



CONGREGATION SHEARITH ISRAEL  
The Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue

**Shabbat Mikketz**  
*December 18-19, 2020*

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**Schedule**

*Check emails from Z. Edinger for details on timing and locations.*

**Virtual Hashcaba Service & Misheberakh for the Ill** | 3:30 pm | Rev. Z. Edinger

**Candle Lighting** | 4:12 pm

**Friday Evening Services** | 4:15 pm

**Shabbat Morning Services** | Indoors and Outdoors

**Shabbat Afternoon Services** | 4:10 pm

**Habdala** | 4:57 pm

**Virtual Habdala** | 5:45 pm | Rev. Z. Edinger

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**FOR ALL SERVICES:**

Participants will be notified if they are accepted; only those approved in advance will be admitted. You must wear a valve-less mask at all times. Masks with an exhalation valve are prohibited. Please bring your own *talit*.

**(Updated Reminder:** By attending our services or participating in our activities, you and your family are affirming all the procedures, requirements, and undertakings included on our registration forms and are committed to maintaining strict social distancing practices in EVERY aspect of your life. We each rely on one another to keep our community healthy and safe.)

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**REGISTER FOR SERVICES**

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**Commit to a minyan, whether on Shabbat, once a week, or more.**

Please register early so we can ensure we have minyanim, and of course you will be listed as one of our Minyan Makers.

Once you have applied for a minyan, please mark your calendars with your selected dates. Your presence may make the difference between us making a minyan or not. You will receive a final confirmation prior to your selected minyan.

***Refer to our emails for the signup link.***

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**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**Happy Birthday to Our Congregants:**

Phil Bak, Nancy Benardete, Eric Berkowitz, Aryeh Bourkoff, Jacqueline Bryk, Yishai Chamudot, Daniel Cohen, Marcia Docter, Adam Gerson, Sara Goldstein, Elon Granader, Lenny Gross, Elie Hirschfeld, Adam Jackson, Maya Jacobs, Alexander Levi, Jaime Mateus-Tique, Penina Melhado, Daniel Presser, Rita Rodin, Ness Sasson-Gelman, Jack Shlomo, Aharon Soloveichik, Bradley Stanton, Daniel Tauber, Michael Werner, and Judith Wolff.

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We welcome new member **Shawn Canter** to our growing Shearith Israel family.

Mazal tob to our trustee, **Oliver Stanton**, who was an honoree at Chamah's 33rd annual (virtual) dinner, which was held on Tuesday, December 14.

Condolences to our Office Manager, **Sarah Gross**, upon the passing of her father, Ben Gross.

## FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS...NOW ON THURSDAYS

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### Friday Night Lights is now on Thursdays at 7:30 pm

Listeners are invited to show their appreciation to Rabbi Soloveichik and our Congregation in the following ways:

**Session Sponsor | \$250** - Select the session(s) you wish to sponsor and if you like, dedicate the session(s) in honor or in memory of someone special. Session sponsors are announced at the beginning of the lecture, and are listed on that session's source sheet, our website, and in the upcoming seasonal Bulletin.

**Contributor | \$100** - Make a one-time contribution (as often as you like!). Contributors will be listed on our website and in the upcoming seasonal Bulletin.

**1 Year Subscription | \$18 a month** - Show your commitment with a convenient monthly subscription. Pay for the entire year or set up automatic monthly payments. Subscribers will also be listed on our website and in the upcoming seasonal bulletin.

*Refer to our emails for the link.*

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## WEEKLY SERIES WITH RABBI SOLOVEICHIK

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### The Art of Torah:

### The Parasha and the World's Greatest Paintings with Rabbi Meir Soloveichik | Weekly | Conference Call

Rabbi Soloveichik's series is not your ordinary *parasha* class - but rather a guided weekly tour through the most iconic biblical art, as seen through his eyes and expertise.

This class is free, **but make sure to register** (only once is necessary), and sponsors are appreciated.

