



סוכות 1st Day of Sukkot

15 Tishrei, 5787/September 26, 2026

Triennial Cycle Year I: Leviticus 22:26-23:44

Humash Etz Hayim, page 723

Maftir: Numbers 29:12-16, page 934

Haftarah: Zechariah 14:1-21, page 1253

- (Lev. 22:26-29) Laws regarding animals for sacrifices.
- (22:30-33) The mitzvot never to profane God's name and always to sanctify it.
- (23:1-44) The special days.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Please check our online calendar for the most up-to-date information

Saturday, September 26

Sukkot I

- 9:30 a.m. Sukkot Services / In Honor of Wendy Glasser (Sanctuary/YouTube)
10:00 a.m. Alternative Shabbat Sessions (Beit T'Fillah)
12:00 p.m. Kiddush (Sukkah Patio/Social Hall)
7:41 p.m. Candle lighting

Sunday, September 27

Sukkot II

- 9:30 a.m. Sukkot Services (Sanctuary/YouTube)
9:30 a.m. Family Learning Days (Classrooms)
12:00 p.m. Kiddush (Sukkah Patio/Social Hall)
7:39 p.m. Havdalah

Monday, September 28

Sukkot III

- 3:00 p.m. Crafters' Guild (Beit Midrash)
7:00 p.m. Minyan (Zoom)

Tuesday, September 29

Sukkot IV

- 11:00 a.m. Hummus Bodega (Parking Lot)
7:00 p.m. Minyan (Zoom)

Wednesday, September 30

Sukkot V

- 11:30 a.m. Balance and Stretch class (Beit Midrash)
4:30 p.m. Religious School (Zoom)
6:00 p.m. Pizza in the Hut with Karaoke Sing Along (Sukkah Patio)
7:00 p.m. Minyan (Zoom)

Thursday, October 1

Sukkot VI

- 11:30 a.m. Ladies Who Lunch in the Sukkah (Offsite)
6:00 p.m. Steaks in the Sukkah (Sukkah Patio)
7:00 p.m. Minyan (Zoom)

Friday, October 2

Sukkot VII

- 2:00 p.m. Administration Office Closed
6:31 p.m. Candle lighting

Saturday, October 3

Shmini Atzeret

- 9:30 a.m. Shemini Atzeret Service Includes Yizkor (Sanctuary/YouTube)
12:00 p.m. Kiddush (Sukkah Patio/Social Hall)
7:30 p.m. Candle lighting
7:30 p.m. Erev Simchat Torah Services (Sanctuary)

SUKKOT SERVICES AND EVENTS

Sukkot Services (Sanctuary/YouTube)

Saturday, September 26, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 27, 9:30 a.m.

During Saturday's service, Wendy Glasser will be called to the bima in recognition of her many years of dedicated service to Women's League for Conservative Judaism and Congregation Beth David.

Sukkot Family Learning Day (Sukkah Patio)

Sunday, September 27, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Join Rabbi Roller for a Sukkot-focused learning experience with games, music, art and food!

Young Adults Pizza in the Hut with Karaoke (Sukkah Patio)

Wednesday, September 30, 6:00–8:30 p.m.

RSVP by September 27

Young adults under 40, celebrate Sukkot with us over pizza and beer! Non-alcoholic drinks and gluten- and dairy-free options will also be available. After dinner, grab the mic (or cheer on your friends) during a fun-filled Karaoke Sing-Along. \$20 per person. Members, RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/pizza-in-the-hut-members>
Guests, RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/pizza-in-the-hut-guests>

Ladies Who Lunch in the Sukkah! (Offsite)

Thursday, October 1, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

This month, there will be 4 locations. All are potlucks, and food must be dairy or pareve.

Please do not sign up for more than one location.

Go to beth-david.org/women to see locations and RSVP links.

Steak in the Sukkah (Sukkah Patio)

Thursday, October 1, 6:00–9:00 p.m.

RSVP by September 27

Join us on the Sukkah patio for an upscale evening of kosher BBQ steaks with all the fixings and wine. Cost: \$75 per person for the steak dinner and \$50 for the vegetarian option (salmon or Impossible Burgers available upon request). Space is limited. The first 50 are guaranteed a spot.

