs in Parshas Noach (no Half-Kaddish after Torah Reading at Mincha); Half-Kaddish; Shemonah Esrei of Shabbos; Chazzan's Repetition; צדקתך צדק (If one has the minhag not to say Tachanun all of Chodesh Tishrei, then צדקתך בי omitted.)

Kaddish Tiskabel; עלינו; Mourner's Kaddish; ברכי נפשי until Shabbos HaGadol (not including Shabbos HaGadol).

# ערב ראש חדש EREV ROSH CHODESH

MONDAY, OCT. 8, 29 TISHREI No *Tachanun* at *Mincha*. Those who observe *Yom Kippur Koton* on the day preceding *Rosh Chodesh* do not do so today.