

Shabbat Shalom and Welcome to...

ANSHE EMET SYNAGOGUE

December 21, 2024 • 20 Kislev 5785 • Vayeshev

THIS SHABBAT



COMMUNITY
KIDDUSH
LUNCH
BLUM HALL
~12PM

MINCHA
SERVICE
MALKOV CHAPEL
1PM

We welcome you to Anshe Emet Synagogue! We hope you enjoy our worship service. If you are a visitor, please introduce yourself so we may welcome you and wish you Shabbat Shalom. Everyone is invited to join our community for Kiddush lunch following services.

Our Mission Statement: Anshe Emet Synagogue seeks to encourage involvement and create a special sense of belonging. We are committed to meeting the religious, educational, social, and cultural needs of our members within the framework of the Conservative Movement. In keeping with the teachings of Judaism and the spirit of *Klal Yisrael*, we recognize our responsibility to serve the Jewish community, the wider community and the state of Israel.

Michael S. Siegel • Senior Rabbi
Norman Asher Rabbinic Chair

Rachel Brook • Senior Cantor
The Arnold H. Kaplan, M.D. Cantorial Chair

Dror Chankin-Gould • Rabbi

Benjy Forester • Rabbi

Elizabeth Berke • Cantor

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Parsha Summary

Vayeshev • He Dwelt

We meet Joseph as a seventeen-year-old who tattles on his brothers. Jacob favors Joseph, presenting him with an ornate, colored coat. This contributes to the brothers' jealousy, as do Jacob's recurrent dreams in which his entire family bows down to Joseph. Oblivious to the fraternal hostility, Jacob sends Joseph to report on how his brothers are faring while shepherding the flocks. A mysterious man directs Joseph to Dothan, where the brothers are gathered. When they see him approach, they plan to kill him, but Reuben persuades them to throw him into a pit instead. They strip Joseph of his coat and throw him into the pit. Then, sitting to eat, they spy a band of Ishmaelite and Midianite traders passing by. Judah suggests selling Joseph into slavery rather than letting him die, and Joseph is sold for twenty pieces of silver. Jacob refuses to be comforted over the supposed "death" of his son, saying, "No, I will go down mourning to my son in Sheol." In Egypt, the Midianites sell Joseph to Potiphar, the chief steward of the pharaoh.

Meanwhile, back in Canaan, Judah marries a Canaanite woman, Shua, and they have three sons, Er, Onan, and Shelah. Judah marries his eldest son to Tamar, and when Er dies childless, marries Tamar to the next son, Onan. God kills Onan, too, and Judah hesitates before giving son number three. He tells Tamar to return to her parents' home and wait. Some years later, Judah's wife having died, he goes to Timnah. Tamar dresses like a prostitute and sleeps with Judah, demanding his staff and his ring in lieu of payment. Months later, when he hears that she is pregnant, he orders her execution when she presents his own emblems to him. He realizes that she is more in the right than he is, and she gives birth to twins, naming one Perez (the ancestor of King David and the Messiah) and the second Zerah.

Joseph, in Egypt, quickly gains the favor of his new master, becoming his assistant in the house. There, Potiphar's wife lusts after Joseph, trying to force herself on him. When she fails, she accuses him of trying to rape her. Potiphar imprisons Joseph, but even there the chief jailer favors him.

Some time later, Pharaoh's baker and his cupbearer are imprisoned. Each has perplexing dreams, which trouble them. Joseph says to them, "Surely the Eternal One can interpret dreams," and when they recount their dreams, he informs the cupbearer that Pharaoh will soon pardon him. He then tells the baker that Pharaoh will find him to be guilty and will execute him.

Events occur exactly as Joseph predicts, but the cupbearer forgets about Joseph and his abilities as soon as he is restored to high office.

The Bedside Torah: Wisdom, Visions, and Dream
Rabbi Bradley Shavit Artson

Join Our 2025 AES Purim Spiel!

HEY JEWS!

Calling all Spielers and all potential Spielers: It is time to **COME TOGETHER** for the 2025/5785 annual **PURIM SPIEL**. Together we will sing, we will dance, and we will **TWIST & SHOUT**, in service of telling the story of Esther. Most of all, we will have fun **WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM OUR FRIENDS**, set to music by **THE BEATLES**—Mordechai would be proud.

