



Congregation B'nai Jeshurun

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

Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellows: Rabbi Felicia Sol • Rabbi Eric Solomon • Sharon Brous • Director of Family Education: Rabbi Anne Ebersman

September 15 - 22, 2000

Friday, September 15

Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 PM - 88th Street
Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:45 PM - 86th Street

Saturday, September 16

Shabbat Parashat Ki Tavo
Silent Meditation 9:00 AM - 86th Street Chapel
Service 9:30 AM - 86th Street
Torah: Deuteronomy 26:1 – 29:8, Pg. 1508
Triennial: Deuteronomy 26:12 – 28:6, Pg. 1509
Haftarah: Isaiah 60:1 – 22, Pg. 1614

Bar Mitzvah Benjamin Morris Levin

Children's Services 10:45 AM

Sunday, September 17

Morning Minyan 9:30 AM - 88th Street

Monday, September 18

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 88th Street
High Holy Days Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM - 88th Street

Tuesday, September 19

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Family Set-Up for the Shelter 5:00 PM - 88th Street
High Holy Day Usher Training 6:30 PM - 96th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 88th Street
High Holy Day Choir Rehearsal 8:00 PM - 88th Street

Wednesday, September 20

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street
Kesharim 2:00 PM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 86th Street
Preliminary Bat Torah Meeting 7:00 PM - 86th Street

Thursday, September 21

Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 12:00 PM - 88th Street
High Holy Day Choir Rehearsal 6:00 PM - 88th Street
High Holy Day Usher Training 6:30 PM - 86th Street
Board Meeting 6:30 PM - 88th Street
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter 7:00 PM - 86th Street

Friday, September 22

Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th Street

Parashat Nitzavim-Vayeilekh

Torah: Deuteronomy 29:9 – 31:30, Pg. 1537
Triennial: Deuteronomy 30:1 – 31:6, Pg. 1540
Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10 – 63:9, Pg. 1618

Social Justice Opportunities of the Week

- The SHARE-A-WALK on Sunday was a great success, with 60 BJers raising, thus far, a total of almost \$6,000. If you walked and still have outstanding pledges, please remember to collect those checks and send them in. If you weren't able to walk, but would like to send in a donation to help SHARE continue the important support services it provides, please do so as soon as you can. All checks should be made out to SHARE and mailed to B'nai Jeshurun, attn. SHARE-A-WALK, 100A West 89th Street, New York, NY 10024.
- 39 million people worldwide live in refugee camps. The international relief organization Doctors Without Borders is sponsoring an exhibit this Friday and Saturday in Central Park which will try to give visitors some sense of what life in these camps are like. The Social Action and Social Justice committee encourages all BJers to visit this exhibit sometime on Friday or Saturday (open from 10:00 AM-5:00PM). The Camp is being erected at "Cherry Hill" (enter at West 72nd Street and follow the signs).

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 To:

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

- Allen, Madelyn and Joshua Adamson on the death of Allen's beloved mother, Ruth Adamson.
- Mimi Lox on the death of her beloved mother, Elsie Lox.
- Joshua Berman on the recent deaths of his beloved grandfather, Isidor Portnoy, beloved grandmother, Charlotte Sari Portnoy and his beloved uncle, Stan Eisman.

Mazal Tov To:

- Benjamin, Jim, Shira, Alex and Gideon Levin on the occasion of Benjamin becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Susan Kasloff and Joshua Wotman and their families on the occasion on Susan and Joshua's upcoming wedding.
- Randi Glatzer and Mitch Golding and their families on Randi and Mitch's recent wedding.

B'ruchim HaBaim To:

- Rabbi Stephen Karol and the confirmation class from Congregation Sha'aray Shalom, Hingham, MA.
- Teachers from Bet Yeladim in Columbia, MD.

