



THE ETZ CHAIM BULLETIN

MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

PARSHAS NITZAVIM-VAYEILECH

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Mincha - 6:10pm

Earliest time to light - 6:22pm

Candle lighting - 7:23pm

SHABBOS, SEPTEMBER 9

Sephardic Minyan - 9:00am

Shacharis - 9:00am

Babysitting will be in the Torah Academy lunchroom 9am-9:30am and outside 9:30am-10:00am when groups will start.

Gateway to Prayer Class with Rabbi Uhr - 10:00am

Latest Shema - 10:16am

Pirkei Avos class

with Rabbi Fisch - 6:40pm

Mincha - 7:10pm

Maariv - 8:23pm

Pre-Selichos Kumzits starts at 10:30pm

Following services, a special Fleishig Kiddush will be served in the Social Hall.

Seudah Shlishis will be served in the Social Hall.

MINYAN THIS WEEK

SHACHARIS

Sunday - 8:30am

Monday-Friday - 6:15am

Second Minyan (M-F) - 8:15am

MINCHA - MAARIV

Sunday-Thursday - 7:20pm

DAF YOMI

Shabbos - 8:15am

Sunday - 7:30am

Monday-Friday - 5:45am

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The final Shabbos of the Jewish Calendar boasts one feature that does not change yearly. We always read the Parsha of Nitzavim. What about this Parsha of a mere forty verses that makes it required reading for the final Shabbos of every year? There are various fundamental themes in Judaism that include Free Will and Teshuva that are recorded in Nitzavim. I will highlight one central theme of the Parsha, which must be internalized before bringing in the New Year.

These words feature an unusual characteristic marking above the written words in the Torah. It has several dots above these words. Indeed, if you look into a Sefer Torah, you will see these dots above the words **וְהִנָּגַלְתָּ לָנוּ וּלְבָנֵינוּ עַד-עוֹלָם**. This is translated as the "revealed are to our children and us forever." This is a continuation of the beginning of the verse, "The hidden belongs to Hashem our G-d." The deeper meaning here is that the private action of Man is under the purview of the Al-Mighty, for better or worse. However, what Man does in public is the responsibility of the Jewish Nation.

The Rabbis have interpreted this to mean we are responsible for one another. In Hebrew, this dictum is famous as **כל ישראל ערבים זה לזה**. The literal translation is that we are the guarantors of one another.

The role of a guarantor carries great responsibility. It reflects a legal commitment for the borrower who committed a liability. The Chofetz Chaim writes that if a guarantor sees the borrower act in a financially irresponsible manner, he will be worried as ultimately he assumes responsibility. Similarly, the Chofetz Chaim wrote that if we see the majority of Jews estranged from Torah Judaism, then we bear the responsibility for that. It is unfortunate for us to shrug our shoulders when hearing about the deteriorating numbers of Jews engaged in Judaism. It's incumbent for every one of us to be the best ambassadors we can be for G-d and Torah Judaism. The notion of being responsible and a guarantor for one another has brought out the best in Jews over the years.

As we prepare for Rosh Hashanah to stand in judgment before the Giver of Life and once again need to earn the privilege of life itself, there may be no greater merit than viewing oneself as a guarantor for our fellow Jew and Jewish Continuity.

Have a Peaceful Shabbos,

Rabbi Yaakov Fisch

Tishrei Schedule 5784

Friday September 8
Mincha - 6:10 pm
Carlebach Kabbalas Shabbos with Aryeh Barnett - 6:25 pm

Shabbos September 9
Pre Selichos Kumbitz - 10:30 pm
Musical Selichos - 12:00 am

Sunday September 10
Shacharis - 8:30 am
Mincha - 7:20 pm

Monday September 11 - Thursday September 14
Selichos and Shacharis - 6:15 am
Second Minyan Shacharis - 8:15 am
Mincha - 7:20 pm

Friday September 15 - Erev Rosh Hashanah
Selichos and Shacharis - 5:30 am
Candle Lighting - 7:14 pm
Mincha - 7:15 pm

