Parshat Vayikra and Parshat Zachor
9 Adar II | March 12, 2022

Shabbat Shalom!

Friday, March 11
7:00 am: Shacharit
5:33 pm: Candle lighting
5:43 pm: Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv
Special dvar Torah from Rabbi Dov Linzer
6:30 pm: Shabbat dinner in Social Hall for those with reservations only, with special guest Ari Lesser

Shabbat, March 12
9:00 am: Shacharit
5:30 pm: Mincha, Seudah Shlishit, and Maariv
6:36 pm: Havdalah

Don't forget to spring forward 1 hour on Saturday night!

Sunday, March 13
9:00 am: Shacharit
6:45 pm: Mincha/Maariv

See Purim Schedule below

Welcome New Members

Yosef & Adriane Meyers & family
Raanan & Andrea Alter & family
Dafna & Shaanan Fink & family

Mazal Tov

Mazal tov to Monica & Rich Magid on the engagement of their son Aaron to Rachel Weinstock.

Special Guest this Shabbat: Artist in Residence Ari Lesser

Skokie Valley is excited to welcome talented performer Ari Lesser, who will be joining our community for Shabbat and sharing song, poems and inspiration over Shabbat. He has performed all over the world, and written hundreds of songs on a wide range of subjects.
This Week

**Sunday**
9:00 am: Shacharit followed by the Abe Rosenblum Torah Discussion Group led by Dr. Ben Katz. Light breakfast is served.

**Tuesday**
2:00 pm: The Book of Genesis with Rav Ari in the Social Hall and on Zoom: [https://zoom.us/j/713951311](https://zoom.us/j/713951311) passcode 613
3:00 pm: Learn the ENTIRE Tanach with friends from Skokie Valley and Project 929. The class will meet on Zoom only. [https://zoom.us/j/713951311](https://zoom.us/j/713951311) passcode 613

**Next Shabbat: Shabbat Tzav**
March 18-19:
Scholar-in-Residence, Professor Elisheva Baumgarten of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Join us for a weekend of learning about Jewish homelife and halakhah in Medieval times. Schedule and details in flyer below

**Thursday, March 24 @ 8:00 pm:**
Talmudic Perspectives on Marital Intimacy with Rabbi Steve Mandel. All sessions on Zoom at 8:00 pm: [Click here for Zoom](https://zoom.us/j/713951311) Passcode 613
[Click here for source sheets](#).

**Upcoming classes:**
Mar 24: The Jewish Marriage Contract and Onah Frequency
Apr 7: Pillow Talk - Intimate Conversation in the Bedroom
May 12: Modesty or License in the Marital Bed
May 26: Rav Chisda and his Daughters
June 2: Medieval Codifiers

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**Todah Rabah**

A HUGE thank you to our excellent team of strong people: **Rav Ari, Kuti Aloni, Shaanan Fink, Zev Goldberg, Evan Goldstein, Elliot Raff, and Joey Wertheimer** for helping to carry our new Aron and Shulchan into the building and up the stairs! Tizku l’mitzvot and chazak chazak v’nitchazek!

Kiddush is sponsored by **Monica & Rich Magid** in honor of the engagement of Aaron to Rachel Weinstock. Welcome to Rachel’s parents Lew Weinstock and Marian Ruderman and their family.

**Kiddush Fund:**
**Rachel & Michael Stein** in honor of their daughter Merav’s matching for a neurology residency at Tufts University Veterinary Hospital.

**Mira & Alexander Wolf** in celebration of Alexander’s completion of Seder Moed in Daf Yomi.

**Seudah Shlishit:**
**Norman & Shira Eliaser** on Norman’s shloshim for his mom, Eleanor Eliaser.

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**Youth Programming**

To download *Devash: A Children and Families Parshah Magazine* for this week’s Parshat Vayikra, [click here](#)

**Tot Shabbat: 10:30 am**
This week our wonderful Tot Shabbat program for parents and kids 0-5 will meet in the Berger Beit Midrash at 10:30 am. Masks are optional. No registration is necessary.