Volunteer Opportunities at BJ:

- Food Donors Needed at BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter
Now that Fall and the Yamim Nora'im are approaching, we will soon be asked once again to rededicate ourselves to "gemilut hasidim" (acts of loving kindness). Please consider donating prepared food to the BJ/SPSA Shelter. Anyone interested in a truly giving and rewarding experience please call Eileen Gordon at 773-1317 or e-mail her at eileen.gordon@ey.com.
- Monday and Tuesday Night at the Movies...for our Homeless Shelter Guests. A TV/VCR is now available

for use by our guests at the 88th Street Shelter. Please consider donating your used (or new) VHS movies to the shelter so our guests can enjoy them. Movies can be dropped off at the BJ office or mailed to the office to the attention of the Homeless Shelter. Questions? Call x340.

- The Lunch Program Needs You! The Judith Bernstein Lunch program is in serious need of monthly volunteers to prepare soup and salad on Wednesday evenings and volunteers to serve lunch on Thursdays to our many hungry guests. Help with cleaning up is also needed. For details and to volunteer, please contact co-chair Dorothy Luft at x338.

Support Groups/ Educational Opportunities

- Caregivers: Telephone Support Group for Family Caregivers. Help, information and support. Every Friday, 12:00-1:00 PM. Ongoing Caregivers Group held at NYU every Thursday, 4:00-5:00 PM. Call Naima Isaac, DSW, NYU Hospital Center, Facilitator and BJ member, at 263-2912.
- Jewish Bereavement Groups: For those who have lost a parent, spouse, sibling or adult child. Groups form regularly, co-led by a rabbi and mental health professional. Advanced registration required. Sponsored by the New York Jewish Healing Center at the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services. Call Myra Shendell, CSW, 399-2320, ext. 211.

Please see the flyer in the back of the sanctuary for an up-to-date listing of Support Groups offered by organizations serving the Jewish community.

Reminder: Reading the Kol Jeshurun is a great way to remind yourself of upcoming events you've read about in the Kol Hadash or on the web site as well as to monitor new information or program changes. Further 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 88th Street. **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.

HIGH HOLY DAY INFORMATION

Community Se'udah Match 5761: HOSTS NEEDED!

If you would like to host a meal during the High Holy Days, please fill out a form (on the website or at the back of the sanctuary) and fax it (or drop it off) to the BJ office immediately.

Flowers

The beautiful flowers that grace the Bimah during the High Holy Days have always been generously donated. For more information, call Arlene Brandon at x223.

Teshuvah: Starting a New Life

Saturday, September 23rd at 9:45 PM at 88th Street: Join us for a Sell_{hot} community study, which will include the film by BJ member Kate Wenner, "Time With My Father." The film will be followed by a coffee hour and midnight service.

Do A Mitzvah!

- Kol Nidre Canned Food Drive: This year, on **October 8th**, we are again asking everyone who attends Kol

Nidre Services to bring with them at least one bag filled with nonperishable canned food for the needy as part of City Harvest's canned food drive. There will be a truck at each location to collect the food.

- MAZON asks that you reach outward to those in need as you look inward in preparation of these High Holy Days. Please give to MAZON what you would have spent to feed yourself and your family on Yom Kippur. Checks can be mailed to: MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger, 12401 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 303, Los Angeles, CA 90025-1015.

For non-members who would like to join us for High Holy Day services, unfortunately, we do not anticipate that there will be any seats available at our Kol Nidre services. However, we will try to accommodate non-members at FCCS for our other High Holy Day services but anticipate a limited number of seats will be available. A directory of free or other High Holy Day services is available at the back of the sanctuary and will be posted on our website.

