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DATES TO REMEMBER

Pre-S'lichot Lecture: "Communal Confessions" and S'lichot	September 9th
S'lichot	September 14th
Erev Rosh Hashanah	September 15th
Tashlich	September 17th
Erev Yom Kippur	September 24th
Erev Sukkot & Sisterhood Sukkot Dinner	September 29th
Erev Simchat Torah	October 7th



FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY



Dear friends,

We are already deep into the month of Elul and the High Holidays are quickly approaching. Please fill out your membership forms ASAP and return them to the shul office. This year we will have assigned seats for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. If you have any special seating requests or are having guests, please contact me and I will do my best to accommodate you.

I want to strongly encourage you to maximize your participation in our holiday activities. Join us for Selichot on Saturday night, September 9th as we usher in the season of penitential prayers. Come on time to services on Rosh Hashanah and be present for all 100 blasts of the shofar. (Remember, because Rosh Hashanah falls out on Shabbat, the shofar will only be sounded on the second day of the holiday).

Join us at Hudson Park for Tashlich, as the serene environment of Long Island Sound near sundown helps facilitate closeness to the Almighty. Every year I ask you to be prompt for Kol Nidre. Help us fill the sanctuary, so that the awesome Day of Atonement begins with a powerful cacophony of sound. Stay in the shul for as much of Yom Kippur as you can handle. We will learn during the afternoon break about “Meriting and Squandering the Afterlife.”

As Sukkot nears, purchase your Lulav & Etrog set from the shul. Join us for a festive Yom Tov with many meals and kiddushes in the congregational sukkah. Be part of our Simchat Torah celebration, as we dance indoors and outdoors with our Torah scrolls. It promises to be a month of spiritual highs, but is only as good as your willingness to participate.

With the onset of the new academic year, several of our classes have restarted. (My daily Daf Yomi class and Rabbi Kracko’s weekly Parashah class continue 12 months per year). On Monday nights, Yochai will teach his Hebrew Ulpan. On alternating Tuesday nights, I will offer a Jewish History lecture series on Zoom. The topic will be “Israel’s Clandestine Activities.” We will learn about the Mossad, Shin Bet, targeted assassinations, covert operations, illegal immigration, and track-two negotiations. On Thursday nights, my advanced Talmud class will cover Safrai’s Mishnat Eretz Yisrael Commentary on Tractate Rosh Hashanah.

Looking back on the summer, I want to thank Drs. Marc Bessler & Jenny Choi for hosting the annual BBQ for our community. It was a perfect afternoon of sun, fun, and food. All

those who attended had a great time. I want to thank those who led the davening and read the Torah while I was away in Israel and Florida. Your active involvement in the Shabbat service, at whatever level you are comfortable, is always appreciated.

Our community is growing. In recent weeks we have welcomed the Sheleg, Turjeman, and Ovits families to the neighborhood. If you know of anyone considering relocating, please let me know. The shul can leverage its resources to help steer potential-new-neighbors to South New Rochelle and ease their transition.

This is the season – Elul & Tishrei – when Anshe Sholom plays an outsized role in your lives. Please respond generously to the Kol Nidre and Yizkor appeals, so that Anshe Sholom will have the material resources to continue leading our Jewish community into the future.

Sari, Eli, and Elana join me in wishing you
a Shanah Tovah u’Metukah,

Rabbi Evan Hoffman

**Please come on time
for services on Yom Kippur.
We would like to begin Kol Nidre
before sundown
and with a full sanctuary.
Thank you!**

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OF YOUR
BAR MITZVAH IS
APPROACHING
AND YOU
WOULD LIKE TO
READ
YOUR *Haftarah*
or *Torah*
PORTION,
IT WOULD BE
MY PLEASURE
TO HELP YOU
PREPARE.**

**DON'T BE SHY,
YOU CAN DO IT!**



THE PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE



Dear Friends,

I hope you have enjoyed a wonderful summer filled with fun in the sun and much rest and relaxation. With the High Holidays on the horizon, it is time to get back into the groove and prepare for the season ahead. This season prompts reflection and renewal, reinforcing our commitment to Anshe Sholom and our community.

