



July 18 - July 24, 1997

Friday, July 18

Family Kabbalat Shabbat Service 5:45 PM - 86th Street
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM - 86th Street
Shabbat B'Yachad following Services - 88th Street

Saturday, July 19

Shabbat Services 9:30 A.M. - **Now at 88th Street**
Parashah: Balak, Numbers: 22:2 - 25:9 Pg. 1171
Triennial: Numbers: 22:2 - 22:38 Pg. 1171
Haftarah: Micah 5:6 - 6:8 Pg. 1272

Children's Services (all ages) 10:45 A.M. - Frankel Hall

Sunday, July 20

BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless - 86th Street
 Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday nights.

SCHEDULE FOR MORNING MINYAN
Monday - Friday - 7:30 A.M. - 88th Street
Sun & Nat'l Holidays - 9:30 A.M. - 88th Street

Next Week's Parashah: Pinhas

Torah: Annual, Numbers: 25:10 - 30:1 Pg. 1194
Triennial: Numbers: 26:52 - 28:15 Pg. 1202
Haftarah: Jeremiah: 1:1 - 2:3 Pg. 1278

Schedule For Shabbat Services During The Summer:

We now have one Friday evening service at 6:45 P.M. at 86th Street. This will continue through the summer, until **September 5th**, when we will go back to two services. Shabbat morning services (including children's services) will be held at 88th Street at 9:30 A.M. This will continue until **August 30th**.

The High Holy Days Are Just Around The Corner

Please be aware that if you are considering joining BJ for the first time before the High Holy Days, September 12th is the last day for signing up before the Yamim Nora' im. Please take a membership packet from the back of the sanctuary and return it to the office prior to that date. Please call our membership coordinator, Ilene Sameth at 787-7600, ext. 224 if you have any questions

Fellow Congregants:

We would like to gently remind you that members of the BJ staff come to services to pray just as all of us do. Shabbat, for them, as for ourselves is a holy and spiritual time. Although we know that no harm is intended, in the spirit of Shabbat, please do not ask them about business matters on Shabbat. Whatever questions you may have should be directed to the office Monday through Friday during regular business hours. Thank you.

It is Our Custom:

Quiet is the proper setting for prayer and meditation. Kindly refrain from conversation while the organ is playing prior to the beginning of services. Families are requested to be responsible for their children throughout the Service.

Shortly before the beginning of Service, music signals that our tefillot are about to begin. These few minutes preceding the opening of services are intended as a bridge between the clamor of daily pursuits and the quiet devotion of prayer and Shabbat tranquillity.

We encourage you to participate in the liturgy and to sing with the congregation. If the melodies are not familiar, try to sing along and you will quickly learn them. For those of you who do not read Hebrew, we have prepared phonetic transliterations of the services that are in a special booklet appended to the Prayerbook. Our congregation's participation enhances the experience of prayer and the study of Torah for all. If you are unfamiliar with our services, and would like to sit with someone who can help orient you, our ushers will be happy to direct you to such a person.

If you have any questions or comments, the ushers or members of our membership committee will be glad to assist you. Membership application forms are available on the back table.

Shabbat Shalom

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please call our office to let us know about family events such as births, celebrations, illness, or death, so that we can inform the Rabbis and make the appropriate announcement to our Community.

Attention: All announcements, blurbs or flyers for the next Kol Jeshurun are due at the BJ office on the Tuesday before printing at 12:00 noon.

Condolences:

The Community of B'nai Jeshurun extends its sincere condolences to the following members and their families:

- Pastor Edward Horne and Sara Goold on the death of Ed's beloved mother, Grace Horne.
- Alexander and Hindy Kisch on the death of Alexander's beloved mother, Hildegard Kisch.
- Debra Nodiff on the death of her beloved grandmother, Kate Abrin.

Mazal Tov To:

- David Schatsky and Susan Bodnar, Sam and Phyllis Schatsky, Gary and Ellen Schatsky, and their entire family on the birth of their son, grandson, and nephew.
- Jolie Roberts, who will be performing with the Royal Ballet at the Met in "The Prince of Pogodas" this weekend and next.

