10 Cheshvan 5782 October 15-16 2021 Morey Wildes Tamar Fix

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SHABBAT SCHEDULE

In order to continue to keep each other safe and healthy, LSS asks that everyone wear a face mask, covering the wearer's mouth and nose, in all areas indoors at all times on Shabbat (mask-wearing is optional at outdoor services). In addition, we request that attendees be sensitive to the comfort and safety concerns of others at shul by respecting any social distancing desires of others. We thank you in advance!

Friday night:

5:07pm Earliest Candle Lighting 5:58pm Shabbat Candle Lighting

6:00pm Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat;

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Davening led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer.

6:15pm Sunset: daven Mincha

6:46pm Repeat Shema

Shabbat:

7:45am Hashkama Minyan; Location: Belfer Beit Midrash.

Followed by Hashkama Kiddush. Shiur to follow by Rabbi Moshe Sokolow.

9:00am Chazzan Sherwood Goffin Memorial Minyan;

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Davening led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer. Drasha by Rabbi Shaul Robinson followed by Musaf. Main Kiddush to follow on the Spira Family Terrace.

9:30am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan;

Location: The Spira Family Terrace

9:30am Beginners Service; Location: Ballroom. Beginners Kiddush to follow.

9:45am Shabbat Groups; Location: Second Floor Classrooms

9:53am Latest Shema

10:50am Latest Shacharit

4:05pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler;

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

4:50pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur. Shiur by Rabbinic Intern

Efraim Tepler; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary

5:50pm Mincha; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Followed by Seudah Shlishit; Location: The Spira Family Terrace.

6:14pm Sunset: daven Mincha

6:57pm Ma'ariv/Havdalah

7:07pm Zoom Havdalah (link in electronic Echod).

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All indoor kiddushim are for vaccinated individuals only.

Hashkama Kiddush: The Roxland Family in commemoration of the Yahrtzeit of their grandmother, Esther Bat Moshe, a"h.

Main Kiddush: Trudy and Jay Zimmern on the birth of their granddaughter, Sidney Ella.

Beginners Kiddush: Sharon, Chana Faiga and Max Janovic on the occasion of the 10th yahrtzeit of Joseph Janovic z"l.

The Berenson Family in honor of Rabbi Buchwald and all the great work he does with the Beginners' service.

Seudah Shlishit: Elana and James Nussbaum with tremendous gratitude to Hashem, that their dear son, Charlie, is b'H" okay after a dangerous accident this summer.

Would you like to sponsor a kiddush for future weeks? Email info@lss.org.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Rachel A. Sosland

Tali Herenstein Kolatch and Noah Kolatch

MAZAL TOV

Grandparents Judy and Martin Braun on the birth of a grandson to Gavi and Jacob Braun.

WEEKDAY MINYAN INFORMATION

Shacharit:

Sunday, October 17 @ 8:30am

Monday, October 18-Friday, October 22 @7:30am

Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday, October 17 — Wednesday, October 20 @ 6:00pm Thursday, October 21 @ 5:55pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 24th: Women's Tefillah Group Presents: Chodesh Cheshvan Shiur by Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty: 8:00pm Title: Sins of the Snake: What Went Wrong In Eden? Women and men welcome. Meeting ID: 815 6769 9309 Passcode: 003788. Sponsored by Francine and Jay Cinamon in commemoration of the 75th yahrtzeit of Francine's father, $Dr.\ Leo\ Nagel$, אריה בן ישראל הלוי , z''l.

Tuesday, October 26th: An Evening of Learning and Conversation In Memory of Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks, z"l Upon the Occasion of his First Yahrzeit: 7:00-8:30pm. Presentations and Conversation with Rabbi Shaul Robinson, Lincoln Square Synagogue; Rabbi Moshe Hauer, Exec. Vice Pres., Orthodox Union; Dr. Erica Brown, Director, Mayberg Center - George Washington Univ; and Rabbi Jacob J. Schacter, Yeshiva University. Covid precautions will be in place. Further information forthcoming.

