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Middletown, Connecticut  
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Dear Friends,

“But how do you say it in Jewish?” I was asked recently when talking about my head covering. “Kippah”, I replied. “Oh no, in Jewish it was something different.”

“Yarmulke, maybe?” I ventured. “Yes! That’s it.” Of course this person, having grown up with Ashkenazi Jews, had the idea that “Jewish” was the language of the Jews, which in this case, for his amazement, he learned it was called Yiddish. And he was surprised to learn, and maybe some of you would be too, that our people has many languages: Yiddish, Ladino, Aramaic, Judeo-Arabic and, of course, Hebrew.

Hebrew is a phenomenon in terms of languages. Very few, if any, languages can survive for thousands of years and still be spoken and read. The Greeks, for instance, had an incredible civilization. Yet, the people who speak modern Greek do not read or write in the way of Classic Greek today, and few, if any, could read Homer in the original without a serious amount of study and dedication. Compare this with the modern Israeli who, maybe consulting the dictionary here and there, could certainly read most of the Tanach, the Mishnah and the midrashim.

Recently I heard a podcast from the Pardes Institute, in Jerusalem. The presenter, David Bernstein, was

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## Daughter of Adath Israel

*In the late 1700s, every day rabbinic students crowded to the beth midrash—the house of Jewish religious study—in Anipoli, Ukraine, to learn from the mystical Hasidic Rabbi Zusya.*



*One day, in 1800, Zusya did not appear at the usual hour. The students waited and, finally, rushed to Zusya’s house to check on him. They found the rabbi in his bed, too ill to get up. He was dying and he was terribly upset.*

*His students felt confused. “Haven’t you taught us that all living things must die, that it is natural? Why are you upset?”*

*“Yes, it is natural to die. All living things must die,” he said.*

*A young student tried to comfort him: “Then you have no need to be upset. You have lived a life with as much faith as Abraham. You have followed the commandments as carefully as Moses.”*

*The rabbi summoned his strength to answer his students.*

*“Thank you,” he said. “But that is not why I am upset. If God asks me why I didn’t act more like Abraham, I’ll say because I am not Abraham. If he asks me why I didn’t act more like Moses, I’ll say I am not Moses.”*

*Then he paused and looked at his students. His eyes filled with tears.*

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focusing on the life of Jews in Poland in the interwar years (1917-1939) and presented two different censuses that the Polish government made, one from 1921 and another from 1931.

Among the questions of the census were “what is your religion?”; “what is your mother tongue?” and, in 1931, “what is your nationality?” It was only due to the first question that we can understand the other two. The answers to those questions are interesting questions regarding the Jews, since Jewish population in Poland in the interwar years was about 10% of the general population, and because we know that Polish Jewry was diverse and heterogeneous in those years, given the rising movements of the Haskalah, the Bundt and the Haredi Jews.

It turns out that for the second question, 80% of the Jewish responses were “Yiddish.” That is expected. What is probably not expected was a 12% “Polish” and an 8% “Hebrew”. Imagine that the respondents were 30 years old in 1921, since the census does not ask children what is happening, but adults. What it means is that we see a reflection of what was happening in Jewish houses around 1890: a sizable group was raised speaking only Polish, with no cultural linguistic connection to Judaism. And a surprising group was following, or possibly stating that they were following, the lead of Eliezer Ben-Yehuda and raising children in a house where Hebrew was being spoken again.

The third question, “what is your nationality?” comes in part because of the unification of Poland and the rise of the Polish national sentiment, and because Poland was a heterogeneous place, where Jews were not the only minority. For that one, 70% replied that their nationality was Jewish. Language brings the feeling of a common way of looking to the world, a feeling of connection and belonging.

Eliezer ben Yehuda and the Zionist movement are not solely responsible for Hebrew continued existence. The language was kept on the back burner of our national consciousness in part due to the rabbis, many of whom spoke Aramaic and Greek, but for whom the main connection with God is through the Hebrew language: the fact that our prayerbook is in Hebrew is not an accident. The impulse of keeping Hebrew alive is already found in the rabbinic writings, kept alive by Torah and prayer and from there to the kabbalists in the 16<sup>th</sup> century.

The midrash on Genesis, Bereshit Rabbah, affirms: “Just as the Torah was given in lashon ha-kodesh [Hebrew] so too the world was created with lashon ha-kodesh.” Hebrew is not called lashon kedosha, a holy language, but lashon ha-kodesh, a language that brings about holiness. The Maharal writes that since the seventy languages correspond to the seventy nations, language relates to nation. Each nation is given its special language based on its nature, as the language expresses the essence of the nation, just as speech expresses the nature of man.