As we come together for Rosh Hashanah, let's celebrate the diverse tapestry of our congregation. Anshe Sholom, a spiritual haven in downtown New Rochelle, thrives on varied backgrounds and traditions. Our members come from countries around the world -- Israel, Portugal, Belgium, and Brazil, to name a few. Some are Sephardic, some Ashkenazi, and some (like my family) are mixed. But, at Anshe Sholom, we are one big family - a family who prays together under the guiding light of Rabbi Hoffman, a family who eats together on many Shabbatot and holidays, a family who celebrates joys together and supports each other in times of need.

To our new members who have recently moved to New Rochelle, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, I welcome you to Anshe Sholom. You didn't just join a synagogue with an out-of-town feel and many Israelis -- you gained a huge family. We are here for you and thrilled that you are here. Your presence enriches us, and your insights are invaluable.

I urge all of our members, whether you are in shul every day, every week, once a month, or maybe you don't live nearby but still maintain a connection to remain deeply engaged and involved in Anshe Sholom. Whether you devote your time, channel your expertise, or share your inspirations -- your contributions, large or small, make Anshe Sholom the community that has stood the test of time.

With the tremendous number of new apartments in downtown New Rochelle, we stand poised for continued growth and are prepared to welcome new members. Your creativity will steer Anshe Sholom's path. Ideas for programs, outreach, or enhancing the shul experience are welcome.

Our road to congregational success is paved by your generosity, as you support our synagogue not just through your presence but through your financial commitment. The gratitude we have for your ongoing support is boundless. Now, at the threshold of 5784, I humbly ask you to dig deeper to ensure that Anshe Sholom remains a steadfast beacon of light, spirituality, and warmth in the heart of New Rochelle.

Thank you for choosing to be part of the Anshe Sholom family. Shlomi joins me in wishing you and your loved ones a year of blessings, good health, and happiness.

L'Shanah Tovah u'Metukah!

Warm regards,

Yael Schulman
President

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SHABBAT

Shuvah

Shabbat Shuvah Drasha
**VIOLENCE IN
 THE TEMPLE:**

*Feeling Guilty About Actions Taken
 in Righteous Indignation(?)*

September 23rd • 5:30PM

A MESSAGE FROM SISTERHOOD



Hello my friends,

The Yamim Noraim or High Holy Days will soon be here! I hope we have all been preparing for it (not just brisket)! May we all have meaningful and uplifting experiences to carry us through the Fall and Winter.

Sisterhood is planning lots of events: a special surprise for Rosh Hashanah, Dinner in the Sukkah on Friday night the first night of Sukkot, and a fabulous Holiday Boutique with wonderful vendors selling lovely items plus a raffle on Sunday, November 19th from 1PM–5PM in our Ballroom.

Additionally, we will be mailing out membership requests to all the women in our congregation and to non-members also, because you can join Sisterhood even if you are not a synagogue member. We should all be supporting our spiritual home and each other in this way.

Shanah Tovah v'Metukah,
Joanne Wiesner-Steiner
 Sisterhood President



SUNSHINE CARDS

Refuah Shleimah to Miriam Grimaldi (Miriam bat Anita),
 from: The Sisterhood of Congregation Anshe Sholom.

Mazal Tov to Yehudit Sarah and Yehoshua Waller on the birth of a new grandson to Sam and Bruria Waller, from: Honey & Sol Neier, and The Sisterhood of Congregation Anshe Sholom.

Happy Birthday to Lee Katz, from: Honey & Sol Neier.

Mazal Tov to Constance Levi on the engagement and upcoming wedding of her granddaughter, from: The Sisterhood of Congregation Anshe Sholom.

Thank you to Mr. Frank Domizio, for his generous donation to our Sisterhood, from: The Sisterhood of Congregation Anshe Sholom.

MEMORIAL CARDS

To Dr. Ofra Weinberger on the loss of her dear mother,
 from: The Sisterhood of Congregation Anshe Sholom.

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 MEMORIAL CARDS**
 contact: **Joanne Wiesner-Steiner**
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**\$5
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Some participating well-known retailers are:

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No extra charge to you! Great gift idea!

Anshe Sholom gets the dividend!