Shabbos September 16 - First Day Rosh Hashanah
Shacharis - 8:00 am
Sephardic Minyan - 8:00 am
Youth Programs begin at 9:30 am
Explanatory Service begins at 9:30 am
Rabbi Fisch's Sermon - approximately 10:40 am
Kiddush Following Services
Mincha - 7:15 pm
Maariv - 8:14 pm
Candle Lighting (from an existing flame) - 8:14 pm

Sunday September 17 - Second Day Rosh Hashanah
Shacharis - 8:00 am
Sephardic Minyan - 8:00 am
Youth Programs begin at 9:30 am
Explanatory Service begins at 9:30 am
Rabbi Fisch's Sermon - approximately 10:40 am
Shofar Service - 11:00 am
Kiddush Following Services
Mincha followed by Tashlich at the Etz Chaim Nature Reserve - 6:55 pm
Maariv and Havdallah - 8:13 pm

Monday September 18 - Fast of Gedalia
Fast Starts - 6:00 am
Selichos and Shacharis - 6:10 am
Second Minyan Shacharis - 8:15 am
Mincha - 6:55 pm
Fast Ends - 8:04 pm

Tuesday September 19 - Thursday September 21
Selichos and Shacharis - 6:10 am
Second Minyan Shacharis - 8:15 am
Mincha - 7:10 pm

Friday September 22
Selichos and Shacharis - 6:10 am
Second Minyan Shacharis - 8:15 am
Candle Lighting - 7:05 pm
Mincha - 7:05 pm

Shabbos September 23 - Shabbos Shuva
Shacharis - 9:00 am
Sephardic Minyan - 9:00 am
Mincha - 6:15 pm
Shabbos Shuva Drasha with Rabbi Yaakov Fisch - 6:40 pm
Maariv and Havdallah - 8:05 pm

Sunday September 24 - Erev Yom Kippur
Selichos and Shacharis - 6:35 am
Mincha - 2:45 pm
Kol Nidrei - 7:00 pm
Youth Programs (Ages 0-5) - 7:00 pm
Candle Lighting - 7:02 pm
Drasha with

Rabbi Yaakov Fisch - 7:30 pm
President's Address - 7:45 pm
Explanatory Service - 8:00 pm

Monday September 25 - Yom Kippur
Shacharis - 8:00 am
Sephardic Minyan - 8:00 am
Youth Programs begin at 9:30 am
Explanatory Service - 10:00 am
Torah Reading - 11:15 am
Yizkor Following Torah Reading

Mincha - 5:00 pm
Youth Programs (Ages 0-5) - 5:00 pm
Following Mincha, Rabbi Yaakov Fisch will deliver a Pre-Neilah Drasha
Shofar Blowing and Conclusion of Yom Kippur - 8:03 pm

Tuesday September 26 - Thursday September 28
Shacharis - 6:45 am
Second Minyan Shacharis - 8:15 am
Mincha - 7:00 pm

Friday September 29 - Erev Sukkos
Shacharis - 6:45 am
Second Minyan Shacharis - 8:15 am
Mincha - 7:00 pm
Candle Lighting - 6:57 pm

Shabbos September 30 - First Day of Sukkos
Shacharis - 9:00 am
Sephardic Minyan - 9:00 am
Open Sukkah at the home of Rabbi Yaakov & Henny Fisch - 3:00 pm
Mincha - 6:45 pm
Maariv - 8:00 pm
Candle Lighting (from an existing flame) - 7:56 pm

Sunday October 1
Second Day of Sukkos
Shacharis - 9:00 am
Mincha - 6:55 pm
Maariv and Havdallah - 7:55 pm

Monday October 2 - Thursday October 5 Chol Hamoed Sukkos
Shacharis - 6:30 am
Second Minyan Shacharis - 8:15 am
Mincha - 6:55 pm

Friday October 6 - Hoshana Rabba
Shacharis - 7:30 am
Mincha - 6:50 pm
Candle Lighting - 6:48 pm

