

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Friday night:

4:19pm Candle Lighting

4:25pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat

Davening led by Jake Nussbaum

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary

Neirot Shabbat Shiur and Kiddush

Following Maariv join us for a shiur given by Rabbi Robinson in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary, followed by a hot kugel kiddush in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer.

4:36pm: Sunset

5:07pm: Repeat Shema

Shabbat:

7:45am Hashkama Minyan; Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Hashkama Kiddush to follow; Shiur by Dr. Sokolow on the third floor.

9:00am Chazzan Sherwood Goffin Memorial Minyan;

Davening led by Jake Nussbaum

Drasha before Musaf by Rabbi Robinson.

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Gala Kiddush to follow in the Ballroom.

9:12am Latest Shema

9:30am Beginners Service led by Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald;

Location: 3rd Floor. Beginners Kiddush follow.

9:45am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan;

Drasha before Musaf by Rabbi Tepler;

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

10:00am Youth Groups; Supervised play. Location: Second floor classrooms for ages 3+ and Room LL2 for ages 0-2

2:30pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler;

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

3:20pm Louis and Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur by Pre Mincha Rabbi Gottesman in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

4:05pm Mincha; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Followed by Seudah Shlishit featuring guest speaker Adir Schwartz who will describe the work of the Jerusalem Civilian Command Center.

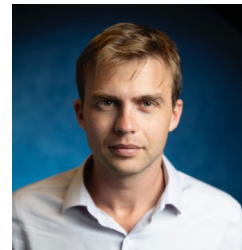
4:36pm Sunset: Latest time to daven Mincha.

5:19pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends

THIS SHABBAT

Guest Speaker Adir Schwartz During Seudah

Shlishit: Adir is a councilman in the Jerusalem municipality. On October 7th, he founded the Jerusalem Civilian Command Center (JCCC), which has aided thousands of Israelis in this most difficult of times. The JCCC is a multi-purpose volunteer-run crisis and aid center. It addresses the myriad needs of soldiers, their families, and all Israelis displaced from their homes to Jerusalem. Adir has been a social and political activist in Jerusalem since he was sixteen. He served as a paratrooper in Operation "Protective Edge". He graduated from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem with a BA in Political Science and Business Management and an MA in Public Policy. Beyond his professional pursuits, Adir is married to Shira and loves soccer almost as much as her.



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Hashkama Kiddush:

Margy-Ruth & Perry Davis in commemoration of the 50th yahrtzeit of their father, Henry J. Greenbaum, Chaim Yisrael ben Sholom v'Rochel Leah z"l.

Gala Kiddush

Marc Schulder & Alison Mitzner in honor the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Serina.

Beginners Kiddush:

Bryant, Hindi and Zev Macaraeg in honor of Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald.

Seudah Shlishit

Adriana Rosin in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of her father, Simion Rosin ben Hascal z"l.

Ken & Marcie Cappell in memory of Ken's sister, noted Israeli journalist, Netty Gross-Horowitz (Necha Dobrah bat Yisroel and Avigayil) a"h, whose yartzeit is the 11th of Kislev. May her Neshama have an Aliyah.

HAKARAT HATOV

Thank you to our March for Israel Sponsors:

Jonathan Herlands and Rachel Neumark Herlands in honor of all our chayalim in the IDF.

Assaf and Tova Alster in memory of Assaf's grandparents, Irving and Miriam Borenstein z"l, who were tireless in their support of Israel and Tzahal.

Fred and Suzan Ehrman In honor of the brave soldiers of IDF with prayers for their protection and well being.

Thank you to Bus Captains: Assaf Alster, Michael Doppelt, Ian Silver, and Paris Wald-Stulbach.

Thank you to the countless volunteers who helped on the day of the rally and to all those that attended. It was a truly moving experience and Lincoln Square Synagogue is grateful to have been a part of the day and to see our community join together.



MAZAL TOV

Marc Schulder in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of his daughter, Serina Schulder. Mazal tov also to Serina's mother, Alison Mitzner, her brother Penn, and the rest of the Schulder and Mitzner families.



Grandparents Priscila Konecky and Mark Tepper on the birth of a boy to their children Julia and Matthew Olstein. Mazal tov also to grandmother Deborah Olstein.



Great-grandparents Ilene and Louis Vyrerib on the birth of a boy, in Yerushalaim, to their grandchildren Yehudis and Tani Einzig.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 19th—Monday, November 20th: Me'Afeila L'Ora: 11:30am: 24 hours of Torah to strengthen the soul of the nation. A virtual event. More info: bit.ly/Nishmat24h

Sunday, November 19th: Film & Culture Committee Presents 'Harmony': 3:00pm: ONLY 1 TICKET REMAINING!