Spiel is open to all ages from 6-106, and requires only a love of performing and a desire to continue the Jewish tradition of sharing the story of Queen Esther.

No experience necessary. Rehearsals take place on Sundays at 12:30PM, beginning Sunday, January 12, with 2 performances during Purim beginning Thursday, March 13.

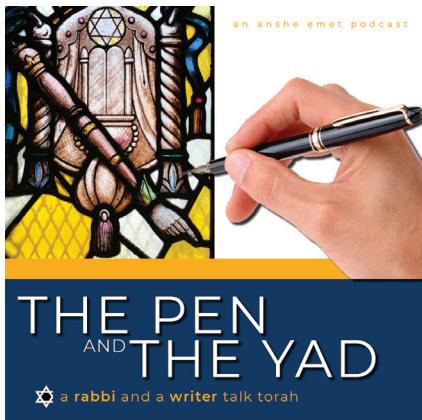


Contact Cantor Brook (rbrook@ansheemet.org) or Emma Sternberg (esternberg@ansheemet.org) to learn more and join the fun.
HERE COMES THE SUN — IT'S SPIEL TIME!

This Shabbat at AES

Welcome to morning services at Anshe Emet. We are so glad you are with us. Following services, everyone is invited to join our **Kiddush lunch in the Blum Community Hall. Mincha** will be at 1PM in the Malkov Chapel.

The Pen & The Yad Podcast



A Rabbi and a Writer Talk Torah!



Vayeshev:
Almost Is Not Good Enough In Life
With Rabbi Michael Siegel
& Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Jonathan Eig

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Torah Reading Page Numbers

Genesis Chapters 39-40

- 1st Aliyah:** p. 238, 39:1-39:6
- 2nd Aliyah:** p. 239, 39:7-39:10
- 3rd Aliyah:** p. 240, 39:11-39:18
- 4th Aliyah:** p. 241, 39:19-39:23
- 5th Aliyah:** p. 242, 40:1-40:8
- 6th Aliyah:** p. 243, 40:9-40:15
- 7th Aliyah:** p. 244, 40:16-40:23
- Maftir:** p. 244, 40:20-40:23
- Haftarah:** p. 247, Amos 2:6-3:8



Yahrzeit List

We remember those of our Anshe Emet family who are no longer with us and whose Yahrzeits we observe this week. *May their memory be for a blessing.*

Adelle Abrahamson	Benjamin Levin
Samuel Amsel	Helen W. Levin
Morris Aprison	Marilyn Levinson
Arnold Bachman	Friedel Levitan
Abraham Bedows	Edythe Levy
Jacob Beermann	Sarah Levy
Rose Brown Berenbaum	Anna Lieflander
Simon Berenson	Kenneth Light
Bernard Bernberg	Sidney Lind
Selma Berry	Matilda Mandell
Raymond Braver	Joseph G. Marcus
Laura Brenner	Catherine Markoff
Morris Brownstein	Lorie Mayer
Manucha Burton	Shael David Mesh
Moses Burton	Elias Mintz
Leo S. Cohen	Israel Nabedrick
Sara Cohen	Irving Newman
Wayne Cohen	Greg Novak
Sidney S. Cohn	Irving Novak
Sonia Cohn	Sara Lee Perlman
Betty Ebert	Rose Prince
Norman Esser	Seymour Rady
John Fink	Howard I. Ratain
Naomi Block Forschirm	Leo Reifel
Barbara Frankel	Elaine Reisin
Mary Freeman	Harvard Reiter
Joan Freeman	Pearl Reskie
Jospeh Frumkin	Louis Robinson
Mildred George	Mary Rosenblatt
Sarah Gersten	Frank Rothstein
Susanne Glink	Lazarus Rubenstein
Judy Goldberg	Rae Rubenstein Silverberg
Frieda Good	Ike Salganik
Pearl Gordon	Bill Sallerson
Shelly Gould	Barnet L. Samuel
Leo Greenfield	John Saul
Esther Groner	Bradley Saul
Jennie A. Halpern	Robert Schwartz
Louis Harris	Irwin Segal
Jeanne Hausman	Lester Shapiro
Ludwig Hecht	Meyer Shapiro
Phil Hoffberg	David S. Sher
Jacob Horrell	Bessie Siegel
Annette Issacson	Dr. Abraham M Skorodin
Louis Justice	Charles A. Smith
Raymond Kahn	Elaine M. Snitman
Julie Kaplan	Jerry Sprague
George Kay	Rachel G. Starr
Jennie Keller	Barbara Stein
Anshel Kipnis	Augusta Fay Sultan
David Kipper	Faye Tillis
Sylvia Koplin	Minnie Tumpeer
Evelyn Landau	Anna Veytsman
Marsha Leon	George Wallk
Iosif Lerner	Gertrude Zindell

