

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Friday Evening

- 6:32pm Candle Lighting
- 6:35pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Services will be led by **Chazzan Yanky Lemmer**.
- 6:35pm: Shir Hashirim followed by Sephardic Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash

Shabbat Morning

- 7:45am: Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush and shiur given by **Dr. Moshe Sokolow**
- 9:00am: Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Services will be led by **Chazzan Yanky Lemmer**. Drasha will be given by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson** on "The Algorithm of Optimism".
- 9:15am: Beginners Service led by **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room LL201 (Lower Level)
- 9:45am: Latest Shema
- 9:45am: Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash.

Shabbat Afternoon

- 4:00pm: Herb Weiss Bikur Cholim Society meets in the shul lobby to visit patients at Mount Sinai West (formerly Roosevelt Hospital). Please consider volunteering to help fulfill the tremendous mitzvah of spending time with those who are ill.
- 4:45pm: Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash
- 5:15pm: Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur will be given by **Professor Benjamin Ish-Shalom**, Founder and President of **Beit Morasha of Jerusalem: Philosophical and Educational aspects of Yamin Noraim**: *Identity and Meaning*
- 5:15pm: Samson Raphael Hirsch Bible Class with **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in Room 211
- 6:15pm: Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit. Talk will be given by **Yael Simon** from Kemach.
- 7:31pm: Ma'ariv/ Shabbat Ends

Selichot Services

Motzei Shabbat-September 24, 2016

10:00pm: Selichot services

led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer

in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary

11:00pm: Selichot shiur

with Dr. Michelle Friedman

Title: "Asking Mechilla: Why is it So Hard?"

12:50am: Selichot services

led by Ruvan Cohen in the Belfer Beit Midrash



MAZAL TOV

Mazal Tov to **Meryl & Benjamin Brown** on the birth of their son. Mazal Tov also to big sister **Sophie** and to great-grandparents **Lenore & Jack Brown**.

Mazal Tov to **David Aaron Cinamon** and **Arianne Thaler** on their engagement. Mazal Tov to parents **Francine & Jay Cinamon** and **Janice & Joel Thaler**.

Mazal Tov to **Yoel Epstein** on his engagement to **Nomi Brand**. Mazal Tov to parents **Lloyd Epstein & Judith Weil** and **Etzion & Faye Brand** of Baltimore. Mazal tov to the entire Epstein family.

NEW MEMBERS

From the Desk of Tamar Fix, Executive Director

A note to new members:

- Over the course of the summer months we have been pleased to announce many new members who have joined our Lincoln Square Synagogue family.
 - Welcome! We are thrilled to have you! Many congregants have expressed an interest in meeting and welcoming you personally! **For those who have joined from May-present, you will notice a silver bowl in the lobby with premade labels that have your name on it.**
- We would truly love to get to know you better!
- If you are looking for Shabbat meals our hospitality committee would be happy to help! Please email: hospitality@lss.org
 - As you get to know your new synagogue please do not hesitate to email me with any questions or concerns at tamar@lss.org or stop in to visit me anytime in the shul office.



Welcome back Chazzan Yanky Lemmer!

Welcome new members: Joyce & Edward Weisfelner

Welcome new member: Sergio Zyman

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Hashkama Kiddush: Sponsored by The Fund.

Beginners Kiddush: Sponsored by **Beatrice Stoller** in memory of her beloved husband, **Dr. Elias R. Stoller, z"l**.

Main Kiddush: Sponsors welcome.

Seudah Shlishit: Sponsored by **Naomi Cogan** in commemoration of the yahrtzeits of her mother **Esther Schrenzel, a"n**, and her father **Bernard Schrenzel, z"l**.

Please note the change in daily minyan times for the coming week:

Weekly Prayer Schedule For the Week of September 25th Sunday – Thursday Mincha/Ma'ariv: 6:30pm	
Sunday Daf Yomi: 7:45am Shacharit: 7:10am Shacharit: 8:30am	Mon -Fri Daf Yomi: 6:00am Shacharit/Shelichot: 6:40am Shacharit/Selichot: 7:30am

HOLIDAY CHECKLIST

Don't Forget To:



Reserve your seats in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary, Ballroom and Beginners Service ([click here](#)). Rosh Hashanah begins on Sunday evening, October 2nd, 2016. Please note that seats in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary Women's Section and seats in the Kollel Minyan are no longer available.



