

SHABBAT SCHEDULE	
6:48pm	Earliest Candle Lighting
8:03pm	Shabbat Candle Lighting
Friday Night	
6:45pm	Musical Kabbalat Shabbat in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Ma'ariv and a sushi and wine Kiddush on the Spira Terrace with Guest Speaker, Lori Palatnik on <i>"An Orthodox Look at Orthodoxy—One Modern Woman's Journey to Tradition"</i>
7:05pm	Early Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer . Dvar Torah given by Rabbi Shaul Robinson .
8:05pm	Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.
Shabbat Morning	
7:45am	Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by a shiur given by Rabbi Moshe Sokolow
9:00am	Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer . Drasha given by Rabbi Shaul Robinson followed by Musaf. Remarks from Lori Palatnik following Musaf.
9:09am	Latest Shema
9:15am	Beginners Service led by Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald in Rm LL201
9:45am	Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash
10:00am	Youth Groups for children ages 2-12
11:00am	"Baby & Me" (ages 0-24 months, 3rd floor gym)
Shabbat Afternoon	
12:30pm	Beginners Luncheon: Welcome to all those who are attending
4:00pm	Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society: Meets in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer to visit patients at Mount Sinai West. (New volunteers needed and welcome)
6:05pm	Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler in the Belfer Beit Midrash
6:50pm	Samson Raphael Hirsch Bible Class with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald in Rm 211
6:50pm	Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shabbat Pre-Mincha Shiur in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary given by Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld on <i>"Bechukotai: The Fascinating and Dangerous Art of Knowing the Reasons for Mitzvot"</i>
7:50pm	Mincha/Seudah Shlishit.
9:04pm	Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

ROSH CHODESH	
The molad for Rosh Chodesh Sivan will be on Monday morning 54 minutes and 1 chelek after 2 AM. Rosh Chodesh Sivan will be on Tuesday.	
WELCOME	
<p>This Shabbat, we welcome Lori Palatnik who is a world-renowned Jewish educator, speaker, writer, and media personality. She is the author of four books, <i>"Friday Night and Beyond"</i>, <i>"Gossip"</i>, <i>"Remember My Soul"</i>, and <i>"Turn Your Husband Into Your Soul Mate"</i>. She is the host of a popular video blog and is a frequent guest on television and radio programs. Lori is the mother of five children and one grandchild, who was born in Jerusalem. Jewish Women International named Lori as one of "Ten Women to Watch" and Hadassah called Lori, "One of the Great American Jewish Women of our Time." Lori Palatnik is Founding Director of Momentum.</p>	
SEFIRA REMINDER	
Shabbat is the 42nd day of the Omer.	
THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS	
<p>Hashkama Kiddush: Judy & Moshe Sokolow and Aviva and Marvin Sussman in memory of their parents Sol & Roslyn Sussman, z"l, and Charles Bendheim, z"l, whose yahrtzeits are all in the month of Iyyar.</p> <p>The Horwitz family in memory of their father, Eli Horwitz z"l מאיר אליהו בן יוסף.</p> <p>Main Kiddush: Sponsors welcome.</p> <p>Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan Kiddush: The Schenker family in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Irene Oma Schenker a"h.</p> <p>Beginners Kiddush: Diane & Jeffrey Aiken and Gary & Helen Hutmacher and families in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Harry Hutmacher z"l.</p> <p>Seudah Shlishit: Lois Gottesman in commemoration of the yahrtzeits of her beloved father Bernard Gottesman z"l and her maternal grandparents David and Esther Davidovic hy"d.</p> <p>Joyce and David Friedman in commemoration of the first yahrtzeit of David's father, Maurice "Moish" Friedman, Moshe Ze'ev ben Azriel Zvi z"l.</p>	
HAKARAT HATOV	
Morris Shamah for writing this week's Dvar Torah.	
MAZAL TOV	
Grandma Rita Lourie-Galena on the birth of a baby boy to proud parents Hindy Poupko and Seth Galena.	
HOSPITALITY NEEDS	
LSS Teen Directors and Rabbinic Intern, Zac & Rachel Schwartz are in need of meals and lodging on June 21-22. E: hospitality@lss.org Subject: "Interns"	

THIS SUNDAY	
Celebrate Israel Parade: 12:20pm March up 5 Ave. and show your support for Israel. Location: West 53rd St between Fifth and Sixth Avenues, look for the UWS banner.	

