

Shabbos and Yom Tov Edition



NHBZ Weekly News

Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion
Affiliated with Union of Orthodox Congregations of America

Shabbos - September 18, 2021 • 12 Tishrei 5782

Candle Lighting 6:47 pm • Shabbos Concludes 7:49 pm

Parshas Ha'Azinu
Haftarah

Deuteronomy 31:1 – 31:52
2 Samuel 22:1 – 22:51

Stone Chumash pp. 1100 – 1111
Stone Chumash pp. 1205 – 1207

Prayer

Erev Shabbos, Friday, September 17

- 6:45 pm Mincha, Kabbalat Shabbat, Ma'ariv
- 6:47 pm Candle Lighting

Shabbos, Saturday, September 18

- 9:00 am Shachris followed by Musaf
Pesukei D'Zimra: **Howard Sandler** Haftarah: **TBA**
Shacharis: **TBA** Sermon: **Rabbi Avi Okin**
Leyning: **Shmuel Anton** Musaf: **TBA**
- 6:30 pm Mincha, Shalosh Seudos, Ma'ariv
- 7:49 pm Shabbos concludes



Minyan Times September 16 – September 25, 2021

	Thu Sep 16*	Fri Sep 17	Shabbos Sep 18	Sun Sep 19	Mon Sep 20**	Tues Sep 21**	Wed Sep 22**	Thur Sep 23***	Fri Sep 24***	Shabbos Sep 25***
Shachris (am)	8:00	7:00	9:00	8:00	7:00	9:00	9:00	6:45	6:45	9:00
Mincha/Ma'ariv (pm)	-	6:45	6:30	6:35	6:35	6:35	6:35	6:35	6:35	6:15
Mincha only (pm)	5:00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ma'ariv only (pm)	7:40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Sep 16: Yom Kippur ** Sep 20: Erev Sukkot ** Sep 21-22: Sukkot *** Chol Ha'Moed

Congregation News

Mazel Tov on Simchas This Week! September 19 – September 25, 2021



Happy Birthday

Jennifer Hartranft
Max Judah Minoff

September 21
September 22

On-going Covid Guidelines *Shul Policy* *Please see important update*

NHBZ requires that all people praying inside the shul show proof of vaccination. You may show your vaccination card to Rabbi Smason before the holidays or as you enter the shul. **If we have no proof of vaccination**, you are welcome to join services from the Kaiser Terrace on the West side of the synagogue.

Masks required of all inside attendees (age 3 and older); masks are strongly encouraged for those outside, too. Children above age 13 have the same vaccination requirements as adults.

Please enter the synagogue from the South entrance (near Logos School).

May this be a year of good health. May this be a year of peace. With our efforts and cooperation, may we help end this pandemic. L'Shana Tova.

Events

Coming Soon

- Sunday, September 19 – Edible Sukkah Event
- Thursday, September 23 – Sisterhood "Welcome Back" Open House in the Sukkah
- Tuesday, September 28 -- Simchas Torah Dinner
- Monday, November 15 – "14 Days Living in Eshkol, Israel"
- Sunday, December 12 – 116th Anniversary Event

On-Going

- Online Classes – See listing on Page 6
- Every Shabbos, 9:15 am – Learners' Service with Rabbi David
- Every Shabbos, 10:15 am – Starting Points with Rabbi Smason
- Every Wednesday, 12:15 pm – Pirkei Avos Class with Rabbi Smason (**On Hiatus***)
- Every Thursday, 7:30 pm – Mishmar Learning with Rabbi Okin
- Every Sunday, 9:00 – Teen Schmooze with Rabbi Okin

* Due to the Holidays, Rabbi Smason's Wednesday classes will pause for September.
Next class: October 6, 2021.

Sukkot Day 1 • September 21, 2021 • 15 Tishrei 5782

Torah Portion	Leviticus 22:26–23:44	Siddur p. 471	Chumash pp. 681–691
Maftir	Numbers 29:12–16	Siddur p. 473	Chumash p. 895
Haftorah	Zechariah 14:1–21	Siddur p. 473	Chumash pp. 1241–1242

Sukkot Day 2 • September 22, 2021 • 16 Tishrei 5782

Torah Portion	Leviticus 22:26–23:44	Siddur p. 471	Chumash pp. 681–691
Maftir	Numbers 29:12–16	Siddur p. 473	Chumash pp. 895
Haftorah	I Kings 8:2–8:21	Siddur p. 474	Chumash pp. 1242–1243

A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS: Enjoy serving? Like to decorate? How about stuffing envelopes? Or helping at a Young Families event? If you're willing to help and can offer any amount of time, we have tasks big and small that need your efforts. Please call Nancy at the Office 314-291-2100, ext. 2 and volunteer to support your community today.