We are creating a rotation of Tot Shabbat Leaders! [Please sign up here to help](#).

**Shabbat groups: 9:30 am to end of shul**
Masks are optional for children attending groups.

To ensure the safety of the children, please make sure they are supervised by an adult or in youth programming.

**Groups for children ages 4-12 will be held downstairs in these locations:**
Chaverim: PreK-1st grade: Early Drop Off/Late Care Room
Rayim: 2nd-3rd grade: Multipurpose Room
Yedidim: 4th-6th grade: Youth Lounge
Quiet Card and Games Room: 1st-6th Grade: Yellow Room

**Groups schedule for Chaverim, Rayim and Yedidim:**
9:30-10:25: Free Play*
10:25: Cleanup
10:30: Snack
10:40-11:10ish: Tefillah & Parsha
Children will be brought to their parents in shul before Adon Olam.
*some groups may go outside from 10-10:25, weather and space permitting
RSVP for Friday Night Oneg at the home of Debbie and Dan Eisenstein: office@svaj.org or 847-674-3473
**PURIM 5782!**

**Taanit Esther and Purim Schedule:**

**Wednesday, March 16: Taanit Esther**
- 5:50 am Start of Fast
- 7:00 am Shacharit
- 6:35 pm Mincha
- 7:30 pm Maariv
- 7:35 pm End of Fast
- **7:40 pm Megillah - Sanctuary**
- **7:40 pm Megillah - Outdoors, Skokie Valley Tent**
- **9:15 pm Megillah - Outdoors, Skokie Valley Tent**

**Thursday, March 17: Purim Day**
- 7:00 am Shacharit
- **7:30 am Megillah - Sanctuary**
- **9:00 am SWTG Women's Megillah Reading - Israel Hall**
- 4:00 pm Purim Extravaganza and Seudah!
- 5:00 pm Mincha
- **5:00 pm Last call Megillah Reading - Outdoors, Skokie Valley Tent**

Weather permitting, we are planning many activities outdoors to maximize inclusion on Purim!

**Click here for Rav Ari’s Purim Video!**

We can't wait to celebrate Purim with the whole community! Please click below to sponsor and sign up for the seudah. Please note that there is no charge for the carnival, but there is a charge for the food at the seudah. The seudah will be in a separate location from the carnival.

Advance reservations for the seudah are required so we can make sure there is enough food for everyone. [https://www.svaj.org/purimseudah-2022](https://www.svaj.org/purimseudah-2022). Sign up by 3/14!
PURIM EXTRAVAGANZA 2022

Party Like It’s Purim 2020!
March 17
4:00-6:00

Games! Bounce House! Crafts!
And so much more!
Fun for kids of all ages!

NO CHARGE FOR THE CARNIVAL BUT SIGN UP FOR THE SEUDAH!

PURIM SEUDAH!
PIZZA • SALADS • WRAPS!
DESSERT AND MORE!
MEMBERS: AGES 13+ $20 AGES 3-12 $15
NON-MEMBERS $25/$20

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SPONSORS WELCOME!

Sign up for the Seudah!  https://www.svaj.org/purimseudah-2022
Survey on Community Connections: Our shul has been asked to help spread the word about a new survey that broadly explores Orthodox people’s connections to the community (all adults age 18+). This survey also has a very substantial focus and set of questions specifically aimed at single individuals. You are invited to participate in this confidential, anonymous 10-minute survey, and you can do so at this link: http://bit.ly/Nishma-Ortho-Connections

Nishma Research, an independent research firm with the mission of providing quality research to the Jewish community, is donating the work and resources to conduct this survey. The findings will be made freely available and downloadable, and there will be instructions at the end of the survey for how you can get the full report. If you have any questions, contact mark@nishmaresearch.com.