



# Suburban Orthodox Congregation Toras Chaim



## SHABBOS SCHEDULE All minyanim are outdoors Shabbos Mevarchim

### Shabbos Night

**6:07p** Candle Lighting

**6:10p** Mincha followed by Kabbolas Shabbos

### Shabbos Day

**9:00a** Shacharis (10:06a Krias Shema)

**5:55p** Mincha

**6:20p** Daf Yomi (Rabbi Silber)

**7:05p** Maariv

**7:06p** Havdalah



## WEEKLY SCHEDULE Sunday 10/18 - 30th of Tishrei 7:15a Shacharis (indoor/outdoor)

**9:00a** Shacharis (outdoors)

**6:10p** Mincha/Maariv (outdoors)

### Mon 10/19 - 1st of Cheshvan

#### Rosh Chodesh

**6:30a** Shacharis (indoors)

**6:40, 9:00a** (outdoors)

**6:10p** Mincha/Maariv (outdoors)

### Tues-Fri a.m.

**6:45a** Shacharis (indoors)

**6:55, 9:00a** Shacharis (outdoors)

**6:10p** Mincha/Maariv (outdoors)



## WEEKLY SHIURIM Sun 8:00a Daf Yomi Mon - Fri

**5:45a** Tzikkas HaTzadik

**5:55a** Daf Yomi (Mon 5:45a)

**Online** Eemunah Minute

### Mon

**8:30p** Semichas Chaver Program  
suburbanorthodox.org/event/scp

### Thurs

**Online** Virtual Shabbos Drasha

**Zoom ID:** 459-166-8597, password 7504

# Parshas Bereishis

29 Tishrei | October 17, 2020

**Candle Lighting**  
6:07p

**Havdalah**  
7:06p

**Torah Reading**  
Bereishis 1:1 - 6:8

**Hafarah**  
Shmuel I 20:18-42

**Candle Lighting 10/23**  
5:58p



## LET IT BE GOOD RABBI SHMUEL SILBER

The Torah provides us with the rules, laws, and framework through which to live a fully actualized life. The *mitzvos* are an expression of Divine will designed to help us attain personalistic holiness. Yet, this all-important Book of Laws doesn't begin with instructions or commandments; it begins with a story. Not just any story. The story of creation.

We are told in great detail what God created on each day, culminating with Divine rest on Shabbos. It is a story we all know, yet, cannot comprehend. What is a "day" in the eyes of God? What does it mean to "create something from nothing?" And therefore, why include a story which the human mind cannot completely grasp and understand?

It is quite simple, actually. God teaches us how He built His world so that we may use the same strategies to build our own. We are each creators of our personal worlds. While it is true that we cannot choose so many of our circumstances, we create our reactions, we create relationships, and we create many different realities. There are deep lessons embedded in the Genesis narrative that we can use to fashion and create meaningful lives and meaningful worlds.

*And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the water, and let it be a separation between water and water." And God made the expanse, and it separated between the water that was below the expanse and the water that was above the expanse, and it was so. And God called the expanse Heaven, and it was evening, and it was morning, a second day (Bereishis 1:6-8).*

The commentaries point out the glaring omission – this verse omits "and God saw all that He did, and it was good (*ki tov*)."

Rashi explains:

*Now why does it not say, "that it was good" on the second day? Because the work involving the water was not completed until the third day, although He commenced it on the second day, and an unfinished thing is not in its fullness and its goodness; and on the third day, when He completed the work involving the water, and He commenced and completed another work, He repeated therein "that it was good" twice (sic): once for the completion of the work of the second day and once for the completion of the work of that [third] day. — [Gen. Rabbah 4:6]*

God only says, "*Ki tov*" (*it was good*) when the job is done, for He controls the results. Man says "*ki tov*" every time he expends the necessary effort. Although we are made in the image of God, we do not use the same metric for success. God's success is measured by results, our success is measured by effort. There are many times in life when we try and fail. We have dreams and aspirations, and despite herculean effort, they never materialize. We take on initiatives and projects, and we find ourselves unable to carry through. In those moments, we lament the failure, wasted time, and resources. But it is in those very moments of perceived failure that we must remember that any time we try, we succeed. "I am a creator. In my world, '*ki tov*' is the phrase that describes meaningful effort. If I try to make my dreams a reality, if I expend the energy to move myself forward, I have created a '*ki tov*' moment. I am not God, I can't control the results, I can't guarantee success, but I can always guarantee maximum effort."

As we enter this beautiful and incredible new year, we each begin to create new worlds. For some we must deconstruct old worlds to make room for the new; others we'll build and add to already existing worlds. Let us remember that our ultimate legacy is the effort we expend and not the results we attain.