UPCOMING EVENTS

L'dor V'dor Shabbat Lunch-(formerly the "Senior Lunch")

Saturday, September 23rd at 1:00 PM at 86th Street: If you are 70 years young, (or older!), come join us (bring your guest of any age), for our continued program of celebrating Shabbat together. We will be hosted by Rabbi Felicia Sol, music with

Andy Sherman, and be led in telling your special histories at BJ by renowned storyteller Peninnah Schram. To reserve space, please send your RSVP by September 18th, to the BJ office with a \$12 check designating L'dor V'dor lunch.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Preliminary Meeting of the Bat Torah Class

Wednesday, September 20th at 7:00 PM in the 86th Street Parlor Room: All women who have never had a Bat Mitzvah and wish to have a Bat Torah are invited to join Rabbi Felicia Sol for a discussion of the class, the commitment involved and the plan for the coming year. If you are interested in the class and cannot attend the meeting, please call Felicia at x222 by September 20th. Following the High Holy Days, the class will meet on Mondays from 7:00-8:30 PM.

Repenting From What? Returning Where?, with Rabbi Jeremy Kalmanofsky

One more Thursday, September 21st from 7:30-9:00 PM in the 86th Street Chapel: Cost: \$45 members/ \$65 non-members. Advanced registration is requested. Please see the back of the sanctuary, the website (www.bj.org) or your BJ brochure for registration information and a complete list of fall adult education classes.

Hebrew of the High Holy Days with Jill Borodin

Two more classes, September 18th and 26th, 6:00-7:30 PM or 7:45-9:15 PM in the 86th Street Parlor Room: Participants will study the most prominent prayers of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The later class is for students who are comfortable reading Hebrew. Cost: \$45 members/\$60 non-members. Advanced registration is requested. Please see the back of the sanctuary, the website (www.bj.org) or your BJ brochure for registration information and a complete list of fall adult education classes.

J. Civ: Jewish History with the Experts

Beginning September 20th, "History and the Novel," at the JCC: View the American Experience through a literary lens. Study works of fiction which convey the historical reality of their times. The first book will be Abraham Cahan's *The Imported Bridegroom and Other Stories of the New York Ghetto*. Co-sponsored by B'nai Jeshurun, the JCC, Ansche Chesed, Rodeph Sholom, SAJ and the West End Synagogue. For more information, call 580-0099.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Family Set-Up for the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

Now that the new school year is underway, the Family Life Committee is ready once again to welcome children and their families in the BJ kitchen to prepare simple but festive meals for guests of our homeless shelter. The first event, for children age 5 and under, their parents and siblings, is Tuesday, September 19th from 5:00-6:00 PM at 88th Street.

Please call to volunteer, and make our first dinner of the season a success. Future dates are as follows: October 17 - Third Grade; November 14 - Fourth Grade. To maintain this program, we need one or two coordinators per month and a host of participating families. For more information, please call Beth Kern at 724-5336 or Harriet Saltzman at 496-1892.

SINGLES ACTIVITIES

BJ Singles Retreat

November 3rd - 5th: Save the date! Have you ever wished there was an easier way to meet some of the people sitting around you at services? Those who have attended past retreats will tell you there is no better way to meet people and feel part of the community than attending a BJ retreat. Join us for our fifth annual retreat at Camp Isabella Freedman in the Connecticut Berkshires. For more information call x306 or check the BJ website for registration forms. Remember: The earlier you register, the more you save!

A Catered Shabbat Dinner: "Things I have Believed In"

This evening's catered Shabbat dinner, in conjunction with Ansche Chesed Young Professionals is full. All those who have pre-registered should plan on being at Ansche Chesed (100th St. & WEA) at 7:30 PM. Please note, there will be no admittance without paid reservations.

Intimacy & Commitment: Workshop for Single Men & Women

October 5th - December 21st, 7:00 - 8:30 PM: Join Clinician Anne Kohn for a ten session workshop exploring and talking about that which we seek to understand and embrace. This workshop will include guest facilitators who will help clarify

our own perspectives on intimacy and commitment. Cost: \$150 members/\$225 non-members. Advanced registration is required. Please see the back of the sanctuary, the website (www.bj.org) or your BJ brochure for registration information and a complete list of fall adult education classes.

