

The Focal Point

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K.I. Grand Givers 2018 Presents

Dennis Watkins

Chicago-based 3rd Generation Magician and Illusionist
"Mind Blowing Magic and Impossible Mentalism"

Sunday, Nov. 11**Dessert 6:30-7:15 pm****Doors open for seating 7 pm****Show begins 7:30 pm**

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SHABBAT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Candlelighting*.....5:58 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....6:05 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

BLESSING OF THE NEW MOON

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM
Rabbi's Class.....4:50 PM
Mincha.....5:35 PM
Havdalah*.....6:51 PM



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Candlelighting*.....4:51 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:55 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

VETERANS' DAY SERVICE

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM

KIDDUSH ENHANCED BY

K.I. MEN'S CLUB

Rabbi's Class.....3:45 PM
Mincha.....4:30 PM
Havdalah*.....5:44 PM



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Candlelighting*.....4:45 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:50 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM

CHAI ANNIVERSARY KIDDUSH

Rabbi's Class.....3:40 PM
Mincha.....4:25 PM
Havdalah*.....5:38 PM



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Candlelighting*.....4:41 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:45 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM
Rabbi's Class.....3:35 PM
Mincha.....4:20 PM
Havdalah*.....5:35 PM



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Candlelighting*.....4:39 PM
Kabbalat Shabbat.....4:45 PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

Morning Services.....9:00 AM
Mini-Minyan for Kids.....10:30 AM
Rabbi's Class.....3:35 PM
Mincha.....4:20 PM
Havdalah*.....5:33 PM

* NO LATER THAN
* NO EARLIER THAN

From Your Rabbi...



The holidays are behind us, as we now enter “regular time.” But we at K.I. aren’t slowing down! I’m delighted to announce that we’ll be resuming the very popular weekly women’s class, which **Rabbi Mandl** and Rabbi Shron taught before me. This class sprung up from a group of dedicated women who had never been formally *Bat Mitzvah*’ed as kids, and who decided to embark on a journey toward *Bat Mitzvah* as adults. The spiritual dividends of that initiative continue to pay off, with the abundance of *Torah* which has been learned by this cohort - as well as by those who have since joined them over the years. This class will resume on a weekly basis on Thursday nights in November. Rabbi Mandl and I will “co-teach” it, switching off weeks.

I’m also very much looking forward to my installation. What a special privilege to be able to have my own father and mentor, Rabbi Ira Grussgott, oversee my installation as the “Installing Officer.” I trust that it will be a special occasion for the entire K.I. community.

At the beginning of October, I attended my first local AIPAC event here at The J. I got to meet Congressman Yoder and to thank him for his support for Israel. I began to explain where I serve as the new rabbi, and he replied: “Sure, I know K.I.!” It was nice to hear that we are on the congressman’s radar!

Speaking of politics, you should all be reading this in the beginning of November. And so, I urge you to get out and vote on November 6th. No matter who you cast your vote for (and obviously, as a religious institution, we don’t take any position on that), it’s an important Jewish value to make our voices heard at the ballot box. The great *halachic* authority of the 20th Century, Rabbi Moshe Feinstein, exhorted his fellow Jews in a responsum on the importance of voting. Amongst his reasons was simply the importance of being good and responsible citizens of the country in which we live. No matter which party wins, I hope and trust that we can all still talk to each other peaceably in *shul*, regardless of political affiliation.

On a personal note: my sister Leba gave birth to a baby boy! As a I type this, I am preparing to head out to New York for the *Bris*. I’ll be happy to share my new nephew’s name with you all once I find it out. Hopefully you’ll all have occasion to meet him, as well as his beautiful brother and sister Avi and Eva, and their parents, before too long. Wishing us all a peaceful autumn season.

Rabbi Moshe Grussgott, Senior Rabbi

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BAR MITZVAH

Saturday, December 1, 2018



Nathan Anthony Khalemsky

Angela and **Anatoly Khalemsky** proudly announce the *Bar Mitzvah* of their son, **Nathan Anthony Khalemsky** on December 1, 2018, at 9:00 am.

