

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

In order to continue to keep each other safe and healthy, LSS asks that, on Shabbat morning, everyone wear a face mask, covering the wearer’s mouth and nose, in all areas indoors at all times (mask-wearing is optional at outdoor services and at Friday night, Shabbat afternoon and weekday indoor 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:

4:23pm Shabbat Candle Lighting

4:25pm Mincha followed by Kabbalat Shabbat;

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Kiddush, Kugel, and Shiur with Rabbi Shaul Robinson following Mincha; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Topic: When the Sun Goes Down— Jacob and the First Ever Ma’ariv.

4:40pm Sunset: daven Mincha

5:11pm 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. Drasha by Rabbi Shaul Robinson followed by Musaf. Followed by Main Kiddush on the Spira Family Terrace. Shiur by Rabbinic Intern Daniel Gottesman.

9:09am Latest Shema

9:30am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan;

Location: The Spira Family Terrace

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

Location: Pre-function room, Ballroom level. Beginners Kiddush to follow.

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

10:00am Latest Shacharit

2:45pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler;

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

3:40pm Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty;

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Topic: Discussion of This Week’s Haftara.

4:15pm Mincha; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Followed by Seudah Shlishit; Location: The Spira Family Terrace. Dvar Torah by Rabbinic Intern Daniel Gottesman.

4:39pm Sunset: daven Mincha

5:23pm Ma’ariv/Havdalah

5:33pm Zoom Havdalah (link in electronic Echod).

WEEKDAY MINYAN INFORMATION

Shacharit:

Sunday, November 14 @ 8:30am

Monday, November 15—Friday, November 19 @ 7:30am

Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday, November 14 @ 4:30pm

Monday, November 15—Thursday, November 18 @ 4:25pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 14th: Women’s Tefillah Group Presents: Chodesh Kislev Shiur: 8:00pm. Topic: Of Mothers, Sons, and Nursemaids: The Role of Devorah in the Dynamics of a Patriarchal Family with Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty. Men and women welcome.
Meeting ID: 872 8554 7146 Passcode: 821801

Monday, November 15th: On Wallets and Trees: Beit Hillel and Beit Shamai: A Chanukah Shiur by Rabbanit Esti Rosenberg, Rosh Beit Midrash of Migdal Oz: 7:00pm Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Shabbat, November 20th: Shabbos Speaker Batya Jaffe on United Hatzalah Animal-Assisted Crisis Response in Surfside Miami: Following Musaf in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Originally from Mexico, Batya Jaffe is an animal-assisted therapist who works with her therapy dog Lucy. Up until moving to New York, Batya was the head of the K-9 team of the Psychotrauma team in United Hatzalah in Israel. Among her various interventions, Batya and Lucy participated in the United Hatzalah team sent to Miami Surfside this past summer after the collapse of the building.

Saturday, November 27th: Beginners Chanukah Luncheon: 12:30pm. Cost: \$25. Reservations and payments due Wednesday, November 24th. Register at: www.lss.org/beginners. Only open to those who are fully vaccinated.

Monday, November 29th: Shulie Mishkin: My Glorious Brothers: 1:00pm. Via Zoom. How did the Hasmoneans change Jerusalem and Judaism? A “live from Israel” virtual tour about why the Chanukah story is so significant to Jewish and world history, where the events took place, and what happened with the Hasmonean kingdom. Shulie Mishkin, Jewish historian and tour guide whose tours provide a complete picture of the land of Israel and Jewish heritage, with a strong reliance on sources ranging from the Bible to 19th century travelers’ reports. Cost: \$10. Register at www.lss.org/event/My-Glorious-Brothers

Monday, November 29th: A Musical Candle Lighting and Kumzitz with Chazzan Yanky Lemmer: 7:00pm Lighting will be right outside LSS followed by a kumzitz with hot drinks and donuts in the Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer.

Wednesday, December 1st: Beginners Chanukah Bash: 7:00pm. Live music by Psachya Septimus. \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Register at www.lss.org/beginners. Only open to those who are fully vaccinated.

Shabbat, December 11th: Young Professionals Winter Kiddush: 12:00pm. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Adults must be vaccinated to attend. There is no fee for this event but please register in advance at: <https://www.lss.org/event/YPwinterkiddush>. Sponsors welcome.

*If, due to a disability, you need an accommodation made or you need help registering for an event, please call (212)-874-6100.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

All indoor kiddushim are for vaccinated individuals only.

Hashkama Kiddush: The Roxland Family in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of their grandmother, Tema bat Moshe, a"n.

