

SHABBAT MATTERS

Friday, March 31

7:00 pm Mincha /
Maariv
7:24 pm Candles
(earliest 6:24 pm)

Shabbat, April 1

7:30 am Hashkama Minyan - Beit Midrash:
Rabbi Bergman
8:10 am Chumash-Rashi with Melech
Halberstadt - Classroom 106
9:00 am Shacharit - Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor
9:00 am Shacharit - Sisterhood: Rabbi Diamond
9:30 am Shacharit - Beit Midrash: Rabbi Anstandig
9:45 am Youth Programs - Classrooms
9:45 am Teen Minyan - Lower Level Social Hall

Recite Shema before 10:10 am

11:15 am Kiddush* - Banquet Hall & Sisterhood Hall
11:30 am Prof. Novak's Shiur - Beit Midrash
6:15 pm Rabbi Taylor's Shabbat Hagadol Drasha
Sanctuary
7:15 pm Mincha - Sanctuary
7:35 pm Seudah Shlishit* - Banquet Hall:
Rabbi Bergman
8:30 pm Maariv / Shabbat Ends
*Pareve using dairy equipment

Torah Reading:

Vayikra 6:1 - 8:36
Hertz P. 429
Stone P. 568

Haftorah:

Malachi 3:4 - 3:24
Hertz P. 1005
Stone P. 1220

MAZAL TOV AND OTHER MEMBERS MATTERS

- Mazal Tov to **Tamar & Max Weisbrod** on the birth of a daughter. Excited sisters are **Mila** and **Avery**. Proud grandparents are **Barry & Nelly Zagdanski** and Stephen & Nancy Weisbrod. Proud great-grandparents are **Ernest & Helen Singer**.
- Mazal Tov to **Alex Straus** on entering his 30's.

TODAH RABAH to our sponsors:

RABBI TAYLOR'S TORAH FOR YOUR LIFE:

Berl Nadler & Rebecca Rotenberg Nadler and David Nadler & Tara Dubrow in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Berl and David's mother, Doris Joselefsky Nadler ^{z"l}

REBBETZIN EMMA TAYLOR'S MEANINGFUL MOMENTS:

Golda Brown & Harry Krakowsky in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Golda's grandmother, Anne Alspector ^{z"l}

SHABBAT MATTERS:

Eli Klein and Family in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Charlotte Klein ^{z"l}

WEEKLY MATTERS:

Louis & Risa Vandersluis in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Louis's mother, Esther Vandersluis ^{z"l}

KIDDUSH:

Yvonne & Rick Goldberg in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Yvonne's father, Ernest Manson ^{z"l}

Bruce Batist & Susan Bigman-Batist in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Bruce's parents, Phillip ^{z"l} & Gertrude Batist ^{z"l} and Susan's step father, Herbert Zvi Berger ^{z"l}

Edward & Robin Mednick in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Edward's father, Samuel Mednick ^{z"l}

HASHKAMA KIDDUSH:

Arnold & Paula Dubrow in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Arnold's father, Hyman Koski ^{z"l}

9:30 AM MINYAN KIDDUSH:

Rachael Straus and Family in honour of Alex's entering his 30's

Adir & Elianne Koschitzky

RABBI TAYLOR'S SHABBAT HAGADOL DRASHA:

Larry & Sarah Krauss in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Larry's mother, Kato Krauss ^{z"l}

COFFEE & MUFFINS, APRIL 3:

Susan Bigman-Batist & Bruce Batist in honour of the birth of their granddaughter, Chloe Paige

FAST OF THE FIRST BORN BREAKFAST:

In loving memory of Karol Burger ^{z"l}, father, grandfather and great-grandfather of Alan, Marc, Lorne, Naomi, Jill, Ashley, Ari, Lia, Zoe, Shael and Noa Burger

ADULT EDUCATION FUND:

Margaret Harlang in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her mother, Martha Weingert ^{z"l}

We welcome **Jamin Finkelstein** as the Interim Youth Director of Shaarei Shomayim, and wish him *hatzlacha rabah* in his new role.

