



RJC BULLETIN

Candle Lighting
Havdalah

September 11, 2020 - 5:53/6:52 PM
September 12, 2020 - 7:50 PM

Parshat Nitzavim-Vayeilech
September 11 - September 18, 2020
23 Elul - 29 Elul 5780

Shabbat Schedule

Please note that minyanim this weekend are only for those who pre-registered. Those who are davening at home are still encouraged to daven at the same time as when the community minyanim take place.

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat	7:00 PM
Vatikin	6:34 AM
Shacharit	7:00/8:30/10:00 AM
Latest Shema	9:43 AM
Mincha/Maariv	6:45 PM
Shkiah	7:09 PM

Weekday Schedule

Sunday Shacharit	6:30/8:15/9:00 AM
Monday-Thursday Shacharit	6:15/7:30 AM
Friday Shacharit	6:00/7:00 AM
Plag Mincha/Maariv	5:30 PM
Mincha/Maariv	6:50 PM
Maariv/Selichot	10:00 PM

View all Zmanim for Riverdale:

<https://www.rjconline.org/zmanim.php>

RJC MINYANIM REGISTRATION

Thank you to everyone who registered for this upcoming week's indoor and outdoor minyanim. We intend to open registration for next week's minyanim on Wednesday, September 16. We appreciate everyone's patience as we perfect our davening options.

VIRTUAL SHIURIM & CLASSES THIS WEEK

Hilchot Teshuva with Rabbi Zirkind

Sunday-Friday, 8:30 AM

Start your day with Torah from the RJC. Each morning, Rabbi Zirkind leads a brief 15-minute study of Hilchot Teshuva, available to everyone from wherever you are. Please consider joining this growing class and stay connected daily with our shul community. E-mail Rabbi Zirkind to receive daily reminders at dzirkind@rjconline.org, or simply join the zoom session at the following link.

<https://zoom.us/j/953369219>

Rabbi Sheer's "Hashkama" Shiur

Thursdays, 7:45 PM

<https://zoom.us/j/345277425>

Daf Yomi

6:45 AM, Monday-Friday | 7:30 AM, Sunday

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/860346568>

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/AE94Ey9hIFLwpAChjP8dZ>

Additional Zoom Information

Zoom links can also be found on the RJC website. Dial into any Zoom session by calling 646-558-8656, entering the Meeting ID (the numbers at the end of the Zoom link), and pressing the pound button.

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

We know that many new people are moving into our community. If you know of anyone who recently moved to Riverdale, please connect them with the RJC. If you are new to our community, we would love to welcome you properly. Please contact Rabbi and Rebbetzin Zirkind to introduce yourselves at dzirkind@rjconline.org and azirkind@rjconline.org. We look forward to meeting you soon!

SEPTEMBER 11TH COMMEMORATION

Today we commemorate the 19th anniversary of September 11th and the lasting impact it had on our families here in Riverdale and the entire community. May the merit of all those lost be a blessing for us all and may their memories stay with us forever. We will never forget.

MAZAL TOV

Mazal Tov to **Myron Weiss** on the birth of a great-grandson, Matthew Jude Salamon (Mordechai Yehuda), born to Elizabeth and David Salamon, children of **Sharon and Oskar Salamon**. Mazal Tov to great-grandmother, Lily Salamon, of Vienna, Austria.

SHABBAT AFTERNOON SCHMOOZ ON THE STEPS

Every Shabbat, 4:00-4:45 PM: Join Rabbi and Rebbetzin Zirkind for socializing and informal learning, outdoors on the RJC veranda (and steps) outside of the shul. Enjoy drinks and popsicles from a social distance. This week, enjoy the **4th & 5th Grader (and Parents) Edition**: Parents are invited to bring their 4th and 5th Graders for an opportunity to meet with our new Youth Director, Rami Pinchot.

PRE-ROSH HASHANA WOMEN'S SHIUR

Shabbat, September 12, at 5:00 PM: All women are invited to a Shabbat afternoon shiur given by Shoshana Genack at the home/backyard of Aliza and Mikey Davis. Social distancing guidelines will be in effect.

SELICHOT BEGINS MOTZEI SHABBAT

Selichot begins on Motzei Shabbat, September 12. In-person services will take place at 10:00 PM and 12:55 AM for **anyone who pre-registered**. Anyone who did not register is invited to participate over Zoom at 10:00 PM with Chazzan Shim and Rabbi Zirkind. An email will go out right after Shabbat with Zoom information.

