



Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

Rabbis: Marshall T. Meyer (1985-1993) • J. Rolando Matalon • Marcelo R. Bronstein • Cantor & Music Director: Ari Priven

March 24 – March 31, 2000

Friday, March 24

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM - 88th Street
ASL (American Sign Language) Interpreted
Shabbat B'Yahad with Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller
 After 6:00 PM service - 88th Street

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM - 86th Street

Saturday, March 25

Shabbat Parah Parashat Tzav
Silent Meditation Service 9:00 AM - 86th Street Chapel
 9:30 AM - 86th Street

Torah: Leviticus 6:1 – 8:36, Pg.780
Triennial: Leviticus 7:11 – 7:38, Pg.785
Maftir: Numbers 19:1 – 22, Pg.1145
Haftarah: Ezekiel 36:16 – 36, Pg.1651

Aliyat Hatan veKallah Joshua Reich & Michele Shashoua
 Marc Greenwald & Diane Nickelsberg

Baby Naming Susannah Caplan Boyar

Bar Mitzvah Garrett Adler

Children's Service 10:45 AM

D'var Torah Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller
 Director, UCLA Hillel

ASL (American Sign Language) Interpreted

Kiddush following services 86th Street

Study & Havdalah with Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller
 5:00 PM - 88th Street

"I Hear", Latin America Committee Theater Night
 8:00 PM - West 42nd Street Theatre

Sunday, March 26

Morning Minyan 9:30 AM - 88th Street
BJ/Makor Oscar Party 7:30 PM - Makor

Social Justice Opportunity of the Week

Candlelight Vigil For Justice at The Metropolitan Opera House at Lincoln Center: 6:00 PM, **Thursday, March 30.** Our biblical & ethical teachings support worker justice and we believe the cafeteria workers employed by Metropolitan Opera & Restaurant Associates deserve to: earn a living wage, have affordable health insurance, be treated with dignity and respect, and should have the right to unionize without harassment & retaliation. Join us at the BJ Banner in support of the workers. This action has been organized by the NY Labor-Religion Coalition. For more information, see the flyers in the back of the Sanctuary or call the x310.

Monday, March 27

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 7:00 PM - 88th Street

Tuesday, March 28

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Minhah Healing-Contemplative Time 6:00 PM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 7:00 PM - 88th Street
Creating a Space for the Contemplative with Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein and Rabbi Rachel Cowan
 7:30 PM - 86th Street
Volleyball 7:30 PM - Anshe Chesed

Wednesday, March 29

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Kesharim 2:00 PM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 7:00 PM - 86th Street
Drishat Shalom: Rabbinic Stories in the Search for Peace with Rabbi Rolando Matalon 6:30 PM - 86th Street
The Weekly Potion: "What Happened on The Eighth Day?" with Amichai Lau-Lavie 8:30 PM - 86th Street

Thursday, March 30

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 12:00 PM - 88th Street
Pre-Pesah Meditation Retreat Bus Leaves 3:30 PM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Shelter for the Homeless 7:00 PM - 86th Street

Friday, March 31

PRE-PESAH MEDITATION RETREAT, Elat Chayyim
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street

Next Week: Parashat Shemini

Shabbat HaHodesh M'varkhim HaHodesh

Torah: Leviticus 9:1 - 11:47, Pg.800
Triennial: Leviticus 10:12 - 11:32, Pg.802
Maftir: Exodus 12:1 - 20, Pg.458
Haftarah: Ezekiel 45:16 – 45:25, Pg.1653

Volunteer Opportunity of the Week

An Invitation to Invite: Community Wide-In-Home Kiddush: **HOSTS NEEDED!** Living the Mitzvah of Haknasat Orhim On **Saturday, May 20th**, following Shabbat services, we hope to have enough hosts on the Upper West Side so that any person who comes to Shabbat services has a place to go for kiddush. Therefore, we need 50 hosts who live between West 65th and 110th St. to host guests in their home for a light lunch (nothing extravagant). If you are interested in hosting, please call x382 and leave your name, number and how many people you are willing to host.

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.

Condolences:

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

- Phyllis Lefton, Freddy, Jeffrey and Emily Goldstein on the death of Phyllis' beloved mother, Frances Lefton.
- Victoria Schonfeld, Victor, Jared and Remi Friedman on the death of Victoria's beloved mother, Hildegard Schonfeld.