Main Kiddush: Francine Cinamon, Fred Ehrman, Josh Goldberg, Dr. Morris Shamah, Steven Spira, Shirley Stark, and Anonymous in honor of all those finishing Masechet Rosh Hashanah today in the Daf Yomi Cycle.

Thank you to **Bina Presser** for her contribution.

Beginners Kiddush: Mandy Pan in honor of the Beginners Service.

Seudah Shlishit: Generous contributions to the fund.

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

MAZAL TOV

Chaya and Matan Balas on the birth of a baby boy. Mazal Tov also to grandparents Harry and Pesha Rubinstein and Shlomo Balas.

NEIROT SHABBAT LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Welcome Shabbat with warm food and even warmer Torah. Following Friday night services, join us for a new monthly program— Kiddush, Kugel, and a 20 minute shiur. This week’s shiur will be given by Rabbi Robinson. Topic: “When the Sun Goes Down— Jacob and the First Ever Ma’ariv”.

WEST SIDE JUDAICA

West Side Judaica is going to be starting their Chanukah Countdown with extended holiday hours and new collections in store. Please see online Echod for flyers with more information.

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.

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 Avraham Sanger

Assistant Youth Director: Alexander Wildes

Age 2-5: Room 206/207

Your child has free play, circle time Tefillah, story time and a Parsha Activity. We will end groups with a snack.

Age 6-10: Room 208/210

Your child has free play, Davening, Parsha Discussion, Parsha trivia for raffle tickets and snacks.

Age 11+: Room 211

For our oldest youth group, we have free play, Tefillah led by a group leader. Davening is followed by Parsha Discussion, tickets for raffle tickets, games and a Parsha activity.

Shabbat, November 20th: Community Wide Shabbos Afternoon Youth

Center at Manhattan Day School: Supervised play for children 5-12.

Cost: \$375 per family for the 10 week program. Sponsorships welcome.

See online Echod to register.

Sunday, December 5th: LSS Youth Department Channukah Celebration:

10:30am-12:00pm. Join us for arts and crafts, donut decorating, and dreidel playing. Cost: \$10 per child. Sponsorship opportunities available. Register at:

<https://www.lss.org/event/lss-youth-CHANUKAH-celebration.html>

YOUTH DVAR TORAH

By Romy Sanger

This week's Parsha begins with Yaakov Avinu fleeing from his furious brother Eisav. Yaakov falls asleep, and God appears to him while angels ascend and descend a ladder. Yaakov wakes up afraid, admits to not recognizing the holiness of the location, and names the place Beit El.

Skip to the end of the parsha, in the last 2 psukim, Yaakov bumps into angels of God. But now he is awake, and he reacts calmly. He recognizes right away that this is a place of God and he names the place Machanayim.

This seems like a drastic change to the beginning of the Parsha so the question is what happened in between? The center of the parsha focuses on Yaakov's dealings with Lavan Haarami. Living in a money-driven society with no sense of ethics, Yaakov handles things so well that Chazal teach us the phrase "Im Lavan Garti Vetaryag Mitzvot Shamarti." Yaakov contends with this powerful environment, and maintains his uniqueness, such that when he leaves, we read, "Yaakov halach l'darko"...Yaakov follows his own path. The Torah is showing us that to reach a higher connection to God, we can not run away from the challenges of the world, as in "Vayetze Yaakov." Rather, we must face the challenges of the world and succeed, as we see in Yaakov.

Yaakov names the site of his sleeping vision "Beit El", the house of God. He then names the later site "Machanayim", meaning a camp site where God is part of our camp, where we and God are together as partners in the world. Our Torah at its highest level is a Torah that engages the world, even and especially in challenging situations. This engagement enables us to reach the highest level of connection with God.

QUESTIONS

1. Where did Yakov eventually settle?
2. Who was Yakov married to?
3. How many children did Leah have and what were their names?
4. What is the name of Rachel's first born son?

1. Charan
2. Rachel, Leah, and Zilpa
3. Six boys and one girl: Reuven, Shimon, Levi, Yehudah, Issachar, Zevulun and Dina
4. Yosef

ANSWERS

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday:

- **Sh'eilot and Tshuvot:** 9:15am-10:15am. Come and learn some classic and contemporary responsa Sunday mornings after Shacharit. In person and via Zoom. In person location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Meeting ID: 838 3061 9860 Passcode: 354153. Must be fully vaccinated to participate in breakfast portion. Sponsors are welcome.