HIGH HOLIDAY TOWN HALL

Sunday, September 13 at 12:00 Noon: Join us for a virtual Town Hall Meeting where we will discuss what the Yamim Noraim will look like at the RJC during this unprecedented holiday season. Please use the following link to join the Zoom session:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82542988307?pwd=ODVMbENsNDBCWZTWU3JOSVRnTnkvdz09>

ROSH HASHANA SHIUR WITH RABBI ELINATAN KUPFERBERG

Tuesday, September 15 at 8:00 PM: "Happy New Year? Simcha on Rosh Hashana." Join Rabbi Kupferberg for his shiur about the conflicting joy and anxiety of Rosh Hashana.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/892922664531>

HIGH HOLIDAY SEATS

If you registered for seats, you will receive an email by Monday evening confirming your Rosh Hashana seating arrangements. If you have any questions about your seating, or you would like to register for seats for Yom Kippur, please contact the office.

RJC IS GETTING A NEW SUKKAH! PLEASE HELP MAKE IT HAPPEN

The RJC is purchasing a new, larger Sukkah for the upcoming Sukkot holiday so that we can accommodate as many people as possible. If you would like to take part in making this mitzvah happen, please join us in purchasing the new Sukkah, which we hope will last for many years. To sponsor all or part of this very important purchase, please contact our Executive Director, Oren Hiller at oren@rjconline.org or by calling 718 548 1855. You can also click this link to make an instant contribution online: www.rjconline.org/form/newsukkah. Thank you in advance and tizku l'mitzvos.

DAILY SHOFAR DURING ELUL

During the month of Elul, the shofar is blown at the end of davening each morning. Please join us at the RJC for daily minyanim to participate. Weather permitting, our members are invited to gather around the veranda to hear shofar outdoors following the 7:45 AM minyan, at approximately 8:15 AM each weekday. For those who are home, please tune in to Rabbi Zirkind's Pirkei Avot class on Zoom, which will begin with shofar at 8:30 AM sharp.

RJC YOUTH

RJC Youth has a new WhatsApp group so that all parents can stay informed about youth programming. Please consider joining: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/L85UyKtonBzJxYMnFcagby>

FLOWER WORKSHOP WITH MIMULO

Wednesday, September 30 at 7:00 PM: All women are invited to this pre-Sukkot event in the Haller's backyard. Create a beautiful floral arrangement for your Sukkot tablescape with Mimulo - a \$75 value! Registration is \$125 per person and must be submitted by Wednesday, September 23: www.rjconline.org/event/flower

Community News, Events, and Announcements

Hakarat Hatov

The **Zelkowitz**, Maryles, and Dworetsky families would like to thank the RJC Rabbinic Staff and the Riverdale Community for their kindness and support during this difficult time.

Hebrew Institute of Riverdale: Special Blood Emergency and Memorial Tribute Blood Drive

Sunday, September 13, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

New York City is in a blood emergency and there is an urgent need for blood donors. In addition to honoring the victims of 9/11, this year's HIR Blood Drive will honor all those who struggled and perished in the past year from COVID-19 and other causes. We are especially privileged to dedicate the Blood Drive to the memory of Judy Fettman Dreyfuss OBM/z"l, beloved daughter of Beverly and Ted Fettman, and beloved wife of Marc Dreyfuss, as a celebration of her life. Please use the registration link below or contact Seryl at 718-549-8152 or sermc@aol.com. https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/274049

Shiur with Rav Aryeh Lebowitz over Zoom with Young Israel of New Rochelle

Sunday, September 13, at 8:00 PM

"What We Do and Who We Are: Two Levels of Teshuvah." This shiur is sponsored by Miriam & Baruch Deutsch and Laurie & Richard Wolff in memory of their parents, Pearl and Morris Latt, z"l. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85183815769?pwd=T1RtNEp1akpTbFJFZGJsVVoUitadz09>

2020 Census: Upcoming Deadline

The deadline for completing the 2020 Census is Wednesday, September 30: <https://my2020census.gov/>

Hebrew Free Burial Association Continued Support

We are still arranging burials daily, and you can partner with us in chesed shel emet by donating online: www.hebrewfreeburial.org/donate

Career Advice and Networking

Please contact Howard Millendorf at 718-796-5850 or howmill@corp.idt.net.

