

# CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL The Spenish & Dortuguese Symposis

## The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue

### Shabbat Reeh-Rosh Hodesh August 10-11, 2018

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CANDLE LIGHTING | 7:44 pm

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

ZEMIROT | 8:30 am | Levy Auditorium

SHAHRIT (NISHMAT) | 9:00 am

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

YOUTH GROUPS | Ages 5-12 | 10:00 am | Portico (or Fidanque, in case of extreme weather)

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

DEBAR TORAH | Rabbi Meir Soloveichik

KIDDUSH | Elias Room | Sponsored by Julia & Yair Cohen and family, in memory of their mother, Naomi Moalem, and by Faith Fogelman in memory of her parents, Theodore & Miriam Watkin

SHABBAT AFTERNOON PIRKEI ABOT CLASS | 6:35 pm | Rabbi Meir Soloveichik | "The Extraordinary Evolution of Rabbi Tarfon" | Levy Auditorium | Summer Semester sponsored by Scott Shay, in memory of his father.

MINHA & ARBIT | 7:35 pm HABDALA | 8:40 pm

### Selihot at Shearith Israel Starting at evening services on Sunday, Aug

The Sephardic custom is to prepare for Rosh Hashanah by reciting *Selihot* during the entire

## Weekday Service Times Mornings:

Sunday: 8:00 am | Monday-Friday: 7:15 am **Evenings (Minha, Arbit, & Selihot):** Sunday-Thursday: 6:30 pm

month of Elul. Unlike other communities, however, the Spanish & Portuguese custom is to recite a very short form of *Selibot* following *Arbit* every

evening. This custom was a matter of great debate in the 17th & 18th centuries with Rabbi Moses Zacuto and Hayyim Yosef David Azulay (Hid'A) strongly advocating against our custom based on a mystical/kabbalistic understanding of the appropriate time for the recitation of *Selihot*. As a result, our community is virtually the only one left in the entire world that still recites *Selihot* in the evening service after *Arbit*. You can

This week's *haftarah* is from Isaiah chapter 54 and is one of the seven *haftarot* of consolation. Immediately following the *haftarah* we add verses for *Rosh Hodesh* & *Mahar Hodesh*. For convenience these are printed below:

אַ כָּה אָמַר יְהוָֹה הַשָּׁמֵיִם כִּסְאִׁי וְהָאָרִץ הַדָּם רַגְּלֵי אַי־זֶה בַּיִּתֹ אֲשֶׁר תִּבְנוּ־לִּי וְאֵי־זֶה מָקוֹם מְנְוּחָתִי: Saiah 66 כג וְהָיָה מַדֵּי־הֹדָשׁ בְּחָדְשׁוֹ וּמִדֵּי שַׁבָּת בְּשַׁבַּתוֹ יָבְוֹא כְלֹ־בָּשֶׂר לְהִשְׁחַתוֹת לְפָנֵי אָמַר יְהָוְה:

ית וַיִּאמֶר־לִוֹ יְהִוֹנָתָן מֶתָר תֻדֶשׁ וְנִפְלֵּדְתָּ כֵּי יִפְּקֵד מְוֹשְׁבֶּך: מב וַיָּאמֶר יְהוֹנָתָן לְדָוָד לָךְּ לְשָׁלֵוֹם אֲשֶׁר נִשְׁבַּעְנוּ שְׁנֵינוּ אֲנַחְנוּ בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה לֵאמֹר יְהוֶה יִהְיָה וּ בֵּינִי וּבִינֶּף וּבִין זַרְעֵי וּבֵיו זַרְעֵּךָ עַד־עוֹלֶם: Get in Gear for the High Holidays

<u>Seating reservations.</u> Members have been sent email notices regarding seating. The deadline to submit your seating requests is **August 13th.** Tickets will be sent by email the week of August 27th.

Offerings. It is our custom to make offerings during Kippur and Succot. These offerings are a beautiful way to memorialize or pay tribute to loved ones and are a vital source of funding to help maintain our synagogue.

We ask ALL members to opt-in or opt-out for seating online at shearithisrael.org/highholidays5779. You will also be able to make other selections such as youth program reservations, offerings, and lulab and etrog orders.

If you have difficulty with the online registration, please contact sgross@shearithisrael.org.

S & P Around the World THIS Monday, August 13 | 7:00 pm Moderated by our lifelong member, Joshua Mendes

How much do you *really* know about our sister S&P communities around the world?

Jamaica, Philadelphia, Montreal, Paris, and other wonderful communities, near and far, share in our rich, historical tradition. Learn about them and hear first-hand accounts directly from friends who grew up in these communities, who will tell us about their unique histories and traditions as well as our shared ties going back hundreds of years.

Hebra Hased va'Amet's Communal Beth Olam Cemetery Visit and Tour Sunday, August 26 | 10 AM at Beth Olam Cemetery | 2 Cypress Hills Street, Ridgewood (Queens), New York | Transportation from Synagogue at 9:00 AM Join us for our annual visit to Beth Olam Cemetery where members can visit the graves of loved ones before the High Holidays and participate in a memorial service in the Calvert Vaux-designed "metaher house." A highlight of the visit is an illuminating tour given by our sexton, Zachariah Edinger. Register at shearithisrael.org/beth-olam-cemetery-trip.

Shearith Israel Toddler Program

September 5, 2018 - June 5, 2019 | Mondays and Wednesdays | 9:30 am - 11:30 am For children ages 16-34 months. Parent or caregiver attendance required.

Experience "the best-kept secret on the Upper West Side"!

For more information and to enroll, visit shearithisrael.org/toddlerprogram.

Register now for PTTS Hebrew School

Refer a new family and earn a \$100 reduction in your synagogue dues or PTTS tuition. Polonies Talmud Torah School provides children and teens, ages 3-16, with a substantive Jewish education in a positive and engaging environment.

Register at shearithisrael.org/hebrewschool.

#### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Our next public tour is Wednesday, September 12, at 11:00 AM

We mourn the passing of our member Emil Pomerantz. We wish condolences to his wife, Carol Pomerantz, and their children, Roy, Jay, and Steven Pomerantz.