Brukhim Haba'im:

- The B'nai Jeshurun Community welcomes Operation Understanding, a group of Black and Jewish High School students from the San Diego area, who are working to build a future generation of Blacks and Jews to fight racism, anti-Semitism and all forms of discrimination.
- BJ also welcomes Benjamin Adler, a recent graduate of Columbia University, who joins our office staff as Assistant to the Director of Programming. He will also be coordinating the Kol Jeshurun.

Refuah Sh'lemah

BJ member Ronnie Miller is in South Carolina recuperating

from a bone marrow transplant, and would welcome cards, letters, etc. (no phone calls, please). Her address is: Ronnie Miller, 716 Zimalcrest Drive, Apt. 3801, Columbia, SC 29210. Email: ronronl@juno.com.

Bereavement Group:

The JCC on the Upper West Side in collaboration with West Side congregations, their rabbis, and the Jewish Board of Children's and Family Services has formed bereavement groups for those who have suffered the recent loss of a parent, spouse or adult child. For further information, please call the JCC at (212)580-0099.

Research on Schizophrenia :

Researchers at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and other collaborating institutions are conducting a study to understand the biological cause of schizophrenia among Ashkenazi Jews. For eligibility to participate, call Dr. Ann Pulver or Gail Ullrich, M.S.W. toll-free at 1-888-289-4095 or fax at 410-955-0644, or by mail at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, 1615 Thames Street, Suite 205, Baltimore, MD, 21231.

BJ Summer Hebrew Class:

If you always wanted to speak Hebrew and read the Prayerbook--why wait for the fall? I am organizing a new summer class. Call Michal Nachmany at 865-4050.

Help Homeless Children:

BJ is helping Camp Homeward Bound, a summer sleep-away camp for homeless children ages 5 through 14 by collecting supplies for the next 2 Shabbat Morning Services (**July 19th** and **July 26**). See the flier in this Kol Jeshurun for further information.

BJ Choir:

If you are interested in being part of the choir for the High Holy Days, come to our auditions on **Thursday, August 21** between 7 & 8 PM or **Monday, August 25** between 7 & 7:30 PM at SPSA. For more information call 787-7600, x303.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Continue Your Celebration of Shabbat:

Tonight's Shabbat B'Yachad community dinner will take place after services in Frankel Hall at 88th St. There may be some room for members without reservations; those interested should see Lenny after services. Our next dinner will be on **September 12th**, as part of our Teacher-In-Residence program, when we will be joined by Jonathan Omer-Man. Call our voicemail box at 787-7600 x304 with any questions.

For the Environment and You:

The Environment Committee is planning late summer and fall projects. Join us at our next meeting: **Tuesday, July 22**, 7:00 PM at 315 West 70th Street, #10H. For more

information, call the Environment Committee at 787-7600, x313.

Employment Bank Volunteer Meeting:

There will be an organizational meeting for all volunteers on **Wednesday, July 30** at 7:30 PM at the BJ office, 100A W. 89th Street. To expand our services to the community, volunteers are needed for career counseling, community outreach (that is, people who can help bring in more job opportunities to offer the membership), publicity, creative design, software design, and management and resume reviewers. Please RSVP to 787-7600, x315

Rabbi Omer-Man Returns as Teacher-in-Residence:

To begin our spiritual preparation for the High Holy Days, BJ is honored to welcome back to our community Rabbi Jonathan Omer-Man as Teacher-in-Residence on the Shabbat of **September 12th and 13th**. Founder and President of Metivta, the Los Angeles-based Center for Contemplative Judaism, Rabbi Omer-Man is an internationally-recognized teacher and spiritual counselor, and his 1990 meeting with the Dalai Lama to discuss the Jewish wisdom and tradition has been chronicled in the well known book The Jew in the Lotus. Advance registration will be required for two of the three sessions, and space will be limited. Later this summer advance registration information will be sent to the BJ membership and will also appear in the Kol Jeshurun. In the

meantime, save the date for this special Shabbat of study to prepare us for the Yamim Nora'im.

