



CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN

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KOL JESHURUN

SHELAH LEKHA

MEVARKHIM HAHODESHE

TORAH: ANNUAL Numbers 13:1 - 15:41

TRIENNIAL Numbers 14:8 - 15:7

- 1: 14:8 - 14:10
 - 2: 14:11 - 14:20
 - 3: 14:21 - 14:25
 - 4: 14:26 - 14:38
 - 5: 14:39 - 14:42
 - 6: 14:43 - 15:3
 - 7: 15:4 - 15:7
- Maftir: 15:4 - 15:7

HAFTARAH Joshua 2:1 - 24

NEXT WEEK: KORAH

TORAH: ANNUAL Numbers 16:1 - 18:32

TRIENNIAL Numbers 16:20 - 17:24

HAFTARAH I Samuel 11:14 - 12:22

! SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE

Kabbalat Shabbat Service: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME! Beginning **Friday, June 19**, there will be one service only at 7:00PM at 88th Street.

Shabbat Morning Services: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION! Beginning **Saturday, June 27**, Shabbat morning services will start at 9:30AM at 88th Street. Children's services will start at 10:45AM at 88th Street Frankel Hall.

! SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

▪ **Calling All BJ Bicycle Riders! Hazons's "Bike to the Beach"**

Sunday, June 21, 8:45AM, departing from JCC, 334 Amsterdam Avenue at 76th St.: Join BJ members for a fun day of biking and picnicking. The Upper West Side route will take you across bridges and on greenways through the city, ending at Coney Island around 1:00PM for lunch and beach lounging. Return by bike or public transportation. Riding is free, but R.S.V.P. encouraged at www.hazon.org/bttb. Optional lunch and t-shirt are \$20. Tell your non-riding friends to meet us there! If you can't make the ride but are interested in joining the BJ Revolutionaries Team for the Labor Day weekend Hazon New York Jewish Environmental Bike Ride, contact team captains Mark Lipsy, reMark1@gmail.com or Carol Silberfeld, cberfeld@gmail.com.

June 19-26, 2009

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

This evening's Kabbalat Shabbat service will be ASL interpreted for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

**Shabbat B'Yahad Dinner:
A Night of Havurot at BJ
Tze'irim Shabbat Dinner**

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

Shabbat Services

Bar Mitzvah

Aliyat Hatan veKallah

**Children's Services
Community Kiddush**

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

Morning Minyan

MONDAY, JUNE 22

Morning Minyan

Limud: Rosh Hodesh Women's Group*

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

Morning Minyan

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

Morning Minyan

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

Morning Minyan

Judith Bernstein Lunch Program

FRIDAY, JUNE 26

Morning Minyan

Bim Bam With BJ

27 Sivan-4 Tammuz, 5769

7:00 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

Following Service - 88th St. Frankel Hall (SEE P.2)

Following Service - 86th St. Social Hall (SEE P.2)

9:30 AM - 86th St. Sanctuary

Jonah Shifrin

Justin Soffer and Rebecca Rosenberg

10:45 AM - 86th St. Chapel and Parlor
Following Services - 86th St. Social Hall

9:30 AM - 88th St.

ROSH HODESH TAMMUZ

7:30 AM - 88th St.

7:00 PM - City Hall Restaurant (SEE P.3)

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12:00 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall

7:30 AM - 88th St.

10:45 AM - 88th St. Frankel Hall (SEE P.3)

▪ Summer Kabbalat Shabbat Services

Beginning **Friday, June 19 at 7:00PM**, we join together to celebrate Shabbat at one service. To preserve the sanctity of Shabbat and to accommodate as many congregants as possible, we ask you to kindly observe the following guidelines:

- Please turn off cell phones and other devices before entering the synagogue and keep them turned off while you're inside. Also please refrain from texting, writing, and taking photographs or recording sound.
- Please arrive on time.
- Please do not save seats.
- Please honor the Reserved Seats signs.

* Please see the BJ website, www.bj.org, for more information and to register.

