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Candle Lighting: 6:56 pm

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SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Friday Evening

6:56pm Candle Lighting

7:00pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen

Sanctuary. Services will be led by Chazzan Goffin.

7:00pm: Shir Hashirim followed by Sephardic Minyan in the Belfer Beit

Shabbat Morning

Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by 7:45am:

Kiddush

9:00am: Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary. Services

will be led by Chazzan Goffin. Post Mussaf Drasha/Talk will be given by Rabbi Eddie Abramson, Outreach in the Modern

Context: Who Am I to Reach Out to You?

9:15am: Beginners Service led by Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald in room

LL201 (Lower Level)

9:41am: Latest Shema

9:45am: Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan in the Belfer Beit

Midrash.

Shabbat Afternoon

12:30pm: First Beginners Luncheon in Room 206/207

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 Bikur Cholim.

5:10pm: Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler in the Belfer

Beit Midrash

Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur will be given by Rabbi Eddie 5:40pm:

Abramson: Outreach in the Sources: Is "Kiruv" an Integral Part of

Jewish Tradition

5:40pm: Samson Raphael Hirsch Bible Class with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald

in Room 211

6:40pm: Mincha followed by Seudah Shlishit and Shiur by Rabbi Eddie

Abramson, Outreach and Community: Creating the Atmosphere

for Kiruv

7:55pm:

Ma'ariv/ Shabbat Ends

High Holidays 2016/5777

Rosh Hashanah, which begins on Sunday evening, October 2nd, 2016, will be here before we know it. Available seats in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary*, Ballroom, Kollel Minyan*, and Beginners Service (in the Beit Midrash), are now on sale.

Please note that that seats in the Women's Section of the Main Sanctuary are no longer available.

* Please be advised that as of now, <u>only members</u> may purchase seats in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Main Sanctuary and the Kollel Minyan.

Please log into our website and use the form found at **lss.org/high-holiday-seats-2016** to reserve your seats.

You must be logged into your account in order to view the full registration page.

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Hashkama Kiddush

Praise Him for His mighty הַלְלוּהוּ בַגְבוּרֹתֵיו " - Praise Him for His mighty acts", (From Psalm 150).

Beginners Kiddush

- Sponsored by Beatrice Stoller in memory of her beloved mother, Sonia Mazur, a"h.
- Sponsored by Sarah Leah & Lou Vynerib, in loving memory and in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Lou's mother, Malka bat Asher, a"h, on the 8th of Elul and hatzlacha rabbah to their granddaughter, Miriam Adler, as she leaves Sunday for seminary, Masores Rochel in Jerusalem.

Main Kiddush:

- Sponsored by Ariel & Revital Ackerman on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Agam Ackerman. Congratulations to her brothers Nadav and Aviv. Welcome to the family & friends from Israel that came to celebrate the simcha, grandparents David & Hanna Ackerman and Rubin & Zipi Schlussel.
- Sponsored by Fred & Suzan Ehrman Thankful for being able to praise Him in the age of Gevurah and understanding that the most important verse in the Scriptures as a guide to life is "שַׁנְיתִי הֹ לְנֶגְדִּי תָמִיד, I am ever mindful of the Lord's presence", (From Psalm 16).

Rabbi Herschel Cohen Memorial Minyan Kiddush

Sponsored by **Fanny Sprung** in commemoration of the vahrtzeits of her mother. Tsilia Weisinger, a"h, her father, Moshe Ze'ev Weisinger, z"l, and her husband, Max Sprung, z"l.

Seudah Shlishit:

Sponsored by Dana & Golda Hudes with appreciation to the Hashkama community and in commemoration of the yahrtzeits of their father, Aaron Yohanan Chaim ben Menashe z"l, and Golda's sister, Simcha bat Aaron Yohanan Chaim a"h, and for the refuah shelaimah of Chaim Daniel Baruch ben Rivka Breindl.

MAZAL TOV

Mazal Tov to Elli & Estee Friedman on the brit of their son, Nathan. Mazal Toy to Tammy Bossewitch Biale & Tsuriel Biale on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Yitav Biale, in Israel and siblings Yuval, Yakir, Yedidyah and Ma'ayan. Mazal Tov to grandparents Anne & Martin Hochberg.

Mazal tov to Aviva & Marvin Sussman on the marriage of their granddaughter Yael Sussman to Ohad Merlin on August 31st in Israel.