GRADUATION MAIN KIDDUSH: SHABBAT, JUNE 22	
<p>Time to celebrate this year's graduates! To submit a graduate's name please email info@lss.org with the name of the graduate and the school they are graduating from.</p> <p>Additionally, please email info@lss.org if you would like to sponsor the graduation main Kiddush.</p>	



Weekly Prayer	Schedule:	June 2				
Day	Sunday Yom Yerushalayim	Monday	Tuesday Rosh Chodesh Sivan	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Daf Yomi	7:45am	6:15am	6:15am	6:20am	6:15am	6:20am
Shacharit	7:00am, 8:30am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:00am, 7:40am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am
Early M&M						7:05pm
Mincha/Maariv	8:10pm	8:10pm	8:10pm	8:15pm	8:15pm	8:10pm

LSS ANNUAL DINNER: ABOUT OUR HONOREES

LSS Annual Dinner
Sunday, June 16
5:30pm



To register, please visit
www.lss.org/campaign/annualdinner2019

This year's LSS 55th Annual Dinner theme is "Pay it Forward". We are honoring three inspiring couples who have given back to the LSS community through their participation and hard work. This week's spotlight honorees are our Young Leadership Award recipients, **Talia and Liron David**.

**TALIA & LIRON
DAVID**
YOUNG LEADERSHIP
AWARD



Born and bred on the Upper West Side, Liron David's roots run deep at Lincoln Square Synagogue. In joy, Rabbi Riskin officiated at his parents' wedding. And years later, when Rafi and Julie David became ill and passed away, Rabbi Robinson was there for comfort and encouragement. The David family remains deeply moved by the community's steadfast support.

Liron and Talia are active members of the Rabbi Cohen Memorial Minyan, where Liron is a lyrical ba'al tefilla. Both Liron and Talia are leaders of the LSS youth department and help to organize Shabbat and holiday programming. Drawing on his expertise as an event planner, LSS depends on Liron to help produce events such as movie night and the annual dinner.

Talia and Liron are the parents of Jack, Sam and Mia – the third generation of David members at LSS.

SHAVUOT @ LSS

Saturday, June 8: The Rabbi Moshe Kasirer Tikun Leil Shavuot:

10:45pm– 5:00am: Join us this year for an evening of learning! The evening starts with Women's Tefillah Group at 10:45pm on "*When Prayer becomes Rote. Digging Yourself Out*" followed by Rabbi Shaul Robinson as the Keynote speaker at 11:45pm. The learning continues throughout the evening with various classes and discussions until 5:00am. Please pick up the Shavuot booklet for more details located in our lobby.

Saturday, June 8: Beginners All Night Shavuot Learn-A-Thon:

12:45am-7:00am: Following Rabbi Shaul Robinson's opening remarks, Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald's class will start at 12:45am and will continue to 4:45am. Topic: "*The Taryag Mitzvot: A Survey of the 613 Commandments*," starting with mitzvah #492: "Prohibition against planting an *Asheira* (an idolatrous tree)-- or any tree, near the Temple altar." Refreshments will be served. No reservation necessary.

