



PARK SLOPE JEWISH CENTER

September 29-October 6, 2017 | 9-16 Tishrei 5778
Shabbat Yom Kippur/Yizkor

Friday, September 29 9 Tishrei				Shabbat Yom Kippur/Yizkor Saturday, September 30 10 Tishrei		
Kol Nidrei Service 6:10PM Candle Lighting 6:23PM				Shabbat Morning Services 10:00AM Tot Shabbat/Mini-Minyan 11:15AM Jr. Congregation 11:15AM Advanced Talmud 1:30PM		
Sunday October 1 11 Tishrei	Monday October 2 12 Tishrei	Tuesday October 3 13 Tishrei	Wednesday October 4 14 Tishrei	Thursday October 5 15 Tishrei	Friday October 6 16 Tishrei	Saturday October 7 17 Tishrei
Sukkah Build 8:30AM Hebrew School 9:30AM Sukkah Decorating Party 10:00AM MASBIA 12:00PM	 PSJC Knitters 7:30PM	 Hebrew School 4:00PM	Morning Minyan 7:15AM Hebrew School 4:00PM Erev Sukkot Candle Lighting 6:15PM	 Sukkot I All service times are listed in the newsletter Office Closed Candle Lighting 7:11PM	 Sukkot II All service times are listed in the newsletter Office Closed Lev Tahor 6:30PM Candle Lighting 6:11PM	 <i>Chol Hamoed Sukkot</i> All service times are listed in the newsletter Tot Shabbat/Mini- Minyan 11:15AM
Park Slope Jewish Center 1320 Eighth Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11215 (718) 768-1453 Office hours: M-Th 9AM-5PM, F 9AM-2PM www.psjc.org email: office@psjc.org				Rabbi Carie Carter, PSJC's Rabbi (rabbicarie@psjc.org) Ellen Brickman, President (president@psjc.org) Aileen Heiman, Director of Youth Education (aileen.heiman@psjc.org) Marsha Stanley, Administrator (office@psjc.org) For questions about Accessibility (inclusion@psjc.org)		

HaMakom Yenachem

Our condolences go to:



Lisa Albin and her family on the death of her mother, **Beverly Gilda Albin**, z"l

Ellen Straus and her family on the death of her mother, **Betty Straus**, z"l.

Yahrzeits observed 10-16 Tishrei:

Avi Fink, observed by the PSJC community; **Celia Mandel**, grandmother of Jenna Mandel-Ricci; **Doris Sloan**, mother of Sara Sloan; **Edward McGowen**, stepfather of Angela Weisl; **Gilad Desheh**, friend of Elizabeth Schnur; **Irving Zazik**, father of Ilene Rubenstein; **Israel Goldstein**, father of Leon Goldstein; **Jeffrey Glidden**, son of friend (Erica Glidden) of Eve Blatt; **Judith Efron**, mother of Sara Efron; **Max Cohen**, father of Paul Cohen; **Nathan Schwalb**, father of Esther Schwalb; **Oscar Rothenberg**, uncle of Alan Palmer; **Richard Weintraub**, father of Neil Weintraub; **S. Lester Landau**, father of Lisa Landau; **Sarah Lustig**, mother of Carol Diamond. *May their memories be for a blessing.*

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Annual Membership Renewal 2017-2018

Renew your membership today! It's easy and can all be done online. Visit www.psjc.org and log in to your account. We hope you will join us for another great year at PSJC! We would love to get to 100% participation. Please contact Eli Wolfhagen by email treasurer@psjc.org, if you have to arrange payments or limited income.

Kol Nidrei | Friday, September 29

PSJC Service (for Members and Ticketed Guests) | 6:10PM | Main Sanctuary
Free Community Service | 6:25PM | Lower Sanctuary

Yom Kippur | Saturday, September 30

Main Service | 8:30AM | Main Sanctuary
Mincha (afternoon service) | 3:40PM | Main Sanctuary
Yizkor (memorial service) | 5:10PM | Main Sanctuary
Neilah (concluding service) | 5:40PM | Main Sanctuary
Tot-Tefillah (ages 2-5, accompanied by an adult) | 10:30AM - 11:15AM | Tent
Mini-Minyan (K-2nd grade, accompanied by an adult) | 11:30AM - 12:15PM | Tent
Jr. Congregation (3rd-6th grade) | 10:45AM - 12:15PM | Lower Sanctuary
Teen Service | 11:00AM - 12:15PM | Lower Sanctuary