*To register or sponsor a session or this series, refer to our emails.*

## YOUTH

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### Grand(Parent)-Child Learning

3 Sessions | To register, refer to our emails

Saturday Nights: December 19, January 9, February 13

Led by Rabbi Soloveichik, Rabbi Rohde, and Rev. Edinger

#### SESSION #1:

THIS Saturday Night, December 19 | 6:00 pm

*Led by Rabbi Soloveichik*

Spending quality time with grandchildren, once a commonplace joy, has become increasingly difficult, especially in these socially-distanced times. But we've also learned how technology can bridge barriers. To that end, this year we especially encourage grandparents to share Torah and family time with their grandchildren during these 3 Saturday night sessions, each led by a different member of our clergy. Parents are of course welcome as well for this multigenerational bonding opportunity, as we pass on our traditions *m'dor l'dor*.

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### Junior Congregation

Monthly | Via Zoom

For ages 5-12

To receive the zoom link, please contact Mrs. Lisa Rohde

We have resumed our Jr Congregation, now to be held monthly via Zoom. Mrs. Lisa Rohde has created a weekday version of the Jr Congregation Prayer Book, formatted for 8.5"x11" paper, so it's easy for everyone to print at home.

See link in our emails to view, download, or print this special siddur, and we look forward to finally praying together again.

## PRE-PAY YOUR DUES

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### Pre-Pay Your 2021-2022 Membership Dues

If we receive your payment by **January 15, 2021**, you will be exempt from any dues increase that may be implemented in the upcoming year. And if you pay before the end of 2020, you will get the tax and CARES Act benefits this year.

To pre-pay and save, refer to the link in our emails.

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## ONGOING PROGRAMMING

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### Virtual Hashcaba Service and Misheberakh for the Ill

**Friday | Rev. Z. Edinger | On Zoom - refer to emails for the link and time**

Our Shamash, Rev. Zachariah Edinger, will recite *Hashcabot* (memorial prayers) for those who had a *nabala* this past week. We will also offer prayers for those who are ill. These prayers will be recited in the Main Sanctuary and will last about 5-10 minutes. If you would like to add the name of someone who is ill, or would like more information, please email Z Edinger.

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### Virtual Habdala Service

**Saturday night | Z. Edinger | On Zoom - refer to emails for the link & time**

You are invited to join in while Z. Edinger recites *Habdala* according to the S&P *nusakh* for his family. Habdala should be recited individually in one's own home, but please join us if you wish to feel a part of this communal activity. Also, these prayers will be recited slowly for any who wish to recite it together and learn our *nusakh*.

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### The Guide to the Duties of the Heart

**Sundays | 8:45 am | Rabbi Sjimon den Hollander**

*Via Zoom - To receive the link, email Rabbi den Hollander at [sjimon@flatironre.com](mailto:sjimon@flatironre.com)*

While The Guide to the Duties of the Heart (completed around 1075 CE) is sometimes called the first work of Jewish ethics, it aims to guide us towards a spiritual dedication, taught within a philosophical outlook that has similarities with both Saadiah Gaon and Maimonides.

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### Morning Zoom: Daily Learning with Rabbi Ira Rohde and Rev. Z. Edinger

**Monday-Friday Mornings**

*Via Zoom - contact Z. for timing and login details at [zedinger@shearthisrael.org](mailto:zedinger@shearthisrael.org)*

Join our daily "Minyan" Breakfast, virtually, every weekday morning to study a small bit of Torah. Bring your own Tanakh (the starting point of every session is the basic text of the Hebrew Bible and usually the English translation of the JPS TANAKH). If you would like to sponsor a session, please visit [shearthisrael.org/virtual-programming](http://shearthisrael.org/virtual-programming).

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### Weekly Debar Torah with Rabbi Rohde

**Wednesday | 7:00 pm | On Zoom - refer to our emails for the link**

Every Wednesday afternoon, Rabbi Ira delivers a *debar torah* on the weekly *Parasha*. The written text of the *debar torah* is distributed in our Thursday newsletter.

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### Toddler Zoom with Liz

**Mondays & Wednesdays on Zoom | 10:00 am**

Liz continues to be our toddler educator and entertainer extraordinaire in virtual format. Follow our emails to sign up.