



CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 5 (Shabbat Parah)

Candle Lighting 5:34 p.m.
 Kabbalat Shabbat 5:35 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Torah Reading: KI TISA
 Exodus 30:11-34:35

FRIDAY, MARCH 12 (Shabbat HaChodesh)

Candle Lighting 5:42 p.m.
 Kabbalat Shabbat 5:45 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Torah Reading: VAYAKHEL- PEKUDAI
 Exodus 35:1-40:38

Move Clocks One Hour Ahead

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

Candle Lighting 6:47 p.m.
 Kabbalat Shabbat 6:50 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Torah Reading: VAYIKRA
 Leviticus 1:1-5:26
 Anniversary/Birthday Shabbat

PASSOVER SERVICES

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

Fast of the First Born (Siyum) 6:45 a.m.
 Search for Chametz after 8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26 (Shabbat HaGadol)

Pesach Forshpeis via Zoom 11:00 a.m.
 Candle Lighting 6:57 p.m.
 Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Torah Reading: TZAV
 Leviticus 6:1-8:36
 Minchah/Maariv 7:00 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 7:57 p.m.

FIRST SEDER AFTER DARK

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Minchah/Maariv 7:00 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 7:57 p.m.

SECOND SEDER AFTER DARK

MONDAY, MARCH 29

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.

CHOL HAMOED SERVICES

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

Shacharit 6:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

Shacharit 6:45 a.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

Shacharit 6:45 a.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

Shacharit 6:45 a.m.
 Yizkor Forshpeis via Zoom 11:00 a.m.
 Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 7:04 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Mincha/Maariv 7:05 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 8:04 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
YIZKOR MEMORIAL SERVICE WILL BE RECITED

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 7:11 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Torah Reading: SHEMINI
 Leviticus 9:1- 11:47
 Anniversary Shabbat

FRIDAY, APRIL 16

Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 7:19 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
**Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Simon Samuelson
 Son of Meredith and Matthew Samuelson**
 Torah Reading: TAZRIA-METZORA
 Leviticus 12:1- 15:33

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 7:26 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Birthday/Family Shabbat
 Torah Reading: ACHAREI MOT- KEDOSHIM
 Leviticus 16:1-20:27

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

Kabbalat Shabbat 7:00 p.m.
 Candle Lighting 7:33 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 1

Shacharit 9:30 a.m.
 Torah Reading: EMOR
 Leviticus 21:1-24:23



Rabbi
Bruce Ginsburg

WITH A TOUCH OF THE HAND

The great Chassidic master, Rabbi Yitzchak of Vorki, once described the special power his own rebbe had over him.

“My teacher, Rabbi Simchah Bunem of Pshischah” he said, “had the same effect on people as did the prophet Elijah; for Elijah came across the peasant farmer, Elisha, and by simply casting his mantle over him, instantaneously transformed him into a visionary. So, too, with Rabbi Simchah Bunem. When he took a man’s hand into his own, that man was infused with inspiration. His heart was ignited with love for the Almighty and his mind endowed with unquenchable thirst for Torah.”

What a remarkable gift! Rabbi Simchah Bunem was capable of more than conquering cities. He conquered hearts.

As we welcome the prophet Elijah to our Seder tables, let us be moved by his example. Like Rabbi Simchah Bunem, may we be blessed with the power to warm the souls of others with the very touch of our hands.

Rachel joins me in wishing you a Chag Pesach Kasher v’Sameach!

Rabbi Bruce Ginsburg

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President
Mark Kavarsky

THE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

By any measure, anti-Semitism is on the rise, both globally and here, in the United States. There is of course the horrific violence that makes headlines. But the truth is that most anti-Semitism in this country happens without much fanfare. In a new survey from the American Jewish Committee, nearly nine out of ten American Jews believe anti-Semitism is a problem in the United States. And, more than four out of five believe it has increased over the past five years.

The Passover celebration underscores powerful themes of strength, hope and triumph over adversity and anti-Semitism. In the face of social distancing and limited synagogue services, people will be forced to improvise and Pesach will take on even more significance as people celebrate apart. Moreover, a surge of anti-Semitic rhetoric and violence is tamping down the joy of the Passover holiday.