Location: Barrymore Theatre

Join LSS members to see 'Harmony', a moving and relevant musical featuring Barry Manilow's evocative melodies and Bruce Sussman's gripping storytelling. Grounded in a true story, the play traces the difficult journey of the 1920s Comedian Harmonists, a sensation in Jewish and Gentile German communities. As they grapple with history's unpredictable twists and turns, 'Harmony' unfurls a narrative of extraordinary talent, unbreakable friendship, and the enduring, transformative power of music in a world constantly in flux.

www.lss.org/form/harmony.

Monday, November 20th: Support Group: 7:00pm: How to Help Ourselves During Times of War: Join LSS social worker, Daniella Veres, on a discussion about self care and how we can support our mental health during difficult times of active trauma. On Zoom. Program support in memory of Reni & Walter Hanau z"l. [Meeting ID: 934 0308 8818](https://www.lss.org/MeetingID/93403088818).

Tuesday, November 21st: Israel Facts and Faith: Lecture by Neria Kraus: "The Media Coverage of the War" at 7:00pm: Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Neria Kraus is a leading Israeli journalist and TV anchorwoman. She's the hostess of main news shows on Israel's Channel 13 and the channel's US and White House correspondent. She has interviewed senior Israeli politicians and senior White House officials. Kraus was recently featured in Israel's Forbes 'Thirty Under Thirty' list, which recognizes the most promising and influencing young Israelis. We will hear about the media coverage -- in Israel and around the world -- of the atrocities committed by Hamas on October 7 and the war that followed. We will also discuss how the White House supports Israel and address such questions as: Would the administration let Israel operate inside Gaza as long as needed to achieve victory over Hamas? What would happen the day after the war?

Monday, November 27: The Incredible Potential of Israel's Rich Mosaic and Complex Society, at 7:00pm: Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Gadeer Kamal-Mreeh, Senior Envoy of The Jewish Agency for Israel. Gadeer began working for the Israeli Broadcasting Corporation (IBC) in 2011, where she hosted a program in Arabic focusing on the social and cultural issues concerning Arab youth in Israel. In 2015, she was selected to host the IBC's daily newscast in Arabic, and in 2017 she began anchoring its main Hebrew Saturday evening newscast, becoming the first non-Jewish anchorwoman to broadcast a main evening news in Hebrew- language in Israel. In April 2019, Kamal-Mreeh was elected to the Knesset as a member of the Blue and White party, making history as the first Druze woman to become a Member of the Knesset. In 2021, she became the Jewish Agency's first Druze emissary to the U.S. Gadeer will discuss Israeli society from her unique point of view as an Israeli Druze woman, as well as the Druze community's social resilience, uniqueness, potential, and challenges.

Wednesday, November 29th: Senior Schmooze: 12:00pm: This group is led by Social Worker Daniella Veres on Zoom. [Meeting ID: 956 8842 1395](https://www.lss.org/MeetingID/95688421395). Program support in memory of Reni & Walter hanau, z"l.

Friday, December 15th: Chanukah Dinner: Join us for a beautiful sit down Chanukah dinner catered by Zami. Members: \$80 Non-members: \$85. Sponsors are needed and encouraged: Platinum: \$1,000 (includes 4 reservations), Gold: \$500 (includes two reservations), Silver: \$360 (includes 1 reservation). www.lss.org/form/chanukah2023

Shabbat, December 2nd: Pre-Chanukah Beginners Luncheon: Registration will close Wednesday, November 29th at 12:00pm. Register online at www.lss.org/beginners. Cost:\$35 per person.

Monday, December 11th: Beginners Chanukah Bash: 7:00pm: Live music by Psachya Septimus. \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door. Register online at www.lss.org/beginners.

YOUTH & MAGEN AVRAHAM TEEN DEPARTMENTS

Youth Groups: 10:00am: Location: Second Floor Classrooms. Supervised play.

Baby & Me: 10:00am-11:30am (ages newborn-2): Join us on Lower Level 2: a dedicated space for our Newborn program on Shabbat in LL203. From 10-11:00am parents and babies spend time together (no LSS supervision). At 11:00am a 30 minute Baby & Me program will begin. Through songs, Devorah Batt leads a fun and interactive program for your little ones. A nursing area is available on LL2 in the same room.

