



CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL
The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue
Shabbat Balak
June 29-30, 2018

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CANDLE LIGHTING | 8:13 pm

EVENING SERVICES (MINHAH & ARBIT) | 6:45 pm | Little Synagogue

ZEMIROT | 8:30 am | Levy Auditorium

SHAHARIT (NISHMAT) | 9:00 am

TOT SHABBAT | Ages 0-4 | 10:00 am | Fidanque Youth Room

YOUTH GROUPS | Ages 5-12 | 10:00 am | Fidanque Youth Room, due to expected heat on the Portico

JR. CONGREGATION | Ages 5-12 | 10:30 am | Little Synagogue

DEBAR TORAH | Rabbi Meir Soloveichik

KIDDUSH | Elias Room | *Sponsored by Lewis Bateman, in memory of Benjamin & Caryl Bateman, Irma Cardozo, Eva Haberman, Deborah Neumark, and past Parnas, Dennis Freilich, with an additional anonymous kiddush contributor.*

SPECIAL THREE WEEKS SHABBAT AFTERNOON CLASS | 7:05 pm | Rabbi Meir Soloveichik | "Royalty and the Mikdash" | Levy Auditorium | *Summer Semester sponsored by Scott Shay, in memory of his father.*

MINHAH/ARBIT | 8:05 pm

HABDALAH | 9:13 pm

*The fast of the 17th of Tammuz
begins on Sunday morning.
See back for full schedule.*

Weekday Service Times

Mornings:

Sunday & Wednesday (July 4): 8:00 am
Monday-Tuesday & Thursday-Friday: 7:15 am

Evenings (Minhah & Arbit):

Sunday (Fast of Tammuz): 7:45 pm
Monday-Thursday: 6:45 pm

Don't Be Shy, Come Say Hi—At Kiddush!

If you are new to Shearith Israel, welcome to our congregation! Kiddush is when we socialize, and we are eager to meet you and introduce you to our community. Please come up and introduce yourself to the Rabbi, Parnas (President), or any one of us.

Our next public tour is
Wednesday, July 11
at 11:00 AM

Meet with Our Parnas

Louis Solomon would be delighted to meet with you. Please schedule a visit by email: parnas@shearithisrael.org.

The Fast of the 17th of Tammuz

This Sunday, July 1

Schedule:

Dawn [fast begins]: 3:40 am

Morning Service: 8:00 am

Minhah (with tefilin) &

Arbit: 7:45 pm

End of Fast: 8:59 pm

The Fast of Tammuz commemorates the breach of the city walls of Jerusalem and the destruction of the first Ten Commandments Tablets following the sin of the Golden Calf. The fast is normally observed on the Seventeenth of Tammuz, but because that date falls out on Shabbat this year, the fast is postponed until Sunday, the following day.

The Three Weeks

Begins THIS Sunday, July 1 with the Fast of the 17th of Tammuz

Ends Sunday, July 22 with Tisha B'Ab

The three weeks between the Fast of the 17th of Tammuz and the Fast of the 9th of Ab are a traditional period of contrition and mourning. Prophetic passages of reproof and ominous foreboding are designated as the hafianah readings on the three intervening Sabbaths. Sephardic custom is to refer to these Sabbaths by the opening words of the particular hafianah read on that day. The three are: Shabbat Dibre, Shabbat Shim'u, and Shabbat Hazon. All three are chanted in a dirge of lament, although each ends on a note of comfort.

Tisha B'Ab Public Lecture

Rabbi Meir Soloveichik

Saturday Night, July 21 | After *Eikha* Reading

Following the 9:20 pm reading of *Eikha*, Rabbi Soloveichik will give his annual Tisha B'Ab public lecture.

NEW! Open Bet Midrash

5 EVENINGS A WEEK: Sundays through Thursdays

5:15 pm until Evening Services

Join us for Open Bet Midrash at Shearith Israel! Led by a team of talented, warm, and engaging university-level yeshiva students, the program is open to prospective learners of all ages, backgrounds, and interests. Learn your way: join a *habruta*, hear a short *debar torah*, or simply pick a *sefer* off the shelf.

Rabbi Yanetz's crew will return in mid-August. For more information, don't hesitate to contact Z.

Edinger at zedinger@shearithisrael.org.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mazal Tob to **Ruth & Irwin Shapiro** on the marriage of their grandson, Jacob Shapiro, son of Monica and Sandy Shapiro, to Deena Drazin, daughter of Sari and Shlomo Drazin of Montreal.

Shearith Israel hosted a visit by the Speaker of the Austrian Parliament, Wolfgang Sobotka, and his delegation, and Consul General, Dr. Helmut Boeck, and Deputy Consul General, Dr. Georg Woutsas. Several of the guests attended our evening services, after which Rabbi Soloveichik presented the history of our congregation and led them on a tour of the Synagogue. Also representing Shearith Israel was Parnas, Louis Solomon, Honorary Trustee, Avery Neumark, and Executive Director, Barbara Reiss. We enjoyed a lively and candid discussion, and as Jewish goodwill ambassadors, we hope these Austrian politicians (and the Austrian press which accompanied them) bring back positive messages about their encounter with us and the Jewish community in America more broadly.