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**SHABBAT SCHEDULE** 

# Friday night:

4:11pm Candle Lighting

**4:15pm** Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat.

Davening led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer

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.

Topic: The Rain in Spain; What's so special about December 4th?

4:29pm Sunset: Latest time to daven Mincha

5:00pm Repeat Shema

#### **Shabbat:**

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

9:00am Chazzan Sherwood Goffin Memorial Minyan;

Davening led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer.

Drasha before Musaf by Rabbi Robinson.

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary

Gala Kiddush to follow in the Ballroom

9:23am Latest Shema

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

Location: 3rd Floor. Beginners Kiddush to follow.

9:45am Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

10:00am Shabbat Groups; Location: Second Floor Classrooms

2:25pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler;

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

3:25pm Louis and Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur by Community Intern,

Tzophia Stepansky.

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

3:55pm Mincha; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Followed by Seudah Shlishit.

4:29pm Sunset: Latest time to daven Mincha.

5:12pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends.

#### **WEEKDAY MINYAN**

#### Shacharit:

Sunday, November December 4th @ 8:30am

Monday, December 5th @ 7:00am & 7:50am

Tuesday, December 6th and Wednesday, December 7th

@ 7:10am & 7:50am

Thursday, December 8th @ 7:00am & 7:50am

Friday, December 9th @ 7:10am & 7:50am

## Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday, December 4th—Thursday, December 8th@ 4:20pm

# V'TAIN TAL U'MATAR LIVRACHA

Please remember that on the evening of **Sunday, December 4th**, we begin saying v'tain tal u'matar livracha in the bracha of Barech Alaynu in the weekday Amidah.



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# Hashkama Kiddush:

**The Roxland Family** in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of their grandmother, Tema bat Moishe, a"h.

## Gala Kiddush:

**Janine and David Sherr** in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Menachem Sherr.

#### **Beginners Kiddush:**

Lorraine Lipinski in loving memory of her father, Victor Lipinski.

#### Seudah Shlishit

**Pamela Nadler-Emmerich and Adam Emmerich** in commemoration of Pamela's father, Joseph Nadler z"l.

Marcie and Ken Cappell in commemoration of the first yahrtzeit of Ken's sister Netty Gross Horowitz a"h, Necha Dobra bat Yisroel, on Monday. May her neshama have an aliyah.

To sponsor a Kiddush please email info@lss.org.

# **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Dr. Samuel and Mrs. Batsheva Rubin Mr. Jack Sztrigler and Mrs. Jackie Retig

# **MAZAL TOV**

Menachem Sherr and his parents, Janine and David Sherr, on the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah. Mazal tov also to Menachem's grandfather, Michel Muller, of Toronto.



# YOUTH DEPARTMENT AND THE MAGEN AVRAHAM TEEN DEPARTMENT

**Shabbat Youth Groups: 10:00am:** Location: Second Floor Classrooms. Join us for davening, Torah & play.

Following morning prayer services, please join the Youth Department for a Kidstastic Kiddush in the Ballroom.

**Sunday, December 4th: 6:00pm:** Come out and celebrate Jewish Heritage Night when the New York Knicks take on the Cleveland Cavaliers! Event presentation includes an Anthem performance by The Maccabeats! Ticket packages include game ticket and Knicks branded Yarmulke! To purchase tickets, see link in the electronic Echod.

Sunday, December 4th: Chanukah Painting Event: 1:00pm-8:00pm:

Location: Color Me Mine

Address: 177 Amsterdam Avenue, W 68th St, New York, NY 10023. Register at www.upperwestside.colormemine.com/holidays2022/#

Friday, December 16th: Teen Friday Night Oneg at LSS:8:00pm: Location: Pre-Function Room

Motzei Shabbat, December 17th: Parent Child Learning: 6:30pm: Sponsorship opportunities available starting at \$250.

Email youth@lss.org if you are interested in sponsoring.

Sunday, December 18th-Sunday, December 25th: Daily Teen

Chanukah Trivia on Instagram for Prizes: 6:30pm Wednesday, December 21st: Chanukah Magic Show: 5:00pm

(Doors open at 4:30pm). Location: Ballroom. See registration link in online Echod.

Shabbat, December 24th: Special Youth Groups: 10:00am: Create special candy Chanukah treats!

Every Second and Fourth Shabbat: Babies & Me: 11:00am-11:30am

Friday Night, December 9th: LSS Hospitality Shabbaton:

Connect with your community and help foster a spirit of hospitality at LSS. Volunteer to be a host or sign up to be a guest and we will match you with fellow LSS community members for a Shabbat dinner. This event is open to LSS members.

Shabbat, December 9th-10th: MDS at Your Shul: The MDS Shabbat is a community building event that features a variety of speakers at different synagogues in New York City. See flyer in the electronic Echod for details.

Shabbat, December 10th: Women's Tefillah Group Parshat Vayishlach: 9:00am: Location: Pre-function room. Giving women the opportunity to lain from the Torah or lead davening.

