

Shabbat Schedule

5:14pm Shabbat Candle Lighting

Friday Night

5:20pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
Dvar Torah given by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**.

Shabbat Morning

7:45am Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Shiur given by **Dr. Moshe Sokolow**
8:30am Parsha Shiur given by **Rabbinic Intern, Zachary Rothblatt** on The 'Point' of the Mishkan: The Deeper Meaning of the Ark and the Cherubim
9:00am Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Sermon given by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld** followed by Musaf.
9:15am Beginners Service led by **Dr. Leonard Davidman** in Rm LL201
9:28am Latest Shema
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

3:00pm Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society: Meet in the lobby to visit patients at Mount Sinai West
3:45pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash
4:15pm Samson Raphael Hirsch Bible Class with **Bill Greenbaum** in Rm 211
4:15pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur given by **Rabbinic Intern, Zachary Rothblatt** on Overlapping Themes: Understanding the Multi-Layered Aspects of Purim
5:00pm Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit. Dvar Torah given by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**.
6:16pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

PURIM @ LSS

Have you ordered your Mishloach Manot Yet?

Deadline is next week!

Order at www.lss.org/purim2018

Cost: \$10 per family (6 family minimum, \$60)

\$370 (maximum cost) Deadline: Thursday, February 22.

Motzei Shabbat, February 24, 8:15pm: LSS Young Jewish Singles

Live Music, Comedian featured on the Late Show, open sushi bar, tantalizing desserts. For ages 22-23 (Modern Orthodox/M/O Machmir) Special LSS member rate: \$30. Non members:\$54. Registration requires pre-approval. Please email Steve Eisenberg at ajs@lss.org for approval and registration link.



Sunday, February 25, 1:00pm- 4:00pm Purim Carnival

Join us for Carnival Games, Bounce Houses, Face Painting, Balloon Twisting, Cotton Candy and Fresh Hot Pizza from Café Roma! Early bird special by Friday, February 23: \$20. \$25 at the door. Please consider sponsoring.

If interested please email youth@lss.org

Business advertising available: Queen Esther & Mordechai: \$2,000

Simchat Adar: \$1,000 and Hamantashen Sponsor: \$500

Register at early bird price at www.lss.org/purimcarnival2018

*One free raffle ticket for anyone dressed in costume, adults included.

Wednesday February 28, Purim Dinner after Megillah Reading.

Early bird ending on Monday!

Delicious dinner catered by Sova.

Register www.lss.org/event/purimdinner2018

Adults: Before Feb 19: \$28, after \$33

Children: ages 5 and under free; 6-11:\$15

We truly need sponsors to help cover our costs. Please consider sponsoring:

Mordechai (admission for 4 and 35 raffle tickets) \$250

Queen Esther (admission for 2 and 20 raffle tickets) \$180

Shushan (admission for 2 and 10 raffle tickets) \$118

Wednesday, February 28- The Annual Beginners Purim Bash:

Maariv and Megilah Reading—6:05pm. Purim Bash-7:20pm. Featuring renowned musical artist and performer Psachya Septimus. Cost includes food, music and the Purim Shpiel: \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. Register at www.lss.org/beginners.

THIS SHABBAT

Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld will be officiating throughout Shabbat in the main sanctuary, delivering the Friday night dvar torah and Shabbat morning sermon.

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Hashkama Kiddush:

Nathan Aaron Rosen in commemoration of the yahrtzeits of his grandfather, Haim Solomon Rosen z"l and his father Emanuel Abraham Rosen z"l.

The Shoshani and Zareh families in loving gratitude to Rabbi Buchwald for saying Kaddish for Manny's grandmother, Farokh Bat Saltanat V' Yusef H'Levi a"h.

Bob Kosovsky in commemoration of the first yahrtzeit of his mother, Abby Kosovsky, Avigail bat Yisroel a"h.

Main Kiddush: Judy and Monroe Milstein in loving memory of their daughter Wendy Kirshenbaum a"h and in commemoration of Wendy's yahrtzeit.

Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan Kiddush:

David Sherr in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of his father, Yoseph ben Dov Ber z"l.

The Roxland Family in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of their grandfather Israel Meyer ben Samuel z"l and in honor of Michael's birthday.

Beginners Kiddush: Hadassah Levinson in honor of Aidel and Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald.

