

# שבת שלום

## ***Building On Our Legacy***

August 12-13, 2016

9 Av 5776

*Parashat Devarim/Shabbat Hazon*

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## **Shabbat Shalom**

**Beth El-Norwalk**



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### **Service Times**

- \* Monday-Friday: 8:00AM
- \* Friday Shabbat Evening: 6:30PM
- \* Shabbat Morning: 9:30AM
- \* Sunday Morning services can be scheduled by request.  
Please speak to Rabbi Paskind at least a week in advance.
- \* Major Secular Holidays: 9:00AM

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## WEEKLY TORAH

Parashat Devarim begins a series of speeches by Moses to the Israelites. They are about to enter the Land of Israel. Moses will die in Moab on Mount Nebo. He reminds the people that they will take possession of the land given to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He recalls the time when he was unable to lead them himself and how God told him to appoint wise leaders to assist him. Moses also recounts sending scouts to explore the land, resulting in a divisive report that frightened people with predictions of defeat. Because of the scouts' lies and the people's lack of faith, their whole generation was not allowed to enter the land. Only Caleb and Joshua son of Nun, who brought back a positive report, would lead the new generation of Israelites into the Land of Israel. Moses then recounts their route of travel from Kadesh-barnea southward to Ezion-geber, then northward skirting Edom and Moab to Kedemoth and Heshbon, and their victorious battles with Sihon king of Heshbon and Og king of Bashan.

*From: A Torah Commentary for Our Times by Harvey J. Fields*

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**Friday, Aug 12,** 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:37pm Candle Lighting

**Saturday, Aug 13,** 9:30am Shabbat Service, 9:00pm Erev Tisha B'av Service at TCS - Westport

**Sunday, Aug 14, Fast of Tisha B'av,** 8:45am Tisha B'av Service at TCS – Westport, 6:00pm Community Interfaith Independence Day Service – St. Philips Church (Norwalk)

**Wednesday, Aug 17,** 9:30am Watermelon Wednesday

**Friday, Aug 19, Tu B' Av,** 6:30pm Kabbalat Shabbat Service, 7:27pm Candle Lighting

**Saturday, Aug 20, Shabbat Nachamnu,** 9:30am Shabbat Service

**Join us for morning minyan Monday-Friday at 8:00am, unless posted**

## BIMAH OFFICERS AND SHABBAT GREETERS

**Shabbat Morning Bimah Officer, 8/13** – Stephanie Gordon

**Shabbat Morning Greeters, 8/13** – Sean McDonnell

**Shabbat Morning Bimah Officer, 8/20** – David Rossen

**Shabbat Morning Greeters, 8/20** – Marguerite Felsenfeld

## LIFE CYCLE

Mazal Tov to Kim Krieger & Brian Tyson, big sisters Bebe and Hazel and to grandparents Ken & Beverly Krieger on the birth of twin girls!

## WATERMELON WEDNESDAY

**SEE BULLETIN BOARD FOR MORE DETAILS**

**EVERY** Wednesday in August – **WATERMELON WEDNESDAY!**

**9:30am–10:00am,** Open to anyone with kids age 5 & under. Music & watermelon with Morah Amy and Rabbi Paskind.



## TISHA B'AV

The 9th days & Tisha B'Av – Thursday night & Friday begin in the new month of Av and the 9 days that lead up to Tisha B'Av, the saddest day of the Jewish year. Many have the custom of not eating meat or drinking wine during the 9 days (except for Rosh Chodesh and Shabbat), not listening to live music, and not cutting one's hair – all signs of mourning as we prepare for Tisha B'Av.

Tisha B'Av, the 9<sup>th</sup> of Av, is the fast day that commemorates the destruction of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Temples. It has also become a day of general mourning for other Jewish disasters including the Spanish expulsion and the mass deportation of Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto. As we read Eicha (The Book of Lamentations), it forces us to consider disasters in our own times, as well as how we might respond.

*Both services take place at TCS in Westport with TCS and Beth El Stamford*

**8/13, 9:00PM** – Ma'ariv with Eicha

**8/14, 8:45am** – Schacharit with Eicha (no tallit or tefillin)

## AUGUST EVENTS

### Interfaith Community and Independence Day

**8/14, 6:00pm** - Community Interfaith Independence Day Service - St. Phillips Church in Norwalk



### CONGREGATION BETH EL – FAIRFIELD CRAFT & BBQ FAIR

August 28, 11:00am – 5:00pm

**LET'S GO AS A GROUP!!** RSVP to the Office by Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>

### Monday, Aug 29 – Dining for Dollars at Bertucci's in Darien

Coupons needed & can be used all day. Nitzan families please come from 4:00pm-6:00pm. There will be vegetarian options.

Pick up coupons in the Office, from Morah Amy or print them off the website.



## NITZAN NURSERY SCHOOL

### Mommy and Me COMING THIS FALL!

Stay tuned for more details...



### Do you like kids?

Please join our sub list! The hours are 9am-12pm. No experience necessary – a teacher will always be in the room. Please contact Amy SantaLucia for details.

Thank you to those who donated boxtops, please keep them coming!

## SOUP KITCHEN

**There is NO Soup Kitchen in August**

## Save the Dates – SEPTEMBER

*More details to come*



**Sept 5, Labor Day – Office Closed**

**Sept 6, 9:00am – Mishnah Class**  
**4:15pm – Navasky First Day**

**Sept 7, 9:00am – Nitzan First Day**

**Sept 8, 10:30am – Soup Kitchen**  
**7:30pm – Rosh Chodesh Book Club, The Nightingale (Kristin Hannah)**

**Sept 11, 10:30am – Knit n' Nosh**  
**12:30pm – Six 13 Performance, CBE Fairfield**

**Sept 15, 7:00pm – Cooking with Cecily Gans**

**Sept 16, 7:00pm – Membership Dinner (Westville Kosher Market catering)**

**Sept 17 & 24 – Mahzor Lev Shalem High Holiday Teaching (with Rabbi Paskind)**

**Sept 23 – JFS Kosher Food Drive Pantry Drop-off Deadline (for the food that will be delivered to those in need before the holidays)**

**Sept 24, 8:30pm – Selichot Program & Service at Temple Beth El Stamford**

## WE ARE ON AmazonSmile!

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## SPONSOR A KIDDUSH OR ONEG

Sponsoring a Kiddush just got easier! Celebrate a simcha: a birthday, special event or anniversary. \$180 covers the cost of a regular Shabbat Kiddush. To sponsor the Friday night Oneg, \$36 covers all. Celebrate with the community!

## YAHARZEIT/MEMORIAL PLAQUES

### FEEL THE CONNECTION (L'DOR V'DOR)

Feel" your loved ones' presence each time you come to Shul. See their plaques lit up on their Yahrzeits and the High Holidays. Call Ellen Gordon, 03.847.3559 or email the Office for info.

## GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop is open 9:30am-12:00pm every Sunday Navasky is in session. When Navasky's closed, contact Nancy Oberst or Hilary Shaefitz.

## FOOD and GIFT CERTIFICATES



Don't forget to buy your Food and Gift Cards! To order, call the synagogue, 203.838.2710.