



# Congregation Bnai Yeshurun Weekly Shabbat Announcements

September 29-October 13, 2023

י"ד-נ"ח תשרי תשפ"ד

**Sukkot/ Shemini  
Atzeret/Simchat Torah 5784**

סוכות/שמיני עצרת/שמחת  
תורה תשפ"ד

## The Pursuit of Happiness and the Happiness of Pursuit Message from Rabbi Schrier



"The Pursuit of Happiness," our nation's founding document tells us, is – together with "life" and "liberty" – an unalienable right that the Creator has endowed upon us all.

Jefferson's usage of the phrase in the Declaration of Independence is a subject of interest among scholars of American history and political theory alike; British philosopher and political theorist John Locke had previously used the phrase "Life, Liberty, and Property," in his *Two Treatises of Government*, and we don't know why Jefferson chose to change the last leg of the triad, or how he arrived at "the pursuit of happiness." (One interesting theory posits that Jefferson deliberately avoided the word "property" to skirt the question of *human* property, i.e. slavery, the great legal and moral conflict in the Colonies – and in Jefferson's own life – at the time.)

However Jefferson conjured the timeless words of the Declaration, I would suggest that the Torah and Halacha offer us a richer, and truer, foil. From the Torah's standpoint, the Creator does not just endow us with a right to pursue happiness; instead, He offers us the more important "happiness of pursuit."

The *Gemara Nedarim* 16B tells us that if one takes an oath that they will not derive benefit from a *Sukkah*, they are nonetheless permitted to dwell in a *Sukkah* to fulfill the *mitzvah*. Rava explains the ruling by paraphrasing a classic Talmudic dictum:

מצוות לאו ליהנות נתנו

The *mitzvot* were not given for us to derive benefit [from them]

The *Rishonim* debate the scope and parameters of this principle. (I intend to discuss that debate in shul over *Yom Tov*.) But the *Ritva* (*Sukkah* 31B) poses what is perhaps the most basic challenge to this rule: is it really true that we don't derive benefit from *mitzvot*? One of the central pillars of Jewish belief is that G-d rewards our meritorious actions. R' Yaakov, in *Pirkei Avot* 4:17, tells us that that reward far exceeds any fleeting pleasures or joys of this world. The few moments one spends in the *Sukkah* generate incalculable *sechar* in the *Olam Haba*. So how can we assert that there is no benefit?

The *Ritva* answers that an oath only prohibits *direct* benefit; non-direct benefit that comes externally from an Outside Source was never prohibited in the first place. In the case of the *Sukkah*, if one is not enjoying the shade and cool of the *Sukkah* directly, then he may sit inside it, even if he will ultimately be rewarded after 120 years. The deferred spiritual benefit of *mitzvah* performance, however great, never registers in the narrow Halachic question of violating *nedarim*.

But, if I may take the *Ritva's* resolution a step further, I would suggest that the Torah is actually offering us a profound lesson in *mitzvah* performance, and in the nature of true happiness.

Yes, it is true that sitting in a *Sukkah*, like any *mitzvah*, offers great reward in the

World to Come. But that reward is never the *telos* or *goal* of the *mitzvah*. Or, in other words, we are never *pursuing* the happiness that comes from *mitzvah* reward; the happiness can, at most, be considered a fringe benefit of *mitzvah* performance, what the *Ritva* calls *hana'ah mi-makom acher*.

A Jew's true pursuit in life is not the pursuit of happiness, but the pursuit of even larger things: truth, wisdom, moral refinement, G-d. To be sure, there is much reward and happiness that comes along the way. But that happiness is a byproduct of the Jew's larger life pursuits, goals, and aspirations – indeed, the "happiness of pursuit" rather than the "pursuit of happiness."

And perhaps the greatest irony of this alternative life-perspective is that, in the end, the "happiness of pursuit" brings greater life contentment than the "pursuit of happiness." Our society pursues happiness relentlessly. It is widely desired, diligently sought after, and fiercely marketed. And yet, it is rarely attained.

*Sukkot – Zman Simchateinu* – reminds us that life's true happiness is not attained by chasing after it. It is only the offshoot happiness of life's truer and greater pursuits that offers true serenity and contentment in our lives.

Wishing all a *Chag Sameach!*

Rena & Rabbi Elliot Schrier, Michal & Rabbi Ari Zantz, Aviva & Rabbi Yosef Weinberger, Maren & Robbie Scharf, Elysia & Marc Stein, the Executive Committee, Board of Directors, & CBY Staff wish everyone a Shabbat Shalom & Chag Sameach!

