7 Elul 5779

KJ HAPPENINGS

7 September 2019

Rabbi's Message

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Shalom,

This week's parasha begins, "You shall set up judges and officers

for yourself in all your cities which Hashem Elokecha is giving you, for your tribes, and they shall judge the people [with] righteous judgment."

The Ibn Ezra comments that the commandment of setting up courts is a continuation of the commandment spoken about at the end of last week's parasha, the mitzva of visiting the Temple in Jerusalem three times a year. Journeying to the temple was an act of spiritual service. As the Talmud states, "Just as one comes to be seen by Hashem, so do we come to see Hashem." The spiritual insight and inspiration received in the Temple were vital to our spiritual well-being.

However, Hashem was aware that most of our life was lived in this physical world outside of the Temple. In our day-to-day lives we needed guidance in the many situations we found ourselves in. So the Torah contained the commandment to set up courts and judges in every city to teach us the ways of Hashem.



High Holy Day Tickets

Call the office to order now! 310.474.0559

- Erev Rosh Hashana, Sept 29th
- Rosh Hashana, Sept 30th & Oct 1st
- Erev Yom Kippur, Tues, October 8th
- Yom Kippur Day, Wed, October 9th

On a more individual, personal level, how does this apply to our lives? The Torah uses the word "sha'arecha" to signify cities. Yet, the literal translation of this word means "your gates."

The Torah is telling us to judge and evaluate what is going in and out of our physical 'gates.' What are we seeing with our eyes? What are we hearing with our ears? What are the words coming from our mouths? What are we seeing, hearing and speaking about in our lives?

Everything we process with our physical senses enters into our body and affects our brain, heart and mind. Indeed the physical body is the vessel of our soul. The Torah is teaching us the importance of fine-tuning our sensitivity to our interactions in this physical world so we can grow in our lives and have 'tzedek,' righteousness, in our midst.

Shabbat Shalom!

Parashat Shoftim Fourth Week of Consolation

Torah: Deut. 16:18–21:9, 97 Pesukim Hertz 820–835; Stone 1024–1045 Haftara: Is. 51:12–52:12 Hertz 835–839; Stone 1199–1200 Tefillot: Morid Hatal, Birkat Halevana

Join us for Selihot!

Selihot are a great way to start the day! 5:30 am on weekdays, 6:30 am Sundays.

KJ Schedule

Erev Shabbat

Friday, September 6th

Candle lighting	6:54 pm
Happy Minyan	5:30 pm
Minha	6:00 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat & Arvit	6:30 pm

Yom Shabbat

Saturday, September 7th

Shaharit	. 8:30 am
Keriat HaTorah	10:15 am
Sermon	11:20 am
Musaf	11:30 am

Class with Rabbi Halevy	5:45 pm
Minha	
Seuda Shelisheet	7:15 pm
Arvit	
Havdala	7:52 pm

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Membership Benefits Everyone! You get *To be a part of the Kahal family	Shabbat Kiddush	In Memoriam We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from September 7 to 14, 2019. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, and attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.
*High Holy Days tickets * Rabbi for lifecycle events *Pastoral counseling	is sponsored by	7 Elul / Saturday, September 7th Yaacov Aboulafia Yaacov ben Sarah Anne Melhado Hana bat David Anita Wozniak Hana bat Haviva
*Preferential rates for space rentals, Talmud Torah tuition and children's programs You support *Educational programs	Karen and Frank Dabby in loving memory of	8 Elul / Sunday, September 8th Rachel Ezra Jacob <i>Rahel bat Lulu</i> Naji Ezra Helali <i>Naji ben Avraham</i> Yamin Sassoon Yamin ben Sassoon Paul Shayne <i>Pinchas ben Chaim Hacohen</i> Clara Mekies <i>Clara bat Rachel</i>
*Social events *Prayer minyanim *Keeping Kahal here for you when you need it!	Sam Dabby, z''l Shimon ben Haskel	9 Elul / Monday, September 9th Hilda Deborah <i>Habiba bat Farha</i> Rachel Hayim Mingail <i>Rachel bat Miriam</i> Sam Dabby <i>Shimon ben Haskel</i>
Contact the office at 310-474-0559		12 Elul / Thursday, September 12th Menasseh Saltoon <i>Menasseh ben Nissim</i>
High Holy Day Children's Room Snack Drive	(Continued from page 1)	13 Elul / Friday, September 13th Sophie Solomon Simhah bat Khatoon
We are looking for a few generous individuals to contribute food items for the Children's Room on the High Holy Days when we serve up to 100 children at a time.	<i>Sunday, Sept 8th</i> Selihot6:30 am Shaharit7:30 am Weekdays	14 Elul / Saturday, September 14th Nathan Assia <i>Haim ben Haim Elazar</i> Harry Brook Moses <i>Haim Baruch ben Moshe Ezra</i>
Fruit, vegetables, bagels, tuna, eggs, and snacks are welcome. For health reasons & dietary laws, processed or prepared food should be packaged with kosher certification.	<i>Monday–Friday, September 9th-13th</i> Selihot5:30 am Shaharit6:25 am	Refua Shelema Sassoon Ezra • Moselle Amron • Sally Amron • Sylvia Coher • Esther Duke• Mehry bat Miriam Hakimipour • Tilda Levy •
Contact Sarah at 310-474-0559 before drop- ping off your generous donation. If you would like a tax-deductible donation letter for your contribution, please request one from the synagogue office.	Next ShabbatFriday–Saturday, September 13th-14thHappy Minyan5:30 pmFriday Minha6:00 pmShaharit8:30 amClass w/Rabbi Halevy6:00 pm	Yvonne Moalim • Florice Newberry • Aliza bat Rahel • Aliza bat Victoria • Chaya Chana bat Batya • Katie bat Farha • Miriam ba Yetta • Miryam bat Malka • Moshe Ezra ben Mazal Tov • Simch bat Rooha • Habiba bat Farha • Chaya Rachel bat Simcha • Ruhama Dina bat Rahel • Rahel bat Ramah Regina • Karen ba Chana Meir • Eti Esther bat Fortuna • Eliahu Shalom ben Avigay
Thank you for supporting Kahal's programs for our youngest community members.	Saturday Minha6:30 pm	• Ezra ben Rahel • Albert Nissan ben Victoria • Mark Jonah Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva

Sephardíc Educational Center



Doors open at 6:00 pm, Program begins at 7:00 pm

Join some of the world 's finest Sephardic Hazzanim accompanied by an outstanding Middle Eastern ensemble.

Kahal Joseph Congregation 10505 W Santa Monica Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90025

\$18 per person Refreshments will be served , Valet parking provided



Celebrate Shabbat with your kids! Saturday, September 21st at Kahal Joseph

KJ Family Shabbat

Sing together, learn together, pray together Spiritual, accessible service w/Rabbi Halevy

Bat Mitzvah Club

Two Sundays a Month

Bat Mitzvah Club is an innovative, year-long program guiding girls into adulthood with grace, G-d, and giggles. Bat Mitzvah Club (BMC) conveys what being a Bat Mitzvah really is, in a fresh and fun way!

Our meetings cover 'tween topics and are filled with activities, discussions, great food, and fun. During the course of the BMC year, our girls will learn to become authentic, more considerate, empathic, and generous.

The bat mitzvah girls will learn about their soul and how to make it shine ...all essential, universal principles to help guide them towards becoming a young, responsible adult and the pillar of their future family.

To register, contact Mrs. Bracha Halevy at BrachaHalevy@kahaljoseph.org

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