



# Etz Chaim Newsletter

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Sukkot

September 22, 2010 / Tishrei 15, 5771

## Davening Times

Wed., Sept. 22

Erev Sukkot  
Candle lighting -  
6:36 PM  
Mincha - 6:40 PM

Eruv Tavshilin  
& להדליק נר של יום טוב  
Shehechyanu

Begin meal in Sukkah  
After 7:45 PM

Thur., Sept. 23  
First Day Sukkot

Shacharit - 9:00 AM  
Mincha - 6:30 PM  
Candle lighting -  
7:35 PM

& להדליק נר של יום טוב  
Shehechyanu  
(candles lit from an  
existing flame AFTER  
stars come out)

Fri., Sept. 24  
Second Day Sukkot  
Shacharit -9:00 AM  
Mincha - 6:35 PM

Candle lighting -

## The Heart of the Matter

The rabbis compared the etrog to the heart. Some of the laws pertaining to the heart may have significant ethical implications as well. Let us examine a few. In matters of the heart, as well as in the etrog, we should strive to find the positive virtues rather than search for negative ones with microscopes and magnifying glasses.

The rabbis established a minimum size for the etrog - the size of an egg. Anything smaller is pasul. There are many Jews who maintain they have Jewish hearts but they do not demonstrate it in any measure or dimension. Either they really don't have it or their generosity is so limited, that it doesn't equal the measure of an egg. On the other hand, there is no maximum size for an etrog. It can be so large that you can carry it on your shoulder. The beauty and fragrance of such an etrog is there for all to behold and enjoy. Similarly, a person with a great heart makes the world a better place.

Finally, the etrog is held alone but is not effective without the other three types (the myrtle, willow and lulav). We are all independent but must always be part of the group to be truly effective.

Chag sameach,  
Rabbi Shlomo Krupka

## CLASSES

**\*Miriam Krupka is giving a class on Kohelet on the First Day Sukkot, September 23, at 10:00 AM.**

**Mel Kapustin is giving a class in Medieval Jewish History, every Wednesday night at 9:00 PM, beginning October 6th.**

6:33 PM  
להדליק נר של שבת  
(candles lit from an  
existing flame)

שבת  
Saturday, Sept. 25

1st Day Chol Hamoed  
Shacharit - 9:00 AM  
\*Kohelet - 10:00 AM  
Mincha - 5:50 PM  
Shabbat Ends -  
7:35 PM

Sun. Sept., 26  
Shacharit 8:30 AM  
Mincha 6:30 PM

Mon-Wed:  
Shacharit - 6:45 AM

Mon-Tues:  
Mincha - 6:30 PM

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October 6, Wednesday at the Crestmont Country Club

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