Nathan is a 7th grade student at Pioneer Trail Middle School. He enjoys all subjects at school. Nathan loves history. He also enjoys playing basketball on the team and with his brothers.

He has been a student of the K.I. Fred Devinki Religious School for the past three years. Nathan has been studying hard and looks forward to his *Bar Mitzvah*.

Nathan has two older brothers, Zak and Daniel.

The Kehilath Israel Congregation, family, and friends are invited to attend services with Nathan and his family. *Kiddush* luncheon will be provided following services in Nathan's honor.

From Your President...

I enjoy spring and summer. I'm not a fan of fall and winter. Springtime, everything comes to life - reborn. Summertime, everything flourishes. Shorts and T-shirts are the norm. Autumn's beauty is short-lived. Wintertime brings flowers dying and trees going dormant. Coats, earmuffs and gloves are the norm. Did I mention I enjoy spring and summer? Of course, there are exceptions to how I feel about fall and winter. I love November because of Thanksgiving, my favorite secular holiday. December is a cold and peaceful time of year, which I like. Then I'm ready for spring and summer. Enough about the weather!

October was a good month. We had a good board meeting – we are compiling our list of things we need to fix or



...From Your President continued

replace. The board passed a motion to repair our *sukkah*, which entails replacing several enormous wooden beams and new canvass for the two sides. On behalf of the officers and board, as well as the entire membership, I want to express my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to **Laura Daniels** for financing 50 percent of the cost of our rebuilt *sukkah* in memory of her husband, our dear friend, Trent Daniels, z"l. Having personally known Trent, I can assure you that this gesture would have meant a lot to him. Thank you, Laura, for this generous gift to K.I.

There have been many *simchas* at K.I. (*B"H*) over the years – weddings, *Bar/Bat Mitzvahs*, graduations and so on. But these have been more personal, family celebrations. However, we, as a K.I. family, celebrated the best *simcha* we have had in a long time when we installed **Rabbi Moshe Grussgott** as our permanent senior rabbi. Rabbi Grussgott is K.I.'s Patrick Mahomes, or better yet, Patrick Mahomes is the Kansas City Chiefs' Rabbi Grussgott. Rabbi Grussgott is our quarterback, our captain, our leader who will lead us to great things.

Rabbi, so far you have made our services more interesting, more inspiring, and we learn something new each time. Personally, each week I look forward to the next week! Our daily *minyanim* are doing better, attendance-wise. Sometimes we have to shuffle seats around to make room for everyone attending your classes. But these are all wonderful things. Personally, I thank *Hashem* that you, Becca and Ari are here with us. And I'm convinced that Divine Intervention played a huge role in bringing you here.

So, to all our friends, please join us for services so you, too, can take part in this K.I. miracle.

Hope to see you all happy and healthy. Be sure to make your reservations for the Installation *Kiddush* on November 3rd and Installation Brunch on November 4th. They are both free!

Marty Gorin, President

IN MEMORIAM

May the G-d of Mercy sustain and comfort those who have suffered the loss of dear ones. The Kehilath Israel family extends deepest sympathy to the bereaved families of:

JUDITH DROSKIN

RON SHAPIRO

Brother of **Ben Corchine**

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



- 2 Tatyana & Arkadiy Katz (34)
Phyllis & Maury Kohn (32)
- 8 Sylvana & Daniel Hammer (20)
Marlene & Ari Lubowicz (26)
- 9 Beverly & Larry Mallin (66)
- 10 Donna & Edward Warren (34)
- 11 Miriam Mandl & Ian Guffy (1)
Geraldine & Mark Klein (62)
- 15 Arlyn & Charles Kuluva (48)
- 19 Ida & Craig Kolkin (29)
- 25 Allegra & Kent Shanberg (34)
- 26 Susie & Paul Blackman (35)
- 27 Regina & Jonathan Fink (19)
- 30 Liz & Brian Friedman (38)