“There are forces of anti-Semitism from the right wing, and forces of anti-Semitism from the left wing, and those voices are getting louder and louder,” said Rabbi Charles Klein of the Merrick Jewish Centre. “There is a sense today that those who hate feel they have permission to express it.” Indeed, that which binds the Jewish community together is the lingering sense that anti-Semitism is never far from us.

During the Seder service, we read aloud from the Haggadah, “In every generation they rise against us and seek our destruction.” As incidents of anti-Semitism impact our families, the need for a vehicle to teach our guests about this subject is more than ever essential. With Passover, we have an opportunity to approach smaller, modified and/or Zoom Seders as a means to tell the story of anti-Semitism.

Dr. Erica Brown is an associate professor at George Washington University’s Mayberg Center for Jewish Education and Leadership. She suggests that we include the following prayer at our Seder:

“Shield us from the forces of hate and evil that continue to hurt and imperil us without reason. On this Seder night, we remember our brothers and sisters who died in the name of baseless hatred in Pittsburgh and Kansas, in Europe and Israel and across the globe. May we heighten our acts of kindness to honor their sacred memory. Their empty chairs at the Passover Seder remind us of our obligation to speak out about all hate and injustice. And, let us watch over each other with love and without judgment.”

In closing, anti-Semitism is a great concern especially as we move further away from the lessons of the Holocaust. The Jewish people must be ever vigilant against this hatred. Of course, no hatred should be tolerated and no one should suffer because of who they are or what they believe. Anti-Semitism does not exist in a vacuum. Those who hate Jews usually hate others as well. Therefore, we must fight not only against anti-Semitism, but also against all forms of prejudice and hatred when it manifests itself in public life, the media, in schools, the workplace and in our religious centers.

FYI,
Please be advised that we are happy to report that we have received full forgiveness for our PPP loan application. We have already applied for a second PPP loan. We thank Howard Brenner, Harriet Gefen and Cathy Eagar (our bookkeeper) for their efforts.

We congratulate Harriet Gefen on enabling us to receive the NYS Forward Cares II reopening and temporary operating assistance grants for our Ganoni Preschool. We thank State Senator Todd Kaminsky for his assistance in securing the grants.

On behalf of the Kavarsky Family,
Chag Pesach Sameach!

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on the bar mitzvah of their son, grandson,
BENJAMIN SIMON SAMUELSON

RITA PALLEY
on the birth of her great-granddaughter, Miryam Slater

MEET OUR BAR MITZVAH
Saturday, April 17

BENJAMIN SIMON SAMUELSON,
son of **Meredith and Matthew Samuelson**



As a seventh grade student at Woodmere Middle School, Ben places ELA and Science at the top of his favorite subjects list. His extracurricular interests are many and diverse. Although he loves all sports and outdoor activities such as football, exploring the Five Towns by bicycling with friends, skiing and snowboarding, he is truly renowned for his prowess as a baseball catcher on the Hewlett Woodmere Little League team. In addition to sports, Ben plays oboe, enjoys video games, and according to his parents, he is an animal “whisperer”. He absolutely adores his cats Oliver and Winter and dog, Teddy.

To our Cong. Sons of Israel family, Ben is a third generation CSOIer. His mother, Meredith and uncle, Brian attended our Hebrew School and celebrated their Bat and Bar Mitzvah at our synagogue. His maternal grandmother, Dr. Judith Kaplan was an adult Bat Mitzvah through our Woodmere Sisterhood. Ben has the distinction of attending CSOI almost since birth! In fact, he began his Jewish education in our Ganoni Preschool at the age of 17 months! The Samuelson family has attended many CSOI programs including Paam B'Chodesh Family Events, High Holiday Family services, annual Sukkot Pizza in the Hut and other Shabbat/holiday programs. As a student since Pre-K in our Morgenstern school, Ben most certainly makes his presence and opinions known! He loves learning about the Parshiyot (Torah portions) and he is an active participant in discussions in Morah Dina Teichman's classes.