PESACH SCHEDULE: APRIL 4-7

Tuesday April 4

8:17 pm Search for Chametz after this time

Wednesday April 5 - Erev Pesach

Fast of the First Born

SHUL OFFICE CLOSED

5:48 am Fast begins

6:15 am Gemara Shiur: Sanctuary & Zoom

7:00 am Shacharit: Sanctuary & Zoom followed by Siyum: Sisterhood Hall

8:00 am Collection of garbage & burning of Chametz

10:46 am Latest time to eat Chametz

12:02 pm Burn/nullify Chametz by this time
Eiruv Tavshilin

7:27 pm Candle Lighting (earliest 6:29 pm)

7:35 pm Mincha: Sanctuary

8:35 pm First Seder earliest start

1:18 am Afikoman eaten by this time

Thursday April 6 - I Pesach (Tefilat Tal)

7:30 am Hashkama Minyan - Beit Midrash:
Rabbi Bergman

9:00 am Shacharit - Sanctuary: Rabbi Diamond

9:00 am Shacharit - Sisterhood: Rabbi Taylor

9:45 am Youth Programs - Classrooms

11:30 am Kiddush: Banquet Hall & Sisterhood

7:35 pm Mincha: Sanctuary

8:36 pm Earliest Candle Lighting

Count Omer 1 after Maariv

8:36 pm Second Seder earliest start

1:18 am Afikoman eaten by this time

Friday April 7 - II Pesach

7:30 am Hashkama Minyan - Beit Midrash:
Rabbi Anstandig

9:00 am Shacharit - Sanctuary: Rabbi Taylor

9:00 am Shacharit - Sisterhood: Rabbi Diamond

9:45 am Youth Programs - Classrooms

11:30 am Kiddush: Banquet Hall & Sisterhood

7:00 pm Mincha: Sanctuary

7:30 pm Candle Lighting (earliest 6:31 pm)

Count Omer 2 after dark

I Pesach (Thursday)

Torah Reading: Shemot 12:21-51
Hertz P. 257; Stone P. 354

Maftir:

Bamidbar 28:19-25
Hertz P. 695; Stone P. 892

Haftorah:

Yehoshua 3:5-7; 5:2-6:1; 6:27
Hertz P. 1009; Stone P. 1221

II Pesach (Friday)

Torah Reading:
Vayikra 22:26-23:44
Hertz P. 518; Stone P. 680

Maftir:

Bamidbar 28:19-25
Hertz P. 695; Stone P. 892

Haftorah:

II Melachim 23:1-9, 21-25
Hertz P. 1012; Stone P. 1222

PESACH MATTERS

- Shabbat, 6:15 pm - **Rabbi Taylor's Shabbat Hagadol Drasha** on the topic: "Hagada vs Amira: Why it Matters and What it Tells Us about the Seder Night."
- Maot Chittim** - Traditionally, Jews provide wheat to the poor for the purpose of baking matzot. We continue this tradition by giving charity to the needy. Deadline for contributing is Tue. April 4 at 9:00 am - <https://www.shomayim.org/form/maot2023>.
- Selling Chametz** - Rabbi Taylor will be available to arrange for the sale of chametz on Sunday, Apr. 2, after Shacharit until 10:00 am, and from 7:00 pm until Mincha, in the Sanctuary. **Chametz Forms** are available around the shul and online at <https://www.shomayim.org/form/chametzform23>. Submit by Tue. April 4 at 1:00 pm.
- Garbage Bin** will be available on Tuesday, Apr. 4, 9:00 am-4:30 pm and Wednesday, Apr. 5, 8:30 am-noon, in the parking lot. Free for members; \$5/bag for non-members. Please do not use the shul's regular garbage bins.
- Biur Chametz** - burning of chametz will be available in the parking lot, north east side, Wednesday, Apr. 5, 8:30-11:00 am. Please ensure that there are no plastic bags or plastic items in your chametz packages.
- Please clean out your locker** for Pesach by Tuesday, April 4.
- Women's Megillat Shir Hashirim Reading** - Please join the women of Shaarei Shomayim on Shabbat Chol Hamoed, April 8 at 11:30 am, for Shir Hashirim Reading!