We Are Here For You

Synagogue is a place where you want to feel at home, nourished, nurtured and spiritually fulfilled; a place where your soul, heart and head are touched. It is a place where you and your children feel a sense of relevance. It is a place where you are safe, where you are stimulated, and where you will find a welcoming community.

As part of this commitment, the clergy at Anshe Emet are here to help with Simchas and crises in your or your family's life.

If you know someone who needs to speak with a member of our clergy, or if you want to add a name to the Mi Sheberach list, please contact Victoria May at 773-868-5120 or VMAY@ANSHEEMET.ORG.

Names will be kept on the Mi Sheberach list for two weeks only unless otherwise specified.

Condolences

With deep regret, we inform you of these passings:

William "Bill" Wendt, on Thursday, December 12th at the residence of his significant other in Fayetteville, TN at the age of 77. Loving companion to Mary Ann Tackett. Beloved father to Jennifer (Lee) Millar, William (Nathalie) Wendt Jr, **Benjamin (Jamie) Wendt**, and Kathryn (David) Baker. Grandfather of Charles "Chaz" Harwood III, **Miriam Wendt**, and **Gabriel Wendt**. He will be missed by many friends and extended family.

Marianne Katz Perper, age 69, on December 15. She is survived by her husband, **Marc Perper**, their two daughters, **Laurel (fiancé Nick Gallagher) Perper** and **Stephanie Perper**, her brother, Dr. Richard (Martha Lessman) Katz, and her sister-in-law, **Monica Bauman**.

The Anshe Emet community extends its deepest condolences to these families at this difficult time. May you all be comforted among the mourners in Zion and Jerusalem. Amen.

Virtual Bereavement Group

Supporting our community in times of loss.

Monday, December 23 • 7:30PM • Via Zoom

Please join us every fourth Monday of the month, for our [online](#) support group for adults who have experienced the death of a loved one within the past two years.

Learn more at ANSHEEMET.ORG/EVENTS/BEREAVEMENTGROUP

Meeting ID: 170 885 666

Contact Tamar Brooks at TBROOKS@ANSHEEMET.ORG for the Zoom Password.

Special Upcoming Events



CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM AROUND THE WORLD: RABBI PETER RADVANSZKI FROM HUNGARY

**Sunday, January 12
11AM**

Join Rabbi Dror Chankin-Gould for breakfast and a discussion as he explores Judaism around the world with three rabbis representing Jewish life in three different countries. This session, we welcome Peter Radvanszki, from Hungary. Enjoy a brunch featuring traditional Hungarian foods.



CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS SHABBAT

**Friday, January 24
4:45PM**

For all AES families with children 0-7 years old, join us for a Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs themed Shabbat! Snacks & Schmoozing, Service, Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner, Activities for 0-3 year olds and 4-7 year olds!

Anshe Emet is grateful to Lisa and Brian Wolfe for their meaningful gift to underwrite this special opportunity. (Tzemah)



MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
COMMUNITY SHABBAT SERVICE & DINNER WITH TONY WESTBROOK, JR.
**Friday, January 17
6PM**

AES welcomes Tony J. Westbrook, Jr. an award-winning Jewish African-American activist, educator, and community leader, who will be our special guest in celebration of MLK Day. Join us for Shabbat Service, with a D'var Torah by Mr. Westbrook, followed by a delicious community dinner and after-dinner discussion.



MEN'S CLUB
POKER NIGHT
**Thursday, January 30
6:15PM**

Buy-in cost: \$36. A portion of proceeds will be donated to Hamaniot, an Israeli organization that helps orphans cope with trauma and loss; they are currently doing important work addressing the growing needs for services for children who have lost parents due to the ongoing conflicts. Beverages and snacks will be provided.

Shabbat Family Services

Shalom Shabbat • 9:30AM-10:15AM

Shalom Shabbat is a musical service for our kids ages 5 years old and younger, along with their grownups. We will sing, dance, and share a story to bring joy to your Shabbat.