Mazal Tov to our CBY Chattanim		
	New Main	Nusach Sefard
Chatan Torah	Rabbi Yosef Weinberger	
Chatan Bereisheet	Chaim Kiss	Yitz Norman
Chatan Maftir	Yali Elkin	Yussie Leiser
Kol HaNearim	Jay Guttman	Mordechai Faber

Yom Tov & Shabbat Times

זמני יום טוב ושבת

Erev Sukkot, Friday, September 29th

Candle Lighting	6:21 pm	הדלקת נרות
Sephardic Mincha – Ogden Lower Level	6:15 pm	מנחה עדות מזרח
Mincha- New Main	6:25 pm	מנחה
Nusach Sefard Mincha-BM	6:25 pm	מנחה נוסח ספרד
Teen Shiur w/Zev Halstuch-BM	9:15 pm	שעור לנוער

Sukkot Day 1, Shabbat, September 30th

Latest Shema	9:48 am	סוף זמן ק"ש
Hashkama-New Main	7:00 am	השכמה
Sefard-Beis Medrash	8:30 am	נוסח ספרד
Sephardic Shacharit - Ogden Lower Level	9:00 am	מנין עדות מזרח
Ashkenaz-New Main	9:00 am	נוסח אשכנז
Teen Minyan-Social Hall	9:00 am	מנין נוער
Ashkenaz-Old Main	9:15 am	נוסח אשכנז
Jr. Congregation-SH Stage	9:15 am	מנין לכתות ה' ו'
Youth Groups Nursery-4 <sup>th</sup> grade at 9:15 am in the Youth Classrooms & Nursery Wing		
Mommy & Me -2/3 Social Hall	10:15 am	אמהות ותינוקות
Mincha-New Main	1:45 pm	מנחה
<b>DFYD Sukkah Hop 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm</b>		
Daf Yomi-Manny Adler-Old Main	5:20 pm	דף היומי
Sephardic Mincha - Ogden Lower Level	6:20 pm	מנחה עדות מזרח
Mincha-New Main	6:20 pm	מנחה
Nusach Sefard Mincha- BM	6:20 pm	מנחה נוסח ספרד
R' Szafranski's shiur in the New Main following mincha		
Maariv- New Main	7:10 pm	מעריב
Candles after...	7:25 pm	הדלקת נרות

Sukkot Day 2, Sunday, October 1st

Latest Shema	9:48 am	סוף זמן ק"ש
Hashkama-New Main	7:00 am	השכמה
Sefard-Beis Medrash	8:30 am	נוסח ספרד
Sephardic Shacharit - Ogden Lower Level	9:00 am	מנין עדות מזרח
Ashkenaz-New Main	9:00 am	נוסח אשכנז
Teen Minyan-Social Hall	9:00 am	מנין נוער
Ashkenaz-Old Main	9:15 am	נוסח אשכנז
Jr. Congregation-SH Stage	9:15 am	מנין לכתות ה' ו'
Youth Groups Nursery-4 <sup>th</sup> grade at 9:15 am in the Youth Classrooms & Nursery Wing		
Mommy & Me -2/3 Social Hall	10:15 am	אמהות ותינוקות
Mincha-New Main	1:45 pm	מנחה
Manny Freed z"l Parent Child Learning – in the Sukkah	4:45 pm	הורים וילדים
Daf Yomi-Alan Schoffman-Old Main	5:25 pm	דף היומי

Sukkot Day 2, Sunday, October 1st (continued)

Sephardic Mincha - Ogden Lower Level	6:25 pm	מנחה עדות מזרח
Mincha-New Main	6:25 pm	מנחה
Nusach Sefard Mincha- BM	6:25 pm	מנחה נוסח ספרד
Shiur by Dr. Alan Kadish, "Simchas Hag Succos & Modern Conceptions of Happiness. Are They Similar?" in the New Main following Mincha		
Maariv & Yom Tov Ends	7:23 pm	מעריב

**Chol HaMoed: Mon.-Fri. Oct. 2nd-6th**

See chart on pg. 5

For Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah Schedule see page 3

Adult Education Committee Presents  
**Dr. Alan Kadish**  
Simchas Hag Succos and Modern Conceptions of Happiness.  
Are They Similar?  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023  
FOLLOWING 6:25 PM MINCHA  
NEW MAIN SHUL

**LOST & FOUND:**

- Men's Timo Cosma suit jacket, navy with slight pattern. Taken from Jefferson coatroom on Yom Kippur.
  - Men's oversized yellow rain jacket. Taken from Beis Medrash coatroom on Yom Kippur.
  - One hanging earring – stacked beads on silver hook.
- If you have information on any of the above, please contact [office@bnaiyeshurun.org](mailto:office@bnaiyeshurun.org) so we may match you. Additionally, a number of pairs of rainboots were left in the Shul coatrooms after Yom Kippur. If you are missing yours (or your child's) please take a look.

