



CONGREGATION TIFERETH BETH DAVID JERUSALEM

Shabbat Bulletin

שבת פרשת נצבים
כז אלול ה'תשפ"א

Shabbat Parshat Nitzavim
Sept. 3 and 4, 2021 / 5781

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SHABBAT SHALOM • שבת שלום

Rosh Hashanah is on Tuesday, September 7 and Wednesday, September 8

Tzom Gedaliah is on Thursday, September 9 / fast begins at 5:08am, ends at 7:48pm

Shabbat Parshat Nitzavim

Haftara: Yeshayahu 61:10 - 63:9

When davening at home, it is preferable to do so at the same time as the rest of the community.

Friday, September 3

- 5:50pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv - Tent
- 6:07pm Plag Hamincha
- 7:00pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat and Maariv - Main Sanctuary
- 7:11pm Candle Lighting
- 7:29pm Sh'kiah

Shabbat, September 4 / 27 Elul 5781

- 8:00am Shacharit - Upper Social Hall and Tent
- 9:30am Shacharit - Main Sanctuary
- 9:36am Sof Zman Kriyat Shma
- 10:00am Kef Club Programs for Kids - courtyard on left side of TBDJ
- 6:05pm Plag Hamincha
- 6:10pm Daf Yomi - Upper Social Hall
- 7:05pm Mincha and Maariv - Sanctuary
- 7:05pm Mincha, Seudah Shleesheet and Maariv - Tent
- 7:27pm Sh'kiah
- 8:13pm Havdala

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK - INCLUDING ROSH HASHANAH

All services are in the Main Sanctuary, unless otherwise indicated. When davening at home, it is preferable to do so at the same time as the community.

Sunday, September 5 / 28 Elul

- 7:30am Selichot
- 8:00am Shacharit
- 8:30am Selichot
- 9:00am Shacharit
- 9:37am Sof Zman K'riyat Shma
- 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv
- 7:25pm Sh'kiah
- 10:45pm Selichot

Monday, September 6 / 29 Elul

Erev Rosh Hashanah / Labour Day

- 7:00am Selichot
- 8:00am Shacharit
- 9:00am Shacharit (no Selichot)
- 9:37am Sof Zman K'riyat Shma
- No Tehilim Shiur on Zoom today.**
- 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv - Sanctuary and Tent
- 7:05pm Candle Lighting
- 7:23pm Sh'kiah

Tuesday, September 7 / 1 Tishrei

First Day of Rosh Hashanah

Registration for Shacharit Services is now closed.

- 9:38am Sof Zman K'riyat Shma
- 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv - Sanctuary & Tent
- 7:22pm Sh'kiah
- 8:07pm Candle Lighting

Wednesday, September 8 / 2 Tishrei

Second Day of Rosh Hashanah

Registration for Shacharit Services is now closed.

- 9:38am Sof Zman K'riyat Shma
- 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv - Sanctuary & Tent
- 7:20pm Sh'kiah
- 8:05pm Havdala

Thursday, September 9 / 3 Tishrei

Tzom Gedaliah

- 5:08am fast begins
- 6:10am Selichot
- 6:50am Shacharit
- 8:00am Shacharit - begins with Selichot
- 9:38am Sof Zman K'riyat Shma
- 1:30pm Early Mincha
- 7:00pm Mincha/Maariv
- 7:18pm Sh'kiah
- 7:48pm fast ends

Please note that Rabbi Freundlich's Gemara Shiur on the Mitzvah of Hidir has been re-scheduled to Thursday, September 23.

Friday, September 10 / 4 Tishrei

- 6:25am Selichot
- 7:00am Shacharit
- 8:00am Shacharit - begins with Slichot
- 9:39am Sof Zman K'riyat Shma
- 5:56pm Plag Hamincha
- 6:57pm Candle Lighting
- 7:00pm Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat & Maariv
- 7:16pm Sh'kiah

COMMUNITY NEWS

Mazal Tov to **Jennifer & Jeff Steinberg** on the occasion of their son Jonathan becoming a Bar Mitzvah. Sharing in their simcha are Jonathan's siblings Ashley, Zachary and Jessica, his grandparents Tammie & Art Smuckler and Stella & Victor Steinberg, his great grandparents Mardoche Sebbag and Helene & Joe Brown and many delighted aunts, uncles and cousins.

