



# Congregation Zera Abraham

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*\* Please remember to repeat Krias Shema after tzeis. \**

## Friday Night Minyan

This Week: Pesach First Day, March 25<sup>th</sup>  
Candlelighting: **7:04, Mincha: 7:09**

## Mazel Tov and Open House

To the Rov and Rebbetzin and to Rabbi and Mrs. Tzvi Mordechai upon the engagement of their children, Shmuel Dovid and Malka.

May they have much yiddishe nachas!

All are invited to come wish Mazel Tov to the Chosson and the Kallah this Tuesday night from 7:30 – 9:00 pm at the Rov and Rebbetzin's home, 1395 Yates Street.

## Meoros Hagedolim Program

Each week, stories and anecdotes will be shared about a different Gadol, giving us all the opportunity to come to learn about and appreciate our Gedolim of yesterday and today. Each participant will receive a photo of the Gadol discuss that week to bring home.

The next Meoros HaGedolim will take place on Shabbos/Acharon shel Pesach. HaRav Moshe Aharon Stern zt"l, Kaminetzer Mashgiach, will be presented by Rabbi Chaim Sher at 6:25 followed by Mincha at 7:00.

## “Neitz” Minyan

The early Minyanim for Shachris during Chol HaMoed will be davening with the Neitz. See schedule below for times. Chap arein a mitzvah c'vasikin!

## Two Daily Shachris Minyanim

Through bein hazemanim there is a **second** daily Minyan for Shachris before and after Yom Tov and on Chol HaMoed at 8:00 am.

## Two Daily Mincha Minyanim on Chol Hamoed

Each day of Chol HaMoed there will two Minyanim for Mincha in the Shul, at 6:00 and at 7:15 pm.

## Two Daily Maariv Minyanim

The first Minyan for Maariv takes place at the regular time after Mincha. The second Minyan for Maariv takes place year round at 8:30 pm.

## Playground Fence

Boruch Hashem, this application has been approved, and the fence will be installed soon!

## Chol Hamoed Breakfast and Learn!

For All Men and Bochorim. Each Day of Chol HaMoed, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday following the 8:00 Shachris, come enjoy a delicious breakfast in the Shul, followed by a Seder and a Shiur. Feel the power of Chol HaMoed by infusing it with a strong seder - first thing in the morning!

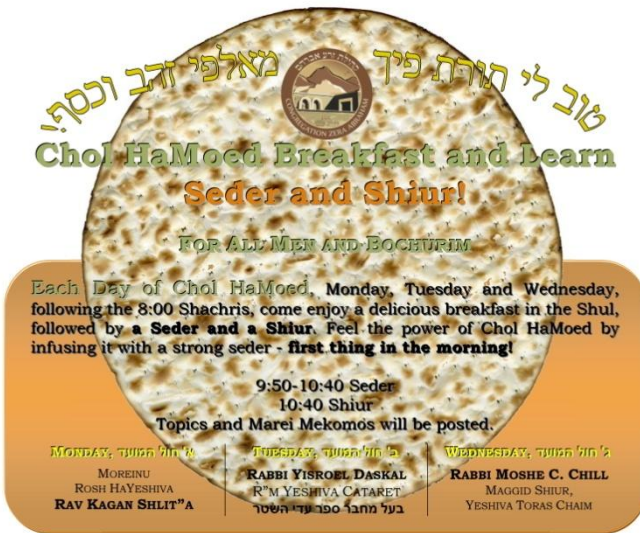
9:50-10:40

Seder, 10:40 Shiur. Topics and Marei Mekomos will be posted.

**Monday**, חול המועד א' Moreinu HaRosh HaYeshiva Rav Kagan shlit"א

**Tuesday**, חול המועד ב' Rabbi Yisroel Daskal.

**Wednesday**, חול המועד ג'



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9:50-10:40 Seder

10:40 Shiur

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א' חול המועד, יום ראשון  
MOREINU  
ROSH HAYESHIVA  
RAV KAGAN SHLIT"א

ב' חול המועד, יום שני  
RABBI YISROEL DASKAL  
R"m YESHIVA CATARET  
בעל מחבר ספר עדי המטר

ג' חול המועד, יום שלישי  
RABBI MOSHE C. CHILL  
MAGGID SHIUR,  
YESHIVA TORAS CHAIM

Rabbi Moshe Chaim Chill.