The idea is that language influences a person's soul. In the Talmud Yerushalmi we find the following expressed: “Whoever is fixed in Eretz Yisrael, eats [even] his regular food in purity, speaks in lashon hakodesh and recites the Shema morning and evening – is assured to be a member of the world to come.” That is not the only way, for sure (the rabbis have at least a dozen other ways to get to the world to come that I know of), but it is emblematic of the idea that language transforms our thoughts, and reinforces our feelings of community and nationality.

The Israeli composer Ehud Manor encapsulated all this in a line of his beautiful song, Ein Li Eretz Acheret (I have no other land): “Only a word in Hebrew can penetrate my depths, my soul.”

Here in the US, knowing a second and a third language is not the norm. But for us, it should: we have a dual soul, part of which speaks English and another part that speaks Jewish. There are thousands of ways of bettering your Hebrew language skills out there. Summer is around the corner, and after that, our High Holidays come about. The long days of summer are a perfect time to find your way to begin learning Hebrew, or to spruce up your vocabulary. There are thousands of apps out there, some completely free, teaching basic Hebrew – learning Hebrew is easier and more enjoyable than at any time in human history. There is a plethora of YouTube Videos. Learn the common words in the prayerbook, so the pieces of your soul that speak Hebrew can have a turn, too.

Warmly,

Rabbi Nelly Altenburger



# **Torah Study with Rabbi Nelly**

**RABBI'S CLASS IS  
GOING ON VACATION  
AFTER JUNE 7TH;  
WILL ADVISE WHEN  
VACATION IS OVER!**

## **via Zoom**

**Every Wednesday - 10:30 AM**

**Zoom ID 837 9879 1910, Passcode 963942**

**Every Thursday - 6:00 PM**

**Zoom ID 887 326 428, Password 827527**

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*"I am upset because I have been wondering, if God asks me why I didn't **act more like Zusya**, what then will I say?"*

Story from: <https://colinbeavan.com/wise-person-worries-death-bed/>

Joanna told me this story this winter, after I called her particularly upset, saying that I'm afraid that I'll never live up to the expectations of all the leaders that came before me in our shul. As I am typing this out, I realize how ridiculous this is. But being a president, particularly one raised by this community, I lived in a constant fear of never being able to live up to expectations. And I just wanted to take the time to tell you all: instead of having that self-doubt, I just want to say thank you.

Thank you for giving me such a good childhood within these walls that I wanted to return, and make it a home in my adulthood. Thank you for giving me such great teachers, showing me your love of Torah, and letting me nosh with you at all the functions and events. Thank you for challenging me to learn so many new things about my own Jewish identity, and how to gracefully challenge others to do the same.

A handful of years ago, I couldn't say that I felt strong. In general, I felt very lost in my life and what to make of my life. But this community, this building, and all of us individually have given me purpose. I am humbled, and beyond honored to feel love whenever I walk through those doors. I am so proud to teach your children and grandchildren, be an honorary "sister" at your dinner tables, and look forward to celebrating so many simchas to come with all of you.

I am a daughter of Adath Israel, and the youngest, female president to serve a synagogue in North America. I'm a friend, aunt, dog lover, and an avid coffee drinker. And I am honored (like Rav Zusya taught us) to embrace all that made this a unique time for our community, and for me personally. I look forward to continuing to tutor and teach in the Hebrew School, and be the Membership Chair on our board in this coming year.

I know that Adam, the Executive Board, and all the board members that are participating in the coming years will add their own unique ruach, beauty, and personality to our space, and I wish them all the best of luck (they are going to do fabulously!).

Love,

Carly



The Matzah Fund Committee would like to express their grateful thanks again this year to all who generously contributed to our yearly Matzah Fund, helping to assist many Jewish families in the community at Passover.

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# PRAY EAT SING!

Join us as we honor our  
Newest Members and announce  
the Annual Scholarships recipients

**Friday, June 9th**  
**6:00 pm**

Free to members, others \$10 pp or \$18/family.

**RSVP: June 2nd**

## Why Being Jewish Is Important To Me –

By Brady Doweyko

Being Jewish is standing out. I like the idea of standing out because I feel that I am not just another person in the world that is “normal”. I like standing out having a different culture and traditions than my friends at school. I like the idea of being the only Jewish person in my school – even though I know there are two other people studying there that are Jewish.

