

# CONGREGATION AHAVATH ACHIM



## WEEKLY BULLETIN

## Parshat Ki Sisa

March 6-13, 2015 / 15-22 Adar 5775

<b>Schedule of Services:</b>			
<b>Friday, March 6, 2015</b>			
Shacharit		6:45 AM	
Mincha/Ma'ariv		5:30 PM	
Candle Lighting		5:31 PM	
<b>Shabbat, March 7, 2015</b>			
Shabbat Shacharit		<b>9:30 AM</b>	
Latest Shema Time		9:11 AM	
Mincha		12:35 PM	
Shabbat Ends		6:33 PM	
Ma'ariv		7:00 PM	
<b>Sun-Thur, March 8-12, 2015</b>			
	<b>+ Ma'ariv * Mincha &amp; Ma'ariv</b>		<b>L O C</b>
<b>Shacharit</b>			
<b>Daylight Savings Time Begins Set Clocks AHEAD 1 Hour</b>			
Sun	8:30 AM	6:35 PM*	A
Mon	6:30 AM	7:30 PM+	K
Tue	6:45 AM	7:30 PM+	K
Wed	6:45 AM	7:30 PM+	B
Thur	6:30 AM	7:30 PM+	A
<b>Mincha at Kollel at 1:45 PM</b>			
<b>A - Ahavath Achim</b>			
<b>B - Bikur Cholim on</b>			
<b>Park &amp; Capitol Ave., Bpt</b>			
<b>K - Kolllel on Arlington St., Bpt</b>			
<b>Friday, March 13, 2015</b>			
Shacharit		6:45 AM	
Candle Lighting		6:39 PM	
Mincha/Ma'ariv		6:40 PM	
<b>Page Numbers:</b>			
<b>Torah Reading</b>			
Shemos		Pages:	
30:11-34:35		484-515	
<b>Haftarah</b>			
I Kings		Pages:	
18:1-39		1160-1162	

**Daylight Savings Time is Here:** Late sunrise, late sunset. It's a little harder to get up for the morning Minyan for the next few weeks. Please make the effort and join us for the weekday Minyan. Only your presence can **Help Make Our Minyan Strong!**

**Temporary Change in Shabbat Davening Time:** We are concluding the temporary Shabbat service start time of 9:30 this week. Daylight Savings Time is in effect the next week and the normal Shabbat schedule, with Shacharit at 9 am, and normal afternoon Mincha/Ma'ariv times, will resume.

**Shabbat Early Mincha:** We will gather in the shul for Rabbi Meth's pre-Mincha class following Kiddush. Mincha will follow at approximately 12:35 pm. Ma'ariv will be at 7:00 pm, in order to allow people to drive back to shul. Please remember to recite "**Baruch hamavdil bein kodesh l'chol**" in order to end Shabbat before driving or doing other work that is prohibited on Shabbat.

**The Rabbi's Corner:** What is a difference between angels and humans? Humans have knees, but angels do not. Humans can bend, they can fall, they can lower themselves, and they can shrink. Angels stand tall and proud, immutable, forever. But angels cannot jump. Just as their immutability prevents them from falling, it prevents them, too, from rising, from transcending. The knees bend, the body lowers, and then man is aloft, he is airborne. Fall comes before the pride. Sometimes triumph doesn't merely follow defeat, or success follow failure, but the success grows organically from the failure, and without the failure, success would be impossible. Have a wonderful week, and a very happy Purim! ... Rabbi Meth

**Shabbat Honors:** Would you like to participate in the Shabbat service? Lead a service, Lain Torah or Haftarah? Would you like an Aliyah? Please let one of the Gabbaim know so they can reserve your space.

**Preparing for the Holidays:** Rabbi Meth will be giving a series of classes in preparation for Passover on three Shabbatot, March 14, March 21, & March 28, on "How We Can Enjoy and Appreciate Passover." Study with us how to maximize the meaning of the Pesach experience, and reclaim your Passover as a meaningful and enjoyable holiday.

