

SHABBAT SCHEDULE

Friday night:

5:31pm Candle Lighting

5:35pm Mincha/Marriv Shabbat.

Davening led by Chazzan Yanky Lemmer.

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

5:48pm Sunset: Latest time to daven Mincha

6:19pm 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 after Musaf by Tzophia Stepanisky.

Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

**No Main Kiddush and Kidtastic Kiddush this week.*

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

10:04am Latest Shema

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

10:55am Latest Shacharit

12:30pm Beginners Luncheon

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

11:00am Babies & Me

3:30pm Beginners Mishna Chavura with Moshe Sheinwexler;

Location: Belfer Beit Midrash

4:30pm Louis and Rhoda Lazar Memorial Shiur by Rabbinic Associate, Efraim Tepler. Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

5:15pm Mincha; Location: Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary.

Followed by Seudah Shlishit in the Ballroom and new weekly ***Hebrew only*** shiur with Lloyd Epstein Torah Mitzion Kollel Fellows. Led by Yechiel Rozenberg in the Nathaniel Richman Cohen Sanctuary

שיעור שבועי חדש בעברית אחר מנחה בשבת עם חברי כולל תורה מציון!

5:47pm Sunset: Latest time to daven Mincha.

6:31pm Ma'ariv/Shabbat Ends.

WELCOME MARIA DANZILO

LSS is pleased to welcome Ms. Danzilo, a candidate for New York State Senate in District 47, into our midst this Shabbat. Ms. Danzilo was born in Brooklyn and raised her family on the Upper West Side. She earned a bachelor's degree from Brooklyn College / City University of New York, a law degree from Brooklyn Law School, and a graduate degree from New York University, and she currently works as an intellectual property lawyer and is a lifetime trustee of the Copyright Society of the USA. She will be available at the kiddush after services to meet with the congregation and answer any questions.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

Hashkama Kiddush:

Ron Platzer and Michael Stenbring in gratitude to the Hashkama minyan for honoring them on Simchat Torah.

The Roxland Family in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of their grandmother, Esther Bat Moshe, a"n.

Beginners Kiddush:

Anonymously sponsored in honor of Rabbi Ephraim and Aidel Buchwald and the Beginners Service.

Seudah Shlishit

Sally Sultan in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of her grandfather Yitzchak Izak ben Dov Beer z"l.

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

YOUTH DEPARTMENT AND THE MAGEN AVRAHAM

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

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

The Next Babies & Me will be this Shabbat, November 5th and November 19th: 11:00am-11:30am

The November Babies & Me classes are sponsored by:

Asher and Leora Schlusberg in honor of their daughter Adelle's 2nd birthday!

Be a sponsor! Email: youth@lss.org

Monday, November 7th: Manhattan Day School Open House: 7:30pm.

MDS, a Modern Orthodox Yeshiva Day School on the Upper West Side, boasts an 80-year history of preparing toddler through 8th grade students for the ever-evolving world while being rooted in our rich Torah tradition. Register at: manhattanday.org/openhouse2022

Sunday, November 20th: Crazy Science Show: 3:00pm - 4:00pm.

Location: Ballroom. Join us for a CRAZY SCIENCE SHOW where we'll be doing magical experiments with dry ice! One of the experiments will include us making & eating ICE CREAM!! Register at: www.lss.org/event/crazyscienceshow

Thursday, November 24th: Teen Football Game. If interested in joining email youth@lss.org if interested in joining. Details to follow based on sign ups.

Shabbat, November 12th: Shabbat Afternoon Youth Center: 3:15pm: on select Shabbats at Manhattan Day School for families with kids of all ages. For more details visit www.wsisny.org.