My year is a Jewish year because I do all the holidays at home. Chanukah and Passover are my favorites. Passover because I love eating the eggs and I always make the salt water very salty. I feel that I am part of those who make the seder, and that is important to me. On Passover I spend time with my family, the part that I don’t get to see very often. You should always spend time with your family.

My grandma was in the Holocaust. When she was five and a half years old, the Holocaust started. I feel that she was important because she was part of history. And because every day at services I hear her name, during the list for the sick, I feel a bit sad. I love her a lot. Because I am part of her family tree, I feel I am connected to history.

In social studies this year, at the beginning of the year, we did a project about each person’s culture and tradition. In my project, I gave the wooden coins that were given at services last year. I gave one to each of my classmates. On the coin, there were Jewish words and the idea of loving-kindness.

Loving-kindness is important because we should use it every day, since it is the right thing to do. It is very cool that this is a Jewish value. You can also show loving-kindness by listening to people and understanding where they are coming from. Part of the way I show my loving kindness is to be generous to poor people I find in the street. Being generous is another Jewish value.

In my project I also put a yamulka (kippah), a cut out of the Israeli flag and a notepad with a star of David. I asked my classmates to say a word and transliterated that into Hebrew. So “hope” was hey-vav-pey-hey.

In every word I sing or read in my bat-mitzvah, I will do it with meaning. This is also part of loving kindness.

Summing up, being Jewish is important to be because of my family, my culture and traditions, and my values.

Mazal tov to Michaela Altenburger and her class at Solomon Schechter Day School on their trip to Israel.



Michaela

## KOLOT DUE DATE

Articles for the  
September/October  
double issue of Kolot  
are due  
**Monday, August 7.**





## Life After Loss

*a support group for young widows and widowers*

Unfortunately, there's no guide book for grief. Everyone is different, and no two people will experience grieving in the same way. From numbness to anger, from disbelief to guilt, there's no set pattern to the grieving process.

Losing someone you love is difficult at any age, but if your partner dies young, the loss may be compounded with trying to navigate moving forward while still working and raising a family.

### Topics for conversation

- Coping with feelings
- Finding meaning
- Unfinished business
- Social circles
- Family dynamics
- Unique circumstances

*This support group is **FREE**, but **registration is required**.*

For more information and to register, contact:

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This group may not be appropriate for all people grieving the loss of a loved one. It is meant for young widows and widowers who are looking for guidance and support in moving forward after their loss.

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Supports the general operation of Adath Israel

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Supports the beautification of our synagogue building and grounds and the Nester Center  
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# ANNUAL MEETING ON TUESDAY, JUNE 13 AT 7 PM.

**APPROVAL OF THE 2022 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES,  
APPROVAL OF 2023-24 BUDGET, APPROVAL OF BY-LAW  
CHANGE, ELECTION OF OFFICES**

**THE SYNAGOGUE OFFICE  
WILL BE CLOSED THE  
FOLLOWING DATES:**

**JUNE 12-16, 19, 26  
JULY 3-7, 10, 17, 24  
AUGUST 14-18**

## Office Hours

Monday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Tuesday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Thursday: 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Friday: 7:30 a.m.-Noon

The office is closed weekends, legal holidays, and Jewish holy days.

In the event of an emergency closing due to weather or public health the office will work remotely.



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Estelle & Joseph Epstein by Suzanne Epstein Goldberg  
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## **IT'S NEWS**

### **MAZAL TOV!**

On the Simchat Bat of Sophie Keo, granddaughter of Anne & David Willis

### **KOL HAKAVOD!**

Julia Poliner graduating from Glastonbury High School

### **TODAH RABAH**

**Meals & Shopping:** Harriet, Marcey, and Aaron Thiela

### **Other Acts of Kindness**

#### **Donations to**

#### **Sunday Meals Program**

Suzanne Epstein Goldberg

### **Tikkun Olam/Social Action Committee**

Susan & Doug Miller

Laying out Kolot – Michael Daling  
 Proofreading Kolot – Naomi Kamins  
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 Assembling & mailing Kolot – Aaron & Harriet Thiela  
 Taking care of our eNews and blasts – Eileen Daling

Grocery shopping - Harriet, Marcey, Aaron Thiela  
 Washing towels from the kitchen - Joanna Schnurman  
 Helping with mailings – Anita Hennessey  
 Returning bottles – Eileen & Mike Daling  
 Donating a great shopvac – Susan & Doug Miller

