

## **LOCAL SYNAGOGUES THAT RENT SPACE TO NON-MEMBERS AND/OR HAVE WEEKDAY MINYANS**

Because DC Minyan does not own its own building or hold daily *minyanim* (prayer services), this section provides a list of local synagogues in which DC Minyan members are able to rent space for simchas and/or attend daily minyan. *For additional information about space rental options, please see this Guide's section on [Simcha Space Rental](#).*

Where possible, we have tried to list minyan times, space rental contact people, and kashrut policies, but you should contact the synagogue directly for more and updated information.

Additionally, the rabbis of many (but not all) of the synagogues on this list are willing to officiate at some life cycle events for non-congregants, but they handle these requests on a case-by-case basis. Please contact the individual synagogues directly for more information.

*Please note, as with all sections of this resource guide, this by no means represents an exhaustive list. If anyone wishes to suggest other synagogues to add to the list, please email us at [lifecycle@dcminyan.org](mailto:lifecycle@dcminyan.org). The information on this list was accurate as of November 2009; please email us if you find that it is no longer accurate.*

### **ORTHODOX:**

#### **In the District:**

##### **Kesher Israel Congregation**

2801 N St., NW, Washington, DC 20007-3340 (corner of 28<sup>th</sup> and N Streets)

(202) 333-2337

For Eruv: (202) 338-3788 ERUV

[www.kesher.org](http://www.kesher.org)

E-mail: [info@kesher.org](mailto:info@kesher.org)

Operates under: Va'ad Harabanim/Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri 7:15am (7:05am Rosh Chodesh); Sun 8:00am;

Evening: Mon-Thu 7:15pm (summer- call for times)

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact the synagogue for more information

##### **Ohev Sholom-The National Synagogue**

1600 Jonquil Street, NW, Washington, DC 20012-1108

(202) 882-7225

[www.ostns.org](http://www.ostns.org)

E-mail: [cvaloris@gmail.com](mailto:cvaloris@gmail.com)

Operates under: Va'ad Harabanim/Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri, 6:30am; Sun 8:30am

Evening: times vary (call for hours)

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Carol Valoris at (202) 882-7225
- Food must be provided by a Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington approved kosher caterer

### **In Maryland:**

#### **Beth Sholom Congregation and Talmud Torah**

11825 Seven Locks Road, Potomac, MD 20854

(301) 279-7010

[www.bethsholom.org](http://www.bethsholom.org)

Operates under: Va'ad Harabanim/Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington

Weekday Minyans:

Mornings: Mon and Thurs at 6:20am; Tues, Wed, and Fri at 6:30am; Sun 8am

Evening Minyan: Time varies during the week

Space Rental policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Glynis Smith
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

#### **Kemp Mill Synagogue**

11910 Kemp Mill Road, Silver Spring, MD 20902

(301) 593-0996

[www.kmsynagogue.org](http://www.kmsynagogue.org)

Operates under: Va'ad Harabanim/Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon, Thur 6:45am; Tue, Wed, Fri 7:00am

Call for evening minyan times

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Nat Shaffir at (301) 593-0996
- Food must be provided by a Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington approved
- caterer

#### **Magen David Sephardic Congregation**

11215 Woodglen Drive, Rockville, MD 20852

(301) 770-6818

<http://www.mdsce.org/>

E-mail: magendavid@mdsce.org

Operates under: Va'ad Harabanim/Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington

Weekday Minyans:

Mornings: Mon-Fri, 6:45am

Evening: Mon-Thurs, time changes (call for hours)

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- See <http://www.mdscbe.org/rentalinformation.html> for more information.
- Food must be provided by a Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington approved kosher caterer

### **Ohev Sholom Talmud Torah Congregation of Olney**

18320 Georgia Avenue, Olney, MD 20832-1816

(301) 570-8663

[www.osttolney.org](http://www.osttolney.org)

E-mail: outreach@osttolney.org

Operates under: Va'ad Harabanim/Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri 6:30am daily; Sun 8:30am

Afternoon: 12:45pm winter, 1:45pm spring

Evening: 9:15pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Call synagogue for more information

### **Silver Spring Jewish Center**

1401 Arcola Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20902

(301) 649-4425

<http://ssjc.info/>

Operates under: Rabbinical Association

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon & Thurs 6:20am; Tues, Wed & Fri 6:30am; Sun and Holidays 8:00am

Evening: Times vary

Space Rental Policy:

- They will rent space to non-members, but only if you can provide proof of membership in another synagogue. If you converted to Judaism, you will need to provide proof of an Orthodox conversion.
- Contact Leah Shmist at (301) 649-4425
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

### **Southeast Hebrew Congregation-Knesset Yehoshua**

10900 Lockwood Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20901

(301) 593-2120

[www.sehc.us](http://www.sehc.us)

E-mail: info@sehc.us

Operates under: Va'ad Harabanim/Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri 6:25am except on Rosh Chodesh (when it's 6:15am)

