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Welcome to our Synagogue! ברוכים הבאים

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ויָרָא - Vayera

November 16, 2019—18 Cheshvan, 5780

After his circumcision, Abraham is visited by 3 angels, whom he invites into his tent to rest and eat. One of the angels announces that, at this same time next year, Sarah will give birth to a son. Sarah laughs privately upon hearing this, whereupon the angel asks her why she laughs. Sarah denies this out of fear, but the angel says, "Nay; but thou didst laugh," which is why the child will be named Isaac.



The Sacrifice of Isaac, Marc Chagall

God then tells Abraham that he is going to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah because of their wickedness. Abraham argues that the innocent should not be punished along with the guilty. Abraham bargains with God and it is finally decided that, even if only 10 righteous people are found in the city, God will not destroy it.

Two of the 3 angels arrive at Sodom (the 3rd having discharged His duty to announce the birth of Isaac) and Lot invites them into his home. The men of the city insist on taking them. Lot refuses, and the men are smitten with blindness. The angels announce God's plan to destroy the city and tell Lot and his family to leave. Lot is hesitant, but the angels insist and take him, his wife and daughters out. Lot escapes to the city of Zoar. *(Continued on next page...)*

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Kiddush Lunch

We hope you will join us for our weekly Kiddush luncheon immediately following services. Today's kiddush lunch is sponsored by the Fishman Kiddush Lunch Fund in memory of Harvey and Rene Fishman and their daughter Judy Fishman Siegel of blessed memory.

Parshat Continued: Lech-Lecha - לך-לך

(...Continued from first page.) God destroys Sodom and Gomorrah by raining down fire and brimstone. Although they were warned not to look back toward the city, Lot's wife looks back and turns into a pillar of salt.

Abraham and Sarah travel to Gerar in the south of the land. Abraham tells the king of Gerar, Abimelech, that Sarah is his sister. Abimelech takes her for himself, but God comes to him in a dream and orders him not to touch her and to return her to Abraham. Abimelech does so and gives them gifts.

Isaac is now born, as told by the angel, but is mocked by Ishmael, Abraham's son by Hagar. Sarah tells Abraham to send Hagar and Ishmael away. In the wilderness, Hagar cries out to God and God provides water for them both and assures her that Ishmael will be the father of a great nation.

God tests Abraham by asking him to sacrifice Isaac on Mount Moriah. Abraham takes him there, binds him on the altar, and just before he strikes the fatal blow, an angel stops him and tells him that God now knows that Abraham truly fears God. Abraham sees a ram caught in the thickets by its horns and he sacrifices it in place of Isaac. The angel tells Abraham that God will keep his promise of making Abraham a great nation.

Mazel Tov!

Happy Birthday!

November 15: Ivgenia Feynberg



Happy Anniversary!

November 14: Natella & Aleksey Leonovich

Sharei Chesed Weekly Calendar

Sunday November 17	Religious School	9:30am
Wednesday November 20	Evening Minyan	5:20pm

Our Prayers and Good Wishes for Refuah Shleimah to:

אבינו אבינו מלכנו שלח רפואה שלמה רפואת הנפש רפואת הגוף לחולי עמך
אל נא רפא נא אל נא רפא נא לה שלח שלח רפואה שלמה לחולי עמך

- Sybille Aaron
- Martha Cohen
- Chaya Golda bat Reyna
- Raisa Gringauz
- Chaim Horovitz
- Valda Kaye
- Uri Koppel
- Bronya Lipnik
- Cameron & Jack Moskowitz
- Yuri Peskin
- Shayna bat Shifra
- Rita Spain
- Alice Truskinovsky
- Harriet Wiss
- Matthew Zuyev ben Luba
- Zohra bat Ayisha
- Chaya Chapoval bat Veruska
- Sorka bat Dvora
- Judge Jerry Berkowitz
- Marcey Edgar
- Rivia Goldberg
- Richy Harris
- Rosalee Hulse Larson
- Sara Koplik
- Julia Kravchenko
- Pangeran Mahardhika
- Art Nettis
- Igor Sagalov
- Beverly and Burt Shacter
- Annick, Ali, and Aria Strauss
- Nesya Tsukerman
- Nechamit Yaari
- Alex Zevelev
- Yuriy ben Maya & Yefem
- Edward ben Natalie
- Martselah bat Esther
- Arnie Burton
- Jeffrey Fursetzer
- Alan Green
- Lindsey Hork
- Lana Itskovich
- Amy Koppel
- Shel Libson
- Elvi Mochtar
- Emily Pensler
- Alex Samuels
- Aileen and Miles Snyder
- Morrie Toretzky
- Miles Vaughn
- Avraham ben Channah
- Sofia and Moisey Zhuravel
- Sara Batya bat Meira Valon
- Efrat bat Velvel
- Benedict ben Liba

On This Day: 18 Cheshvan



In 1938, Nazi leader Hermann Goering announced that in order to "solve the problem of the Jews," the African island of Madagascar was being considered as a giant ghetto for 4 million European Jews. The plan was seriously considered by Hitler in May 1940, in his discussions with Mussolini and Nazi officials. Hitler's idea was that the Jews would play the role of hostages, as a way to prevent the United States from entering the war. The Madagascar Plan was cancelled due to a British blockade. One year later, it was decided that the "Final Solution to the Jewish Question" would mean extermination.

Yahrzeits for week of

November 16, 2019—November 22, 2019 / 18 Cheshvan, 5780 — 24 Cheshvan, 5780

Yahrzeit of

Remembered by

Saturday, November 16 (18 Cheshvan)

Mikhail Melamud Mikhail ben Iosif v'Dina
Miriam Blunk Miriam bat Avraham

Mariya Melamud, Leonid Melamud
Shmel Teyvel, Mina Grinberg

Sunday, November 17 (19 Cheshvan)

Gersh Estrin Gershon ben Nachman

Tatyana Estrina

Monday, November 18 (20 Cheshvan)

Berka Markman Baruch ben Noach

Nekha Zelikman

Tuesday, November 19 (21 Cheshvan)

Riva Kamenir Riva bat Vigdor
Samuel Bartnofsky Sender ben Avigdor
Lisa Vugman

Nahum Kipnis
Lois Kulinsky
Maria Pisarenko

Wednesday, November 20 (22 Cheshvan)

Charles Krinsky Yeshua ben Yisroel
Eva Gruen

Maddie Banwell
Vicky Sektor

Thursday, November 21 (23 Cheshvan)

Sara Braufman
Yankel Yankel ben Nuchum v'Chaya
Yakov Shmunik Yakov ben Israel
Sandra Galbinsky Sandra bat Aaron
Polina Perelman
Moysey Fridlyand Moshe ben Shimon

Janie Braufman
Gennadiy Ustyev
Alla Furman
Anatoly Galbinsky
Alex Perelman
Luba Zevelev

Friday, November 22 (24 Cheshvan)

Nisel Schechtman

Nina Furman, Faina Shulman

MAY THEIR MEMORIES ALWAYS BE FOR A BLESSING

Shloshim:

Barbara Hobbs

Mary Horozaniecki

Tatyana Levina

Harry Schoen