



September 26 – October 2, 1997

Friday, September 26

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM – 88th
Street

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM – 86th
Street

Saturday, September 27

Shabbat Services 9:30 AM – 86th
Street

Parashah: Nitzavim-Vayelekh, Deuteronomy 29:9 – 31:30
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Triennial: Deuteronomy 30:1 – 31:6 Pg. 1540

Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10 – 63:9 Pg. 1618

Minyan Hazzanut (ages 8-12) 10:15 AM –
Chapel

Children's Services (all ages) 10:45 AM –
Chapel

Following the service these minyanim meet:

Minyan HaK'tanim (pre-K, ages 2-4) Parlor Room

Minyan Gan Aleph (ages 5-7) Board Room

Bat Mitzvah Sasha Novograd

Selihot Program 9:30 PM – 88th
Street

Selihot Service 12:00 Midnight – 88th
Street

Sunday, September 28

BJ COTS Meeting 6:00 PM – 86th
Street

BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 86th
Street

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday nights.

Monday, September 29

Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM – 96th
Street

Wednesday, October 1

Rosh Hashanah

First Evening Service 6:30 PM – 96th
Street

Thursday, October 2

Rosh Hashanah

First Day Services 9:00 AM – 86th
Street

9:00 AM – 96th

Street

Second Evening Service 6:30 PM – 96th
Street

Friday, October 3

Rosh Hashanah

Second Day Service 9:00 AM – 96th
Street

Next Week's Parashah: Ha-Azinu

Torah: Annual, Deuteronomy 32:1 – 32:52 Pg. 1556

Triennial: Deuteronomy 32:1 – 32:52 Pg. 1556

Haftarah: Hosea 14:2 – 10, Joel 2:15 – 27, Micah 7:18 – 20
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SCHEDULE FOR MORNING MINYAN
Monday - Friday - 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Sun & Nat'l Holidays - 9:30 AM – 88th Street

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 the 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

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 us 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.

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.

Mazal Tov To:

- Paul, Nancy, Sasha, Maggy, and Daniel Novograd on the celebration of Sasha's Bat Mitzvah.
- Alex Nacht and Laurie Basch on the birth of their son, Adam Jonathan Nacht.
- Brad Desch and Carolyn Weinberg and their families on their recent engagement.

Hosts Needed!

There has been a tremendous response to our High Holy Day Meal Match program. Because so many people have requested a place for a meal, we are in urgent need of hosts. If you have room at your table for any of the days, please call Shoshana Avner at (718) 847-0765.

Israel On-Line, Part Deux

For those of you with access to a computer, another wonderful (and free) resource for late-breaking news stories from Israel and the Middle East is the Mid-East Dispatch. To subscribe, simply send an email message to "MED-REQUEST@IIPUB.COM" with the single word "SUBSCRIBE" in the body of the message. If you have any questions, please leave a voicemail message for Mark Lehrman of the Israel Committee at x326.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed at the Jewish Home and Hospital on Tuesday night, **October 7th** from 4:00 – 7:00 PM to help the residents celebrate the High Holy Days by allowing them to enjoy a festive dinner. Volunteers will bring residents to and from the dinner, help serve the meal and provide welcome outside contact. The Home is located at 120 West 106th Street. Please call Tami Crystal, Rabbi of the Home at (212) 870-4959 or x334.

Rabbi Jonathan Omer-Man

For those who would like more information on the classes and retreats led by our recent teacher-in-residence, Rabbi Jonathan Omer-Man, and the work of his organization dedicated to contemplative Judaism, please contact: Metivta, 2001 South Barrington Avenue, Suite 106, Los Angeles, CA, 90025. Tel: (310) 477-5370, fax: (310) 477-7501, or by email: metivta@metivta.org.

Kol Nidre Fundraising Phonathon Volunteers Needed:

The Development Committee is looking for additional volunteers to call members during a phonathon on the evening of **October 5th**. The phonathon will remind members of the importance of the Kol Nidre fundraising campaign in building a strong Jewish community. This will be a chance to meet other members. No experience necessary - we'll provide training, food, a room with phones, and the telephone numbers to call. To volunteer, or for additional information, please call Liz Cooper at (212) 854 3971 or Ted Becker at (212) 783-0796.

"I Wish I Had a More Satisfying Job"

The BJ Employment Bank is proud to offer to you the opportunity to change your future with the new Job Search Strategy Group beginning **October 28th**. The six-week program will enable you to learn basic principles of job search and subsequently discuss some of your own issues in small groups. The series will be led by noted career consultant Ellis Chase, a seminar leader for the 5 O'clock Club, an organization that has helped individuals in transition for 20 years. Topics for the 6 successive Tuesday nights from 6:30 - 8:30 PM include interviewing and negotiating techniques. The sessions will be held at the Montana Apartment meeting room. We are happy to announce that the cost of these six sessions has been made unusually low and affordable. \$80 for members, \$95 for non-members. Register now as there is a maximum enrollment of 20 people. Leave your name and number at x315, and we will call you back with registration info. **We are still in need of a volunteer career consultant to assist Mr. Chase.**

Israel Tour

Rabbi Steve Shulman, a BJ member and staff chaplain at the HealthCare Chaplaincy and the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, will be leading a multi-faith tour to Israel in February 1998 with an emphasis on health care facilities and spiritual sites. Everyone is welcome, including health care workers, clergy, and chaplains. If you would like further information, please contact Steve at (212) 639-5982.

