



CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN

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KOL JESHURUN

NITZAVIM-VAYELEKH

TORAH: ANNUAL Deuteronomy 29:9 - 31:30

TRIENNIAL Deuteronomy 31:7 - 31:30

HAFTARAH Isaiah 61:10 - 63:9

NEXT WEEK: HA'AZINU

SHABBAT SHUVAH

TORAH Deuteronomy 32:1 - 52

HAFTARAH Hosea 14:2-10, Joel 2:15-27

FALL SERVICE SCHEDULE

Kabbalat Shabbat Service: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME! Beginning **Friday, September 7**, the early service will start at 6:00PM and the late service will start at 7:30PM, both at 88th Street.

Shabbat Morning Services: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION! Beginning **Saturday, September 8**, Shabbat morning services will start at 9:30AM at 86th Street. Children's services will start at 10:45AM in the 86th St. Chapel and Parlor Room.

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY

• **Marriage Equality Hevra Film Screening: *Trembling on the Road***

Tuesday, September 18: Please join the Marriage Equality Hevra at a screening of *Trembling on the Road*, which documents how the film *Trembling Before G-d*, the critically acclaimed documentary film by Sandi DuBowski, profoundly touched and transformed the lives of individuals, families and communities. *Trembling Before G-d* told personal stories of Hasidic and Orthodox Jews who are gay or lesbian. For more information about this event, please contact Susan Olderman at susanolderman@yahoo.com, Amy Lavine at alavine@gaycenter.org, or call x259.

September 7-14, 2007

24 Elul, 5767 - 2 Tishrei, 5768

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Kabbalat Shabbat Service
Tze'irim Shabbat Dinner

6:00 PM - 88th St.
Following 6:00 PM Service -
86th St. Social Hall
7:30 PM - 88th St.

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Shabbat Services
Children's Services

SELIHOT
9:30 AM - 86th St.
10:45 AM - 86th St. Chapel and Parlor

Naming
Naming

Judianna Leora Gubbay Abrams
Clara Julia Gornstein
Emma Lily Gornstein
Arielle B. Korman
Sarah Revesz

Bat Mitzvah
Bat Mitzvah

Community Kiddush

Following Services - 86th St. Social Hall

Selihot Program with Prof. Susannah Heschel
Coffee Hour
Selihot Service

9:45 PM - 88th St. (SEE P.2)
11:15 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall
Midnight - 88th St.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Service and Breakfast
before Komen for the Cure
Morning Minyan
Ozrim Orientation
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

8:00 AM - 88th St.
9:30 AM - 88th St.
2:00 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall (SEE P.3)
7:00 PM - 86th St. Social Hall

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Morning Minyan
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

7:30 AM - 88th St.
7:00 PM - 88th St.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Morning Minyan
BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter

7:30 AM - 88th St.
7:00 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

BJ OFFICE CLOSING AT 2:00 PM
Morning Minyan
First Evening Service

EREV ROSH HASHANAH
7:30 AM - 88th St.
6:30 PM - 86th St., 88th St.*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

BJ OFFICE CLOSED
Services
Children's Services

FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANAH
9:00 AM - 86th St., 88th St., JALC*
10:30 AM - 86th St. Chapel,
88th St. Frankel Hall, JALC
10:30 AM - Symphony Space
4:30 PM - 88th St.
6:00 PM - Riverside Park
7:30 PM - 88th St.

Family Service
Study Followed by Tashlikh

Second Evening Service

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

BJ OFFICE CLOSED
Services
Children's Services
Junior Congregation

SECOND DAY ROSH HASHANAH
9:00 AM - 86th St., 88th St.
10:30 AM - 86th St. Chapel
10:30 AM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

* Based on pre-assigned location for services

Announcements

HA-MAKOM YENAHM

The community of B'nai Jeshurun extends sincere condolences to Arthur, Aaron, and Nicholas Fleisher and Lisa Halprin Fleisher on the death of their beloved father, father-in-law and grandfather, Norman Fleisher.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Sarah and Richard Revesz and Vicki Been on Sarah becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Arielle and Jerry Korman and Mira Rivera on Arielle becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Talia and John Sadres, Dina and Jack Farhi, and Tamar Baumgold on the birth of their son, grandson, and great-grandson, Jacob Solomon Sadres.

- Jerald Abrams, Eilat Gubbay, Naomi Abrams, and Danielle Gubbay Abrams on the naming of their daughter and sister, Judianna Leora.
- Samuel and Silvia Gornstein on the namings of their granddaughters, Clara Julia and Emma Lily.
- Michael Mostow and Nancy Beal Mostow on the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Cote Mostow, to David Irving.