Mazal Tov To:

- Garrett Adler, Robin Aronow, Dennis, Nathan and Drew Adler on the occasion of Garrett becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Joshua Reich and Michele Shashoua and their families on Joshua and Michele's upcoming marriage.
- Marc Greenwald and Diane Nickelsberg and their families on their upcoming marriage.
- Judith Berman and David Kohn and their families on Judith and David's recent engagement.
- Carl Mayer, Sarah Wolfensohn, James and Elaine Wolfensohn on Carl and Sarah's upcoming marriage.
- Katherine, Gabriel and Allison Boyar on the naming of their daughter and sister, Susannah Caplan Boyar.
- Alison and Kenneth Schlesinger, Herbert Monte Levy and Marilyn Levy on the birth of their daughter and granddaughter, Ilyana on January 21st.

B'rukhim Ha'Baim To:

- Rabbi Steven Foster and Rabbi Mark Miller and the Confirmation Class from Congregation Emanuel, Denver, Colorado.
- Rabbi Bernard Gerson and the Confirmation Class from Congregation Rodeph Shalom, Denver, Colorado.

Kiddush Sponsorship:

This week's kiddush is sponsored by:

- The family of Dennis Adler and Robin Aronow in honor of their son, Garrett becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Judith Berman and David Kohn in honor of their engagement.
- The community of B'nai Jeshurun to welcome BJ's new Executive Director, Deborah Pinsky.

Moadon HaSefer HaTov - BJ's New Book Club:

The book for March and April is *Fugitive Pieces* by Anne Michaels.

An active member of our congregation needs to schedule foot surgery. She lives in a walk-up building and will need to be off her feet for 6-8 weeks. If you have an extra room in an elevator building that she could use for this period of time, please call the rabbinic office and leave your name and number.

Additional information on events can be found in the *Kol Hadash* (mailed to members only), on our web site (www.bj.org) and in the back of the sanctuary at 86th and 88th Streets.

Please note: *All announcements or registration forms for the next Kol Jeshurun are due at the BJ office on the Tuesday before printing at 12:00 noon.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join the Gay & Lesbian Committee and the Orthodykes at Vashti's Lair:

Saturday, March 25th from 9:00 PM – 1:00 AM at the Gay and Lesbian Community Center (1 Little West 12th Street): A Purim Dance for Women. Admission: \$15, includes 2 drinks and hamentashen (proceeds benefit outreach efforts to lesbian/bisexual/transgender/transsexual Orthodox women). Vashti's Lair is an Orthodykes 2000 Production.

Storahtelling Is Coming To BJ!

Saturday, April 1st, 5:00 PM, 86th Street: Come spend Saturday afternoon at the most entertaining and intriguing Torah reading you've ever been to! Find out why kids love it too! Join Amichai Lau-Lavie, Mordecai Schram, Matt Fried and others as they transform the weekly Torah telling and spice it up with Moroccan chanting, offbeat and simultaneous English translation, and live music from around the world! Followed by light refreshments and havdalah.

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

A Catered Shabbat Dinner: A Passion for Waiting: The Jewish Messianic Idea

All those who have pre-registered for the catered Shabbat dinner, co-sponsored with Shabbat B'Yahad, with visiting teacher Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller are invited to Frankel Hall following this evening's 6:00 PM service.

Oscar Night Party

Sunday, March 26th, 7:30 PM at Makor (35 W. 67th St.): Come celebrate your favorite films of the year as BJ co-sponsors Makor's First Annual Oscar Night Party. The party features four televisions, a variety of hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Cost is \$10 and includes one complimentary soft drink and a chance to win prizes in our Oscar Winners Raffle. For more information and to register call Makor at (212) 601-1000. Bring your friends!

Intimate At-Home Catered Shabbat Dinner Gatherings

Friday, March 31st following the 6:45 PM service: Join us for our next At-Home Catered Shabbat Dinner for singles and couples. These gatherings of 12 - 18 people are a great way to meet and share a Shabbat meal! A few spaces are still available for those who submit their registration form and check to the BJ office by Monday, March 27th. To register, see flyer on back table of Sanctuary.

Film Screening & Discussion:

Sunday, April 2nd from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM in Frankel Hall: Join us for a film screening/discussion on "Breaking Stereotypes of Sexuality, Judaism, & Female Identity." Our special guest speaker, Professor Annette Insdorf, Director of Undergraduate Film Studies at Columbia University, will lead a discussion on breaking the stereotypes associated with Jewish identity as portrayed in the film "The Governess," starring Minnie Driver. A wine and cheese reception will follow. Cost: \$15 members/\$20 non-members. To register, please send check marked "4/2 Singles Film Screening" to the BJ office no later than March 27th. Please note: If space is available, the cost at the door will be \$25 for all.

