



Sharei Chesed Congregation

שערי חסד

Welcome to our synagogue! ברוכים הבאים

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Bereshit - בראשית

October 29, 2016 – 27 Tishrei 5777

This Shabbat we begin the cycle of reading from the Torah. We start from the very beginning—Bereshit, the Beginning. It is the story of creation. We don't have many details as to how or why God created heaven and earth. From this week's parasha, it would seem that the two most important creations are the creation of humans and the establishment of the Shabbat.

The creation takes place in stages—in our language, divided over six days. When all things have been created the Torah tells us that God ceased from all work on Shabbat and made the day holy. God blessed and sanctified the Shabbat Day.

For the benefit of humans, God creates the Garden of Eden where man is tested. Adam and Eve fail and they are chased from Eden. From now on, they will have to work hard for the land to provide food. It's a small family, but already there is rivalry and strife between the two brothers, Cain and Abel, and Cain murders his brother. Cain is asked by God, "Where is your brother," and Cain responds, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

By the end of this parasha, the universe is pretty corrupt, which will lead us to the only man worth saving—Noah—next week.

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Kabbalat Shabbat—Friday Evening December 9th

Our next Kabbalat Shabbat will be on Friday evening December 9th, when our guest speaker will be Marc Grossfield, founder and CEO of Tzfat Spirits of Israel, headquartered in Minneapolis. Marc is the inventor of Aviv 613 Vodka - a luxury vodka like no other, and the only vodka made with the 7 species of the Land of Israel that are listed in the Torah. His is a story of great inspiration and spirituality. You definitely won't want to miss it!!



Contact the synagogue office to make your reservations.

This Day in Jewish History—27 Tishrei



In 1927, the Israeli city of Netanya was founded on a plot of empty land. Netanya has since grown to become the fourth-largest city in Israel, with a population of 165,000. Netanya has one of the most beautiful stretches of beach in Israel, with

white sands and inviting waters. Netanya was named for Nathan Straus (1848-1931), an American merchant and philanthropist. Straus was a co-owner of R.H. Macy & Co., yet he never amassed personal wealth because he was always using his money to help people. For example, in New York's winter of 1893, he gave away more than two million five-cent tickets good for coal, food or lodging. His greatest devotion, however, was to Israel. He gave more than two-thirds of his fortune and devoted the last 15 years of his life to this cause.

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



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SPECIAL

EDITION

RABBI ETTEGGUI IN ISRAEL

We're glad you're with us on this special Shabbat as we give Rabbi Ettedgui the kind of send-off only Sharei Chessed can give, as he prepares to lead a tour group on a 12-day excursion thru the Land of Israel. Our own Shelly and Steve Zien and Iris Gaillard will be travelling with the rabbi as well.

Flip thru the pages of this special insert to see and read about some of the wonderful sights this group will get to see and enjoy.



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- Exploring Tel Aviv including Independence Hall and the Palmach Museum
- Enjoying a walk through the beautiful historic city of Old Jaffa
- Viewing the ancient ruins and seaside relics in Caesarea
- Visiting the famous Crusader stronghold and medieval fortifications in Akko
- Seeing the ancient synagogues and exploring the artists' colony in the mystical city of Safed
- Winding through the colorful streets of Jerusalem's Machane Yehuda Marketplace
- Hiking to the hidden waterfalls in the desert oasis of Ein Gedi

- Meeting with Gil Hoffman, chief political correspondent for the Jerusalem Post
- Connecting with the rich history of Jerusalem on a special walking tour through the Old City
- Visiting King Herod's fortress and castle atop Masada and float in the Dead Sea
- Touring Yad Vashem, Israel's memorial to the Holocaust
- Visiting Hadassah Hospital and meeting with the medical professionals there
- Exploring the tank and artillery used by the IDF at Latrun

**** AND SO MUCH MORE!! ****



BON VOYAGE TO ALL!!

Go in peace, return to us in peace, have a wonderful time in between, and please bring us back all kinds of wonderful stories to tell around the Kiddush table!!



Upcoming Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:

- Susan Adair
- Jane Gringauz
- Simona Kudishevich
- Mark Wasserman

Happy Anniversary to:

- Betsy and Ethan Fricklas

Today's Kiddush Luncheon

We hope you will join us after services for today's Kiddush luncheon, sponsored by Simona and Leo Kudishevich in honor of Simona's birthday.

High Holy Days—Thank You

Thank you to all of you who joined us for our High Holy Days services this month. We hope that 5777 will be a year filled with life and blessing, peace and prosperity for you and yours.

We also thank you for your generous contributions to the annual Yom Kippur appeal. If you have not, yet, contributed to the appeal and would like to do so, you can send your check to the synagogue office or donate online at 'shareichsed.org/donate'. Thank you and may God bless you.



New Class—"Kabbalah is About Relationships"

Kabbalah is a timeless spiritual wisdom that explains the origin of the universe and our place within it. It explores our relationship with ourselves, with others and with the Creator. The Tree of Life is a map of ten divine energies that flow throughout creation. Discover how to navigate these energies to bring greater awareness and balance to your relationships and bring you closer to your divine essence.

Classes will be held on 6 Sunday afternoons this fall: November 6, 13 and 20 and December 4, 11 and 18, 2016.

Time: 3:30 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Course fee: \$90

Location: Sharei Chesed Congregation

Instructor: Joy Gordon

Contact Joy at 'joy@joyofkabbalah.com' or call 763-559-7029.



Yahrzeits for week of October 29 - November 4, 2016

27 Tishrei - 3 Heshvan 5777

Please help with the daily Minyan

Yahrzeit of

Remembered by

Saturday, October 29th (27 Tishrei)

Pesha Locketz Pesha Leah bat Zev

Sunday, October 30th (28 Tishrei)

Sam Plotnick	Yeshua ben Shimon	Jack Moskowitz
Mark Shmorgoner	Mark ben Isaac v'Dina	Irene Glynn
Frank Wilensky	Ephraim Ebbel ben Feivel	Norma Wilensky

Monday, October 31st (29 Tishrei)

Jack Gottlieb	Ziske ben Elias	Maddy Braufman
Sam Richter	Shmuel ben Yakov	

Tuesday, November 1st (30 Tishrei)

Bernard Berkowitz	Baruch ben Yosef v'Sarah	Jerry Berkowitz & Barbara Kirschner
Karen Erdman		Lee Reinharz
Dmitry Estrin		Tatyana Estrina
Jay Margulies		Candace Margulies
Sam Skolnik	Samuel ben Yosef v'Golda	Bill Skolnick & Lisa Skolnick

Wednesday, November 2nd (1 Heshvan)

Chaya Gershman	Chaya bat Gershon	Liya & Emma Shapiro
Eugene Donald Sebring		Greg Kenton
Isak Sherman	Yitzchak ben Rachamiel	

Thursday, November 3rd (2 Heshvan)

Max Edelstein Mordechai ben Herschel

Friday, November 4th (3 Heshvan)

Lenore Applebaum		Mel Jolosky & Marlene Thornberg
Milton Block	Moishe ben Eser	Allan Block & Faye Krasner
Shirley Zak	Sarah Minny bat Emanuel	
	v'Ida	Steve Tillinger

May their memories always be for a blessing.