**Call Ruth Grayson, 914-632-4555,
 or the office, 914-632-9220.**



Sisterhood New Year Greetings 5784

AnnBeth Cohen & Joel Givertz
 Ruth Grayson
 Lee Katz
 Ellen & Elliot Kracko
 Rabbi Moshe & Zahava Kracko
 Marlene & Armand Lerner
 Constance Levi
 Suzy Levin
 Bobby Mehler and Family
 Helen Siegel
 Joanne Wiesner-Steiner
 Diane Steinfink



SUKKOT
 Begins the evening of
Friday, September 29th



SIMCHAT TORAH
 EVENING: Saturday, October 7th
 MORNING: Sunday, October 8th
JOIN US!

DONATIONS

In Memory Of ...

Arthur Librett, from: Laurie Kracko Greenberg and Elliot Kracko, Directors, All County Glass and Metal.

The 19th anniversary of Channah Weinberger's passing, from: Fany & Shlomo Dubi

Dr. Jerry Lovich, husband of Charlotte Lovich, from: Shari & Elliot Levontin and Amy Alpert.

In Honor Of ...

The Wallers' new grandson. Mazel Tov! from: Fany & Shlomo Dubi and Shari & Elliot Levontin.

Constance Levi's granddaughter's engagement, from: Shari & Elliot Levontin.

Lee Katz, on the marriage of grandson Jeremy, from: Charlotte Lovich and Ruth Grayson.

Rabbi Evan Hoffman and Yael Schulman, who both recently celebrated birthdays, from: Diane Steinfink.

Ruth Graham, Mazel Tov on your 80th birthday, from: Sam Krumper

Refuah Shleimah ...

Miriam Grimaldi, from: Janice Joseph

David Evan Hirsch Library

To Marlene & Armand Lerner, Mazel Tov on the upsherin of grandson David J. Hirsch, from: Charlotte Lovich



HIGH HOLY DAYS SERVICE SCHEDULE

JOIN OUR CLERGY

**Rabbi Evan Hoffman
Rabbi Moshe Kracko
and David Reitberger**



Lulav & Etrog SETS

**Place Orders To Purchase
Your Set Before
September 15th**

**Call our office:
914-632-9220**

**\$50 Per Set
Pick-up: Friday,
Erev Sukkot September 29th
8 AM-Noon**

S'lichot: SAT., SEPT. 9th

Pre-S'lichot Lecture: "Communal Confessions" 9:30 PM
S'lichot 10:00 PM

THURS., SEPT. 14th

S'lichot 10:00 PM

ROSH HASHANAH: FRI., SEPT. 15th – SUN., SEPT. 17th

Friday Evening, September 15th

Candle Lighting..... 6:47PM
Mincha Service 6:50 PM

Saturday, September 16th

Shacharit 8:15 AM
Children's services (in classrooms) 10:00 AM
Mincha 6:30 PM
Candle Lighting After 7:49 PM

Sunday, September 17th

Shacharit..... 8:15 AM
Shofar Sounding 10:30 AM
Children's services (in classrooms) 10:00 AM
Tashlich at Hudson Park 5:30 PM
Mincha 6:30 PM
Havdalah 7:48 PM

TZOM GEDALYAH (Fast of Gedaliah): MON., SEPT. 18th

Fast Begins 5:27 AM
Shacharit/Selichot 7:00 AM
Mincha 6:40 PM
Fast Ends 7:40 PM

SHABBAT SHUVAH: SAT., SEPT. 23rd

Shacharit 9:15 AM
Shabbat Shuvah D'rashah: "*Violence in the Temple: feeling guilty about actions taken in righteous indignation (?)*" 5:30 PM
Mincha 6:30 PM
Havdalah 7:38 PM

YOM KIPPUR: SUN., SEPT 24th & MON., SEPT. 25th

Sunday Evening, September 24th

Mincha 4:00 PM
Candlelighting 6:32 PM
Kol Nidre 6:35 PM

Monday, September 25th

Shacharit 8:30 AM
Yizkor 10:45 AM
Children's services (in classrooms) 10:00 AM
Learning 3:45 PM
Mincha 5:15 PM
Ne'ilah 6:15 PM
Fast Ends 7:35 PM



GREAT JEWISH LEARNING @ ANSHE SHOLOM



HEBREW WITH YOCHAI
@ Anshe Sholom/ Monday 7:30 PM
(IN PERSON ONLY)