Riverdale Mikvah: Health and Appointment System

The Riverdale Mikvah has moved to an appointment-only model every night. Please make an appointment at <https://calendly.com/theriverdalemikvah/mikvah-appointment>. 3708 Henry Hudson Parkway East, Riverdale, NY 10463 | (718) 549-8336

The Kingsbridge Center of Israel (KCI) Kosher Food Pantry

Kingsbridge Center of Israel (KCI) is excited to offer food deliveries before Rosh Hashana. These deliveries include special Holiday food, including challah, honey, apples, chicken, dairy products, and more. The food has been made available to the Pantry at no-cost by Met Council and is available to anyone who thinks that a little extra help will benefit you and/or your family during this holiday season. Please contact KCIfoodpantry@gmail.com or (646) 647-1380. All contact remains confidential to a small group of local individuals.

Kid's Space: School-Aged Program at the Riverdale Y

We are holding a new full-day program at the Riverdale Y where you can send your children to us while they are learning remotely. Group sizes will be limited, with students organized by pods within each grade. Highly trained staff will assist students to make sure they stay on task with their school classes. An age-appropriate atmosphere will be maintained during school hours, with enrichment breaks according to each group's school day schedule. For more information, visit www.RiverdaleY.org/kidsspace.

Dance and Music Trial Classes

Starting Sunday, September 13, we are excited to kick off our new Dance and Music schools with trial classes. We have an amazing selection of free dance classes and free music trial lessons that you can try and see what's the best fit for you. We have a mix of in-person and virtual offerings made with your comfort in mind. Check out our dance trial classes at www.RiverdaleY.org/dancetrial and check out our music trial classes at www.RiverdaleY.org/musictrial.

Riverdale Performing Arts Center Auditions

Our award-winning Riverdale Performing Arts Center is prepping for the Fall productions. Our Jr. Rising Starts have two options for the Fall: Schoolhouse Rock, Jr. and Peter Pan. Schoolhouse Rock, Jr. will be an outdoor, in-person production while Peter Pan will be a hybrid production with limited rehearsals and mostly virtual. For more information, including how to audition, please visit www.RiverdaleY.org/auditions.

Volunteers Needed at the Riverdale Y

Some of our volunteers that assisted us throughout the summer are now returning to work. We're looking for help with delivering hot meals to seniors that are stranded at home. To date, we've delivered over 65,000 meals. If you're interested in volunteering for a noble cause, please contact volunteers@riverdaley.org.

Gemach of Riverdale — Interest Free Loans

Gemach of Riverdale provides interest-free loans to members of the Riverdale community. For more information, contact the Gemach confidentially at Gemachofriverdale@gmail.com or 917-408-3035.

Riverdale Medical Gemach

If you have a temporary need for medical equipment, or have something to donate, please contact medical@theriverdalemynyan.org or call Rochel Cheifetz at 917-748-2052 or Ilana Gordon at 917-623-8873.

Riverdale Gown Gemach

Please contact riverdalegowngemach@gmail.com for more information.

View Sam Weingard's Parsha Comic

Parshat Nitzavim: <https://images.shulcloud.com/485/uploads/Bulletins/Comic-Strip/ParshatnitzavimfromSamweingard.pdf>

Parshat Vayeilech: <https://images.shulcloud.com/485/uploads/Bulletins/Comic-Strip/ParshatvayeilechfromSamweingard.pdf>

THE FUND FOR THE NEEDY

Supporting Jews Across the Bronx!
By the Numbers, in 2019, the FFN:

Distributed over \$330,000

100% of donations support 66 individuals, often elderly, or families

Provided allocations for rent, food, clothing & medicine

Provided additional holiday disbursements 2 times a year

Supported recipients recommended by Rabbis of all Bronx congregations

Send donations to: <https://www.rjconline.org/ffn>

REFUAH SHELAIMAH

Asher Chanun ben Basin Tzivia, Peretz Yisroel ben Batya Kayla, Geula Liba Yehudis bat Gittel Tzip'ra, Shifra bat Bayla Peryl, Elka bat Chana, Shalom Yitzchak ben Pasha, Dovid Yaakov ben Yehudis, Abraham Ben Basha Chaj, Gil bat Rut, Pessel bas Elka, Zachava bas Lea, Ephraim Zvi Moshe ben Shulamit Tzvia, Itai Yaacov ben Tzipora, Hinda bat Taiba, Tamar Leah bat Sarah Yisraelit, Rivka Mindel bat Sarah Yisraelit, Sarah Yisraelit bat Rachel, Chaim ben Sara, Hadassah Channah Hillah bat Simcha Ariza Yael, Rachel bat Pesia, Tuvia ben Chavah, Chana Esther bat Ayallah Hadar, Sarah bas Rut

שבת שלום
Shabbat Shalom!