The BJ COTS:

The BJ COTS are on summer break but are looking forward to another exciting year beginning with a Shabbat Dinner at the beginning of September. The BJ COTS (BJ's Council of Teens) is open to all teens in 8th grade and up. Call Felicia at x244 for more information.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Family Shabbat Services:

Family Shabbat Services will continue throughout the summer at 5:45 PM at 86th Street. The dinner on **August 8th** will be held if there are enough interested families.

Flyers will be on the back table throughout the summer and will be included in the family mailings. For more information call Felicia at x244.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions for Board Members?

Tony Fisher and Joel Citron are available during July to answer questions that members may have about the Board, or to discuss issues affecting the BJ community. You may reach Tony at 995-7521, or Joel at 439-9156.

through Saturday, August 30th, during which time we will be constructing the new kitchen. Kiddushim will resume in September.

Membership at B'nai Jeshurun:

If you have been attending BJ regularly and feel that this community is important to you, we invite you to make a commitment to the ongoing work of our community and become a member. Membership packets and applications are at the back of the sanctuary, or you can call the BJ Office (787-7600, press five).

Special Needs/Reserved Seating:

If you have special needs (such as physical, hearing, or visual disabilities) and are in need of reserved seating (aisle, close to the front, etc.) for Shabbat Services, please let us know. Call the BJ Office voice mailbox, x320.

Expanded Rabbinate, No Waiting!

BJ's Rabbinic interns are available for counseling, questions, or just to chat. Mark Sameth (x319), by appointment until August; Tami Crystal (x334) by appointment, Mon.-Thurs. afternoons and evenings. Please call.

Transliterations:

For those of you attending Shabbat services who are not completely comfortable reading the Hebrew but still want to join in the singing and chanting, we have inserted transliterations in our siddurim.

BJ Kiddushim:

There will be no kiddushim from Monday, July 14th

Damaged Prayerbook?

If you find a siddur or Chumash that is in shabby condition, or damaged in any way (torn pages, etc.), please give it to an usher so that it can be repaired.

MEMBER/AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

Get Away From the City For A Day:

Shomrei Adamah/Keepers of the Earth presents: Shomrei Adamah Day at Surprise Lake Camp in Cold Spring, NY on **Sunday, July 20**, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Enjoy a great concert with Pete Seger! Hike, swim, eat great kosher food, and participate in a discussion about Judaism and environmentalism, and much more! This event is free to Shomrei Adamah members, \$5 for BJ members, and \$15 for everyone else. For information, call (212) 807-6376.

Jewish Theater:

City Lights Youth Theatre and Lower East Side Tenement Museum present: "Lower East Side Story (The Whole Megillah)", a comedy directed by BJ member Deborah Nitzberg. Performances are **Saturday and Sunday, July 26**

and 27, August 2 and 3, at 3:30 PM. Lower East Side Tenement Museum, 97 Orchard St. Call (212) 431-0233 for information.

Torah Study Hike:

The BJ Community is invited to an Environmental/Torah study hike in the beautiful Rockefeller Preserve in Westchester, on **Sunday, July 27**. Hassidic and traditional Jewish teachings and stories will be woven into the day. Call Devorah Devi at (212) 865-2343 for more information.

Help for Animals:

Petition signatures are needed by **August 15** to secure a humane animal shelter law on the ballot this November. If you can help, call Rachelle Pachtman at (212)-996-1715.

Festival of Love:

From **August 15 to 18** at Kibbutz Tuval in the Galilee, there will be a celebration of Tu B'Av, the ancient festival of love, which occurs on the full moon of the month of Av. Join us for four days of study, prayer, healing and celebration. Our

staff includes Rabbi Shefa Gold, Melila Helner Eshed, Amichai Lau-Lavie, and David Friedman. For more information, contact Mike Goldstein in Israel: Tel/Fax: 02-6231 917, or 052 604 366, or mikegold@netmedia.net.il.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Instead of using toxic insect repellents, use citronella oils and candles to repel mosquitoes, flies, and ticks. If you can help, please leave a message for the Environment Committee at 787-7800, x313.

