

EMOR



Shabbat Schedule

Friday, May 16

7:10 PM Candle Lighting
7:00 PM Mincha & Kabbalat
Shabbat

Saturday, May 17

8:30 AM Shacharit
9:45-10:30 AM Kid's Program
10:30 AM Kiddush
11:00 AM Kolot Yamim By Josh
Toilfeld
4:15 PM Women's Shabbat Class
On Piano At Biscotti By
Rebbetzin Itty Wuensch
6:10 PM Shiur on Pirkei Avot by
Rav David Rue @ TY
7:10 PM Mincha
Seudat Shlishit "Raavin D'Ravin"
Guest: Rav Samy Sandler
8:08 PM Arvit
8:13 PM Shabbat Ends

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Elyse and Tibor Silber as a heartfelt
farewell to their friends in Ir Yamim
and in gratitude and appreciation
for Elyse's recovery. טוב להודות לה'

Chantal and Nicky Young
celebrating the birthday of their
granddaughter, Lielle Shalev. Mazel
Tov!

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Shabbat Ever After

By Rabbi Mendel Wuensch

What is the highest compliment to the chef? When you ask for a second slice. This is the logic behind one of the simplest and most beautiful mitzvot, "Tosfot Shabbat"-"Adding On To Shabbat". The exact source of this mitzvah is a matter of debate, but the Chofetz Chaim writes in his famous halachic work the *Mishnah Berurah* that it is an obligation. The primary source is found in this week's Torah portion, Emor: "שְׁבֹתָתוֹ הוּא לָכֵן וְעִנִּיתֶם אֶת-נַפְשֵׁיכֶם בְּתַשְׁעָה לַחֹדֶשׁ בְּעֶרְבַּי מַעֲרִיב עַד--" שְׁבֹתָתוֹ הוּא לָכֵן וְעִנִּיתֶם אֶת-נַפְשֵׁיכֶם בְּתַשְׁעָה לַחֹדֶשׁ בְּעֶרְבַּי מַעֲרִיב עַד--" It must be a complete day of rest for you, and you must afflict yourselves. You must observe your day of rest on the ninth of the month in the late afternoon, from that afternoon until the end of the following afternoon." (Vayikra 23:32)

This verse refers to Yom Kippur. As we know, Yom Kippur is on the 10th day of Tishrei, so why does the verse tell us to fast on the 9th? The Gemara explains because we should start the fast a bit early to add some time on to the holy day. From the words "תַּשְׁבֹּתוֹ שְׁבֹתָתְכֶם" we learn that this idea of adding on to a holy day applies to Shabbat and Chagim as well.

Rabbi Yaakov Dovid Wilovsky (February 7, 1845 - October 2, 1913), known by the acronym Ridvaz, was the renowned Rav of Slotzk, Talmudic commentator and educator. One day, he became deathly sick. He saw a vision of the heavenly courts beginning his final judgement. He began begging for his life. "How could you take me now?! I am so young! I have just begun a commentary on the Talmud!?" The court responded someone else could finish the commentary in his place. He argued, "But I also support many poor and needy people? Who will take care of them when I'm gone!?" The court responded another generous donor will replace him.

He was stumped. Then he burst out, "Every Thursday night, my wife sets our Shabbat table with a beautiful white tablecloth. The table is fit for royalty, eagerly awaiting the Shabbat queen, and we bring in Shabbat early on Friday." When the heavenly court heard this they responded, "Ah, in this merit you will live many more happy and healthy years." And so it was. He woke up, made a complete recovery, and eventually ended up moving to Tzfat to be the Rav there. There is always so much to get done Erev Shabbat, but are we allowing that to take us away from greeting the holy Shabbat with peace of mind and tranquility? May we all have a Shabbat full of Shalom.

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