Shabbat, October 30th: Fall Young Professionals Luncheon: 1:00pm. Location: The Spira Family Terrace. Registration closes Tuesday, October 26th. Cost: \$45 members and \$55 non-members, \$15 for kids. Free babysitting and kids' activities with group leaders. Organized by Romy and Avrahum Sanger. Sponsorship opportunities available. Register at www.lss.org/event/FallYPLunch.

Shabbat, November 6th: Women's Tefillah Group: Parshat Toldot: 9:00am. Location: 3rd floor gym

Save the date, Shabbat, November 6th! Beginners Luncheon. Cost: \$25. Register online at www.lss.org/beginners. Deadline: November 3rd. Only open to those who are fully vaccinated.

YOUTH AND MAGEN AVRAHAM TEEN DEPARTMENT

We take the safety and health of our members very seriously and will do whatever we can to prevent further spread of Covid-19. As a reminder to all, even if COVID is not the concern at hand, if children are at all symptomatic (cough, fever, runny nose, sore throat, GI symptoms, etc.), it is important that they stay home.

Please note: in an effort to better accommodate parents attending the 9:30am Terrace minyan, Youth Groups will now be starting at 9:45am.

Shabbat Youth Groups: 9:45am (Location: 2nd floor classrooms) Youth Groups are back in full swing with davening, Torah, snacks & play. Youth Directors: Romy and Avrahum Sanger Assistant Youth Director: Alexander Wildes

Saturday, October 30th: Teen Tie Dye Night: 7:00pm: Join us on the Terrace for a fun "Tie Dye by Rory" event! We will kick off the evening with a tie dye Tutorial followed by tie dying long sleeve t-shirts or drawstring bags and cap off the evening with pizza!! Sign up by Wednesday, October 20 so we can order all the materials.

Thank you to our sponsors: Joy & Morey Wildes and to Shira & Avi Spira. In order to cover the cost of the event we are looking for additional sponsors in the amount of \$100 and \$250. Email youth@lss.org to be a sponsor. We are looking for multiple sponsors in the amounts of \$100 and \$250.

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DVAR TORAH

Parshat Lech Lecha Hadassa Gerber Greenbaum

Lech Lecha

Our Sages tell us that every word in the Torah is measured; there are no extraneous words. This raises a question at the very outset of this week's parsha. Instead of just using the Hebrew verb "Lech," — "Go" in the beginning sentence, "Go, from your land... to the land I will show you," the Torah says "Lech lecha" — "Go for yourself." Why add the additional word "lecha"?

Rashi ponders the significance of the inclusion of "**lecha**." His answer: lech **lecha** — go for you; for your own benefit and good. There I will make you into a great nation, here you will not merit to even have children.

The catalyst for the blessing of Avram ("And I will make you a great nation..."), unlike the blessing for Noach and the flood, is not tied to the corruption of mankind, but rather, it seems, to the strength and goodness of Avram. He left the land of his ancestors, and took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, their wealth and the "the souls they made" in Haran. What souls did they make? (At this point Avram and Sarai had no children.) Rashi says this is referring to those who converted to the belief in Hashem (G-d) because of them. So Avram was already reaching out to others, caring about others to such a degree that they too gave up their homeland and followed Avram. We also know that Avraham's concern for all people (G-d changed his name to Avraham in chapter 17) extended even to the evil people of Sedom: Avraham negotiated with Hashem about the lives of the Sedomites, asking "Will you destroy the righteous along with the wicked? What if there are 50 righteous... 45? ...40?" on down to 10. (Chapter 18:23-32)

There are other examples in the Torah of using the word "lecha" to embellish a verb. I will focus on two:

In last week's parsha, G-d says to Noach "Aseh **lecha**" — Make for yourself an ark (6:14).

In Shemos (34:1), Hashem commands Moshe "Pesol **lecha**" — Engrave for yourself two stone tablets.

Aseh lecha

"All flesh had corrupted its way on earth" and G-d told Noach, "I am about to destroy them from the earth" (6:12-13). Noach and his family will be saved, but the rest of humanity will be destroyed. Noach hears this and he is silent. The Torah does not note any conversation, prayers, or petitioning from Noach for his fellow man. So, Hashem speaks up. "Aseh lecha tevas atzei gopher" — Make yourself an ark of gopher wood. What can "lecha" intimate here?