TODAH RABBAH

- This week's community Kiddush is sponsored by Jerry Abrams and Eilat Gubbay in honor of the naming of Judianna Leora Gubbay Abrams, and by Kathy and David Frome, and Silvia and Sam Gornstein, in honor of the namings of Clara Julia and Emma Lily Gornstein.
- This week's flowers for the bimah are sponsored by Vicki Been and Richard Revesz in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Revesz.

Yamim Nora'im 5768

• Selihot with Prof. Susannah Heschel

Saturday, September 8, 9:45PM, 88th St.: As we mark Abraham Joshua Heschel's centenary year and reflect on Heschel's teachings these Yamim Nora'im, join us for an evening with Susannah, who will share her father's perspective on teshuvah and forgiveness. A coffee hour will follow and the Selihot service will begin at midnight.

• West Side Campaign Against Hunger Kol Nidre Food Drive

Once again, B'nai Jeshurun is partnering with the West Side Campaign Against Hunger in our annual Kol Nidre food drive. Last year's campaign was highly successful and we are again asking that contributions be made in the form of a check made out to West Side Campaign Against Hunger. There will be drop boxes for checks or envelopes available at Kol Nidre Services. Please do not bring canned goods or other items for donation to services, as for security reasons we cannot accept these packages. If you would like more information about West Side Campaign Against Hunger, please call Doreen at 212-362-3662.

• Ushering For the Yamim Nora'im 5768

Now is the time for BJ members to sign up to usher during the Yamim Nora'im. Ushering at BJ has always been a special community experience; at least 250 people are needed to insure that prayer at services will be comfortable for all. Please fill out the form that was sent to you in the mail and return it to the BJ office, att. Sarah Guthartz, indicating which services, locations and times you prefer. Feel free to email any questions to sguthartz@bj.org

• Membership and High Holy Days Information

As we draw closer to the High Holy Days, we continue to invite members to renew and welcome new members to join our community. All entrance cards must be picked up in the BJ office weekdays between 9:00AM and 4:00PM (and on 9/12 until noon). Please renew at www.bj.org or contact Belinda Lasky, Director of Membership x224, for an application.

• High Holy Days Flower Fund

One way to help enhance the beauty and atmosphere of our High Holy Day services is by making a donation to the Flower Fund in honor of, or in memory of a loved one. Please contact Erzsebet at x228.

TekiYah—Echoes of the High Holy Days at BJ

Celebrate the Yamim Nora'im with the beautiful and profound music of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. This CD features our cantors and rabbis and a cast of acclaimed instrumentalists and singers praying and singing and engaging our hearts. The CD and songbook are \$18.00 each (price does not include shipping and handling). Available at www.bj.org (click on "BJ CDs & Songbooks").

Community Activities

• Contemplative Shabbat Service and Potluck Dinner

Friday, October 26, 6:00PM, 86th Street: Join us for services that will combine prayer, meditation, and niggun toward a deepening experience of God. We will work together to awaken the soul, deepen the connection, and focus our prayer. There will be no instrumentation. The service is drawn from the siddur, but does not follow the complete text. To celebrate the first service of the year, it will be followed by a potluck dinner. For more information, please contact Naomi at x240 or ngoodhart@bj.org

• Updates to the BJ Website

The donation page at www.bj.org has been redesigned. The new page has more features and functionality to make online giving to BJ a positive experience. Go online at www.bj.org and click "Donate to BJ". For more information, contact Aviva Raichelson at x242.

Creating Kehillah

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• BJ Reads Volunteers

A CAT IN A HAT ATE A MAT AND GOT FAT

Can you read this? Some kids can't. Join BJ Reads and change a child's life.

Because of you, a child will learn to read. Volunteer for one or two hours each week from October to May. Join BJ Reads Mondays or Wednesdays from 9:00-10:00AM or 10:00-11:00AM at P.S. 166 on West 89th Street (between Columbus and Amsterdam). For information or to volunteer, contact Sandy Davidson at sandyd001@rcn.com or 212-724-2013.

