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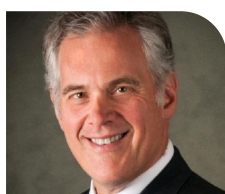
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Setting Our Spiritual Watches to Jewish Time: The Torah Begins Again

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One of my favorite features on my watch is World Time. It is an application which allows you to set your watch to two different time zones.

As a result, whenever I look at my watch, I can see what time it is in Chicago and in Jerusalem. I like to think of the Central Standard Time as the setting for my body, and Jewish Standard time for my soul. My Chicago clock helps me keep my daily schedule. Like many of you, I find myself constantly looking at my watch trying to figure out how to keep track of everything that is jammed into the day. But when I see the Jerusalem

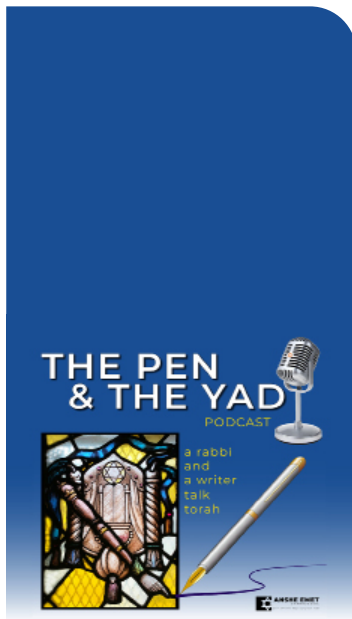
time on my watch, it reminds me that I have a soul as well. Just thinking of that special and holy place encourages me to open my eyes to the beauty of the world and to all that I have for which to be grateful. When Shabbat arrives, I find myself naturally switching over to Jerusalem time. A period for my soul, where I can put some of the issues that have occupied my mind aside for a day.

Recently, I have noticed that one of my greatest places of respite is Torah study. In the world in which we live, we are inundated with words, with messages, with questions, or encouragement to go here, purchase that, think this, and reject that. It is exhausting. With things coming so quickly at us it also makes it hard to actually reflect and develop a considered opinion. For me, this is one of allures of Torah study. We have the opportunity each week to turn everything else off, open the parasha, and be transported to a different universe where we read a story, a narrative, a set of laws, and just reflect on its message. The remarkable thing about reading archetypal stories is that they are so applicable to our everyday lives. For example:

- How should we think about our relationship to the creation?
- What does the flood story have to teach us today?

- What can we learn about families from our Patriarchs and Matriarchs?
- What makes for a just society?

As the holidays come to an end, we will begin the year anew, and the Torah cycle along with it. I invite you to set your spiritual watch and make time for your soul. You don't really need the app; we Jews come hardwired with it already installed. Allow Shabbat to become part of your life in whatever way you find meaningful. In addition, we do have a number of ways for you to study the portion of the week. There are classes during the week that are warm, welcoming and informative. They are also recorded on Zoom so you can watch them at your leisure. You can also tune into our Shabbat morning service where one of our Rabbis will always be talking about the Parsha in a relevant and meaningful way. I, along with Rabbis Russo and Chankin-Gould, look forward to engaging with you during the course of this year with our Jewish texts. Just set your watch to Jerusalem, or Jewish Standard Time, and we will meet you there!



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For questions about your membership, please contact Amy Karp:

akarp@ansheemet.org

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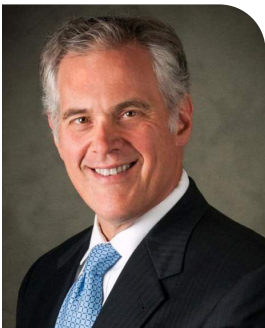


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Exploring a Forgotten World: A Social History of Medieval Jewry as Revealed in the Cairo Genizah

Mondays • Beginning October 19 • 7pm - 8:30pm

This ancient-era version of reality TV gives you a front-row seat to the drama, gossip, legal transactions, and other daily intrigues – straight from the Middle Ages. This course brings to life an exotic era in Jewish history, revealing the inner thoughts of real-life characters exploring the daily interactions and behaviors of Jewish men, women and families living along the Mediterranean more than 1,000 years ago. All of this has been uncovered through the discovery of a collection of worn-out scraps, text fragments, and documents from ancient times. Join us for a journey of intrigue and adventure!