CONGREGANTS' NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We want to wish a Happy Birthday to all of the following congregants who are celebrating birthdays:

Jackye Goldberg, James Stone, Megan Pener, Patsy Probin, Bruce Winston, Marcia Tropp, Becca Grussgott, Barbara Glass, Joseph Pfefer, Debby Pfefer, Laura Daniels, Richard Gatewood, Stuart Levine, Aron Mandl, Marilyn Morgan, Sonia Warshawski, Alan Gallas, Vicky Kulikov, Deborah Geivett, Deborah Goodbinder, Garry Scharf, Robert Hoffman, Dan Kass, David Kricsfeld, Jeanne Kaplan, Paul Wacknov, Amelia Kass, Phyllis Kogan, Ruth Rosenblum, Todd Agron, Jeffrey Goldenberg, Joseph Goldwasser, Zachary Haith, Gary Levin, Madeline Schiffman, Judy Elliott, Sam Rabicoff, Bonnie Rabicoff, Julie Shaffer, Rochelle Kanter, Robert Katz, William Rosenthal, Doris Gilgus, Robert Friedman, Alfie Kass, Marlene Lubowicz, Carolyn Braverman, Anzhelika Khalemsky, Allegra Shanberg, Efraim Gershon, Allen Levine, Randa Feder.

NOVEMBER YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

Evelyn Pener, Molly Mandl, Delilah Fry, Tali Gortenburt, Keaton Oliver, Jacob Rosales.

מזל טוב

...to **Robin Jaffe** on her recent engagement to Rabbi Zev Golub of Brooklyn, New York.

...to **Shirley & Todd Stettner** on the engagement of their son, Max, to Suzanne Alpert.

...**Seymour & Felicia Weiner** on the birth of a great grandson. Parents are Danny and Sara Wajcman.

תודה רבה

...to **Eunice Snitz** for helping with the *Focal Point* mailing.

...to **Jake Schulzinger** for helping in the office and everywhere else in the building.

רפואה שלמה

The congregation expresses sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to **Bob Gast, Jackye Goldberg, Stanley Katz, Susan Klopfer, Marlene Krakow, Fannie Krashin** and to all other members of the congregation and community who have been ill or hospitalized.

SIMCHA TREE LEAF DEDICATION



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
MYER LITWACK**
On your 100th Birthday
10-13-2018

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Gela Adelman & Maurice Eastman

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News from K.I.'s Cub Scout Pack 3153



The Wolves of Cub Scout Pack 3153 in front of a green screen at Johnson County Public Library's MakersSpace

The Wolves (second graders) of Cub Scout Pack 3153 and siblings visited the Johnson County Central Library MakerSpace as part of their October 2018 den meeting. The co-ed group of scouts joined a public tour, where they learned about opportunities to use the library's free resources, including the laser cutter, 3-D printer, vinyl cutter, sewing machines and audio visual equipment. The field trip was one of the den's "go sees," where scouts visit area attractions and educational opportunities.

After being photographed in front of the MakerSpace's green screen, the scouts imagined what background could take its place. Ideas included: flying through the sky, walking in a desert with tumbleweeds rolling behind them, and riding on a motorcycle. The MakerSpace resident was impressed and felt many of these ideas had potential!

The den attends regular pack meetings at K.I., and is grateful for the role K.I. plays in their scouting experience.

News from Our School

Our new religious school year has begun.

We had an enjoyable Family Day program in the *Sukkah*. The kids had a great time. Our school director, **Rachel Macek**, has worked very hard to provide meaningful activities for our students .

In our classroom, we have studied the weekly *parsha*, the importance of doing acts of kindness, as well as beginning a unit about Israel. My class is made up of Judaically enriched children so I have to work to keep ahead of them.

We will soon be talking about *Chanukah*.

L'Shalom.