Sukkah Build Volunteers are needed

Sunday, October 1 | 8:30AM

If you build it they will come...so please come! Be part of building our bigger and better sukkah this year at PSJC! Please join us on Sunday to build our new sukkah that will be enlarged to spread over many, many more of us. Everyone is welcome to help, but folks with cordless drills are particularly welcome. This is a chance to literally help build our community! Questions?! Contact **Peter Holmes**, pholmes177@gmail.com or **Patrick Francis**, Patrick.francis@psjc.org

Shuls To The Street: March For Racial Justice

Sunday, October 1 | 12:15 PM | 186 Jay Street (Voorhees Hall)

On Yom Kippur, Pray in the Shul, On Sunday, Pray with our Feet: Rodfei Tzedek invites you to join PSJC and Shuls to the Street along with other Jewish and Jew-ish allies in a march for racial justice and a call to end systemic racism in our country. Many of you may be aware that the national March for Racial Justice, organized by a black and indigenous led community group is happening on Yom Kippur.. This kind of listening and support across our differences is the way we move forward in the work together. Therefore, it is imperative that Jewish and Jew-ish allies show up in force the day after our holiest day of the year. For more info about Shuls to the Street, the national March for Racial Justice visit <https://www.m4rj.com/>

PSJC Knitters

Monday, October 2 | 7:30PM

For more information contact marjorie.rothenberg@gmail.com.

Lev Tahor: Come Sing for Your Supper

Friday, October 6 | 6:30 PM

PSJC invites the community to join Lev Tahor, PSJC's all-sung, lay led monthly Kabbalat Shabbat service, on October 6th, at 6:30 PM, in the PSJC Sukkah (weather permitting). Because of the holiday, the service will feature even more singing -- and PSJC will host the pareve/dairy dinner. RSVP <http://tinyurl.com/LevTahorOct6>, so we can make sure there's plenty of food on hand.

G'mach, Hevra Kadisha welcome new members If you are able to cook, deliver meals, visit, attend shiva minyanim, do shmira or tahara for those who have died, and support our members in good and bad times - please contact G'mach and Hevra Kadisha to add your name to the distribution list: gmach@psjc.org or hevrakadisha@psjc.org.



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Please Consider Making Your Contribution Today!

We now call upon all members to join our **\$750,000** Capital Campaign to provide **immediate repairs** and to ensure that PSJC continues to stand strong well into the 21st century! Please stand up and generously donate to maintain and preserve our cherished spiritual home for this and future generations.

We are grateful for every donation and pledge!
Visit <https://www.psjc.org/capitalcampaign>



Taste of Other Israel Short Films during Sukkot at PSJC

Sunday, October 8 | 5:00PM

Join us for three Israeli short films in October and then attend the Other Israel Film Festival at the JCC in November. All are welcome! Israel Film Festival at PSJC during Sukkot. Cost \$10, online and at the door. Register now! <https://www.psjc.org/event/israel-film-festival-.html>.

First Progressive Sukkah Dinner

Tuesday, October 10 | 8:00PM

In the Talmudic age the holiday of Sukkot was known as The Holiday (Ha-Hag) because of its celebratory and festive magic. Join us in the festivities this year at PSJC's first progressive sukkah dinner. First, appetizers and refreshments in one of the lovely neighborhood sukkot of PSJC members at 7:00PM. Second, we gather together for dinner, celebration and song at PSJC's sukkah. Come together for the magic of Sukkot!

Visit <https://www.psjc.org/event/first-progressive-sukkah-diiner.html> by **Friday, October 6**. \$10 in advance. \$15 at the door.

Mishneh Torah - Laws of Teshuvah

Saturday, October 14 | 1:20PM

When it was written in the 12th Century, Maimonides' Mishneh Torah changed the landscape of Rabbinic literature, and has since served as one of the great authoritative codes of Jewish Law. This is a monthly study session with Rabbi Carter, please email rabbicarie@psjc.org for information about this study group.

PSJC BBQ - Save the date

Sunday, October 15 | 4:00PM

Hot Dogs. Hamburgers. Veggie Burgers. Camaraderie. After all the holidays end, reconnect with old friends and meet new ones. Check <https://www.psjc.org/event/psjc-annual-community-bbq.html> after Rosh Hashanah for details and to reserve your spot.