### **“Where there is no food there is no Torah”**

#### **Sponsoring a Kiddush**

##### **IN HONOR OF**

Sophie Keo receiving her Hebrew name by Anne & David Willis

##### **IN MEMORY OF**

Rose & John B. Nemeth by Jean & Marc Nemeth  
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#### **Supporting Pray-Eat-Sing**

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 Myra & David Finkelstein  
 Risa & Fred Zierler  
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 Sharon Neuwirth  
 Kim Anderson  
 Anita Hennessey  
 Phil Saxe

#### **Supporting the Shabbat Musukah Retreat**

Phil Saxe  
 Aaron Thiela  
 Harriet Thiela  
 Marcey Thiela  
 Leah Adler

### **SPEEDY RECOVERY**

We'd like to wish a “Refua Shleima” to the following:  
 Shana Adams, Katrina Axelrod, Sy Feldman, Phyllis Frydenberg, Paula Goldstein, Hyime Paley, Rabbi Marshal Press, David Schwarz, Stephen Shapiro, and Anne Willis

### **MAY GOD GRANT COMFORT**

Deepest sympathies to  
 Andrea Fassler on the recent loss of her son-in-law Francis “Frank” Gill Jr. z”l.

### **IN MEMORIUM**

Our sincerest condolences are extended to the families of Harold Kaplan z”l who came to his eternal rest of April 23 (2 iyar)  
 And Sharon Slossberg z”l who came to her eternal rest on May 16 (25 iyar)

May the bereaved find comfort in our community's support.

ADATH ISRAEL, MIDDLETOWN

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Pierson Cohen  
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Ruth Nisse  
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Dylan Login  
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Sherwin Borsuk  
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Julia Poliner  
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Colby Turner  
Marge Sadinsky  
Maya Shapiro-Rosado  
Leah Adler  
Paula Goldstein  
Michelle Grossman  
Roberta Glass  
Marty Levine  
Ze'ev Warner-Crane  
Sondra Beit

**July**

Brady Doweiko  
Steven Donen  
Orit Avizov  
Irena May  
Morton Pear  
Elise Bonito  
Gertrude Steele

Carrie Nemeth  
Judith Guzman  
Julie Weiss  
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Roy Massicott

**August**

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Marilyn Petroff  
Sara Glaz  
Jeffrey Gelwan  
Samuel Lerner  
Daniel Maloney  
Phyllis Wang  
Steven Perry  
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Steven Small  
Harris Friedlander  
Tovah Caron  
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Stephanie Meadow  
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**June**

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Robert Sequenzia  
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**August**

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**CELEBRATE WITH US**  
*Shabbat*  
**UNDER THE**  
*Stars*

**Friday, July 21st at 6:00 pm**

Rabbi Kohn will conduct services  
 following the cookout, (approx. 7:15).



The evening will begin with a hot dog  
 and hamburger cookout

At  
 Michelle &  
 Rick Grossman's  
 home

**Please call the synagogue office (860-346-4709)  
 to make reservations and get directions  
 no later than Thursday, June 30th  
 to insure enough attendees so  
 there is enough time to cancel, if necessary.**

**You are requested to bring your own lawn chairs.**





## Summertime and The Reading Is Easy

The book we selected for our Yom Hashoah program which ended the month of May was *Monsters and Miracles: Horror, Heroes and the Holocaust* by Ira Wesley Kitmacher. We were fortunate to have the author, Ira Kitmacher, discuss his book with us via Zoom on May 30th. The book took an interesting look at World War II and the Holocaust through the lens of Jewish folklore and specifically followed the story of Ira's father from the Warsaw Ghetto through surviving a whole series of camps. The story was also enhanced by a much different perspective, that of Ira's mother who served in the American Navy as a WAVE. Ira combined his interests in Jewish history, his family's story, folklore and superstition, the supernatural, horror and superhero stories, and movies in writing this book. If you missed this talk, please let us know and we can share a YouTube with you.

Here are our summer dates to put on your calendar:

July 11th  
August 22nd

The books for the summer have not been selected yet. Please send in your requests so that we can consider them for our summertime reading. Stay tuned for further details!

Happy Reading!

ROBERTA and HOLLY

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## A NOTE FROM MEMA

Dear Adath Israel,

Thank you, everyone for taking me where I have to go and being very helpful when I really needed it.