**Please do NOT park inside of, or alongside, the CBY Sukkah. As a general reminder, please only park in legal parking spaces.**

**Special Events**

אירועים מיוחדים

- CBY Men's Club Simchat Torah Kiddush on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> following davening.
- Neilat HaChag following Mincha on Simchat Torah.

**Mazal Tov**

מזל טוב

- **Carol & Don Glaser** on the birth of a grandson, a son to Doren & Nathan Chapman.

**CBY Notes**

- It's not too late to join the Kol Nidrei Appeal 5784. Please give generously to support CBY. Donations may be made online at [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/kolnidrei](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/kolnidrei).
- Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> Adult Education Committee welcomes Dr. Alan Kadish for a shiur between Mincha (6:25 pm) and Maariv, "Simchas Hag Succos & Modern Conceptions of Happiness. Are They Similar?"
- Please note the CBY office will be remote with limited hours over Chol HaMoed.
- CBY Teens will be selling Aravos for Hoshanah Rabah at Zman Mincha on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> and Shacharit on Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. \$5 each.
- Sponsor and join us at this year's Men's Club Simchat Torah Kiddush on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. \$180/sponsorship. Sign up at [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/holidays](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/holidays).
- Please support the CBY Yizkor Fund that supports Torah education. An appeal will be made before Yizkor on Shemini Atzeret.
- Join us for Neilat HaChag on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> in the Social Hall following Mincha, for an opportunity to hear words of wisdom, inspiration, and humor from Rabbi Weinberger, marking his last chag as Assistant Rabbi, as well as ending the Yamim Noraim season with beautiful singing by CBY acapella.

**David Frohlich z"l Youth Department**

- Annual Sukkah Hop takes place on Shabbat, September 30<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> day). Drop off at 4:00 pm and pick up at 5:30 pm in the CBY Sukkah. (Rain date is Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 3:15 pm).
- Join us for a family paint night full of painting, music, and Sukkot fun! Motzaei Yom Tov, Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 pm. Members \$18/per person, non-members \$22/per person. Register at [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/youth](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/youth). Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Sponsor this year's Simchat Torah Candy Bags and support the David Frohlich z"l Youth Department all year round! For more information and to sponsor visit [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/holidays](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/holidays).
- Toddler Tantz Pre-Simchat Torah Celebration on Shabbat, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the CBY Social Hall for children ages 0 to 5 with a parent.
- Join us for a Parshat Noach Petting Zoo here at CBY! Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00 am – 11:30 am. Advanced registration required before October 15<sup>th</sup>. Members \$12/per child, non-members \$18/per child. Register at [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/youth](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/youth).

**Beis Medrash Committee**

- Manny Freed z"l Parent Child Learning will take place at 4:45 pm on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> (Day 2) in the Sukkah and Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> (Simchat Torah) in the Beis Medrash. Simchat Torah PCL is sponsored by Devorah & Danny Farkas & Family in honor of Shalom's birthday. To join as a sponsor visit [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/pcl](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/pcl).
- Mishna Yomit is learning Masechet Megillah. Mo'ed Katan will begin on Shabbat, September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**BNOT**

- Save the Date for BNOT's Fall Kick-off event: Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm in the Social Hall. Mosaic Art Making, Sushi, Sparkling Drinks, and more! \$36 per person. Sponsorships available. Register at [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/bnot](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/bnot).

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**Erev Yom Tov, Friday, October 6th**

Candle Lighting	6:10 pm	הדלקת נרות
Sephardic Mincha – <i>Ogden</i>	6:05 pm	מנחה עדות מזרח
Mincha- <i>New Main</i>	6:15 pm	מנחה
Nusach Sefard Mincha- <i>BM</i>	6:15 pm	מנחה נוסח ספרד

**Shemini Atzeret, Shabbat, October 7th**

**Kohelet / Yizkor / Geshem**

Latest <i>Shema</i>	9:51 am	סוף זמן ק"ש
Hashkama- <b>Old Main</b>	7:00 am	השכמה
Sefard- <i>Beis Medrash</i>	8:30 am	נוסח ספרד
Sephardic Shacharit - <i>Ogden Lower Level</i>	9:00 am	מנין עדות מזרח
Ashkenaz- <i>New Main</i>	9:00 am	נוסח אשכנז
Teen Minyan- <i>Social Hall</i>	9:00 am	מנין נוער
Ashkenaz- <i>Old Main</i>	9:15 am	נוסח אשכנז
Jr. Congregation- <i>SH Stage</i>	9:15 am	מנין לכתות ה' וו'