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W/RABBI MOSHE KRACKO**

Wednesdays 7:00PM

Join via Zoom:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2055937188?pwd=eUh-Pay9ubkpGKzJkVU9CNTRvQ1Jqdz09>

JOIN RABBI HOFFMAN VIA ZOOM:

<https://zoom.us/j/807751748?pwd=ODZHUnJCZCsr3YzbNnVE9ENEdqZz09>



DAF YOMI W/RABBI HOFFMAN

Sunday-Friday 10:30 AM

(ONLY VIA ZOOM)



**ISRAEL'S CLANDESTINE ACTIVITIES
W/RABBI HOFFMAN**

@ Anshe Sholom/ Every Other Tuesday 8:15 PM

(or via Zoom link above)



**TALMUD CLASS
W/RABBI HOFFMAN**

@ Anshe Sholom/ Thursdays 8:15 PM

(or via Zoom link above)

כי הם חיינו וארך ימינו

**For they are our life
and the length of our days,
Torah is not a hobby; it is life itself.**



הלל אומר
אל תאמר לכשאפנה אשנה,
שמא לא תפנה

**Hillel says ... Do not say 'When I am free
I will study', for perhaps you will not
become free. Pirkei Avot 2:6**



Congregation Anshe Sholom
Book of Remembrance
5784

As always, Anshe Sholom will publish our yearly Book of Remembrance that memorializes our loved ones. We distribute this book to our members and friends at *Yizkor* services on Yom Kippur and the *Shalosh Regalim*.

The donation for each line listed in the book is \$18.00, one name per line. Two names per line will not be accepted. For those of you who will be leaving town, *please remember to take care of this before you leave, so you will not be left out.*

Our Book of Remembrance is dedicated to our loved ones, those whom we can never ever forget... who are an eternal part of us. Their names appear in print, but the impress of their lives, the love they bore for us, and the love we have for them, are indelibly etched on our hearts and our minds. May their sacred memories ever inspire us to noble resolves and acts of lovingkindness.

Please inscribe the following names listed below in the 5784 Book of Remembrance:

In Loving Memory of (please print):

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METHOD OF PAYMENT

Enclosed please find my check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the cost of _____ names/lines (at \$18.00/name.)

Please charge \$ _____ to my credit card # _____

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Signature _____



Please note: Names will not be listed without this completed form and full payment.

Checks should be made payable to:

Congregation Anshe Sholom, 50 North Avenue, New Rochelle, NY 10805

Your prompt response is greatly appreciated.

DEADLINE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

If you have any questions, please call the synagogue office at 914-632-9220.



Join Sisterhood for Our Annual Sukkot Dinner

Friday, September 29th, 2023

Evening Service 6:30 PM ▪ Dinner 7:15 PM

KINDLY RESERVE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th

- Enjoy a delicious multi-course meal ▪ Our Rabbi will share stories, Torah, & songs that make Sukkot so wonderful ▪ Great for children of all ages, parents, & grandparents

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 Total Enclosed \$ _____



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Beating The Willow - BY RABBI EVAN HOFFMAN THOUGHTS ON SUKKOT • CONGREGATION ANSHE SHOLOM

In the Holy Temple on Sukkot, there was conducted a ritual involving the use of willow branches that was separate and distinct from the ritual involving willows included in the Four Species. Tall willow branches were brought to the Temple from a suburb of Jerusalem and were leaned against the side of the altar with their tops overhanging it. Participants in the ritual circumambulated the altar once on each of the first six days of Sukkot and seven times on the seventh day. This decorating of the altar was accompanied by prayers beseeching God for His salvation (Mishnah Sukkah 4:5).

The Talmud offers a range of theories about the provenance of the willow rite. Expounding on the use of the plural in the phrase “willows of the brook” (Leviticus 23:40), Abba Saul posited that one reference is to the willow in the Lulav package and the other is to the willow rite in the Temple (Sukkah 34a). In his view, the willow rite has the status of Torah law and is grounded in Scripture. Other sages agreed that the willow rite is indeed Torah law, but held that it is known only through the Oral Tradition by means of a Halakhah l’Moshe m’Sinai (a law imparted by Hashem to Moses at Sinai).