In addition to his close relationship with his brother, Eliot, age 9, Ben enjoys spending time with his family members including his cousins. He loves vacationing with his maternal and paternal grandparents in Saratoga and Montauk, respectively and has traveled with them to Orlando, Alaska, Vermont and Mexico.

In this challenging year, it will be particularly joyous to celebrate Ben's bar mitzvah together in our synagogue sanctuary. We know that he will make us all very proud as he perfectly chants the Haftorah in honor of his becoming a Bar Mitzvah. May his parents and the entire extended Samuelson/ Kaplan families continue to derive much nachas from him. We wish them all a sincere Mazal Tov on this beautiful milestone.

PASSOVER GUIDE 5781

In Exodus 12:15-20 the Bible prohibits us from eating chamets during Pesach. The word chamets, which is generally translated as “leaven,” refers to food prepared from five species of grain - wheat, barley, oats, spelt, and rye - that has been allowed to rise. To these, Ashkenazic Rabbis added rice, beans, peas, lentils, corn, maize, millet and mustard.

Accordingly, it is forbidden to eat anything made from those specified vegetables or anything made from forbidden sources such as beer or liquor. Nonetheless, there is a wide variety of foods, which may be eaten on Pesach. Some require Rabbinic certification for Passover use; others do not. Foods which require Rabbinic certification for Passover use include: butter, candies, canned or processed foods, cheese, ice cream, jam, jellies, liquors, matzah flour, Passover products, relishes, salad oils, shortenings, vinegar and wine.

Foods not requiring a “Kosher L’Pesach” label include: unopened packages or containers of: pure coffee, pure tea, sugar (except for powdered or confectioner’s sugar), honey, nuts, salt, pepper, onion powder, garlic powder and any other spice that is permitted on Passover, fresh fruits and vegetables (except legumes and peas). All fruits and vegetables should be washed thoroughly before use. Please consult the Rabbi if any question arises.

KASHERING UTENSILS AND APPLIANCES

Today it is customary to have special dishes for Pesach. However, vessels used during the year may be used for Pesach if they undergo a process called “Kashering.” There are 2 basic methods of Kashering:

A. **PURGING** – Most cooking utensils can be made kosher by immersion in boiling water. This includes metal pots, most baking pans and flatware and most other kitchenware. The procedure follows:

1. The article to be kashered is thoroughly scoured.
2. The article is set aside and not used for 24 hours.
3. The article is completely immersed in a pot of actively boiling water.
4. If a pot is too large to fit into another pot, the pot to be kashered is filled to the brim with water, and that water is brought to a boil. While the water is still boiling, a hot stone or piece of metal is dropped into the pot in order that the water is kept at its peak heat as it boils over the side of the pot.
5. The articles are then rinsed immediately under cold water.
6. The pot in which the articles were kashered is then itself kashered (see step 4).

B. **OPEN FLAME** – Any utensils which come in direct contact with fire, such as a barbecue spit, a barbecue grill, a broiling pan or rack, is kashered by open flame. The procedure follows:

1. The article to be kashered is thoroughly scoured.
2. The article is set aside and not used for 24 hours.
3. The article is then put under an open flame and thoroughly heated until the metal glows red hot or is so hot that a piece of paper is singed when it is touched to the metal.

SPECIAL CASES

Knives with wooden handles cannot be kashered, because particles of food which could lodge between the handle and the blade cannot be effectively removed by purging.

The proper method to kasher glassware is to soak it in clear water for 72 hours, changing the water every 24 hours.

Earthenware, enamelware and porcelain cannot be kashered, since the materials they absorb cannot be purged.

APPLIANCES

A standard oven is thoroughly scoured with a new (and, therefore, Pesachdik) sponge. The burners are

then turned on full until the metal glows red-hot or a piece of paper is singed when touched to the metal. Remove all plastic knobs from around the oven to prevent melting. Continuous cleaning ovens are kashered like standard ovens. However, many continuous cleaning ovens can be ruined by caustic cleaners, so check with the manufacturer's instructions first. Self-cleaning ovens are simple: just turn on the self-cleaning cycle.