Shabbat, December 10th: Young Professional Women's Seudah Shlishit: 4:00pm: Connect with our community and hear some words of Torah from the Upper West Yoetzet Ellin Copper! All are welcome. Hosted at the home of Daniella Teichman. Email Rabbanit@lss.org for the address.

## **CHANUKAH**

Shabbat, December 17th: Special Beginners Chanukah luncheon: 12:00pm: Price: \$25 per person. Register online at www.lss.org/beginners Registration deadline: Wednesday, December 14th, 5:00pm.

Monday, December 19th: 5:00pm-6:30pm: Dispel the Darkness: (offsite) Location: Times Square - enter at Broadway and 47th Street, New York City. This Hanukkah, UJA is joining Shine A Light to dispel the darkness and to say: enough is enough. In the heart of New York City, we'll publicly display our Jewish identity as we light the menorah together and raise awareness about antisemitism.

See www.shinealighton.com/event/nyc/ for more information.

Monday, December 19th: Chanukah on Ice NYC: 6:00pm-9:00pm: (offsite): Locationg: Wollman Rink in Central Park. Join Chabad Family Programs for an evening of ice skating and Chanukah fun for the whole family! Participants will skate to the sounds of Jewish music. Kosher food will be served, and the crowd will join in the lighting a hand-carved six foot tall Ice Menorah. Online: \$28/admission including skates, under 3 is free. At the door: \$\$35/admission including skates, under 3 is free.

Register at: www.chanukahonicenyc.com. Organizational code: LSSCO122. Enter it online at checkout to get a 5% discount!

Monday, December 19th: 8:00pm: LSS Clergy on Chanukah:

Short thoughts to inspire your davening during Chanukah. Meeting ID: 835 7415 7309 Passcode: 931717

Tuesday, December 20th:Bringing Light into The Darkness:

5:30pm-7:00pm EDT on Zoom: In partnership with the Marlene Meyerson JCC of Manhattan, The Jewish Board presents a Chanukah bereavement program. Come together with others who are grieving the loss of a loved one as Rabbis Miriam Herscher, BCC, LMSW and Adam Huttel, LMSW teach us about the healing potential of Chanukah. Bring your Chanukah menorah, draw support and comfort from one another and our shared tradition, and explore ways to find meaning and connection through themes of Chanukah.

Tuesday, December 20th, 7:00pm-9:30pm: Yonina Concert:

(offsite) Location: Park East Synagogue, 163 E 67th Street, New York, NY 10021. Price: \$18. We're pleased to let you know that UJA-Federation, in partnership with Lincoln Square Synagogue, will be hosting an in-person, Chanukah concert with Yonina at Park East Synagogue! Yonina is an Israeli-American couple who started sharing music through weekly home videos on social media. Their music has now reached millions of viewers around the world. You can check out their Chanukah video using the link in the electronic Echod. Please join us for what is sure to be a memorable concert! Register at: www.ujafedny.org/event/view/yonina-hanukkah-concert

Tuesday, December 20th: 7:00pm: Chanukah Themed Beit Midrash Night: Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Wednesday, December 21st: Beginners Chanukah Bash: 7:00 pm: Live music by Psachya Septimus. \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Register at www.lss.org/beginners.

Thursday, December 22nd: Outdoor Candle Lighting and Tisch: 8:00pm: We will have latkes, cholent, whiskey, songs, and divrei Torah.

Friday, December 23rd: Chanukah Neirot Shabbat: Featuring a Kol Haneshama Chinese Food Hot Kiddush.

\*See the youth section for upcoming Chanukah themed youth events.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES Daf Yomi: Sunday at 7:30am Monday & Thursday at 6:10am and Tuesday,

Wednesday, & Friday at 6:20am: Location: Belfer Beit Midrash and virtual: When Rabbi Moshe Menachem Mendel Spivak proposed the idea of Daf Yomi — reading a page per day of the Talmud until you had completed the entire Talmud, he was seeking community and a way to unify the Jewish people. Help us realize his vision and unify our own Lincoln Square Synagogue community by joining us in this important tradition. Learning Daf Yomi has never been easier-join us in person or via Zoom.

Schedule: Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday- virtual. Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday- in person and virtual.

Dial instructions: Step 1: dial in #: 646-558-8656. Step 2: dial in code 83765052291. Step 3: password # 1948

Wednesday's are conference call only with the following dial in instructions: Step 1: dial in #: 267-807-9601. Step 2: code #: 3113299601.