TORAH MATTERS:

DATE	DAVENING TIMES: IN PERSON & ZOOM	SHIURIM & PROGRAMS: IN PERSON AND / OR ZOOM
Sunday, April 2 / 11 Nisan	8:30 am Shacharit 7:35 pm Mincha / Maariv	7:45 am Masechet Nedarim Shiur (in person & Zoom)
Monday, April 3 / 12 Nisan	7:10 am Shacharit 7:35 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Nedarim Shiur (in person & Zoom) 9:30 am Rabbi Bergman's Yechezkel Shiur (Zoom)
Tuesday, April 4 / 13 Nisan	7:15 am Shacharit 7:35 pm Mincha / Maariv	6:30 am Masechet Nedarim Shiur (in person & Zoom)
Wednesday, April 5 / 14 Nisan Fast of the First Born / Erev Pesach	See full schedule on p. 1.	
Thursday, April 6 / 15 Nisan - I Pesach	See full schedule on p. 1.	
Friday, April 7 / 16 Nisan - II Pesach	See full schedule on p. 1.	

Kriyat Shema should be repeated after 8:37 pm this week.

PARSHA MATTERS - by Rabbi Sam Taylor

At the end of its description of the mincha sacrifice, the Torah emphasises that it is eaten by the kohanim regardless of whether it is mixed with oil or dry. Once a portion of the mincha sacrifice is placed on the altar the rest is given to the kohanim to eat, and the Torah found it necessary to stress that this is true of all mincha offerings, whether they are offered together with or without oil. As Rashi explains, mincha sacrifices which are brought voluntarily require oil, whereas mincha sacrifices which the Torah obligates are specifically not mixed with oil. The Torah here clarifies that both types of sacrifices are given to the kohanim to eat.

The Torah commentary Tiferes Shlomo suggests, that underlying this emphasis is a message to the kohanim about the nature of their role as the nation's spiritual leaders. The kohanim might have assumed that as they had been designated for the sacred role of serving G-d, they are to associate only with the righteous members of the nation. Their exalted level of sanctity, they might have thought, requires selectivity in building their circle of influence and affiliation, and that they work only with those who are pure and devoted. The Torah therefore emphasizes that all mincha offerings, even those that offered by sinners seeking atonement, are given to the kohanim to eat, just like the voluntary mincha offerings. The kohanim are told not to draw any distinction between the different spiritual classes, and devote the same amount of time to inspiring and associating with those on the lower religious rungs as they devote to the elite.

All of us are in a sense kohanim, in that we are all in a position to influence and impact upon others, in one way or another, to varying degrees. The Tiferes Shlomo here instructs that in this role, we must not limit ourselves to one group of people. Anyone should be welcomed into our sphere of influence, and included in our effort to do what we can to make the world in which we live just that little bit better.

Have you seen the recently published Shaarei Shomayim Pesach Companion?

The Shaarei Shomayim Adult Education Committee just published its inaugural *Pesach Companion*, the perfect reader designed for your Seder and for your enjoyment over the Chag! Be sure to check it out at <https://images.shulcloud.com/1464/uploads/Documents/PesachCompanion.pdf>. Hard copies will be available around the shul on Wednesday morning.



SHIURIM & PROGRAMS ON PESACH BREAK

- The Walkie Talkies with Rabbi Bergman, Dr. Zolty's Course, Rabbi Torczyner's Mishlei Shiur, and Rabbi Diamond's Parshat Hashavua Shiur will resume on April 18.
- Rabbi Taylor's Mishna Berura Shiur will resume on April 26.
- Coffee Klatch with Rabbi Bergman will resume on April 20.
- Prof. Novak's Shabbat Morning Shiur will not take place on April 8 & 15. It will resume on April 22.
- Rabbi Bergman's Yechezkel Shiur will not take place on April 10. It will resume on April 17.

