

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

SHABBOS TIMES

Friday, February 25

Candle Lighting 5:24pm
Evening Service 5:25pm

Saturday, February 26

Morning Service 10:00am
Kiddush Brunch 12:00pm
Evening Service 5:30pm
Shabbos Ends 6:25pm

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DAILY MINYAN

Feb. 27 - Mar. 4

MORNING SERVICE

Sunday 8:00am
Monday - Friday 7:00am

EVENING SERVICE

Evening Service 5:35pm

In life there are many important priorities. How can we make sure to balance all those priorities to incorporate them into our life and not lose sight of the forest because we are so focused on the trees?

The same is in Jewish life, we have so many important Mitzvahs to do and we want to get to all of them. Sometimes we feel like one Mitzvah should take precedence over the other because we feel that one is more important than the other.

When the Jews were instructed to build a Temple for G-d, they had to be reminded that the construction of the temple may not supersede Shabbos and although building a temple for G-d is a most holy and important task, Shabbos was to be a day of rest, as the Torah says, even from the construction of the temple.

For life must be lived wholesomely, everything is connected, we cannot ignore one part of life because another just took priority. Judaism teaches us that we must figure out how to incorporate a new priority into our current life and set of values, so that it is a wonderful addition to life rather than a distraction.

See the trees, appreciate each one of them and never lose sight of the forest!

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A WORD OF TORAH

Good ideas and worthwhile projects are suggested regularly. The question is, do they get off the drawing board? And if they do, how long do they last? What degree of permanence do they enjoy?

Moses gathered the assembly of the Children of Israel — these are the opening words of the Parshah Vayakhel. Rashi tells us that this day of assembly was the day after Yom Kippur. Moses came down from Mount Sinai on Yom Kippur bearing the message of G-d's forgiveness for the sin of the Golden Calf. The next day, he gathered the people and commanded them to build the Sanctuary.

Why is it important to know that this was the day after Yom Kippur?

Perhaps it is because while on Yom Kippur everyone is holy, the challenge is to be holy after Yom Kippur. It is relatively easy to be holy on the holiest day of the year. The test of faith is to maintain our good behavior in the days and weeks following the awesome, sacred experience. Will we still be inspired or will our enthusiasm have waned straight after Neilah?

And it's not only about Shul, it's about life. What happens after the honeymoon? Or the first anniversary? Do we have the commitment and the staying power to be in for the long haul?

So this is a call not only to maintain the momentum of our spiritual inspiration but to take practical steps to do so. To succeed in the long term, we must have a pragmatic plan; a realistic, workable, achievable program to see us through to the end. Otherwise, G-d forbid, our fervent feelings of the moment may turn out a flash in the pan.

Let us be inspired enough to make sure our inspiration lasts.
adapted from www.chabad.org

A Bisseleh Humor

Yankel always worried about everything all his life. But one day his coworkers noticed Yankel seemed like a changed man.

They remarked that he didn't seem to be the least bit worried about anything. Yankel said he'd hired a professional worrier and no longer had any problems.

"A professional worrier?" they said.

"What does that cost?"

"\$150,000 a year."

"150k a year?! How on earth are you going to pay him? You are about to declare bankruptcy!"

"Well that will be his first worry."

Daily Dose Of Wisdom

Happiness is not just contagious. It's explosive.

Something enters a person's life for which he could never be prepared, and his previously tidy self erupts in song, dance and joy.

Approach the divine with a calculated mind, and there is no window for joy. Embrace the infinite beyond mind, and let joy surprise you.

KIDS Parsha Lesson

Moses gathers the People of Israel and repeats to them all the things G-d has told him in the previous three Parshiot. So a lot of this Parshah repeats things we've read before.

First: the commandment to keep the Sabbath: For six days of the week, Jews can work, and the seventh day is a special day of rest called Shabbat.

Next: G-d's command to donate materials for the construction of the Mishkan. All kinds of material were required for the Mishkan's construction: metals (gold, silver and copper); fabrics and materials, (wool, linen, and skins); wood, oil, spices and precious stones.

As soon as Moses finished talking, the people went to bring things to donate to the Mishkan. The people were so happy to contribute that they brought everything they had: jewelry and material and skins and fabrics. They brought so much, that Moses had to tell them to stop, and still there were extra stuff.

Once again we hear about the master craftsmen Bezalel and Oholiab, two very talented men who were in charge of the building of the Mishkan.