Two other opinions hold that the willow rite does *not* have the status of Torah law: The ceremony is an enactment legislated by the prophets, or it is a custom instituted by them (Sukkah 44a).

In light of the absence of any explicit mention of the willow rite in the Torah, the sages felt it necessary to demonstrate the ceremony’s Judaic legitimacy by allowing it to be performed on the Sabbath (Sukkah 43b). If the seventh day of Sukkot fell on a

Saturday, the willow rite would be executed, the only significant change in deference to the Sabbath’s prohibition on carrying being that the branches were brought to the Temple before the Sabbath’s onset (Mishnah Sukkah 4:6).

By legislatively propping up the willow rite, the sages hoped to counter Sadducean-Boethusian opposition to the practice. It is not clear whether the Boethusians opposed the willow rite in its entirety or merely objected to its being performed on the Sabbath. The Tosefta tells the following story: Once, when the seventh day of Sukkot fell on the Sabbath, Boethusians covered the designated willows with boulders. Their intention was to disrupt the ceremony by making the willows halakhically inaccessible under the cover of *muktzeh* items. These plans were thwarted when Amei Ha-Aretz (unlettered Jews, who either did not know about, or did not care to abide by, petty *muktzeh* restrictions) cleared the rocks away and accessed the willow branches (Tosefta Sukkah 3:1).

Some scholars theorize that the willow ceremony has its origins in folk religion among those classes of Jews who believed that Sukkot was the judgment season for rainfall. The Pharisees readily incorporated this folk custom into formal Judaism, while the elitist Sadducees and Boethusians registered strenuous objection.

The Mishnah records Rabbi Yohanan ben Berokah’s opinion that palm fronds were beaten in the Temple on Sukkot. A plain reading of the Mishnah might suggest that Rabbi Yohanan rejected the use of willows for the altar ceremony. Tiferet Israel explained that he was addressing only how the ceremony ought to be performed on



the Sabbath. Since fresh willow branches could not be procured on the Sabbath, and the previous day's supply might wilt, stiff palm branches were a reasonable alternative. It is also possible that RYBB objected to the beating of willows on the Sabbath because tearing leaves off the stems is akin to a prohibited labor, whereas palm leaves do not become detached when a frond is beaten. Tosfot and Ritba, however, both understood RYBB to be mandating the use of *both* palm fronds and willows throughout Sukkot.

RYBB's opinion was rejected by all the codifiers; only willow branches were to be used in the "willow" ceremony. And yet RYBB's statement stands out because it is the only Mishnaic mention of the act of beating vegetation on Sukkot. (Rashi curiously understood *חִיבוֹט* to mean waving, while Rambam and most other Rishonim understood it to mean beating.) Some theorize that, in redacting the Mishnah, Rabbi Judah the Patriarch deliberately left out any mention of beating willows because he found the practice distasteful.

In the post-Temple era, there developed the custom of beating a bundle of willow branches on the ground in the synagogue upon the conclusion of the Hoshana Rabbah Musaf service. The origins of the custom are obscure. In one passage, the Talmud regards the custom as having been enacted in remembrance of the Holy Temple *זִכָּר לְמִקְדָּשׁ*. This explanation is reasonable and logical, considering what we know about the evolution of other holiday rituals in the post-Temple era and what little data we have about the chronological origins of the custom. Another Talmudic passage attempts to reconcile two seemingly contradictory statements attributed to Rabbi Yohanan (the Amora, not RYBB) about the provenance of the willow rite: a) It is a law given to Moses at Sinai and b) It is a custom developed by the prophets.

The proposed, and widely accepted, harmonization of these two attributed statements is that the Temple ceremony dates back to the Mosaic era, while the willow ritual conducted

in the provinces on Hoshana Rabbah dates from the end of the prophetic era. This purported harmonization involves a gross anachronism. There is, in fact, no evidence for a provincial willow rite prior to the late Tannaitic era. The

Talmud recounts that both Rabbi Elazar bar Zadok (late second century CE) and Rav (early third century CE) beat willow branches without reciting a blessing. The redactors of the Bavli took the absence of a blessing as evidence that both those sages regarded the provincial willow rite as no more than a custom of the prophets (since if it were mandated by the Oral Law a blessing would have been required before performing it). As an halachic matter, the absence of a pre-performance blessing merely indicates that the act at issue is not statutorily required (i.e., it is no more than a custom). But such absence can tell us nothing about the antiquity of

any such custom.