Simchas Torah Dinner: Please join us (if you are vaccinated) for LOX & BAGELS on the Kaiser Terrace! Sponsors requested; please call Nancy in the office 314-991-2100, ext. 2.



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Learning at NHBZ

● Parshas Ha'Azinu

Ha'Azinu is composed primarily of Moses' "song" about the horrible tragedies and supreme joy which will make up the Jewish people's future history. While not a song in the familiar sense, Moses' song is a blend of otherwise disparate ideas into a beautiful symphony of thought. It expresses the idea that everything that G-d does -- past, present and future -- somehow fits into a perfect harmony, although our limited human understanding prevents fully recognizing the wisdom of G-d.

Ha'Azinu contains the mitzvah for each Jew to write a Sefer Torah (Torah scroll). Many suggest that this mitzvah can be fulfilled by the purchase of books containing Torah content. Does your home contain any books of Torah? Today there are an abundance of excellent Torah books written in English. Let me suggest two: The Stone Chumash (5 Books of Moses), and Living Each Week by Rabbi Dr. Abraham Twerski. Ha'azinu concludes with G-d's command to Moses to ascend Mount Nebo, where he will view the land of Israel and then pass away.

Trib-ute (trib'yoot)

A gift, payment, declaration, or other acknowledgement of gratitude, respect or admiration.

Make a tribute honor someone's simcha or good health or a loved one's memory.

Call Nancy in the office to make a tribute – 314-991-2100, ext 2.

Tributes will be listed monthly in the Shabbos bulletin.

MEN'S MIKVAH USE AT THE STAENBERG BUILDING FOR YOMIM NORAIM

HOURS:

10:30 am-4:30 pm Erev Succos

9:30 am-4:30 pm Hoshana Rabba

PRICES: **\$7.50 ADULT**

\$5.00 PRE-BAR MITZVAH AND YESHIVA BOCHRIM

\$5.00 KLEI KODESH

"FREE" FOR SONS OF KLEI KODESH (pre-bar mitzvah age)

Please: wear a mask; bring your own towel; pay the attendant and sign in.

Please contact Lynda Cohen (314) 795-3982 with questions.

NHBZ – Yom Kippur Appeal – 2021/5782

Psalm 100 enjoins us to “Ivdu et Hashem B'simcha”, which translates to “Serve Hashem with Joy”.

During the last year, plus, that mitzva has been very challenging to fulfil. We continue to calculate each step we make, as individuals, as families, as a congregation, as a nation and as a whole world.

Nevertheless, at our shul we decided from the outset that, together with being medically responsible, we would press on and find ways to move the needle on the great compass, as far forward as possible and to do so with creativity and joy.

One year ago, we hired Rav Okin to be our Assistant Rabbi in charge of young family and youth and singles programming. This year we hired both a new bookkeeper, Hindy Anton, and Nancy Stenn, our new Shul Administrator. Together with Rabbi Smason and our other staff, they form a dynamic team, who truly believes in our shul's mission. They are of course, always complemented by our tremendous team of volunteers.

Many new members have joined us, in all age groups. Most recently we have been joined by a family whose children represent a fifth generation of NHBZ members. Our youth programming and young adults programming is accelerating, and I am very optimistic about our shul's future.

All of the above could not and would not be possible, without your generous donations and gifts to your shul. I am reaching out to you to fulfil the mitzva of Tzedaka at this propitious moment of the Jewish year cycle. Please donate generously to your shul so that we can continue with our missions of in-reach and outreach and make sure that no Jew is left behind. There are many ways that you can donate and also have friends and relatives be recognized in the process. Let's together fulfil the mitzva of “Ivdu et Hashem B'simcha”

**Shana Tova and G'mar Chatima Tova
Menachem Szus, Shul President.**



"Everyone, age 3 and older, wears a mask in the shul. Adults (age 13 and older) must also show proof of vaccination to the Rabbi. Health and safety, first!"



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New Year Greetings

5782 ~ 2021/22

The NHBZ Sisterhood thanks the following for participating in this year's New Year Greeting campaign to wish everyone in our NHBZ family Good Health, Happiness, Prosperity in the New Year...and a good Final Sealing!