Now we read about the actual building of the Mishkan. Again, all this was described at great length in the previous Parshiot, but here we talk about them actually doing it. We read how they made the:

- curtains (from twisted linen, and blue, purple, and crimson wool)
- coverings (ram and tachash skins)
- walls (acacia wood),
- vessels: the ark (gold and wood with a golden crown encircling its rim), and the cherubim (carved from pure gold), and the Menorah (also pure gold), and the golden altar for the Ketoret [remember what that is from last week?] and the table (wood covered with gold) and the copper washstand (made from mirrors donated by the Jewish women)
- courtyard
- anything else that belonged in the Mishkan that we may have missed (assorted accessories like poles to carry the vessels, sockets for the planks that made up the walls, a screen for the courtyard, and more...)

RECIPE

Edible Shabbat Candles

Ingredients:

- Stroopwafels (biscuits or wafers can work too)
- Round pretzels
- Wafer rolls
- Mini sandwich cookies
- Candy corn (or other long shaped candy)
- Melted chocolate

Directions:

1. Begin by cutting the two opposite sides of each stroopwafel. If you choose to rectangle biscuits, you do not need to cut the sides.
2. Carefully, cut the round pretzels in half.
3. On a double boiler, or in a ziplock bag with hot water, melt the baking chocolate in the microwave.
4. Working on parchment paper, apply melted chocolate on both ends of the cut pretzel and "glue" it on the side of the waffle cookie.
5. Repeat the same process with the pretzel for the other side of the waffle cookie so it now looks like a tray with handles.
6. Using the melting chocolate as "glue," stick three mini cookies onto the "tray".
7. Take two wafer rolls, dip one side in the melted chocolate, and place them on two of the cookies, acting as candlesticks. Hold each of the wafer rolls in place for 20-30 seconds for the chocolate to harden a bit.
8. Take another wafer roll, cut it in half, and using the chocolate, place it on the remaining cookie.
9. Take three candy corns and dip the flat side in melted chocolate.
10. Place the candy corn on the wafer rolls, acting as the flames.

Now you have a beautiful, delicious and edible Shabbat Candle display for you and your family to enjoy!

UPCOMING EVENTS



**MOMS AND KIDSTM
HAMANTASHEN
BAKING**
SUNDAY, MARCH 13
5:00PM
Make your own traditional
Hamantaschen
with family and friends!
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Moms and Kids Hamantashen Baking
Sunday, March 13 at 5pm
Join family and friends for a fun evening making hamantaschen together in honor of Purim!



Jteen Pre Purim Bash
Monday, March 14 at 7:00pm
Hamantaschen making and packing gift baskets for seniors in our community!
Free admission!
Open to teens in grades 8-12



Purim gala in Dubai
Wednesday, March 16 at 8pm
Megillah Reading, Arabian Masquerade, Live Music and Dancing, Full Dinner and Open Bar!



Family Purim in Outer Space
Thursday, March 17 at 5pm
Celebrate Purim with a Family Purim Party, Hot Buffet Dinner, Kids Masquerade, Megillah Reading, Music and Entertainment and Mishloach Manot!

LETTER OF THE REBBE

THE AWARENESS THAT G-D CONTROLS EXISTENCE AT ALL TIMES AS A KEY TO HAPPINESS

The name of the recipient of this letter was not released.

B"H, 2 Adar I, 5711,
Brooklyn

Greetings and blessings,

..Of course I remember you and I would like to emphasize to you that you should carry out what my revered father-in-law, the Rebbe, told you and repeated to you: that one should be happy at all times.

Surely you remember our conversation [where it was stressed that] that the world is not without an owner.

Instead, just as G-d created it, so too, He controls it at present, in every time and at every moment. Nothing happens without Divine providence. This is the simple faith of every Jew, a believer, the son of believers.

[We] all also believe that G-d is the ultimate of good.

Therefore everything He does is for the good.

Remembering this and contemplating it from time to time [makes it] easier to understand many events in life.

Of primary importance — and this gives [a person] true security in his day-to-day life — is that, in the words of King David: "G-d is my shepherd." As a result, "I shall not lack... because You are with me."

I would be happy if you would find time to write me a few words [describing] how you are feeling. I wish you good health and hope that you will be able to share good tidings concerning it.

With blessings for all [types of] good,
Menachem Schneerson

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synagogue services will give you the opportunity to pray, be inspired and experience spirituality.

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We are here to help you and serve you and look forward to seeing you soon!

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