Youth Groups Nursery-4<sup>th</sup> grade at 9:15 am

Mommy & Me - <i>2/3 SH</i>	10:00 am	אמא ואני
Mincha- <i>New Main</i>	1:45 pm	מנחה

**DFYD Toddler Tantz: Pre-Simchat Torah Celebration for ages 0-5 with a parent. 4:00 – 5:00 pm in the Social Hall.**

Daf Yomi -Elliot Small - <i>OM</i>	5:05 pm	דף היומי
Sephardic Mincha - <i>Ogden</i>	6:05 pm	מנחה עדות מזרח
Mincha- <i>New Main</i>	6:05 pm	מנחה
Nusach Sefard Mincha- <i>BM</i>	6:05 pm	נוסח ספרד מנחה

R' Schrier's shiur in the New Main following mincha

**Maariv & Hakafot 6:58 pm מעריב**  
 For those who need to return home early, there will be leining in the Old Main after the 2<sup>nd</sup> Hakafah (approx. 30 minutes after beginning of dancing)  
 Candles after... 7:13 pm הדלקת נרות

**Women's Shiur by Michal Zahtz - 7:40 pm - New Main  
 Candy bags will be distributed during Hakafot**

**Simchat Torah, Sunday, October 8th**

Latest <i>Shema</i>	9:51 am	סוף זמן ק"ש
Hashkama- <b>Social Hall</b>	7:00 am	השכמה
Ashkenaz- <i>New Main</i>	<b>8:15 am</b>	נוסח אשכנז
Sefard- <i>Beis Medrash</i>	<b>8:15 am</b>	נוסח ספרד
Sephardic Shacharit - <i>Ogden Lower Level</i>	9:00 am	מנין עדות מזרח

**Kol HaNearim at approx. 11:00 am in the New Main**

**Men's Club Simchat Torah Kiddush following Musaf**

Mincha - <i>New Main</i>	1:45 pm	מנחה
Manny Freed z"l Parent Child Learning- <i>BM</i>	4:45 pm	הורים וילדים
Daf Yomi-Jonathan Peyser <i>OM</i>	5:00 pm	דף היומי
Mincha - <i>New Main</i>	6:00 pm	מנחה

**Neilat HaChag following Mincha in the Social Hall**

Maariv & Yom Tov ends	7:11 pm	מעריב
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## Unveiling the Essence of Sukkos

### Message from Rabbi Zahtz



The Maharal teaches that a name conveys the essence of a concept. Thus, when trying to understand and appreciate the essence of something we often turn to the names assigned by the Torah. With this in

mind, let's explore the holiday of סוכות and its two distinctive names, סוכות and חג האסיף.

The significance of the word סוכה is a matter of debate in the Gemara. R' Akiva explains that it refers to the actual huts, or סוכות, that Bnei Yisrael used for shelter during their sojourn in the desert while R' Eliezer suggests it symbolizes the shelter provided by Hashem in a supernatural fashion, through the ענני הכבוד, the clouds of glory.

But here's the intriguing part. סוכות is not the only name that the Torah uses to refer to this חג. While it is indeed called חג הסוכות in the books of דברים and ויקרא, in the book of שמות, it is referred to differently as חג האסיף, the holiday of gathering the crops into the house.

Which of these names truly represents the essence of סוכות? Can it really be both? It

seems unlikely that the Torah would choose one time of the year to celebrate two entirely distinct events. Just as we avoid bundling mitzvot together, אין עושיין מצוות חבילות חבילות to show respect for each מצוה, it would make sense that a Yom Tov, too, should maintain its individual focus.

That is unless these two names, and the concepts they represent, actually converge to reinforce a broader notion that guides our celebration.

I believe that's the case here. The name חג האסיף expresses our recognition that throughout our journey in the desert, Hashem watched over us. Whether it refers to the clouds of glory or the actual סוכות, it symbolizes that we could not have survived in the desert alone. Hashem was constantly leading, protecting, and providing for us, from shelter to sustenance. סוכות prompts us to recognize Hashem's divine providence in our daily lives.

What about חג האסיף, the holiday of gathering crops? When a farmer brings in the harvest and sees the abundance, he might be tempted to think, "I have accomplished this through my hard work and skill." However, the Torah encourages the farmer to reflect differently. He must acknowledge that while he toiled, the ultimate success of the crop depends on

factors beyond his control, like rain and sunlight—gifts from Hashem. The act of gathering is an opportunity to recognize Hashem's unseen hand guiding him.

