



24 b'Cheshvan 5779 • November 2, 2018

Chaye Sarah

Shabbos

Mincha / Kab. Shabbos	6:15 PM
Candle Lighting	
earliest	5:30 PM
20 minutes	6:16 PM
Chumash.....	8:40 AM
Rabbi Ezra Stettin	
Shacharis.....	9:00 AM
PJL.....	Rabbi Moshe Fuchs
Pre-Mincha Shiur	5:30 PM
Rabbi Dovid Brotsky:	
<i>"The Mitzvah of Marriage—</i>	
<i>Or Is It?"</i>	
Mincha and Shalosh Seudos.....	6 PM
Shabbos ends (40 min.).....	7:15 PM

Sunday

Daf Yomi.....	7 AM
Shacharis	8:00 AM
Mincha/Ma'ariv	5:10 PM

Monday–Friday

Daf Yomi.....	6:00 AM
Shacharis	6:30 AM
Rosh Chodesh (Thur.–Fri.)	6:20 AM
Mincha/Ma'ariv	5:10 PM

Classes / Activities

Learn to Read Hebrew	
Sundays in the Conference Room	
November 4.....	10:30 AM
GMS Chess for Children (B/G)	
in the Social Hall	
Wednesdays.....	4–5 PM
Book Club Class in the Chapel Bldg.	
Reading: Eim Habanim Smeicha	
Mondays	1–2 PM
Tanach Tuesdays (M/W)	
Studying I Kings, Chapter 8	
7:30–8:30 PM	

Sponsorships

Kiddush is sponsored by Dr. Sarah and Bill Lazarus in memory of Sarah's mother, Pepa Kaufman, Perel Tova bas Meir Dovid, whose *yahrzeit* is 27 b'Cheshvan. May the *neshama* have an *aliya*.

The **Shabbos Bulletin** and **Shalosh Seudos** are in search of sponsors.



Fall Back
Standard Time
resumes at 2AM
this Sunday.

Shul Announcements

With a heavy heart and a broken spirit, we join our fellow Jews of Cincinnati in a **Solidarity Shabbat**—in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Pittsburgh. We mourn the loss of eleven innocent members of Congregation Tree of Life.

The shul will have an armed guard this Shabbos, sponsored by SAFE Cincinnati, and Mayor Greg Schwartzberg will speak about safety and security in a Post-Pittsburgh world during Kiddush.

Our Board of Directors has been in direct contact with local authorities to plan security upgrades.

NJOP's Nationwide Learn How to Read Hebrew Campaign: GMS will once again be a venue. Classes will be about an hour each, snacks will be provided, and it's all free! We start this Sunday, Nov. 4, at 10:30 AM in the Conference Room. Join us!

GMS Chess is back! For boys and girls, grades 1–8. Wednesdays, 4–5 PM, in the GMS Social Hall. First session meets this Wednesday, Nov. 7. Only \$20/child for the year; register via PayPal at golfmanorsynagogue.org or by check, payable to GMS.

Upcoming Fall Soup Kitchen: We still need lots of volunteers to represent GMS on Sunday, November 11. Help prepare and serve a meal, grow in appreciation for all you have. Please speak to Dr. Roger Selya.

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the Golf Manor Police and Little Miami Fire Department: Help us show our gratitude for their selfless devotion. Chefs of all stripes, please speak to Shmuel Plotsker.

Our Shul's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner: We're in touch with the appropriate players, and we hope to update everyone in a week or so.

Special Chanukah Concert, Featuring Simply Tzfat: In co-sponsorship with CZE—a trio of classically-trained Breslov Chasidim, on violin and guitar—Sunday, Dec. 9, 2018 at 2:30 PM, in our social hall!

Hoxworth Blood Center's Very First Holiday Season Blood Drive: Help ensure that sufficient blood product is available—Tues., Dec. 18 at the Sharonville Convention Center. Call Hoxworth at (513) 451-0910.

First Annual Harry Potter Shabbaton: December 28–29—stay tuned.