Members, RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/steak-sukkah-members-5787>

Guests, RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/steak-sukkah-guests-5787>

SHEMINI ATZERET/SIMCHAT TORAH

Shemini Atzeret Service Includes Yizkor (Sanctuary/YouTube)

Saturday, October 3, 9:30–12:00 p.m.

Celebrate the last day of Sukkot with a warm and uplifting service. We'll come together for prayer, song, and blessings for the year ahead, offering a beautiful chance to pause, connect, and linger in the joy of the season. Join us for services and stay after lunch.

Erev Simchat Torah Service (Sanctuary/YouTube)

Saturday, October 3, 7:30–9:30 p.m.

Dance, sing, and celebrate as we rejoice in the Torah! Join us for a lively evening filled with the joy of completing the Torah cycle and beginning anew.

Simchat Torah Service (Sanctuary/YouTube)

Sunday, October 4, 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Join us as we joyfully complete the reading of the Torah and begin the cycle anew. **This year, we are proud to honor** Jane Jacobson, Kallat Torah (Bride of the Torah), with the final Aliyah of the Torah cycle, and Howard Gannes, Chatan Bereishit (Groom of Genesis), with the first Aliyah of the new cycle. Mazel tov to our honorees!



Mazel tov to Wendy Glasser on the recognition of her many years of dedicated service to Women's League for Conservative Judaism and Congregation Beth David.

Hummus Bodega @ Beth David (Parking Lot)

Tuesday, September 29, 11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Whether you're stopping by for lunch, meeting a friend for an afternoon bite, or grabbing an early dinner, come enjoy some of the Bay Area's favorite Israeli food—right here in our parking lot!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Crafters' Guild (Beit Midrash)

Monday, September 28, 3:00–5:00 p.m.

Hosted by Ricki Gafer and Ann Tavan

This is an informal gathering with no membership requirements where all are welcome. Join us for crafting or simply for camaraderie. For more information, email Ann Tavan here:

ann@tavan.com.

ENCORE: Netiv HaTeshuva (Zoom)

No Shade for the Prophet Jonah

Led by Sheryl Rattner

Monday, October 5, 7:30–8:30 p.m.

If you missed the Netiv HaTeshuvah on Yom Kippur, here's your chance for an encore discussion on the biblical prophet Jonah. See calendar for the Zoom link and to download the handout before class.

Jewish Book Discussion Group (Beit Midrash)

The Red House

Saturday, October 10, 12:45–2:30 p.m.

by Mary Morris, led by Ginny Baird

Thirty years after her mother, Viola, vanished without a trace, Laura returns to Italy seeking answers. The only clues are Viola's haunting paintings of a red house and the cryptic words, "I will not be here forever." As Laura uncovers her mother's hidden past, she begins to unravel the mystery that has haunted her family for decades.

2Low Classical Concert (Social Hall)

Sunday, October 11, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Join us for a concert by 2Low, featuring Charles Chandler (bass) and Amos Yang (cello) of the San Francisco Symphony! Tickets are \$20 per person. Please RSVP.

Members, here: <https://tinyurl.com/members-2Low-concert>

Guests, here: <https://tinyurl.com/guests-2low-concert>

Patrons are free — email info@beth-david.org to RSVP.

Brooklyn Odyssey: My Journey out of Hasidism (Social Hall)

Sunday, October 18, 2:00–3:30 p.m.

Growing up in Crown Heights, Brooklyn, Zalman Newfield was immersed in the Chabad-Lubavitch Hasidic community and trained as a Lubavitch emissary. In *Brooklyn Odyssey: My Journey out of Hasidism*, he shares how reading, travel and education broadened his perspective and ultimately led him to leave the faith of his youth. The cost is \$10 per person. Please RSVP by October 16 by emailing Hazak@beth-david.org.

Bocce & Dinner at Campo di Bocce (Offsite)

Sunday, October 18, 4:00–7:00 p.m.

Join us at Campo di Bocce for drinks and an early dinner, followed by bocce court time. Please RSVP by 2:00 p.m. on Friday, October 16 by emailing mensclub@beth-david.org.