Mazal Tov to **Leechen & Michael Zukor, Barbara & David Zukor** and **Edith Zukor** on the occasion of their daughter, granddaughter and great granddaughter Kinneret Zukor becoming a Bat Mitzvah on Sunday, September 5. Sharing in their simcha are Kinneret's siblings Ayala and Eitan, her maternal grandparents Drorit & George Farkas and many delighted aunts, uncles and cousins.

Condolences to **Esther & Andy Csillag** and their families on the loss of Esther's beloved mother Yenti (Helen) Blech Rosensfeld z"l who passed away on Tuesday, August 31. Beloved wife of the late Yehoshua Yaacov (Eugene) Rosenfeld z"l. Grandmother of Faigie & Gary Cornick, Shaya & Sara Csillag, Miriam & Michael Cohen and Yitzchak & Adeena Csillag. Great grandmother to many great grandchildren. Graveside funeral took place on Tuesday, August 31. Shiva continues outdoors at 5604 Pinedale in Cote St. Luc on Sunday, September 5 from 10:00am until 5:00pm.

SPONSORSHIPS AND THANK YOUS

Rabbi Freundlich's drashot on the first day of Rosh Hashanah - Tuesday, September 7 - are sponsored by **Terry & Sam Luft** and family in memory of Terry's beloved parents Lucia & Emil Kroo z"l (Menachem Zev ben Yitzchak v'Esther Tova - 4 Tishrei) and in memory of Sam's beloved parents Etka & Jakob Luft z"l.

Rabbi Freundlich's drashot on the second day of Rosh Hashanah - Wednesday, September 8 - are sponsored by **Sharon & Robert Hecht** and family in memory of Sharon's beloved father, TBDJ President Harry Karpman z"l (Tzvi Hershl ben Aharon - 2 Tishrei).

All Generations Stand Before HaShem

כי את אשר ישנו פה עמנו עמד היום לפני ה' אלקינו ואת אשר איננו פה עמנו היום

But with whoever is here, standing with us today before Hashem, our G-d, and with whoever is not here with us today
(Devarim 29:14)

On the last day of his life, Moshe Rabeinu gathers Bnei Yisrael and he initiates them for the last time into the covenant of Hashem. The Torah tells us that Moshe spoke to all of the people, the young as well as the old, the healthy as well as the infirm, the wisest as well as the not so wise. No one was left out. We learn that Moshe was delivering an eternal message not only for those who stood before him, but also for whoever is not here with us today - those who were to follow and keep the covenant in future generations. The Art Scroll commentary teaches that the covenant would be binding even for those who were not present to enter into it because parents and children are like trees and branches. Just as the potential of all branches is contained in the parent tree, so future generations are contained in the parents who will give birth to them and are bound by the parental covenant. Rabeinu Bachya teaches that, alternatively, all Jewish souls were present at this covenant just as all the souls - the bodies that were not yet born - were present at the giving of our Holy Torah at Sinai.

Whoever is not here with us today... This verse is read annually on the Shabbos before Rosh Hashanah. In general, the High Holiday season is a time of remembering those who are not with us. In a homiletic sense these words evoke the remembrance of our dearly and beloved departed and there is a beautiful and meaningful tradition to visit the graves of our beloved departed before the High Holiday season. There are several reasons for this custom. We go to their graves to seek inspiration for ourselves for the upcoming year as we remember the positive impact they had on our lives. We go to ask them to intercede on our behalf before the Holy Throne as we pray for a good year for ourselves and our family, community and Klal Yisrael. We go to the graves with the expression of how we miss having them in our lives, especially during the holiday season. This focus on remembrance characterizes Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The prayers of the Days of Awe are filled with imagery of who shall live and die. A visit to the cemetery during this period of self-examination, to connect with the lives and influence of those who have gone before us, takes on an even higher level of significance because it comes at a time of spiritual soul-searching and renewal.

