



Perth Hebrew CONGREGATION

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

The PHC is the oldest and largest orthodox Jewish community in Western Australia. With its extensive and well-appointed premises, it is the focus of most of Perth's orthodox facilities. The PHC provides members with the following services:

RABBI

Rabbi Daniel Lieberman is the Rabbi of the Perth Hebrew Congregation. In this role he is also an halachic advisor to the Kashrut Authority of WA and coordinates Beit Din appointments. Rabbi Lieberman is available to provide counseling and assistance to members with any religious enquiries or personal matters they may wish to discuss.

TEFILLAH SERVICES

We conduct the full range of daily services every day of the year. Morning, afternoon and evening services (Shacharit, Mincha and Ma'ariv) are held every day in the shule.

Section Indicators

To help congregants follow the services, the PHC have a specially developed system that guides one through the service. Section indicators are used on Yom Tov with section tables available for each different machzor. There are also section tables available for weekday and Shabbat services. Please download Section Tables for your siddur or machzorim - Adler, Routledge, Birnbaum (Combined or Separate), or ArtScroll from the Facilities & Services section on the PHC website.

MEMBER SERVICES

Call-Ups

An Aliyah (call-up to the Torah) is a nice way to mark special occasions in your family. To arrange an Aliyah, email Rabbi Lieberman rabbi@thephc.com.au.

Choir

A group of dedicated men have formed the PHC choir which supports the services on Shabbat and chaggim. To join the choir please contact Choir Master, Michael Wainstein on wainstein@optusnet.com.au

Yahrzeit Information

Members are notified personally by email two weeks before the yahrzeit date of a loved one so that they can commemorate this appropriately. In addition, yahrzeits observed by members are displayed on the electronic yahrzeit board in the week of the yahrzeit and are commemorated in shule on Shabbat. Members are also invited for an Aliyah to commemorate the yahrzeit of a loved one.

Seating

Members have a reserved, dedicated seat for Pesach and Yamim Noraim in a preferred position.

Igeret

The shule distributes a weekly newsletter to all its members filled with news, shiurim, service times and shule events. If you are not already on the Igeret mailing list, please subscribe [here](#).

Website

The PHC website at www.thephc.com.au is updated regularly and includes Tefillah times, details of shiurim, events and functions, kashrut notices and updates as well as a community notices page.

Functions and Events

The PHC hosts many functions and events throughout the year. Attendance for PHC members is either complimentary or if charged, ticket fees are highly subsidised.

MIKVAH

The Perth Mikvah is situated in the PHC grounds. For enquiries and to make a booking, please see the mikvah schedule on the PHC website www.thephc.com.au or follow the Perth Mikvah page on Facebook. The outdoor toiveling mikvah is available 24/7.

LIBRARY

The Leila Hoffman Perth Torah Education Centre Library is located in the shule. It is a Judaica library that primarily supports the PHC educational programs for adults and children and is. In addition, it stocks materials to appeal to a wide range of interests, and provides professional lending and information services free of charge to members.

The library is open weekdays between 9am and 3pm or online 24/7 with click and collect or free postage options for members.

PHC GIFT & BOOK SHOP

The shop stocks a wide range of Jewish books, greeting cards, kippot, kiddush cups, mezzuzot and other Judaica items for personal use or gifts. PHC members are entitled to a 5% discount on purchases (excl books).

Shop Online at <https://bookshop.thephc.com.au/> 24/7/365.

Shop in-store weekdays 8.30am – 4pm

For enquiries and special orders, please email bookshop@thephc.com.au



EMPOWER

EmPower creates opportunities for youth of all ages to connect to our Jewish values and identity, progress their Jewish and Hebrew learning and make new friends in our community. It includes formal and informal educational, social and communal functions and activities – and ensures that we offer something for everyone!

After much success and increased demand over the past few years, we have developed and extended our after school Jewish Studies Learning program to cater for additional year groups and High School students - as well as a focus on Hebrew reading. Each session focuses on a combination of Jewish Studies, with topics including Tefilla, Shabbat, Chagim, Kashrut and many more, as well as a focus on developing Hebrew reading skills - during one lesson time.