Seudah Shlishit:

Dr. Ira Friedman in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of his mother Mrs. Ruth Friedman, Rivka bat Nachum Yosef a"h.

Corinne and Barry Kirshenbaum and family in commemoration of the 2nd yahrtzeit of Barry's dear sister Wendy Kirshenbaum a"h.

MAZAL TOV

Grandparents Anne and Marty Hochberg and Ken and Golda Bossewitch on the occasion of the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter Leora Bossewitch, daughter of Rabbi Avi and Shuli Bossewitch. Mazal tov to siblings, Tova, Moshe, Avromi and Malka.

HAKARAT HATOV

Sholmo Offer for writing this week's Dvar Torah.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Michael and Vanessa Rouzenrouch
Carol-Ann Back
Helene Miller

NEXT SHABBAT

Chazzan Yanky Lemmer will be leading the Friday night and Shabbat day Services.

HASHAVAT AVEIDAH

There was a car key found over the Feb. 10 weekend. Please call the shul office if it belongs to you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, February 22, 8:00pm: Membership Meeting

Sunday, February 25: Purim Food Drive. Fulfill several mitzvot from feeding the hungry to matanot le'evyonim. Please bring food that can be heated on a hot plate or made with just hot water, or ready-to-eat foods in small containers. Drop off in lobby any times between Shacharit - Mincha.

Sunday, March 4– Wednesday, March 6, Annual AIPAC Policy Conference in Washington DC The AIPAC Policy Conference attracts more than 18,000 community activists from all 50 states, members of Congress, and countless Israeli and American policymakers. Choose from hundreds of informative sessions. To register, visit www.aipac.com. Questions? Email: anncrane2750@gmail.com

Saturday, March 3: Beginners Luncheon The cost is only \$25 per person. Register and pay online at www.lss.org/beginners or call 212-874-6100. Please make your reservations and payment by Thursday, March 1st

Monday, March 5: Beginners Shmooze. No charge, complimentary refreshments. Please call 212-874-6100 to confirm.

Wednesday, March 7, 7:30pm: UNRWA: Breeding Ground for Terror. UNRWA stands for the United Nations Relief and Work Agency. It operates in Gaza, the West Bank, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon. Its official mission is to deliver primary and vocational education. The reality is quite different. Arabic speaking experts, who work for The Center for the Near East Policy and Research, will discuss the Hamas infiltration of UNRWA refugee facilities and how it has affected the books and films shown to children attending UNRWA schools. Free but requires registration. Register at www.lss.org/event/unrwa.

Friday Evening, March 9; 6:45pm-10:30pm: Shabbat Across America. Featuring Lisa Cabrera Scharf, former reporter for NBC, CBS, UPN and Fox News anchor. Cost: \$40.00 p/p \$25.00/child (Price includes dinner) Want to be a host? Questions? Contact Deborah Bendheim at bendheimd@gmail.com. To register visit: <https://goo.gl/hAUkdE>

Motzei Shabbat, March 10, 8:00pm: LSS Book Club Presents "Forest Dark: A Novel" by Nicole Kraus. Location: Home of Gale and Jim Kaufman. Please call the shul for exact address.

Sunday, March 18, 11:00am: Magen David Adom: Israel's First Responders. Learn the fascinating history of the organization, its latest technological life-saving tools and about its disaster relief operations around the world. Program dedicated in memory of LSS member, Pearl Glassberg a"h. Refreshments will be served. To register, please visit www.lss.org/event/mda

Wednesday, April 25: Annual NORPAC Mission to Washington DC NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event which brings 1,000 citizen activists to Washington, DC, in order to advocate for a stronger U.S.- Israel relationship with Members of Congress. Early Bird registration \$125 (Deadline: Sunday, March 4) \$185 after March 4. Questions? Email Dan Feder at dfeder02@aol.com

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

There are times when, for various reasons, classes may be canceled. If you would like to confirm that any particular class is indeed taking place please call the shul office at 212-874-6100. To see our full Adult Ed. Brochure please visit us at www.lss.org