Shachar • 10:15AM-11AM

Shachar service is an engaging Shabbat morning service for K-2nd grade students and their grownups. We will recite blessings, dance, study Torah, and make new friends.

Shabbat HaNoar • 11AM-12PM

Shabbat HaNoar is a lively musical Shabbat morning service for 3rd-5th grade students and their grownups. This service includes an age-appropriate Torah study with service participation that helps kids learn skills they will use on their B'nai Mitzvah. Shabbat HaNoar is led by a member of the AES clergy and Todd Kessler and Jeremy Raskin.

HaZAK : Senior Learning

**PLEASE NOTE: HAZAK WILL BE ON WINTER BREAK
MONDAY, DECEMBER 23 & 30. WE WILL RETURN
MONDAY, JANUARY 6. SEE YOU THEN!**

Prayer for the State of Israel Transliteration

Avinu sheh-bashamayim, tsur Yisrael v'goalo, bareikh et m'dinat Yisrael reishit ts'michat g'ulateinu. Hagein aleha b'evrat chasdekha ufros aleha sukat sh'lomekha, ushlach or'kha va'amit'kha l'rasheha sareha v'yoatseha, v'tak'neim b'eitsa tovah mil'fanekha. Chazeik et y'dei m'ginei eretz kodshainu, v'hanchileim Eloheinu y'shua, va'ateret nitsachon t'at'reim. V'natata shalom ba'arets v'simchat olam l'yosh'veha, v'nomar: Amen.

What's Happening at Anshe Emet?

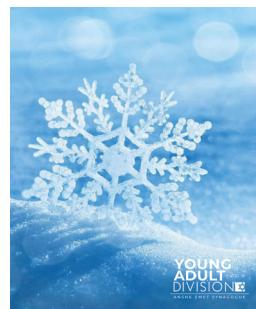


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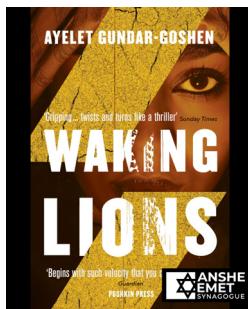
**GATHER:
KINDLING
TEVET WITH
CANDLEMAKING**
MONDAY, JANUARY 6
7PM



BABY BEGINNINGS
THURSDAYS,
JANUARY - MAY
10AM



**YAD WINTER
WONDERLAND
SHABBAT**
FRIDAY,
JANUARY 10
6PM



**ANSHE EMET
BOOK CLUB
WITH ICENTER:
WAKING LIONS BY
AYELET GUNDAR-
GOSHEN**
SATURDAY,
JANUARY 11



**JK-6TH GRADE
HAVDALAH &
PAJAMA MOVIE
NIGHT**
SATURDAY,
JANUARY 11
5:30PM



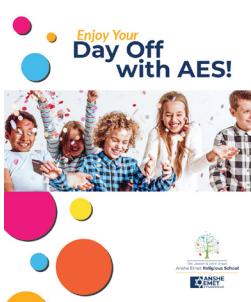
LITTLE BUILDERS
SUNDAYS,
BEGINNING
JANUARY 12
9:15AM



TEEN PICKLEBALL
SUNDAY,
JANUARY 12
12:30PM



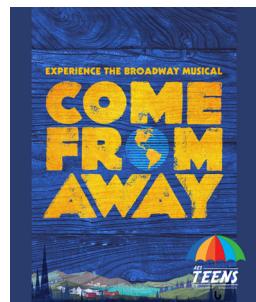
**YAD X
SHARSHERET
KICKBOXING**
SUNDAY,
JANUARY 12
12:30PM



**AES RELIGIOUS
SCHOOL DAY OFF
PROGRAM**
TUESDAY,
JANUARY 21
9AM - 5PM



**AVAAZ AT
CHICAGO
SHAKESPEARE
THEATER**
THURSDAY,
JANUARY 23
7:30PM



**COME FROM
AWAY SHOW**
SATURDAY,
JANUARY 25
5PM



**ISRAEL IN 2025:
UNPACKING THE STATE
OF WAR AND POLITICS
WITH ALEX LEDERMAN**
THURSDAY,
JANUARY 30
6PM

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