Both names of סוכות express a common theme, recognizing and appreciating Hashem's role in everything that happens in our lives and in the world. However, they illustrate two different ways in which God manifests His providence. Sometimes it's evident and miraculous, as in the desert with the ענני הכבוד. Other times, it operates quietly in the background, much like the unseen hand that guides the farmer's crop.

As we sit in the shade of the sukkah during סוכות, we have a unique opportunity to reflect on the blessings in our lives, to appreciate what we have been given, and to express gratitude to Hashem for His constant presence and providence.

סוכות with its dual names reminds us to see the divine in both the miraculous and the everyday. It encourages us to recognize that we are never truly alone, for Hashem's providence extends to every aspect of our lives. As we celebrate this joyous חג, may we find inspiration in both the visible and the invisible hand of God that guides us all and channel that to fill our חג and lives with שמחה.

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE VISIT THE SUKKOT OF OUR RABBANIM, LEARN SOME TORAH, AND ENJOY YUMMY SNACKS!

THE DAVID FROHLICH  
**YOUTH Department**  
OF CONGREGATION BNAI YESHURUN

**HOP TO THE RABBIS' SUKKAH**

**SHABBAT AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 | 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM**

**PICKUP AND DROP OFF AT THE CBY SUKKAH**

**RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 3:15PM-4:45PM (FOLLOWED BY PARENT CHILD LEARNING AT 4:45)**

**Weekly Davening Schedule**

	Sun. Oct. 1	Mon. Oct. 2	Tues. Oct. 3	Wed. Oct. 4	Thu. Oct. 5	Fri. Oct. 6	
	ט"ז תשרי סוכות יום ב'	י"ז תשרי חול המועד	י"ח תשרי חול המועד	י"ט תשרי חול המועד	כ' תשרי חול המועד	כ"א תשרי הושענא רבה	
דף היומי	קידושין מ"ט	קידושין נ'	קידושין נ"א	קידושין נ"ב	קידושין נ"ג	קידושין נ"ד	
Sephardic Shacharit		6:20 am	6:20 am	6:20 am	6:20 am	6:20 am	<b>שחרית</b>
Shacharit- <i>New Main</i>		<b>6:00 am</b>	<b>6:00 am</b>	<b>6:00 am</b>	<b>6:00 am</b>	<b>6:00 am OM</b>	
Shacharit- <i>Old Main</i>		<b>6:30 am</b>	<b>6:30 am</b>	<b>6:30 am</b>	<b>6:30 am</b>	<b>6:30 am SH</b>	
Shacharit- <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^		<b>7:00 am</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>	<b>7:00 am Sefard</b>	
Shacharit- <i>New Main</i>		<b>7:30 am</b>	<b>7:30 am</b>	<b>7:30 am</b>	<b>7:30 am</b>	<b>7:00 am</b>	
Shacharit- <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^ <i>Deliberately Paced Minyan</i>	<b>For Sukkot Schedule see page 2</b>	<b>7:30 am Zichron Mordechai</b>	<b>7:30 am Zichron Mordechai</b>	<b>7:30 am Zichron Mordechai</b>	<b>7:30 am Zichron Mordechai</b>	<b>7:30 am Zichron Mordechai</b>	
Shacharit- <i>Old Main</i>		<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>7:30 am OM</b>	
Shacharit- <i>New Main</i>		<b>8:50 am</b>	<b>8:50 am</b>	<b>8:50 am</b>	<b>8:50 am</b>		
Shacharit- <i>Old Main</i>		<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>8:00 am SH</b>	
Shacharit- <i>New Main</i>						<b>8:50 am</b>	
Mincha only – <i>Old Main</i>		1:45 pm	1:45 pm	1:45 pm	1:45 pm	1:45 pm	<b>מנחה/מועד</b>
Mincha only – <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^		4:30 pm	4:30 pm	4:30 pm	4:30 pm		
Zman Mincha- <i>New Main</i> #		6:20 pm	6:20 pm	6:20 pm	6:20 pm		
Maariv only – <i>Old Main</i>		8:00 pm	8:00 pm	8:00 pm	8:00 pm		
Maariv only – <i>Old Main</i>		9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:00 pm		
Maariv only – <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^		10:01 pm	10:01 pm	10:01 pm	10:01 pm		
Maariv only – <i>Beis Medrash</i> ^		11:00 pm	11:00 pm	11:00 pm	11:00 pm		

#קריאת שמע should be repeated after **8:00 pm**.

^The CBY Internet Minyan can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#). It is sponsored by Bibi, Dov, Kelly, Liz & Abby Pavel in memory of Bibi's mother Miriam bat Betzalel Yehuda. All minyanim scheduled to take place in the *Beis Medrash*, as listed above, will be broadcast.

**WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES OCTOBER 2-6, 2023**

Chol HaMoed at 5:15 am	Daf Yomi with rotating magidei shiur	Beis Medrash & live weekdays at: <a href="http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/internet-minyan.html">www.bnaiyeshurun.org/internet-minyan.html</a> Recording available at link for 1-week post-shiur
Monday–Thursday at 8:15 pm	Mishna Brurah Chaburah with Ari Wartelsky	Beis Medrash
Thursday at 9:35 pm	Parsha & Halacha with Rabbi Michael Taubes	<a href="https://yeshiva-university.zoom.us/j/93287566078">https://yeshiva-university.zoom.us/j/93287566078</a> Password: YSH
Friday at 8:30 am	Minchas Chinuch with Eli Weber	<a href="https://zoom.us/j/156897284">https://zoom.us/j/156897284</a> Password: cby

**WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES OCTOBER 9-13, 2023**

Monday - Friday at 5:30 am	Daf Yomi with rotating magidei shiur	Beis Medrash & live weekdays at: <a href="http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/internet-minyan.html">www.bnaiyeshurun.org/internet-minyan.html</a> Recording available at link for 1-week post-shiur
Monday–Thursday at 8:15 pm	Mishna Brurah Chaburah with Ari Wartelsky	Beis Medrash
Monday-Friday at 6:20 am	Yitzchak Yaakov Kolloel Boker with Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky	1/3 Social Hall and at: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9658958942">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9658958942</a>
Monday at 9:15 pm	Gemara B'Iyun Masechet Gittin with Rabbi Elliot Schrier	1/3 Social Hall
Tuesday at 8:30 pm	Parsha Shiur with Rav Meir Goldwicht	1/3 Social Hall
Wednesday at 1:30 pm	Senior Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Michael Taubes	1/3 Social Hall and at <a href="https://yeshiva-university.zoom.us/j/93287566078">https://yeshiva-university.zoom.us/j/93287566078</a> Password: YSH
Wednesday at <b>8:15 pm</b>	Mesilat Yesharim with Rabbi Elliot Schrier	Old Main Shul
Thursday at 9:35 pm	Parsha & Halacha with Rabbi Michael Taubes	<a href="https://yeshiva-university.zoom.us/j/93287566078">https://yeshiva-university.zoom.us/j/93287566078</a> Password: YSH
Friday at 8:30 am	Minchas Chinuch with Eli Weber	<a href="https://zoom.us/j/156897284">https://zoom.us/j/156897284</a> Password: cby

**The Glory Within Us**  
**Message from Rabbi Weinberger**



Sukkos, among other things, is a commemoration of the ענני הכבוד, the clouds of glory, that accompanied Bnei Yisrael throughout the forty years in the *midbar*. There is, however, a rather obvious question

that can be asked. Of course, the ענני הכבוד are worthy of our recognition, but we know that this was not the only miracle that took place in the *midbar*. We also had the מן and the באר (i.e., food and drink), as well. Three miracles in the merit of three leaders: Moshe, Aharon, and Miriam. So, why is there only a Yuntif for the ענני הכבוד? Where is the הג celebrating the מן and באר?

The Chidah, R' Chaim Yosef Dovid Azulai zt"l, suggests that the reason there's no Yuntif commemorating the מן and באר is because both of those miracles only came

about after Bnei Yisrael complained. We complained about the lack of food, so we got the מן; we said there was no water, so we got the באר. Therefore, says the Chidah, we forgo recalling these miracles because doing so would come at the expense of the Klal Yisrael's honor.

The Shemen Ha'tov, Rabbi Bernard Weinberger zt"l, offers a different answer. He points out that whereas the מן and באר were absolutely necessary to our survival (forget 40 years- we wouldn't have lasted a week without them), the ענני הכבוד we could have done without. It might not have been the smoothest journey, but it would've been doable. Thus, the ענני הכבוד- the personal escort by G-d Himself- represent an extra level of protection and honor.

And when you consider the ענני הכבוד from the perspective of this special escort, the focus shifts from the *Protector* (capital P) to the *protected*. Sukkos recalls not only that G-d protected us, but that *G-d deemed us worthy of His*

*protection*. R' Shlomo Wolbe, similarly, says the reason we refer to these clouds as the ענני הכבוד is because of the glory that they imply is within us. There is an element of התרוממות- of elevation- for the protected. Not only the material benefits of being safe and secure, but of being worthy of that hashgacha; that watchful eye.