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE: RABBI EDDIE ABRAMSON

Rabbi Eddie Abramson, a proud former member of LSS, has Semicha from Yeshiva University, and made Aliya in 1983 with his wife Miriam and children Dorona, Dov, and Elie. Eddie has been involved in Jewish outreach activities throughout his career, both in the United States and Israel. He recently retired from nine years of work with the Joint Distribution Committee in Jerusalem, working to help Jews around the world in need, in both material and spiritual ways. He is now working with Rabbi Shlomo Riskin on preparing volumes of Rabbi Riskin's Torah for publication. Eddie is the author of "A Circle In the Square: Rabbi Shlomo Riskin Re-Invents the Synagogue."

> Weekly Prayer Schedule For the Week of September 11th

Sunday - Thursday Mincha/Ma'ariv: 6:55pm

Mon & Thurs Sunday Tues, Wed, Fri Daf Yomi: 7:45am Daf Yomi:6:15am Daf Yomi: 6:20am Shacharit: 7:10am Shacharit: 7:00am Shacharit: 7:10am Shacharit: 8:30am Shacharit: 7:50am Shacharit: 7:50am

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

Recall, Respond, Renew . Sunday, September 11th

Lincoln Square Synagogue marks the 15th anniversary of 9/11 with a program of commemoration and community service.

At 1:00 p.m. Presentations by: Steven F. Davis, FAIA, designer of the National September 11 Museum at the World Trade Center site; and by Bill Keegan, Night Operations Commander of the WTC Rescue/Recovery Teams, with a first-hand report on his disaster-recovery work during the great Baton Rouge flood of August 2016.

From **12:30pm to 3:00 p.m.** Learn from UJA-Federation and JASA about opportunities for community service to keep alive the first-responders' spirit of caring. Sign up to go with a fellow congregant to visit the cemetery in Elul.

Offered concurrently:

- free blood-pressure screening;
- collection of sheimot (no large quantities, please).
- Sofer will check tefillin and mezuzot.

LSS Film Club Presents: Shtisel • Sunday, September 11th • 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 and we will be bringing it to you over six Sunday evenings from September through December. Please don't delay. Click here right now and sign up for this entertaining, fun, poignant, and one-of-a-kind series.

Women's Talk Time • Thursday, September 15th • 11:30am

Women are invited to attend an ongoing discussion group facilitated by Ruth Riemer. All ages are welcome.

Our last topic was: My Parents Forgot My Birthday-I Am So Upset.

Pre-Chag Wine & Spirits Sale • Sunday, September 18th • 10:00am-2:00pm

This is the time to stock up for the upcoming chaggim and for year-round use. We will feature a wide selection of attractively-priced wines and spirits, including many great products from Medinat Yisrael. Free delivery anywhere in Manhattan (no minimum); free delivery to the boroughs (\$100 minimum); free delivery in the tri-state area (\$300 minimum); the shul will receive 10% of the sales proceeds.

Tel Aviv on the High Line • Thursday, September 22nd • 5:00pm-7:00pm

Art expert Ronnit Vasserman will lead a tour along the High Line in Chelsea. We will visit three galleries that represent Israeli artists. Ronnit will discuss the Israeli Contemporary art scene and the common themes underlying the works of Israeli artists. The tour will conclude in an artist's studio with an Israeli wine & cheese reception. Click here to register or visit Iss.org/art

VOLUNTEER SECTION: NOBODY CAN DO EVERYTHING, BUT EVERYONE CAN DO SOMETHING

A synagogue is only as strong as the volunteers it has supporting it.

Please consider donating your time and skills to Lincoln Square Synagogue to help keep us moving forward!

If you are interested in any of the following volunteer opportunities or would like to offer your services in another form please contact

Tamar Fix at 212-874-6100 ext 101 or tamar@lss.org.

- Needed: volunteers to help with the wine & spirits sale on Sunday September 18, any time between 10:00am-2:00pm; please contact nvogel212@gmail.com
- D'var Torah Writers: For more info or to sign up, email this year's coordinator, Bill Greenbaum, at dvar@lss.org, or call the shul office at 212-874-6100.
- Network Administrator: If you have experience and skills in network administration, please contact us.

INSIDE LSS: BREAKING NEWS FOR SUKKOT

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

We are proud to announce Zami as our Sukkot caterer!