Dorot Rosh Hashanah Package Delivery

Sunday, September 24th: Join other BJ singles as we make our annual package deliveries to the elderly. This event, sponsored by Dorot, will begin with a group orientation at 11:45 AM at Brandeis High School (85th Street, between Columbus and Amsterdam Avenues). We will then pair up in teams to make our visits/deliveries to homebound elderly on the Upper West Side. We will regroup at around 1:30 PM for lunch at Cafe Roma's Kosher Pizzeria (Amsterdam Avenue at 91st Street). Reservations are required. To reserve your space, please call x306 by September 20th and leave your name and phone number. Fulfill a mitzvah in good company!

Reel Jews: A Festival of Emerging Jewish Filmmakers

Join us at Makor (35 West 67th Street) throughout the month of September for the first annual Reel Jews Film Festival: A festival of emerging Jewish filmmakers. Most films will be

accompanied by a post-screening discussion with filmmakers. Cost for each screening is \$6 BJ members/\$8 non-members. For complete festival listing check out Makor's September

calendar or the film page on their website at www.makor.org.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Special Needs/Reserved Seating

If you have special needs (physical, hearing, or visual) and would like assistance with seating for Shabbat services (aisle, close to the front, etc.), please call x308.

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.

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.

MEMBER/AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

Restoring Glory: The Preservation of Sephardic Heritage Sites Around the World

Tuesday, September 19th at 7:00 PM at the Center for Jewish History (15 West 16th Street): Dr. Samuel Gruber, president of the International Survey of Jewish Monuments, will present an opening illustrated lecture at the new Center for Jewish History, sponsored by the American Sephardi Federation. His talk will focus on the enormous strides over the past decade to identify, protect and preserve Sephardi and Mizrahi cemeteries, synagogues and Jewish quarters around the world. Free, but seating is limited. Reservations: 294-8350.

Israel & the Internet

Wednesday, September 20th at 8:00 AM at the Bnai Zion House (136 East 39th Street): The forum will address the expanding Israeli technology marketplace and new investment opportunities. Cost: \$25 in advance: \$35 at the door. For more information, call 725-4500, x454.

BJ Member to Read at Barnes & Noble

Wednesday, September 20th from 7:30-8:30 PM at Barnes & Noble (Broadway and 82nd Street): BJ member Kate Wenner will read from her first novel, Setting Fires. Setting Fires shows the power of teshuvah in an emotional story of family truth and denial.

The Jewish Book & Discussion Group

Wednesday, September 20th at 6:30 PM at the Borders Books in the World Trade Center: Rabbi Neil Gillman, Professor of Jewish Philosophy at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will discuss his book, Sacred Fragments: Recovering Theology for the Modern Jew. Rabbi Gillman will speak, take questions, and autograph copies of his book. Please note that admission is free, and all are invited. The discussion will be led by Neil Feldman.

Debbie Friedman in Concert

Sunday, September 24th at 2:00 PM at The Town Hall (123 West 43rd Street): Welcoming the Jewish New Year with a celebration of song, spirit and community. Tickets: \$50, \$36, \$25. For tickets, call Ticketmaster at 307-4100. For groups & information, call 683-7816.

Free Trip to Israel

Never been to Israel? Want to go for free? Puzzle 2001 departs for Israel in early January for two free weeks of touring, learning and fun. Open to anyone between the ages of 18-26 who has never been to Israel on an organized trip. Register at www.birthrightisrael.com (choose Sachlav's Puzzle trip). Call 840-1166 for more information.

Ecological Suggestion of the Week

Ask for refined oil the next time you change your motor oil.

This message was brought to you by the Environment Committee at x313.

Pasuk of the Week

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**“Blessed shall you be in your comings and blessed shall you be in your goings.”
(Deuteronomy 28:6)**

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

Free or Other High Holy Day Services

Membership Packets

Community Se'udah Match 5761 Forms

Fall Adult Education Opportunities

Havurot Applications

Employment Bank Listings

Upcoming Singles Events

Information on Support Groups offered by organizations serving the Jewish community