Join Rabbi Michael Siegel as he leads this series online, via Zoom.

Register at: ansheemet.org/meltonfall20

Sukkot: The Most Covid-Safe Holiday

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Dear Friends,

Shana tova. The High Holy Days 5781 are in the record books, and like this year's baseball season, they will have an asterisk next to every recollection of them. This was Chag Covid, the holidays in the time of the pandemic, and all of us will remember it for a very long time. I hope that the extraordinary efforts of Rabbi Siegel, Hazzan Mizrahi, Hazzan Berke, our clergy and our hardworking, creative staff brought you a sense of familiarity and comfort in these unsettling times.

Now we turn our sights to Sukkot, the Festival of Tabernacles. Who would have ever guessed that Sukkot would turn out to be the most Covid-safe holiday? Perhaps if we make our Sukkot a little more open and our guest lists a little shorter, eating in the

Sukkah might be the safest way to be with family and friends in these troubling times.

Sukkot has always been my favorite holiday. I love the combination of the religious and

the agricultural. I love that the intensity and pathos of the High Holidays are followed by a long, relaxed celebration. I love that we go from beating our chests to parading around in song and joy.

Isn't that the perfect metaphor for the times we are in right now? Just as surely as Sukkot follows Yom Kippur, we know that the

time will come when joy and communal celebration will follow the isolation and despair of the pandemic. Until then, and forever more, Anshe Emet Synagogue will be there for you.

Chag Sameach!

Art Friedson

"...the time will come when joy and communal celebration will follow the isolation and despair of the pandemic."



Photos from our recent **Shofar Around Chicago** event from Sunday, September 20th

Anshe Emet member, **Steve Durchslag**, blows the Shofar in front of the Drake Hotel and on Division and Lake Shore Drive.

HAZAK

FOR RETIRED ADULTS

HOKHMAH (WISDOM)
ZIKNAH (MATURITY)
KADIMAH (LOOKING AHEAD)

HaZaK is an Anshe Emet daytime program for mature adults with active minds. Co-taught by our clergy and other community educators, this year HaZaK is focusing on Jewish Ethics with the Melton curriculum "Ethics of Jewish Living." Generously funded by Beatrice Mayer, z"l.

Join HaZaK Mondays in October:

10/5 - Hazzan Berke
10/12 - Rabbi Chankin-Gould
10/19 - Rabbi Russo
10/26 - Rabbi Siegel

Join us at ansheemet.org/zoom

Meeting ID: 663 098 957

Password: Hazakclass

Contact Hazzan Liz Berke for more info:

eberke@ansheemet.org



Drop-in Bereavement Group
Supporting our Community in Times of Loss

Next meeting: October 26 7:30 PM via Zoom

Please join us online for our monthly support group for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one within the past two years.

Learn more at ansheemet.org/bereavementgroup

Young Families

Maxine Handelman
 Director of Family Life & Learning
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At Anshe Emet, we are building pathways to Jewish life and community for families with young children, virtually, and when safe, in person. Find your friends and joy-filled Jewish life at Anshe Emet! Find all the details on our website: ansheemet.org/familyprograms.

To stay up to date on everything that is happening, please join our list serv – send an email to: ae-yf-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

On-Going Programs:

Tuesdays at 9PM • Kvetch and Comfort

Parents of young children are invited to bring your chocolate and drink of choice and come hang out.

Sundays at 4PM • Shachar

Our engaging service for K-2nd graders, starts up again October 18 with our study of Bereshit!

Friday, October 9 at 4:30PM

READiculous goes Virtual!

Join us for our Amazingly Annual Anshe Emet Simchat Torah Celebration, Kidz Style We'll start with so much singing and dancing with the Torah (the stuffed or homemade Torah you have in your home) that your feet and throat will hurt (in a good, fun kind of way!). Then we will have the exciting opportunity to hear students, 2nd grade and older, read from the Torah itself! If you have a 2nd grade student and older who would like to read Torah or otherwise participate, please sign up by October 1.

Sunday, October 11, 10:30AM - 12PM

Taffy Apple pick up and Story time!

Bring your kids, grab a taffy apple, distance schmooze with friends, and hear a story from Max! Story time is at 11am – you can pick up your taffy apples before or after.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO SIGN UP FOR THESE GREAT FAMILY EVENTS!



