

# **Shabbos Bulletin**

# Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion

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September 12, 2020 ~ 23 Elul 5780 Candle Lighting 6:58 pm Shabbat Ends 7:59 pm

Parshas: Nitzavim - Vayelech Deuteronomy 29:9 - 31:30 Chumash pages 1086 - 1099

Haftorah: Isaiah 61:10 - 63:9 Chumash pages 1202 -1204

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**Stan and Rhonnie Goldfader** - In honor of their daughter, **Melanie Winograd,** receiving the David N. Roselin & Grosberg Young Leadership Award from the Jewish Federation this past week.

| Minyan Times     | Wed<br>Sept 9 | Thurs<br>Sept 10 | Fri<br>Sept 11 | Shabbos<br>Sept 12 | Sun<br>Sept 13 | Mon<br>Sept 14 | Tues<br>Sept 15 | Wed<br>Sept 16 |
|------------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Shachris         | 7:00 am       | 7:00 am          | 7:00 am        | 9:00 am            | 8:00 am        | 7:00am         | 7:00 am         | 7:00 am        |
| Mincha / Ma'ariv | 6:55 pm       | 6:55 pm          | 6:55 pm        | 6:40 pm            | 6:45 pm        | 6:45 pm        | 6:45 pm         | 6:45 pm        |

SLICHOS: 7:30 am Sunday, Sept. 13, 6:30 am Monday Sept. 14 through Thursday Sept. 17 and 6:15 am Friday Sept. 18

Davening at Shul (Tent on East Parking Lot) Mincha / Ma'ariv: Daily (see times above) Shabbat Morning: 9:00 am

**Happy Birthday** ~ Fran Hoffman, Dr. Daniel Morgensztern, Corey Woolf, Irwin Rosen, Jesse Barash, Ayelet Smason and Rebecca Goldman

## This Week and Beyond.....

- Friday Evening, September 11 ~ Virtual Kabbalat Shabbat Service at 6:30 pm
  Join us for our Virtual Kabbalat Shabbat. We'll gather on Zoom to welcome Shabbat in song with a
  guest Chazzan and Rabbi Smason providing inspirational and instructive Dvar Torah.
  - Join by video: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/295822730">https://zoom.us/j/295822730</a> Join by audio: 314-325-8791
- Wednesday, September 16 ~ 7:30 pm ~ NHBZ Assistant Rabbi Avi Okin will offer a class discussing the traditional symbols of Rosh Hashanah entitled: "A Sign of Good to Come-Rosh Hashanah Symbols". Join by video, click on the link below <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86821018451?pwd=blBMOEM4VVphbDdrT05US3RkalA4UT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86821018451?pwd=blBMOEM4VVphbDdrT05US3RkalA4UT09</a>

NHBZ will have available Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur machzorim (special books) to lend to our members during the holidays. Contact the office for lending arrangements.

A deposit of \$65 in the form of a check or credit card is required.

### **Daily Shofar Blowing at NHBZ!**

Sunday through Thursday at noon, a Tekias Shofar (Shofar blowing) will take place in the NHBZ parking lot (East side).

Come -- please wear masks and remain in your cars -- while either Rabbi Smason or Rabbi Okin provide us with the opportunity to hear the shofar. You will have a blast! Listening to a daily shofar blowing is customary each weekday during the month of Elul. Rabbis Smason and Okin will alternate. (No shofar blowing on Friday)





Arba Minim (Lulav & Etrog) will be available for purchase, for members only. Prices:

Basic Lulav & Etrog set \$50.00 Standard Lulav & Etrog set \$60.00 Deluxe Lulav & Etrog set \$70.00 Premium Lulav & Etrog set \$85.00

The order deadline will be Friday, September 18th. Order now: email or call the office.

#### **Parshas Nitzavim - Vayelech**

Nitzavim begins with Moses gathering every member of the Jewish people for the final time. He initiates them into a Covenant with G-d as the Almighty's 'Chosen People'. This Covenant applied not only to those present on that day, but to all future Jewish generations. A question for your consideration; how could someone not present be bound to a commitment made by their ancestors? What is the binding force today that obligates all Jews to keep a Torah accepted over 3,000 years ago?