Microwave ovens may be divided into two categories: those that contain browning elements and those that do not. For those that do not, simply wipe out the oven with a new damp cloth. Then place a water-filled glass inside and bring it to the boiling point so that a mist covers the interior of the oven. Wipe it clean. No further kashering is necessary. For those that do contain a browning element, follow the above-mentioned procedure, then turn the browning element on for an hour.

The shelves and bins of refrigerators and freezers are removed in order to facilitate cleaning. The shelves, bins and walls are then thoroughly washed with a new sponge. A sink is kashered as a large pot.

After removing the racks used throughout the year, the interior of a dishwasher is thoroughly scoured with a new sponge paying careful attention to the strainer over the drain. The dishwasher is left unused for 24 hours, and then run through a wash cycle without soap. Racks designated exclusively for Passover may then be installed.

Any metal surface of a small appliance that comes in contact with food should be kashered by purging. Plastic parts are treated as mentioned above. An electric frying pan, which can be immersed, should be purged. Many electrical appliances cannot be immersed and therefore cannot be kashered. An electric mixer should have its beaters purged, and its bowls either purged (metal) or washed (glass). An electric can opener should have its blade and magnets removed and purged. The rest of the appliance should be cleaned so that no food remains in any crevice. Because this procedure is difficult, a hand operated can opener is recommended for Passover use.

THE DISPOSAL OF LEAVEN

The rule against chamets applies not only to eating it, but also to enjoying any benefit thereof and even to its possession. Therefore, before the advent of Pesach, all chamets must be removed from one's premises and from his legal possession.

To satisfy these requirements we must have the selling of chamets, the search for chamets and the nullification of chamets.

SELLING OF CHAMETS

Any chamets owned by a Jew during the Passover holiday is forbidden for actual use forever. Therefore, if one cannot dispose of all chamets before the approach of the holiday, he must arrange for a formal *Mechirat Chamets*, or sale of chamets, to a non-Jew. All such chamets in your possession should be collected and placed in a spare room and locked. You should authorize the Rabbi to draw up a bill of sale and negotiate the transfer to a non-Jew. This transaction is a completely legal one, giving the non-Jew rights to ownership over the chamets that has been sold to him. After the conclusion of the festival, your agent, the Rabbi, may purchase the chamets from the non-Jew; and consequently, it returns to your legal possession.

Your house needn't be Pesachdik yet to authorize Rabbi Ginsburg to sell your chamets at the appropriate time. You can authorize him to act on your behalf by completing the form at the end of this document and mailing it to our synagogue to his attention. It must reach the synagogue by Wednesday, March 24.

It is customary to include a modest donation when submitting the document of authorization. This sum which is independent of the *Tsedakah* you offer as *Maot Chittin* — makes you part of the sale. A minuscule fraction of the funds thus collected are received by the non-Jew when he sells the chamets to the Rabbi, who acts as the agent for the Jewish community. All the rest of the funds are distributed to worthy charities.

THE FAST FOR THE FIRST BORN MALES

Prior to Passover, a fast is observed on a designated day to express gratitude that the Israelite firstborn were spared the fate of the Egyptians during the tenth plague. According to many authorities, this fast should be observed not only by firstborn Jewish men, but by firstborn women, parents of minor firstborn boys and girls, and by the older member of childless couples. However, if these individuals are present at services when the Rabbi conducts a *Siyum* (i.e. the conclusion of an order of *Mishnah* or a *trac-tate* of *Talmud*) followed by a *Seudah shel Mitzvah* (repast connected with a religious function), they are absolved from fasting.

Generally, the fast is observed on the eve of Passover, but when the holiday starts Saturday night, as it does this year, it is moved

up to Thursday. Accordingly, this year, the service will be held in our Sanctuary/Ballroom on Thursday morning, March 25 at 6:45 a.m. at which time the Rabbi will lead the congregation in study. This year, for those unable to attend due to the pandemic, it will be possible to participate via Zoom. Watch Constant Contact for log-in/dial-in instructions.