Simchat Torah Honorees

Erev Simchat Torah • Saturday, October 10

Hatan Torah • **Harold Hirshman**

Kallat Breishit • **Laurie Chaiten**

Youth • **Josh Lazar and Rebecca Gross**

Morning of Simchat Torah • Sunday, October 11

Hatan Torah • **Yehoshua Ben Avraham**

Kallat Bereshit • **Cheryl Krugel Lee**



SAVE THE DATE • Starting November 7

When Havdalah is at 5:27, we will kick off our inaugural **Young Family Havdalah party!** Watch the AES Daily emails for times and links. We will celebrate Havdalah with the Anshe Emet community, then families will break off to sing, enjoy a story, and dance!

Thank you to these people for honoring their Minyan commitment. Join us online for minyan Monday thru Friday at 7am Sundays & National Holidays at 8:30am

Donni & Scott Aaron, Ben Abrams, Fran Abramson, Eve, Bruce, Hannah, Sasha Adams/Becker, Ronit Alexander, Keith, Liz, David, Sella Alperin/Lippow, Elisa Aranoff, Bruce Arenson, Sara Aron, Elizabeth, Kyle Atwater, Sapat & Izi Aviyente, Barry Balik, Naomi Bank, Terry Behrman, Michael Bellows, Yehoshua & Nitzanit Ben-Avraham/Breitenstein, Paul Berkowitz, Gabi Boros, Irene & Brian Caminer, Sondra DeJong, Samantha & Tom DeKoven,

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Dear Families,

The Joseph and Belle Braun Anshe Emet Religious School has been shaping young lives for decades. Over the past five years we have reinvested in our children; we have shifted, innovated, and dramatically reimagined our program. Now, we can provide our families with an experience that is so much more than the Religious School of yesterday.

We remain committed to our vision pillars: *Knowledge, Flexibility, Diversity, and Community*. Religious School is for all children ages 4 years old (JK) -8th Grade.

We can't wait for you to join our family!

Anshe Emet is committed to ensuring that money (or circumstances surrounding COVID-19) NEVER stand in the way of your child's education.

We are more than a building,
We are a community.
We are more than a congregation,
We are a family.
We are more than a religious school,
We are a community that values learning.

Registration forms for both new and returning families are online at:
ansheemet.org/religiouschool

It's never too late to join us. Both Online and in person opportunities for the 2020-21 school year begin October 18.

Call us today to hear more!



Youth Programs

Samantha Isenstein
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Our SHMUSY Chapter is up and running. Both safely in person and through virtual programs. We hope that our 8th-12th graders will join us this fall!

Tuesday, October 6

USY (8th-12th Grade)
SpringBoard Ice Cream Socially Distant Social and Sukkah Hop.

Saturday, October 17

Havdalah and an outdoor movie.

Sunday, October 25

Kadima (5th- 7th Grade)
Kadima Kick Off program!

Tuesday, October 27

7pm-8:30pm
Werewolf Game Virtual

Save the Date! - November 5-8

Virtual CHUSYFest

Sisterhood Presents:
Wine, Women and Walking with God, with Anita Silvert



Wednesdays,
October 14, 21, 28

Explore Jewish texts of...
Resilience, Reproach
and Transition

Learn more at:
ansheemet.org/wwwfall

Our Sincerest Condolences


The Anshe Emet Community expresses its sincerest condolences to the families of:

Esther J. Simon
Donald Fogel
Mark Klitzsky
Phyllis Ritholz
Ruth Weisman
Raanan Lieberman
Arnold Allen Stern

**May their memory
be for a blessing.**

Misheberach List

If you would like to have a name placed on the misheberach (prayer for healing) list, contact Antoinette Nunez. Names will be kept on the list for two weeks unless otherwise requested.

