

Shul Services and Contacts

- ◆ **Kiddush and Seudah Shlishit** - To sponsor, go to www.yieip.org to reserve and pay for Kiddush. Please specify date and type of sponsorship; Kiddush is \$200 (regular) or \$250 (deluxe); Seuda Shlishit is \$54.
- ◆ **Shabbat Hospitality** - In advance: contact yieidchesed@gmail.com, by the previous Tuesday if possible. In shul see **Ilan Weinberger** at the end of davening.
- ◆ **Chesed** - Know someone in need? Contact yieipchesed@gmail.com, or (for urgent needs) directly contact **Joel Greenberg** at (786) 553-6219, **Ariela Greenberg** at (301) 518-5237, or as a backup **Sara Schneider** at (301) 325-3245.
- ◆ **Membership** - To join the shul or for member benefits information, contact **Joel Greenberg** at (786) 553-6219 or president@yieip.org.
- ◆ **Shiva** - For arrangements or furnishings, contact **Daniel Chefitz** at (301) 610-0844 or gabbai@yieip.org or **Adam August** at (202) 491-3725 or adamaugust@yahoo.com.
- ◆ **Tape Library** - Contact **Cliff Snapper** (301) 983-6897 or csnapper@usuhs.mil to borrow Jewish theme tapes from the shul.
- ◆ **Facility Rental** - For information or reservations, contact **Daniel Ely** at (301) 455-3993 or djely@verizon.net.
- ◆ **Rabbi Yosef Singer** - Contact at (240) 603-8622 or RavSinger@gmail.com.
- ◆ **President, Joel Greenberg** – (786) 553-6219 or president@yieip.org.
- ◆ **Gabbai, Daniel Chefitz** – (301) 610-0844 or gabbai@yieip.org.
- ◆ **Weekly Bulletin** - To submit announcements for the weekly bulletin, email **Robert Rubinoff** at yieip-announce@yahoogroups.com or call (301) 299-1504 by Wednesday evening.

Donation Opportunities

- ◆ **Sefarim** - Dedicate a chumash (\$60), siddur (\$40), or machzor (\$15). Contact **Beth Shapiro** at bethshap@gmail.com.
- ◆ **Eitz Chaim Dedications** - Inscribe a leaf for the YIEIP "Tree of Life" for any and all occasions. Contact **Mark Ferneau** at ferneau@yahoo.com. Levels include Copper (\$250), Silver (\$360), Gold (\$500), or foundation stones (contact Cliff Snapper csnapper@usuhs.mil).
- ◆ **Yartzeit Plaques** - Contact **Mark Ferneau** at ferneau@yahoo.com.
- ◆ **Kiddush/Seudah Shlishit** - Contact kiddush@yieip.org. Specify date & type of sponsorship; Kiddush is \$200; Seuda Shlishit is \$54.

Community Resources

- ◆ **Tomchei Shabbos**- Do you know individuals or families who can't afford to buy food for Shabbos? Yad Yehuda of Greater Washington will arrange local Shabbos food deliveries in a confidential manner. Contact **Rabbi Singer** if you know anyone who could benefit from this service. For more information on the Foundation and this project, or to donate, please visit www.yadyehuda.org.
- ◆ **YIP List** – To join the shul email list, contact **Mark Ferneau** ferneau@yahoo.com.
- ◆ **Potomac Jewish List** – To join a general Potomac Jewish Community email list, go to www.potomacjewish.com.



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September 7, 2019 ~ ז' אלול תשע"ט
Parshat Shoftim/פרשת שופטים
Haftarah: Yeshayahu 51:12-52:12

Shabbaton with Rabbi Paysach Krohn

Shabbat at a Glance

Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat	6:00 pm
Candle Lighting	between 6:11 and 7:13 pm
Oneg Shabbos	8:30 pm
Shacharit	8:40 am
Z'man Kriat Shema	9:54 am
Rabbi Singer: Nefesh HaChaim Class.....	5:15 pm
Mincha.....	6:00 pm
Seudah Shlishit between Mincha and Maariv	
Maariv	8:10 pm
Shabbat Ends.....	8:20 pm

Davening and Times During the Week

Shacharit:	Mincha/Maariv:
Sunday – 8:00 am	Sun.-Thu. – 7:00 pm
Monday & Thursday – 6:20 am	Friday – 7:00 pm
Tue. Wed. & Fri. – 6:30 am	GWC Kollel Maariv:
	Sunday - 9:15 pm

Candle Lighting Next Shabbat – 7:02 pm

Announcements and Community Events

- ◆ **Mazal Tov** to **Michael and Sasha Medina** on the birth of a baby girl!
- ◆ **Baruch HaBa** to **Rabbi Paysach Krohn**, who joins us for a Shabbaton. Rabbi Krohn will be speaking at the Oneg Friday night, Saturday morning after davening (around 10:40 am) and again after kiddush at noon, at 6:00 pm Saturday before Mincha and during Seudah Shlishit. (See separate flyer for details.)
- ◆ High Holiday seats are now available at www.yieip.org/hhseats. Gold, diamond, and platinum members should send email to dchefitz69@gmail.com instead of using the web site.
- ◆ Lulav and Etrog sets are now available at www.yieip.org/lulav.
- ◆ Sun. Sep 8, 10:15-11:15 am, at Kemp Mill Synagogue, the next Golden Network Caregiver Support Group will have its next meeting. For more information or to RSVP, please contact **Hedy Peyser**, MSW, at hpeyser@gmail.com.
- ◆ Sun. Sep 22, 9:20 am-12:00 noon, at Homestead Farms, 15604 Sugarland Rd, Poolesville, the Berman Academy PTO and Kemp Mill Synagogue will have a Community Wide Pre-Rosh Hashana Apple Picking Event.
- ◆ Mon. Oct. 7, 8:00 pm, at YI Shomrei Emunah, **Rabbi Frand** will give his annual Teshuva Drasha, For more information, contact **Rabbi Avraham Rappaport** at (443) 790-6541.