Shul-Wide Siyum of Masechet Ta'anit

Between Pesach and Shavuot, Shaarei Shomayim will be learning all of *Masechet Ta'anit*, with a Siyum on the 2nd day of Shavuot, May 27. Sign up to learn an amud, daf, mishnah, or the entire masechet by emailing mribparker@gmail.com. Resources: <https://www.sefaria.org/Taanit?tab=contents>; <https://www.dafyomi.co.il/taanis/index.htm>; <https://dafnotes.com/moed/taanis/>; <https://outorah.org/series/4099?masehta=Taanis&size=30>.

The Yizkor Memorial Book has been an important part of our community's remembrance of loved ones and observance of Yizkor prayer. Emails with your previous year's listing or suggested revised or new listing have been sent out, with links to the online and printable form. Please complete the online form at <https://www.shomayim.org/form/yizkor2023> or return the completed printable form by email to coordinator@shomayim.org, fax 416-789-1728 or regular mail by April 23.



Women's Pesach Hallel

Shabbat Chol Hamoed Pesach
April 8, 2023 | 10:00 am

All women are invited to join a special
Women's Hallel led by Rebbetzin Emma Taylor.
Together we will learn and sing to celebrate
the Chag of Pesach!



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Chol Hamoed Pesach Teen-Led Shacharit

Monday & Tuesday, April 10 & 11
8:30 am | Weinbaum Beit Midrash
(Minyan at 7:00 am to continue)

Followed by breakfast & Dvar Torah
in the Lower Level Social Hall

Please join us for a special
Teen-Led

Chol Hamoed Pesach
Shacharit,

followed by breakfast and
Dvar Torah with
Rabbi Taylor (Monday) and
Rabbi Bergman (Tuesday).
Open to all.



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The Sharp Family started a fund in memory of Max & Lena Sharp to support our young adults who go to Israel for a year of study. Grants are provided to members and friends of Shaarei Shomayim. The application closing date is May 15. The committee meets in early June and each recipient is advised before the end of June. Please apply at <https://www.shomayim.org/study-Israel> before May 15.

Please join us for a Sunday Breakfast & Shiur on the topic:

**"The First Zionist Congress and its
Background on its 125th Anniversary"**

Presented by our member

Dr. Shoshana ElHarar

In honour of Israel's 75th Anniversary

Sunday, April 23 | Following Shacharit



Dr. Shoshana ElHarar continued her academic career when she retired in Toronto after a long distinguished career in banking with Bank Hapoalim. Shoshana is a graduate of Tel Aviv University in Economics, followed by an MA in Philosophy. At York University, Shoshana completed an MA in Jewish Studies. She then embarked on her PhD program highlighted by a thesis on Bauhaus Architecture in Tel Aviv & Jaffa (her hometown). She is also the recipient of numerous citations and awards for her academic work. Her advanced studies were partly funded by the Avrom Silver (z"l) Graduate Student Research Fund. Avrom was a lifelong member of Shaarei Shomayim; his family is still active in our shul.



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Yom HaAtzmaut CELEBRATION!

Wednesday, April 26, 2023 | 5:00 pm



BBQ | MUSIC | FUN FOR ALL!

Register at

<https://www.shomayim.org/form/yomhaatzmaut23>

CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences to **Annette Schenker**, Esther & Robert Hochstadter, Murray & Lucie Schenker, Richard & Tammy Schenker and families, on the loss of their husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather and great-grandfather, **Philip Schenker** z"l.

