



Sharei Chessed Congregation

שערי חסד

Welcome to our synagogue! ברוכים הבאים

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D'varim - דברים

August 13, 2016 – 9 Av 5776

Shabbat Hazon - שבת חזון

Erev Tisha B'Av

This Shabbat we begin the reading of the fifth book of the Torah—D'varim. The first portion, D'varim, is always read on the Shabbat before Tisha B'Av, which we will be observing starting this Saturday night into Sunday.

The book of D'varim contains long speeches given by Moses just before he dies, while the people are about to enter the Promised Land. He reviews important events of the past forty years and blames the people for the forty-year delay in getting to the Promised Land, mainly because they were misled by the ten spies and lost their faith in God. He urges them to keep the Torah and teach it to future generations.

This Shabbat is also known as Shabbat Hazon, from the first word of the Haftarah that is read on the Shabbat before Tisha B'Av. It is the first chapter of the Book of Isaiah. Isaiah condemns the society in which he lives because of the widespread corruption and infidelity to God. In his reproof, he asks "eicha" - how did the City (Zion), which was the seat of justice and righteousness, turn to a base of thieves and murderers? This kind of reflection is appropriate as we prepare to observe Tisha B'Av, the saddest day on the Jewish Calendar.

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Minneapolis Yiddish Vinkl—Sunday September 18th

Sunday, September 18, 2:00 p.m., the Sabes JCC will host the premiere performance of “The Wind Gave Birth To Me,” a collaborative work of chamber music and poetry. The concerts are part of the 25th anniversary celebration of the Minneapolis Yiddish Vinkl, a club dedicated to preserving the “Mama Loshen” through monthly meetings and special events. Tickets at the door, suggested donation \$10. Free admission to Yiddish Vinkl members. Sharei Chesed is proud to help co-sponsor this event.

For more information, go to [‘shareichesed.org/calendar’](http://shareichesed.org/calendar) or [‘shareichesed.org/happenings’](http://shareichesed.org/happenings).



This Day in Jewish History—9 Av



In 586 BCE, the first Holy Temple was destroyed by fire, as Nebuchadnezzar's Babylonian troops conquered Jerusalem. Also on this day, the second Temple was destroyed by the Romans in 70 CE. Tisha B'Av

has long been a day of calamity for the Jewish people: On this day, during the time of Moses, Jews in the desert accepted the slanderous report of the spies, resulting in the decree postponing entry into the Land of Israel. Other grave misfortunes throughout Jewish history occurred on the Ninth of Av: The Spanish Inquisition culminated with the expulsion of Jews from Spain on Tisha B'Av in 1492. World War I broke out on the eve of Tisha B'Av in 1914 when Germany declared war on Russia; German resentment from the war set the stage for the Holocaust. On the eve of Tisha B'Av 1942, the mass deportation began of Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto, en route to Treblinka. Today, Tisha B'Av is the Jewish national day of mourning, when we don't eat, drink or bathe. Lights in the synagogue are dimmed, and we read the Book of Lamentations, Jeremiah's poetic lament over the destruction of Jerusalem.

(courtesy of Aish.com—'Day in Jewish History')

Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:

- Momy Benzaquen
- David Feldshon
- Sally Leder
- Michael Margulis
- Gavin Reininger
- Kaylene Stoller

Happy Anniversary to:

- Linda & Martin
Kleinbaum

Annual Picnic—Sunday August 21st

A reminder—Join us for our annual picnic and congregational meeting Sunday afternoon August 21st at 5:30 P.M. at Brookview Park in Golden Valley—rain or shine!!. Lots of fun, food and music, plus door prizes and a raffle.

Cost:

\$10 per person

\$5 for children 6-12

Free for children 5 and under

To RSVP, call the synagogue office at 763-545-8800. To volunteer, contact the synagogue or our co-chairs, Ron Scholder and Julie Miller.

Also, we will hold Mincha/Ma'ariv services at 5:45 at the picnic grounds, so come early and help us make a minyan.



Tisha B'Av Observance—This Evening

Please join us this evening at 9:00 P.M. for our annual Tisha B'Av observance here at Sharei Chesed. We will be joined by members of Adath Jeshurun Congregation and Mayim Rabim Congregation.



Yahrzeits for week of August 13 - August 19, 2016

9 Av - 15 Av 5776

Please help with the daily Minyan

Yahrzeit of

Remembered by

Saturday, August 13th (9 Av)

Rebecca Kowitz
Shlomo Noodleman Shlomo ben Beryl
Harry Rivkin Tzve ben Benush

Cantor Mitchell Kowitz
Stephen Guffan
Sheldon Rivkin

Sunday, August 14th (10 Av)

Elka Dulitskiy Elka bat Ephraim
Israel Lessak Israel Avraham
 ben Moshe Chaim
Mikhail Neydelman Mayer ben Shlomo

Rakhil Zilberman and Rita Grinberg

Arkady Neydelman

Monday, August 15th (11 Av)

Yakov Kudishevich Yakov ben Leib
Annie Silverman Hannah bat Yitzchak
Harry Weinerman Tzvi Michal ben Yehuda

Leo Kudishevich

Jackie Lewis

Tuesday, August 16th (12 Av)

**** NO YAHRZEITS ****

Wednesday, August 17th (13 Av)

Harry Joffe
Ida Katz Chaya bat Yakov

Neal Joffee

Thursday, August 18th (14 Av)

Abe Hodroff Avraham Abba ben Yoel
Harmony Sharon Krichmar Chava Shulamit bat Yitzchak

Friday, August 19th (15 Av)

Steve Berine Shimon ben Avram Shmuel Jack Moskowitz
Morris Bukstein Chaim Moshe ben Shlomo Donald Bukstein
Yakov Shtulman Yakov ben Fishel Bera Vitaly Shtulman

May their memories always be for a blessing.