Primary School

Monday – 4.00pm – 5.00pm for ages 4-6 years old
 Tuesday – 4.00pm – 5.00pm for ages 10-12 years old

High School

Monday – 5.15pm - 6.00pm for ages 7-9 years old
 Tuesday – 5.15pm-6.00pm for high school students

Shabbat Childrens' and Youth Services – all start approximately 10.30 am in the Mercaz (the PHC Youth Centre).

There are four Shabbat Children and Youth Services:

- Prep – Year 2
- Year 3 – Year 5
- Year 6 – Year 8
- Year 9 –upwards

All programs are held in the PHC Mercaz and are facilitated by experienced madrichim. Programs are dynamic and include lessons and activities about the Parsha of the week, prayers and brochot! Children also enjoy a youth kiddush in the Mercaz.

Bar & Bat Mitzvah Tuition

The PHC offers dynamic Bar & Bat Mitzvah programs.

Bar Mitzvah

The Bar Mitzvah Program is a twelve month program of weekly lessons. The program includes preparation for the big day: how to sing kiddush, yigdal, anim zemirot, the brachot, haphtorah and

Torah reading as well as preparation for 'life after the big day': what it means to be a mensch, laying tefillin, how to pray, what it means to be bar mitzvah, principles of faith, the duty of a Jew as a 'Light unto the Nations' and more.

Bat Mitzvah

The group-based Bat Mitzvah program includes weekly lessons with Rebbetzin Liat over a period of three months. The newly revised and upgraded Bat Mitzvah program addresses a wide range of fundamental themes in Jewish practice, including: *Tefillah* – Prayer & Connecting to God: insights & familiarity with central Tefillot; Shabbat and *Hadlakat Neiroi*; Female heroines & Jewish pride; *Derech Eretz* and Jewish Values

Hands-on informal and experiential activities are incorporated into the program and extra individual attention is provided in the weeks leading up to the Bat Mitzvah, when Rebbetzin Liat assists your daughter with the preparation and presentation of her speech to the congregation.

In addition to the formal lessons, there are a range of educational and social events for your son or daughter and their friends including: Special youth activities on Shabbat, Chaggim and throughout the year and special activities for young marrieds and young adults.

PHC Youth Centre – the Mercaz

The Mercaz - Youth Centre was opened on TuB'Shvat in January 2016. The facilities provide an area at the PHC synagogue for the younger members of our congregation and the wider community, to meet and relax. Educational courses and fun activities are conducted in this space, which includes well-equipped learning rooms, a gaming room, table tennis, a basketball hoop, projector and more!

Festivals / Chaggim

The Youth department hosts fun and information programs before and during most chaggim. Programs are always relevant to the different age groups of the children and are run by experienced madrichim.

EDUCATION

PHC provides a full range of educational programs free of charge for members of all ages. There are shiurim (classes), at various levels of sophistication, on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Shabbat morning. In addition, there are shiur series run over 2-4 months focusing on different themes and learning topics. Please see the PHC website for session titles and times. We also regularly host guest speakers to enrich our members spiritually and inspirationally.

Women's Events

Shiurim and functions are conducted specifically for women in the congregation at no charge. They include the weekly Women's Discussion Group with Rabbi Lieberman and Ladies Nights and shiurim before major chaggim. Of course, women are encouraged and welcome to attend all the regular shiurim and activities that are conducted at the shule throughout the year.



RUTH LANDAU HARP EARLY LEARNING

PHC operates the fully accredited Ruth Landau Harp Early Learning Centre and Kindergarten. The Centre is the only accredited, Jewish early learning centre that serves kosher food for children between the ages of 0 and 6.

The delicious menu, created by Nutrition Australia, provides a diverse mix of meals throughout the week and sees that all recommended required daily intakes for dairy, protein, fruit, vegetables and grains are met.

Our goal is to create a place where every child feels valued, loved and inspired.

We consciously design and create the curriculum including indoor and outdoor environments to support and promote each child's cognitive, physical, social, and emotional development.

It is open weekdays from 7.30 am to 5.45pm.

For more details please go to www.ruthlandauharp.com or email director@ruthlandauharp.com.

PHC members do not pay the enrolment fees and initiation fees.

Orthodox Jewish mums of children who attend the Service two or more days per week are offered free membership for the duration of their child/ren's enrolment.

These are but a few of the ways in which PHC membership is beneficial and can enhance the fulfilment of your Jewish life in Perth. [Please click here to join up now.](#)