## Bein HaZemanim Daily Daavening Times

<b>Shachris</b> .....	<b>M, Th</b> .....	<b>6:10, 8:00</b>
	<b>Tu, W, F</b> .....	<b>6:20, 8:00</b>
	<b>Chol Hamoed</b> .....	<b>6:10 (Neitz), 8:00</b>
<b>Mincha</b> .....	<b>before Yom Tov</b> .....	<b>7:05 pm</b>
	<b>Chol HaMoed</b> .....	<b>6:00 and 7:15 pm</b>
	<b>after Yom Tov</b> .....	<b>7:20 pm</b>
<b>1st Maariv</b> .....		<b>following Mincha</b>
<b>2nd Maariv</b> .....		<b>8:30 pm</b>

## Neilas HaChag

Let us join together for the Neilas HaChag, on the last day Yom Tov, after Mincha, with song and food. Divrei Hisorerus by special guest speaker, **Rabbi Shloime Blech, R"m Bais Medrash L'Torah, Lakewood, NJ.** Please bring your leftover packaged Yom Tov food with a Vaad approved hechsher.

## Birchas HaIllanos

With Nissan upon us, we are waiting for the fruit trees to blossom to recite the Bracha.

If you have a blossoming fruit tree upon which people may come to make the bracha, would you kindly let us know by sending an email to [zera.abraham@gmail.com](mailto:zera.abraham@gmail.com), so we can publish it in a blurb in the next newsletter. Thank you!

Feel free to come and recite a bracha upon the peach tree to the right of the driveway of the Rov's home, 1395 Yates Street, or upon several fruit trees in the backyard of the Simblist home 1316 Tennyson Street.

### Shiras HaYam Tisch

Come back to Shul after your Leil Shvii Shel Pesach Seuda (Thursday Night) for a Shiras HaYam Tisch. Enjoy a hot glass of tea, Divrei Hisorerus by TBA, followed by the Recitation of Az Yashir and Nigunnim ארץ ישראל כמנהג ארץ ישראל. 9:45 pm. For men, women and children.

### Shiurim Series in Nach

We express great gratitude to R' Yoil Unger for the second part of the unique and excellent shiur, now on Sefer Shmuel. This series will continue after Pesach.

### Chol HaMoed Amusement

The Great Big Pesach Adventure, First Day Chol Hamoed Pesach, Monday, April 2nd from 11am-5pm. Exclusive to the Jewish community at Heritage Amusement Park. For more information and to buy tickets, please visit [www.chabadcolorado.com/Pesachor](http://www.chabadcolorado.com/Pesachor) call 303-329-0213. A community event sponsored by Bais Menachem.

### Baby Equipment Gemach

The Sarala Krigsman Baby Gemach is up and running. This Gemach is fully stocked with brand new equipment and supplies, including: car seats (infant, toddler, booster), snap and go frame, single stroller, pack and plays, portable swing, doorway jumper, highchair that attaches to regular chair, hiking backpack and baby bath. For further information, please contact Mrs. Elisheva Zeiger at 303-893-0075 or [eszeiger@gmail.com](mailto:eszeiger@gmail.com).



### Erev-Pesach Chometz Disposal

As in past years, the Shul has again arranged for a special chometz garbage pickup at the Shul. Please bear in mind, this is intended for chometz only. In the past too much other items have been brought creating an unfavorable situation. Details to follow.

### Pirkei Avos for Women

Pirkei Avos for women will resume each Shabbos afternoon in the Ezras Nashim. On Shabbos Parshas Shmini, the Shiur will be delivered by Rabbi Eli Krausz.

### Pirkei Avos for Men

Starting Parshas Acharei, the Rov will deliver a shiur each Shabbos afternoon, 15 minutes before Mincha.

### A Dvar Torah from our "Adopted Kollel" Kollel Aish Tamid in Neve Yaakov, Yerushalaim. Rav Calev Unger, Menahel

When Moshe Rabeinu asked Pharaoh to send out the Jews, Pharaoh replied "Who is Hashem that I should listen to His voice?" With over 600,000 children of Avraham, Yitchok, and Yaakov living in his country, and with all that Yosef did for them, did Pharaoh really have no idea who Hashem is?

When Moshe Rabeinu spoke to Hashem at the sneh (burning bush), he asked "What shall I respond to the Bnei Yisrael when they ask me "What is the name of the G-D who sent you?"

Why would they ask this and what was the significance of Hashem's response that Moshe should say "Ekyeh (Alef-Hey-Yud-Hey) sent me"?

The Arizal explains that the Zohar points out the significance of the name "Ekyeh" is that there are things that have not yet come to fruition that Hashem is constantly developing until the time is ripe to bring them. Hence the name "Ekyeh" means "I will become", not that "I presently am."

The tetragrammaton-the four letter Name of Hashem that we usually refer to, connotes a constant state of being, not becoming.

When the Bnei Yisrael were asking for Hashem's Name they were really asking "Is this it? Is this the way things are supposed to be? Where is Hashem's hashgacha and the promise of redemption?"

To that Hashem replied "Tell them that they have the wrong reference. Don't refer to me as The One Who Is, but rather as The One Who Will Bring a new situation into being."

Pharaoh also was saying the same thing. "I don't see Hashem taking care of His people. This is the way things are, so why should I listen?"