In the early Amoraic period (225-300 CE), as the provincial willow rite achieved popularity, the rabbis felt it necessary to regulate its performance by attempting to set out clarifying details. How many branches must be taken? Rav Nachman required three branches with moist leaves. Rav Sheshet required only one branch with one leaf. May the willow be taken with anything else in hand? May one satisfy the willow "obligation" with the same willow branches already present in one's Lulav package? These questions are typical of how an ill-defined custom emerging from folk practice eventually develops a polished halakhic form bearing the imprimatur of the rabbis. The best evidence that the rabbis

took seriously the post-Temple era provincial willow rite is that the fixed Hebrew calendar ensures that Hoshana Rabbah never falls on a Saturday. Had the seventh day of Sukkot been allowed to fall on a Saturday it would have been necessary to forgo the willow rite that year. The sages did not want to disappoint the masses, who cherished the synagogue willow ceremony and made Hoshana Rabbah one of the two most crowded days of the year in the synagogue.



But why do we beat willow branches at all? Many homiletic theories have been propounded. One approach might be called the “Tashlich” theory: Like the pieces of bread that we cast into the river on Rosh Hashanah symbolically to rid ourselves of our sins, so too do the willow leaves torn from their stems symbolize our distancing ourselves from past iniquity. Another might be called the “Kapparat” theory: Like the chicken slaughtered on Erev Yom Kippur to symbolize what ought to have happened to us (but for God’s mercy), so too does the destroyed willow symbolize what strict justice would have entailed for us. Thirdly, Minhagei Yeshurun suggests that the beating of the willow symbolizes the ability of the Jewish people to withstand repeated persecutions. Possibly the earliest homiletic explanation is that willow leaves symbolize lips; the beating of the leaves represents the blunting of the heavenly prosecutor’s ability to speak against us in the Heavenly Court (Teshuvot Ha-Geonim, Shaarei Teshuvah 340).

Many academic scholars (and even some traditional rabbinic writers) concede that whatever esoteric significance under-girded the beating of the willows has long since been lost. But perhaps the original reason for beating the willows might not have been symbolic. One scholarly theory is that the willows were beaten for the practical purpose of rendering them invalid for ritual use. Evidence for this theory is mustered from the Mishnah, which reports that after the Four Species were taken on Hoshana Rabbah, children would untie their Lulav bundles and eat their citrons (Mishnah Sukkah 4:7). More likely, in my view, is that the willow beatings – as well as the shenanigans reported about the children’s Lulav bundles – were all done in a spirit of frivolity and were part of the broader, and explicit, commandment to rejoice on the festival of Sukkot (see Tosfot Sukkah 45a).

Beating the willow marks the end of the High Holiday season. For some synagogue goers, it is a solemn moment of finality. For others, it is a rare opportunity permissibly to be boisterous in the synagogue. Both approaches have merit. For Hoshana Rabbah is simultaneously a “day of judgment” and “the season of our gladness.”



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A Few Photos From Anshe Sholom's Recent Summer Congregational BBQ

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for sponsoring and hosting this wonderful, delicious BBQ.*























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To a wonderfully sweet, happy and healthy new year!