**Shabbat Across America - Friday night, March 13th:** Have you called Rebecca Goldberg to register to be a host family for Shabbat Across America on Friday night, March 13th? Do you know someone who would like to be hosted? Rabbi Ephraim Meth will be giving a presentation on the beauty of Friday night davening, which you won't want to miss. Don't delay, call Rebecca and let her know you want to participate in SAA with CAA.

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**Purim Megillah Reading and Party- Wednesday night, March 4.** We look forward to everyone enjoying the celebration of Purim together with friends and family as we listen to the Megillah, read this year by Rabbi Yitzchak Elchonen of the Kollel, and we all join together in friendship and unity to observe the Mitzvot and Fun of Purim. Light refreshments after Megillah reading in Zimmer Hall. Mishloach Manot baskets will be available.

**Ta'anis Esther Schedule:**

Fast Begins	5:01
Shacharit	6:30
Mincha (at Bikur Cholim)	5:15
Ma'ariv/Megillah (at Ahavath Achim)	6:45
Fast ends	6:27

**Kollel Konnection – Upcoming Events at the Bridgeport Community Kollel:** Come and help make these events a success for the Kollel and our whole Community:

- **Shabbat Afternoon, March 7** – Women’s Seudat Shlishit welcoming the Women of The Traveling Chasidim. 5:00 pm at the home of Rabbi Shlomo and Esty Pepper, 2600 Park Ave, Apt 1B.
- **Saturday Night, March 7** – Community Wide Havdallah Concert by The Traveling Chasidim. 7:30 pm at the Bridgeport Community Kollel, 85 Arlington Street. RSVP: \$15 at the door. [www.BridgeportKollel.com](http://www.BridgeportKollel.com).

**Thank you to everyone who has participated in our Mishloach Manot project.** With your help we are happy to announce another successful fundraiser. Thank you to Renee Mizrahi and her helpers, Eliana Mizrahi, Rebecca Goldberg, Goldie Librach and Elaine Schiller for planning, shopping and assembling the Purim Baskets. Still, the most fun job and big mitzvah is still ahead. Please call Renee (203-365-0080) to help deliver baskets. Baskets will be available in Zimmer Hall for pickup Wednesday night and Thursday.

**Make a Difference in Israel's Future: World Zionist Congress Election awaits your vote:** A strong Religious Zionist Slate delegation in the World Zionist Congress is the only way to ensure that all policy, programming and funding decisions for the world’s major Zionist organizations are made with Torah values in mind. Go to the WZC, OU, or your religious Zionist organization’s web site; \$10 is a small contribution to cast your vote and Make a Difference in Israel's Future.

**Current Events:** Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu will speak on behalf of Israel at AIPAC and at a joint session of Congress just before Purim. Some people say that timing can be a sign. Let us pray it is a good sign

**Bikur Cholim Father/Son Learning Program:** The Father/Son Learning program at Bikur Cholim has concluded for now. We will let you know when it resumes.

**Refuah Sheleimah to:** *Kenneth Epstein, Rabbi Moshe Epstein, Yitzy Hain, Herman Kraut, Fred Schwartz, Bryan Seedman, and Diane Shinbaum.* May G-d grant each a speedy and complete recovery.

**Yahrtzeits for the week:**

Saturday, March 7 – <b>Doron Loeser</b> (Mother)	Wednesday, March 11 – <b>Bernard Goldberg</b> (Father)
Saturday, March 7 – <b>Michael London</b> (Mother)	Wednesday, March 11 – <b>Mark Breiner</b>
Monday, March 9 – <b>Jay Dimand</b> (Grandfather)	Friday, March 13 – <b>Mark Breiner</b> (Grandfather)

Yahrtzeits begin at Ma’ariv the evening before. Please make an extra effort to ensure a minyan for those saying Kaddish. **Be there for others, and they’ll be there for you.**

If you would like an Aliyah on the Shabbat before the Yahrtzeit, please make sure you are in Shul before Torah Reading. If you arrive late, we cannot guarantee you an honor.