Gemar Chatimah Tovah

Caryn Alper
Joanna Alper
Lenny & Fran Alper
Ruth Novack Alper & Family
Debbie & Jesse Barash
Craig & Jackie Berkin
Sam & Shirley Bluestein
Helen Bolt & Family
Alan, Marcie, Nathan
& Eliana Brook
Faye Cohen & Family
Frances Cohen & Family
June Cohen & Family
Julie & Don Eisenberg
Teree Farbstein
Denny & Amy Feit & Family
Mimi Fiszal
The Gelbs
Andrea & Stan Goldenberg
Aida Greenberg
Sandy & Marvin Greenberg

Joni & Bob Kaiser
Hannah, Lee, Nesya &
Emuna Mirowitz
Sally & Eliot Katz
Estelle Kram
Ed & Helayne Levitt
Phyllis & Howard Loiterstein
Hesh & Marcia Lyons
Sally Needle
Larry & Robin Pevnick & Family
Rachael Pevnick & Family
Steve & Myra Radinsky
Fran & David Reisler
Ellen & Hal Rosen & Family
Libby Sorkin Routman & Family
Debbie & Brian Sher & Family
Jerry & Gail Tullman
Margo & Reuven Tzadok
Peggy & Jay Umansky
Stella & Leonid Vladimirov
Faith & Bruce Waxman

Thank you for your generosity in support of our Sisterhood!



Call the Office @ 991-2100, ext.3



Email: sisterhood@nhbz.org



Support our NHBZ Sisterhood



Youth Programming

Teen Schmooze is BACK, Sundays

“Teen Schmooze”, a special opportunity just for teens in an informal group setting, is now underway. This program meets every Sunday – middle school students start at 9:00 am, and high school students at 9:30 am. **Join us on the patio at the back of the NHBZ Sanctuary.** Breakfast will be served! For details, contact **Rabbi Okin** at aviokin@nhbz.org.



Israel

Israeli Olive Oil

Place your orders! Support an Israeli business and eat well while doing it! Yes, you can adopt an olive tree! See attached flyer for details.

14 Days Living in Eshkol, Israel

Reserve the evening of Monday, November 15 for a program entitled “14 Days Living in Eshkol, Israel” to take place at NHBZ. The program will be presented by Lieutenant Colonel Keith Isaacson and a security official from the Eshkol Region of Israel. We thank Irl Solomon, of Friends of Israel, and Pastor Bryan Sharp for enabling us to host this event.

Learning at NHBZ

- **NHBZ Mishmar**

Join Rabbi Okin and young men from all over St. Louis for Mishmar, an evening gathering of Torah and Camaraderie on Thursday Nights from 7:30 pm – 8:00 pm. **We will meet indoors at the back of the NHBZ sanctuary** with a text-based and interactive learning session. If you are interested, join the WhatsApp group with this link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/leuwWw6NTFIDC96XIXkRGv>

- **Rabbi Smason's Shabbos Shoutout**

The complete list of Shabbos Shoutouts, with most recent listed first, can be found at

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLI_MFI0zsmKlImpR3KpHROrHDWIDNbqsN

- **Rabbi Okin's Torah Thoughts**

The complete list of Torah Thoughts, with most recent listed first, can be found at:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLI_MFI0zsmKJG-HuXMG1Ej2aUImgQHkJ-

- **Rabbi David's Learners' Service**

Every Shabbos at 9:15 am. Just starting out? No worries. Rabbi David teaches the basics of Shabbos prayers.

- **Rabbi Smason's Starting Points**

Join Rabbi Smason for a 45-minute presentation/discussion of relevant, contemporary topics every Shabbos at 10:15 am in the Feigenbaum-Pepose Multi-Purpose Room. Upcoming topics coming soon!



NHBZ Online Classes

Rabbi Ze'ev 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 the Zoom application to see the class) AND through audio only on your telephone.

Instructions to Attend Classes

For audio through your telephone, connect in one of two ways:

1. *Preferred option* - Call 312-626-6799 which connects you to the ZOOM audio number and will enable you to participate fully, except for the video. Toll Free.
2. Or call 314-325-8791 for our old audio connection. We encourage you to use the *preferred option* since this way might become unavailable soon.

For Zoom video, each class has a Zoom link shown underlined in blue below. Click or tap on the link, or copy and paste the link into your browser to join the class.

List of Rabbi Ze'ev Smason's Zoom Classes

1. Weekdays, 8:15 am (Sun 9:15 am) ~ New topic "Tehillim Tips: Insights Into Our Prayers". Sessions are approximately 30 minutes.
Zoom video link: <https://zoom.us/j/99013706617>
2. Monday thru Friday, 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm ~ "King Solomon: His Wisdom, Wealth and Wives".
Zoom video link: <https://zoom.us/j/136785930> **Class will resume October 4**
3. Fridays, 8:15 am ~ Discussion of the "Haftorah of the Week"
Zoom video link: <https://zoom.us/j/99013706617>
4. Mondays, 7:45 pm ~ **"To the Source"** covers contemporary Torah topics using classic and modern English and Hebrew texts.
Zoom video link: <https://zoom.us/j/295822730> **"To The Source" is now on pause, possibly continuing after the Holidays**





THE SISTERHOOD SCOOP

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NHBZ Sisterhood wishes you and your family a healthy, happy, and sweet New Year!