Mincha minyan: During summer 15 minutes before sunset

Winter: Mincha-Ma'ariv varies/ Ma'ariv only at 9:05 pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Call synagogue for more information

### **Woodside Synagogue-Ahavat Torah**

9001 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910

(301) 587-8252 (Recorded information on the status of the eruv and davening times)

(301) 565-5005 (Elliot Greher)

[www.wsat.org](http://www.wsat.org)

Email [information@wsat.org](mailto:information@wsat.org)

Operates under: Va'ad Harabanim/Rabbinical Council of Greater Washington

Weekday Minyans:

Mornings: Mon & Thurs 6:50am; Tues, Wed and Fri 7am; Sun 8:00 am

Evenings: Times vary – consult this calendar <http://www.wsat.org/calenders.htm>

Space Rental Policy:

- Call synagogue for more information

### **CONSERVATIVE:**

#### **In the District:**

#### **Adas Israel Congregation**

2850 Quebec Street, NW, Washington, DC 20008

(202) 362-4433

[www.adasisrael.org](http://www.adasisrael.org)

E-mail: [adasoffice@adasisrael.org](mailto:adasoffice@adasisrael.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri 7:30am; Sun 8:30am

Evening: Sun-Fri 6:00pm.

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Henry Silberman at (202) 362-4433 or [Henry.Silberman@adasisrael.org](mailto:Henry.Silberman@adasisrael.org)
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

#### **Tifereth Israel Congregation**

7701 16th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20012

(202) 882-1605

[www.tifereth-israel.org](http://www.tifereth-israel.org)

E-mail: [info@tifereth-israel.org](mailto:info@tifereth-israel.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Sun 9:00 am

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members (including sanctuary and Social Hall with dance floor)
- Contact David Zinner at 202-882-1605
- All food brought in must be certified kosher, but it's not necessary to use a kosher caterer.
- You can also make arrangements with their in-house kitchen manager, Roz Kram.

## **In Maryland:**

### **B'nai Israel Congregation**

6301 Montrose Road, Rockville, MD 20852-4195

(301) 881-6550

[www.bnaiisraelcong.org](http://www.bnaiisraelcong.org)

E-mail: [info@bnaiisraelcong.org](mailto:info@bnaiisraelcong.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri 7:15am; Sun 9am

Evening: Sun-Thurs 8:00pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Wendy Schloss at (301) 881-6550 or [wendy@bnaiisraelcong.org](mailto:wendy@bnaiisraelcong.org)
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers
- See <http://www.bnaiisraelcong.org/template.cfm?cid=191> for more information

### **B'nai Shalom of Olney**

18401 Burtfield Drive, Olney, MD 20832

(301) 774-0879

[www.bnaishalomofolney.org](http://www.bnaishalomofolney.org)

E-mail: [info@bnaishalomofolney.org](mailto:info@bnaishalomofolney.org);

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Shacharit: Sun 9am

Mincha & Maariv Mon-Thurs: 7:30 pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact the synagogue office for more information

### **Congregation B'nai Tzedek**

10621 South Glen Road, Potomac, MD 20854

(301) 299-0225

[www.bnaitzedek.org](http://www.bnaitzedek.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Wednesday 7:30am; Sunday 9:00am (when Religious School is in session)

Evening: Monday-Thursday 6:15pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Marcia Newfeld at (301) 299-0225 x.307 or [mnewfeld@bnaitzedek.org](mailto:mnewfeld@bnaitzedek.org)
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

### **Congregation Beth El of Montgomery County**

8215 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-1451

(301) 652-2606

[www.bethelmc.org](http://www.bethelmc.org)

E-mail: [info@bethelmc.org](mailto:info@bethelmc.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Monday through Friday 7:30am; Sun and secular holidays 9:00am

Evening: Sunday-Thursday, at 8:00 pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members (Social Hall only)
- Contact Pam Kocher at 301-652-2606 ext. 303
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

### **Congregation Har Shalom**

11510 Falls Road, Potomac, MD 20854-2297

(301) 299-7087

[www.harshalom.org](http://www.harshalom.org)

E-mail: [shalom@harshalom.org](mailto:shalom@harshalom.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon & Thur 6:45am; Sunday 9:00am

Evening: Sun-Thurs 7:30 pm (until EST); 7:45 when candle lighting earlier than 7:30

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

### **Congregation Har Tzeon Agudath Achim**

1840 University Blvd West, Silver Spring, MD 20902

(301) 649-3800

[www.htaa.org](http://www.htaa.org)

E-mail: [administration@htaa.org](mailto:administration@htaa.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri 8:00am; Sun 9am

Evening: every evening (See <http://htaa.famundo.com/public/calendars> for times)

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Cynthia Greene at (301) 649-3800
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

### **Ohr Kodesh Congregation**

8300 Meadowbrook Lane, Chevy Chase, MD 20815-3897

(301) 589-3880

[www.ohrkodesh.org](http://www.ohrkodesh.org)