Monday:

- **A Gemara Class Bava Kama: Laws of Personal Injury led by Rabbi Robinson:** 11:00am-12:00pm. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Repeated on Zoom Tuesday at 8:00pm.
- **Beginners: Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level I with Sharona Spivack:** 6:00pm. The 5 classes last 1 1/2 hours, and are free and open to all. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Register at www.lss.org/beginners.
- **Chug Ivrit led by Harel Fenigstein Chadashot (News from Israel):** 7:00pm-8:15pm. Available in person or via Zoom. Register at <https://form.jotform.com/uwsshaliach/chug-ivrit-chadashot>
- ***Last Class* Beginners: The Jewish Living Workshop led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum:** 7:30-8:30pm via Zoom. The Jewish Living Workshop, register at www.lss.org/beginners. Topic: Transition Prayers 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
- **Beginners: 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.
- **Beit Midrash night, The M'lachim (Kings) Study Group** led by Ron Platzer: 8:00pm. Meeting ID: 850 0937 1460 Password: 560900
- **A Gemara Class Bava Kama: Laws of Personal Injury led by Rabbi Robinson:** 8:00pm. Meeting ID: 858 4080 4793 Passcode: 931015

Wednesday:

- **Personalities in Rabbanic Literature led by Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty:** 12:00pm-1:00pm. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Class will end December 1st. Topic: R' Eliezer ben Hurcanus: A Cistern that Does Not Lose One Drop
- **Chug Ivrit - Safa Ivrit (Hebrew Language) led by Harel Fenigstein:** 7:00pm-8:15pm. Available in person or via Zoom. Register at <https://form.jotform.com/uwsshaliach/chug-ivrit-safa>
- ***Last Class* 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: 7:00pm. Meeting ID: 912 657 888 In person location: Belfer Beit Midrash



DVAR TORAH

Parshat Vayetzai
By Moshe Sokolow

Finding Transcendence in the Mundane

According to Rashi's interpretation, Yaakov, who had already reached Haran, was on his way back to Mount Moriah to pray at a site consecrated by his father and grandfather. To accommodate him, God moved the mountain to intercept him at Luz. He also caused the sun to set prematurely in order to constrain him to remain overnight. Yaakov collected several stones, which he placed about his head, and went to sleep. In his dream – during which God compressed the entire Land of Israel beneath him – he saw angels first ascending, and then descending, a ladder. When he awoke, he discovered that God had fused the several stones together into one.

According to Rashbam, however, when Yaakov, on his way to Haran, ran out of daylight for travelling, he stopped at an anonymous site outside Luz. There he went to sleep on only as much ground as his body occupied. In his dream, he saw angels going up and down a ladder in no particular sequence and when he awoke, the single stone he had placed beneath his head was still there.

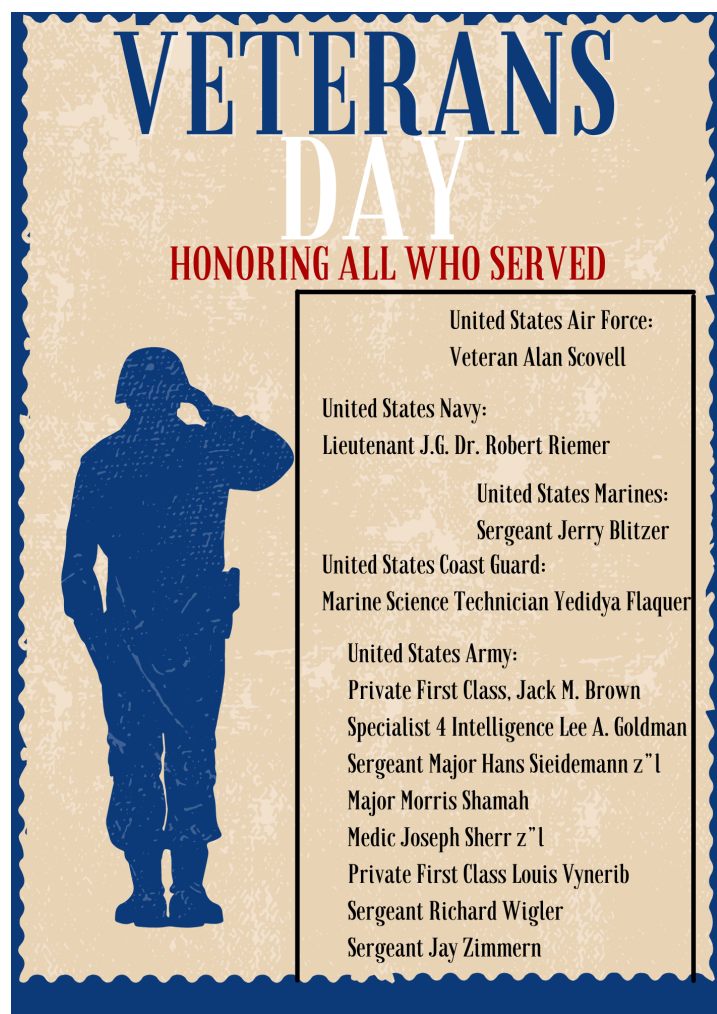
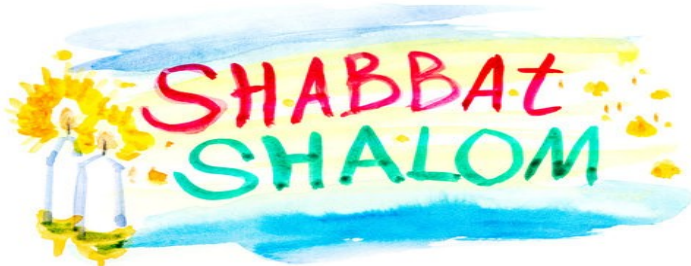
The respective interpretations of these two exegetes are very different. Rashi saw the elements in the narrative framework of the dream as a supernatural contrivance designed to maneuver Yaakov into that holy place at that designated time. Rashbam, on the other hand, saw only the casual, even random, meandering of a man who got stuck at sundown at a place not of his own choosing, where he cautiously bedded down for the night. With respect to the dream itself, Rashi saw it as beginning with the sequential changing of the heavenly guard, continuing with the compression of the land on which he slept, and culminating in the fusion of the selected stones.