Reserve seats in the Stone Family Sukkah. ([click here](#))

Please reserve your seat(s) in **The Stone Family Sukkah** on **The Spira Family Terrace**, as early as possible. The deadline to register is **next Friday, September 30th at 6:00pm**, just a short week away. Please do not delay as registration is completed on a first-come first-served basis.



Purchase your lulavim and etrogim. ([click here](#))

Thursday, October 13th from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the Entrance Hall

Come buy a beautiful lulav and Etrog set at the shul as West Side Judaica sets up shop for the evening in the first floor lobby. No registration is necessary. 15% of all proceeds will support Lincoln Square Synagogue. **Hoshanot will be sold on Sunday, October 23rd at each minyan that morning.**



Contribute to our High Holiday campaign. ([click here](#)). The High Holidays, with all their associated costs, are a time when the shul needs help more than ever. While many other shuls raise money through auctions during the chagim, this campaign is our significant source of income and a primary source of High Holiday funds. This year, let us continue to ensure that we are always a community where no one is ever turned away and there are opportunities for everyone to participate.



Sign up to host meals and request hospitality over the chagim by emailing hospitality@lss.org

If you are able to, please consider adding your name to our list of potential hosts in time for Rosh Hashana. You can offer your services by emailing us at hospitality@lss.org, speaking to us in person, or by calling the shul at 212-874-6100. Please enter "Hospitality Host" as the subject. By doing so you will receive our emails when we receive requests but can volunteer only when you are prepared to have company. If you would like invitations to meals on Shabbat or Yom Tov, please do not hesitate to ask by emailing us at hospitality@lss.org, speaking to us in person, or by calling the shul at 212-874-6100. Your hosts will welcome you and this will enrich the meals for both parties.



Register your children for shofar making. Sign up [here](#). Kids ages 3-tweens will have the opportunity to learn about and create their own real kosher shofar that they will get to bring home. Young children will require parental supervision for use of power tools.



Submit names for the Book of Remembrance. ([click here](#)) During the Yizkor service, there is a passage in which one pledges an offering to charity in the name of the deceased who is being remembered. Lincoln Square Synagogue will once again be publishing a Remembrance Book for Yom Kippur in which names of departed friends and relatives may be listed. The deadline for inclusion is **Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 5:00pm** to permit the Remembrance Book to be printed in time for our Yom Kippur services.

High Holidays Schedule 5777

Rosh Hashana – October 2-4, 2016

Yom Kippur – October 11-12, 2016

*Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary

Rosh Hashana First Day – Rabbi Robinson & Chazzan Goffin

Rosh Hashana Second Day – Rabbi Rosenfeld & Chazzan Lemmer

Yom Kippur – Rabbi Robinson & Chazzan Goffin (Kol Nidre and Neila); Chazzan Lemmer (Mussaf)

*Ballroom

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*Kollel (3rd floor)

*Beginners (Beit Midrash)



SUKKOT SCHEDULE

Sukkot will begin on the evening of Sunday, October 16 and will conclude on Monday, October 24.

First days of Sukkot Schedule (Sunday, October 16-Tuesday, October 18):

Sunday, October 16	Erev Sukkot
Shacharit	7:10am, 8:30am
Daf Yomi	7:45am
Candle Lighting	5:55pm
Mincha/Ma'ariv	6:00pm
Monday, October 17	Sukkot I
Shacharit	8:00am, 9:00am
Mincha	6:00pm
Candle Lighting	Not Before 6:53pm
Ma'ariv	6:54pm
Tuesday, October 18	Sukkot II
Shacharit	8:00am, 9:00am
Mincha	6:00pm
Ma'ariv	6:53pm

Chol Hamoed Sukkot Schedule (Wednesday, October 19-Shabbat, October 22):

Wednesday, October 19	Chol Hamoed I
Daf Yomi	6:00am
Shacharit	6:45am, 7:30am
Mincha/Ma'ariv	6:00pm
Thursday, October 20	Chol Hamoed II
Daf Yomi	6:00am
Shacharit	6:45am, 7:30am
Mincha/Ma'ariv	6:00pm
Friday, October 21	Chol Hamoed III
Daf Yomi	6:00am
Shacharit	6:45pm and 7:30pm
Candle Lighting	5:48pm
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat	5:50pm
Shabbat Chol Hamoed, October 22	Chol Hamoed IV
Hashkama Minyan	8:00am
Shacharit (Main Sanctuary)	8:45am
Rhoda & Louis Lazar Memorial Shiur	4:35pm
Mincha	5:40pm
Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends	6:57pm
Sunday, October 23	Hoshana Rabah-Hoshanot will be sold after each Shacharit minyan
Shacharit	6:15am, 8:00am

SUKKOT SCHEDULE CONTINUED

Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah Schedule (Sunday, October 23-Tuesday, October 25).

