



September 18 – September 24, 1998

Friday, September 18

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM – 88th Street
Teen Shabbat Dinner
 Following Services - Lieberman home
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM – 96th Street

Saturday, September 19

ASL (American Sign Language) Interpreted Service
Shabbat Services 9:30 AM – 96th Street
Parashah: Nitzavim, Deuteronomy 29:9 – 30:20 Pg. 1537
Triennial: Deuteronomy 29:9 – 30:20 Pg. 1537
Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10 – 63:9 Pg. 1618

Minyan Hazzanut (grades 1-3) 10:15
Junior Congregation (grades 4-6) 10:15
Minyan HaK'tanim (ages 3 and under) 10:45
Minyan Gan Alef (ages 4-5) 10:45

For this Shabbat, all children's minyanim will meet in the Basement Chapel at their designated times and will accompany their leaders to the proper location.

Bar Mitzvah Joshua Nathan-Kazis

Naming of Shayna Vanessa Scott

Sunday, September 20

Morning Minyan 9:30 AM – 88th Street
Rosh Hashanah Evening Service 6:30 PM – 96th Street

Monday, September 21

First Day of Rosh Hashanah
Rosh Hashanah Services
 9:00 AM – 88th Street and 96th Street

Tashlich 4:00 PM – 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 88th Street
 Monday and Tuesday nights.

Rosh Hashanah Evening Service 6:30 PM – 96th Street

Tuesday, September 22

Second Day of Rosh Hashanah
Rosh Hashanah Services 9:00 AM – 96th Street

Wednesday, September 23

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 86th Street
 Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Thursday, September 24

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM – 96th Street

Next Week's Parashah: Vayeilekh

Torah: Deuteronomy 31:1 – 31:30 Pg. 1547

Triennial: Deuteronomy 31:1 – 31:30 Pg. 1547

Haftarah: Hosea 14:2 – 10, Micah 7:18 – 20,
 Joel 2:15 – 27 Pg. 1623

SCHEDULE FOR MORNING MINYAN

Monday - Friday - 7:30 AM – 88th Street
Sun & Nat'l Holidays - 9:30 AM – 88th Street

Volunteer Opportunities of the Week

Yamim Nora'im Se'udah Match - HOSTS NEEDED!

If you can extend your table for any meals during Rosh Hashanah, please call Shoshana Avner, (718) 847-0765 Saturday, **September 19th**, 8:00 - 11:00 PM or Sunday **September 20th** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. See the flyer in the back of this Kol Jeshurun for more info and a registration form for the Yom Kippur Break-fast.

Ushers Still Needed

We are in need of Children's Services ushers at both 88th Street and 96th Streets for Yom Kippur and adult service ushers for Ne-ilah at 88th Street. Volunteers should call Leny Picker directly at (212) 825-5942.

Strollers at BJ

During services, strollers may no longer be brought into the sanctuary or be left in the foyer at 88th Street or 96th Street. For fire safety reasons, all strollers must be kept downstairs. Thank you for your cooperation.

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 BJ members and their families:

- Sharon Lauer-Wolf and John Wolf on the death of Sharon's beloved mother, Pauline Manevitz.
- David, Barbara, Lindsay, and Laurence Salz on the death of David's beloved father, Herman Salz.

Mazal Tov To:

- Joel Kazis and Sara Nathan, Joshua and Saul Nathan-Kazis, Earle and Judith Kazis, Keren Kazis, Gideon Taylor and Deborah Kazis, and Hannah Taylor on the occasion of Joshua's Bar Mitzvah.
- Stephen Scott and Debbie Naroff Scott on the naming of their daughter, Shayna Vanessa Scott.
- Yoav and Denise Rekem, Rise and Barry Dimson, and Max and Norma Small on the birth of their son, grandson, and great-grandson, Yonatan Yaakov Rekem.

Service Change for the Month of September

We would like to apologize for the inconvenience caused by the move of our services in September from 86th Street to both 88th Street and 96th Street. We hope to be able to move back to a more familiar schedule as soon as possible. For a listing of services in September, see the special section of the Kol Jeshurun. We ask for your patience and understanding during this time.