Shabbos October 7 - Shmini Atzeres
Shacharis - 9:00 am
Sephardic Minyan - 9:00 am
Yizkor Following Torah Reading
Mincha - 6:35 pm
Candle Lighting (from an existing flame) - 7:47 pm
Maariv followed by Festive Hakafos - 7:50 pm

Sunday October 8 - Simchas Torah
Shacharis - 8:00 am
Festive Hakafos following Shacharis
Following davening, the Shul is sponsoring a luncheon in honor of the Chassan Torah and the Chassan Bereishes
Mincha followed by the Neilas HaChag - 6:45 pm
Maariv and Havdallah - 7:47 pm



PRE-SELICHOS SHABBATON

WITH ARYEH BARNETT

PRE-ROSH HASHANAH CHIZUK WITH RUACH &
SOULFUL MUSIC AT ETZ CHAIM SYNAGOGUE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

JUST GETTING STARTED

CARLEBACH KABBALAS SHABBOS - 6:25 PM

SHABBOS, SEPTEMBER 9

CLIMBING THE MOUNTAIN

SHABBOS MORNING DAVENING - 9:00AM

MORE THAN A LCHAIM

KIDDUSH FOLLOWING DAVENING

TRANSCENDING THE HEAVENS

PRE SELICHOS KUMZITZ - 10:30 PM

CONNECTING YOUR NESHAMA

MUSICAL SELICHOS - 12:00AM



Rosh Hashanah 5784

Come Join Us

for an

Explanatory Service

at

Etz Chaim Synagogue

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!
FREE OF CHARGE

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SEPT

SHABBOS

1st Day of Rosh Hashanah

Explanatory service w/ Rabbi Uhr and Rabbi Green - 9:30 am
Sermon w/ Rabbi Yaakov Fisch - 10:40 am
Class w/ Dr. Elliot Rosenbaum - 11:00 am
Class w/ Rebbetzin Rena Shochet - 11:45 am
Kiddush following Services

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SEPT

SUNDAY

2nd Day of Rosh Hashanah

Explanatory service w/ Rabbi Uhr and Rabbi Green - 9:30 am
Sermon w/ Rabbi Yaakov Fisch - 10:40 am
Shofar Service - 11:00 am
Class w/ Rabbi Uhr - 11:15 am
Class w/ Rebbetzin Rena Shochet - 12:00 pm
Kiddush following Services



Youth Programming Available! For more information please contact rabbigreen@etzchaim.org

Located in the Etz Chaim Social Hall

10167 San Jose Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32257

**MORE
INFORMATION**

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High Holiday Youth Program

Member Pricing

Rosh Hashana Day 1 - \$25
Rosh Hashana Day 2 - \$25
Kol Nidre - \$15
Yom Kippur Day - \$25
Neilah - \$15

Non-Member Pricing

Rosh Hashana Day 1 - \$30
Rosh Hashana Day 2 - \$30
Kol Nidre - \$20
Yom Kippur Day - \$30
Neilah - \$20

Kol Nidre and Neilah available for ages 0-5 only.
Babysitting begins at 9:30AM.

Register Online Today!

EtzChaim.org/HHyouth2023

Register by Sept. 8th

Contact:

