MESSAGE FROM DINING SERVICES AND RELIGIOUS & SPIRITUAL LIFE

The Jewish High Holidays are approaching, and we want you to know about kosher dining and High Holiday services at Smith.

Services will be led by Smith’s Jewish Student Adviser, Rabbi Rhonda Shapiro-Rieser. Services at Smith are a combination of both Conservative and Reform practice and students from those traditions will find them welcoming and comfortable. Orthodox students should contact the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life, or Rabbi Shapiro-Rieser and we will make sure you get to the services and accommodations you need.

Erev Rosh Hashanah service will begin at 6 p.m. on Sunday, September 13, at the Helen Hills Hills Chapel, followed by a special kosher dinner at 7:30 p.m. in the Alumnae House Conference Room. The following day, Monday, September 14, Rosh Hashanah service begins at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be served in the Bodman Lounge immediately following services. Lunch is actually a picnic lunch which can be bagged and carried to Paradise Pond where we will do Tashlich—a ceremony where we cast bread into the water to “throw away” our sins. All members of the Smith community are welcome to all High Holiday activities whether or not they are Jewish.

Our kosher dining facility in Cutter-Ziskind is supervised by David Aminia. He is the ritual leader at Congregation Beth El in Springfield and affiliated with the Springfield Va’ad Hakshrut. Our chef is Hilary Mikucki.

Please use the following link to reserve all meals during the High Holidays: [High Holidays reservation form](#). Note that all reserved meals are prepared for you and will be labeled with your name. This makes it obvious which meals you do or do not pick up. Only request meals you will eat!

For planning purposes, you must sign-up in advance. Each student should submit her own form. Please reserve early (last minute reservations can be taken and hopefully we will be able to accommodate you).

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ROSH HASHANAH

**Sunday, September 13** - Dinner at the Alumnae House Conference Room @ 7:30 pm.

**Monday, September 14** - Kosher dining closed.
Picnic lunch and Tashlich following services. Kosher dinners available from dining services by advance registration. Please fill out the [High Holidays reservation form](#).

**Tuesday, September 15** - Kosher dining closed.
Kosher lunch and dinners available from dining services by advance reservation. Please fill out the [High Holidays reservation form](#).

YOM KIPPUR

**Tuesday, September 22** - Pre-fast meat and vegetarian dinners will be served at the Kosher line at Cutter-Ziskind, available by advance registration (see link above). Dinner will be served from 4:30-5:30 p.m.
**Wednesday, September 23** - Kosher dining closed.
Break-the-fast Dairy Dinner will be served at the Kosher Line at Cutter Ziskind, available by advance reservation. Please fill out the [High Holidays reservation form](#). Dinner will be served from 7-9 p.m.

Smith does not hold Yom Kippur services. Congregations Beit Avahah (Reform) and B’nai Israel (Conservative) welcome students to attend their services. No tickets are needed. Congregations B’nai Israel is walking distance from campus. The Center for Religious and Spiritual Life and students form the Jewish community of Smith will help coordinate meeting and walking to CBI as a group. Students needing a ride to Beit Avahah in Florence should contact the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life and a ride will be arranged.

Services are also held at Amherst College and UMass.

**SUKKOT**
**Sunday, September 27 and Monday, September 28** - Kosher dining closed.
To-go Kosher lunches and dinners available from Kosher dining by advance registration. Please fill out the [High Holidays reservation form](#).

**FALL BREAK:**
**Friday, October 10 through Tuesday, October 13** - Kosher dining closed.
To-go Kosher lunch and dinners available from Kosher dining by advance reservation. Please fill out the [break reservation form](#).

**SH’MINI ATZERET AND SIMCHAT TORAH**
**Monday, October 5 and Tuesday, October 6** - Kosher dining closed.
To-go Kosher lunch and dinners available from Kosher dining by advance reservation. Please fill out the [High Holidays reservation form](#).

**FAMILY WEEKEND**
**Saturday, October 24 and Sunday, October 25:** Kosher dining closed.
To-go Kosher lunch and dinners for students and visiting family members are available from Kosher by advance registration. Meals must be reserved in advance. Please fill out the [break reservation form](#).

We are happy to work with you to meet your needs at this special time. Good communication allows this to happen.

Below is a list of helpful numbers to call if you have any questions regarding meals:

**Rick Rubin - x2318**  **Maureen Raucher-x2754**  **Kosher dining - x2099**