Sunday, October 23	Hoshana Rabah
Candle Lighting	5:45pm
Mincha/Ma'ariv	5:50pm
Monday, October 24	Shmini Atzeret
Shacharit	8:00am, 9:00am
Mincha	5:50pm
Candle Lighting	Not Before 6:43pm
Ma'ariv/Hakafot	6:44pm
Tuesday, October 25	Simchat Torah
Shacharit/Hakafot	7:00am, 8:30am
Mincha	5:50pm
Ma'ariv/Yom Tov Ends	6:43pm

RABBI'S SERMON & GUEST SPEAKERS

Rabbi Shaul Robinson will be speaking after Mussaf on "The Algorithm of Optimism".

Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur will be given by **Professor Benjamin Ish-Shalom**, Founder and President of Beit Morasha of Jerusalem.

Professor Benjamin Ish-Shalom, is one of the leading proponents of Jewish inclusivity and moderation in the world today. He is the founding Chairman of the Joint Conversion Institute and Chairman of the Ministry of Education Committee for Jewish Heritage Education. Recipient of the prestigious Avi Chai Prize for Leadership in Promoting Jewish Unity, Professor Ish-Shalom has served on the faculties of Hebrew University, Yeshiva University, and the Technion, and is currently on the faculties of Bar Ilan University and Beren College. Professor Ish-Shalom is married and the proud father of six sons.

Yael Simon, has worked for more than 18 years as a fundraising and strategic development professional in the UK and abroad. She specializes in funding relationship development with high net worth individuals and has personally raised more than \$25m for various institutions throughout the years. Kemach Foundation, which is focused on creating opportunities for haredim to enter the Israeli workforce with the backing of leading Rabbinic authorities.

Shabbat Learning Opportunities

9:45 AM **Dr. Moshe Sokolow**: Shiur

11:00 AM **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**: Sermon

4:45 PM **Moshe Sheinwexler**: Mishna Chavura

5:15 PM **Professor Benjamin Ish-Shalom**: Philosophical and Educational aspects of Yamin Noraim": Identity and Meaning

5:15 PM **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald**: Bible class

6:30 PM **Yael Simon** at Seudah Shlishit

11:00 PM **Dr. Michelle Friedman**

UPCOMING EVENTS - RSVP FOR ALL EVENTS AT LSS.ORG/EVENTS

Last Chance for Wine & Spirits Sale • Monday, September 26 • Orders received by Monday can be processed for delivery before Rosh HaShanah. Order forms are available in the lobby and the shul office. Complete the order form and return it to the office with a check made out to Lincoln Square Synagogue. If you need an electronic form, please email nvogel212@gmail.com

LSS Film Club Presents: Shtisel • Sunday, September 25th • 7:00pm-8:30pm

The moment you've been waiting for has arrived! After a long wait, the second season of the award-winning series, "Shtisel" is finally available. After a successful kickoff this past Sunday evening, we are more excited than ever for next Sunday's showing. With 5 Sunday evenings remaining between now through December, make sure to [click here](#) to sign up for this entertaining, fun, poignant, and one-of-a-kind series.

Exposing BDS • Wednesday, September 28th • 7:00pm-9:00pm

How to be proactive in the fight against BDS. Six hands-on workshops will provide training and coaching on how to be proactive in the fight against BDS. To register please click [here](#). For more information or to volunteer please email RespondingToBDS@lss.org

Women's Talk Time • Thursday, September 29th • 11:30am

Women are invited to attend an ongoing discussion group facilitated by Ruth Riemer. All ages are welcome. Our last topic was: *My Loved One Just Passed Out. What Do I Do?*

SAVE THE DATE: Annual LSS Hospitality Shabbaton • November 11-12, 2016

Our annual LSS Hospitality Shabbaton is scheduled for Parshat Lech-Lecha, November 11-12. This is one of our shul's most popular events, and we hope that you will be part of it. The goal, as always, is for each LSS member to share one Shabbat meal with at least one other LSS member s/he hasn't broken bread with before. If you'd like to host, start thinking about guests (ask us for suggestions); if you'd prefer to be a guest, please let us know. Friday night dinner or Shabbat lunch—just pick a meal and make new friends. More details to follow but if you can't wait, and we understand why, please email Hospitality@lss.org.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Sunday, October 2nd • 10:00am: Shofar making for Rosh Hashana using genuine ram horns and power tools. Young children will require parental supervision for use of power tools. Please sign up online! Early bird rate: \$20

Sunday, October 9th • 10:00am: Sukkah decorating! Kids ages 2-12 are invited to help decorate and beautify Lincoln Square Synagogue's iconic sukkah. We will have multiple projects for various abilities and ages. Young children will need parental supervision. No previous artistic skills required!