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## MEMBER NEWS

### THANK YOU

**Rachayl Fine** for helping us with mailings this week

### BIRTHDAYS

Rachel Brem, Melissa Cohen, Rena Einbinder, Mimi Franco, Laurie Freeman, Michael Richard Kaplan, Jonathan Kaplan, Layla Ruth Lasson, Maya Milner, Rebecca Myrowitz, Tehilla Rosenbaum, Rivka Rosenbaum, Ari Rosenbaum, Shmuel Schechter, Mordechai Tusk, Shira Wildman, Allison Ziv

### YAHREZITS

Melvin Nachman, Pauline Hausdorff, Laura Topper, Vera Schwartz-Engel, Jerome Diener, Mordechai Yosef Griner, Rose Steinberg, Robert Geller, Norman Raczkowski, Joseph Abraham Rosen, Fannie A. Shnidman, Abraham Delman



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memory of their parents: Tzvi Hersh Ben Yosef Hacohen, Yentil Mindel Bas David Halevi, Bunim Tzvi Ben Chaim, Davorah Bas Yisroel Yoel

**WEEK OF LEARNING: Weisbord family** in the merit of a refuah sheleima for Aviva bas Shayna Chana

**DAY OF LEARNING: Doug & Gail Stanger** in memory of Gail's mother, Fruma Bella bas Leib z'l

**DAF YOMI: Gregg & Rachel Levitan** in gratitude to Hashem on their 40th anniversary

**Anonymous** in the merit of a refuah sheleima for Rachel Yehudis Bas Tova Gittel

**EMUNAH MINUTE: Haber Family** in memory of their grandmother, Tzivia bas Nosson Nota z'l

## DONATIONS

**Allen & Sue Myrowitz, Elisheva Engel and Ben & Nechama Grossman** in memory of Stanley Scheinberg

**Lou Rosen** in memory of his father, Harry, Yehoshua ben Dov HaKohen z'l

**Lawrence Suffness** in memory of Joseph & Nellie Suffness, Frances Eve Suffness Bilmes and Matthew Suffness

**Pearl Katz** in memory of Zev ben Yosef, a refuah sheleima for Aviva bas Shayna Chana, and in appreciation of Rabbi Silber's daily insights on Emunah



## DAVENING B'YICHIDUS GUIDELINES

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### General

A person should set aside a space in their home (or outdoors) for prayer. Those davening without a minyan do not recite the *tefilos* of *Kaddish*, *Borchu* or *Kedusha* and include the verse of *Kel Melech Ne'eman* before reciting *Shema*.

### Friday Mincha

Recite the same *Mincha* as recited in Shul.

### Kabbolas Shabbos

Recite the same davening as recited in Shul.

After the completion of *Lecha Dodi*, no more *melacha* (prohibited work) may be performed.

### Friday night Maariv

Recite the same *Maarivas* as recited in shul.

If possible, recite the prayer of *Vayechulu* following the *Amidah* along with one other person. If not, the *tefila* may be said alone.

Those *davening* without a *minyan* omit the prayer of *Magen Avos* following the *Amidah*.

Repeat the three paragraphs of *Shema* after nightfall (7:06pm).

### Shabbos Morning

Recite the same *Birchos Hashachar*, *Psukei D'Zimra* and *Shachris* as recited in shul. Those davening without a minyan do not recite any *tefilos* for taking out the *Torah*. Read the *Torah* portion of *Bereishis* and the *Haftorah* of *Machar Hachodesh* from *Shmuel Alef* (Samuel 1) 20:18-42.

Recite *Yekum Purkan*. Those davening without a *minyan* only recite the first paragraph of *Yekum Purkan*.

Recite *Birchas Hachodesh*. The Molad was *Shabbos* Morning 23 minutes and after 3.

Announce that Rosh Chodesh *Cheshvan* will occur on *Yom Rishon V'Yom Sheini* (Sunday and Monday)

Omit *Av Harachamim* and recite *Ashrei* and the *Mussaf Amidah*.

Complete the davening as usual. Those who are **not** davening with a minyan omit *Anim Zemiros*.

### Shabbos Mincha

Recite *Ashrei* and *Uva Le'tzion*, the *Amidah* and recite *Aleinu*. We omit *Tzidkascha*.

### Seudas Shlishis

*Seudas Shlishis* should begin before *Shkia* (6:24pm).

### Maariv – Motzai Shabbos

*Maariv* begins at 7:06pm.

The same davening as recited in shul, which includes the supplemental *tefila* of *Atah Chanantanu* within the *bracha* of *Atah Chonen* and *Ya'aleh V'Yavo* into the *Amida* within the *bracha* of *Reitzei*. After completing the *Amidah*, recite *Vihy Noam*, *Ve'atah kadosh* and *Vayiten Lecha*, followed by *Aleinu*.

**EXCITING NEW PROGRAM**

**Mondays @ 8:30**

**Beginning 10/19**

**with Rabbi Shmuel Silber**

**For Men**

**IN-DEPTH PRACTICAL HALACHA**

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