October 2018	October 2018		
HAPPY BIRTHDAY	HAPPY ANNIVERSARY		
 7 Nelson Magedman 9 Andrew Heidecker 12 Cheryl Bookman 12 Ann Goldfarb 	No Anniversaries		

1. The Shabbat before *Rosh Chodesh* is called *Shabbat Mevarchim* in which we announce the upcoming date of *Rosh Chodesh*.

2. On *Shabbat Mevarchim* we pray for a successful upcoming month and we also bless the month.

3. The announcement of the date of the month along with its accompanying prayers is referred to collectively as, *Birkat Hachodesh* ('the blessing of the new moon'). This blessing is recited after the reading of the Torah, before the *Mussaf* prayer.

4. The announcement of the date of the month is made specifically on Shabbat because that's when everyone congregates together in the synagogue; even those who do not attend regular services during the week.

5. This way, everyone will know which prayers they must recite, the women will know to refrain from work, as is the custom on the day of *Rosh Chodesh*, and everyone will know the date of *Rosh Chodesh*.

6. The *Birkat Hachodesh* also commemorates the *Kiddush Hachodesh* ('Sanctification of the Month) that was performed monthly by the *Sanhedrin*, when witnesses came to give their testimony about seeing the new moon.

7. Since the *Kiddush Hachodesh* was the first Mitzvah that the Jews were commanded to observe following their redemption from Egypt, and since all the festivals relied on it, therefore, the *Sanhedrin* performed it with great fervor, blessing and gratitude.

8. We do not bless the month of *Tishrei* as everyone knows when Rosh Hashana is, and also so that the Satan will not know when the time of judgment is and will not testify against us.

9. From here we learn that we only recite the blessing eleven months out of the year, and twelve times on a leap year.

10. We recite the *Birkat Hachodesh* in a standing position, just as the *Kiddush Hachodesh* was done.

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Rabbi Tracee Rosen Candle lighting 5:49 p.m.

SHABBAT BERESHIT BIRKAT HACHODESH

October 5, 2018

<u>Friday Night Services</u> Services 6:30 p.m.

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<u>October 6, 2018</u>

Saturday Morning Services Services 9:00 a.m.

Genesis 5:1-6:8	рр. 16-20
Isaiah 42:5-43:10	pp. 21-25

Kiddush sponsored by the congregation

Prayer for healing

We wish "Refuah Shelemah" - a speedy Recovery - to congregants, family and friends who are ill. We encourage you to call or visit with them and wish them well.

Ailene Barkhoff, Barry Bookman, James Clapp, Peter Enneking, Maya Goldberg, Thomas Hannagian, Barry Himmelfarb, Dovid Ben Itchok, Katie Iverson, Judith Koven, Don Lehrer, Samantha Leznek, Alissa Leznek, Nelson Magedman, Peggy Markowitz, Michele Moschel, Barbara Newman, & Harry Newman, Sy Perlis, Gerald Rich, Cyrene Schochet, Elaine Schwartz, A. David Silverman, Joseph Smith, Robert Summer, Charlie Tarnor, Randy Thomas, Marcia Turkiewicz, Richard Wasserman Michael Weisberg

Mi Shebeirach, by Debbie Friedman

Mi she-bei-rach a-vo-tei-nu M'kor ha'bra-cha l'i-mo-tei-nu May the source of strength Who blessed the ones before us, Help us find the courage To make our lives a blessing, And let us say, Amen

Mi she-bei-rach i-mo-tei-nu M'kor ha-brach-cha l'a-votei-nu Bless those in need of healing With R'fu-a sh'lei-ma The renewal of body, The renewal of spirit And let us say,

The following Yahrzeits will be observed during the coming week. Kaddish may also be said on Friday evening & Saturday morning October 5, 2018 & October 6, 2018. El Malei Rachamim, the memorial prayer, may be said on the Monday or Thursday preceding the Yahrzeit at the 8:00 am Minvan.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Tishrei</u>	<u>Deceased</u>	<u>Relation-</u> <u>ship</u>	<u>Observant</u>
5	26	Minnie Kriss	Mother	Barbara Newman
6	27	Michael Gubin	Father-in-law	Shirley Gubin
6	27	Freda Epstein	Mother	Rosemary Abrami
6	27	Abraham Koven	Uncle	Sheldon Koven
6	27	Jake Lessner	Father-in-law	Rhoda Lessner
8	29	Rose Lowenthal	Mother	Joy Beth Epstein
8	29	Leo Rothschild	Father -in- law	Florence Rothschild
	<u>Heshvan</u>	_		
11	2	Myrna Colbert	Wife	Jordan Colbert
11	2	Edith Kornheiser	Mother	Beverly Merchant
12	3	Jonathan Cohen	Son	Dr. Abraham Cohen
12	3	Sidney Silverman	Brother	A. David Silverman