#### Monday, December 5th

- 11:00am-12:00pm: A Gemara Class Bava Kama: Laws of Personal Injury led by Rabbi Robinson:
  - Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary
- 6:00pm-7:30pm: Hebrew Reading Crash Course by Sharona Spivack: Five weekly sessions. Level I is designed for those who have little or no background in Hebrew, and focuses on teaching the Hebrew alphabet and reading skills. Register at www.lss.org/beginners
- 7:00pm: Chug Ivrit Chadashot (News from Israel) with Gali Rabin: The class is taught almost exclusively in Ivrit. This week's class will be virtual; use this link to join. Meeting ID: 835 3789 4515 Passcode:701985

Tuesday, December 6th

- 11:00am-12:00pm: The Marilyn & Sam Isler, "Studies in the Weekly Parsha" led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson: Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.
- 6:30pm-8:00pm: Introduction to Bible, on Zoom with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald: Register now! This course provides a general overview of the content and style of the Bible. We will review basic literary and theological approaches to Bible study, traditional and modern, through the analysis of the Biblical text. Registrants will receive the Zoom link prior to the start of the course. Register at www.lss.org/beginners. This course is FREE and open to all! Sponsors welcome. Please contact Jessica at jessica@njop.org or call 646-871-0012.
- 7:00pm-9:00pm: New Weekly Beit Midrash Night: Location Beit Midrash. Weekly Beit Midrash Night! Featuring Chaburas from LSS Clergy and Kollel Fellows! Dinner Included. Sponsorships welcome. Open to All!
- 8:00pm: 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

#### Wednesday, December 7th

- 11:00am: Shmuel Aleph (1 Samuel) led by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty: Location: Shele Danishefsky Covlin Foyer
- 8:00pm: LSS Jewish History Course: Unusual perspectives on the German - Jewish experience; from the beginning to the present day by Paul Shaviv. Topic: 'Building'- The Great German Middle Class- and Their Betrayal. Meeting ID: 890 3334 1371 Passcode: 720865

The Fall 2022 Jewish History Course is sponsored by Karen and Roy Simon.

#### Thursday, December 8th

11:00am-12:00pm: Women's Talk Time: led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer.

Meeting ID: 972 4054 8238 Passcode: 142533

7:00pm: Jacob Adler Parsha Class: Explorations in the Weekly Parsha by Rabbi Robinson. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

Sunday, December 11th

9:15am-10:15am: Sh'eilot and Teshuvot by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty. Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

If you would like to receive the Shabbat Echod by e-mail, sign up at www.lss.org

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# **DVAR TORAH PARSHAT VAYETZE**

# **God Is in This Place**

For my dear son Menachem on his Bar Mitzvah

By: Janine Sherr

Our father Jacob dreams. And what a lofty vision he beholds: A ladder reaching upwards towards heaven with angels ascending and descending upon it. And G-d is standing over him, blessing him and promising to protect him on his journey and to return him safely to the Land of Israel. When Jacob awakes from the dream, he remarks in astonishment, "Surely G-d is in this place and I did not know it." (Bereisheet 28:16) According to rabbinic tradition, indeed, the place where Jacob rests for the night would later be the place where the Holy Temple would stand.

Rashi explains Jacob's comment thus: "Had I known that G-d was here, I would not have slept in this holy place." Rabbi Yakov Nagen suggests that underlying Rashi's words is the idea that just as G-d was in this place and Jacob was unaware of His presence, G-d is present in many places but we are unaware of it. Jacob's experience is really a universal one. It is not uncommon for people to go through life "asleep," unaware of the beauty and wonders that surround them. Jacob teaches us to try to develop an awareness of G-d's presence everywhere, to cultivate a sense of gratitude for our families and friends and a sensitivity to the messages G-d sends us daily.

However, life is full of challenges and during times of struggle it is sometimes difficult to feel G-d's presence.

Rabbi Judah Mischel (Torah Tidbits 1442/ Vayeitzei 5782) relates a beautiful story about the great Reb Yisrael of Rizhin:

A man went to the Rebbe to ask for a bracha and to seek his advice. When the man emerged from his meeting with the Rebbe, Reb Yisroel's son, Reb Dovid Moshe, who was then only a child, asked him: "So? What did my father have to say?" "The Rebbe said that der Eibeshter ver helfin, G-d Above will help." But the little boy, observing this man still overwhelmed by his troubles, said to him: "But what will be biz der Eibeshter vet helfen-until Hashem helps? "I don't know," admitted the man. "Go back and ask my father." When the man emerged a second time, the boy asked: "So, what did my father tell you?" This time the man smiled: "The Rebbe said that der Eibeshter ver helfin...biz er vet helfin, The One Above will help...until He will help."

In Jacob's dream G-d assures Jacob, "And behold I am with you and will guard you wherever you go..." (28:15). According to the teachings of the Kabbalah, each month is associated with a specific letter. The letter of the month of Kislev is samech. Reb Tzadok haKohen of Lublin points out that the samech looks like a circle which represents G-d's endless light surrounding all of existence through which He "supports all the fallen." Reb Tzadok teaches that the work of the month of Kislev is to trust that G-d is taking care of us and helping us all the time.

My prayer for Menachem and for our entire community is that we should strive as much as possible to feel G-d's presence in our lives and, in the words of Tehilim (91:11), that G-d "will command His angels to guard you in all your ways."

#### **DVAR TORAH**

The next Shabbatot available to write are: 12/10 Vayishlach, 12/17 Vayeishey, 12/31 Vayigash.

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

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