Sunday & Monday, June 9 and 10: 11:00am:

Join the Youth Department for a Scoops and Sprinkles Ice Cream Party during youth groups on June 9 and a Har Sinai Cake Creation during groups on the 10. To sponsor an event email youth@lss.org

Sunday & Monday, June 9 and 10: Tea & Torah: 7:00pm:

Join Community Educator Zissy Turner as we examine stories in the Talmud, of Rabbis and their wives trying to achieve work/life balance. Topic: "Happy Wife, Happy Life? Wives in the Talmud"
Location: Spira Terrace

Monday, June 9: Mishna Siyum Shavuot Luncheon: Following Musaf

A delicious dairy feast catered by Village Crown.
www.lss.org/shavoutluncheon. Location: Ballroom

SHAVOUT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Email info@lss.org to sponsor any of the items below
or call 212-874-6100 ext. 105

Please include the sponsorship wording which you would like listed

Sponsor a shiur:

Clergy Shiur (\$360) Rabbinic Interns/Community Educators Shiur (\$120)

Flowers for Main Sanctuary \$600

Flowers for Beit Midrash \$300

Keynote Speech with Rabbi Shaul Robinson: \$500

Tikun Leil Cheesecake Fest: \$1,400 (partial sponsorships welcome)

Mishna Siyum Luncheon sponsor: a delicious dairy meal catered by Village Crown. Gold Sponsor: \$360 or Silver Sponsor: \$180

Two Tea & Torah Refreshments \$360 each (one available)

Youth Department: two sponsorship opportunities (see above box)

The Magen Avraham Teen Department All Night Learning

MISHNAH PROJECT

We are keeping a decades-old LSS tradition of learning the whole Mishnah between Pesach and the second day of Shavuot - and we can't accomplish this goal without YOU! Please contribute and help us achieve our goal of having every member and friend of LSS take on (at least) one small Mishnah portion to learn. We promise you a meaningful and elevating experience, all in time for Shavuot.

Volunteer mentors or study partners are available upon request.

Please sign up at <http://hadranalach.com/847> to choose a portion you would like to study. All learning will culminate with a celebratory Siyum luncheon on Monday, June 10 following Musaf.

We are asking participants this year to learn their Mishnayot in honor of the memory of our beloved Chazzan Sherwood Goffin, R' Shimon ben Chaim Eliezer z"l.

In addition, please consider learning in memory of an IDF soldiers who fell in the defense of Medinat Israel. Those who participated in past years found it to be a very meaningful experience. Please email Nathan at nvogel212@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, June 3: Israelis, American Jewry and the Peace

Process: 7:00pm

The majority of the American Jewry is liberal and progressive, while the majority of the Israelis—as demonstrated by the recent election—lean to the right. The rift between the two main Jewish groups is widening, the mutual criticism—especially regarding the "peace process"—is increasing. Is there a way to bridge between the trends in the US and Israel? Come hear Israeli religious Zionist Dr. Mordechai Kedar and find out. Cost: \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. To register, please visit www.lss.org/event/peaceprocess.

Sunday, June 16: LSS Annual Dinner: 5:30pm

To register, please visit www.lss.org/campaign/annualdinner2019.

Monday, June 17: Membership Meeting: 6:45pm

Please click link on electronic version of Echod for the membership proxy form.

Sunday, July 14: Private Museum Tour: 11:00am

Museum of Jewish History tour and Auschwitz exhibit.

Private museum tour with Janice Katz. Cost: \$30. To register please visit www.lss.org/event/museumtour.

Monday, July 15: Private Museum Tour: 7:00pm

Museum of Jewish History tour and Auschwitz exhibit.

Private museum tour with Mary Shalit. Cost: \$30. To register please visit www.lss.org/event/museumtour.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday:

- **Sunday Morning Responsa** with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld; Takes place after the 2nd Minyan. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

Monday:

- ***(Will resume June 17) Chug Ivrit** given by Hai Piazsky and Dan Munk. 7:00pm-8:15pm. In this class, we read articles from the Israeli press, watch videos of news stories, documentaries and comedy clips, listen to (and sing along!) to Israeli songs and chat in Ivrit. Location: Rm 207
- **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Levels I and II.** These classes last 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all. Register at www.lss.org/beginners.
- **Ramchal: Ethicist, Poet, Philosopher, Mystic, Renaissance Man** led by Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld. 8:30pm-9:15pm. A five-part series introducing and exploring the life and works of Rabbi Moshe Chaim Luzzatto (1707-1746), one of Jewish History's most influential and remarkable thinkers. This will be the final class of the series. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Tuesday:

- **The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha"** led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am– 11:30am. Location: Rm LL201
- **Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group** led by Ron Platzer: 7:00pm-7:50pm. M'lachim, the Book of Kings - the death of David, the magnificent reign of Solomon and his fall, the split kingdom, the dramatic tales of Elijah and Elisha, and so much more. Join our lively weekly study/discussion group as we analyze, pasuk by pasuk, these exciting Biblical narratives. Location: Rm 211
- **Community Kollel:** organized by Rabbinic Intern and Teen Director, Zac Schwartz: 7:30pm-9:30pm. A groundbreaking program featuring impressive young educators. Choose between mini classes and one on one learning. Catering to aspiring learners of all backgrounds, from beginner to yeshiva veteran. This will be the final class. To register please click on the link in the Echod electronic version or email teens@lss.org. Location: Beit Midrash
- **Free Crash Course in Basic Judaism** led by Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald: 7:00pm. This will be the first of three classes. Topic: Belief in G-d and Prayer. To register, please visit www.njop.org/ccbj or call 646-871-4444.

Wednesday:

- **Beit Midrash night: The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai** given by Sara Brzowsky: 7:30pm-8:30pm. Location: Rm 207

Thursday:

- **Women's Talk Time:** led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Last Week's Topic: "Why Volunteer?" Location: Rm LL201.
- ***(Please note this is an offsite event) Lunch & Learn:** led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 12:45pm-1:30pm. If you are interested in attending, please email Micah Bloomfield at mbloomfield@stroock.com. Location: 180 Maiden Lane NY, NY 10038
- **The Jacob Adler Parsha Class:** Explorations in the Weekly Parsha led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 7:00pm-8:00pm Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Happy Learning

LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE PRESENTS



ISRAELIS, AMERICAN JEWS, AND THE PEACE PROCESS



WITH DR. MORDECHAI KEDAR

The majority of American Jews are liberal and progressive, while – as the recent elections show -- the majority of Israelis are leaning to the right. The rift between the two groups is widening, especially regarding the "peace process". Is there a way to bridge the gaps between Israelis and American Jews? Join us and find out.

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Dr. Mordechai Kedar was born in Tel Aviv. He is a religious Zionist and an expert in Islam, the Arab world and Israeli Arab relations. He served for 25 years in IDF Military Intelligence, where he specialized in Islamic groups, the political discourse of Arab countries, the Arabic press and mass media.

**MONDAY,
JUNE 3
7:00 PM**

**\$10
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ONLINE**

**\$15
@DOOR**

REGISTER AT WWW.LSS.ORG/EVENT/PEACEPROCESS

DVAR TORAH

Parshat Bechukotai

June 1, 2019

Written by: Morris Shamah

"FANATICS RATIONALISTS SPIRITUALISTS TRADITIONALISTS"

So, Ron Platzer asked me to write a piece for the Echod.

Great—I have a chance to write about the contrast between the Nominalism of Pharisee *halacha* and the realism of the Qumran documents. No. No—why not write about the Rambam's esoteric view of Divine providence, as listed in Book Two of the Moreh Nevuchim, or maybe about his concept of *Olam Haba*.

Wait a minute—are you stupid, Morris? Is this what this shul-wide publication is about? Is it meant to be an academic showplace for one's latest readings or to be a spiritual and uplifting encouragement to one and all? Of course. the Echod *Dvar Torah* is meant to be a feel-good encouraging piece to be read by young and old, by scholars and lay people, by children and adults. So why show off?

When a successful Rabbi delivers his sermon, he also faces several choices. Should he exhibit his brilliant exposition of some fine point of the *Parasha*, should he give an Elmer Gantry-type, fire and brimstone speech to get his members to observe more, or should he wax nostalgic about the previous generations of members? No, the good Rabbi will try to get the right blend of all the above and more to achieve the goal of increasing Jewish involvement—much like we hear from our Rabbi, Rabbi Shaul Robinson.