Sunday

- **(Canceled this week) Sunday Morning Responsa** with Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld; 9:15am-10:00am - Belfer Beit Midrash.
- **Drisha @ LSS; 10:00-11:30am. Sefer Devarim: Prophet, King, Judge and Priest in the Covenantal Community** Taught by David Silber. 10 sessions: Feb 4-April 29. Cost: LSS members: \$125, Non LSS members: \$250 Enter coupon code "lss" for LSS member rate. Register at www.drisha.org. Rm LL201
- **Sunday Morning Beit Midrash Program; 10:15am– 11:45am.** Come and join our Rabbinic interns as we begin a new season of the Beit Midrash program. Participants will have the choice of two different tracks of learning: Jewish Philosophy and Halacha. Both groups will learn in study groups in the Beit Midrash to create the best learning atmosphere. Breakout discussions and lectures will follow. Breakfast sponsored by **Golda Hudes** in memory of her grandmother Simcha bat Avraham a'h.

Monday:

- **Chug Ivrit** given by Hai Piazsky. 7:00pm-8:15pm. In the class, we read articles from the Israeli press, watch videos of news stories, documentaries and comedy clips, listen to (and sing along!) Israeli songs and chat in Ivrit. Room 207

Tuesday:

- **Talmud Class for Women Studying Mesechet Ketubot** led by Rachel Rosenthal, PhD candidate in Rabbinic Literature at JTS; 8:00am– Rm LL202. The course focuses on both content and skill building. Students are expected to participate in reading and some translation of the text. As this is an ongoing class, attendance every week is expected .
- **(Canceled this week) The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha"** led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson; 10:30am– 11:30am – RmLL201
- **Intro to Bible: The Ten Commandments** with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald; 6:30pm-8:30pm. An in-depth study and analysis of the Decalogue (the Ten Commandments) and other basic biblical texts. The religious significance of the Bible, scriptural exegesis and the relationship of the written and oral law will be discussed and analyzed. 8 sessions. To register, please call 212-874-6100 or register online at www.lss.org/beginners. Cost: \$90, Free to LSS Members. No one will be turned away for lack of funds. - Room 206/207.
- **Gemara b'Shana** in Memory of Bruce Ritholtz led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson; 7:15pm– 8:15pm Belfer Beit Midrash **(Shiur given by Community Intern, Zissy Turner)**
- **Beit Midrash Night, The Book of Samuel II** led by Ron Platzer ; 7:30pm -8:30pm. Rm 211

Wednesday:

- **Drisha @ LSS; 9:30am-10:45am. Tanakh: A literary approach–** Taught by David Silber, **Isaiah's Messianic Vision and Its Resonances Throughout the Bible–** Taught by Yisca Zimran, **Biblical Religion and Its Near Eastern Context–** Taught by Deena Grant, **Biblical Poetry–** Taught by Michelle Levine. 12 Sessions: Feb 7– May 16. Cost: LSS members: \$150, Non LSS members: \$300 Enter coupon code "lss" for LSS member rate. Register at www.drisha.org. Rm LL201
- **Drisha @ LSS; 11:00am-12:15am. Aggadah: Inside the World of the Rebbe.** Taught by Wendy Amsellem. 6 Sessions: Feb 7– March 21. Cost: LSS members: \$75 Non LSS members: \$150 Enter coupon code "lss" for LSS members rate. Register at www.drisha.org. Rm LL201
- **Beit Midrash night: The Subversive Religious Poetry of Yehuda Amichai** given by Sara Brzowsky; 8:00pm-8:45pm - Rm 207
- **Heretics & Heresies: Real and the Imagined.** This week: *Mordecai Kaplan* Led by Paul Shaviv; 8:00pm-9:00pm. Belfer Beit Midrash. A new series taking a proactive and an entertaining look at faith controversies throughout Jewish history. 10 lectures series: 1/10-3/21

Thursday:

- **The Jacob Adler Parsha Class:** Explorations in the Weekly Parsha with Rabbi Shaul Robinson; 7:00pm–8:00pm– Belfer Beit Midrash **(given by Zachary Rothblatt)**

Save the Date:

Monday, February 26, 2018: Hebrew Reading Crash Course Levels I and II; 6:30pm– 8:00pm: . The 5 classes last 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all. Register at www.lss.org/beginners. Rm 210 and Rm 211

Monday, February 26: The Jewish Living Workshop Led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum; 7:30-8:30pm The Jewish Living Workshop, a 10 sessions series, is a "hands-on" experience. We learn by doing. The workshop is free, a few sessions will require a modest fee for materials; register at JLworkshop@yahoo.com. The first topic: Purim – One of the easiest and most fun holidays. What do we need to do? - Rm 208