WEEKDAY MINYAN

Shacharit:

Sunday, November 6 @ 8:30am

Monday, November 7 @ 7:00am & 7:50am

Tuesday, November 8 and Wednesday, November 9 @ 7:10am & 7:50am

Thursday, November 10 @ 7:00am & 7:50am

Friday, November 11 @ 7:10am & 7:50am

Mincha/Maariv:

Sunday, November 6 - Wednesday, November 9 @ 4:35pm

Thursday, November 10 @ 4:30pm

END OF DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Sunday, November 6th: Please remember to set your clocks back an hour from 2:00am to 1:00am. on Saturday night/Sunday morning

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, November 7th: Antisemitism Rising: What You Need to Know Now: 12:00pm: Join UJA and a panel of leaders on the front lines of this issue as we try to understand what's going on and how we can fight back. See online Echod for the registration link.

Monday, November 7th: Beginners Schmooze: 8:15pm-9:30pm (EDT)
On zoom. Free and open to all. Register at www.lss.org/beginners.

Friday, November 11th: LSS Welcomes Dr. Pesha Kletenik, Head of School at MDS, for Shabbat Dinner: Location: Ballroom. MDS families, alumni, prospective families, and community members are all warmly. Welcome (Alumni lounge and groups available for ages 2+). Register at <https://www.lss.org/form/mds-dinner>

Shabbat, November 12th: Scholar in Residence: Dr. Pesha Kletenik is the Head of School of Manhattan Day School. She joined MDS with two decades of experience in Jewish education. Most recently she served as an assistant principal and principal at Yeshiva Har Torah in Queens. Prior to that, she was a school psychologist and assistant principal at Bnos Malka Academy. In those roles she utilized her creativity and energy for building teams, innovating new programs and partnering with parents in meeting the unique needs of each child. Register at www.lss.org/form/mds-dinner.

Shabbat, November 12th: Young Professionals Meal-Match:
Want to connect with YPs at LSS? Join us for our Meal-Match event! Sign up to be a host or guest and we will match with you fellow YPs in the neighborhood for Shabbat lunch. Registration required.

Sunday, November 13th: Purchasing Real Estate in Israel Lecture: 8:00pm: This evening will provide important and relevant information regarding purchasing real estate in Israel. Yaakov Epstein is an Israeli attorney with many years of experience in assisting US citizens through the process of real estate transactions in Israel. You will be hearing from Yaakov about the basics of what one should be aware of before undertaking such a venture. Be'eri Gurtler Har-Tuv, an Israeli mortgage consultant, will also be joining us to provide professional advice regarding mortgages and financing available in Israel for your purchase. *The program is free, but advance registration is required.* Register at <https://www.lss.org/form/israeli-real-estate>

Begins Shabbat November 18th: Neiroth Shabbat: Friday nights following davening. Shiur followed by a hot kiddush.

Sunday, November 20th: Double Book Reception and Program: 10:00am-12:00pm: Location: Belfer Beit Midrash. Lincoln Square Synagogue in partnership with the Institute for Jewish Ideas and Ideals will host a double book reception featuring Rabbi Hayyim Angel and his new book Psalms: A Companion Volume and Rabbi Marc D. Angel and his new book Sephardim, Sephardism, and Jewish Peoplehood.

HOSPITALITY

Please consider inviting our Lloyd Epstein Mitzion Kollel Fellows to join you for a Shabbat meal. Reach out to them at kollel@lss.org



WEEKLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Monday, November 7th

- ***CANCELLED* 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.
- **7:00pm: Chug Ivrit Chadashot (News from Isra'el) 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
- **7:30pm-8:30pm: Beginners Jewish Living Workshop led by Bill and Dassa Greenbaum:** Via Zoom. Topic: Putting Up A Mezuzah. Register at www.lss.org/beginners. Meeting ID: 854 8722 8335 Passcode: 913358

Tuesday, November 8th

- ***CANCELLED* 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.
- **8:00pm: Beit Midrash night, 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, November 9th

- **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: Jewish Settlement in the Rhineland - Origins. Meeting ID: 890 3334 1371

Thursday, November 10th

- **11:00am-12:00pm- Women's Talk Time: led by School Psychologist Ruth Moser Riemer.** Meeting ID: 972 4054 8238
- *** CANCELLED* 7:00pm: Jacob Adler Parsha Class: Explorations in the Weekly Parsha by Rabbi Robinson.**