The Homeless Shelter Returns to 88th Street

The BJ/SPSA Shelter has returned to 88th Street on Mondays and Tuesdays and is at 86th Street on Wednesdays and Thursdays. As always, volunteers are needed to prepare light snacks, set up the Shelter, and, most urgently, to sleep over. Please call x340 to volunteer.

1998 BJ AIDS Walk Team Results

Thanks to the entire BJ community, our team of 300 persons raised over \$47,500, raising us to seventh place among well over 1,000 teams walking. These funds pay for Gay Men's Health Crisis's (GMHC) essential social service programs.

Yasher koach to the following, without whom this significant accomplishment would have been impossible:

Rabbis Marcelo Bronstein, Roly Matalon and Yael Ridberg and Rabbinic intern Tami Crystal; BJ staff members Ben Adler and Helen and Jennifer Radin; steering committee members Kate Hartnick, Harvey Israelton, Susan Kasloff, Jack David Marcus, Bruce Rosen and David Yam; food arrangers Mimi Lox, Merrill Feinstein-Feit and Susan and Eric Weston; food sponsors Don and Rochelle Cohen; and food providers Joseph's and Cooper's.

Supplemental Humashim

The following Humashim have been added to the back of the 88th Street Sanctuary for use during the Torah Service. These are meant to be shared in addition to or in lieu of the Plaut Humash. Please be sure to return them to the appropriate book case so that someone else can use them next time. 4 copies each of *The Living Torah*, Aryeh Kaplan, *Pentateuch and Haftorot*, Hertz, and *The Stone Edition* (with Rashi); one set each of the *Saperstein Edition/Torah with Rashi* and the *JPS Torah Commentary*, and 2 copies each of *The Five Books of Moses*, Fox, *Tanakh - The Jewish Bible*, and *The Pentateuch*, Samson R. Hirsch.

Volunteers Needed

The Adult Education Committee is looking for volunteers to help collect registration information at classes and return phone calls. Call x300 if you can help.

A Message from Bikkur Holim

As the Yamim Nora'im approach, our committee of BJ volunteers is available to assist you or those you know. If you need assistance to upcoming services, or would like to receive visits at home or in the hospital, please call the Bikkur Holim voicemail box at x308.

Hebrew Courses

This fall, BJ will hold beginner and intermediate level synagogue Hebrew classes. If you are interested in Modern Hebrew, Michal Nachmany will teach beginner and intermediate level classes. They begin on **October 12th**, and continue throughout the year. For more information, call Michal at (212) 865-4050.

BJ Hebrew Hevruta Program

If you a) have Hebrew skills, or b) would like to acquire or work on skills and c) would like to work one-on-one with a fellow BJ member, call Rabbi Shosh Dworsky at x235 so you can be matched up!

BJ on the Web

Want to get information about BJ by email? If you are a member you can sign up to be on our email list by visiting our web site. Non-members can also find out valuable information about BJ by visiting WWW.BJ.ORG.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BJ Softball

BJ Softball is continuing Sundays, **September 20th** and **27th** at 3:00 PM at Heckscher ball field #2 in Central Park (64th Street between West and Center Drives; closest entrance is around 62nd Street and CPW). Questions or comments? Call BJ member Craig Sumberg at (212) 787-1390 or Phil Gross at (212) 799-2235.

Hold the Date: BJ Walks with SHARE

Sunday morning, **October 4, 1998**, walk with BJ as part of West Side Jewish Community SHARE-A-WALK (Self Help for Women with Breast or Ovarian Cancer) to assist our friends, neighbors, and loved ones who have breast or ovarian cancer. **Please see the registration form in the back of the Kol Jeshurun.** For more info, call x353.

SAVE THE DATE! Ecofest

On Sunday, **October 4th** at 11:00 AM, after the SHARE-A-Walk, come over to the 10th Annual Ecofest in Riverside Park from 83rd to 96th Street for the largest environmental event in New York. The BJ Environment Committee will have a booth, and since it's Erev Sukkot, our booth will be a Sukkah - built by the 7th grade of BJ's Hebrew School. Through dynamic exhibits, stimulating entertainment and celebrity performers and speakers, Ecofest fosters public awareness about the environmental opportunities for change in a positive atmosphere and spurs people to take the initiative in making their communities and their lives more ecologically advanced and environmentally sound. We need volunteers to staff our booth throughout the day. If you can volunteer, contact the Environment Committee at x313. Make a day of it! Free to the Public.