Shul and Community Torah Classes

- ◆ **Rabbi Yosef Singer**
 - Gemorah - after Shacharit Sun morning (*Men*)
 - Women's Mesilas Yesharim Shiur - Shabbat, usually 1 3/4 hours before mincha (not meeting this week)
 - Nefesh Hachaim - Shabbat, 45 minutes before Mincha
- ◆ **Greater Washington Community Kollel**
 - Bet Medrash Program with **Rabbi Menachem Winter**, Rosh Kollel, and the Kollel Rebbeim: various simultaneous classes – Sun 8:15-9:15 pm (*Men*)
- ◆ **Other Weekly Classes**
 - **Rebbetzin Sara Bluming** – Weekly Roundtable, Tue. 10:00 am and Wed. 1:00 pm at Chabad (*Women*)

Youth Programming

Youth Programming is available weekly for the full Shabbat morning davening starting at 8:45 am. Parents are reminded to pick up their children promptly when davening ends. If you have any question about the youth groups, please contact **Aviva Rosen** at rosenaviva@gmail.com or the youth coordinators **Shlomit Bernstein** and **Tali Chefitz** at coordinatorsyi@gmail.com.

- ◆ **Tot Shabbat (ages 2-5):** downstairs classroom (8:45-11:30 am)
- ◆ **Youth Shabbat (kids 6-11):** games, prayers, and Torah in the social hall (8:45-11:15 am)
- ◆ **Baby Shabbat (to age 2):** upstairs classroom open during services for parents and their babies

Upcoming Yartzeits

- ◆ 8 Elul – Milton Goodman (Dena Kaufmann's stepmother's father)
- ◆ 12 Elul – Beverly Zitelman (mother of Rick Zitelman)
- ◆ 14 Elul – Herbert Goodman (father of Aviva Rosen)
- ◆ 18 Elul – Raizel bat Shmuel (grandmother of Ann Goldstein)
- ◆ 18 Elul – Natan ben Mordecai (father of Ann Goldstein)
- ◆ 18 Elul – Rachel bat Shaya (cousin of Ann Goldstein)

To add a name to this list, contact **Robert Rubinoff** at rubinoff@cs.cmu.edu or (301) 299-1504

D'var Torah – In Brief

Overview of Parshat Shoftim

Moshe tells Bnei Yisrael to appoint judges and officers in their cities. A bribe of even an insignificant sum is forbidden. Trees are not to be planted near Hashem's altar, as was the way of idolaters. Blemishes in animals designated for offerings and other points of disqualification are listed. The Great Sanhedrin is to make binding decisions on new situations according to Torah criteria to prevent the fragmentation of the Torah. A very learned scholar who refuses to accept the Halachic decisions of the Sanhedrin incurs the death penalty. A Jewish king may only have possessions and symbols of power commensurate with the honor of his office, but not for self-aggrandizement. He is to write for himself two sifrei Torah, one to be kept with him wherever he goes, so that he doesn't become haughty. Neither the kohanim nor the levi'im are to inherit land in the Land of Israel, rather they are to be supported by the community by a system of tithes. All divination is prohibited. Hashem promises the Jewish People that He will send them prophets to guide them, and Moshe explains how a genuine prophet may be distinguished from a false one. Cities of refuge are to be provided an accidental killer to escape the blood-avenger from the deceased's family. However, someone who kills with malice is to be handed over to the blood-avenger. Moshe cautions Bnei Yisrael not to move boundary markers to increase their property. Two witnesses who conspire to "frame" a third party are to be punished with the very same punishment that they conspired to bring upon the innocent party. A kohen is to be anointed specifically for when Israel goes to war, to instill trust in Hashem. Among those disqualified from going to war is anyone who has built a new house but not lived in it yet, or anyone who is fearful or fainthearted. An enemy must be given the chance to make peace, but if they refuse, all the males are to be killed. Fruit trees are to be preserved and not cut down during the siege. If a corpse is found between cities, the elders of the nearest city must take a heifer, slaughter it, and wash their hands over it, saying that they are not guilty of the death.

Haftarah: Yeshayahu 51:12-52:12

This haftara is the fourth in the series of the "Seven Haftaras of Consolation." In this prophetic view, Yeshaya alternates between visions of the future redemption and the dark past, warning the Jewish nation against repeating past mistakes.

Why, says G-d, must you fear your mortal oppressors who are destined to die and become dust? Where now are those great nations which sought to oppress you? If you will only keep my Torah then I will protect you and declare you to be My people.

(Ohr Somayach; Torah Weekly)