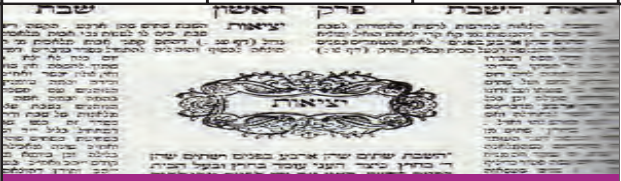
SEPTEMBER 2023

ELUL 5782/TISHREI 5784

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Daily Services SEPTEMBER</p> <p>Sundays ... 8:00AM Mondays–Fridays ... 7:00AM Saturdays ... 9:15AM</p>		 <p>DAF YOMI via ZOOM</p> <p>Sunday 7:00PM Monday– Friday 10:30AM</p>			<p>1 15 Elul</p>  <p>7:10 PM</p>	<p>2 16 Elul</p> <p>KI TAVO</p> <p>Shacharit 9:15 AM Mincha 7:00 PM Havdalah 8:13 PM</p>
<p>3 17 Elul</p> <p>Shacharit 8:00 AM</p>	<p>4 18 Elul</p> <p>LABOR DAY</p> <p>Shacharit 8:00 AM</p>	<p>5 19 Elul</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>6 20 Elul</p> <p></p> <p>Parshah Class w/ R. Kracko 7:00PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>7 21 Elul</p> <p></p> <p>Talmud Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>8 22 Elul</p>  <p>6:59 PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM Mincha 7:00 PM</p>	<p>9 23 Elul</p> <p>NITZAVIM/ VAYELECH</p> <p>Pre-Selichot Lecture 9:30PM "COMMUNAL CONFESSIONS"</p> <p>Shacharit 9:15 AM Mincha 6:50 PM Havdalah 8:02 PM</p>
<p>10 24 Elul</p> <p>Shacharit 8:00 AM</p>	<p>11 25 Elul</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>12 26 Elul</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>13 27 Elul</p> <p></p> <p>Parshah Class w/ R. Kracko 7:00PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>14 28 Elul</p> <p></p> <p>Talmud Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM</p> <p>Slichot 10PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>15 29 Elul</p>  <p>6:47 PM</p> <p>EREV ROSH HASHANAH</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM Mincha 6:50 PM</p>	<p>16 1 Tishrei</p>  <p>After 6:49 PM</p> <p>ROSH HASHANAH I</p> <p>Shacharit 8:15 AM Mincha 6:30 PM Havdalah 7:46 PM</p>
<p>17 2 Tishrei</p> <p>ROSH HASHANAH II TASHLICH 5:30 PM</p> <p>Shacharit 8:15 AM Shofar 10:30 AM Mincha 6:30 PM Havdalah 7:48 PM</p>	<p>18 3 Tishrei</p> <p>TZOM GEDALYAH</p>  <p>Fast Begins 5:27 AM Shacharit 7:00 AM Mincha 6:40 PM Fast Ends 7:40 PM</p>	<p>19 4 Tishrei</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>20 5 Tishrei</p> <p></p> <p>Parshah Class w/ R. Kracko 7:00PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>21 6 Tishrei</p> <p></p> <p>Talmud Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>22 7 Tishrei</p>  <p>6:35 PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM Mincha 6:40 PM</p>	<p>23 8 Tishrei</p> <p>HAAZINU/ SHABBAT SHUVAH DRASHA 5:30 PM</p> <p>"Violence in the Temple: feeling guilty about actions taken in righteous indignation?"</p> <p>Shacharit 9:15 AM Mincha 6:30 PM Havdalah 7:38 PM</p>
<p>24 9 Tishrei</p>  <p>6:32 PM</p> <p>Erev Yom Kippur</p> <p>Shacharit 8:00 AM Mincha 4:00 PM Kol Nidre 6:35 PM</p>	<p>25 10 Tishrei</p>  <p>Yom Kippur</p> <p>Shacharit 8:30 AM Yizkor 10:45 AM Learning 3:45 PM Mincha 5:15 PM Ne'ilah 6:15 PM Havdalah 7:35 PM</p>	<p>26 11 Tishrei</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>27 12 Tishrei</p> <p></p> <p>Parshah Class w/ R. Kracko 7:00 PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>28 13 Tishrei</p> <p></p> <p>Talmud Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM</p>	<p>29 14 Tishrei</p>  <p>6:23 PM</p> <p>Erev Sukkot Sisterhood Dinner 7:15PM</p> <p>Shacharit 7:00 AM Mincha 6:30 PM</p>	<p>30 15 Tishrei</p>  <p>After 7:25 PM</p> <p>Sukkot I</p> <p>Shacharit 9:15 AM Mincha 6:10 PM</p>