 **Antoinette Nunez**
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anunez@ansheemet.org

Siman Tov U'Mazel Tov

Mazel Tov to these families who have welcomed newborns in the past month:

Berger Family
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Rabbi Michael Simon, Mindy & Kyle Sircus, Ricca Slone, Eli Solano, Elesheva Soloff, Yedida Soloff, Jill Stein, Amiel Steuerman, Maya Tkachuk, Abe Trieger, Daniel Vaisrub, David Weil, Evelyn Wilk, Jeanette Zemsky

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with Anshe Emet

SERVICES

Erev Sukkot | Friday, October 2 at 6pm | Chag/Kabbalat Shabbat Service (*Live Streamed*)

First Day of Sukkot | Saturday, October 3 at 9:30am | Chag/Shabbat Morning Service (*Live Streamed*)

Second Day of Sukkot | Sunday, October 4 at 9:30am | Shabbat Morning Service (*Live Streamed*)

Hoshanah Rabah | Friday, October 9 at 7am | Minyan & Hoshanah Rabah Service (*via Zoom; Meeting ID: 689 962 027*)

READiculous Youth Service | Friday, October 9 at 4:30pm | (*via Zoom; Meeting ID: 875 7157 1618*)

Erev Sh'mini Atzeret | Friday, October 9 at 6pm | Chag/Kabbalat Shabbat Service (*Live Streamed*)

Sh'mini Atzeret with Yizkor | Saturday, October 10 at 9:30am | Chag/Shabbat Morning Service with Yizkor (*Live Streamed*)

11:30am • Outdoor/In-Person Yizkor Service for Russian Community Members

1pm • [Outdoor/In-Person Yizkor Service for Anshe Emet Community](#) (*Registration Required; 40 person limit*)

6pm • Erev Simchat Torah Service (*Live Streamed*)

6pm • Rose Crown Minyan Service

Simchat Torah | Sunday, October 11 at 9:30am | Chag Service (*Live Streamed*)

9:30am • Rose Crown Minyan Service

EVENTS

Israel Tour for Sukkot with Josh Hartuv and Rabbi Russo | Thursday, October 1 at 1pm (*Meeting ID: 856 4979 1731*)

Shabbat Shelanu Sukkot Happy Hour and Service | Friday, October 2 at 5:15pm (**Registration is at capacity*)

Teen Ice Cream Truck for Sukkot with Springboard | Tuesday, October 6 at 4:30-6:00pm (*Link coming soon!*)

Men's Club: BBQ and Shots in the Virtual Sukkah | Tuesday, October 6 at 6:30pm (*Registration is now closed*)

Bonfire with the Russos | Tuesday, October 6 at 8:30pm

Sisterhood Annual Meeting: It's Time to Celebrate the Harvest! | Wednesday, October 7 at 7pm

Hoshana Rabba Hoshanot | Thursday, October 8 at 7pm

Join Rabbi Siegel and Hazzan Berke as they introduce Hoshanot and its meaning as well as learning the tunes used for the special Hoshanot. (*Meeting ID: 831 7262 4242*)

Young Families Taffy Apple Pick-up and Story Time with Max Handelman | Sunday, October 11 at 10:30am

Bring your 2-5 year olds to the Anshe Emet field to celebrate Simchat Torah! Blow some big bubbles, distance schmooze with friends, and share some stories with Max Handelman! Story time is at 11am – taffy apples and other treats will be available to take home with you. There is no charge for this celebration. Registration is required and is limited to 50 people. ***This celebration is a "shine-only" event, and will not take place in case of rain.***

OPEN SUKKAH TIMES

We want to give you a chance to sit in a sukkah! We have one large sukkah that can fit fifteen people at a time for 15 minutes. Anshe Emet will provide light snacks for everyone who comes to sit in the sukkah. Please do not bring your own food. We will also be providing a lulav and etrog (with hand sanitizer and wipes) in order to fulfill the mitzvah of shaking the lulav. To begin, we are asking people to only sign up for one of our time slots, to ensure that as many people can celebrate in the Sukkah as possible. **Can't wait to celebrate Sukkot with you!**

Saturday October 3 • 1pm – 3:30pm

Sunday, October 4 • 1pm – 3:30pm

Monday, October 5 • 4:30pm – 6pm

Tuesday, October 6 • 4:30pm – 6pm

Wednesday, October 7 • 4:30pm – 6pm

Thursday, October 8 • 4:30pm – 6pm

**Select a Sukkah time
and sign up here!**



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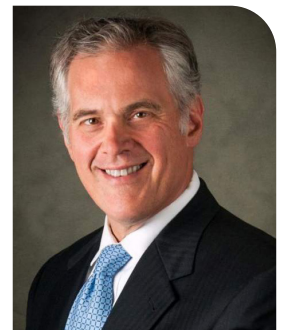
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