From the Israel Committee

American Friends of Tel Aviv University will be co-hosting a four-day program entitled "Tolerance and Understanding -

A Course for Humanity," which will include a series of presentations (free) and gatherings (admissions charge) from Thursday **October 8th** through Sunday, **October 11th**. The symposium on Religious Pluralism scheduled for Sunday, **October 11th** (10:30 AM to 12:30 PM, Plaza Hotel) and featuring leaders of Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform Judaism, should be of particular interest to the BJ community. For more information about this symposium in particular and the rest of the program in general (or to register), please contact Alexandra Talbot at American Friends of Tel Aviv University, (212) 687-5651.

Stained Glass Windows of BJ

Save the date for a special discussion and presentation on the Stained Glass Windows of BJ sponsored by the Archives and Havdalah Committees. **October 17th**. Watch for details starting in October.

BJ/SPSA Joint Trip to Museum of Jewish Heritage

On Sunday, **October 25th**, at 1:30 PM, BJ and SPSA members will come together to visit the Museum of Jewish Heritage, located downtown at 18 First Place in Battery Park City. We will all meet at 1:15 in front of the Museum. (SPSA's youth group is also participating, and so we especially extend this invitation to BJ teens). There is a Museum fee of \$5, payable to Hella Moritz, event coordinator, at the time of entrance to the Museum. Advance registration is requested as soon as possible. If you are planning to attend, please leave your name and telephone number on the answering machine of Hella at (212) 288-1846 or by email to MimWarden@aol.com.

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

Calling all Volunteers

The Singles Committee is looking for volunteers to help facilitate programs, including the upcoming retreat, an Oneg Shabbat, a special Sukkot havdalah and a class to be taught by Rabbi Bronstein. If you have an hour or two to spare please call x306. It's a great opportunity to meet other people in the community and help with programming.

BJ Retreat for Individual Members

Limited space is still available for our third annual retreat for singles ages 25 – 45 on the weekend of **October 23 – 25** at Club Getaway in Kent, CT. The weekend promises to be a mixture of social, educational, religious, and outdoor activities, as well as all around fun. We will be joined by Rabbis Matalon and Bronstein as well as Cantor Priven. Applications are available in the back of the sanctuary as well as on the BJ web site. Please note that all applications must be received by **October 9th**. For more info, call x306.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Children's services for the month of September

This Shabbat, **September 19th** all children will meet their leaders downstairs at FCCS on CPW at the corner of 96th Street). The leaders will take their various minyanim to their respective locations. On **September 26th**, all children will meet their leaders downstairs in the Frankel Hall at 88th

Street. Following the main service all minyanim (except for Minyan HaK'tanim) will meet at the Heschel School. The following is a list of the minyanim and their starting times:

- Minyan HaK'tanim (ages 3 and under) 10:45
- Minyan Gan Alef (ages 4-5) 10:45
- Hazzanut (grades 1-3) 10:15

- Junior Congregation (grades 4-6) 10:15

Parents: We need your help!

During the times when children’s services are at the Heschel School (Shabbat of September 26th, 1st day Rosh Hashanah, and Yom Kippur) we will need extra help from parents. Please call Felicia at x244 to tell her how you can help.

Calling all teens of BJ!