• BJ/Ralph Bunche School Partnership Volunteers

Want to help a kid feel good about himself? Want to see a kid's face light up when she gets the idea? In just one or two hours a week you can make a real

difference to an elementary school student. The BJ/Ralph Bunche School Partnership pairs BJ literacy volunteers one-on-one with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders and math volunteers with 4th graders who need just a little extra attention from you to succeed. You will be amazed at the progress these kids can make with your special guidance. Reading/writing sessions are from 8:20-10:20AM on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Arithmetic sessions will be on Tuesdays. The Ralph Bunche School is on West 123rd Street just east of Amsterdam Avenue. Sessions will begin the week of October 8. Please contact Rory Butler and Ilene Richman at rbspartnership@bj.org or x301 for more information.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• Ozrim Orientation

Sunday, September 9, 2:00-5:00PM, 88th St. Frankel Hall: The Ozrim Program is for 8-12th graders who want to volunteer as teachers' aides in the BJ Hebrew School. For more information and an application, contact Ivy at ischreiber@bj.org or ext. 225.

• Junior Congregation

Shabbat Junior Congregation begins on Saturday, September 15 and will be held on the first and third Shabbats of the month throughout the year. The next two

Junior Congregations are on September 29 and October 6. All Junior Congregations will take place in the SPSA Social Hall at 10:30AM. We will also have Junior Congregation on the second day of Rosh Hashanah at 10:30AM in Frankel Hall at 88th Street. Please contact Rebecca Rosenthal at rrosenthal@bj.org if your child would like to lead or learn to lead a prayer.

• Family Sukkah Decorating Party

Tuesday, September 25, 4:00-5:30PM, BJ Sukkah at SPSA (or Frankel Hall in case of rain): Join BJ Families and children of all ages for our annual sukkah decorating party. There will be singing, stories, games, and of course, sukkah decorating. Please RSVP so that we can let you know where the party will be. To RSVP or for more information, contact Rebecca Rosenthal at rrosenthal@bj.org or x243.

TZE'IRIM: 20s/30s

• Envisioning the Year Ahead for Tze'irim

Monday, September 10, 7:30-9:00PM, 88th St.: Be a part of shaping the calendar for the upcoming year! All are welcome. RSVP to Lauren Rott at bjtzeirim@yahoo.com

LEDOR VADOR

• Ledor Vador Sukkot Lunch & Learn

Tuesday, October 2, 11:30AM-1:00PM, Sukkah at 86th St: Celebrate Sukkot by joining us as a teacher in our community leads a text study in the BJ sukkah at SPSA. It is a mitzvah to eat in the sukkah and should be shared with new friends. Please bring your own lunch; BJ will provide beverages and dessert. All ages are welcome! For more information and to register call Belinda Lasky at x224.

AFFILIATES

• Red Sea by Emily Benedek

Congratulations to BJ member Emily Benedek, who is releasing a novel on Sept. 18 called *Red Sea*. Look for it at your local bookstore.

Upcoming Limud

Please see the BJ website, www.bj.org, for more information and how to register, as well as more classes beginning in October.

• BJ Contemplative Practice

Rabbis Marcelo R. Bronstein and Rachel Cowan

7 Wednesdays (October 10, 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21) • 7:00-9:00PM
• 88th Street Sanctuary (11/14: 86th St. Chapel) • Free; registration required. Join us for an opportunity to engage in regular meditation practice. Includes seated and walking meditation, niggunim, and discussion. Open to all, no experience needed.

• Rosh Hodesh Women's Group for Heshvan

**Facilitated by Rabbi Felicia L. Sol and Marshall T. Meyer Fellow
Chen Ben Or Tsfofi**

Saturday, October 13 • 12:30PM (potluck lunch following Shabbat morning services) • 86th Street Chapel • Free; registration not required. Each new month on the Hebrew calendar, we will have an opportunity to study, discuss, celebrate and pray together on this holiday traditionally associated with women. Please bring a dairy/vegetarian kosher snack to share.

• Introduction to Judaism

Rabbi Brent Chaim Spodek, Marshall T. Meyer Fellow

Mondays (October 15-May 19) • 7:00-9:00PM • BJ Office, Conference Room 1 • Individuals: \$420 (members)/\$630 (non-members); Couples: \$630/\$945. (Although you must enroll for the entire year, tuition may be paid in two installments). A nuanced overview of the core history, beliefs,

and practices of Judaism. We hope to deepen the understanding of those just beginning to explore Jewish life, or those who would like to be able to participate more fully in the life of the Jewish community.

• FOR TZE'IRIM (20s AND 30s, SINGLES AND COUPLES)

The Things We Never Learned: Finding Our Way Into Shabbat

Rabbi Felicia L. Sol

4 Tuesdays (October 16, 23, 30, November 6) • 7:00-8:30PM • Home of Rabbi Felicia Sol; last class will be held at a venue on the Upper West Side
• Free; registration required, call x233 or register at www.bj.org. BYOB to share, light snacks provided. Uncover the mysteries and keys to Shabbat in the tradition in order to make it meaningful and accessible for today.