Experiencing Israel During War (Beit Midrash)

Sunday, October 25, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

San Jose resident Anastasia Torres-Gil shares her experiences about what it is like to be in Israel under rocket attack and describes her encounters with Israeli resilience and community.

SAVE-THE-DATES**Pinot Noir Passport: A Wine Tasting Around the World (Mercatz)**

Sunday, November 8, 6:00–8:00 p.m.

Join us for an evening exploring Pinot Noir from around the world. Please bring a bottle of your favorite Pinot Noir to share, along with a few tasting notes about its region, vintage, flavors, or why you selected it. We'll sample the wines together, compare their distinctive characteristics, and vote for a few group favorites. Light snacks will be provided. Please RSVP to mensclub@beth-david.org.

Global Shabbat**Rhythm and Sound of Africa in celebration of SIGD (Social Hall)**

Friday, November 13, 5:30–9:00 p.m.

Join our Global Shabbat service featuring the rhythm and sounds of Africa as we celebrate the Beta Israel holiday of SIGD and the ancient and emerging Jewish communities of Africa.

The event is free, but please RSVP here: <https://tinyurl.com/global-shabbat>.

Jewish Book Discussion Group (Beit Midrash)***This Is Not About Us***

Saturday, November 14, 12:45–2:00 p.m.

By Allegra Goodman, led by Lori Cinnamon

After their sister dies, an apple-cake misunderstanding estranges Sylvia and Helen for a decade. Warm and witty, this multigenerational novel explores forgiveness, sisterhood, and the enduring bonds of family.

Bagels, Lox & Tefillah—BLT (Beit Midrash)

Sunday, November 15, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Join Rabbi Kunin for bagels, lox, and an engaging discussion about tefillah, including the order and meaning of the prayer service. Additional discussion topics will be announced.

Come enjoy good food, thoughtful conversation, and a deeper understanding of Jewish prayer.

Walking Without Worry—Fall Prevention (Beit T'Fillah)

Sunday, November 15, 2:00–3:30 p.m.

Occupational therapist Julie Rettberg shares practical tips and strategies to help prevent falls and stay safe and steady. RSVP to come!

Mah Jongg Tournament (Social Hall)

Sunday, November 22, 9:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Please join us for an afternoon of lunch and four rounds of Mah Jongg. Advanced players only. \$75 per player.

Please RSVP by November 13.

Members, RSVP here: <https://tinyurl.com/mah-jongg-members>

Guests, RSVP here: <https://tinyurl.com/mah-jongg-guests>

61st Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service (Offsite)

Thursday, November 26, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Hosted by Sacred Heart, 13716 Saratoga Avenue

Start your day of gratitude off with neighbors of other faith communities in Saratoga at the 61st annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service.

WAYS TO SUPPORT**Honor a Loved One Through****Kiddush-Oneg Sponsorship**

Thanks to the generous support of our community, our weekly Shabbat lunches can continue to be enjoyed by all. We are grateful to have several sponsored Kiddush lunches in the coming weeks and look forward to celebrating these special occasions together.

Bakers Needed for Kiddush Lunches

We are asking three volunteers each week to bake 2–3 dozen cookies to supplement the other wonderful desserts being provided! Please sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/bakers-needed>. Instructions are outlined on the signup. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Join Our Chevra Chesed Meal Support Team

Several congregants are facing illness, recovery, and other life challenges. We're grateful to our Chevra Chesed volunteers and welcome a few more helping hands. Even preparing and delivering an occasional meal can make a meaningful difference. If you would like to join our Chevra Chesed meal support list or have questions, please email chevrachessed@beth-david.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS**Announcing Sulam for Emerging Leaders**

Would you like to help guide Congregation Beth David in the next phase of our journey? Please consider joining Sulam for Emerging Leaders, a leadership development program with a distinctly Jewish outlook. Through seven two-hour sessions, you will build relationships with your peers, gain empowerment to effect change, reflect on leadership through Jewish values, and practice leadership skills. Sulam for Emerging Leaders engages with people in Congregation Beth David who are in their first term serving on the Board of Directors or who have not previously served. The program will begin after the High Holy Days this fall, meeting about once a month. The exact schedule will be worked out with the participants before the first session. Please contact Jerry Bloom (jeremyblm@yahoo.com) if you are interested and save a place on your calendar for Sulam for Emerging Leaders. Help build the future of Congregation Beth David.

