



Congregation Beth Israel
 10 Dexter Street
 Malden, Ma 02148
 781-322-5686
 www.BethIsraelMalden.com

Schedule for Sukkot

Wednesday, September 26 *Erev Sukkot*

6:50 AM Shacharit

Remember to make Eruv Tavshilin

6:17 PM Candle Lighting
 6:20 PM Mincha
 6:55 PM Ma'ariv
 7:25 PM Earliest time to make kiddush in the Sukkah

Thursday, September 27 *First Day of Sukkot*

8:45 AM Shacharit (7:45 AM Salem Towers)
 9:35 AM Latest time for Kriat Sh'ma
 6:10 PM Mincha
 6:55 PM Ma'ariv

Candle lighting and preparations for the second night of Sukkot may not be done before 7:23 PM. Candles must be lit from an existing flame.

Friday, September 28 *Second Day of Sukkot*

8:45 AM Shacharit (7:45 AM Salem Towers)
 9:36 AM Latest time for Kriat Sh'ma
 6:13 PM Candle lighting for Shabbat
 6:15 PM Mincha, followed by Ma'ariv for Shabbat

Saturday, September 29 *Shabbat Chol HaMoed*

8:45 AM Shacharit (7:45 AM Salem Towers)
 9:36 AM Latest time for Kriat Sh'ma
 5:55 PM Mincha, followed by se'udah shlishit
 7:10 PM Ma'ariv
 7:20 PM Shabbat Ends

Sun, Sept 30; Mon, Oct 1; Tues, Oct 2 *Chol HaMoed*

6:40 AM Shacharit
 6:10 PM Mincha
 6:40 PM Ma'ariv

Wednesday, October 3 *Hoshana Rabbah*

6:30 AM Shacharit

Remember to make Eruv Tavshilin

6:04 PM Candle Lighting
 6:05 PM Mincha
 6:45 PM Ma'ariv

Shabbat Kiddush

A reminder that everyone is invited to the Sukkah of the Rabbi and Rebbetzin for Kiddush following services on the first day of Sukkot, Thursday, September 27.

Page Numbers

First Day Sukkot

Artscroll Shabbat Siddur

Torah	956	797
Maftir	970	805
Haftarah	970	805

Second Day Sukkot

Artscroll Shabbat Siddur

Torah	956	797
Maftir	970	805
Haftarah	971	809

Shabbat Chol HaMoed

Artscroll Shabbat

Siddur

Torah	961	749
Maftir	971	811
Haftarah	973	815

SPONSORSHIPS

Want to celebrate an occasion, honor a friend, or remember a loved one? Sponsorships are available at all different levels. Make a donation to show someone you care!

Minimum suggested donations are as follows:

Breakfast -----	\$5.00
One-Line Greeting -----	\$10.00
Weekly Bulletin ad -----	\$25.00
Newsletter ad -----	\$36.00
Se'udah Sh'lishit -----	\$36.00
Kiddush -----	\$50.00
Sefer -----	\$50.00
Luncheon (Shabbat Chazak) ----	\$100.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Simchat Torah Luncheon.
Please RSVP to the office by Monday, October 1, by calling 781-322-5686 or by emailing director@bethisraelmalden.com

No Torah Ethics class Monday, 10/01 at Salem Towers

No Weekly Parsha Class Thursday, 10/04

More on Back

The Unique Status of Sukkot

Insights into Yom Kippur from Rav Meir Simcha HaKohen, rav of Dvinsk and author of the Ohr Sameach on the Rambam, by Rav Reuven Ungar of Sha'alvim.

The Midrash (Chazit Shir HaShirim, 3:21) relates that initially Hashem referred to the Jewish People as His daughter, then as His sister, finally as His mother. What lesson are the Sages teaching us?

The three festivals represent various stages of our relationship with Hashem. Passover reminds us of our dependency upon Hashem. Despite our idol-worship and assimilation to Egyptian culture, Hashem miraculously facilitated the exodus from Egypt. We resembled a daughter who receives her needs from her father.

Prior to the receiving of the Torah commemorated at Shavuot, the Jewish men separated themselves from their wives to attain the requisite level of sanctity necessary to receive the Torah. The Jewish People reached a state of unity (*Am echad belev echad* - One Nation with One Heart) and proclaimed their willingness to accept unconditionally (*na'aseh venishma* - We will do, and we will listen) to receive His Torah. Hashem in return, "revealed" His glory upon us, and gave us the Torah. This resembles siblings who experience a give and take relationship.

In Sukkot we recall the clouds of glory (*Ananei HaKavod*). This is perplexing as we first benefited from the *Ananei HaKavod* at the time of the exodus from Egypt- in the month of Nissan! The Vilna Gaon (in his commentary on Shir HaShirim) comments that the *Ananei HaKavod* disappeared subsequent to the sin of the Golden Calf. After Moshe Rabeinu descended from Mount Sinai on the tenth of Tishrei, he conveyed the directive of Hashem to build the Mishkan. According to the Vilna Gaon, after collecting the materials required for the construction of the Mishkan, the actual building of the Mishkan began on the 15 th of Tishrei. On this day the *Ananei HaKavod* returned! Thus Sukkot marks the activity of the Jewish People, who repented for the sin of the Golden Calf by generously donating towards the construction of the Mishkan to serve Hashem. The *Ananei HaKavod* resulted from our initiative; we resembled the parent who provides for her children.

Perhaps this explains why the mitzvah of joy (simcha) associated with the festivals in Deuteronomy (Chapter 16) is mentioned twice in reference to the festival of Sukkot - the tangible result of our Divine Worship generates an exalted state of Zman Simchateinu