Kehilla High Holy Days: Songs, Melodies, Prayers

1. Erev Rosh Hashanah Nigun (wordless melody)

2. V'nomar L-fanav traditional Chassidic z'mirah

V-nomar l-fanav shirah chadasha

Halleluyah

Sing in God's presence a new song: Halleluyah!

3. High Holiday Evening Motif (wordless melody)

4. Candle lighting blessing (feminine), Bar'chu, Shema with HHD Evening Motif

Aht brucha Sh'china, Elo-heynu chey ha-olamim asher kidash'tanu b-mitz'vo-tye-ha
v-tziv'tanu l-had'lik nehr shel (Shabbat v-) Yom Tov.
We bless the Source of All, drawing us to holy service, summoning us to kindle the lights
of (Shabbat and) this holy day.

[Cantor alone]

Barchu et [YHVH/Adonai/YAH] ha-m'vorach [Let us bless the Eternal the blessed one]

[All respond]

Baruch [YHVH/Adonai/YAH] ha-m'vorach l-olam va-ed [Bless the Eternal the blessed one forever more]

Sh'ma Yis'ra-el, YHVH is All, All is One

Elo-hey-nu eh-chad!

Hear O' Israel, YHVH is All, All is One
Listen O' Israelite, Beingness is our Power, Beingness is One

Baruch sheym k'vod mal-chu-to l-olam va-ed.
Blessed is the majesty of divinity in all time and space.
5. **Kaveh el Hashem**, From Psalm 27, Melody by Brian Yosef Schachter Brooks

*Ka-vey el Ha-Shem, chazak v-ya-ameytz li-becha*

*V'ka-vey el Ha-Shem*

*Immerse yourself in the Oneness of Divine Essence. Be strong and courageous of heart.*

6. **Avinu Malkeynu** (English by Rabbis Burt Jacobson and David J. Cooper)

*Avinu mal'keynu cha-neynu va-a-neynu*

*ki eyn banu ma-asim*

*a-sey imanu tz'daka va-cheh-sed*

*V-hoshi-eynu*

*O Mother and Father of life,*

*Please hear us and give us Your grace,*

*Our Guide deep within us, O hear us and give us compassion and mercy and peace.*

*O guide us through Your grace, justice and mercy to all,*

*O guide us and teach us, grant justice and mercy,*

*We shall be free once again. Avinu Malkeynu...*

7. **Hashkivenu**, Melody by R. Hanna Tiferet

*Hash'ki-veynu Yah Eloheynu l-shalom*

*U-fros a-leynu sukkat sh'lo-mecha*

*Let us lie down in peace, and may we be sheltered by a sukkah of divine wholeness.*

8. **Tik'u Va-Chodesh**

*Tik'u va-cho-desh shofar,*

*ba-keh-seh l-yom cha-gey-nu*

*Ki chok l-Yis'ra-el hu, mish'pat l-ey-lo-hey Ya-acov.*

*Sound the shofar on this new moon, this new year.*

*Our holy day when the moon's light is hidden from us.*

*A law for those who wrestle with Ya.*

*A call for Justice from the source of our ancestors.*

[int. tr. Ilana Schatz]
10. **K-vakarat** (from U-Netaneh Tokef – medieval origin unknown)

K-vakarat ro-eh ed'ro,
ma-avir tzo-no tachat shiv'to,
keyn ta-tis'por v-tim'neh,
v-tif'kod nefesh kol chai,
v-tach'tof kitz'vah l-chol bri-ah,
v-tich'tov et g'zar dinam.

Like sheep guided by the shepherd, passing each one beneath his staff, so do you count and record as we pass, accounting for every living soul, determining every creature’s portion, recording their appointed destiny.

11. **B'rosh Hashanah** (from U-Netaneh Tokef – medieval origin unknown)

B-Rosh Hashanah yi-ka-tey-vun, u-v-Yom tzom Kippur yey-cha-tey-mun

On Rosh Hashanah it’s written down, On Yom Kippur it’s sealed and it’s bound.

12. **Dorot** (From the opening to the Public Amida)

Baruch ata YHVH eloheynu v-Eylo-hey dorot-eynu
Elo-hey Avraham, Elo-hey Sarah,
Elo-hey Yitz'chak, Elo-hey Ra'chel, v-Eylo-hey Ley-ah (some add> Elo-hey Bil'ha, v-Eylo-hey Zil'pa).
Ha-Eyl ha-gadol ha-gibor v-ha-norah, Eyl el-yon, go-mel cha-sa-dim tovim, v-ko-ney ha-kol,
v-zo-cher chas'dey dorot, u-mey'vi g'ulah li-v'ney-hem v-li-v'no-tey-hem l-ma'an sh'mo b-ahava.

Blessed are You, YHVH our Power, Power of all generations, of Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Rebekah, Jacob, Rachel, Leah (some add> Bil'hah and Zil'pa), the grand, mighty, the awesome, transcendent power, bestowing goodness and lovingkindness, creating everything, and mindful of the lovingkindness of the generations, and redeeming their descendants with love for the sake of the divine essence.

13. **Zochreynu** (from the High Holy Day Amida)

Zoch'reynu l-cha-yim, meh-lech cha-feytz b-cha-yim
V-chot'veynu b-sey-fer ha-cha-yim,
L'ma-ancha Elohim cha-yim.

Regard us among the living, O Sovereign who desires life, and seal us in the Book of Life, for Your sake, O Power of Life.
14. Gevurot (From the opening to the Public Amida)

M'chal'kel cha-yim b-cheh-sed, m'cha-yey mey-tim b-ra-chamim ra-bim, 
s-o-meych nof'lim, v-ro-fey cho-lim, u-ma-tir asurim, 
u-m'ka-yeym emunato li-y'shey-ney a-far. 
M'i chamocha ba-al g'vurot, u-mi do-meh lach? 
Meh-lech mey-mit u-m'cha-yeh, u-matz'mi-ach y'shu-ah.

Bringing sustenance to all that breathes: giving life to the inert, lifting up those who are cast down, healing the sick, 
freeing the imprisoned, and fulfilling the promise of those who now lie in the dust. What can compare in glory to this: 
the energy that pervades everything, bringing life to that which was dead.

15. Ya'aleh from a medieval piyut

May our petitions rise out of the night, our cries out of the dawn, and our joyous song out of the dusk.

May our voices rise out of this evening, our vindication out of the dawn, and our liberation out of the dusk.

May our affliction rise out of this evening, our pardon out of the dawn, and our moans out of the dusk.

May our refuge rise out of this evening, O for Your sake out of the dawn, and our atonement out of the dusk.

16. Heart Opener Nigun (wordless melody), by Joey Weisenberg