Join Us in Ushering in the New Year

Many ushers are still urgently needed to help us welcome and seat those attending our Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services. If you are a member and would like to volunteer, call x305 ASAP. Ushers are most needed for Children's Services and Yom Kippur. If you have already sent in your form, assignments and additional instructions are in the mail. Hold **November 2nd** free for the Second Annual Usher's Trophy Softball Game.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SHARE-A-WALK

Join the BJ team on Sunday, **October 5th** as we help raise funds and demonstrate support for SHARE (Self Help for Women with Breast or Ovarian Cancer) by participating in the annual walk-a-thon called SHARE-A-WALK in Central Park. For details, see the flier in the back of the Kol Jeshurun.

BJ/St. Luke's Hospital AIDS Brunch

The next BJ/St. Luke's Hospital AIDS Brunch will take place Sunday, **October 5th** at 11:15 AM at the hospital. Volunteers, food donations, and entertainers are needed. Food donations will be picked up at SPSA (86th Street side) between 10:30 - 11:00 AM. Please call Stuart Post at 447-1672 for more

information. Calls are accepted at any time. Please leave a message if machine answers.

Sukkat Shalom

Save the date for a giant Havdalah groups get-together in the BJ sukkah on the Shabbat afternoon of **October 18th**, starting at 5:30 PM. Join Rabbi Sam Intrator of the Carlebach Shul for some study, singing, dancing, and a little food. Hear Hasidic tales and learn new niggunim. After Havdalah, new groups will be forming. Whether you are currently a group member, interested in joining or just curious about Havdalah groups, you're invited. Come and help create the joy of Shabbat.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

New and Expectant Parents Potluck Lunch:

The next New and Expectant Parents meeting will be a potluck lunch held this Saturday, **September 27th** at the **Montana apartment building**, between 87th and 88th Streets on Broadway following Shabbat Morning Services. On this special Shabbat of Selihot, Rabbi Yael Ridberg will speak about issues related to Jewish parenthood. If you are an expecting parent, please contact Felicia Sol at x244 and ask that your name be added to the Family Activities mailing list. For any questions regarding the group, call Ilene Rosenthal at (212) 210-3936.

Family Service and Dinner

Every month, BJ offers a special Family Service at 5:45 PM at 86th Street, geared toward children 2nd grade and under, followed by a catered Family Shabbat dinner. Part of making Shabbat a joyous experience is celebrating together. The next Family Service will be on **October 17th**, but there will not be a dinner in October. Call Felicia at x244 for more information.

A Moment to Receive Shabbat with the Rabbis

While the once-a-month Family Service caters to children in 2nd grade and below, we encourage children in 3rd grade and above to attend the 6:00 PM service at 88th Street. This year we will inaugurate a new weekly ritual. At 5:45 PM in the Frankel Hall, all children in grades 3-7 will be invited to spend a special moment with the rabbi(s) who is/are leading the service. The time will be spent sharing a moment together in preparation for receiving Shabbat. We hope this

sacred time will foster a connection with the rabbis, and help create community amongst the children.

Minyan Hazzanut

On Shabbat Morning, there is a new special minyan for ages 8-12 led by Daniel Barash in the Chapel at 86th Street. This year, children will gather in the chapel at **10:15 AM** to prepare to lead part of the main children's service.

Volunteers Needed to Help During the High Holy Days

Would you like to share a part of yourself with the children of BJ during the Yamim Nora'im? Everyone is invited to read a story, play a game, act out a play, or sing a song, etc. in order to enhance the children's program during the High Holy Days. On the first day of Rosh Hashanah and on Yom Kippur, we need volunteers to provide informal learning opportunities from 10:00 – 11:00 AM. On the second day of Rosh Hashanah, volunteers are needed to walk with the children to Central Park from 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM where we will perform Tashlich. Please call Felicia at x244 to volunteer.

Calling all Teens!

Are you interested in helping out during the children's program for the High Holy Days? Call Felicia at x244.

BJ COTS Are Off to an Amazing Start

BJ's Council of Teens meets every Sunday at 6:00 PM in the Parlor Room at 86th Street. The next meeting on Sunday, **September 28th** will be devoted to planning events for the year. Call Felicia at x244 for more info!

HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION

High Holy Day Service Schedule*

Selihot

September 27	9:30 PM	Program	88 th Street
	12:00 AM	Midnight Service	88 th Street

Rosh Hashanah

October 1	6:30 PM	First Evening Service	96 th Street
October 2	9:00 AM	First Day Services	96 th Street & 86 th Street
	6:30 PM	Second Evening Service	96 th Street
October 3	9:00 AM	Second Day Service	96 th Street

Shabbat Shuvah

October 3	6:00 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	88 th Street
	6:45 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	86 th Street
October 4	9:30 AM	Shabbat Shuvah Service	86 th Street

Yom Kippur

October 10	5:45 PM	Kol Nidre Services	96 th Street & 86 th Street
October 11	9:00 AM	Morning Services	96 th Street & 86 th Street
	4:15 PM	Minha/Ne'ilah	96 th Street & 86 th Street
	7:05 PM	Teki-at Shofar/Havdalah	96 th Street & 86 th Street

Sukkot/Shemini Atzeret

October 15	6:45 PM	First Evening Service	86 th Street
October 16	9:30 AM	First Day Service	86 th Street
	6:45 PM	Second Evening Service	86 th Street
October 17	9:30 AM	Second Day Service	86 th Street
October 22	6:45 PM	Shemini Atzeret Service	88 th Street
October 23	9:30 AM	Shemini Atzeret Service	88 th Street

Simhat Torah

October 23	6:45 PM	Simhat Torah Service	86 th Street
October 24	9:30 AM	Simhat Torah Service	88 th Street

*Children's Services take place at 10:45 AM on all days there are Adult Services (except Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, when they begin at 10 AM).

Services at 96th Street are ASL (American Sign Language) interpreted. For information, call (212) 628-7061 (voice) or (212) 396-9672 (TTY)

Sponsor Flowers for the Yamim Nora'im

The beautiful flowers that grace the Bimah during the High Holy Days have always been generously donated. Please consider sponsoring flowers – a beautiful gift to your community that may be made in memory or in honor of loved ones. Call Arlene Brandon at x223 for more information.

High Holy Day Seating For Non-Members

On Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, to the extent possible, we will try to accommodate non-members without entrance cards. This will be done at First Church of Christ, Scientist (96th Street) ONLY. Non-members without entrance cards who come to SPSA (86th Street) will be directed to 96th Street.

Office Hours for the High Holy Days

Monday and Tuesday, September 29th and 30th

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, October 1st

8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Monday – Thursday, October 6th – 9th

9:00 AM – 6:45 PM

Friday, October 10th

8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions for Board Members?

Marina Kaufman and Joel Friedman are available during September to answer questions that members may have about the Board, or to discuss issues affecting the BJ community. You may reach Marina at 972-8400 or Joel at 796-4550.

Expanded Rabbinate, No Waiting!

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

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.

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.

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

Alternative Taschlich

Join JFREJ in a reconfiguring of the traditional Taschlich service between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur where we recommit ourselves to a justice-filled New Year. Meet at the

Robert F. Wagner, Jr. Park overlooking Ellis Island, just east of the new Museum of Jewish Heritage on Sunday, **October 5th** at 4:00 PM. For more information, call (212) 964-9210.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

There are many ways to conserve water. For example, take shorter showers, and turn off the water while soaping up. Write your Congressperson and urge him/her to co-sponsor the Endangered Species Recovery Act of 1997 (HR2351). This bill will help to prevent species from becoming threatened or endangered, as well as help endangered species to recover. The address: U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. 20515. This message was brought to you by the Environment Committee at 787-7600, x313.

Pesukim of The Week

“Surely, this Instruction which I enjoin upon you this day is not too baffling for you, nor is it beyond reach. It is not in the heavens, that you should say, ‘Who among us can go up to the heavens and get it for us and impart it to us, that we may observe it?’ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ‘Who among us can cross to the other side of the sea and get it for us and impart it to us, that we may observe it?’ No, the thing is very close to you, in your mouth and in your heart, to observe it.”
(Deuteronomy 30:11 – 14)

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All BJ Members interested in
Social JUSTICE, Local EMPOWERMENT, and Interfaith COALITIONS
are invited to join the

B'nai Jeshurun Workshop on Social Justice and Community Organizing

This Workshop will explore power, politics, and accountability on the Upper West Side from a Jewish perspective and a community organizing framework. The Workshop will also prepare for BJ's full-fledged participation in Westsiders Together, a local organizing project of the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF). The Workshop will be led by participants and IAF staff.

When: 8 2-hour sessions on Sunday late afternoons/early evenings between November 1997 and February 1998.
At participants' convenience, commitments to actions/meetings in the intervening weeks between meetings.

Where: At the home of a BJ congregant, to be announced.

How: For more information on participation in the Social Justice Workshop, contact Rabbi Yael Ridberg at (212) 787-7600, x235.

In cooperation with the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF)

SHARE-A-WALK



Join the BJ team on Sunday, October 5th as we help raise funds and demonstrate support for SHARE (Self Help for Women with Breast or Ovarian Cancer) by participating in the annual walk-a-thon called SHARE-A-WALK in Central Park. Here are the details:

8:30 AM: Morning Minyan at Bethesda Fountain led by Rabbi Yael Ridberg

9:00 AM: Enjoy the speakers and entertainment at the Bandshell

10:00 AM: The walk begins (through the Upper West Side and back into Central Park)

For further information, call BJ's Team Captains: Dan Cohen at (212) 865-0762, Cathy Schwartz at (212) 866-5254, Ricki Segall at (212) 873-0198, or Helen Lehrman at (212) 988-0497. If you would like to purchase a BJ T-shirt to wear at the walk, please call Ben

at (212) 787-7600, x241.