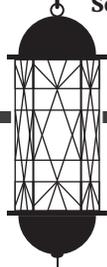
In the Community

Moshe Yoel Kahn's Aufruf: This Shabbos, at CZE. Kiddush to follow davening. Mazal tov!

Scherer Kiddush: In honor of their daughter Rochayl Ahuva, at their house, 6700 Elbrook Ave., this Shabbos, 11:30 AM–1 PM. Mazal tov!

Refuah Sh'laima

- Bracha Leah
bas Rochel Mushka
(Barbara Nagler)
- Yosefa bas Rivka
(Joan Gross)
- Eitan Chaim ben Elisheva
(Ethan Kadish)
- Gavriel ben Pasha
(Gary Walsh)
- Chana Rivka bas Ethel
(Juanita Weiss)
- Nesanel ben Chaya Rochel
- Tzvi Michael ben Leah
(Hirsch Wise)
- Chaim Dovid Ephraim
ben Chana
- Daisy bas Lulu
(Mrs. Daisy Kattan)
- Dafna Miriam
bas Malkah Esther
- Moshe Nechemiah ben Rivkah
- Yehudis Keren bas Sarah
(Judy Wallace)
- Z'ev Shmuel
ben Malkah Rochel
- Paulina bat Sara



Parshas Chayei Sarah

V'Dibartah Bam

AS SHABBOS MORNING APPROACHES, WE DRAW closer and closer to that same holy time in which the Pittsburgh tragedy occurred. As we walk to Shul Shabbos morning, we prepare ourselves to enter that same holy space in which our brothers and sisters in Pittsburgh were murdered.

We are overwhelmed with confusion. How could this have happened? How could Hashem, who loves us so dearly, have done this to us?

Unfortunately, the Jewish people are no strangers to tragedy. We have endured exiles and inquisitions, pogroms and crusades, and the death camps of Nazi Germany. So many generations of Jews have been challenged with this question—WHY?

Our Sages teach us (Pirkei Avos, Chapter 5, Mishna 4) that our patriarch Avraham was tested with ten tests. If we examine Avraham's ten tests, we will see a common element that repeats itself again and again. On many occasions Hashem's plan doesn't seem to make sense.

- Avraham is told to leave his father's house and go to the promised land of Canaan, only to find famine and flee to Egypt. Our Sages (Rashi, Bereishis Chapter 12, verse 10, citing Midrash Tanchuma) teach us that Hashem was testing Avraham—“*L'nasoso im y'harher achar d'varav shel haKadosh Baruch Hu*, [this was] to test Avraham if he would question the word of [Hashem].”
- As a one hundred year old man, he is finally blessed with Yitzchak's miraculous birth, only to be told later that he must offer him as a sacrifice. Who would continue Avraham's legacy?

Who would spread awareness of Hashem, after Avraham is no longer living?

On all occasions, Avraham rose to the challenge.

Our Sages tell us, “*Ma'asei Avos siman l'banim*, the deeds of our forefathers are a sign for their children.” Avraham went down to Egypt, and we as a nation would go down to Egypt; Avraham left Egypt with great wealth, and we as a nation would later leave Egypt with great wealth; etc. This statement of our Sages is making note of something much deeper than a mere pattern in history. Our Sages are telling us that our forefathers' actions, their trials and tribulations, their victories and dedication, have a profound effect on us, their children. The actions of our forefathers built the structure of our nations spiritual DNA.

We may ask ourselves, how did the previous generations have the strength to endure such horrors? How did our grandparents and great grandparents have the power to march into the gas chambers with *emunah sh'leima*, complete faith?

Our Sages are teaching us that this is our heritage; this is what we inherited from our forefathers,

Avraham, Yitzchak, and Yaakov.

How could Hashem, who loves us so dearly, have done this to us?

Now it is our turn. In the face of tragedy and horror, of sorrow and confusion, we do not question Hashem; His master plan is beyond our comprehension. Instead, we stand together;

we support each-other with *emunah sh'leima*, with complete and untainted faith. We courageously return to that same holy place at that same holy time, without fear and anxiety—but, rather, with perseverance and strength, as we profess our faith.

Good Shabbos,

Rabbi Yosef Alt