INSIDE LSS: OCCUPANCY

For suggestions regarding future "Inside LSS" highlights please email: inside@lss.org

You may have noticed the signs in various parts of the building reading "OCCUPANCY BY MORE THAN _____ PERSONS IS DANGEROUS AND UNLAWFUL" The numbers on the terrace and in the ballroom signs represent the permanent Public Assembly permits filed with the NYC Department of Buildings in 2013. These occupancies have been modified by Temporary Public Assembly permits that provide for alternate seating arrangements and additional occupancy. The total second floor occupancy is limited by the stair capacity to 440 people who may be distributed in the rooms in various ways. For Sukkot with 41 tables, 288 chairs and 7 wheelchairs, the terrace is approved for 295 seats. The ballroom is approved for 513 seats however 497 seats including 9 wheelchairs will be set up. The wheel chair spaces required by the Americans with Disabilities ACT may be reassigned if they are not needed.

BEGINNERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The **LAST** session of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level I** will meet **this Monday, September 26th at 6:30pm**.
- **High Holiday Beginners Services** at Lincoln Square Synagogue, in the Beit Midrash (2nd Floor). Tickets for LSS members \$75; non-members \$125. For reservations, call 212-874-6100 or visit www.lss.org/beginners. Rosh Hashanah: Sunday, October 2, 6:25 pm; Monday and Tuesday, October 3 & 4, 9:00 am; Monday, October 3, 6:15 pm; Tuesday, October 4, 6:10 pm w/ LSS. Yom Kippur: Tuesday, October 11, 6:05 pm; Wednesday, October 12, 9:00 am. No one will be turned away due to lack of funds.
- Any Beginner who is in need of meals for Rosh Hashanah, please call Jessica at 646-871-0012 or email jessica@njop.org no later than Tuesday, September 27th. Please indicate which meals you need.
- We are happy to announce that, once again, the Louis and Rhoda Lazar Memorial Fund is sponsoring the 50% off campaign for Beginners. Mezuzot: \$18, Tefillin: \$280, Jewish books: 50% off, \$200 worth of books for \$100. Expires 10/27/2016. To place an order, please email Jessica at jessica@njop.org
- **Sukkot Shopping: Thursday, October 13th, 7:00PM**. Meet at 135 Henry Street to buy lulavim and etrogim at rock-bottom prices!
- **Beginners Sukkah Party at Ramaz Lower School, 125 East 85th Street: Thursday, October 20th, 7pm**. Featuring words of inspiration from Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald, Rabbi Elie Weinstock, and Rabbi Daniel Kraus. \$40 per person, \$75 per couple. Register at www.cjkj.org/kjbsukkah. For more information: 212-774-5678 or beginners@ckj.org. RSVP by Thursday, October 13th, 2016.
- The next session of the **Jewish Living Workshop** led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum will meet on **Monday, September 26th, 7:30pm-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 or www.lss.org. Topic: **Tisha B'Av, Yom Kippur**.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Coffee & Responsa w/ Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld • After Second Minyan (9:15am) <i>Special Elul Edition #1</i>	Jewish Living Workshop • 7:30pm-8:30pm Open to all. Led by Dassa & Bill Greenbaum. See Beginners Section for details. Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level I • 6:30pm Open to all. See Beginners section for details.	Parsha Shiur Led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 10:30am Beit Midrash Night: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tanach Survey: The Books of Samuel and Kings • 7:00 pm Facilitated by Marcy Zwecker and Robin Mitchnick Samuel Group Chabura facilitated by Ron Platzer • 7:35pm Gemara B'Shana with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:30pm <i>Last class of Ta'anit. Siyum will take place on Sunday morning, October 9th. More details to follow.</i>	Sefer Yonah In Depth: Led by Dr. Rachel Friedman • 7:30pm LSS is honored to present a very special series with the renowned Dr. Rachel Friedman of Lamdeinu. Cost: Lecture - \$12 each; Full Course - \$40.	Parsha Shiur Led by Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:30pm Join Rabbi Robinson for a fascinating discussion and new insights into each week's Torah reading.

