**SHABBAT SCHEDULE**

EREV SHABBAT
7:00PM Minchah (1st floor)
7:00PM Young Leadership Kabbalat Shabbat (Beit Midrash)
8:00PM Minchah (1st floor)
8:02PM Candle-lighting

SHABBAT
7:45AM Hashkama
8:30AM Kids Kiddush Club with Rabbi Yosie Levine
9:00AM Shacharit
9:10AM Sof Zman Kirot Shema
9:15AM Hashkama Shkir with Ora Weinbach, The Key to Chaos: Travels and Turning Points in Parshat bahalaticha
9:30AM Young Leadership (1st floor)
10:00AM Youth Groups
10:30AM Teen Girls Learning (8th-12th Grade) with Ora Weinbach (Beit Midrash)
12:30PM Youth Department Lunch
2:30PM Youth Department Visit to the Atria (Meet in the lobby)
4:00PM Bikkur Cholim/Bikkur in the Home (meet at 730 Columbus Ave.)
6:00PM A Different World: Your Children on College Campus with Ora Weinbach and Shiffy Friedman (Beit Midrash)
7:00PM Daf Yomi
7:45PM Minchah
Seudah Shlishit with Shiffy Friedman, One Passage, Two Customs: The Bracha of “Al ha-Seudah Shlishit
9:03PM Shabbat Concludes

**THANK YOU TO OUR KIDDUSHER SPONSORS:**
Community Kiddush Sponsors (5th Floor):
- Brauna & Marvin Fortgang in honor of the birth of their grandson, Benjamin John (Binyamin Moshe), born to their children Rachel Fortgang & Alex Peterson
- Arlene & Zvi Lefkovitz in honor of the birth of their grandson, Peretz Avraham, born to their children Sara & Eli Kravitz
- Veronica & Erwin Muth in honor of the marriage of their granddaughter, Elana Raskas, to Eli Becker in Israel
- Judith Rotenberg in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her father, Maurice Rotenberg, Moshe ben Chaim David HaCohen
- Seudah Shlishit Sponsors:
  - Marion Lauber in commemoration of the yahrzeit of her mother, Gelila Benachem Mendel
  - Rachel & Rabbi Yosie Levine in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Judith S. Levine

**WOMEN’S TEHILLIM GROUP**
Monday, June 4th at 7:15PM
Contact Joyce Weitz for more info. at 212-877-1176

**DAILY SERVICE TIMES**

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**The Jewish Center Centennial Dinner**
Tuesday, June 5th, 2018
at The Plaza
5:30PM Shuir with Rabbi Daniel Fridman,
100 Years of Kedusha: The Enduring Sanctity of The Jewish Center (Xavier Pulitzer Room)
6:30PM Reception and gallery exhibit featuring photos, letters and memories from the past 100 years (Terrace Room)
7:45PM Dinner and program (Grand Ball Room)
Dessert
We are delighted to present dinner guests with a copy of A Century of Judaism and The Jewish Center published by Koren.

**Kids Kiddush Club with Rabbi Yosie Levine**
Shabbat mornings (June 2, 9 and 16) 8:30-9:00AM
What is a kids' kiddush club and how does one apply?
A short primer for the uninitiated: Kids’ kiddush club is a three part Torah series for children (ages 7-12) and their parents or grandparents. Rabbi Levine leads this spirited and freewheeling learning group while participants are treated to select yogurts, choice breakfast cereals and fresh fruit. No application necessary. But be sure to come early to get a desirable seat near the yogurt bar.

**A Different World: Your Children on College Campus**
Shabbat, June 2nd at 6PM
A conversation for parents of high school and college aged children with Shiffy Friedman, Yotezet Halacha and OU-JLIC Campus Educator, and Ora Weinbach, Community Educator.

**Celebration of the 100 Acts of Chesed Challenge**
#chesedjc100
Join us for a festive kiddush following davening. Enjoy delicious cupcakes representing the many acts of kindness performed by our members and friends in honor of The JC Centennial. The canned goods displayed at kiddush will be donated to a kosher food bank in honor of The JC Centennial Chesed Challenge. To join our canned goods drive, drop off cans in the designated box in the The JC Lobby from Monday, June 4th to Monday, June 18th.