• Abraham Joshua Heschel's Heavenly Torah

Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon

7 Wednesdays (October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14, 28, December 5; no class Thanksgiving week) • 6:30-8:00PM • 88th Street Frankel Hall • Free; registration required. We resume our study of Rabbi Heschel's gigantic work on rabbinic thought in observance of his centennial year. *Heavenly Torah*, explores the polarity in Judaism between transcendence and immanence, and between mysticism and rationalism. Please bring the book to class; no photocopies will be distributed. New participants are welcome.

General Information

WELCOME TO B'NAI JESHURUN! If you are unfamiliar with our community and Shabbat services, see our "Welcome to BJ" brochure at the back of the sanctuary, or ask an usher to be seated next to a congregant familiar with the services.

- **Membership at B'nai Jeshurun:** Are you considering joining BJ? Would you like information on becoming a member? BJ is pleased that visitors choose to connect with us when they are in town. Why don't you consider joining our community as a BJ Friend? Contact Membership Director Belinda Lasky at x224 or blasky@bj.org

- **A Note from the Ushers:** For those at the 7:30PM Friday night service, please bring books to the back as you leave. Tallitot and damaged books may be brought to the back of the sanctuary after Shabbat services. Men are asked to wear kippot during services. Photography, cell phone use, and food is not permitted in the sanctuary. To prepare for the comfort and security of all, doors open 30 minutes before services begin.

- **Assistive Listening Devices for Services at BJ** are available during services at both 88th and 86th Streets. Contact the ushers at the back of the Sanctuary—and remember to return the devices when you leave.

REMEMBERING HESCHEL

In this centennial year of Abraham Joshua Heschel's birth, it's good for us to remember not only his original and challenging ideas, but also the breathtakingly beautiful language in which he couched them. This year in the Kol Jeshurun we will periodically print short quotations from Rabbi Heschel's works.

**"Man's sin is his failure to live what he is.
Being the master of the earth,
man forgets that he is servant of God."**

—*I Asked for Wonder*

JOIN US AT THE BJ MORNING MINYAN: See updated information about the Morning Minyan at www.bj.org/schedule.php where you can indicate what days you plan to attend and view how many people have signed up for the current week—and see where our need is greatest.

Selihot

Saturday, September 8

Kabbalat Selihot

88th Street Sanctuary9:45 PM
Coffee Hour.....11:15 PM
Service.....Midnight

Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, September 12

First Evening

The Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew (SPSA) 86th Street,
88th Street*6:30 PM

Thursday, September 13

First Day

SPSA 86th Street, 88th Street,
Jazz at Lincoln Center (JALC)* 9:00 AM

Children's Services (ages 0-6)
SPSA 86th Street Chapel, 88th Street Frankel Hall,
JALC.....10:30 AM

Family Service (ages 7-12)
Symphony Space.....10:30 AM

Study followed by Tashlikh
88th Street Sanctuary4:30 PM
Riverside Park.....6:00 PM

Second Evening

88th Street.....7:30 PM

Friday, September 14

Second Day

SPSA 86th Street, 88th Street9:00 AM

Children's Services (ages 0-6)
SPSA 86th Street Chapel10:30 AM

Junior Congregation
88th Street Frankel Hall10:30 AM

Shabbat Shuvah

Friday, September 14

Kabbalat Shabbat

88th Street6:00 PM
88th Street7:30 PM

Saturday, September 15

Morning Services

SPSA 86th Street9:30 AM

Junior Congregation

SPSA 86th Street Social Hall10:30 AM

Children's Services (ages 0-6)

SPSA 86th Street Chapel10:45 AM

Yom Kippur

Friday, September 21

Kol Nidre

SPSA 86th Street, 88th Street, JALC*6:15 PM

Saturday, September 22

SPSA 86th Street, 88th Street, JALC*9:00 AM

Children's Services (ages 0-6)

SPSA 86th Street Social Hall, 88th Street Frankel Hall,
JALC.....10:30 AM

Family Service (ages 7-12)

Symphony Space.....10:30 AM

Minhah and Ne'ilah

SPSA 86th Street, 88th Street, JALC*4:45 PM

Children's procession

SPSA 86th Street, 88th Street, JALC7:15 PM

Teki-at Shofar and Havdalah

SPSA 86th Street, 88th Street, JALC7:34 PM

* Based on pre-assigned location for services

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