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 16 Tishrei Sukkot II Shacharit 9:15 AM Mincha 6:10 PM Havdalah 7:24 PM	2 17 Tishrei Chol HaMoed Sukkot Shacharit 7:00 AM	3 18 Tishrei Chol HaMoed Sukkot Shacharit 7:00 AM	4 19 Tishrei Chol HaMoed Sukkot Parshah Class w/ R. Kracko 7:00PM Shacharit 7:00	5 20 Tishrei Talmud Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	6 21 Tishrei  6:12 PM Hoshanah Rabbah Shacharit 6:45 AM Yizkor 10:30 AM Mincha 6:15 PM	7 22 Tishrei  After 7:14 PM HA'AZINU Shemini Atzeret Shacharit 9:15 AM Mincha 6:00 PM Maariv&Hakafot 6:45 PM
8 23 Tishrei Simchat Torah Shacharit 9:15 AM Hakafot 10:00 AM Mincha 6:05 PM Havdalah 7:13 PM	9 24 Tishrei Hebrew Class w/ Yochai 7:30PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	10 25 Tishrei History Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	11 26 Tishrei Parshah Class w/ R. Kracko 7:00PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	12 27 Tishrei Talmud Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	13 28 Tishrei  6:01 PM Shacharit 7:00 AM Mincha 6:05 PM	14 29 Tishrei  After 7:15 PM BERESHEET Shacharit 9:15 AM Mincha 6:00 PM Havdalah 7:04 PM
15 30 Tishrei ROSH CHODESH Shacharit 8:00 AM	16 1 Cheshvan ROSH CHODESH Hebrew Class w/ Yochai 7:30PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	17 2 Cheshvan Shacharit 7:00 AM	18 3 Cheshvan Parshah Class w/ R. Kracko 7:00PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	19 4 Cheshvan Talmud Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	20 5 Cheshvan  5:50 PM Shacharit 7:00 AM Mincha 5:55 PM	21 6 Cheshvan  After 7:15 PM NOACH Shacharit 9:15AM Mincha 5:45 PM Havdalah 6:53 PM
22 7 Cheshvan Shacharit 8:00 AM Mincha 6:00 PM	23 8 Cheshvan Hebrew Class w/ Yochai 7:30PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	24 9 Cheshvan History Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	25 10 Cheshvan Parshah Class w/ R. Kracko 7:00PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	26 11 Cheshvan Talmud Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	27 12 Cheshvan  5:40 PM Shacharit 7:00 AM Mincha 5:45 PM	28 13 Cheshvan LECH LECHA Shacharit 9:15 AM Mincha 5:35 PM Havdalah 6:43 PM
29 14 Cheshvan Shacharit 8:00 AM	30 15 Cheshvan Hebrew Class w/ Yochai 7:30PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	31 16 Cheshvan History Class w/ R. Hoffman 8:15PM Shacharit 7:00 AM	 <p style="text-align: center;"> DAF YOMI via ZOOM Sunday 7:00PM Monday- Friday 10:30AM </p>			

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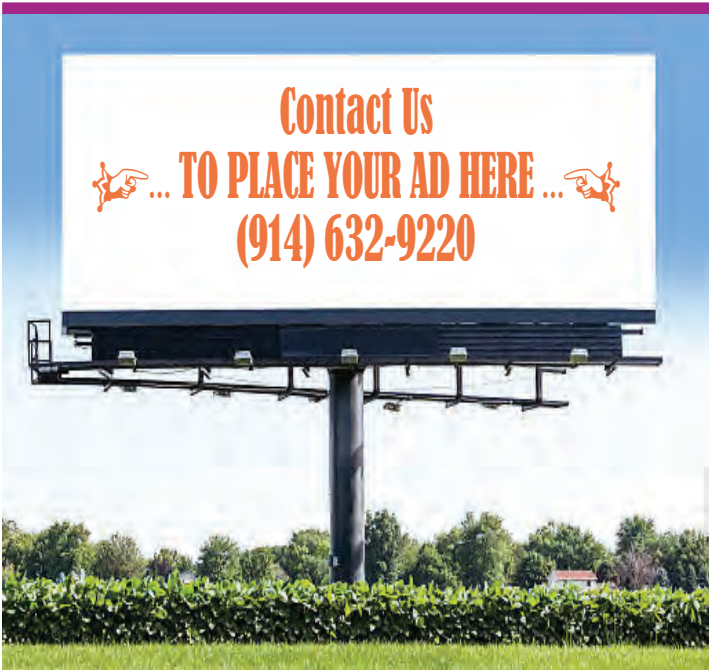
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