The tradition of visiting the graves of our ancestors is an ancient one which goes back to the year following the exodus from Egypt, when Moshe Rabeinu sent twelve spies to check out the Land of Israel. The following verse describes part of their journey: *They ascended in the south and he arrived at Hevron* (Bamidbar 13:22). The Talmud in the tractate of Sotah 34a teaches that one of the spies, Calev, went to Hevron to the Cave of Machpela to pray at the graves of the Patriarchs, Avraham, Yitzchak and Yaakov.

The custom to go to the cemetery on the eve of Rosh Hashanah is discussed by the Rama who writes about the importance of the merit of the deceased in our prayers before Hashem. Harav Ovadia Yosef wrote that we are permitted to make a request through the souls of the righteous to intercede for us and to pray for long and productive lives in serving Hashem (Hilchot Aveilut). Going to the graves of ancestors and tzaddikim before the High Holidays is a Yemenite custom as well. Abundant prayers, pleas and charity are offered with the intent of awakening the deceased to intercede for divine favourable judgement for the individual and the community. It is further suggested that the burial places of tzaddikim are holy and pure and are therefore places where prayers are accepted. The belief is that the merit of the righteous will evoke HaShem's kindness and mercy.

Moshe delivered the eternal covenant to those who stood before him with the intent that they, in turn, would transmit the covenant to future generations.

Every so often, when I have the somber occasion to visit the cemeteries of TBJ and Beth Ora, I try to take a few minutes to walk through the rows where precious members of both of these shuls are interred. As I look at the graves and headstones, I am blessed with not only pleasant and inspiring memories, but also with the ways of Torah and tradition that they have transmitted to me and our community. These memories are the reason that our covenant with HaShem is kept alive from generation to generation.

Our strength in keeping this covenant is not only inspired by our intent to educate and pass on the torch of Yiddishkeit to future generations, our children and their children, but is also fused with the inspiration of *whoever is not here with us today...* those who came before us, connecting us to the covenant with their transmission of *Ahavat HaShem* and *Yirat Hashem*, Torah and mitzvot. In this way, together with our preceding generations and those yet to come, all of Klal Yisrael's generations stand together before HaShem.

Shabbat Shalom,

Rev. Amiel

שנה טובה!

Rosh Hashana 5782
September 7th & September 8th



Fun
Games
Tefilla
Apples and
honey (day 2)
And
On day one
a special:

Participants will
gather in two
separate groups in
backyards within
walking distance
of TBDJ.

Magician!

Welcome: 10:30-11
Tefillah: 11-11:20
Snack: 11:20-11:45
Magician day 1:
11:45-12:25
RH Trivia day 2:
11:45-12:25
Free Play: 12:25-12:50
Pick up begins: 12:50

**GO TO THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE TO REGISTER
BEFORE 9:00AM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6!!!
www.tbdj.org/KCRH5782**



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Partner with a farmer and give above your nature.

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Introducing a new program for the Year 5782, a year of Shmitah in Israel.

Congregation TBDJ is proud to partner with **Keren Hashviis**, an organization dedicated to furthering the understanding and observance of Shmitah in Israel.

- Contribute to a special Shmitah Fund, aimed at supporting individual farmers and communities during Shmitah.
- Explore the mitzvah of Shmitah through lectures, shiurim, and special sessions. *See opposite side for details.*
- Connect with the farmers of Israel observing Shmitah, to better understand their view of its blessings and challenges.



Visit <https://TBDJ.org/Shmitah> to participate in the Mitzvah of Shmitah!

Do you own agricultural land in Israel? Have you ever observed the mitzvah of Shmitah?

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Our fundraising program will provide you with an opportunity to partner on a piece of agricultural land and the observance of Shmitah together with your farming partner in Israel.

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