If one examines the pasuk that mentions Pharaoh's response, you will notice that the standard 4 letter Name of Hashem is used. Pharaoh did not fathom that there were things taking place behind the scenes, that Hashem was bringing about a new state of becoming. i.e. *Pharaoh was using the wrong Name!*

The truth is, it goes even deeper than that, says the Arizal. Even Moshe Rabeinu did not fully grasp this concept at the start. The Pasuk says that Hashem saw that Moshe Rabeinu was "sar liros"(he turned to see) the burning bush. The gematriya of the word "sar" is 260- 10 times the gematriyah of the regular Name of Hashem. Moshe Rabeinu thought that the Bnei Yisrael would have to endure this state of galus for 260 years and only then could a change be rendered. Hashem replied to him that he was looking at thing with the wrong lens. This is not a state of being, but rather a state of becoming. The gematriyah of the Name "Ekyeh (Alef-Hey-Yud-Hey) is 21. The galus of Mitzrayim only has to last 10 times the gematriyah of *this* Name, and after only 210 years, not 260, the Bnei Yisrael will be ready to become My Am Kadosh!

May it be Hashem's ratzon that just as then, so too in our days, may we be zocheh to arrive at the fruition of what Klal Yisrael is destined to become.

*The Roshei Kollel, Avrechim, and families of Kollel Aish Tamid wish to extend their thanks and best wishes for a wonderful Yomtov to the Rov and the entire community. Pesach Kasher V'Sameach!*

**Save the Date: Westside Bar-B-Q**

Keep your calendar clear for the Annual Bar-B-Q to take place on Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at Citizen's Park!

**Parsha Delight and ספר מטעמי זרע אברהם**

See the question below on the Parsha. Offer an acceptable answer to the Rov at the kiddush and receive a chocolate! Each week the answers for the previous week's Parsha Delight question will be printed in the newsletter. At the end of the year we will publish a compilation of the questions and answers. This program is for ages 5-105. Sponsored by East Side Kosher Deli.

**Kashrus Alerts**

**Program for Bochorim**  
**מאורות הגדולים**  
**Develop an Appreciation of our Gedolim of Yesterday and Today!**

Each Shabbos, 35 minutes before Mincha.  
 Each week one specific Gadol will be described with stories and anecdotes.

Each bochur that attends will receive a picture of the Gadol discussed that week.  
 For grades 3 and up.

Shabbos Acharon Shel Pesach  
**HaRav Moshe Aharon Stern זצ"ל**  
**Kaminetzer Mashgiach**  
 Presented by Rabbi Chaim Sher  
 6:25 pm  
 In the Ezras Nashim followed by Mincha at 7:00 pm

East Side Kosher Deli Broccoli Kugel erroneously bears a ScrollK Kosher for Passover marking, while it contains kitniyos. (Item may be returned to store for a full refund.)

**Newsletter E-mail List and Contact Information**

Please e-mail all contributions, mazel tovs, sponsorships, etc. to [zera.abraham@gmail.com](mailto:zera.abraham@gmail.com) no later than Wednesday evening. E-mail ensures that nothing will be left out or misspelled. All entries will run for one week unless otherwise specified. The Shul reserves the right to omit or amend any submissions. To be added to the e-mail distribution list, please send an e-mail requesting to be included.

**Friday, Erev Shabbos/ Erev Pesach and 1st Night, March 30**

Daf Yomi .....	R' Yisroel Yanez.....	5:20
Shachris .....		6:20, 8:00
Siyum Bechorim .....		after each Shachris
Finish eating Chometz by (Magen Avrohom/Gra) .....		10:31/10:58
Community Biur Chometz .....		starting 10:45
Finish getting rid of Chometz by (Magen Avrohom/Gra) .....		11:48/12:01
Candlelighting .....		7:04
Mincha.....		7:09
Divrei Torah.....		bet Mincha/Maariv
Maariv (followed by quick Hallel).....		7:35
Earliest for Seder (50 Minutes).....		8:12
Chatzos .....		1:04 am

**Shabbos, 1st Day Yom Tov and 2nd Night, March 31**

Shachris .....		8:45
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....		9:14, 9:54
Sefer HaChinuch .....	Rabbi Erlanger .....	4:30
Daf Yomi .....	Rabbi Seligman .....	5:00
Gemara Maseches Pesachim .....	Rabbi Rosskamm .....	6:00
Sugya of Kiddush on Shabbos .....	Rav Steinberg .....	6:00
Mincha.....		7:00
Divrei Torah.....		bet Mincha/Maariv
Maariv (followed by quick Hallel).....		7:35
Begin Prep for next Day and Earliest for Seder (50 Minutes).....		8:13
Chatzos .....		1:04 am