Sukkot is coming soon. LSS will arrange meals for the first two days, as well as the intermediate Shabbat of Chag in our roughly 299 person, 40 table terrace Sukkah. Dinners will be sit down and lunches buffet. Seating requests (both catered and non-catered) must be in by FRIDAY SEPT 30. Additional detailed information will soon be sent out to members by e-mail next week, at which time Sukkot reservations will be available to be made online.

Because of the limited seating and massive logistical time and effort required to seat family and friends together all reservations must be received by Sept.30 Please see our upcoming youth events for details regarding our Sukkah decorating taking place on Sunday, October 9th. A buffet luncheon will be available on Simchat Torah.

BEGINNERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome to those who are attending the First Call Beginners Luncheon in honor of Dr. Leonard Davidman, with honorable mention to Bill Greenbaum.
- The next session of the **Hebrew Reading Crash Course Level 1** will meet this **Monday, September 12th at 6:30pm**, and continue for **2 more weeks**. The classes meet for 1 1/2 hours, and **are free and open to all. Register** <u>at www.lss.org/beginners</u>. **Co-Sponsored by NJOP**.
- 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 <u>jessica@njop.org</u> 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.
- Jewish Living Workshop led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum returns to LSS THIS Monday, September 12th, 7:30-8:30pm. The Jewish Living Workshop, a 10 sessions series, is a "hands-on" experience. We learn by doing. The workshop is free and open to all. A few sessions will require a modest fee for materials; register at lworkshop@yahoo.com. The first topic: Rosh Hashana Evening.

CHESED CORNER

Visiting the Graves of our Ancestors: Kever Avot

Elul is here. Time is running out.

The custom of visiting the gravesites of loved ones during the month of Elul has been observed by many Jews throughout the generations.

It is seen as a prelude to Rosh Hashanah, to remembering and recognizing that past is prelude to our present. This custom is difficult if you do not have a car. If you intend to go to a cemetery by car please consider fulfilling the mitzvah of sharing your trip with an LSS congregant going to the same cemetery.

This Sunday at the 9/11 Program there will be a special table set up for requesting and/or providing a ride to listed cemeteries.



Recall, Respond, Renew

Please join us this Sunday to commemorate the 15th anniversary of 9/11.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Final Week to be a part of our Torah Campaign!

There are 54 parshiot in the Torah and 378 aliyot. We are asking our community to get involved by dedicating an aliyah for \$360 or a parsha for \$2,400.

We anticipate our new Sefer Torah arriving after the chagim, so please think about the parsha or the aliyah that speaks to you. You can also donate to this campaign in someone's honor or for a loved one's yartzheit. The day we have our Hachnasat Sefer Torah will be a joyous day for all - as we dance our way to the Aron Kodesh, take pride in knowing you had a hand in making this meaningful campaign come to fruition. Don't miss out on a chance to be part of this wonderful Mitzvah! Please visit Iss.org/torah to make your dedication.

Deadline: 9/14/16

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Shabbat, September 10th • 10:00am: Youth Kickoff Shabbat! Join us as we welcome all our youth back from the summer! We'll have tefilah tickets, new prizes, and a special ice cream kids kiddush!

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 and this is a very hands-on activity (young children will need parental supervision). No previous artistic skills required!

וSRAEL CORNER • פינת ישראל

The following article has links to important information; please consider reading the online version of the Echod after Shabbat.

This event is not affiliated with Lincoln Square Synagogue.

How Do You Get to Carnegie Hall? Practice, practice, practice... in Israel

Shmuel Katz (viola), Benjamin Goodman (piano), Tomer Gewirtzman (piano), Yuval Herz (violin), Barak Schossberger (violin), Oded Hadar (cello) and Philip Solomonick (piano) were all either born or raised in Israel and, collectively, have performed in concerts around the world.

On Wednesday, September 14 at 8:00 PM, these seven young Israeli artists will perform music of Brahms, Ravel and Bach in the Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall. The performance is offered in collaboration with American Friends of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

Tickets are \$40 (orchestra) and \$25 (balcony). To purchase tickets, click here or call Carnegie Charge (212) 247-7800. Enjoy timeless music and support Israel. Benjamin Goodman, pianist and impresario of the Young Israeli Musicians concert at Carnegie Hall will speak at Seudah Shlishit on Unique Qualities of Israeli Musicians, Building Bridges Around the World.

WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Parsha Shiur with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 10:30am

Beit Midrash Night:

- 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 Will not meet this week

Gemara B'Shana with Rabbi Shaul Robinson ● 7:30pm

A new program dedicated to the memory of Bruce Ritholtz a"h with the ambitious goal of studying and completing an entire tractate of Talmud, focused on analysis and group discussion. This year we will be studying tractate Ta'anit.

THURSDAY

Parsha Shiur with Rabbi Shaul Robinson • 7:30pm



Shabbat Shalom to All!

D'var Echod B'lev Echod



Insights into the weekly Parsha and other matters at the heart of the LSS community

7 Elul 5776 • September 9-10, 2016 Parshat Shoftim

By: Mark Hus

Shirley and I spent the first few days of this past week taking care of our grandchildren while our daughter and her husband went to her best friend's wedding, at which our son-in-law officiated. I started work on this D'var Torah in Charleston by looking through a Soncino Chumash. I came up with some thoughts and then found the following commentary, which encapsulates all of my ideas in a far better manner than I ever could. I decided to provide you with what I found. I hope you find it as illuminating and inspiring as I did.

Provision is to be made for an ordered civil government. Justice must be free, accessible and absolutely impartial...

Absolute fairness must be shown in the order of the hearing of the cases, whether [it] involve[s] a small sum or a large sum, whether the litigant be rich or poor. The Rabbis, however, ruled that an exception be made in the suit of an orphan, whose case must always be heard first; next in order that of a widow; furthermore that a woman's cause be heard before that of a man. The judge is to give everyone a patient and courteous hearing. He is warned against yielding to the subtle temptation of giving an unjust judgment *out of pity to the poor*. . .

The duplication of the word 'justice' (Justice, justice, you shall pursue.) brings out with the greatest possible emphasis the supreme duty of even-handed justice to all. 'Justice, whether to your profit or loss, whether in word or in action, whether to Jew or non-Jew' (Bachya ben Asher)... A Chassidic rabbi explained . . . 'Do not use *unjust* means to secure the victory of Justice' . . . Man is slow to realize that justice is strong enough, Divine enough, to triumph without itself resorting to injustice. . . In the eyes of the Prophets, justice was a divine, irresistible force. . .

The[] passionate words [Justice, justice, you shall pursue] may be taken as the keynote of the humane legislation of the Torah, and of the demand for social righteousness by Israel's Prophets, Psalmists and Sages. . . Justice is not the only ethical quality in G-d or man, nor is it the highest quality; but it is the basis for all others. . .

It must be noted that the idea of justice in Hebrew thought stands for something quite other than in Greek. In Plato's *Republic*, for example, it implies a harmonious arrangement of society by which every human peg is put into its appropriate hole, so that those who perform humble functions shall be content to perform them in due subservience to their superiors. It stresses the inequalities of human nature; whereas in the Hebrew conception of justice, the equality is stressed. To understand the idea of justice in Israel we must bear in mind the Biblical teaching that man is created in the image of G-d; that in every human being there is a Divine spark; and that each human life is sacred, and of infinite worth. In consequence, a human being cannot be treated as a chattel, or a thing, but must be treated as a personality; and, as a personality, every human being is the possessor of the right to life, honor, and the fruits of his labor. *Justice is the awe-inspired respect for the personality of others, and their inalienable rights*; even as injustice is the most flagrant manifestation of disrespect for the personality of others (F. Adler). Judaism requires that human personality be respected in every human being ...

It is thus seen that whereas in Greek the idea of justice was akin to harmony, in the Hebrew it is akin to holiness. . . In brief, where there is no justice, no proper and practical appreciation of the human rights of every human being as the son of the one and only G-d of right-eousness – there we have a negation of religion. The oppressor, the man who tramples on others, and especially on those . . . who are too weak to defend themselves, is throughout Scripture held forth as *the* enemy of God and man. The final disappearance of injustice and oppression is represented in the New Year Amidah as the goal of human history, and as the realization of G-d's Kingdom on earth. . .

However, justice is more than a mere abstention from injuring our fellow-men. 'The work of justice is peace; and the effect thereof quietness and confidence forever (Isa.XXXII, 17). It is a positive conception and includes charity, philanthropy, and every endeavor to bring out what is highest and best in others.

Source: The Pentateuch and Haftorahs, 2d Ed., with commentary edited by Dr. J.H. Hertz, C.H., Late Chief rabbi of the British Empire, pp. 820-821.

May the coming year be one in which we see justice triumph. Shabbat Shalom

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