E-mail: [executivedirector@ohrkodesh.org](mailto:executivedirector@ohrkodesh.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri 6:45am; Sun 8:45am

Evening: Sun-Thurs 8:00pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Jerry Kiewe at (301) 589-3880
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

### **Tikvat Israel Congregation**

2200 Baltimore Road, Rockville, MD 20851

(301) 762-7338

[www.tikvatisrael.org](http://www.tikvatisrael.org)

E-mail: [execdir@tikvatisrael.org](mailto:execdir@tikvatisrael.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Mornings: Monday, Thursday, and Friday 6:45am (6:30 when Hallel is recited)

Evenings: Sun-Thurs 7:30pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact the Executive Director at 301-762-7338 or [execdir@tikvatisrael.org](mailto:execdir@tikvatisrael.org)
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers
- Depending on the size of the event, you may also have to hire a mashgiach through the synagogue.

### **In Virginia:**

#### **Agudas Achim Congregation of Northern Virginia**

2908 Valley Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302

(703) 998-6460

[www.agudasachim-va.org](http://www.agudasachim-va.org)

E-mail: [synagogue@agudasachim-va.org](mailto:synagogue@agudasachim-va.org)

Operates under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Morning: Mon-Fri 7:30am; Sun and Federal holidays 9:00am

Evening: Sun thru Thurs: 7:50pm

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact: Mirza Lopez at (703) 998-6460
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved kosher caterers

#### **Congregation Etz Hayim**

2920 Arlington Blvd, Arlington, VA 22204

(703) 979-4466

[www.etzhayim.net](http://www.etzhayim.net)

E-mail: [office@etzhayim.net](mailto:office@etzhayim.net)

Operates Under: United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Thurs 7:00am; Sun 9:30am

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Marni Levy at (703) 979-4466
- The synagogue kitchen is kosher and dairy, and you can arrange catering through the Sisterhood.
- Outside food may also be brought in from any kosher caterer, but all food must be dairy.

**REFORM:**

**In the District:**

**Temple Micah**

2829 Wisconsin Ave. NW

Washington, DC 20007

[\(202\) 342-9175](tel:(202)342-9175)

[www.templemicah.org](http://www.templemicah.org)

Email: [assistant@templemicah.org](mailto:assistant@templemicah.org)

Operates Under: Union of Reform Judaism

No weekday minyanim

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space for non-lifecycle events to non-members. Lifecycle event rentals for non-members may be made on a case-by-case basis if one of our rabbis is participating.
- Contact Rachel Gross
- Outside food may be brought into the kitchen but no shellfish or pork and milk and meat may not be served together in the same dish

**In Maryland:**

**Temple Beth Ami**

14330 Travilah Road, Rockville, MD 20850

(301) 340-6818

[www.bethami.org](http://www.bethami.org)

Operates under: Union for Reform Judaism

No weekday minyans

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members, but space must be reserved one year in advance of the event.
- Contact Diane Ferraro (Administrator) at (301) 340-6818 x. 223
- Food must be from synagogue's list of approved caterers
- No pork or shellfish is allowed in the synagogue, but the synagogue kitchen is not kosher

**Temple Emanuel**

10101 Connecticut Avenue, Kensington, MD 20895

(301) 942-2000

[www.templemanuelmd.org](http://www.templemanuelmd.org)



Operates under: Union for Reform Judaism

No weekday minyans

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Diane Raphael at (301) 942-2000 x.11
- Synagogue kitchen is not kosher
- Food may be brought in from anywhere, but no pork or shellfish is allowed

### **Temple Shalom**

8401 Grubb Road, Chevy Chase, MD 20815

(301) 587-2273

[www.templeshalom.net](http://www.templeshalom.net)

E-mail: [info@templeshalom.net](mailto:info@templeshalom.net)

Operates under: Union for Reform Judaism

Weekday Minyans:

Wednesday morning 7am

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members (Chapel and Social Hall only, not Sanctuary)
- Contact Susan Zemsky at (301) 587-2273
- Food can be brought in from anywhere, but no pork or shellfish, and dairy and meat items cannot be served on the same plate
- Synagogue kitchen is not kosher

### **RECONSTRUCTIONIST**

#### **Adat Shalom Reconstructionist Congregation**

7727 Persimmon Tree Lane, Bethesda, MD 20817

(301) 767-3333

[www.adatshalom.net](http://www.adatshalom.net)

E-mail: [info@adatshalom.net](mailto:info@adatshalom.net)

Operates under: Chesapeake Region of the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation

No weekday minyans

Space Rental Policy:

- Rents space to non-members
- Contact Sheila Feldman (Exec director) at (301) 767-3333 ext. 107
- Food must be certified kosher (dairy or meat), but doesn't need to be from a caterer (can self-cater as long as products are certified kosher).