This is what is coming up in the fall:

1) The BJCOTS, our Council of Teens, is looking forward to another amazing year. Our next meeting will be Sunday, **September 27th** at 6:00 PM in the Parlor Room at 86th Street. All teens in 8th to 12th grades are invited to participate in this teen-led group. 2) On Yom Kippur afternoon we will be having a teen dialogue at 88th Street at 2:30 PM. Don’t miss this opportunity to hang out with one another and explore the meaning of the Yamim Nora’im. Any teen interested in helping to shape the dialogue should call Felicia. 3) Mark your calendars for the 3rd annual Teen Retreat: **October 23rd-25th!**

Schedule of Services for September*

Shabbat

September 18	6:00 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	88 th Street
	6:45 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	96th Street
September 19	9:30 AM	Shabbat Morning Service	96th Street

Rosh Hashanah

September 20	6:30 PM	First Evening Service	96 th Street
September 21	9:00 AM	First Day Services	96 th Street & 88th Street
	4:00 PM	Tashlich	88 th Street
	6:30 PM	Second Evening Service	96 th Street
September 22	9:00 AM	Second Day Service	96 th Street

Shabbat Shuvah

September 25	6:00 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	88 th Street
	6:45 PM	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	96th Street
September 26	9:30 AM	Shabbat Shuvah Service	88th Street

Yom Kippur

September 29	6:15 PM	Kol Nidre Services	96 th Street & 88th Street
September 30	9:00 AM	Morning Services/Yizkor	96 th Street & 88th Street
	2:45 PM	Community Study Session	88 th Street
	4:30 PM	Minha/Ne’ilah	96 th Street & 88th Street
	7:25 PM	Teki-at Shofar/Havdalah	96 th Street & 88th 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 10:15 AM). Check the special **BJ Shabbat and High Holy Day Update** for more detailed instructions.

Gold Seat Cards for the Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew (SPSA) will be honored at 88th Street.

HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION

Sponsor Flowers for the Yamim Nora’im

The beautiful flowers that grace the Bimah during the High Holy Days are always generously donated by members of our community. Please consider sponsoring flowers – a beautiful gift to your community that may be made in memory or in honor of loved ones or to celebrate a special occasion. Call Arlene Brandon at the BJ Office for more information.

Special Needs Reserved Seating for the High Holy Days

Seats will be available for those with special needs and their immediate family. Please call the Special Needs voicemail box x320 if you require reserved seating.

Have a Sweet New Year – Pick Your Own Apples!

The Gay and Lesbian Committee invites all BJ members to a pre-Rosh Hashanah apple picking party. Of course, for this to actually happen we need more folks with cars to volunteer to drive BJ members to the orchard. So if you

have a car and want to help out and have fun, please reply to zzaks33@gateway.net or call x325.

Tashlich: Recycle Ritual

Join the BJ community for Tashlich, on the First Day of Rosh Hashanah, Monday, **September 21st**. We will gather at 88th Street at 4:00 PM for a preparatory study session with Amichai Lau-Lavie and then walk to the Hudson River to perform the ritual at approximately 4:45. **Bring Your Own Breadcrumbs!**

Phonathon Volunteers Needed

The Development Committee is looking for volunteers to call fellow members during the Kol Nidre Partnership phonathon, Sunday evening **September 27th**. 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, and all callers will receive a free BJ baseball hat!! No experience necessary - we'll provide training, food,

telephones, and all necessary materials. To volunteer, or for further information, please call Stephanie Weiner at (212) 721-1555 or Ted Becker at (212) 360-6304.

Kol Nidre Canned Food Drive

Last year, BJ collected 15,500 pounds of food before Yom Kippur. This year, we are again asking everyone who attends Kol Nidre Services at both locations to bring at least one bag filled with nonperishable canned food for the needy as part of Mazon's "The Corners of our Fields" project (see page 6 of this Kol Jeshurun). Vans will be parked in front of both locations (88th and 96th Street) to receive food donations.

Hold the Date: BJ to Co-Sponsor Hoshana Rabbah

Join the BJ Environment Committee along with The Shalom Center-Elat Chayyim on Sunday, **October 11th** in Beacon, NY for a celebration of Hoshana Rabbah, the 7th day of Sukkot. On Hoshana Rabbah there are seven dances with the Torah, willow branches are beaten on the earth, and prayers of Hoshana "please save us!" are chanted to save the earth from plague, drought, famine, and other ecological disasters. Pete Seeger's Sloop Clearwater will be docked there that day as part of its Pumpkin Festival. For more info and to volunteer, call x313.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Questions for Board Members?

Hillel Friedman and Ted P. Becker 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 Hillel at (212) 595-3006 and Ted at (212) 783-0796.

New to BJ?