**Graduation Kiddush, Shabbat, June 16th**
Join us as we celebrate the academic achievements of our community graduates. From preschool to PhD, if you, a family member or a friend flipped a tassel this spring, please let us know by completing the form on our website or emailing astrum@jewishcenter.org. If you would like to sponsor the Graduation Kiddush, please contact Aaron Strum at astrum@jewishcenter.org

**Help Save a Life:**
A member of the Jewish community is in desperate need of a life-saving donor kidney (blood type O) and is working with Renewal, a non-profit organization dedicated to this cause. If you, or someone you know, is willing and able to do the life-saving mitzvah of donating a kidney or to simply learn more about kidney donation, please call (718) 431-8931 x209, e-mail R23602@renewal.org or visit Renewal’s website at www.renewal.org. All inquiries to Renewal are strictly confidential and without any obligation.
MAZEL TOV

Arlene & Zvi Lefkovitz on the birth of a grandson, Peretz Avraham, born to their children Sara & Eli Kravitz

Judy Marbach on the Cornell University graduation of granddaughter Rebecca Jackson daughter of Claudia Marbach and Daniel Jackson

Judy Marbach on the Hampshire College graduation of grandson Sam Jackson son of Emily Marbach and Tim Jackson

CONDOLENCES

Adena Berkowitz on the passing of her mother, Florence Berkowitz

Sarah Finegold Newton on the passing of her brother, Jonathan Finegold

Harry Heching on the passing of his sister, Miriam Kindler

THANK YOU TO OUR USHERS

Barbara Paris, Avi Schwartz and Zachary Jacobs

Thank you to our CSS members whose efforts help maintain a safe shul for our community.

Thank you to our volunteers performing Bimah duty this Shabbat

Noam Zeffren and Dovie Drelich

DAILY MINYAN REMINDER: As many of our regulars begin to disperse for the summer, we encourage you to strengthen our daily minyan. Come once or come often! We would love to have you with us.

A Message from President Avi Schwartz: Annual Membership Meeting, Wednesday, June 13th, at 8:30PM

Our Annual Meeting is a time to hold our annual election, learn more about the way we operate our Center, review our finances and honor our outgoing Board members. This year also will afford an opportunity to reflect on the Centennial year and to raise any questions in connection with Rabbi Levine’s Sabbatical in Israel this coming year. This meeting is an important part of synagogue governance and I hope you will be able to attend so you can listen to our reports, ask questions and grab a little nosh.

Thank you to the members of the Nominating Committee for their hard work: Penina Blazer (Chair), Steve Graber, David Meyer, Barbara Reiss and Lori Zeltser.
THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR 100 ACTS OF CHESED PARTICIPANTS!

#CHESEDJC100

Thank you to our 100 Acts of Chesed Committee: Naomi Goldman, Becca Herman, Mindy Chassin Horowitz, Elana Kaminetzky and Grant Silverstein
Apparently, Victorian nannies used to refer to the bad moods of children as “black dogs.” This description of his mental state has long been attributed to Winston Churchill and his lifelong struggle with depression. Some – specifically John and Celia Lee in The Churchills among others – suggest he was actually bipolar. Others more knowledgeable about mental illness have found this a gross overstatement.

But many biographers discuss the black dog and the way it hovered over Churchill’s political genius. His biographer Paul Johnson estimates that Churchill – in his forty plus books, articles and film scripts likely wrote eight to ten million words. He was a brave fighter against this inner darkness; it may have driven him to greater productivity and the need to bring more light into a dim and grim universe.

In this week’s sedra, we find Moses’ confronting a moment of utter, gut-wrenching despair: “Moses heard the people weeping, every family apart, each person at the entrance of his tent. The Lord was very angry, and Moses was distressed” [Numbers 11:10]. Moses walked through the camp, deep into the wilderness trek with no possibility of turning back, and confronted tears in every single tent.

God was angry. Moses despaired. His anguish reached bottom when he pleaded to God: “Why have you dealt ill with Your servant, and why have I not enjoyed Your favor, that you laid the burden of all this people upon me?” [11:11]. Moses continued in a similar vein and then culminated with his refusal to lead. “If you would deal thus with me, kill me, I beg You, and let me see no more of my wretchedness” [11:15]. Moses did not blame the people; he could not look at himself any longer. The Sforno observes that Moses could not bear the inadequacies of his leadership. “Witnessing this is worse for me than death.”

Reading this stirs two contradictory and complex feelings: deep empathy for Moses’ plight and deep admiration that despite it all, he continued. He got us to the Promised Land. It was not enough to overcome the many protestations about the meat and the conditions of the dessert in this notorious chapter; Moses had shown himself capable of addressing the concerns of his people, no matter how small.

Moses had to find the hope and strength to address something more painful: his inner demons that were telling him to resign his post and be done. And let us imagine for a moment that he had. The story would have ended here. Four books instead of five. No movie. No history. No memory. A people that complained about the wilderness would have been swallowed up by it. They certainly lacked the fortitude to overcome adversity without Moses as their guide.

We all have our black dog days, even if they are not as dramatic as those recounted in Numbers 11. The Torah did not hide this collapse; it mined it, leaving us with the challenge of seeing something better on the horizon than the darkness of the moment, asking us to rise above and lead.