

Ohev Sholom - The National Synagogue®

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FEBRUARY SCHEDULE

Shevat/Adar 5770

- 6:30 am** Daily Minyan. Followed by Talmud Study (Kissushin) with Rabbi Herzfeld
- 8:30 am** Sundays & Legal Holidays

Sunday Minchah and Maariv: 15 minutes before sunset

Maariv Monday –Thursday - 7:30 pm

Followed by a 15-minute class on the Laws of Maimonides with Rabbi Herzfeld

Kiddush Lunch every Shabbat. The Shabbat lunch is FREE and OPEN to the entire community. But we do seek sponsors....

Tuesday, February 2

- 8:00 pm** Women's Beit Midrash offers a class with Esther Eisenman on Megillat Esther. Esther Eisenman is assistant principal at the Beth Tefiloh Dahan Community High School in Baltimore. She frequently teaches adult education classes in Baltimore, particularly at Mercaz: The Beth Tfiloh Dahan Center for Jewish Life and Learning. She practiced law for 10 years prior to becoming a Jewish educator. Meets 2/2, 2/9, 2/16

Friday, February 5

- 5:15 pm** Candles
- 5:20 pm** Mincha & Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, February 6 - Yitro

- 8:45 am** Communal Torah Study
- 9:15 am** Shacharit with a Dvar Torah by Dan Troy: "The Ten Commandments of Happiness!"
- 4:50 pm** Mincha followed by Seudah Shelishit with a lecture by Rabbi Shmuel Herzfeld
- 6:20 pm** Shabbat ends

Sunday, February 7

9:30 am Bekiut Nach class
5:25 pm Mincha/Maariv

Monday, February 8

7:45 pm An open meeting with Rabbi Shmuel Herzfeld about improving the spiritual involvement of women in our congregation. Please RSVP to cvaloris@gmail.com

Friday, February 12

12:00 pm Rabbi Herzfeld's Torah class meets at Russell Senate Office Building, Room 340.
5:23 pm Candles
5:30 pm Minchah & Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, February 13 – Mishpatim/Shekalim

8:45 am Communal Torah Study
9:15 am Shacharit with a Dvar Torah by Rabbi Herzfeld: "The Custom of a Personal Purim Festival."
5:10 pm Mincha followed by Seudah Shelishit with a Dvar Torah by Rabbi Ben Mintz.
6:28 pm Shabbat ends

Sunday, February 14 - Rosh Chodesh Adar Day 1

9:00 am Women's Tefillah Shacharit Service
5:25 pm Minchah & Maariv

Monday, February 15 - Rosh Chodesh Adar Day 2
PLEASE NOTE THE DAVENING TIMES

6:30 am Shacharit

BUS TRIP TO LAKEWOOD MATZAH FACTORY

We will depart from the shul at 7:30 am and return the same day. This is an opportunity to be a direct participant in the matzah baking process. You will also be able to purchase specialty matzah, like gluten free matzah and spelt matzah. Space is limited. RSVP to cvaloris@gmail.com Cost: \$10 adult and \$5 a child

5:30 pm Mincha/Maariv

Friday, February 19

5:31 pm Candles
5:35 pm Minchah & Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, February 20 – Terumah

A Shabbat Dedicated to Discussing Women’s Spirituality

8:45 am Communal Torah Study
9:15 am Shacharit with a Dvar Torah by Dr. Adena Berkowitz. Adena Berkowitz has co-edited, with Rivka Haut, a mini-prayer book called: *Shaarei Simcha: Gates of Joy: Traditional Prayers, Songs, and Modern Inclusive Rituals*. (Published by Ktav.)
Dr. Adena Berkowitz holds graduate degrees in Law and Ethics. A popular teacher of Torah, Adena has lectured across the U.S. on Jewish Ethics, Rabbinics, Women and Judaism and Jewish Values.
5:15 pm Mincha followed by Seudah Shelishit with a talk from Rivka Haut: “Recent Events at the Wall.” Rivka Haut is co-editor of *Women of the Wall: Claiming Sacred Ground at Judaism’s Holy Site*.
Rivka Haut is a long-time agunah activist, a mother and grandmother, and the co-author of two books: *Daughters of the King: Women and the Synagogue* and *Women of the Wall: Claiming Sacred Ground at Judaism’s Holy Site*.
6:36 pm Shabbat ends with a musical Havdalah. Following Shabbat, Adena Berkowitz and Rivka Haut will autograph copies of Shaarei Simcha.

Sunday, February 21

9:00 am (Following minyan)
2 Lectures - 2 Speakers--2 Locations - 1 Purim: Speaker 1
Rabbi Eliezer Lachman, Director Friedman Kollel of Olney:
“The Contrasts Between the Hebrew Esther and the Greek Esther”
at Ohev Sholom - The National Synagogue
9:30 am Blood Drive for Childrens’ Hospital at Ohev Sholom. To reserve your space, email cvaloris@gmail.com
2:30 pm Blood Drive ends.
5:45 pm Mincha and Maariv
7:30 pm Book club meets. Bradley Fields will be discussing Karen Armstrong's *The Great Transformation*. This is a fascinating book tracing the parallel evolutions of Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, and Hellenism. It is well written and well worth the read. Waiting in the wings is Esther Kreitman's *The Dance of the Demons* to be discussed by David Epstein.

Monday, February 22

2 Lectures - 2 Speakers--2 Locations - 1 Purim: Speaker 2

7:30 pm Rabbi Shmuel Herzfeld: The Halachot of Mishloach Manot (Sending food packages to your neighbor on Purim) at The Jewish Family Center, 18318 Georgia Avenue, Olney, MD

Tuesday, February 23

7:00 pm Pre-Purim Party with Jewish Foundation for Group Homes. Hamentashen, pizza dinner will be served. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this festive party. Special musical performance by Ben and David Parker.

Thursday, February 25 - Fast of Esther

5:33 am Fast Begins
6:30 am Shacharit
5:20 pm Mincha & Maariv
6:43 pm Fast Ends
7:45 pm Rabbi Herzfeld teaches a class on the Book of Esther

Friday, February 26

5:39 pm Candles
5:45 pm Minchah & Kabbalat Shabbat followed by a Pre-Purim festive dinner, featuring Purim songs and Purim delicacies.
Please send in your reservation to cvaloris@gmail.com Early bird special: \$15 a person by noon on Wednesday, February 24 and kids under 12 eat free; after that it is \$25 per person over the age of 12.

Saturday, February 27 – Tetzaveh/Zachor

8:45 am Communal Torah Study
9:15 am Shacharit with a Dvar Torah by Rabbi Shmuel Herzfeld. There will be a Purim Parade at the conclusion of davening. Kids are encouraged to bring their costumes to shul.
5:25 pm Mincha followed by Seudah Shelishit with some Purim Torah
6:43 pm Shabbat ends

PURIM

7:15 pm Megillah reading
Followed by a FREE festive carnival
9:00 pm Second Megillah reading

Sunday, February 28

8:00 am Shacharit with Megillah reading

11:00 am Women's Megillah reading. By women for women. Dedicated to the memory of Beth Samuels.

Stay tuned for information on our Purim Parade and Festival in Downtown Silver Spring!!!