Moses tells the people that although eventually they will sin, in time they will repent and return to the Torah, and G-d will usher in the messianic era when we all return to the land of Israel. Furthermore, he assures them that the commandments are neither distant nor inaccessible ('it is not in heaven'). This means that a committed Jewish life is well within everyone's reach.

Vayelech opens with Moses walking through the Jewish camp on the final day of his life to say goodbye to his beloved people. He teaches them the mitzvah of Hakel, the once-in-seven-years gathering of the entire nation to hear the king read certain passages from the Torah. G-d commands that a special Torah, written by Moses, be placed by the Levites at the side of the Holy Ark to bear witness against Israel if they were to ever deviate from its teachings.

## **Selichos**

As the month of Elul draws to a close, the mood of repentance becomes more urgent. Prayers for forgiveness called selichos are added to the daily cycle of religious services. Selichos are recited in the early morning, before the daily shacharis service. Selichos adds about 30 minutes to the regular daily service.

The first selichos prior to Rosh Hashana are recited around midnight on Motzaei Shabbos (the night after the sabbath ends; that is, after nightfall on Saturday). A fundamental part of the selichos service is the recitation of the "Thirteen Attributes," a list of G-d's thirteen attributes of mercy that were revealed to Moses after the sin of the golden calf (Ex 34:6-7). Selichos can and should be said at home even if one is not attending a minyan. However, the "Thirteen Attributes" should be omitted at home, as they may only be recited in the presence of a minyan.



# **ROSH HASHANA 2020/ 5781**

| Friday Evening, Septe      | ember 18    |
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| Mincha (Outdoors)          | 6:45 pm     |
| Candle Lighting            | 6:47 pm     |
| Shabbos, September         | 19 ~ Day 1  |
| Indoor Service             | 8:30 am     |
| Outdoor Service            | 9:30 am     |
| Mincha (Outdoors)          |             |
| *Yom Tov Candle Lighting   | j7:48 pm    |
| Sunday, September 2        | 0 ~ Day 2   |
| Indoor Service             | 8:30 am     |
| Outdoor Service            | 9:30 am     |
| Learners' Service (Outdoo  | rs)10:00 am |
| Shofar/ Tashlich (Outdoors | s)6:00 pm   |
| Mincha. (Outdoors)         |             |
| Yom Tov Ends               | 7:47 pm     |



The NHBZ Sisterhood wishes you Health, Happiness & Prosperity in the New Year...

...and invites you to wish *L'Shana Tova Tikatevu* to everyone in our NHBZ family!

Make your check payable to NHBZ, and write 'Sisterhood Greeting' on the memo line \$5 minimum donation, please - no maximum!

To have your name listed in the 5781 ROSH HASHANAH Bulletin – email your greeting information <u>no later than</u> 4:00pm Thursday Sept. 10 directly to:

sisterhood@nhbz.org or call 314-991-2100, Ext. 3

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| A Good and Sweet Year Shana Tova Umetukah    |
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# **Davening at Shul! (Tent on East Parking Lot)**

We are limiting attendance to 25.

You must call or email to reserve your space for Kabbalat Shabbat and Shabbat morning.

Contact either Jeff Miller or Alan Zarkowsky by Thursday evening. You will be contacted if we are unable to accommodate you.

Come on time! As noted, davening times are shortened.

#### **Outdoor Davening Procedures**

- 1. Anyone with symptoms of Covid-19 or who has within the last 14 days been in contact with someone having symptoms MUST NOT ATTEND.
- Those at higher risk for severe illness per CDC quidelines are strongly discouraged from attending.
  This includes those over 65, or those with chronic medical conditions including obesity, lung
  disease, diabetes, heart disease, hypertension, severe kidney or liver disease, neurological
  disorders, or immunocompromised.

We strongly suggest checking with your private physician.