ISRAEL CORNER • פינת ישראל

This Shabbat we are honored to welcome **Professor Benjamin Ish-Shalom**, Founder and President of **Beit Morasha of Jerusalem**, to our shul.

Founded in 1990, **Beit Morasha of Jerusalem ("BMJ")** teaches Jewish and Israeli identity, values and ethics, and their practical application, in schools, communities and the IDF, inspiring present and future military and civilian leaders. BMJ's flagship **Jewish Identity, Values and Ethics Program in the IDF and Security Forces** prepares officers, commanders and security personnel to contend with issues of **identity** and the dilemmas of **combat values and ethics** through an array of experiential educational programs.



Shabbat Shalom from Your Friends at Lincoln Square Synagogue!



Bikkurim- The Fruits of our History

Our *parsha* opens with the *mitzvah* of *Bikkurim*. What exactly is the nature of this commandment? Yes, it is the paradigm *mitzvah* where one publicly acknowledges God's supreme role in our early historical and economic development by relinquishing the finest of the first ripened fruits of one's crop. We are recognizing and admitting that our fields are not ours but divinely owned, and that the yearly produce from our lands is a divine gift of God through nature. It possesses the hybrid requirements of other agricultural based *mitzvot* such as *Terumah* and *Ma'aser Sheni*. For example, like *Terumah*, *Bikkurim* must be given to the *Kohen* and becomes his personal property, and like *Ma'aser Sheni*, *Bikkurim* must be brought to Jerusalem for consumption (*Mishna Bikkurim* chapter 2, *mishnayot* 1-2). Unique to this *mitzvah* however is the distinctive requirement to pronounce a templated liturgical passage declaring that we became numerous, free, and, inhabitants of a land "flowing with milk and honey". There are many "firsts" in the Torah upon whom there are requirements. Some examples:

- "You shall consecrate to God all male firstlings etc," *Devarim* 15:19;
- "You shall set apart for God every first issue of the womb etc," *Shemot* 13:12;
- "Consecrate to me every first born man and beast etc" *Shemot* 13:13;
- "As a first yield of your baking you shall set aside a loaf as a gift etc.," *Bamidbar* 15:20;
- "You shall give him the first fruits from your new grain and wine and oil and the first shearing of your sheep" *Bamidbar* 18:4.

In none of these examples do we find the element of oration that accompanies *Bikkurim*. Furthermore, the entire third chapter of *Mishnayot* of *Bikkurim* is devoted to the ceremonial, ornamental, declarative, and public proceedings that accompanied this *mitzvah*. What is the overriding motif that distinguishes it from all other "firsts"?

Bikkurim is not a *mitzvah* about "first fruits" at all. The fruits are a catalyst through which we tell our first story, our first collective narrative. It's a story about transition, from rootlessness to rootedness, from unrest to rest. As there is a separate *chiyuv*, obligation, to tell the story of the exodus on *Pesach*, there is an additional *chiyuv* to publicly tell about the arc of our initial development. Just as we have objects of association to enhance the story *Seder* night, we use the fruits from beginning to end to enhance our own movement through time which concludes with the final "*hanacha*", place of rest, as stated in the verse: "The priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down in front of the altar of your God" *Devarim* 26:4. *Tosafot* in *Bava Batra* 81a succinctly highlights the point that *Bikkurim* are not subsumed under the list of objects governed by the guideline stated in the *Mishna* in *Kiddushin* 36b, that all *mitzvot* that are dependent on the land can only be practiced in the land of Israel and nowhere else.

True, the *mitzvah* of *Bikkurim* can only take place in land of Israel, but the core obligation of *Bikkurim*, *Tosafot* states, falls squarely on the person, or in *Tosafot* lingo, *chovat gavra*. It is man who must declare which fruit are to be designated as *Bikkurim*, since by themselves they do not possess an intrinsic *kedusha*. It is *Kneset Yisrael* that must regenerate the story year to year and through it, fulfill the final goal of this *mitzvah* stated in final verse of the chapter of *Bikkurim*: "And you shall enjoyall the bounty that God has bestowed upon you and your household".

Shabbat Shalom!

In case of a bereavement, please call our Clergy at 646-543-7485 (day or night)

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