Thank you all synagogue people.

Love you all,  
"Mema"  
Sharon Slossberg

## ADATH ISRAEL JUDAICA MUSEUM NEEDS YOUR HELP

We are looking for volunteers to help with some very important tasks in our Judaica Museum.

### WE NEED:

1. **Docents** – individuals interested in learning what we have in our beautiful museum and are able to conduct tours as they come up.
2. **Grant writers** – individuals with good writing skills. We desperately need display and security upgrades. There are grants available, but we do not have the expertise to access them.
3. **Marketing and idea people** – who always have those special ways of creating new ideas and interesting venues.
4. **Researchers** – individuals to do some additional research on an item or two to better define their history and origins.
8. **Technophiles** – individuals who can help us move access to our collection into the 21<sup>st</sup> century by creating a digital record of our collection and methods of sharing.

For more information, please contact **Stephen Shapiro** at [StephenShapiro1942@comcast.net](mailto:StephenShapiro1942@comcast.net).



Join us for services via Zoom by using the information below or go to [adathisraelct.org](http://adathisraelct.org) & click on “How to Join Services via Zoom”



### **Daily Minyan:**

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.

Sunday 9 a.m.

New Zoom Link for ALL Daily Minyan Services

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86356469422?pwd=VVR0TWlxZDZsbUNsRTIvYm9qSEROdz09>

Dial by your location

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 863 5646 9422

Passcode: 679552

### **Shabbat Services**

Friday 7 p.m.

Shabbat Morning Services, Saturday 9:30 a.m.

New Zoom Link for both Friday & Saturday Shabbat Services

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81567273870?pwd=SkIDUEF0R2FRQ1BrUXNmd3ZocFpndz09>

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Passcode: 474612



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### **CELEBRATE JEWISH LIFE THROUGH PRAYER**

All services are in-person & via Zoom  
**Morning Minyan**

Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM, Sunday, 9:00 AM  
1st Wednesday of the month, 7:00 AM

#### Zoom Info

Meeting ID: 863 5646 9422 Passcode: 679552

#### **Shabbat Services**

Friday, 7:00 PM

Monthly Pray-Eat-Sing Services, 6:00 PM

Saturday, 9:30 AM

#### Zoom Info

Meeting ID: 815 6727 3870 Passcode:  
474612

All prayer services at Adath Israel are public events, open to the community as a whole. Members, guests, and other religious seekers who desire the warmth of Jewish prayer and the fellowship of being together are always welcome.

### **WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!**

If you or anyone you know is ill  
or in need of support,  
please let our Bikur Cholim  
(Compassionate Care)  
Committee know!

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# EARLY RISERS MINYAN



Adath Israel

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June 7th  
July 12  
August 2

7:00am

**Kiddush Breakfast Following Service**





# june 2023

## sivan/tammuz

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
			<b>*Candle lighting times for Middletown, CT</b>	1 8 a.m. Minyan 6 pm. Torah Study w/ Rabbi Nelly, Zoom  <b>12 sivan</b>	2 <b>RSVP Deadline for Pray-Eat-Sing</b> 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *8:00 p.m. <b>13 sivan</b>	3 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Pride Fest  <i>Naso</i> <b>14 sivan</b>
4 9 a.m. Minyan  <b>15 sivan</b>	5 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>16 sivan</b>	6 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Al Ateen  <b>17 sivan</b>	7 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 10 a.m. Torah Study w/ Rabbi Nelly, Zoom  <b>18 sivan</b>	8 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>19 sivan</b>	9 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Pray-Eat-Sing Shabbat Evening Services & Dinner  *8:05 p.m. <b>20 sivan</b>	10 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Beha'alotecha</i> <b>21 sivan</b>
11 9 a.m. Minyan  <b>22 sivan</b>	12 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>23 sivan</b>	13 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Annual Mtg  <b>24 sivan</b>	14 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan Journey Through the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  <b>25 sivan</b>	15 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>26 sivan</b>	16 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *8:08 p.m. <b>27 sivan</b>	17 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Shelach</i> <b>28 sivan</b>
18 9 a.m. Minyan  Father's Day <b>29 sivan</b>	19 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  Juneteenth <b>Rosh Chodesh</b> <b>30 sivan</b>	20 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Al Ateen  <b>Rosh Chodesh</b> <b>1 tammuz</b>	21 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>2 tammuz</b>	22 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>3 tammuz</b>	23 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *8:10 p.m. <b>4 tammuz</b>	24 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Korach</i> <b>5 tammuz</b>
25 9 a.m. Minyan 9:30 a.m. JWV Brunch  <b>6 tammuz</b>	26 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>7 tammuz</b>	27 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Al Ateen  <b>8 tammuz</b>	28 8 a.m. Minyan Journey Through the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  <b>9 tammuz</b>	29 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>10 tammuz</b>	30 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *8:10 p.m. <b>11 tammuz</b>	