Hashem could have found many ways to save Noach, his family and the selected animals. Why an ark? You, Noach, who does not go out and try to "convert" people to do the right thing, I, Hashem, will bring the people to you. According to Rashi, it took 120 years for Noach to build that ark — plenty of time for the people around him to see what he was doing and for Noach to tell them there will be a flood and they should repent. Make the ark for yourself, but the very act of building it will be a message to the people around you.

Pesol lecha

During the sin of the Golden Calf, Hashem wanted to annihilate the people who had sinned and build a great nation, this time from Moshe. Moshe's only interest, however, was in saving the people. He prays and G-d relents. Still, as Moshe neared the scene of the sin, he grew angry and broke the tablets created by G-d. After this, Hashem commands Moshe "Pesol lecha" — engrave for yourself two stone tablets. What does "lecha" connote here?

Rashi says this means engrave for yourself two new tablets to replace the ones you broke. I would suggest an additional thought. Engrave new tablets, let's begin anew. You do your part, Hashem says, I will do mine. The two sets of tablets were different.

The first set was made entirely by Hashem, both the stones and the words on them. The second set was more of a partnership — the stones were carved by Moshe, the inscription was from Hashem. The first set was short lived. The second set lasted. If we do for ourselves, Hashem will meet us halfway, and the combined efforts will produce a Torah that will last.

Lecha - for you

There are many different types of Jews and many different ways to take Hashem's commandments and integrate them into our being, making them our own "lecha." Some of us, like Avram, leave our past and find G-d. Other times, as with Noach, G-d finds us, bringing us opportunities to connect. And as with the second set of tablets, if we begin the process of carving the ways of Torah into ourselves, Hashem will be our partner in helping us and making it last. The word "lecha," for you, speaks to us all. It encourages us to strengthen our personal relationship with G-d and our Torah and gain a deeper understanding of how our lives are enhanced by doing so. Shabbat Shalom!

DVAR TORAH

The next Shabbatot available to write a Dvar Torah are: Toldot 11/6, Miketz 12/4, Vayechi 12/18 & Vaera 1/1/22 If interested, please email Bill Greenbaum at *dvar@lss.org*.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Monday:

- Chug Ivrit led by Harel Fenigstein Chadashot (News from Israel):
 7:00pm-8:15pm. Available in person or via Zoom. Location: Room 206
 Meeting ID: 853 8744 3723 Password: 180613
- <u>Beginners:</u> The Jewish Living Workshop led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum: 7:30-8:30pm via Zoom. The Jewish Living Workshop, register at <u>www.lss.org/beginners.</u> Topic: Putting Up a Mezuzah Meeting ID: 0679 6915 Passcode: 593143.

Tuesday:

- The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the weekly Parsha" led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 10:30am–11:30am Meeting ID: 241022510. Dial In: 646 876 9923. Location: The Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
- Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group led by Ron Platzer: 8:00pm. Meeting ID: 850 0937 1460 Password:560900
- <u>Beginners:</u> Rabbi Buchwald's Introduction to Bible: 6:30-8:00pm via
 Zoom. This course will review basic literary and theological approaches to
 Bible study, traditional and modern, through the analysis of the Biblical
 text. Registrants receive the Zoom link and class materials prior to the
 class. Register at www.lss.org/beginners. Cost: \$90, Free to LSS
 Members. No one will be turned away for lack of funds.

Wednesday:

- Chug Ivrit Safa Ivrit (Hebrew Language) led by Harel Fenigstein: 7:00pm-8:15pm. Available in person or via Zoom. Location: Room 206 Meeting ID: 854 6157 2450 Password: chug2
- Food, Jews, History with Paul Shaviv: 8:00pm Different and fascinating interactions between Jews, food and history! Discovery, trade, use, halakhah... Meeting ID: 836 3083 6501 Password: 648083

Thursday:

- Women's Talk Time: led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer: 11:30am-12:30pm. Meeting ID: 972 4054 8238 Password: 142533
- Jacob Adler Parsha Class: Explorations in the Weekly Parsha led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: 6:45pm. Meeting ID: 912 657 888 In person location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Shabbat Shalom!

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