TIKKUN OLAM ACTIVITIES

Committee For Social Action & Social Justice

The new Committee for Social Action and Social Justice is developing initiatives in the areas of Economic Justice and International Human Rights. If you are interested in getting involved, please call us at x310 and leave a message saying how you would like to help.

Volunteers Needed For Aids Walk 2000

VOLUNTEERS are needed to help register people for the BJ AIDS Walk Team. If you can help, please call x335. REGISTER NOW: See the AIDS Walk flyers in the back of the Sanctuary for more information.

Never Again: A Town Meeting

Sunday, March 26th from 1:30 - 6:00 PM at Cooper Union's Great Hall (7 East 7th Street): Tickets are \$10. Reservations are required. Call (212) 777 - 1441. On

December 9, 1948 The United Nations adopted resolution 260(III)A for the prevention and punishment of crimes of genocide. Responding to the Holocaust, this resolution gave rise to the promise of "never again." Yet mass killings have proliferated around the world. There will be a distinguished panel of journalists including Philip Gourevitch (Rwanda), William Shawcross (Cambodia), Laura Silber (Bosnia) and BJ member, David Reiff (who's currently writing a book on humanitarianism).

Help Prevent Gun Violence

Sunday, May 14th: Join the Million Mom March in Washington, DC on Mother's Day. To register, or for more information, call 888-989-MOMS or visit www.millionmommarch.com. If you're interested in forming a BJ group, please call x310.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Special Needs/Reserved Seating

If you have special needs (physical, hearing, or visual) and would like reserved seating for Shabbat services (aisle, close to the front, etc.), please call x320.

New to BJ?

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.

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.

MEMBER/AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

The Center for Jewish-Christian Studies and Relations Annual Lecture

Tuesday, March 28th at 8:00 PM at The Seabury Auditorium at the General Theological Seminary (175 Ninth Avenue, between 20th and 21st Streets): Join us for a lecture given by BJ member, Katherine Kurs, author of "Transparent Before God: Spiritual Autobiography & Spiritual Process." Free and open to the public. For more information, call Alice Fisher at (212) 243-5150 x281, FISHER@GTS.EDU or see the flyer on the back table.

"Life on The Fringes: A Feminist Journey Towards Traditional Rabbinic Ordination"

Tuesday, March 28th at 8:00 PM at the Sol Goldman YM-YWHA of The Educational Alliance (344 E. 14th Street, between 1st and 2nd Aves): Haviva Ner-David, is

determined to become the first Orthodox woman rabbi and is studying in a Jewish Orthodox ordination program in Jerusalem. She will be reading from her book "Life on The Fringes: A Feminist Journey Towards Traditional Rabbinic Ordination." For more information, call Sandi Borger at x225.

Shares Available for the 2000 Growing Season

Roxbury Farm, the organic farm connected with SPSA, has shares available for the 2000 growing season. Every Thursday between 4:00 and 7:00 PM, farmer John-Paul Courtens and his crew deliver fresh, delicious vegetables to the SPSA courtyard. Members of the farm pick up their share of the veggies, and those left over are brought to the food pantry. Please see the flyers in the back of the Sanctuary for more information.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Detoxify your home. Use non-toxic, biodegradable cleansers and other household products. Many health-food stores sell safe, non-toxic cleansers and pest control products. **This message was brought to you by the Environment Committee at x313.**

Pasuk of the Week

ujehu ktrah hbc-kt rcs rntk 'v vum-rat vru, v , ej , tz"
".kg vllkg vkg-tk rat oun vc-iht rat vnhn, vnst vrp lhkt
(c:yh rcsnc)

"This is the ritual law that ADONAI has commanded: Instruct the Israelite people to bring you a red cow without blemish, in which there is no defect and on which no yoke has been laid."
(Numbers 19:2)

Please see the back of the sanctuary for flyers and registration forms for the following events and opportunities:

- Roxbury Farm Information
- May 26th – 29th Retreat
- BJ Study Trip to Israel 2000
- Havurot Applications
- Employment Bank Listings
- Upcoming Singles Events
- Jewels of the Diaspora : A Concert Celebration of African-American and Jewish Song
- Candlelight Vigil for Justice at the Metropolitan Opera House
- AIDS Walk Registration Information & Registration Cards
- Fight Police Brutality by sending letter to Janet Reno