I would add that while the מן and באר came to an end when we crossed the Jordan River, the ענני הכבוד- the Divine protection for the Jewish people- has never left us. As R' Yaakov Emden writes in the introduction to his Siddur: the miracle of our nation's survival throughout the galus is greater than all the miracles that took place during Yetzias Mitzrayim. Perhaps then, the reason we have a Yuntif dedicated to the miracle of the ענני הכבוד is because that miracle continues to manifest itself until this very day. A נס נגלה that reveals not only the greatness of Hashem, but highlights His glorious people and their worthiness of such Divine protection.

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**Weekly Davening Schedule**

	Sun. Oct. 8	Mon. Oct. 9	Tues. Oct. 10	Wed. Oct. 11	Thu. Oct. 12	Fri. Oct. 13	
	כ"ג תשרי שמחת תורה	כ"ד תשרי אסרו חג	כ"ה תשרי	כ"ו תשרי	כ"ז תשרי	כ"ח תשרי	
דף היומי	קידושין ג"ו	קידושין ג"ז	קידושין ג"ח	קידושין ג"ט	קידושין ס'	קידושין ס"א	
Sephardic Shacharit		6:25 am	6:25 am	6:25 am	6:25 am	6:25 am	שחרית
Shacharit-Old Main		6:00 am	6:00 am	6:00 am	6:00 am	6:00 am	
Shacharit-New Main		6:05 am	6:15 am	6:15 am	6:05 am	6:15 am	
Shacharit-Beis Medrash^		6:20 am	6:30 am	6:30 am	6:20 am	6:30 am	
Shacharit-New Main		7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	7:00 am	
Shacharit-Beis Medrash^ Deliberately Paced Minyan		7:15 am	7:15 am	7:15 am	7:15 am	7:15 am	
Shacharit-Old Main	<b>For Simchat Torah Schedule see page 3</b>	7:20 am	7:30 am	7:30 am	7:20 am	7:30 am	
Shacharit-New Main		8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	8:00 am	
Shacharit-Old Main		8:50 am	8:50 am	8:50 am	8:50 am	8:50 am	
Shacharit-New Main		9:15 am	9:15 am	9:15 am	9:15 am	9:15 am	
Mincha only – Old Main		1:45 pm	1:45 pm	1:45 pm	1:45 pm	1:45 pm	מנחה/מערב
Mincha only – Beis Medrash^		4:30 pm	4:30 pm	4:30 pm	4:30 pm		
Zman Mincha-New Main#		6:10 pm	6:10 pm	6:20 pm	6:10 pm		
Maariv only – Old Main		<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>		
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Maariv only – Old Main		9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:00 pm	9:00 pm		
Maariv only – Beis Medrash^		10:01 pm	10:01 pm	10:01 pm	10:01 pm		
Maariv only – Beis Medrash^		11:00 pm	11:00 pm	11:00 pm	11:00 pm		

**SHMINI ATZERET AFTERNOON  
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**Mini-Vortlech from the Szafranski Sukkah to Yours!**



- Sukkos is called Zman Simchaseinu, the time of our happiness. As opposed to Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, the yomim noraim (days of awe and introspection), which on a biblical level are only one day each, Sukkos lasts seven whole days, eight in the diaspora. Rav Hirsch (Vayikra 23:33-34) mentions that the length of the Sukkos is, in part, meant to emphasize what the standard emotional state of a Jew should be. Yes, it's true, we need to live lives of seriousness and even trepidation, yomim noraim, but taking this mentality to an extreme should only occur during momentary occasions throughout the year. In general, Jews are meant to strive to live lives of passion, joy, and duty-simchah.
- Did you ever wonder why we celebrate Sukkos in Tishrei? Shouldn't we celebrate it in Nissan when HaShem took us out of Mitzrayim and protected us in physical or spiritual sukkos (Sukkah 11b)? The Tur famously asked this question and there are a plethora of potential answers. Bring an answer down to the CBY youth wing and win yourself a yummy yom tov treat!!!



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## Congregation Bnai Yeshurun Community Announcements