# july 2023

## tammuz/av

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
					*Candle lighting times for Middletown, CT	1 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Chukat/Balak</i> <b>12 tammuz</b>
2 9 a.m. Minyan  <b>13 tammuz</b>	3 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>14 tammuz</b>	4 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Ateen  Independence Day <b>15 tammuz</b>	5 Office closed 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan Journey Thru the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  <b>16 tammuz</b>	6 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>17 tammuz</b>	7 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *8:09 p.m. <b>18 tammuz</b>	8 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Pinchas</i> <b>19 tammuz</b>
9 9 a.m. Minyan  <b>20 tammuz</b>	10 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>21 tammuz</b>	11 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Ateen 7 p.m. Book Club <b>22 tammuz</b>	12 8 a.m. Minyan Journey Thru the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom <b>23 tammuz</b>	13 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>24 tammuz</b>	14 <b>RSVP Deadline for Shabbat Under the Stars</b> 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *8:05 p.m. <b>25 tammuz</b>	15 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Matot-Masei</i> <b>26 tammuz</b>
16 9 a.m. Minyan  <b>27 tammuz</b>	17 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>28 tammuz</b>	18 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Ateen <b>29 tammuz</b>	19 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>Rosh Chodesh</b> <b>1 av</b>	20 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>2 av</b>	21 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Shabbat Under the Stars Shabbat Evening Services & Cookout  *8:00 p.m. <b>3 av</b>	22 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <b>Shabbat Chazon</b> <i>Devarim</i> <b>4 av</b>
23 9 a.m. Minyan  <b>5 av</b>	24 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>7 av</b>	25 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Ateen  <b>Erev Tisha B'av</b> <b>8 av</b>	26 8 a.m. Minyan Journey Thru the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  <b>Tisha B'av</b> <b>9 av</b>	27 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>10 av</b>	28 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *7:54 p.m. <b>11 av</b>	29 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services. Brady Doweiko called to the Torah  <b>Shabbat Nachamu</b> <i>Ve'etchanan</i> <b>12 av</b>
30 9 a.m. Minyan  <b>13 av</b>	31 8 a.m. Minyan  <b>14 av</b>					





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august 2023  
av/elul

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
	*Candle lighting times for Middletown, CT	1 Interfaith Golf Open 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Al Ateen  14 av	2 7 a.m. Early Risers Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom Journey Thru the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  15 av	3 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  16 av	4 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *7:46 p.m. 17 av	5 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Eikev</i> 18 av
6 9 a.m. Minyan  19 av	7 Kolot Articles Due for September/October Issue 8 a.m. Minyan  20 av	8 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Al Ateen  21 av	9 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom Journey Thru the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  22 av	10 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  23 av	11 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *7:37 p.m. 24 av	12 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Re'eh</i> 25 av
13 9 a.m. Minyan  26 av	14 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan  22 av	15 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Al Ateen  28 av	16 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom Journey Thru the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  29 av	17 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  Rosh Chodesh 30 av	18 Office closed 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *7:28 p.m. Rosh Chodesh 1 elul	19 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Shoftim</i> 2 elul
20 9 a.m. Minyan  3 elul	21 8 a.m. Minyan  4 elul	22 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Al Ateen 7 p.m. Book Club  5 elul	23 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom Journey Thru the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  6 elul	24 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  7 elul	25 8 a.m. Minyan 7 p.m. Shabbat Evening Services  *7:17 p.m. 8 elul	26 9:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Services  <i>Ki Teizei</i> 9 elul
27 9 a.m. Minyan  10 elul	28 8 a.m. Minyan  11 elul	29 8 a.m. Minyan 11 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Mah Jongg 7 p.m. Al Anon & Al Ateen  12 elul	30 8 a.m. Minyan 10:30 a.m. Torah Study, Zoom Journey Thru the Valley 3 p.m. In-person 7 p.m. In-person & Zoom  13 elul	31 8 a.m. Minyan 6 p.m. Torah Study, Zoom  14 elul		



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