Rashbam denied absolute sequence, and, hence, significance, to the movements of the angels, and declined to accommodate either the compression of the earth or the fusion of the sundry stones.

The conventional understanding is that Rashi's interpretation is suffused with spiritual significance whereas that of Rashbam is so matter of fact as to be devoid of spiritual import. The opposite, however, is more convincing. According to Rashi, Yaakov would have had to be spiritually autistic if he had failed to recognize that "This is truly a House of God and this is the gateway to heaven." But, to recognize God when you encounter moving mountains, unnatural sunsets, and stones that fuse together is not the real challenge of religious life. That challenge, as Rashbam correctly saw it, is to recognize the divine in the ordinary, the transcendent in the mundane, and, when intimating the presence of God, to declare, along with Yaakov: "How extraordinary this place is!"

DVAR TORAH

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



HOSPITALITY

Did you know? Hospitality is not just for visitors to the neighborhood but also for members of LSS. If you are a member and would like to be hosted for a Shabbat meal or would like to offer hospitality to other members, please email us at hospitality@lss.org.

DID YOU KNOW?

In person office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays.

LSS PHOTO DIRECTORY

After a year online, it's good to begin seeing each other again in person. As we look towards more connected days ahead we also look for ways to help encourage the reconnection among members. Adding your photo to your member account is a great way to get to know other Shul members, and let them get to know you (especially if you're "supposed to know them at this point" shhhh - we won't tell). Be sure to send in your individual, couple, or family photo to Jay Ziffer at Jayz@lss.org. *Photos can only be seen by members.

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LINCOLN SQUARE SYNAGOGUE PRESENTS

Women's Tefillah Group: Chodesh Kislev Shiur

With Rabbanit Mindy Schwartz Zolty

Sunday,
November 14th
8:00pm

Topic:
Mothers, Sons, and
Nursemaids: The Role of
Devorah in the Dynamics
of a Patriarchal Family
Men and women welcome

Dial in: 646 876 9923
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ON WALLETS & TREES

Beit Hillel and Beit Shamai: A Chanukah Shiur

Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary

Monday, November 15th
7:00pm



Rabbanit
Esti Rosenberg,
Rosh Beit Midrash
of Migdal Oz



SHABBAT, NOVEMBER 20

Following Musaf, join us as we
welcome Batya Jaffe from
United Hatzalah
Animal-Assisted Crisis Response
in Surfside Miami



MY GLORIOUS BROTHERS

Monday,
November 29th

1:00pm

Cost: \$10



Please register at
<https://www.lss.org/event/My-Glorious-Brothers>

Live from Israel!

Join Jewish historian Shulie Mishkin for a virtual tour about
why the Chanukah story is so significant to Jewish and world
history, and the rise and fall of the Hasmonean Kingdom.