THE SEARCH FOR AND NULLIFICATION OF CHAMETS

Generally, we begin the search for chamets the night before Pesach, immediately after sundown. This year, since the holiday starts Saturday night, we will conduct the search, Thursday night, March 25. Our aim is to ensure that no leaven has been left behind after the cleaning of the house. Hence, places where no leaven is used during the year do not need to be searched.

The procedure is as follows: A candle is lit or flashlight turned on, the benediction: “Al Biur Chamets” is recited (it can be found at the beginning of your Haggadah) and the house is searched by the light of the candle/flashlight. Since by this time the house has been cleaned thoroughly, and the chances of finding any leaven are minimal, it has become customary to put a number of crumbs of bread in places where they can be easily found in order to prevent the recitation of a berakhah levatalah, a benediction in vain.

After the search for leaven, one places all the crumbs in a container and recites the formula for Bittul Chamets – nullification of leaven (found at the beginning of your Haggadah). The following morning, Friday, March 26, the leaven is burned before 9:30 a.m. Until recently, the Woodmere Fire Department hosted a communal burning (Biur Chamets), but cancelled last year’s plans, due to the pandemic. We will advise you via Constant Contact whether such a communal burning will take place this year. If not, the pieces of chamets collected Thursday night should be flushed down the toilet rather than burned privately. When the first Seder doesn’t take place until Saturday night, the formula for Bittul Chamets is not recited after disposing the crumbs on Friday morning.

If a person is leaving on a trip during the thirty days preceding Pesach and does not plan to be back by Pesach, he should perform the search without a blessing before departing; prior to the thirty days preceding Pesach no search is necessary. If one plans to return just before Pesach, he should make the search before leaving lest he return too late.

Families that go away for the entire Pesach should sell their leaven and lock up the house. They need not do anything additional in preparation for Pesach.

MEALS ON A SHABBAT THAT IMMEDIATELY PRECEDES PASSOVER

When Shabbat immediately precedes Passover, as it does this year, we are caught on the horns of a dilemma. While it is generally a mitzvah to eat bread with our Shabbat meals, this is complicated when we have already thoroughly eradicated all chamets from our home in preparation for Passover. Substituting regular matzah for challah is no solution either, since we are commanded not to eat matzah during the 24 hours preceding the holiday so that we will have a strong appetite for it when we perform the mitzvah of eating matzah at the Seder. What can be done? Many will carefully segregate chametsdik challot for the Friday night and Shabbat day meals. If this option is chosen, one must daven and eat the Shabbat day meal (normally lunch) before 10:00 a.m. and all remaining crumbs must be disposed of in the commode. A more practical alternative is to use Pesachdik Egg Matzah or your own homemade Pesachdik rolls. This is legitimate since one may not fulfill the mitzvah of eating matzah at the Seder by eating Egg Matzah or Pesachdik rolls.

ISOLATED LOVED ONES DURING THE PASSOVER SEDER

In all likelihood, thanks to a variety of factors, the health picture will be better this Passover than last. More grandparents will be able to return safely to the Seder table with their grandchildren. Even so, there are some such individuals who have not yet been vaccinated and others with risky, pre-existing conditions who will once again be isolated and consequently depressed during the holiday. Though under normal circumstances we eschew the use of electronic devices on Yom Tov, under conditions like those experienced last year, authorities in Jewish law adopted a variety of approaches to include such loved ones in the festival celebration. Some maintained the ban on the use of electronic devices during Yom Tov itself, but suggested conducting a pre-candle-lighting model Seder featuring the Four Questions and the beloved Passover songs. If this option is chosen, it should be done this year on Friday afternoon, March 26, prior to Shabbat. Others allowed turning on Zoom prior to candle-lighting and not touching it until the end of the second day of Pesach. Still others disallowed the use of Zoom but endorsed placing a phone call prior to candle-lighting and leaving the receiver near the Seder table untouched until the end of the second day of Pesach. All of these approaches had merit. Of course, this year, the devices would have to be activated before Friday night, March 26, perhaps overextending their battery charge; and these options may only be considered in order to benefit those who are truly isolated.