**Sunday, 2nd Day Yom Tov, April 1**

Shachris .....		8:45
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....		9:13, 9:54
Kinyan Masechta Kesubos.....	Rav Steinberg .....	6:10
Daf Yomi .....	Rabbi Seligman.....	6:10
Mincha.....		7:10
Divrei Torah.....		bet Mincha/Maariv
Maariv .....		8:14

**Monday-Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Day Chol Hamoed, April 2- 4**

Daf Yomi .....	R' Yisroel Yanez.....	5:20
Shachris .....		Mon 6:20 (Neitz-6:43) and 8:00
.....		Tues 6:15 (Neitz-6:41) and 8:00
.....		Wed 6:15 (Neitz-6:40) and 8:00
1 <sup>st</sup> Mincha.....		6:00
Kinyan Masechta Kesubos.....	Rav Steinberg .....	6:15-7:15
2 <sup>nd</sup> Mincha .....		7:15
1 <sup>st</sup> Maariv.....		@ 7:38
2 <sup>nd</sup> Maariv.....		8:30

**Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> Day Chol Hamoed and Erev Yom Tov, April 5**

Daf Yomi .....	R' Yisroel Yanez.....	5:20
Shachris .....		6:10 (Neitz-6:38) and 8:00

**Eruv Tavshilin**

Earliest candlelighting .....		6:09
Mincha/Maariv .....		6:15
Shiras HaYam Tisch.....		9:45

**Friday, Erev Shabbos and 1<sup>st</sup> day of Second Days Yom Tov, April 6**

Shacharis .....		8:30
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....		9:08, 9:49
Daf Yomi .....	Rabbi Seligman.....	5:15
Kinyan Masechta Kesubos.....	Rav Steinberg .....	5:15
Earliest Candelighting .....		6:09
Mincha/ <b>Early Kabolos Shabbos</b> .....		6:15
18 minutes Candle Lighting.....		7:11

**Shabbos, 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of Second Days Yom Tov, April 7**

Mishna Berura Hilchos Yom Tov .....	Rav Steinberg .....	8:00
Shacharis .....		8:30
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....		9:07, 9:48
Yizkor .....		after 10:15
Sefer HaChinuch.....	Rabbi Erlanger .....	4:30
Daf Yomi .....	Rabbi Seligman.....	5:00
Gemara Maseches Pesachim .....	Rabbi Rosskamm.....	6:00
Sugya Kiddush on Shabbos.....	Rav Steinberg .....	6:00
<b>Meoros HaGedolim.....</b>	<b>Rabbi Sher .....</b>	<b>6:25</b>
Mincha.....		7:00
Neilas HaChag/Shalosh Seudos .....	Rabbi Shlome Blech.....	following Mincha
Maariv .....		8:20

**Shabbos Davening and Learning (Parshas Shmini)**

Likras Shabbos .....	Rabbi Berkowitz ...	6:00
Candlelighting (Earliest, 18 Minutes).....		6:15, 7:18
Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos .....		6:30
Mishna Berura .....	Rav Steinberg .....	8:00
Shacharis.....		8:30
Sof Zman Krias Shema .....		9:07, 9:42
Sefer HaChinuch.....	R' Hillel Erlanger ..	4:15-4:45
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoil Unger .....	4:45-5:45
Pirkei Avos for Women.....	Rabbi E. Krausz ...	5:00
Shiur Maseches Pesachim.....	Rabbi Rosskamm.	5:45-6:45
Sugya Kiddush on Shabbos.....	Rav Steinberg .....	5:45-6:45
<b>Meoros HaGedolim .....</b>	<b>Rabbi Sher .....</b>	<b>6:25</b>
Pirkei Avos for Men .....	Rav Steinberg .....	6:45
Mincha .....		7:00
Maariv .....		8:27
Tefilla Shiur .....	Rabbi Hoffman .....	after maariv

**Weekday Davening**

Shacharis Sunday.....		6:30, <b>8:00</b>
..... Monday and Thursday .....		6:10, <b>8:00</b>
..... Tues. Wed. and Friday .....		6:20, <b>8:00</b>
Mincha .... Sunday-Thursday.....		<b>7:25</b> followed by shiur
1 <sup>st</sup> Maariv Sunday-Thursday.....		after Mincha
2 <sup>nd</sup> Maariv Sunday-Thursday.....		8:30
Daf Yomi .....	R' Yoil Unger .....	M-F .....5:20 am
.....	R' Yoil Unger .....	Sun .....7:20 am
Kinyan Masechta Kesubos...Rav Steinberg .	M-Th.....	7:30-8:30 pm
Kinyan Masechta Review.....Rav Steinberg .	Sun.....	9:00 am
Chabura Michtav M'Eliyahu .R' Y. Yanez.....	Sun.....	6:20 pm
Night Seder.....	Sun-Thurs....	7:30 pm
Partners in Torah.....	Tues .....	7:30 pm