



ECHOD

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Cantor**Josh Rosenfeld**
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Senior Cantor**Shirley Stark**
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Executive Director**Friday Evening****SHABBAT SCHEDULE**

6:09pm Candle Lighting

6:15pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

6:15pm: Shir Hashirim followed by Sephardic Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash

Shabbat Morning7:45am: Hashkama Minyan in the Belfer Beit Midrash followed by Kiddush and shiur given by **Dr. Moshe Sokolow**8:30am: Parsha Shiur given by **Rabbinic Intern Jacob Bernstein**9:00am: Services in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary led by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**. Drasha: *Vayelech Moshe - What to Do When Teshuva Doesn't Work* (Kiddush will take place in the lobby)9:15am: Beginners Service led by **Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald** in room LL201

9:50am: 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.

4:25pm: Beginners Mishna Chavura with **Moshe Sheinwexler** in the Belfer Beit Midrash

5:40pm: Mincha (No Seudah Shilishit this week)

6:05pm: Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shabbat Shuva Drasha by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson** 'Shema Hashem Koli - Lord Hear my Prayer - Why Does Davening Annul The Evil Decree?'

7:08pm: Ma'ariv/ Shabbat Ends

THURSDAY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**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.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS**Main Kiddush:** Sponsored by his loving family in honor of **Richard Kestenbaum's** birthday.**Beginners Kiddush:** Sponsored by **Naydalis Peralta** in honor of **Rabbi Buchwald** for his continued dedication and enthusiasm with which he leads the Beginners service.**Hashkama Kiddush:** Sponsored by The Fund.**Weekly Prayer Schedule**

For the Week of October 9th

Mincha/Ma'ariv: 6:05PM

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Daf Yomi: 7:45am	Daf Yomi: 5:45am	Daf Yomi: 6:15am	Daf Yomi: 6:15am	Daf Yomi: 6:20am
Selichot/ Shacharit: 6:30am	Selichot/ Shacharit: 6:30am	Selichot/ Shacharit: 7:00am	Shacharit: 7:00am	Shacharit: 7:10am
Selichot/ Shacharit: 8:00am	Selichot/ Shacharit: 7:15am	Selichot/ Shacharit: 7:40am	Shacharit: 7:50am	Shacharit: 7:50am

SHABBAT SHUVA**Louis & Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shabbat Shuva Drasha**
will be given by **Rabbi Shaul Robinson**:***Shema Hashem Koli -******Lord Hear my Prayer -******Why Does Davening Annul The Evil Decree?***Erev Yom Kippur-Tuesday, October 11th

Mincha

1:30 pm,
3:00 pm, and
3:45 pmCandle Lighting: **Please light candles at home before coming to Shul. For safety reasons, we cannot permit candles to be lit at Shul.**

6:03pm

Fast Begins

6:03 pm

Kol Nidre (all services)

6:05 pm

Isaac & Doris Moinester Kol Nidrei Lecture
will be given by **Rabbi Josh Rosenfeld**Yom Kippur-Wednesday, October 12thShacharit & Mussaf
(Kollel Minyan)

8:00 am

Shacharit & Mussaf
(Main Sanctuary and Ballroom)

8:30 am

Beginners Service
(Beit Midrash)

9:00 am

Free Public Yizkor
(Ballroom)

3:15 pm

Mincha (Main and Ballroom)

4:05 pm

Neilah (Main and Ballroom)

5:35 pm

Final Shofar Blast/Havdalah/Fast Ends

7:02 pm

MAZAL TOVMazal Tov to grandparents **Elissa & Bob Burnat** on the birth of a son
to their children **Adam & Cheryl Burnat** in Jerusalem.

Chattan Torah: **Hans Seidemann**

Chattan Bereshit: **Micah Bloomfield**

Chattan Maftir: **Daniel Sabba**

Ateret HaTorah: **Shirley Wald**

Ateret HaKehila: **Jackie Kotler**



HOLIDAY CHECKLIST

Don't Forget To:



Reserve your seats in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary, Ballroom and Beginners Service ([click here](#)). Yom Kippur begins on Tuesday evening, October 11th, 2016.



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.



Youth Event: 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!

If you didn't get your reservation in before the deadline, please contact the shul office to be added to a waiting list, we will contact you if space becomes available.



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 **Monday, October 10, 2016 at 8:30am.**



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

If you are able to, please consider adding your name to our list of potential hosts in time for Sukkot. You can offer your services or ask for invitations by emailing us at hospitality@lss.org, speaking to us in person, or by calling the shul at 212-874-6100

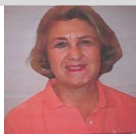


Purchase your lulavim and etrogim. ([click here](#))

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.**

WELCOME ABOARD!