Sunday, November 13th

- **9:15am-10:15am: Sheilot Uteshuvot by Assistant Rabbi Yoni Zolty.**
Location: Beit Midrash

Upcoming Classes

Tuesday, November 15th: 7:00pm-9:00pm: New Weekly Beit Midrash Night! Featuring Chaburas from LSS Clergy and Kollel Fellows! Dinner Included. Sponsorships welcome. Open to All! Kick Off November 15th with Special Guest Joanna Benarroch in honor of Rabi Jonathan Sacks' Yahrtzeit. Topic: What I Learned from My Boss, Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks: A Conversation about Rabbi Sacks' Legacy with Joanna Benarroch

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

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Dvar Torah: Parshat Lech Lecha

By: Stephanie Iskhakov

At the end of parshat Noach, we are given two brief points that introduce us to Avraham: he was born and then he was married. The next thing we know is Lech Lecha: "Go forth from your land and from your birthplace and from your father's house, to the land that I will show you." What an interesting way to introduce the father of the Jewish nation. Why does the written Torah not give us any other information about Avraham until he's 75 years old? The Midrash, of course, shares with us some fascinating episodes from Avraham's youth that help fill in the blanks, but the fact that the written Torah doesn't explicitly mention these details is hard to ignore.

The Maharal shares an insight as to why the Torah does not tell us about Avraham's previous greatness. He teaches that Avraham was introduced as the father of the Jewish people at age 75, to demonstrate that G-d's relationship with us is not contingent on our past behaviors. Rather, it was an intrinsic choice that G-d made in Avraham and all his descendants. Were Avraham's previous accomplishments to be recorded, one could come to the false conclusion that G-d only chose Avraham because of his deeds, and someone who is not on that spiritual level would not be considered a Jew in G-d's eyes.

The Abarbanel gives another reason why this information was left out. He says that everything that Avraham did until now was based on his own understanding. Lech lecha was the first mitzvah that Hashem gave Avraham. This is the first time that Avraham is following a direct commandment of Hashem and not following his own free will. The Abarbanel goes on to say that the Torah wants to focus on the actions of tzadikim that are done not according to their own will but simply because G-d said so.

This is an interesting point; typically we praise people when they do something of their own accord rather than because they are told to. So why does the Abarbanel say this? The Chassidic masters teach that the root of the word mitzvah is tzavta, which means "connection." Every time a Jew does a mitzvah, they connect to the infinite, and this action has the capability to connect two diametrically opposite entities: finite and infinite. Something done of our own accord only has the capability of a finite human being.

To summarize, this missing information in the written Torah is emphasizing an important lesson, which is twofold: On the one hand we have the Maharal, who teaches us that our connection to G-d is intrinsic and independent of our behavior. On the other hand, we have the lesson of the Abarbanel, who teaches that while our intrinsic connection is there, when we do a mitzvah and we follow G-d's commandments, we enhance our inner connection with G-d.

The mystical teachings of the Zohar help us connect this confusing dichotomy and turn it into a trichotomy. It explains that there is a triangular relationship between the Jewish people, G-d and the Torah. As the children of Avraham, we have an innate connection with G-d, and we have another connection with G-d that we can strengthen through Torah study and mitzvot.

Even though we are only introduced to Avraham when he is 75 years old, all of the episodes of his prior life are intrinsically instilled within us. But where we will reap the most reward is when we go beyond what is intrinsic and reach for something that is infinite.

Shabbat Shalom

DVAR TORAH

The next Shabbatot available to write are: Vayeira 11/12, and Chayei Sara 11/19 are available

Dvar Torah writers are all member volunteers. For more info about writing, call Ricky in the LSS office and leave a message for Bill Greenbaum; or see him in shul; or send him an email at dvar@lss.org.

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-on lss.org under the Echod tab, or

- in the Electronic Echod (available to print at home).