Shabbat Shmooze

Saturday, October 21 | 1:30PM

Shabbat Shmooze is a get-together for the last time at Prospect Park. We will walk together over to the Shabbat Shmooze Potluck Lunch in the park after the Kiddush. Bring a dairy or pareve potluck dish to share. If anyone would like to host a Shabbat Shmooze for the coming year, the months of 2017 on October 21, November 18, and December 16 and in the year 2018, January 20, February 17, March 17, April 21, May 19 and June 16, please email shabbatshmooze@psjc.org with your date of choice.

PSJC runs on community participation. If you are interested in: **leading Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv Services**, email freddie.brooks@psjc.org; **leading Shabbat Morning Services**, email Elizabeth Schnur at davening@psjc.org; **chanting Haftarah**, email Alan Palmer at haftarah@psjc.org. **To request an Aliyah or other honor**, email Rabbi Carter a week in advance (rabbicarie@psjc.org), or notify the usher if you arrive before the Torah Service begins; we honor requests whenever possible. **To usher services**, email Ira Drucker at ira.drucker@psjc.org.



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Torah (Leviticus: 16:1-34) | Maftir (29:7-11)

Haftarah (Isaiah 57:14-58:14) | Minhah - Torah (Leviticus 18:1-30)

Haftarah (Jonah 1:1-4:1; Micah 7:18-20)

Yom Kippur - From E-goats to Egos

In the good old days of the wilderness the atonement of Yom Kippur was a pretty straight-forward process. Leviticus 16 describes the ritual in detail. Aaron lays his hands on the head of the goat which had been chosen by lot for this purpose (in verses 8-10), confesses over it all the sins of the children of Israel, “puts them upon the head of the goat, and sends it into the wilderness. And the goat shall carry all the people’s sins into the wilderness” (vs 21-22). The sins of the people are collected and discarded, an annual ceremony of spiritual waste removal. At this stage in our history the process was technical, not in small part because, in the ancient view, sinfulness, like ritual impurity, was an external force that somehow had clung to us and could be, and had to be, detached and purged.

Yom Kippur “for the ages,” as prescribed in the chapter’s last six verses, introduces a new element. The atonement process is still carried out by the priest, no goats mentioned, but the people are twice told to do *inu’i nefesh* – some form of self-denial or deprivation, what we observe as fasting today, along with other forms of abstinence. The individual Jew was now involved physically in the process, even if still secondarily.

The scapegoat ceremony apparently continued into Second Temple times. The Mishnah (Yoma 6:8) indicates the concern to get word back to the Temple that the goat bearing the sins had in fact “reached the wilderness,” signaling “mission accomplished.” But a new element was introduced, “a strip of crimson wool was tied to the door of the Sanctuary and when the he-goat reached the wilderness the strip turned white; as it is said, ‘Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as the snow.’” The first Twitter? Perhaps. But more important, while the atonement for the people’s sins was still measured in “technical” terms (when the goat reached the wilderness), a subtle but significant change followed. The Gemara tells that people waited anxiously to see if the crimson wool would turn white or not, rejoicing if it did and getting sullen (depressed?) if it did not. It no longer sounds purely technical.

The Talmud Yerushalmi (Shabbos 9:3) even tells of people actually putting the crimson threads in their windows, “but this was discontinued because of the embarrassment it caused other individuals whose strip did not turn white.” The atonement process has become particularized, for each person, and it is no longer purely administrative or technical. The focus has moved from the wilderness to the heart; each of us, rather than the High Priest or the goat, is the key player. Long before Freud, Judaism identified the source of sin within. And if the fault, dear Brutus, is indeed “in ourselves,” that actually is empowering, because then the potential for *tikun*, the corrective process which we call *tshuva*, is in our hands. Yom Kippur teaches that we need not be stuck in our old ways; we can hope, and work, to do better.

This weekly commentary on the Torah portion is by Rabbi Daniel Goldfarb, from the “Torah Sparks” series produced by the Conservative Yeshiva in Jerusalem, <http://learn.conservativeyeshiva.org/torah-sparks/>. Rabbi Daniel Goldfarb, retired Director and Faculty, CY, Jerusalem. A Haftarah commentary by Rabbi Mordechai Silverstein of the Conservative Yeshiva may be found at <http://www.uscj.org.il/learn/commentaries/>

All congregants and visitors (of all genders) are requested to wear a head covering in the Sanctuary. Cell phones and photography are not permitted in the synagogue during Shabbat. Please also refrain from applause during services.