Sheila Ginsberg (Teacher)

THE K.I. BABYSITTING ROOM NEEDS NEW OR LIKE-NEW TOYS!

SUGGESTED ITEMS:

- Food/kitchen
- Farm animals
- Tools
- Baby dolls
- Puzzles
- Other age-appropriate items



Students from Mrs. Mazer's class create their own *Siddurim*.



Shul-Wide Chanukah Latke Dinner

*1st night of Chanukah
Sunday, Dec. 2 - 5:30 pm*

More info to come.

חג חנוכה



שמח

**HAPPY
CHANUKAH**



Women of K.I. Celebrate Chanukah
with a White Elephant Gift Exchange (\$15 limit) &
Dinner (a hearty vegetable soup, salad, bread & dessert)
Monday, December 10, 6:00 pm @ K.I.

\$10 K.I. members / \$18 non-members
RSVP deadline is Wednesday Dec. 5th.

Your check made out to Women of K.I.
is your reservation.
Mail to K.I. - Attn: Women of K.I.

Women of K.I. supports the JFS Food Pantry. Please bring an item to donate.



Saturday, Nov 10
during 9 am services
and at a
kiddush enhanced by
K.I. Men's Club

Honoring
K.I. Veterans
Jesse Newman
will speak



WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP IS BACK

Learning with Rabbis Moshe Grussgott & Herbert Mandl
(alternating weeks)

Meeting Thursdays
Nov. 8, 15, & 29
7:00 pm
in the library at K.I.



Students choose the discussion topics!

Contact Rabbi Grussgott for more info:
rabbi@kisyn.org / 913.642.1880 x211

ESRIG-GOULD MEMORIAL ALCOVE

With Reverence We Record the Following Yahrzeits

MEMORIAL TABLETS

23 CHESHVAN-NOV. 1

SARAH BRATMAN
GUILLERMO CHOPP
DVOSHA LEVINA
ALBERT MIZRAHI
LEONA SOLTZ
BERTHA WAX
JOSEPH WEINSAFT

24 CHESHVAN-NOV. 2

WILLIAM COHN
DENA DELEVE
JENNIE FEINGOLD
ESTHER GOLDFINGER
JULIUS KREGER
SIMON OZAR
ROSE SNITZ
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25 CHESHVAN-NOV. 3

MATTHEW DEVOE
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ESTHER ESTRIN
MAX HYMAN
GELA LEVITCH
ESTHER NERMAN
SAM SHAW
NISSON SHURIN

26 CHESHVAN-NOV. 4

FRANCES CUMONOW
HARRY FRIEDMAN
THOMAS MAGARIEL
SARAH SIESS

27 CHESHVAN-NOV. 5

BERNARD BELZER
DAVID FRANKENSTEIN
FRANK KRUG
FANNYE LEVY
MORRIS MALLIN
MORRIS ODESNIK
HARRY STRAUSS

28 CHESHVAN-NOV. 6

BERNARD GASSER
REBECCA HARRIS
WILLIAM KALLIS
RUTH KESSLER
BERTHA LEVICH
MICHAEL MOSSERI
BERTHA ROSS
PERLE SHAPIRO
ANNA SILBERG

29 CHESHVAN-NOV. 7

EUGENE AGRON
GOLDIE BELLOS
ROSE EISBERG
DANIEL GOLDBERG
JACOB JACOBSON
MAX KLINOCK
MANUEL LADERMAN
CELIA MILLER
JENNIE MOUR
LEAH NEGRIN
ISADORE POWELL
MORRIS TENENBAUM
SOL WEDLANSKY

