



# Congregation Ahavat Shalom

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Rabbi Yehuda Halpert

Shabbat day: 35<sup>5</sup>, Partly Cloudy

## Shabbat Times



<b>Friday, February 8</b>	
Candle Lighting:	5:04 PM
Mincha/Maariv:	5:05 PM
<b>Shabbat, February 9</b>	
Shacharit:	9:00 AM
Kriyat Shema:	9:34 AM
Mincha / Shalosh	
Sendot:	4:55 PM
Shkiya:	5:23 PM
Maariv:	6:00 PM
Havdalah:	6:05 PM
<b>Next Friday, February 15</b>	
Candle Lighting:	5:10 PM
Mincha/Maariv:	5:15 PM

**Weather Report:** Friday night 23<sup>3</sup>, Clear

**Welcome** to Rabbi Hess and Anshe Chesed of Linden, NJ who are joining us this Shabbat! Thank you for sponsoring a hot (and sushi) kiddush!

**Welcome** to Yossi Fogel and to Racheli & Tzvika Poleyoff who just moved into the community!

**Winter Mystery Shabbat is upon us!** Whether you have participated before or this will be your first time, sign up for Winter Mystery Shabbat! Either sign up as a host or as a guest, and enjoy your lunch meal on Shabbat, March 16, 2019 (Parshat Vayikra). Please sign up at <https://goo.gl/forms/4vihYFH8QVcuzIq12>. For more information, reach out to Yael Wine or Deena Bernstein!

**DISTRIBUTED: 2019 Ahavat Shalom Calendar** - Move over family photos on the fridge! The 2019 Ahavat Shalom is out to all member households! If you did not receive your copy, please contact your Vice President!

**Touching base in Tahara** - Congregation Bnai Yeshurun invites all women to join Michal Zahtz for a Taharat HaMishpacha Refresher for Women. Tuesday, February 12, 2019: A Deeper Look at Taharat HaMishpacha - Halacha and Hashkafa Tuesday, February 19, 2019: The Mikvah - A Most Sacred Place: Mikvah Halacha and Hashkafa. Tuesday, February 26, 2019: Intimacy: Keeping the Spark Burning 8:00 pm – CBY Social Hall, 641 West Englewood Avenue, Teaneck, NJ Join for one, or for all three! Please submit questions in advance to [mzahtz@gmail.com](mailto:mzahtz@gmail.com)

**Comedy Night** - Congregation Bnai Yeshurun's BNOT invite you to join us for an evening of stand-up comedy and great food, starring Eli Lebowicz. Sunday, February 17th - Dinner at 7:30 pm and show at 8:00 pm in the CBY Social Hall. \$18/person until Feb. 14th. \$25/person at the door. Sponsorships available: \$180 includes 2 tickets & 2nd tier VIP seating; \$360 includes 4 tickets & 1st tier VIP seating. For more information or to register please visit [www.bnaiyeshurun.org/bnot](http://www.bnaiyeshurun.org/bnot)

**A Taste of Hope** - Bonei Olam, an organization dedicated to helping families struggling with fertility issues, is hosting a free event for men and women, featuring Naomi Nachman and her famous Chopped Competition! The event will take place on Motzei Shabbat, February 23, 2019 at 8:30 PM at Keter Torah! No RSVP required!

**CPR Course** - In conjunction with Madison Programs, Shaarei Orah, located at 1425 Essex Rd., Teaneck, will be offering a 2-hour CPR course, for ages 13 plus, on Sunday, February 24th at 6:30PM. Price is \$75 per person. Price includes the 2-hour course and training materials as well as certification, textbook and a certification card from American Heart Association. To reserve and pay for a spot click on this link <https://www.sephardictaneck.org/form/CPR> We have limited space, so please reserve ASAP. Spots will be reserved on a first come, first served basis. If you have any questions, please email [office@sephardictaneck.org](mailto:office@sephardictaneck.org) or call the office at 201-833-0800.