- 3. You must wear a mask at all times. Surgical or cloth masks are acceptable. If you feel the need to remove your mask, you must leave the area and then return when ready to put the mask back on.
- 4. Sanitize hands prior to entering.
- 5. Bring your own siddur. Men must bring their own tallis.
- 6. Pick any of the available seats. Do not rearrange seats or rows.

  Stay at your seat for the duration of davening. Do not change seats or go to visit with others.
- 7. Proper physical distancing must be maintained at all times.
- 8. Do not share books or bring books to others.
- 9. We will limit any singing along with the davening.
- 10. Procedures for leyning will be provided when we read Torah.
- 11. Bathrooms are only available if absolutely necessary and then by one person at a time.
- 12. At the end of davening, exit the area as quickly as possible while maintaining distancing.

# ANYONE NOT COMPLYING WITH THE ABOVE PROCEDURES WILL BE TOLD TO LEAVE.

Call or email Alan Zarkowsky with any questions. Thank you. We look forward to seeing you.

Jeff Miller: 314-991-2100 ext 2 / jeff@nhbz.org
Alan Zarkowsky: 314-805-1896 / avzark@aol.com



# **NHBZ Online Classes**

Rabbi Smason will keep you connected during this challenging time. The classes listed below are easy to join and you can drop in on one without having previously attended. All classes are offered through Zoom video conferencing on your computer or smart phone (you do not need to download Zoom to see the class) AND through audio only on your telephone.

#### **Instructions to attend a class:**

\*For Zoom video: each class has a Zoom link- click on the link or copy and paste the link in your browser to join the class.

\*For audio through your telephone: Dial-in number: 314-325-8791

All classes listed below will use the above number to join with audio only.

\*\*If possible, please try to join each class a few minutes before the start-time

- 1. Weekdays at 8:00 am (Sun. 9:00 am) New topic: "Tehillim Tips; Insights Into Our Prayers" with Rabbi Smason. Each session is planned to last 30 minutes or so. Join by video at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/99013706617">https://zoom.us/j/99013706617</a>
- 2. Monday Friday: 2:30 3:00 pm ~ "King David: His Life, Times and Spirit" with Rabbi Smason. This class will offer an in-depth study of the King David through sources in the Book of Samuel and Psalms.

  Join by video: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/136785930">https://zoom.us/j/136785930</a>
- 3. Friday at 8:00 am ~ Rabbi Smason will discuss the "Haftorah of the Week" Join by video at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/99013706617">https://zoom.us/j/99013706617</a>
- **4. Sunday- Wednesday at 7:00 pm ~ Rabbi Smason will offer a "Family Time Meeting"** offering a few words of inspiration, perhaps a story, and then together we will recite Tehillim and sing. Each session is planned to last 15 minutes or so. Join by video a: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/295822730">https://zoom.us/j/295822730</a>
- **5. Every Monday at 7:30 pm ~ "To the Source" with Rabbi Smason**. An ongoing weekly class covering contemporary Torah topics using classic and modern English and Hebrew texts.

Join by video at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/295822730">https://zoom.us/j/295822730</a>

## **NHBZ Online Classes (cont.)**

**6.** Every Wednesday at 12:15 pm ~ Study with Rabbi Smason- Pirkei Avos / Ethics of the Fathers. Our long-running class offers contemporary, relevant insights based upon the timeless wisdom of the Torah.

Join by video at: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/214068419">https://zoom.us/j/214068419</a>

7. Thursdays at 7:00 pm ~ Rabbi Smason will offer his popular "Starting Points" program -- a 45-minute discussion/presentation of relevant, contemporary topics. Titles and dates, below.

Join by video a: https://zoom.us/j/295822730

September 10 "Tikun Olam: What Does It Mean To "Perfect The World"? September 17 "Begin Again: What Can Make This the Best Year Ever?" September 24 "The Perfect Apology: What Ingredients Matter Most?" Oct. 1 "Character Counts: How Does Yours Measure Up?" Oct. 8 "What's the Best Way to Start Getting Happier?"



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