

PARSHAS HA'AZINU SHABBOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

11 Tishrei, 5786 | October 3, 2025

II Shabbos Times

Friday, October 3

Candle Lighting: 6:20 Mincha/Maariv: 6:25

Shabbos, October 4

Parsha Shiur: 8:30 Shacharis: 9:00

Latest Shema: 9:54

Mincha/ Shalosh Seudos: 6:15

Shekiah: 6:37

Maariv/Nightfall: 7:20

Weekday Times

Shacharis

Sunday: 8:30

Monday: 6:40

Tuesday - Wednesday-*Sukkos: See schedule Thursday- Friday: 8:30

Mincha

Sunday - Monday 6:15 Tuesday - Wednesday-*Sukkos: See schedule Thursday - Friday: 6:15

Candle Lighting next Shabbos:

6:09

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Kiddush & Shalosh Seudos

Kiddush sponsorship is still available **Shalosh Seudos** sponsorship is still available

Mazel Toy!

Mazel tov to Arthur and Ann Bromberg upon the birth of a grandson, born to Shaul and Peri Bromberg of Lakewood!

Mazel tov to Arthur and Ann Bromberg upon the birth of a grandson from their children Yoseph and Sora Leah Bromberg of Chicago!

Upcoming Programs

October 9: Soup, Sushi & Soul in the Sukkah for women and girls

October 11: Simchas Beis Hasho'eivah at the Federgrun sukkah for men and boys

October 22: L'Chaim Initiative-Winterthur Garden

November 22-23: Scholar in Residence

with Rabbi Larry Rothwachs





KIDS' KABOLOS SHABBOS

All kids old enough to sit with their parents are invited to join us for kabolos shabbos and will receive a prize!

YOUTH GROUPS

Back on! Beginning @ 9:30 with Shevi Burr.

We encourage our boys to participate and lead the end of davening!

BI POINTS

Given out all Shabbos to all participating kids. Accumulate and earn great prizes!



Thank you to everyone who helped make these Yomim Noraim so beautiful, uplifting and inspiring!

Thank you to those who put together the Book of Remembrance, to those who arranged the seating and logistics so everything ran smoothly, to our devoted gabbaim for their tireless work, to our balei kriyah for laining with care and precision, and to our ba'al tokeah for stirring our souls with the sound of the shofar, to our treasurer and financial committee for their efforts over the Yomim Noraim, and to our security team for their hours of volunteering to keep us safe and protected!

Wishing everyone a gut yur and looking forward to a beautiful Sukkos ahead!

The Shabbos Reader

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M'SHULCHAN HAPARSHA - FRESH TORAH FOR YOUR SHABBOS TABLE



This Week, That Thought

Each year, our focus on Teshuvah is about correcting our ways and improving our actions. Yet as Yom Kippur ends, I'm reminded that Teshuvah is not only about change — it's about longing.

– והביאותים אל הר קדשי ושמחתים בבית תפילתי "I will bring them to My holy mountain and make them joyful in My house of prayer."

These words reveal our deeper yearning: the desire to come home. We are still spiritually homeless — wandering souls searching for closeness to Hashem.

This has been our story from Avraham onward: the wandering Jew, driven into exile, shaped by foreign lands and ideas. The pain is not only physical; it is spiritual.

We begin the Seder with Arami Oved Avi — "My father was a wandering Aramean." We end it with L'shanah Haba'ah b'Yerushalayim — "Next year in Jerusalem." And we conclude Yom Kippur with the very same cry.

That is Teshuvah — not only turning from sin, but returning home. And so, as we step into the Sukkah, we pray: Harachaman hu yakim lanu es Sukkas Dovid hanofeles — May the Merciful One raise up the fallen sukkah of David.



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Between the Lines

יַעֲרף כַּמָּטֶר לִקְחִי – "May my teaching drip like rain" (32:2)

The Netziv explains that dew is often used as a metaphor for nourishment. Here, the Torah is likened to dew — it sustains and nourishes the soul. Just as fish cannot survive without water, so too we cannot live without Torah. Yet, the Netziv notes, there is an important caveat: it must be $\frac{1}{7}$ — $\frac{1}{7}$ acquisition. Torah does not enter us passively; it demands effort, strength, and pursuit.

Beis ha-Kenesses is not a house but a home of prayer. The structure is symbolic. Beis ha-Kenesses, if understood as a house of prayer, is an institution; however, if translated as a home of prayer, it turns into an exalted idea, namely, the home of man, of homeless man, which is at the same time the home of G-d. G-d does not need a home for Himself. G-d feigned homelessness in order to induce man to build a home for man.

-Rabbi Soloveitchik

The Midrash deepens this idea with a striking image: those who study Torah are like fish who rush to the fresh drops of rain even as they are surrounded by water. The fish already live in their natural environment, seemingly lacking nothing — and yet, they yearn for more.

So, too, says the Midrash, the true student of Torah is never content with what they have already learned. Even when immersed in its waters, they eagerly chase new insights, driven by an insatiable longing to grow.

Pages of the Past

Rav Shimon Schwab authored Beis HaShoevah, in which he describes how we are living in the era of Chevlei Mashiach — the birth pangs preceding Mashiach's arrival. The story behind the sefer is striking.

In 1938, Rav Schwab hosted Rav Elchonon Wasserman, the renowned Rosh Yeshiva of Baranowitz. Rav Schwab asked him: Since we await Mashiach every day, is it truthful to tell people he will come soon?

Rav Wasserman replied in a letter and wrote that we are indeed standing at the footsteps of Mashiach, though we cannot know how long this stage will last. He added:

"I will share with you something that has been on my mind for a long time. It would be of great value to gather from the Tanach and Chazal all the pesukim and passages relating to our era — such as Parshas Nitzavim and Ha'azinu — and to demonstrate how all of these words, without exception, have been fulfilled in our times... If someone were able to work on this, it would be a great achievement, as it would help open blind eyes."

This idea became the foundation of Beis HaShoevah and a powerful reminder of Tzipisah L'Yeshuah — our ongoing obligation to yearn deeply for the coming of Mashiach, who will bring us home.



For the Table

- What are the values, ideals, and realities our hearts truly long for?
- Do we feel unsettled, out of place, even lost when those realities are absent?

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