September 29-October 13, 2023

י"ד-כ"ח תשרי תשפ"ד

**Sukkot/ Shemini  
Atzeret/Simchat Torah 5784**

סוכות/שמיני עצרת/שמחת  
תורה תשפ"ד

- Rinat Yisrael presents Dr. Yitz Landes—1st day of Sukkot, Shabbat, September 30th, 5:05 pm. "On Memorization, Manuscripts, and the Melammed: The Early History of the Children's Mishnayos Shiur" Main Shul.
- Heichal HaTorah invites the entire community to join us for a joyous Simchas Bais HaShoeivah event featuring Rav Moshe Weinberger of Aish Kodesh & Zusha on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Siyum & refreshments will commence promptly at 7:00 pm.
- **Project Yechi** provides financial support for families undergoing cancer treatments. Their annual barbecue will take place Saturday night, October 14th at 8:30 pm at Keter Torah. Enjoy the evening & lend support to an organization that has helped over 700 families in the USA & Israel & has paid out over 3,700 rent & mortgage payments. No admission fee.
- Ben Porat Yosef will be hosting the inaugural screening of BPY's Memories of the Mizrach through which our current 8th grade class will be presenting an oral history of Jewish Sephardic culture as told by pioneer emigrants from North Africa & the Near & Middle East through a series of interviews of the students' family members. October 16th at 7:30 pm at Ahavath Torah. Light collation to follow screening.
- Tues., Oct. 17 at 8 pm via Zoom. Behind the Scenes with Ann Koffsky: The Making of a Children's Book. Using concrete examples from her 40+ books, Ann will show how a children's book is made. Co-sponsored by the YU Library & Stern College Programs in Studio Art, English, & Speech Pathology & Audiology. Register: [yu.edu/koffsky](http://yu.edu/koffsky)
- The Jewish Home Family offers a monthly series of health education opportunities & screenings. The program is a collaboration with Fair Lawn for All Ages & an initiative of Project LEAD, (Leaders in Equity & Diversity Collaborative). Eating well to stay well – October 19th. No reservations required & light refreshments follow screening & presentation. For more information, email [info@jewishhomefamily.org](mailto:info@jewishhomefamily.org).
- Yavneh Academy invites prospective parents to a dynamic Open House program on Wednesday evening, October 25, at 7:30 pm. Join us to learn about our stimulating Judaic & general studies programs, & warm & inspiring environment. RSVP at [www.yavnehacademy.org](http://www.yavnehacademy.org). For more information, please email [jennifer.hooper@yavnehacademy.org](mailto:jennifer.hooper@yavnehacademy.org)
- Yeshivat He'Atid invites all prospective parents to our Open House, Monday, October 30th at 7:30 pm. We would like to share what makes our school a warm & inviting place. Come hear about our innovative academic programming in both Secular & Judaic studies. Learn about our unique model in which we differentiate to meet the needs of each student. To pre-register & schedule a tour visit [www.yeshivatheatid.org](http://www.yeshivatheatid.org) or contact Maya Dombroff at [admissions@yeshivatheatid.org](mailto:admissions@yeshivatheatid.org).
- BPY Open House Tuesday October 31 7:30 pm Register: [benporatyosef.org/openhouse2023](http://benporatyosef.org/openhouse2023).
- Please join us at The Moriah School Open House on Wednesday, November 1st at 7:30 pm. Come see for yourself why over 95 alumni have chosen to come back as parents themselves! For

more information, or to register for our Open House, please contact Ariella Lazaros at [alazaros@moriahschool.org](mailto:alazaros@moriahschool.org)

- Yeshivat Noam warmly invites prospective families with a child entering Buds (Pre-K) or Kindergarten to join us at our Open House on Motzei Shabbat, Nov 4. Doors open at 7:45 pm, program begins at 8:15 pm. Please register at [www.yeshivatnoam.org/openhouse](http://www.yeshivatnoam.org/openhouse). Please contact Amanda Lipschik, Director of Admissions, at 201-261-1919 x 287 or [admissions@yeshivatnoam.org](mailto:admissions@yeshivatnoam.org).
- Join us at the YAD LEAH: Clothing for Israel Dash for Dignity - Sunday, November 5, 2023, 9:00 am-12:00 pm at Overpeck Park, Ridgefield Park. Fun for the whole family, including 5K run, breakfast, Family Walk, Kids' Dashes for ages 3-8 with face painting & inflatables! Yad Leah provides quality clothing to thousands of needy families across Israel, empowering them with confidence, dignity, & self-respect. For more information visit <https://www.dash4dignity.org/>.
- **Bnai Yeshurun** is proud to join the Jewish Federation as a partner in the Israel75 Birthday Bash at American Dream on Sunday, November 5. 9:00 am – 11:00 am; \$18/person in advance (\$25/person at the door) – includes private access to Nickelodeon Universe. Register at [JFNNJ.org/Israel75](http://JFNNJ.org/Israel75).
- RYNJ welcomes your family to join our family at our Open House on Sunday evening, November 5th at 7:00 pm. Experience the warm environment created by our dynamic administration, dedicated faculty & involved parent body. Please register at [rynj.org/openhouse](http://rynj.org/openhouse). For more information, contact Mrs. Debra Popowitz, Director of Admissions, at [welcome@rynj.org](mailto:welcome@rynj.org) or (201) 986-1414 ext. 338.

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