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

AHUVA GOLDENTHAL

JACOB MORRIS

DAVID PEARL

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

LEIF & BETH RUSH

REFUAH SHELEMAH

ELANA CLAYMAN

FERN ESTNER

CHANA FISHMAN

MYRON FLAGLER

SUSAN GOLDMAN

BONNIE HARDY

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FOMA MAKHTINA

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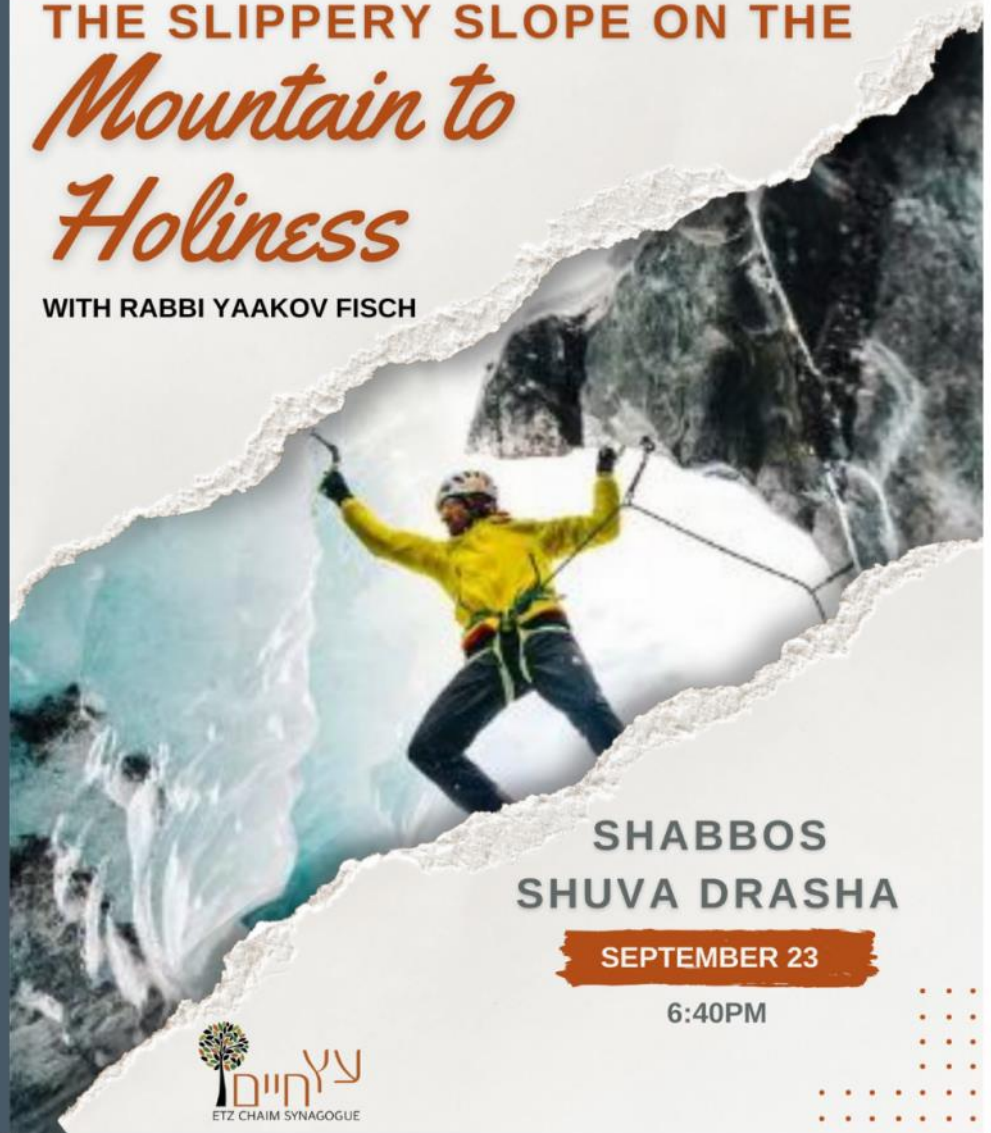
NANCY ALTMAN HUBSCH

KENNY KRAEMER

BARBARA MELAMED

THE SLIPPERY SLOPE ON THE *Mountain to Holiness*

WITH RABBI YAAKOV FISCH



SHABBOS
SHUVA DRASHA

SEPTEMBER 23

6:40PM



Mazel Tov!

To David and Louise Levine
on the marriage of their son,
Sam to Tal Kerido in Israel.

With profound sorrow, we regret to inform you of the
passing of Esther Abrams.

We extend our sincere condolences to her daughter
Ariella (Joey) Hamaoui and her family.

The funeral service is scheduled at 2:00 pm Today,
Friday September 8th in South Florida.

In observance of Shiva, Ariella will be available to receive visitors from
10am-12pm and 6pm-8pm on Wednesday, September 13 at her home.

May the Al-Mighty comfort the family among all the other
mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.