YAHREZITS

DATE

YAHREZITS BEING OBSERVED

Shabbat, April 1 / 10 Nisan	Ben Bernholtz, husband of Maxine Bernholtz Hyman Koski, father of Arnold Dubrow	Ernest Manson, father of Yvonne Goldberg
Sunday, April 2 / 11 Nisan	Henry Amiel, father of Michelle Steinowicz Marion Bessin, mother of Moshe Bessin	Bill Gross, father of Eva Burko Martha Weingert, mother of Margaret Harlang
Monday, April 3 / 12 Nisan	Yetta Fromstein, mother of Judy Neinstein Samuel M. Grosser, father of Dalya Hakimi Samuel Orfus, father of Sharon Gerstein	Jules Spiegel, father of Reuven Spiegel Adolf Weinberger, father of George Weinberger
Tuesday, April 4 / 13 Nisan	Herbert Zvi Berger, husband of Roslyn Bigman Berger and step-father of Susan Bigman-Batist Mary Cassels, mother of Donna Cassels Harry Hotz, father of Elaine Hertz	Doris Joselefsky Nadler, mother of Berl Nadler and David Nadler Helen Dina Langer, mother of Sharon Zimmerman
Wednesday, April 5 / 14 Nisan	Ben Gorlick, father of Martin Steiner Deborah Tenenbaum, mother of Mendel Tenenbaum	Esther Vandersluis, mother of Louis Vandersluis
Thursday, April 6 / 15 Nisan		
Friday, April 7 / 16 Nisan	Clara Black, mother of Harvey Black	Charlotte Klein, late wife of Eli Klein

TODAH RABAH to our sponsors for YAHREITZ COMMEMORATIONS:

Moshe & Brenda Bessin in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Moshe's mother, Shelly Moskowitz and Family in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Shelly's Marion Bessin z"l father-in-law, Isaac Moskowitz z"l

COMMUNITY MATTERS

- **HELP SAVE MURRAY'S LIFE** organized by Ezer Mizion - Murray Foltyn, 42, father of 2 from Australia has a rare blood cancer. He urgently needs a stem cell transplant. Jewish communities are coordinating recruitment to rally more people and have them checked if they are a match. To request a swab kit go to <https://www.ezermizion.ca/save-murray/>.
- April 27, 7:00 pm - **NCJWC's Caring For The Caregiver: Panel Discussion & Workshops**. Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St. Register: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe57I3uHm9xC5LMWwrrsySNwLB1A14Ak_w22KOIS96QsxN3BQ/viewform.
- Thursday-Shabbat, May 4-6 - **Jewish Mental Health Awareness Shabbat: Symposium & Teen Workshop**. Access the livestream at <https://www.mentalhealth.tbdj.org/>.
- Monday, May 22, 9:30 am - **UJA's Walk with Israel**. Starts at Earl Bales Park and ends on UJA's Sherman Campus with a Party - music, food, and activities. Register and donate at <https://give.ujafundraiser.com/event/ujas-walk-with-israel-2023/e461997>.
- A group of shul members are planning a **Trip to Scotland June 4-9, 2023**, to visit historical Jewish sites, well known distilleries and iconic castles. For more information contact Aaron Rifkind or Brian Lass at shomayim.scotland@gmail.com.
- Oct. 23-30 - **Canadian Hadassah-WIZO's Journey 4 Impact to Israel**. Experience challenges with a purpose, create social impact and economic independence for women entrepreneurs. Register at <https://chw.ca/journey-4-impact/>.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH

Eliyahu ben Ryejah, Yehuda Yoseif ben Miriam Yocheved (Jerry Genesove), Eliyahu ben Ruth, Adi bat Francis, Minah Tzurel bat Ita, Elyakum Zev ben Leeah, Moshe ben Malka, Yekutiell ben Sara, Ronitte bat Esther, Hinda Rivka bat Mindel Esther, Tova Rachel bat Elka Tema, Yehoshua Tzvi ben Sara, Baruch Bendit ben Chana Gittel, Elana Chana bat Gila Brynlah, Shaul Efraim ben Hendl, Leah Adi bat Miriam Gitel, Brachah bat Gitl, Eliyahu Yom Tov ben Leah, Aryeh ben Tzipporah, Israel Binyamin ben Telma, Yehuda ben Chana, Levi David ben Elisheva Leba, Oved ben Regina, Aron Shimon ben Faigi Chana, Emily Yael bat Naomi Gittel, Tova Sara bat Chana Rivka, Devora Malka Raizel bat Rut Chana, Eliyahu ben Clara, Rivka bat Chana Hentcha, Rivka Tzippora bat Chana Gittel, Inbal bat Shoshana, Moshe Mordechai ben Basha, Chaya bat Yachet, Mordechai Ron ben Rachel.

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