Shira Felberbaum, LMSW, MS and **Ruth Kobrin, LMSW** are licensed social workers from The Jewish Board via UJA's Partners in Caring Program, who are now available to the community to engage in short term supportive counseling, connect you with ongoing sources of support, and to facilitate a wide range of support groups and educational workshops.

Shira & Ruth will be providing confidential one-on-one and group consultations on a variety of matters pertaining to personal and professional transitions (i.e. unemployment, underemployment, illness, bereavement, caregiving, divorce, retirement, infertility, marriage, birth, and adoption) as well as life challenges (i.e. special needs, mental illness, addiction and recovery, elder abuse, domestic violence, lack of financial resources for food and shelter).

To share ideas, ask questions, or set up appointments, please email socialworker@lss.org or call the shul and dial extension 103.

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

What School Did You Go To?

We've all read about the challenging atmosphere on some college campuses for Jewish students who support Israel. To combat this, Alums for Campus Fairness (ACF) organizes alumni – along with faculty and administration workers -- to press their alma maters to provide:

- A safe and welcoming environment for students and faculty who feel a connection to Israel
- A comprehensive curriculum, programs and open, respectful dialogue surrounding the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The ACF has already succeeded in reversing hostile policies at several universities and new chapters are in varying degrees of formation at many campuses. If you would like to find out more, visit www.campusfairness.org or email campusfairness@gmail.com

INSIDE LSS: DOORBELLS

Security for all of us depends on controlling access through the exterior doors. Most of the day this means that the main doors must be locked. To ease entrance for services they will be unlocked during the time of heavy traffic and the guard will maintain security. Members should keep an eye out for strangers who might try to sneak in.

When the door is locked, please use the door bell to the left of the door near the video display to call the security guard. The guard has video displays to assess the situation outside the door and an intercom for communication. When the door is unlocked remotely, the light on the card reader will turn to green from red to let you know the door is unlocked. A buzzer to help is on order.

The proximity card reader has been installed for use by the staff and those members requiring very frequent access when the doors are locked. The North door is used by Manhattan Star Academy and for deliveries. MSA controls access remotely by their receptionist and our custodians watch deliveries. Please avoid use of this door on Shabbat and Yom Tov as our CSS security members must be devoted to the main doors and interior security.

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

Talmud B'Shana Siyum • Sunday, October 9th • 9:30am

Join the LSS Community celebration of: • The siyum of Masechet Taanit • The first year of Talmud B'Shana (an annual weekly community shiur given by Rabbi Shaul Robinson in memory of Bruce Ritholtz, z"l.) Siyum will be followed by light breakfast. [Click here for more information.](#)

Women's Talk Time • Thursday, October 13th • 11:30am

Women are invited to attend an ongoing discussion group facilitated by Ruth Riemer. All ages are welcome. Our last topic was: *My Best Friend Died Yesterday. We Were in Elementary School Together. How Will I Go On Without Her?*

Wine & Spirits Sale • Ends Friday, October 21 • Now is the time to stock up for the chagim, Shabbat and hostess gifts. You get great prices and the shul receives 10% of the proceeds. Free delivery in Manhattan with no minimum order. Fight BDS by including Israeli wines in your order. Order forms are available in the lobby and the shul office. Check made out to: Lincoln Square Synagogue. If you need an electronic form, please email nvogel212@gmail.com

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

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 all LSS members to share one Shabbat meal with at least one other LSS member they haven'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.

BEGINNERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **High Holiday Beginners Services** will continue on Yom Kippur: **Tuesday, October 11, 6:05 pm; Wednesday, October 12, 9:00 am**, at Lincoln Square Synagogue, in the Beit Midrash (2nd floor). Tickets for LSS members: \$50; non-members: \$85. For reservations, call 212-874-6100 or visit www.lss.org/beginners. **No one will be turned away due to lack of funds.**
- 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: THIS 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.ckj.org/kjbsukkah. For more information: 212-774-5678 or beginners@ckj.org. **RSVP by Thursday, October 13th, 2016.**
- **Save the date!** Register now for **Introduction to Bible, with Rabbi Ephraim Buchwald (Begins Tuesday, November 1st, 6:30-8:00pm).** This 8 session 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. To register, please call 212-874-6100 or register online at www.lss.org/beginners. **Cost: \$90, free for LSS members. No one is turned away for lack of funds.**
- The next session of the **Jewish Living Workshop** led by Dassa and Bill Greenbaum will meet **THIS Monday, October 10th, 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: How to build a Sukkah.**



D'var Echod B'lev Echod

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

6 Tishrei 5777 • October 7-8, 2016

Parshat Vayelich

By: Fred Ehrman

Jonah and the Great City of Nineveh

As the shadows begin to lengthen in the late afternoon next Wednesday, Yom Kippur, we sit back in our seats as we again read the fascinating story of the prophet Jonah, one of the greatest stories of repentance in all of the Bible.

