

Service Times

Masks are no longer required for indoor services or activities. However, we ask that those not fully vaccinated continue to wear masks indoors.

See our full Safe Services Update at Dortikvah.org/services.html.

Babysitting is available from 9am to noon on Shabbat.

* Sign up for services at Dortikvah.org/event/Join-Minyan.

Erev Shabbat

Rosh Chodesh Kislev

Friday, November 5 (Kislev 1)

5:19 pm - Early Candle Lighting

6:00 pm - * Mincha / Kabbalat Shabbat / Maariv

6:07 pm - Late Candle Lighting

Shabbat

Saturday, November 6 (Kislev 2)

9:00 am - * Shacharit

10:22 am - Latest preferable time to say Shema

5:35 pm - * Mincha / Seudah Shlishit

7:04 pm - Maariv / Havdallah

Kiddush Sponsor: *Dovid Felzenberg*

In memory of his grandfather,
Yisroel Teitelbaum's first Yahrtzeit.

Upcoming Sponsors

11/20 - Available 11/27 - Available

Classes

- Daf Yomi with Rabbi Paul & Yoni Alon

Sunday-Thursday 8:30 pm, [Zoom](https://zoom.us) Meeting ID: 5212585813

Contact Dovid for details. dovid.felzenberg@gmail.com

Refuah Shleima

To have a name added or removed, contact charlessteinert@gmail.com.

Ari Simcha ben Ettie Shira

Moshe ben Esther

Luther Reynolds

Talia bat Shoshana

Elijah Meyer ben Chaya

Nachama Chana bat Tzipporah Rachel

Hank Legare

Simcha ben Ettie

Esther bat Alitza

Hodel bat Raozel

Peretz ben Chaim

Dor Tikvah Events & Programs

- * **B'nai Mitzvah of Aaron & Danya Manaker**

Nov. 13th, 9:00 am

Celebrate with us Aaron's & Danya's B'nai Mitzvah!

- * **Congregational Meeting** - Nov. 14th, 3:30 pm

Go to Dortikvah.org/event/Cong-Nov-Meeting for updates and details. (You must be logged in to view.)

- * **Annual Turkey Bowl** - Nov. 25th, 11:00 am

Join us for a friendly game of two-hand touch.

Everyone's invited! Details at

Dortikvah.org/event/TurkeyBowl-2021.

Community Events & Programs

- * **Chanukah in the Square** - Nov. 28th, 4:00 pm

Celebrate Chanukah with the whole community - back at Marion Square! To volunteer for pretzel-making at our booth, contact info@dortikvah.org. Details at Dortikvah.org/event/Chanukah-Square-21.

- * **Night of Giving** - Dec. 5th, 6:00 pm

Join Dor Tikvah and Emanu-El for Tikkun Olam and candle lighting at your local supermarket. Details at Dortikvah.org/event/Giving.

Contributions

Contributions can be made at DorTikvah.org or by mail.

> **Nina & Virgil Mocle**

- In honor of Avraham Lieberman's Bar Mitzvah.

Life Cycle

Birthdays

- > Keath Blatt (11/5)
- > Ben Chase (11/7)
- > Samantha Kirshtein (11/5)
- > Adam Hochman (11/8)
- > Solomon Blatt (11/6)
- > Heidi Sulcas (11/9)

Anniversaries

- > Jason & Samantha Goldberg (11/9)

Yahrzeits

- > Herbert Steinert, Father of Charles Steinert, Uncle of Nathan Kirshstein (11/10)



A Letter From Rabbi Mimran

Dear Congregation,

Of all the Patriarchs, Yitzchak, without question, is the least understood. Avraham, we can all readily appreciate, is the founder of our faith. He recognized Divine unity thereby laying the spiritual foundation of our nation. Ya'akov, or Yisrael, is our very namesake, from whose family the basic structure of the Jewish people, the twelve tribes, emerge. Yitzchak, and his contribution, are somewhat harder to define.

Moreover, if one simply measures the sheer quantity of text, one can readily appreciate the significance of the first and third patriarchs. Avraham dominates a massive portion of text spanning some 12 chapters. Yaakov is granted still more real estate, remaining an essential figure for some twenty-five chapters. Yitzchak, by comparison, receives scant attention. There is not a single parshah, with the possible exception of Toldot, in which he is the dominant figure.

Still further, in all of the critical narratives involving Yitzchak, he is not the dynamic subject driving events, but appears to be acted upon, as an object. He is offered by his father as a sacrifice in the Akeidah narrative; Avraham's trusted servant seeks out a wife on behalf of Yitzchak (in stark contrast to Yaakov, who seeks out his own wife in Rachel); Yaakov acts upon his father Yitzchak, in wresting the blessing from Esav.

The reason for all this? Simply put, the major project of his life was not in the social arena, in his interactions with others, but in an **inner work of self-perfection and Divine service**. Yitzchak is twice featured in the Torah engaged in intense prayer, the outward manifestation of an inner life consumed by commitment to the Almighty. He never ceases being the individual who had been prepared to literally be slaughtered in fulfillment of Divine edict. For this reason, the Sages identify him with the virtue of Gevurah, of inner strength. This truly was the *raison d'être* of his existence.

In this sense, Yitzchak was the perfect man to follow in the footsteps of his trailblazing, charismatic father. He succeeds in consolidating Avraham's groundbreaking contributions, and in simultaneously setting the stage for his dynamic son to begin the process of transforming the family of Abraham into a nascent nation.

We reside in an extroverted age of celebrity worship, social media, and personal branding. Our society values the reality star, the musician, the politician, the extroverted and outspoken shaper of events and affairs. The quiet, introverted man of gravitas whose life is devoted to refining his own character and drawing closer to G-d is a virtual nonentity in our culture. Despite this, Yitzchak is a reminder that one of our nation's founders had the latter personality and was equally as paramount.

Shabbat Shalom to you all!

Rabbi Sholom Mimran