30 CHESHVAN-NOV. 8

MANUEL LADERMAN
LEAH NEGRIN
MORRIS TENNENBAUM

1 KISLEV-NOV 9

SAM ABEND
SAM COROCHOV
YALE EPSTEIN

MAX GERSH
KASIL JABEN
EVA KISLUK
ISAAC KISLUK
ROBERT MALLIN
DENA MNOOKIN
SAMUEL STUDNA
BERL WOLOWSKI

2 KISLEV-NOV 10

ANNA BIRENBOIM
BERNARD BODNEY
SHERMAN GOLDMAN
MAX KOFFMAN
SARA MILLER
ANNIE RITZ
LOUIS RUBIN
ROSE STUDNA
HELEN SWEET

3 KISLEV-NOV 11

IDA BRATT
SOL EPSTEIN
MORTON GLASS
REBECCA MARGOLIN
MARY MORGAN
JESSICA SHAPIRO
MARY STUDNA
LOTTIE WARREN

4 KISLEV-NOV 12

MOLLIE BERMAN
ESTHER BULAVSKY
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BENNE NEIL KUSNETZKY
BERNICE LAPINE
REVA LITWACK
HARRY SCHWARTZ
WILLIAM SEBERT
MILLY ZEFF

5 KISLEV-NOV 13

ROSE AGRON
SAMUEL EISMAN
CHINKA KAMENESKY
LOIS LEVITCH
ALICE LIEBERMAN
SAMUEL MNOOKIN
LILLY RESNICK
ALAN ROSENBERG
JENNIE WEINER

6 KISLEV-NOV 14

SEYMOUR KATZ
SAM LEVY
BETTY PRICE
EDWARD PRICE

7 KISLEV-NOV 15

GOLDIE BURSTEN
CARL HAMER
D'VORA MILLER
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8 KISLEV-NOV 16

JACOB BAKER
ETTA BRODSKY
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CHARLES HOROWITZ
WILLIAM KLUGMAN
CELIA LITMAN
AVROM SIEGEL
CELIA SNITZ
MARIA WERTMAN
MAX WINER

9 KISLEV-NOV 17

MILTON COHEN
AVRAHAM COSNER
MINKA COSNER
FREIDL FEDER
NORMAN GOPMAN
HAROLD KATZ
KURT LEVI
MORRIS TURNER

10 KISLEV-NOV 18

LEIZER COPAKEN
JACOB FISHMAN
ISRAEL GALLAS
BERL GOLDSTEIN
HERMAN SCHIFMAN
HERMAN SIESS

11 KISLEV-NOV 19

VICTOR BULAVSKY
BETTY CONE
SOL GOLDBERG
FRIEDA KABRISKY
HARRY KANTOR
HARRY LESNER
ABRAHAM RAPOPORT
JACK SCHWARTZ

12 KISLEV-NOV 20

ROSE BRATT
HANNAH COHN
MORRIS SCHANZER

13 KISLEV-NOV 21

ELIZABETH FRIEDMAN
LOUIS GOLAD
PHILLIP STRAUSS
MAYME WEISS

14 KISLEV-NOV 22

HARRY BARASH
FRIEDA FINGERSH
MARY GOODBINDER
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ARTHUR KUSNETZKY
JOE LEVIN
BLANCHE LEVINE
WILLIAM LONDON
REBA PITLUCK
LILA ROBERTS
BENJAMIN STILLMAN
EARL TRANIN

15 KISLEV-NOV 23

ETA ESTRIN
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ELAINE MILLS
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16 KISLEV-NOV 24

MORRIS FEINBERG
CLARA GERSHON
MORRIS HAITH
JACK LERNER
ABE RABIN
ETTA ROBINSON
ETHEL ROSENFELD
SARAH TRILINSKY
MANIA WEINDLING

17 KISLEV-NOV 25

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ESTHER SILBERG
MEYER SOLTZ
DOROTHY STEINZEIG
FANNY TAGER
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SOSHA ZUROVSKY

18 KISLEV-NOV 26

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19 KISLEV-NOV 27

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20 KISLEV-NOV 28

BETTY ADLER
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NETTIE WEINER
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21 KISLEV-NOV 29

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SAMUEL KODISH
ROSE KUSNETZKY
MORRIS LEVITCH
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Mondays - Exploring the Secrets of the Talmud 7:00 pm with **Rabbi Mandl**, ongoing series

The longest-running Jewish class in Kansas City! Delve into the *Talmud*, a central Jewish text pertaining to Jewish law, ethics, customs and history. Ongoing series meets Mondays unless prior notification given.