If you are unfamiliar with our services and would like to sit with someone who can help orient you, our ushers would be happy to direct you to such a person.

Special Needs/Reserved Seating:

If you have special needs (such as physical, hearing, or visual disabilities) and are in need of reserved seating for Shabbat Services (aisle, close to the front, etc.), 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.

Lost and Found

If you find a lost item before, during, or after services, please take it to one of the ushers at the back of the sanctuary. If you have lost something at BJ, please call (212) 787-7600, ext. 0 and speak to Madelyn.

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

7,200 Ethiopian Jews are Starving in Addis Ababa

\$3 a month or \$36 a year feeds one child or adult minimal, life-sustaining food. To help, send tax-deductible contributions to South Wing to Zion (the Jerusalem-based association for ingathering and absorption of Ethiopian Jews) through the New Israel Fund. Please make checks payable to New Israel Fund and mark them "Donor Advised - South Wing to Zion." Mail the check to Friends of South Wing to Zion, P.O. Box 580, Gracie Station, NY, NY 10028. For further information, contact Lisa Schachner at Friends of South Wing to Zion, (212) 794-1904.

BJ Eastsiders

Our next home Shabbat service and organized potluck dinner will be on Friday, **September 25th** at 7:00 PM. If you are on our list, you received a letter with information about how to reserve. If you are **not** on our list and would like to

join us, please call Charlotte Schwab **only** on Mondays and Thursdays, and **only** between 7:00 and 9:00 PM at (212) 717-5234. You may come to either the service or the dinner or both and must reserve for either. You don't have to be on the East Side to join us.

An Opportunity to be a Part of History

The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee is currently seeking applicants for the Ralph I. Goldman Fellowship in International Jewish Communal Service, a one-year work-study program overseas beginning September 1999. The application deadline is **November 1st**. Also available are positions in the Jewish Service Corps, a one-year volunteer opportunity abroad. For more information and an application, contact the JDC at (212) 687-6200 or by email admin@jdc.org.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Paper, plastic and styrofoam packaging wastes natural resources and contributes to our garbage crisis.
Buy food and other products with the least amounts of packaging available.
This message was brought to you by the Environment Committee at x313.

Pasuk of the Week – gucav eixp
:tuv vej r-tku lnn tuv , tkpb-tk ouhv lumn hfbt rat , tzv vumnv hf
 Surely, this Instruction which I enjoin upon you this day is not too baffling for you, nor is it beyond reach.
 (Deuteronomy 30:11)

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**5 years after the signing of the Oslo accords and 25 years after the Yom Kippur war still no peace.
 Please write to President Clinton:**

President of the United States
 The White House
 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
 Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

As a lifelong supporter of the State of Israel who believes that the Middle East peace is a vital American interest, I am deeply concerned about the deteriorating situation. Today, five years after the historic Rabin-Arafat handshake, I join Jewish leaders and organizations, whose membership includes nearly 90 percent of affiliated American Jewry, in urging you to intensify your efforts to achieve peace in the Middle East.

Sincerely,

**High Holy Days 5759/1998:
 Leave The Corners of Our Fields For the Poor and the Stranger**

This is the fast I have chosen ... to share your bread with the hungry ... [Isaiah 58]

In the 1960s, concerned with the well being of poor and oppressed people, Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel wrote that what was required of us was "moral grandeur and spiritual audacity."

It was true then; it remains true today. Despite an era of unprecedented abundance in America, millions of children go to school hungry, unable to concentrate and learn. Millions of elderly people live with hunger each day, uncertain of where their next meal is coming from. And millions of all ages in between struggle under the crushing weight of hunger and poverty.

As we look inward during these High Holy Days, Mazon and B'nai Jeshurun ask that you reach outward. Help those who are hungry, by contributing to Mazon the dollars you and your family would have spent to feed yourself and your family on Yom Kippur, and by supporting BJ's nonperishable food drive (**see page 5 of this Kol Jeshurun for instructions**). Together, we can rise to the challenge implicit in Heschel's words, easing the pain of hunger for millions in our country and our world. Mail your contributions to: Mazon, 12401 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 303, Los Angeles, CA 90025-1015.