When I was a young adult there were two basic groups in my synagogue, Shaare Zion, in Brooklyn. There was the studious, advanced, intellectual, observant sector, and there were the average amcha, the regular practicing Jew. It was most interesting that on Shabbat mornings, there were two minyanim: one, the smaller early minyan where most of the serious students of Torah would pray and learn, and the much larger and later "regular" minyan that was attended by most of the regulars, the average observant Jews that were not into heavy learning, debate and intellectualism but that surely wanted the inspiration of a sermon, the spiritualism of prayer and the camaraderie of their friends.

Nowadays, in Brooklyn, like in many other areas, there are 'shiurim' by Rabbis that are not so intellectual, in fact, *shiurim* where at times the subject matter is almost childish. But the people eat it up — they love it— many of these classes are attended by hundreds of Jews!

In the past, I would mock and belittle these enclaves. Now I realize that I was wrong. There are those that need and want deep extensive Torah studies, philosophy, history, etymology, archeology, and even comparative religion, in order to get close to the Almighty. And then there are those that need a lot of Carlebach, a fair measure of kindergarten-level *midrash*, and a few Chasidic tales to get near to the same God.

So, to some: "of making many books there is no end, and much study is a weariness of the flesh"; to others: "you shall study it (TORAH), day and night." We are all somewhere on this spectrum. At different stages of life, we may find that the right combination for each must be reiterated and rebalanced.

We in Lincoln Square are so lucky to have the full variety of traditional Jewish components available to us.

Shabbat Shalom!

For more information about writing a Dvar Torah, see Bill Greenbaum in shul or email dvar@lss.org.

**We are currently looking for writers for:
June 22 (Parshat Beha'alotcha)**

YOUTH DEPARTMENT

זרעים Seedlings (2 years old) Room 210

שורשים Roots (3-4 years old) Room 211

ניצנים Buds (K-1st) Room 208

פרחים Flowers (2nd-7th) Room 206

ענפים Branches (2nd-7th) Room 207



Shabbat schedule:

10:00 am Drop Off (Rooms 206-211)

10:45 am Davening, Circle Time, and Healthy Kiddush
(Rooms 206-211)

11:00 am Parsha & Candy: "Following my Laws"
(Rooms 208-211)

11:10 am Recreation, Games, and Rehydration
(Room 206-207)

11:45 am Groups End

Dvar Torah

This week's *parsha* is Bechukotai, which begins with: "If you (*Bnei Yisrael*) follow my statutes, and keep my *mitzvot*, the reward will be rain in the proper season. The land will then give its produce and the trees will give their fruits." What does it mean when it says "If you follow my statutes..."? Rashi says that it cannot mean the commandment to keep *mitzvot*, because the pasuk says that in the following clause of the sentence. Instead, it means one should exert himself in the study of Torah. In other words, you cannot study Torah like you're reading a novel or book. You have to put real effort into the study and understanding of Torah, and if you do, you will be rewarded.

After Shul Ask Your Children:

1. What holiday is coming up? What do we make sure to do on this holiday?
2. How is "Bechukotai" translated by Rashi?
3. Why is reading Torah different from reading other things?

Answers:
1. Shavuot, learn Torah
2. "Follow my laws"
3. Because you really have to exert yourself and delve deep into the study of Torah

Upcoming Events:

Shavuot, June 9: Ten Commandments Ice Cream Party: 11:00am

Shavuot, June 10: Har Sinai Cake Creation: 11:00am

The Shavuot Ice Cream Party and Har Sinai Cake Creation are generously sponsored by Estee, Elli, & Nathan Friedman in memory of Elli's grandfather's yahrtzeit.

Become a sponsor: email us at youth@lss.org

*Shabbat Shalom,
Ariella & Mendel Lazaros*