

## Dorshei Derekh Service Guidelines – Typical Service

This guide describes what a typical Dorshei Derekh service is like, as of early 2009. “Required” means must be done in Hebrew as printed in Kol Haneshamah, unless otherwise noted. “Required in some form” means that a translation, variation, or interpretive version is acceptable. “Customary” means that it is usually done, but not required. “Sometimes” means it is done fairly often, but not unusual to omit. The leader is free to select from among Customary and Sometimes items, as well as any other material, subject to the timing requirements.

Timing: Start promptly at 10:00, and definitely no later than 10:05, no matter who's there. Begin *Shohen ad* (p. 241) by 10:30. Begin Torah service (p. 383) by 10:50-11:00. Begin introductions and announcements by 12:20.

All page numbers are from Kol Haneshamah: Shabbat Vehagim.

Page	Category	Notes
		Start promptly at 10:00, and definitely no later than 10:05, no matter who's there.
141	Customary	<i>Mah tovu</i>
151	Sometimes	<i>Leshem yihud</i>
153-161	<b>Required</b>	<i>Birchot Hashachar</i> required in some form
163	Sometimes	<i>Asher yatzar</i>
165	Customary	<i>Elohai Neshama</i>
169	Sometimes	<i>Birkat Limud Torah</i> : Only say if followed by some study
175	Customary	<i>Eleha adonay ekra</i>
177-179	<b>Required</b>	<i>Baruch She'amar</i> required in some form
197-199	Customary	<i>Oreh Yamim</i>
209	Customary	<i>Mizmor shir leyom hashabbat</i>
231	Customary	Psalm 150
235-241	<b>Required</b>	<i>Nishmat</i> : 1st 6 words aloud, then customarily silent through top of 241, sometimes sing <i>llu finu</i> . Or an alternative that takes enough time for those who wish to read silently.
241	Customary	<i>Barehi nafshi</i> through <i>kisey ram venisa</i>
		Should get here no later than 10:30.
241-243	<b>Required</b>	<i>Shohen ad</i> : Required: first line chanted aloud, time for remainder silently. Customary: first few words and last few lines of each paragraph chanted aloud.
245	<b>Required</b>	<i>Hatzi Kaddish</i> , aloud.
247	<b>Required</b>	<i>Barechu</i>
247	Customary	Yotzer blessing. Required to do at least one thing between here and p. 267.
253 or 257	Customary	<i>El adon</i> or <i>Haaderet vеха'emunah</i> , but not both. Shabbat only; omit on weekday hagim.
261	Sometimes	<i>La'el asher shavat</i> : Shabbat only; omit on weekday hagim.
263	Sometimes	<i>Hame'ir la'aretz</i> : Weekday hagim only; omit on shabbat.
265	Sometimes	<i>Titbarach tzureinu</i>
267	Customary	<i>Kadosh kadosh kadosh</i>
269	Customary	<i>Or hadash</i>
269	<b>Required</b>	Yotzer <i>hame'orot</i> blessing
273	<b>Required</b>	<i>Ahavah rabah</i> required in some form.
275	<b>Required</b>	<i>Ohev amo yisrael</i> blessing
277	<b>Required</b>	<i>Shema</i> : first line required aloud
277-285	<b>Required</b>	<i>Ve'ahavta</i> paragraph sometimes chanted aloud. Remainder generally done silently. Required to chant final 3 words ( <i>adonay eloheiyhem emet</i> ) aloud.
287-289	<b>Required</b>	<i>Emet</i> section required in some form.
291	<b>Required</b>	<i>Mi hamohah</i> til end of page required. Top 2 lines customary. Give any instructions for the <i>amidah</i> before <i>Mi hamoha</i> .
295-299	<b>Required</b>	Beginning of <i>Amidah</i> required to be chanted aloud. On yom tov (whether or not on shabbat), substitute festival <i>Amidah</i> , pages 327-353.

303-305	<b>Required</b>	<i>Kedusha</i> is required. Customary to do a mix of aloud and silent, but the following 3 lines are required to be aloud: <i>Kadosh kadosh</i> ; <i>Baruh kevod</i> ; <i>Yimloh adonay</i> .
307-323	<b>Required</b>	Remainder of <i>amidah</i> required to be done silently.
321	Customary	Customary to sing <i>sim shalom</i> , <i>oseh shalom</i> , or a nigun at end of silent <i>amidah</i> .
357-379	<b>Required on holidays</b>	<i>Hallel</i> is done only on <i>hagim</i> and <i>rosh hodesh</i> . Opening blessing is required. Singing some of printed psalms required. Closing blessing required.
381	Sometimes	<i>Kaddish titkabal</i>
		Should get here no later than 10:50-11:00. Exception: <i>Hallel</i> may cause it to be slightly later. Solicit volunteers for Torah service: 1st and 2nd <i>gabbai</i> , 3 <i>aliyot</i> , <i>hagbah</i> and <i>gelilah</i> .
383-385	<b>Required</b>	Something musical required. Customary to sing <i>Eyn kamoha</i> and rest of that page, plus one of the 2 selections ( <i>Vayhi binso'a ha'aron</i> or <i>Pithu li</i> )
387	Sometimes	<i>Bey ana rahetz</i>
391	<b>Required on holidays</b>	<i>Adonay adonay</i> and <i>Va'ani</i> required one time on weekday <i>yom tov</i> .
393	<b>Required</b>	<i>Shema</i> , <i>Ehad</i> , <i>Gadalu</i>
393	<b>Required</b>	Torah processional song required. <i>Leha adonay</i> or Hear O Israel is customary.
		Now the <i>gabbai</i> takes over and runs the torah reading service. Then the <i>darshan</i> gives the <i>d'var torah</i> . This should end by 12:00, though if the <i>d'var</i> starts later than 11:30, it may run slightly past 12:00.
417-423	Sometimes	Prayers for congregation, country, Israel, and peace. Be mindful of time.
425	<b>Required</b>	<i>Birkat Hahodesh</i> required in some form when <i>Rosh Hodesh</i> falls in the coming week
433	<b>Required</b>	<i>Yehalelu</i>
435	Sometimes	<i>Mizmor ledavid</i> : <i>Shabbat</i> only. Be mindful of time.
437-439	Sometimes	<i>Ledavid mizmor</i> : Weekday <i>hagim</i> only. Be mindful of time.
441	<b>Required</b>	<i>Etz hayim hi</i> : required in some form.
	<b>Required</b>	Alternative <i>musaf</i> required in some form, e.g., poem, nigun, reading, prayer, meditation. Should not be another <i>d'var torah</i> . Be mindful of time.
443	Sometimes	<i>Eyn Keyloheynu</i>
445-447	<b>Required</b>	<i>Aleynu</i> required aloud through 2nd line on p. 447 ( <i>hakadosh baruh hu</i> )
449	<b>Required</b>	<i>Al ken</i> required, customary to do silently. <i>Vene'emar</i> required aloud.
451	<b>Required</b>	Mourners' <i>kaddish</i>
		Now comes introductions and announcements. Should get here by 12:20.
459	<b>Required</b>	<i>Adon olam</i> or another closing song is required.