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Shabbat Chazon

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Av 7-8

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Shabbat Times



Friday, July 16	
Candle Lighting:	8:08 PM
Mincha/Maariv:	7:15 PM
Shabbat, July 17	
Shacharit (Indoor):	9:00 AM
Kriyat Shema:	9:20 AM
Mincha (No Shul SS)	6:00 PM
Shkiya:	8:25 PM
Maariv:	9:25 PM
Shabbat Ends:	9:07 PM
Next Friday, July 23	
Candle Lighting:	8:08 PM
Mincha/Maariv:	7:15 PM

Weather Report: Friday night: 73°, Cloudy

Shabbat day: 87°, Cloudy, Chance of Rain

Membership - Please fill out the membership form located on the Shul website under the membership tab.

Amud Yomi - Finding time to learn during the day can be difficult, especially for those who are working. The Amud Yomi group is on a schedule to complete Shas in 15 years. This program is doable, even for those without a lot of time in their day, and is a great opportunity to incorporate learning into your daily life! If you are interested in doing this alongside like-minded individuals within our community, please reach out to **Ami Kirschner** for more details at ami.kirschner@gmail.com or 347-233-1180.

Ahavat Shalom & Amazon Smile - Help the Shul while you shop on Amazon! When using the following link, Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase to Ahavat Shalom: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3148603/>.

Community News & Events

Project Ezra Young Leadership Council Spend a night out with friends, meet new people in the community, while supporting and learning about one of the most important Tzedakahs in Bergen County! Join the **Project Ezra Young Leadership Council's Inaugural Young Professional Event** for a delicious tapas buffet dinner, drinks & desserts & an amazing show! Featuring a special performance from **Mr. Hypno**. The event will take place on **August 11, 2021 at 6:00 PM at Keter Torah**. Sign up here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScDTfGUnH1-ThuXONmN6BDXmV71HKqEe3k5La4OW9hCOTO/viewform>

Kiddush is Back! Weekly Hot Kiddushes at Ahavat Shalom have returned! We hope to see everyone in shul and at Kiddush!

Thank you to **Yonatan**, a Jewish apparel and accessories company owned by our members **Aviva** and **Neil Bodner**, for sponsoring this week's Kiddush! Additional sponsorship opportunities are available. Please reach out president@teaneckapartments.com for more information.

Masks in Shul - Masks are **no longer required** to be worn in Shul.

Laining/Davening - If you are interested in Laining or leading Davening, please reach out to **Meir Safrin** or **Avi Skidelsky**.

Welcome to the Community!

Anna and Jordan Hod

Please inform a board member if you or someone you know recently moved into the community.

If you did not receive the newsletter via email, please email board@teaneckapartments.com.

Tisha B'Av

This coming Shabbat is known as "Shabbat Chazon" after the beginning of the Haftarah, "Chazon Yeshayahu ben Amotz," the "Vision of Yeshayahu, the son of Amotz." The haftarah is read to the same haunting melody as is "Megilat Eichah," and it describes the breakdown of the relationship between Bnai Yisrael and Hakadosh-Barchu-Hu. Tish'a Bav begins motzai Shabbat. The fast begins at sunset which is at **8:25 PM**. There is no eating after this time, but visible acts of mourning, such as sitting on the floor and removing leather shoes do not begin until after Shabbos at **9:07** at which point "Baruch Hamavdil bein Kodosh Lechol" is recited (but not the full havdalah) one changes out of shoes and their ma'ariv will take place at **9:25**. **The Shul has pamphlets with Eichah and Kinot Unique Halachot For This Year.**

Seuda Hamafsekes - There is no seuda hamafsekes this year because erev Tisha BeAv is on Shabbos. Mincha will be early at 6:00 PM to allow a regular Seuda Shlishit to be eaten before the fast begins. A mezuza can be recited if a group has eaten together.

Havdala - On Saturday night we make the bracha of bore meorei hashen on the candle and that is it. On Sunday night havdala is made without a candle or spices, with just the brachos of bore pri hagafen and barch hamavdil. Unless one hasa minhag not to recite Havdalah during the 9 days on Wine or grape juice, these can be used and drunk by an adult.

General Halachot:

Tish'a B'Av, is the saddest and most tragic day of the year. It is a day of fasting and mourning which commemorates five catastrophes in Jewish history (Ta'anit 26b):

On Tish'a B'Av the following prohibitions are in practice:

Fasting - We refrain from eating and drinking for the 25 hour period beginning sundown Saturday night until nightfall Sunday night (anyone who is pregnant or sick should contact me to discuss fasting as in certain situations fasting may not be required).

Shoes - No leather footwear is worn, including leather sneakers.

Washing - No bathing for pleasure. Wash (until the knuckles of the hand) only upon arising, to remove dirt, or after taking care of bodily needs or after taking care of a baby or young child's bodily needs.

Marital Relations - are prohibited on this day.

Studying Torah - Torah study gladdens the heart and is therefore prohibited, save for such books as Eichah, Kinot, Ivov, selections from Yereimiah that deal with churban, parts of the Talmud that deal with the destruction of the Temple or the laws of mourning (i.e. Moed Katan 14a-18a, 19a-29a; Sanhedrin 104a-b; Gitin 55b-58a).

Work - One should not engage in any business affairs at least all evening and all morning of the fast day. After chatzot on Tisha B'Av, if it is absolutely necessary, one is permitted to engage in business affairs.

Sitting - It is customary to sit only on a low stools until chatzot (EOT PM) of Tisha B'Av

Greetings - We, as mourners, do not greet one another in our customary manner on this tragic day.

Minimized Comfort - It is customary to deprive oneself of some comfort when going to sleep (i.e. fewer pillows).

Tefillah and Minhagei Beit Knesset on Tisha B'Av:

Saturday night in shul, as a sign of mourning, only those lights that are necessary for reading are lit. The parochet for the Aron Kodesh and the decorative cover for the bimah are removed. Following ma'ariv we sit on the floor or on low benches for the reading of Eichah. After Eichah several kinot are recited. Sunday morning because the talit and tefilin are called religious "adornments" and are symbols of beauty, neither is worn at the morning services on Tisha B'Av. A special selection is read from the Torah and the Haftarah during shacharit and a larger selection of kinot are recited in the morning, following shacharit. After chatzot several of the mourning practices are relaxed. The ark and bimah covers are replaced and we once again sit on regular chairs. Talit and tefilin are worn for mincha. At this time the Shema is recited in full since in it the laws of tefilin are mentioned. In the shemoneh esrei two special paragraphs are recited: Aneinu, as on every fast day, and Nacheim, which is unique to Tisha B'Av.

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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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Fertility Resources

The resources are on the shul website and can be accessed directly from the homepage. The resources include reproductive specialists, support groups, and helpful organizations.



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