Thank You Cards for Police Officers: We are collecting thank you letters for the local Police precinct in a mailbox in the lobby. Please take a thank you card from the lobby or make a homemade thank you card to express your appreciation. We will be giving it to them in time for Thanksgiving! Let's thank these honorable police officers for their service!

Dear Parents,

We think it is important for parents to be involved as part of the shul's security efforts. We would like to have parents stationed outside each youth group room—3 parents every Shabbat—one stationed outside LL203, one outside 206/207 and one outside 208/210. The parents will be given walkie talkies and will hear CSS communication. In the event of an emergency, parents will be able to respond by entering the youth room and working with the leader to secure the space.

We would very much appreciate your participation. If you are willing to get involved please email security@lss.org.

WEEKDAY MINYAN

Shacharit

Sunday, November 19th @ 7:10am & 8:30am

Monday, November 20th @ 7:00am & 7:50am

Tuesday & Wednesday, November 21st & 22nd @ 7:10am & 7:50am

Thursday, November 23rd (Thanksgiving Day) @ 7:00am & 8:30am

Friday, November 24th @ 7:10am & 7:50am

Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday-Tuesday, November 19th-21st @ 4:25pm

Wednesday & Thursday, November 22nd & 23rd @ 4:20pm

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, November 19th

- **9:15am Kosher Made Clear - Hilchot Kashrut Tzurba Style:** Led by Rabbi Gottesman. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Monday, November 20th

- **7:00pm: Chug Ivrit Chadashot** (News from Israel) with Gali Rabin: This class is taught almost exclusively in Ivrit. This week's class will be held on Zoom. Meeting ID: 835 3789 4515 Passcode:701985.
- ***NO CLASS* 8:15pm: The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group led by Ron Platzer:** If you are interested in joining, please contact Ronald Platzer at RPlatzer@citytech.cuny.edu.

Tuesday, November 21st

- **11:00am-12:00pm: The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the Weekly Parsha"** led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: Location: LL201
- **7:00pm - 9:00pm: Facts and Faith:** A series of talks by prominent experts on Israel and Security Issues, followed by a choice of Torah classes. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash
 - 7:00pm - 7:50pm:** Lecture by Israeli journalist Neria Kraus: "The Media Coverage of the War"
 - 8:10pm - 9:00pm:** Rabbi Gottesman: War and Peace in Jewish Thought
Rabbi Tepler: Eretz Yisrael in the Parsha
- **7:00pm - 8:30pm: Introduction to the Bible on Zoom with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald:** This course offers a broad look at the Bible's content and style. We'll explore fundamental literary and theological approaches to studying the Bible, both traditional and modern, by analyzing its text. Register online at www.lss.org/beginners. To sponsor reach out to jessica@njop.org

Wednesday, November 22nd

- ***NO CLASS* 8:00pm: Jewish History Course with Paul Shaviv Fall 2023: Christians and the Shoah - Six Case Studies:**
Sponsored by Karen & Roy Simon.

Thursday, November 23rd (Thanksgiving Day)

- ***NO CLASSES*** Happy Thanksgiving!



Daf Yomi: Sunday at 7:30am, Monday and Thursday at 6:10am, and Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6:20am: Location: Belfer Beit Midrash and Virtual. Details on www.lss.org/LearningOpportunities

LSS VIDEO

Please visit www.youtube.com/watch?v=vUhDwU-INwI to view a retrospective video from LSS which highlights our resiliency and unity. Am Yisrael Chai!

SHABBAT GREETERS

Donate your time and be a greeter! When people first walk into our shul, they should be greeted by helpful, friendly people. Become a greeter on Shabbat and help convey the true spirit of LSS. There are two morning greeting shifts (9:00-10:00am and 10:00-11:00am), with one greeter per shift. You will enjoy meeting new people, putting names to faces, and helping to make every person who walks into shul feel welcome. Register at www.lss.org/form/greeter. If you have any questions or need help signing up please email president@lss.org.

WORDS FROM RABBI STAV

Rabbi David Stav from the Tzohar organization shared his thoughts on how best to respond to the tragic events of October 7. View the videos at www.tinyurl.com/RStav and www.tinyurl.com/RStav2. To make a donation, please visit www.tinyurl.com/TzoharDonate

WE STAND WITH ISRAEL

Backed by Iran, Hamas launched an unprovoked invasion and large-scale attack on Israel. More than 800 Israelis have been killed, the population equivalent of 24,000 Americans. More than 100 have been abducted by Hamas and taken back into Gaza. Thousands are injured, including hundreds in critical condition. Americans are among the dead and kidnapped. More than 5,000 rockets have been fired into Israel, along with infiltrations by Hamas paratroopers, kamikaze drones and armed drones.