Tuesdays - How to Find God in Prayer 6-7:15 pm, 11/13-1/15 \$15 includes class materials & a deli dinner for all sessions, or \$5/session. RSVP by Friday, Nov. 9 to the office for entire series or by the Friday before individual sessions. Looking for meaning in your prayers? Do you feel your prayers are answered? Are you getting any satisfaction from your prayer experience? Do you want to find God before God finds you? Would you like to “friend” God? What is the meaning of the *Amidah* (the 19 blessings) which is said three times a day. For questions contact **Dan Kass**.

Two sessions where indicated: One for men and women 20-40 / One for men and women 40 & above

Course Description:

Nov 13 - Session I: (Joint session) Why do we pray? How do we pray? What are we looking for in our Judaism? Are we looking for spirituality? We will attempt to answer these questions and more while beginning to explore our prayers. **Rabbi Grussgott** and **David Cohavi** are our facilitators as we start understanding the *Amidah*. Further classes will explore other parts of the daily services.

Nov 27 - Session II: (Two sessions) We'll examine the first half of the *Amidah* service. Assume you are one of our greatest rabbis of our times; we will look at each of the blessings to see what they mean as we read the translation from two prayer books. For each of these sections.

Dec 4 - Session III: (Two sessions) We'll examine the second half of the *Amidah* using the translations started in Session II.

Dec 11 - Session IV: (Two sessions) We will compare our notes from previous sessions to the commentaries of our sages. In other words, we'll see how we stack up to the commentary of the Rabbis.

Dec 18 - Session V: (Joint session) To reconcile our thoughts vs. what we have learned from the commentary, we will meet with **Rabbi Moshe Grussgott**, **Rabbi Herbert Mandl**, and with Rabbi Shaya Katz from the KC *Kollel* for an opportunity to ask a true rabbinic scholar about the meaning of the *Amidah* prayers.

Jan 8 - Session VI: (Joint session) **Jesse Newman** will give a historical background to prayer: Why did the Jews make the world great? This very small population has impacted every continent on this planet with our laws and education. By understanding our history, we can gain an insight into our liturgy.

Jan 15 - Session VII: (Joint session) **David Cohavi** will talk to us about praying with *kavanah*. What is praying with *kavanah*? We will further explore consciousness and selected prayers and meditations.

Wednesdays - Living Room Learning - Crash Course in Religious Zionism 7 pm, taught by **Rabbi Grussgott**
Space is limited, so RSVP by the Friday before each class at events@kisyn.org, or call the K.I. office

Nov 7 - Part 1 Messianic Religious Zionism (The school of Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook) At the home of Phyllis & Maury Kohn

Nov 14 - Part 2 Pragmatic Religious Zionism (The school of Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik) At the home of Mickey & Dr. Sol Batnitzky

Nov 28 - Part 3 Radical Anti-Zionism (The thought of Rabbi Joel Teitelbaum of Satmar, and the responses of his major critics) At the home of Carolyn Braverman & Joe Goldwasser

Dec 5 - Part 4 Zionism and Chanukah (The spiritual significance of Chanukah in relation to the Modern State of Israel) At the home of Debbie & Joe Adamous

Thursdays - Women's Study Group 7 pm, co-taught alternating weeks by **Rabbis Grussgott & Mandl**

Women choose the subjects of this popular class that is returning at the request of K.I. women! Ongoing class.

Shabbat (Saturdays) - Parsha of the Week with **Rabbi Grussgott**

Meets 45 minutes before *Mincha* (see pg 2 of this *Focal Point*)

Enhance *Shabbat* by gaining insights into the weekly *Parsha*. This class meets every week unless otherwise informed.



