



### Service Times

#### **Friday, August 30 (Av 29)**

6:10pm – Mincha/ Kabbalat Shabbat/ Maariv  
6:27pm – Earliest Candle Lighting  
7:29pm – Late Candle Lighting

#### **Saturday, August 31 (Av 30)**

9:00am – Shacharit  
10:06am – Latest preferable time to say Shema  
10:30am – Shabbat Morning Youth Groups

6:05 pm – Parsha Shiur  
6:50 pm – Mincha  
8:24 pm – Maariv/Havdalah

#### **Kiddush Sponsor**

*Edie and Joe Rubin*

in memory of Edie's parents, Simcha & Magda Hirsch, on the anniversary of their landing in Palestine Sept. 2, 1939, enduring Aliyah Bet, to join in building & defense of the State of Israel.

9/7 – Ruth and Barry Warren in memory of their parents at Yahrzeit time  
9/14 – Available

9/21 – The family of Nate Feldman in honor of the celebration of his Bar Mitzvah

Please consider marking a special event in your life by sponsoring a Kiddush. Contact Lenny Zucker at lenbarbz@alum.mit.edu. Regular Kiddush is \$150. Shabbat Academy Kiddush/Lunch is \$275.

### Weekday Services

Mincha/ Maariv  
Monday & Wednesday 6:00 pm.

### Regular Classes

*All current classes  
available through Facebook Live.*

- **"Ezra Nechemiah"** with Kenny Abitbol  
Mon. following services at approx. 7:15pm
- **Lunchtime Talmud** with Rabbi Davies  
Thur. at 12pm – Uncover the depth of Jewish law.
- **"Cholent and Learn"** with Kenny Abitbol  
Thur. at 8pm – Reset and reflect on the High Holy Days.

### Life Cycle

#### Yahrzeit

- Ethel Steinert, Grandmother of Charles Steinert (8/31)
- Irma Schneyer, Grandmother of Matthew Engel (8/31)
- Isabel Shawinsky, Mother of Arlene Rosenthal (8/31)

#### Anniversary

- Ben & Susan Chase (9/3)
- Gerald & Sandra Katz (9/4)

### Coming Up

#### **Totally Tot Shabbat – Sept. 7, 10:30am**

First Saturday of every month.  
For more info, contact youth@dortikvah.org

#### **Holla 4 Challah – Sept. 15, 10am**

Challah making, crafts, stories, and fun for kids ages 2-12.  
To RSVP, contact sharynb@jewishcharleston.org.

### Community Events

#### **Amiel BaKehila Delegations – Sept. 8-10**

Events with Community Educator: Rabbi Pesach Wolicki & Arts Ambassador: Avigayle Adler Katz *Details to come.*

#### **Evening with Daniel Gordis – Sept. 15, 7pm**

Israeli author of *We Stand Divided: The Rift Between American Jews and Israel*. Register at aipac.org /Charleston2019

#### **Charleston Mayoral Debate – Sept. 19, 7:30pm**

Charleston mayoral candidates discussing issues in West Ashley. Submit questions at bit.do/mayoraldebate.

### Refuah Shelema

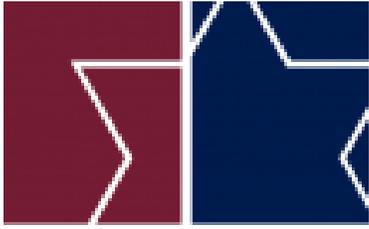
Robert Levinson  
Simcha ben Etle  
Hodel bat Raozel  
Laella bat Simcha  
Yehudit Elisheva  
bat Miriam Leah Claret  
(Kate Kalin Tobakos)  
Miriam bat Mazal  
Talia bat Shoshana  
Bloom bat Chaya Sara  
(Bertha Hoffman)  
Yisrael ben Chaya  
Yisrael Haynu  
ben Shimon Avraham  
Etta Tzivia bat Leila  
Chaiah Leah bat Shier  
Bear Phillips  
Yocheved Koplowitz  
Zev Wolf ben Miriam Chana  
Ephraim Fishel Aryeh ben Tzirel  
Chana bat Batya  
(Wendy Coplan Gould)