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



Parshat Terumah

Youth Schedule:

10:00 am - Drop off (all groups)
10:30 am - Davening (all groups)
10:45 am - Simon Says, "Stand like the *Kiruvim*" (Rm 208 and Rm 211)
11:00 am - Baby & Me - 3rd floor gym
11:00 am - *Mishkan* Memory (Rm 208 and Rm 211)
11:15 am - Football on the Terrace

Youth Echod: Parshat Terumah

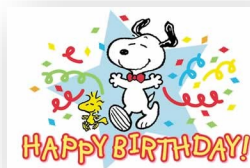
Terumah literally means "offering" or "donation." This *Parsha* discusses the thirteen materials that were donated to build the *Mishkan*, including gold, silver, copper, blue wool, cedarwood, etc. The *Parsha* details the vessels, first describing the ark: a box with no legs made of cedarwood and covered with gold. Rashi explains that there were three arks, the bottom gold, the middle wood, with gold on top. The *Mishkan* was carried by hand, never by an animal. The cover fit like a gold lid and the two *kiruvim* were molded from one piece of gold. The *kiruvim* had faces of angels and outspread wings. The Menorah was made from one gold piece, six feet high with one central branch and three circular branches. Engraved on it were "cups," "apples" and "blossoms." The *Kohen Gadol* used a stool to light it. The Rambam and Ramban debate whether each component was a separate *Mitzvah* or one *Mitzvah*. Each man, age twenty and up had to give a half *shekel* of silver to build silver sockets. Every other element, gold, copper, and curtains, was donated. The Jewish people gave so much *Tzedakah* that Moshe had to tell them to stop giving.

This Adar, we humbly ask each Echod reader to emulate the generosity of Bnei Yisrael in *Parshat Terumah* by supporting the shul's Purim Carnival. Our hope is that the generosity flows to the extent that we become like Moshe and need to ask you to stop!

After Shul you can ask your children:

Which structure is discussed in *Parshat Terumah*?
How was the Menorah built?
What are three ways Hashem compares his relationship to *Bnei Yisrael*?
Where would the *Mishkan* be located once we had the *Beit Hamikdash*?
Why did Moshe tell *Bnei Yisrael* to stop donating?

The Youth Department wishes a very happy birthday to **Eliana Kotler!**



Upcoming Events:

Purim Carnival: Sunday, Feb 25th 1:00pm - 4:00pm. We will have a special Baby & Me program to start at 1:00 pm. The cost for the carnival is \$20 pp

Special Purim Youth Program: Wednesday, Feb 28th During *Megillah* Reading, your children will receive special candy *Mishloach Manot* and raffle tickets for following along, ending with a special Purim lottery. This event is sponsored by Avi & Yael Lavi in honor of Noa Lavi's Bat Mitzvah.

Thank you to everyone who has generously donated to help defray the cost of this year's carnival.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor please email us at youth@lss.org

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Simchat Adar Sponsors:

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Baby & Me

Last Shabbat, our babies said *Shema*, read "Thanks for Today," learned their first Hebrew language phrases, and danced the Hokey Pokey. **On Sunday** we celebrated the inaugural Babies and Brunch by welcoming 25 families, Singing with Sprouts, and reading Dr. Seuss', 'Oh, the Places You'll Go!' during story time. Thank you, Becky and Eitan Kimmelman, for sponsoring, and Sharoni Erbst for helping us cover the cost. If you are interested in sponsoring a Baby & Me event please email us at youth@lss.org



Shabbat Shalom! Ariella & Mendel

Teen Department

Join us for a Teen Chesed event on **Sunday, February 25** sponsored by the **Lavi Family** in honor of Noa's Bat Mitzvah. Meet in the Pre-Function Room at 9:45am to pack mishloach manot for the elderly. At 11:00am we will then walk to Esplanade Senior Residence (305 West End Ave at 74th St) for a Purim Party and to distribute the mishloach manot. Register at www.lss.org/event/teenpurimchesed

Join us for a Teen Break Fast following Megillah Reading on **Wednesday, February 28th** in pre-function room sponsored by the **Mero Family** in honor of their daughter Gaby's Bat Mitzvah (Esther Dina).