November 2018

23 Cheshvan 5779 - 22 Kislev 5779

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 23 CHESHVAN	2 24 CHESHVAN 5:59	3 25 CHESHVAN Chayei Sarah I Kings 1:1-31 Shabbos Ends: 6:50 Mini Minyan for Kids - 10:30 am Rabbi Grussgott's Installation Weekend
4 26 CHESHVAN Daylight Savings Time Ends-set clocks back one hour Religious School - 9:15 - 11:30 am Rabbi Grussgott's Installation and Brunch-10:00 am	5 27 CHESHVAN Rabbi Mandl's Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	6 28 CHESHVAN Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm	7 29 CHESHVAN Living Room Learning at members' homes-7:00 pm Taught by Rabbi Grussgott	8 30 CHESHVAN Rosh Chodesh Kislev - Day 1 Women's Study Group-7:00 pm	9 1 KISLEV Rosh Chodesh Kislev - Day 2 4:52	10 2 KISLEV Toldos Malachi 1:1-2:7 Shabbos Ends: 5:43 Mini Minyan for Kids - 10:30 am Honoring K.I. Veterans Shabbat
11 3 KISLEV Religious School - 9:15 - 11:30 am Grand Givers-6:30 pm	12 4 KISLEV Rabbi Mandl's Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	13 5 KISLEV Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm K.I. Adult Ed Class-How To Find God in Prayer-6-7:15 pm	14 6 KISLEV K.I. Board Meeting-6:30 pm Living Room Learning at members' homes-7:00 pm Taught by Rabbi Grussgott	15 7 KISLEV Cub Scout Pack Meeting - 7:00 pm Women's Study Group-7:00 pm	16 8 KISLEV 4:46	17 9 KISLEV Vayeitzei Hosea 13:6-14:10 Shabbos Ends: 5:38 Mini Minyan for Kids - 10:30 am Chai Anniversary Kiddush
18 10 KISLEV Religious School - 9:15 - 11:30 am	19 11 KISLEV Rabbi Mandl's Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	20 12 KISLEV Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm	21 13 KISLEV	22 14 KISLEV Thanksgiving Day Shacharit Service 9:00 am OFFICE CLOSED	23 15 KISLEV 4:42 Shacharit Service 9:00 am OFFICE CLOSED	24 16 KISLEV Vayishlach Obadiah 1:1-21 Shabbos Ends: 5:35 Mini Minyan for Kids - 10:30 am
25 17 KISLEV NO Religious School	26 18 KISLEV Rabbi Mandl's Talmud Class - 7:00 pm	27 19 KISLEV Religious School - 4:30 - 6:15 pm K.I. Adult Ed Class-How To Find God in Prayer-6-7:15 pm	28 20 KISLEV Living Room Learning at members' homes-7:00 pm Taught by Rabbi Grussgott	29 21 KISLEV Women's Study Group-7:00 pm	30 22 KISLEV 4:39	



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Shacharit

Sunday 9:00 am
Monday-Friday 7:00 am*

****Shacharit* @ 9:00 am**

Thanksgiving Day, November 22 & Friday, November 23

Mincha/Maariv

Sunday-Thursday
Week of November 4 5:05 pm
Week of November 11 4:55 pm
Week of November 18 4:50 pm
Week of November 25 4:45 pm
Week of December 2 4:45 pm

ROSH CHODESH KISLEV

Thursday & Friday, November 8 & 9



RABBI MOSHE GRUSSGOTT'S INSTALLATION WEEKEND

NOVEMBER 3 & 4

SHABBAT - NOV 3RD

(Rabbi Moshe Grussgott's father,
RABBI IRA GRUSSGOTT,
will lead part of the service)

Kiddush Luncheon on Saturday
following 9:00 am services

SUNDAY - NOV 4TH

Brunch and Installation
@ 10:00 am

FREE, BUT RESERVATIONS REQUESTED FOR BOTH DAYS
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