Baruch ben Yehudit Basha  
Aryeh Chaim Simcha  
ben Yael Bracha  
(Teddy Mocle Levine)  
Liba Doba Borer bat Yael Bracha  
(Josephina Mocle Levine)  
Sheva bat Hensa Freyda  
(Lolita Hasid)  
Elijah Myer ben Malkah  
Eliezer ben Miriam  
(Larry Goodman)  
Esther bat Alitza  
Bracha Chaya Tzipa Sara  
bat Yocheved Chava  
Miriam bat Yenta Gruna  
Michal bat Kayla Minda  
Phyllis Shorago  
Yisroel Mordechai Ben Fradel  
Shoshana bat Chaya  
Baruch Leib ben Chaya Freidel  
(Burt Roslyn)  
Miriam bat Rochal

### Contributions

- Leah Chase at yahrzeit time in memory of her good friend, Sydney Solomon Richman

*We appreciate all contributions - those of \$10 or more will be acknowledged here.*  
Contributions in support of CDT can be made at DorTikvah.org, or by check to Congregation Dor Tikvah—1645 Raoul Wallenberg Blvd., Charleston, SC 29407



**Re'eh**  
**(Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17)**  
**Shades of Gray**  
by Rabbi Max Weiman [aish.com](http://aish.com)



"See I put before you today a blessing and a curse" (Deut. 11:26). This is a poignant phrase from a densely evocative section of the Torah. What is a curse? What is a blessing? Why is so much of life an enigmatic mixture of the two?

When you have a pain in your elbow, you are in discomfort and want the pain to go away. But the pain is your body's way of telling you there is a problem. Maybe there's an inflammation, a cyst, or something worse. If you don't experience any pain, you would not go to the doctor to find out what is wrong, and the problem could escalate or be fatal. So the next time you feel a pain, say "Thank G-d I feel pain!" Because if you didn't feel the pain, you'd be in for a worse problem.

Life has many situations that seem bad on the surface, but a deeper look reveals a true benefit. We can't be short-sighted or superficial. We need to always be on the lookout for a benefit hidden within a problem. That's part of being wise - looking past the surface.

In some ways, the nature of the universe forces an illusion of G-d's non-existence. He is hidden, though He permeates everything. This is the way He designed it. We don't automatically recognize Him. However by looking for Him, we gain merit. By working out intellectually how there has to be an Infinite Creator, we develop a more personal and more powerful understanding of G-d than if it were given to us without any work.

#### **A BLESSING THAT IS A CURSE**

Millions of people want to win the lottery. They devise strategies, examine dreams, and spend lots of money trying to win. Superficially they think of the lottery as the ultimate blessing, more money than they would know what to do with. But is winning really a blessing? There is a higher rate of divorce and suicide among lottery winners. Many go through all the money quickly and even wind up in debt. A windfall of money that you did not earn, and find difficult to acclimate to, can be a very stressful challenge.

These winners start elated and delirious - and then as time wears on, they find that their character hasn't changed. They are not better, wiser or more likable. But many people are now making stressful demands on them. Their "old friends" start showing up asking for financial favors. They don't know who of their "new friends" they can trust at all. If they weren't responsible before being wealthy, money just provides more opportunities with which to be irresponsible.

Wisdom comes from looking deeper into life. Don't judge things on appearance or by how your body reacts. Your body reacts well to chocolate cake. (You get excited and salivate.) But who says it's healthy? Maybe it's the wrong thing for you to eat. By nature, our bodies react to stimulation. Our mind has to take the reins and decide what to do about the desires of the body.

#### **WHICH WAY IS UP?**

The world is purposely confusing. A path before you is rarely black and white. It is more often shades of gray. Look around and you'll see people doing things that they think are wonderful, and you think is terrible. Suicide bombers think they're doing a holy act.

It takes wisdom to discern what is taking you toward G-d, and what is pulling you away from Him. What is bringing more light into the world, and what is bringing more darkness.

Look past the surface. Think. It's the only way.