Most of us are familiar with the plot. A brief synopsis: God appears to Jonah the son of Amitai and tells him to go to the great city of Nineveh, the capital of Ashur, Assyria, and cry out to the inhabitants to repent of their wickedness. Jonah instead goes down to the port city of Jaffa, and boards a ship headed for Tarshish (possibly Carthage and today's Tunis) which lies to the west, the opposite direction in which he was commanded to go. A violent storm arises threatening to sink the ship. Through casting of lots it is determined that Jonah's disobeying his God's instructions is the cause of the storm and the precarious position of the passengers and the crew. He is cast overboard and is swallowed by a big fish. While in the bowels of the fish he prays for salvation, after which he is spewed out on to dry land. God again instructs Jonah to cry out to the people in Nineveh that if they don't do the proper repentance, within forty days the city will be totally overturned. This time Jonah does as he was told. The whole city of 120,000 inhabitants, from the King down to its animals begin a fast and don sackcloth and do a full measure of penance, saving themselves from destruction. Jonah is filled with anguish, and the generally accepted reason is that he knew that the Israelites, who had been given many years of admonition by their own prophets to leave their evil ways without effect, would compare so unfavorably with the Ninevites. He also saw that in the future the King of Ashur, Sancheriv, would war with Israel and exile the ten tribes. God demonstrates to Jonah through the Kikayon plant the importance of the Attribute of Mercy, and so ends the story.

I have several questions.

- 1) Why was God so concerned with the city of Nineveh and its non-Jewish inhabitants? The city was rife with robbery and other social ills, but so was most of the civilized world. What was special about Nineveh?
- 2) We know that the Gentile world had their own prophets. The story of Bilaam comes quickly to mind. Why send a Jewish prophet to save non-Jewish evildoers?
- 3) Besides the message of the power of repentance, is there something very important we can learn from the Book of Jonah on the day of Yom Kippur?

I would like to suggest an answer to these questions. And the answer lies in a not well known Midrash that the great commentator Rashi brings to us in Parshat Noach which we will read in just a few weeks. We are told of the descendants of Noach's three sons, Shem, Cham and Yaphet. Cham's son Cush had a son Nimrod, the Great Hunter who subsequently rebelled against God. The narrative continues, "And from that land Ashur (Assyria) went forth and built Nineveh... that is the great city" (Genesis 10:11,12). The Midrash Bereishit Rabah 37:4 explains that Ashur left that region because he saw his children listening to Nimrod and possibly joining the rebellion against the Almighty by building the Tower of Babel. He quickly departed from this environment, a great act of courage and recognition of the need to be subservient to God and certainly not to rebel against Him. And for this Ashur and the capital city he built would be remembered for the good millennia later.

We can now begin to answer our questions.

- 1) Nineveh had a special merit in God's memory bank, as it were, even after a great passage of time. Importantly, God is concerned with all his creatures, Jew and non-Jew alike. We are all created b'Tzelem Elokim, in the image of God.
- 2) In all the holiday Mussaf prayers we say "Ata V'Chartanu", (You chose us from all the peoples). Israel is the Chosen Nation. We were chosen to be given the Torah and the Mitzvot, but most of all we were chosen to bring God's message to the world. And that is why Jonah was sent to Nineveh and not a Gentile prophet. We are a Holy Nation and a Kingdom of Priests, and as the Priests we are to be the teachers and a light to all the nations.
- 3) A very optimistic message comes out of this interpretation. Although on Yom Kippur we confess and repeat the *Al Chait*s ten times during the day for the many sins we have committed, we should keep in mind that the One above is also counting. He recalls the wonderful deeds every one of us has performed, even if few in number and long ago.

May we all merit being written into the Book of Life in the coming year with good health, happiness and prosperity with the story of Jonah and the city of Nineveh giving us cause for great optimism and hope.

Gmar Chatimah Tova.

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

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