Why Oseh HaShalom?

Question:

Why is it that during the Ten Days of Repentance from Rosh Hashanah to Yom Kippur the text at the end of the Amidah and Kaddish is changed from "Oseh shalom" to "Oseh hashalom"?

Response:

According to the Rabbi Yitzchak Luria (the Ari Zal) this is because the words "oseh" and "hashalom" each have the numerical value of 381—the same as the name *Safriel* (when pronouncing, "Safrikel").

Safriel is the angel whose responsibility it is to record those deserving in the Book of Life. By invoking this angel's name, we express our hope during this time to be included in the Book of Life for the coming year.

Wishing you a good, sweet new year.

—Rabbi Eliezer Zalmanov, www.chabad.org

"Teshuva insists that we can liberate ourselves from our past, defy predictions of our future, by a single act of turning . . . as long as we do it now." – Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks

Book Club News

Mark your calendars now for these upcoming Book Club discussions:

- ☐ **Oct. 25 "The Third Daughter"** by Talia Carner
– discussion led by *Ilene Brooks Scharnhorst*
- ☐ **Dec. 27 "The Ghost of Hannah Mendes"**
by Naomi Ragen

For more information or to **RSVP** call **Terri Schnitzer** at 314-518-4107 or email terrischnitzer@yahoo.com



Sisterhood is hosting a

'Welcome Back' Open House

Thurs., Sept. 23, 5:00-6:30pm

Join us for schmoozing & socializing and appetizers & drinks – LIVE – in the Sukkah!

If you haven't yet had a chance, come and meet Rabbi Avi & Devorah Tova Okin in the sukkah



Sisterhood misses you!

Stop by for a drink, stay for a visit.

Guests are welcome (men and women).

To RSVP – email sisterhood@nhbz.org

St. Louis Jewish Federation – Women's Philanthropy presents:

L'Chaim! Make a Fresh Start

A virtual evening of celebration, community, and giving, on **October 27, 5:00-9:00 pm** featuring Clea Shearer and Joanna Teplin, founders of *The Home Edit* who will share how Jewish values have shaped them into powerful female entrepreneurs with an inspirational Instagram account, celebrity clients, and a hit Netflix series. NHBZ Sisterhood will serve as a Congregational Table Host for the Event. You can register online at JFedSTL.org/LChaim2021 by Oct. 20.



Celebrate Sukkot Together!

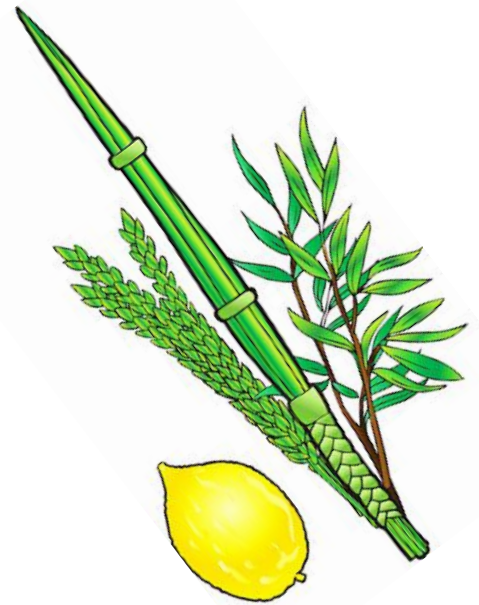
A New Program of
the NHBZ Children & Young Families Committee

Sunday, September 19

10:00 - 11:00 am

**Kids and Young Families are invited for a
fun and delicious “Edible Sukkah-Making”
activity on the NHBZ Patio**

- Learn the meaning of the Mitzvah of Sukkot
- See old friends
- Earn bragging rights for the most creative edible Sukkah west of the Mississippi and then enjoy eating the fruits of your labor!



**There is no cost for this event.
You need not be a member of NHBZ to attend!**

**Please RSVP by Wednesday, Sept. 15
to the NHBZ Office at office@nhbz.org
or call 314-991-2100, ext. 2.**

Sukkot ~ The time of our rejoicing



Teen Schmooze

Teens of all levels of observance welcome

***A special opportunity just for teens
in an informal group setting***

***Weekly, starting Sunday, August 29
On the NHBZ Patio***

Refreshments will be served

Join Rabbi Avi Okin to talk about . . . life,
Jewish stuff, not-so Jewish stuff, concerns,
questions . . . and whatever is on your mind!

5th-8th graders 9:00 am - 9:30 am

9th-12th graders 9:30 am - 10:00 am

Got Questions

There is no charge for this program
NHBZ membership not required

Please RSVP to Rabbi Okin at aviokin@nhbz.org



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