Shabbat Shalom! Danielle and Ariel Sternman

Hatzoloh Appeal

West Side Hatzoloh Tzedakah Appeal: Support the community resource supporting us all. Dedication opportunities, defibrillator sponsorships, and many giving possibilities. Contact Jamie Nussbaum at drjames@prohealthptot.com for more information. Donate at: <http://www.westsidehatzolah.org/>



G-d is in the Details; Balancing the Spiritual and Artistic Visions of the Mishkan

Teruma (lit. raising up) is about the two kinds of vision that must be brought into balance for us to raise up our gifts of acquired wealth and native skill and contribute them to the service of spiritual goals. The human eye needs light and dark; it cannot see a form without contrast. Artists know this. Architects know this. The shadows are critical. Likewise, to perceive the form (tavnit hamishkan) that G-d intended us to see, we needed the combination of Moshe’s vision of the highlights of spiritual values, enabled by Betzalel’s vision of the shadows of practical implementation. Betzalel’s name literally means “in the shadow of G-d”. Cooperating in the physical implementation of the mishkan is what transformed a group of escaped slaves into a kehila, a viable cohesive community.

Moshe, in spite of his heightened spiritual level, could not simply dictate holiness to Bnei Yisrael; after all, they were just recently released slaves. The spiritual discourse is important, but it cannot be realistically perceived without the shadows, the “facts on the ground” in a physical world, created by a society. How do you get from a vision to a fact on the ground and how does the fact on the ground receive its holiness?

The mishkan came into being by a process of Moshe’s vision and Bnei Yisrael’s execution, all through Betzalel’s direction. In great detail, G-d described it to Moshe who had the spiritual vision to see it vividly: asher ata mareh is in the present tense; Moshe was actually seeing it. When Moshe instructed Betzalel, he reversed G-d’s order of construction. As Moshe saw it, the ark that contained the Torah, and the klei kodesh were first; these holy objects were the reason for the mishkan, and not the other way around. But to implement Moshe’s vision, Betzalel also saw it vividly; in fact he saw more sides of it than Moshe saw. He had the G-d given eyes of an architect who could turn Moshe’s depiction back into G-d’s originally dictated sequence. Betzalel absorbed the light of Moshe’s spiritual priorities and expressed it with the clarifying shadows of practical physicality through which G-d intended to engage Bnei Yisrael to actively create a home for the shechinah. He manifested Torah values in a world in which G-d also gave us the torah of physics, design esthetics, and societal interaction.

In addition to requesting the physical valuables to be donated, Moshe was influenced by Betzalel to also ask the kahal for their gifts of native ability. And only from those sincerely motivated to give for the right reasons, asher nesao libo, whose hearts deeply inspired them. There were no trained artisans among the recently freed slaves. Of course, Egypt would not allow this highly regarded occupation to be held by a Jew. Yet Betzalel and Moshe made it possible for a person’s native gifts of commitment and creativity to be raised up to the high spiritual purpose of the mishkan. Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks points out that the shechinah “lives in the work of our hands – whatever we do in accordance with His will. What made it holy was one thing only: that the Israelites had made it just as the Lord had commanded” (Covenant and Conversation, Vayakhel 2006)

The initiative, cooperation, and creativity required for the mishkan are the model for the way we are to create our individual, family, communal, and national lives. In no uncertain terms, G-d let us know that how we physically create and mold ourselves into a coherent kehila, and how sincerely we are motivated, are essential to our spiritual attainments. It is not the building and the objects, but the active participation of the people that contains the holiness. v’asu li mikdash v’shachanti b’tocham, Let them make a sanctuary for Me, and I will dwell in them – not “in it” but “in them”. Holiness does not remain in the building or objects of the mishkan. It is in the nedivut halev, the heartfelt and mindful actions of those who create and sustain it.

Shabbat Shalom.

Weekly Prayer Schedule: February 18					Mincha/Ma’ariv: 5:25pm (Sun– Thurs)	
Day	Sunday	Monday (Presidents Day)	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Daf Yomi	7:45am	7:45am	6:20am	6:20am	6:15am	6:20am
Shacharit	7:10am, 8:30am	7:00am, 8:30am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am	7:00am, 7:50am	7:10am, 7:50am

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