Yahrzeits Week of September 25/26, 2026

Cookie Addison, Mother of Robin Sabes

Moshe Ben Mazal Ashkenazi, Father of Herzel Ashkenazi

Bat-Shevah Bernstein, Niece of Phillip Bernstein

Chuck Bernstein, Brother of Phillip Bernstein

Roberta Bernstein, Sister-in-law of Phillip Bernstein

Ruth Blum, Aunt of Rhonda Farber

Stella Cicerone, Mother-in-Law of Seema Cicerone

Irwin Cole, Father of Roberta Cohen

Sheldon Davis, Father of Ricki Gafter

Ella Dickman, Grandmother of Lloyd Dickman

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Bess Frieden, Mother of Stephen Frieden

Sharon Glicksman, Wife of Robert Glicksman

Bertha Gold, Aunt of Richard Tavan
 Gerald Goldberg, Brother of Ruth Gipstein
 Nettie Goodman, Aunt of Kenneth Wiener
 Esther Heldman, Mother of Rhonda Raider Gould
 Helen Herskovitz, Aunt of Barry Brummer
 Natalie Israel, Aunt of Joyce Halper
 Estelle Klein, Mother of Charles Klein
 Ann Lauterbach, Sister of Charles Marr
 Benjamin Levin, Grandfather of Steven Levin
 Maynard Levin, Father of Marilyn Sefchovich
 Herman Lifschitz, Brother-in-Law of Martin Weisberg
 Gusta Mauberis, Mother of Regina Koghan
 Solomon Mauberis, Father of Regina Koghan
 Richard Mendelsohn, Great Uncle of Linda Weiss
 Hessam Edin Moghtader, Brother of Farideh Feizzadeh
 Harold Nudler, Father of Judy Borah
 Misia Nudler, Mother of Judy Borah
 Beckie Perlmutter, Grandmother of Gloria Levy
 Jacob Pressman, Father of Daniel Pressman
 Joseph Reisman, of Blessed Memory
 Stanley I. Rojo, Father of Susan Rojo Firsty
 Sidney Shtulman, Step-father of Deborah Hoffman
 Rita Silber, Mother of Sandi Bretz
 Jayne Swedroe, Sister of Robert Swedroe
 Judith Rosalie Rosalie Varadi, Friend of Sheila Weisberg
 Tikvah Weiner, Cousin of Susan Rojo Firsty
 David Zacher, Father of Sarah Rosenberg, Grandfather of
 Daniel Rosenberg
 Rose Zymmer, Sister-in-law of Miriam Engel

Refuah Shleimah – A Complete Recovery – as of 09/26/26

Michaela Yacova bat Ruchel Saushe v'Nachum Chanan, Micaela
 Abramovitz (daughter of Rachel and Norman Abramovitz)
 Nachum ben Yaacov u'Brachah, Norm Abramovitz (member)
 Howard Chaitt (cousin of Marilyn Ader)
 Yehudit bat Mordechai v'Reeska, Judy Applesmith (member)
 Liora bat Genia (member and mother of Rabbi Ilana Baird)
 Maya bat Noach v'Rivka Leah, Maya Bareket (member)
 Asaph Ben Shalom (nephew of Betty Becker)
 Meira bat Zehava, Meira Peretz (niece of Betty Becker)
 Zehava Malka bat Chana, Gloria Strikovsky (sister of Betty Becker)
 Rivka bat Esther v'Yehuda (mother of Joseph Bendahan)
 Hila bat Itzhak u'Bat Ami
 Ruth Brill (member)
 Chaim ben David, Harvey Checkman (member)
 Aliza Cicerone (daughter of Seema Cicerone)
 Lauren Davis (cousin of Seema Cicerone)
 Keith Cicerone (brother-in-law of Seema Cicerone)
 Mayer, Marcos Cicerone (family of Seema Cicerone)
 Mike Deveau (family of Seema Cicerone)
 Judy Attard (friend of Barbara Davis)
 Barbara Davis (member)
 Simona Goldstein (cousin of Barbara Davis)
 Scott Mathews (cousin of Barbara Davis)
 Marc Weiss (cousin of Barbara Davis)