The March for Israel, which took place this week, was powerful, moving, heart breaking, and heartwarming all at the same time. As we think ahead to what now, we'd like to impress upon you the importance of reaching out to our elected officials. We need to combat the thousands of letters and call coming from our enemy to elected officials and recognize that we have an essential role to play as Israel's operation to protect its families and future continues. Urge your members of Congress to continue speaking out and standing with our ally as it acts to defeat the terrorist threat. The message can be simple: "The Jewish community thanks you for your support. I thank you for your support. Please continue to do so publicly and proudly. It is imperative that Israel completely destroy any remnant of Hamas so that the people of Israel and the people of Gaza can live free of tyranny and in prosperity and harmony".

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For a list of elected officials in your area visit:

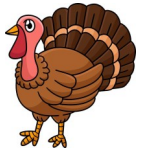
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Join the LSS Israel Action Chat on WhatsApp:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/CkD7SanfCf8KPOMZPIH52C>

THANK YOU NYPD

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CSS NEEDS YOUR HELP

The news in Israel proves more than ever the importance of security. Our small team greets you when you arrive and ensures your safety by screening all who enter. But we need you to join us, we need a bigger team. With enough new volunteers, a commitment of one two-hour Shabbat shift every six weeks is all we need to ask of you. Please answer the call to volunteer. We have reviewed our security protocols. Some protocols will be noticeable and others not. When you arrive at synagogue, be prepared to make time to assist security as requested. We will ask members to take 15 minute stints to man the inner doors which will be kept locked during services. If you see something suspicious report it to a CSS member. **Email:** security@lss.org

Do You Only Have One Blessing?

By: Rabbi Charles Savenor

In Toldot, this week's Torah portion, Isaac urgently plans for the future. Between his advanced age and failing health, our second patriarch focuses on bestowing a blessing on his children. Tricked by Rebecca and Jacob, Isaac gives the eldest child's birthright to his younger son.

When Esau learns of this debauchery, he cannot believe his ears. Jacob has stolen his birthright, something that originally did not appear valuable to Esau. His rage and frustration are coupled with disappointment and pain.

Several times the Torah reports that Esau cries as he tries to convince Isaac to make things right. He pleads for his birthright, justice and, at the very least, a blessing from his father. Genesis 27:38 reads: "And Esau said to his father, 'Have you but one blessing, my father? Bless me too, Father!' Then Esau wept aloud."

Our traditional commentators tend to focus on whether Esau's tears are real. Some claim that his crying and emotional outburst are crocodile tears intended to manipulate the situation. Other sources embrace Esau's tears as a sincere expression of disappointment. Looking at the text from another angle, one might even claim that not only is Esau not trying to trick anyone, but he also may even be a victim.

Debating the sincerity of Esau's remorse unfortunately distracts us from an even more important issue. Esau's question represents one of the most vital challenges facing the Jewish community today.

Do we only have one blessing?

This sobering question invites us to access how inclusive we are. While Judaism values education and learning, the truth is that not every Jewish child has the ability to master Hebrew as a second language, let alone a dual curriculum.

Inclusion is not just about academic success; it's about feeling embraced by a community that shares the same birthright. Unfortunately there are too many stories about Jews who feel that spiritual and educational portals of entry are blocked due to learning, developmental and physical challenges.

Do we only have one blessing?

Who wrote the rules that a Bar Mitzvah includes Haftorah? Where is it written that success only comes from an Ivy League diploma? What miracles do we miss when we turn away from difference?

Do we only have one blessing?

My greatest fear is that those who live with any kind of challenges may misinterpret current institutional obstacles for some larger, deeper message. The cornerstone of our tradition is that we all created B'tzelem Elohim (in the image of God), and it is our sacred obligation to treat everyone with the respect that comes with this divine imprimatur. This week Esau, of all people in the Bible, teaches us what it feels like to be excluded. Equally important, this biblical outsider reminds us that the Jewish community can only reach its potential when each one of God's children receives their own unique blessing.

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DVAR TORAH WRITING

Dvar Torah writing is open to all LSS members. Guidelines will be provided on request. For more info, see Bill Greenbaum in shul, or email him at dvar@lss.org.

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-on lss.org under the Echod tab, or
- in the Electronic Echod (available to print at home).

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