

Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

Sept. 22, 2018, Parshat Ha'azinu 13 Tishrei 5779



Parshat Ha'azinu Times & Numbers:

Candle Lighting- 6:37pm

Mincha- 6:40

Shacharit- 9:00 am

Teen Minyan- 9:45 am

Tot Shabbat- 10:15

Junior Cong.- 10:15 upstairs

Mincha- 6:35 pm

Shabbos Ends- 7:43 pm



NUMBER OF *MITZVOT*: 0

NUMBER OF *PESUKIM* (SENTENCES): 52

NUMBER OF WORDS: 614

NUMBER OF LETTERS: 2326

NOTE: There WILL be Teen Minyan for both of the first days of Sukkot at 9:45. Kiddish in the Sukkah (weather permitting).



There will once again be **TWO** Succah hops this year!!! The first will be on Day 2 of Sukkot (Sept. 25) on the West Orange side of the Shul and the second will be on Shabbat Chol Hamoed (Oct. 29) on the Livingston side. Stay tuned for exact times and locations.

SAVE THE DATE!!!
SUNDAY, SEPT. 30- 12:15PM
CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT
SPECIAL PIZZA PARTY IN THE
SUKKAH AND OUR 2ND
ANNUAL SUKKOT RAFFLE!!
WIN LOTS OF GREAT PRIZES!

Congregation Etz Chaim: www.etzchaimnj.org

Rabbi Sam Klibanoff

Rabbi Natan Kapustin, Assistant Rabbi

Presidents: Jeff Susskind & Dr. Michael Rieber

Youth Director: Yoni Glatt

BE ALL YOU CAN BE!

Before Moshe starts the song that makes up most of the Parsha, he wants everyone to know that even though Hashem is going to punish the Jews in the future for their sins, Hashem is not "cruel." Hashem's got all the power in the world, but He never uses that power to punish a Rasha more than it takes to get Teshuva out of him. Moshe reminds *Bnai Yisrael* that he, himself, will never enter *Eretz Yisrael* as a punishment for hitting the rock. Sometimes it seems like too great a punishment but that's because our minds aren't able to comprehend Hashem's judgment system. It is important to accept punishment in the right spirit – even if you're upset about it. Try being mature, and ask yourself why you're smack in the middle of a round of bad luck:

- Are your *Midot* all they can be?
- Are you *Davening* properly?
- Are you being kind to your friends?
- Are you listening to your parents the way you should?

The right answer can sometimes end a drought, so think hard. You don't have to join the army to be all you can be!

MAKE YOUR OWN SUKKAH DECORATIONS AND HELP DECORATE THE SHUL SUKKAH!
Sun. Sept 23rd 10:30-11:30am



DID YOU KNOW.....

Did you know that the Beta Israel- the Ethiopian Jews- celebrated Sukkot a bit differently than us in Ethiopia? While they observe Sukkot as a day like Shabbat, and did (try to) collect the Arbeh Minim (four species) and observed Shemini Atzeret as a time to pray for rain, the one big part of Sukkot they did not observe is...the building of Sukkahs?! It's true. So why didn't they build sukkahs? Well the answer is pretty simple. Most people lived in houses that were already, essentially sukkahs, so there was no need (or even perhaps, a point) to build sukkahs for the holiday. Today, in Israel many Beta Israel now build Sukkahs- a reminder to both our days wandering in the desert and to their days back in Ethiopia living in sukkah-like homes.

MIDDLE RIDDLE ??????

THE FIRST KID WHO TELLS YONI THE ANSWER GETS \$3 MM, THE SECOND GETS \$2, & THE 3rd GETS \$1- NO TELLING THE ANSWER! Ages 12 and Under.

NAME A NAVI (PROPHET) THAT NOTABLY BUILDS A HUT IN TANACH. MAYBE IT WAS SUCCOT, MAYBE IT WASN'T.

Last Week:

Jonah anointed a king named Jehu
Who, overall, was a pretty good Jew
Jonah had a teacher who was even greater
Whose student Gaichazi was a traitor
A- Elisha

**BASKETBALL-
ONLY A FEW
WEEKS LEFT!
4:00 PM
AT THE YOUTH
HOUSE BOYS IN
GRADES
7 AND UP ARE
WELCOME.**



WEATHER PERMITTING.

mazel tov!!

Mazel Tov to
Teen Minyan regular
Elan Teichman on his
engagement to Shira
Peled of Miami, Florida!

**MIDOT MATTER MOST:
DON'T FORGET TO HELP
YOUR PARENTS GET
READY FOR SUKKOT!**

Altruism- Al·tru·ism

(ăl' trō̄-ĭz̄'m) n.

1. Unselfish concern for the welfare of others; selflessness.
2. Zoology- behavior by an animal that is not beneficial to or may be harmful to itself but that benefits others of its species.

HARRY POTTER AND HALACHA

A two-part after school class on magic and Judaism.

Class 1- Tuesday, Oct. 16 - 5:45

Class 2- Tuesday, Oct. 23 5:45

Teen Bet Midrash- Upstairs

Dinner and snacks will be served.

Free for all students grades 8-12.

FOR CHOL HAMOED SUKKOT

**WOW ERIC, THAT WAS AMAZING!
HOW DID YOU DO THAT?!**

NICK CANNON - AMERICA'S GOT TALENT

**THE EXTREME MAGIC OF
ERIC WILZIG**

UNIQUE ILLUSIONS. DARING ESCAPES. OUTRAGEOUS STUNTS.

AT ETZ CHAIM

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 30TH @ 11:15AM

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NON-MEMBERS \$5 PER PERSON/\$20 PER FAMILY