Terri Willert (cousin of Barbara Davis)
 Ellen Frankovitch (cousin of Lloyd Dickman)
 Chanoch ben Benyamin haLevi, Richard Dorsay (member)
 Grady Quintal (friend of Dorothy Dorsay)
 Malka Lavana, Wendy (friend of Donna Frankel)
 Axel Faederholdt (Friend of Donna Frankel)
 Gittel bat Yihiskael v'Pi'a Batya, Beverly Jean Kanter (sister of
 Donna Frankel)
 Ari Yehuda ben Malka Ariella
 Shira Yael bat Yehudite Rachel, Shira Weisenfreund (friend of
 Emily and Howard Gannes)
 Steve Mizrahi (friend of Howard and Emily Gannes)
 Rachel Chana bat Rayzel (friend of Howard and Emily Gannes)
 Shalom ben Chana (friend of Howard and Emily Gannes)
 Yaffa Leya bat Ruchel, Susan Marcus (friend of Emily Gannes)
 Donna Stone (cousin of Wendy J. Glasser)
 Chaim ben Moshe, Harvey Stone (cousin of Wendy J. Glasser)
 Shmuel Ben Menaka Mendel
 Etta bat Phival
 Chaya Sarah bat Avraham Hersh v'Shaiva, Sondra
 Goldberger (member)
 Howard Goldstein (member)
 David Garfinkle (brother-in-law of Rhonda Raider Gould and
 Don Gould)
 Malka bat Daniel u'D'vora, Helaine Green (member)
 Aryeh ben Shlomo v'Miriam (friend of Helaine & Stephen Green)
 Jessica (friend of Helaine & Stephen Green)
 Guadalupe Ariel Cordova (friend of Helaine & Stephen Green)
 Allison Tobin (friend of Helaine & Stephen Green)
 Tikva bat Katania, Allyson Guggenheim (granddaughter of
 Allen Guggenheim)
 Juanita Harris (friend of Kristin Gustavson)
 Kathryn Schultz (friend of Kristin Gustavson)
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Refuah Shleimah *(Continued)*

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Chaya Leiva Eita Moshe Meyer v' Yehudit, Lynne Kinsey (member)
Aliza Chavah bat Chaya Liba Etta v'Keter, Leanna Shuster (daughter of Stephen and Lynne Kinsey)
Madison and Walker Vega (grandchildren of Jan Krum, niece and nephew of Barb Green)
Levi ben Lina v'Eliyahu (father of Rabbi David Kunin)
Tova bat Clara v'Mordechai haKohen (mother of Rabbi David Kunin)
Arkadi Nisenzon (brother of Zoya Lazer)
Eliezer ben Shulamit Yehudit, Lawrence Goldblatt (cousin of Michael Leitner)
Miriam, Marion Lessman (friend of Ben Leitner)
Daniel Seth ben Yaffa v'Yitzchak haKohen, Daniel Lewis (son of Sheryl & Eric Lewis)
Dr. Barry Schwartz (cousin of Andrea Linder)
Miriam bat Bluma, Miriam Marr (member)
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Dalia bat Joseph v'Sarah, Dalia Milgram (member)
Rachmiel mi-beit Y'chiel u'Veindel, Bobby Miller (member)
Susan Keith (friend of Robert Miller)
Joanie Pepper (aunt of Jan Pepper)
Gary Hedden (friend of Jan Pepper)
Deb Rau (friend of Jan Pepper)
Chaya Bracha bat Shira Nechama
Yosefa Sara bat Chana
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Yosef ben Shmuel u'Miriam, Joe Sorger (member)
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Kathy Goldstein (friends of Walter Spector)
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Adam Yavim ben Avraham v'Sarah, George Steres (member)
Rachmiel ben Yoheved (member)

Chaye Reizel bat Ruchel (member)
Matt Clark (friend of Irene Swedroe)
David ben Levi v'Esther (son of Svitlana & Leonid Veskler)
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Bela bat Bronya (cousin of Dina Yevelev)
Sonya bat Emma (friend of Dina Yevelev)
Rita bat Sonya (friend of Dina Yevelev)
Chayah bat Yosef v'Devorah, Cheryl Zatkin-Steres (member)