### Congregation Ahavat Shalom Board Members 2018-2019

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We welcome your input! Please send your newsletter announcements by Wednesday of each week to ensure they make it in!

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### Rabbi Halpert's Availability

Rabbi Yehuda Halpert will be here: 29, 216, 223, 39.

He can be reached via email at [RabbiYehudaHalpert@gmail.com](mailto:RabbiYehudaHalpert@gmail.com), or phone in the evenings at 201-836-3828. In the event of an emergency, Rabbi Halpert can also be reached at 212-909-6951.

### Yeshivat Noam Youth Groups

Groups for children ages 2-4 will be located in Room 3 from 9:30am - 10:45am. Morah Shira and Morah Melissa, two Yeshivat Noam teachers, will supervise. Toys and books will be provided by Yeshivat Noam. We ask parents to please send your child with a snack. Signup is on the website.

### Chesed Committee

If you or anyone you know has moved in recently or knows somebody moving in, please let Shira Russell-Giller know! Check out [ahavatshalomteaneck.com/movingin](http://ahavatshalomteaneck.com/movingin) for more information.





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### Visiting, and Hosting, Hashem

The requirement to build a *Beis Ha'mikdash* is counted among the six hundred and thirteen *mitzvos*, and applies in every generation whenever possible. Yechezkel *hanavi* (11:16) told *Bnei Yisroel* that they would be exiled to *Bavel*, and even though they will not have the real *Beis Ha'mikdash* they will have a "*mikdash me'at* - miniature *Beis Ha'mikdash*." The *gemarah* (*Megillah* 29b) understands this to be a reference to all *shuls* and *yeshivos* in *Bavel* and all over the world. The Chayei Adam (quoting R' Eliezer Mi'mitz in *Sefer Yerayim*) says that *kidushas beis ha'kneses* and *Beis Ha'mikdash* are of biblical origin. Rabbi Dovid of Novardok (*Teshuvos Galya Masechta*) assumes that according to the Ramban who writes (*Parshas Naso*) that there is a biblical *mitzvah* to celebrate upon the completion of the building of the *Beis Ha'mikdash*, it would constitute a biblical *mitzvahto* to celebrate a *chanukas ha'bayis* upon the inauguration of a new shul or a new *beis ha'medrash*.

Rav Soloveitchik (*Shiurim Lezeicher Avi Mori*, Vol. 2, pages 78-83) explained that one of the main purposes of the *Beis Ha'mikdash* is for us to have a location where we can get together with Hashem. The *Beis Ha'mikdash* is *beis Hashem*, Hashem's home, and we go there to "visit" Him. *Shuls* and *yeshivos*, however, are our home and Hashem "comes" to them in order to "visit" us. When one goes to visit the King in his palace, one must be much more respectful than when the king is visiting in one's home. This is why the *chumash* speaks of *morah ha'mikdash* (extreme respect for the *Beis Ha'mikdash*) and the *gemarah* and *Shulchan Aruch* speak of *k'vod beis ha'kneses*, a slightly lower level of respect.

The *Shulchan Aruch*, quoting the *Talmud Yerushalmi*, says that *bigdei yom tov* must be fancier than *bigdei shabbos*. Rav Soloveitchik (*ibid*) explained that on the *Shalosh Regolim* we have an obligation to be *oleh leregel*, to visit the *Ribbono Shel Olam* in His palace. On Shabbos, on the other hand, the *Shechinah* comes to visit us. When we recite *Kabbolas Shabbos*, we are not only greeting the Shabbos Queen, but also the *Shechina* who is visiting us. Consequently the *minhag* in Europe used to be that everyone stood for *Lecho Dodi*; it was treated as a *dovor shebikedusha*, since the *kohol* was greeting the *Shechina* who was coming to visit us on *Shabbos*. Therefore, the *bigdei yom tov* should be more elegant than *bigdei Shabbos* because on the *regolim* we are visiting the King in his palace, as opposed to *Shabbos* when the King is coming to visit us.

Rabbi Hershel Schachter

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