PRAYING IN SHUL AND PRAYING AT HOME

Fortunately, this year, we will be able to conduct services in our Sanctuary/Ballroom on the first two and last two evenings of Yom Tov (March 27 – 8 and April 2 – 3) and every morning of the holiday, including Chol HaMoed (March 28 – April 4). All attendees must wear masks and sit in socially distanced, designated seats only. In addition, the Rabbi and Cantor will conduct a Pesach Forshpeis via Zoom on Friday, March 26 at 11:00 a.m. and a Yizkor Memorial Forshpeis on the last day of Chol haMoed, Friday, April 2, at 11:00 a.m. Though at the Zoom sessions we will not be reciting the Mourners' Kaddish, we will be reciting the time-honored Yizkor prayers in English on April 2 and Cantor Weiss will chant the El Malei Memorial Prayer for the Deceased in Hebrew. Please watch Constant Contact for log-in/dial-in instructions.

Those praying at home may contact the synagogue office (374-0655) for Siddurim. The instructions for davenen at home are basically as follows: On Saturday and Sunday evenings, March 27 and 28, the services follow the standard Festival pattern with the insertions for Pesach. Sunday evening, remember to begin counting the days of the Omer. On Sunday and Monday mornings, March 28 and 29, Shacharit and Musaph follow the standard Festival pattern with the insertions for Pesach and recitation of the full Hallel. Regarding the first day, you should not recite the Prayer for Dew since that is recited only in the presence of a Minyan, but you should include the phrase "Morid haTal" in the silent Musaph Amidah, even though it is not our custom to say it in the summer. Beginning with Minchah, we omit both "Mashiv haRuach" and "Morid haTal."

Chol haMoed stretches from Monday night, March 29 to Friday afternoon, April 2. We recite the standard Shacharit service, inserting the special Ya'aleh v'Yavo passage for Pesach. Those who wear tefillin on Chol haMoed, remove them before reciting Half Hallel. The Yom Tov Musaph service is recited with the insertions for Pesach.

On the seventh evening of Yom Tov – Friday, April 2 – we recite an abbreviated Kabbalat Shabbat (beginning with Mizmor Shir l'Yom haShabbat) and use the Yom Tov Amidah with inclusions for Shabbat. Saturday evening, April 3, follows the standard Festival pattern. Saturday morning, the Yom Tov Shacharit and Musaf services are recited with inclusions for Shabbat. Sunday morning, we follow the standard Festival pattern. Half Hallel is recited both of the last mornings of Passover.

Tear off and return

Must reach our office no later than **Wednesday, March 24.**
Congregation Sons of Israel, 111 Irving Place, Woodmere, NY 11598

I hereby authorize Rabbi Bruce Ginsburg to dispose of any and all chamets that may be
in my possession during the holiday of Passover 5781 wherever it may be.

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Thank you to all who made our Purim Card Fundraiser a success! We extend our sincere gratitude to Joan Greenfield for all her work on the card design and to Peter Savitt, who both printed the cards as well as inscribed the donor lists. We also send kudos to Rachel Ginsburg for re-creating our annual on-premises seudah into a "Purim Seudah-To-Go." Those who participated were able to perform a mitzvah and eat a delicious catered meal as well. Of course, we could not do any of this without our generous congregants. You are truly appreciated.

The Spring Semester for ULPAN will begin after Pesach. The schedule is as follows: April 13, 20, 27; May 4, 11, 25 (all Tuesdays at 8pm). The fee for the class is \$18.

The next two Lunch and Learn events will take place on Wednesday, April 14 and Wednesday, May 26 at 1pm. You may still sign up for the remaining dates. Enjoy conversation, lunch-on- your-own, and dialogue led by Rabbi Ginsburg via Zoom.

On March 10, our Book Club members will enjoy a lively discussion led by Kate Kreiss. The book to be discussed is *The Lost Shtetl* by Max Gross. The next book to be read will be announced shortly.

As you may have noticed, we were not able to conduct our annual Super Bowl Raffle due to COVID-19 limitations... So, we look forward to the time when we can send actual mishloachmanot packages, have an on-premises Seudah, bet on Super Bowl LVI, and eat lunch together at Lunch and Learn.

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