Pesukim of The Week

“How fair are your tents, O Jacob, Your dwellings, O Israel! Like palm-groves that stretch out, Like gardens beside a river, Like aloes planted by Adonai, Like cedars beside the water; Their boughs drip with moisture, Their roots have abundant water.”
(Numbers 24:5-7)

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The Music of Shabbat at B'nai Jeshurun

One of the hallmarks of the services at B'nai Jeshurun is the glorious music which we all enjoy so much. You will be happy to know that Marshall, Roly and Ari have recorded, in sequence, all the music of Kabbalat Shabbat and Shabbat, as well as the Birkhat Hamazon (Grace After Meals) and the Zmirot (Songs).

For those of you who read Hebrew, we have copies of the *Siddur Sim Shalom*, the siddur used for Shabbat and Festival services, available for purchase. And for those who are not fluent in Hebrew, there is also a booklet of transliterations keyed to the cassettes and to *Siddur Sim Shalom*.

Music For Children

The B'nai Jeshurun Hebrew School, is pleased to present **THE B'NAI JESHURUN HEBREW SCHOOL SINGS**, a tape made by Ari and the teachers of our Hebrew School that includes Hebrew and English contemporary songs.

Please fill out the form below, indicating your order, and send it with your check to the BJ office.

***Please note:**

Postage & Handling is per item. And, unless otherwise requested and paid for, everything will be shipped third class special rate. Estimated time for processing and delivery is 4-6 weeks.

I/We would like to order :

Item	Quantity	Price	Postage & Handling*	Total
The Music of Shabbat at B'nai Jeshurun				
Set of two Cassettes	_____	15.00	2.50	_____
Transliteration Booklet	_____	5.00	1.00	_____
Siddur Sim Shalom	_____	30.00	3.50	_____
The B'nai Jeshurun Hebrew School Sings				
Tape and Booklet	_____	12.00	2.50	_____

My/our check in the amount of \$_____ made payable to **Congregation B'nai Jeshurun** is enclosed.

NAME _____

TELEPHONE _____

ADDRESS

WHEN IMITATION IS NOT FLATTERY

"Jews for Jesus" is a missionary group that comes out in force every July, in search of one thing - YOUR SOUL !

They wear kippot. They wear prayer shawls. They wear Chai necklaces.

They speak Yiddish words. They speak Hebrew words. They speak of the Torah.

They say they're Jewish - just like you, except that their Judaism is more "complete".

Complete deception, that is. They are Christian missionaries who are dangerously trained. If they catch you off guard, they can make you think it's okay to be Jewish and Christian at the same time - until you convert completely, to Christianity.

What? Can't be fooled? According to the Jewish Community Relations Council, they have led 150,000 away from Judaism since 1977.

Volunteers are needed to help counter missionary activities. Training will be provided.

For more information, or to volunteer, call the JCRC at 212-983-4800 Ext.127. Or to reach a BJ member, call Mark Kanter at (212) 877-2923 before 10:00 P.M. any evening.

URGENT REQUEST

BJ is helping Camp Homeward Bound, a summer sleep-away camp for homeless children ages 5 through 14. They are in desperate need of supplies so for the next 2 Shabbat Morning Services (July 19th and July 26), BJ members are being asked to bring the following items according to the first letters of their last names:

A - H:

New underwear for boys and girls
New socks for boys and girls

I - O:

Band-aids (urgently needed)
Ace bandages
Sterile gauze
Medical tape

P - Z:

Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Soap (bar and liquid)
Suntan lotion
Bug spray
Hairbrushes/combs
Hair pics

Also, new and used pillowcases and towels are needed. If you cannot attend services, there will be a box at the BJ office where items may be dropped off. For more information on the camp call (212) 964-5900.