Announcements

HA-MAKOM YENAHEM

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

- Julie, David, Talya and Yasmin Schwartz on the death of their beloved father, father-in-law, and grandfather, Marco Takouni.
- Alan, Denise, Courtney and Morgan Fleischman on the death of their beloved mother, mother-in-law and grandmother, Sylvia Fleischman.
- Chris Reid, Joan Hochman, and Ian Reid-Hochman on the death of their beloved mother, mother-in-law and grandmother, Madeleine B. Reid.
- Stuart Friedman and Laurie Schwartz-Friedman on the death of their beloved mother and mother-in-law, Rose Javier Friedman.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Jonah, Robin, and Naomi Shifrin and Sarah Fendrick on Jonah becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Rebecca Rosenberg and Justin Soffer on their upcoming wedding.
- Amy Geldzahler and Jason Chinitz on their upcoming wedding.

YASHER KOAH

- Jules Frankel on being honored last week by Makhelat HaMerkaz, Jewish Choir of Central NJ, at their annual gala concert for his contribution to Jewish music in Central New Jersey as a Jewish folk music artist and community volunteer.

TODAH RABBAH

- This week's Community Kiddush is sponsored by BJ in honor of Rabbi Esther Lederman, on the conclusion of her two-year term as an MTM Rabbinic Fellow.
- Friday night's ASL-interpreted service is in honor of Michael Kramer as he approaches his 70th birthday, for his many years of volunteering at BJ's Lunch Program. Funding is provided by BJ's ASL Interpreting Fund and the UJA-Federation of NY ASL Interpreting Fund.

B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- International delegates from Glasgow, Scotland and Barcelona, Spain with the Interfaith Center of New York.
- Rabbi Alberto Zeilicovich and Confirmation students, Congregation Ahavath Sholom, Fort Worth, Texas.

Community Activities

Community Kiddush

Saturday, June 20, following Shabbat morning services, 86th Street Social Hall: Please join us for a Community Kiddush honoring Rabbi Esther Lederman on the conclusion of her two-year term as an MTM Rabbinic Fellow. Contact Guy, x255, for more information.

Shabbat Teaching : A Healthier Shabbat (and Week)— Dealing with Sugar Blues

Saturday, June 27, following Kiddush after Shabbat morning services, 88th Street Sanctuary: Are you addicted to sugar? The USDA recommends that Americans eat no more than 10 teaspoons of sugar a day, but most Americans eat well in excess of that. Would you like to learn how to lose that sugar addiction? Please join Natalie Schneider, Holistic Health Counselor, for a free workshop. Please R.S.V.P. to Natalie at natalie2138@yahoo.com.

Rabbinic Solutions to a Crisis of Biblical Proportions

Thursday June 25, 7:00PM, Barnes and Noble, Broadway at 82nd St.: What's Jewish about social justice? In her critically acclaimed book, *There Shall Be No Needy*, Rabbi Jill Jacobs wrestles with today's most vexing issues. The result is a profound and inspiring book that brings clarity to the role that Jewish wisdom can play in American public discourse. Join Rabbi Jill Jacobs (Jewish Funds for Justice) and Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon as they discuss today's pressing social justice issues.

BJ Softball 2009

Thursdays (remaining dates June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30), 7:00–8:30PM, Central Park Field 12 North Meadow (96th St. entrance): Pray with your feet: step up to the plate and hit one out of the park for BJ! Please contribute a one-time donation for the season—one game or all, it's your choice—of \$18.00, payable to B'nai Jeshurun. Friendly, lively, all-inclusive, self-governing-pick-up games. More information: Jody Prusan, jpmazel@aol.com.

This summer, stand up for your synagogue! Be a BJ usher!

While many of our regular ushers are on their summer breaks, we urgently need YOU to volunteer to meet, greet and seat your fellow congregants. To fulfill this important mitzvah, contact Sarah Guthartz, x234 or

sguthartz@bj.org. Or at services, speak to our head ushers, Jeff Yablonka on Fridays and Glenda Frank on Saturdays.

Membership and High Holy Day Information

Visit the BJ website at www.bj.org for 2009-2010 membership renewal and High Holy Day information—it's easily accessible from our home page. We encourage new members to join our community. Contact Belinda Lasky, blasky@bj.org, or Sarah Verity, sverity@bj.org, for more information.

Non-Members Changes for the High Holy Days

This year's High Holy Day services, including the Family Service, will only be open to members with valid entrance cards. Due to space constraints, we will not be able to accommodate non-members as we have been able to do in the past. We invite new members to join our community to ensure entry to High Holy Day services. Please contact Membership Associate Sarah Verity, sverity@bj.org, or visit www.bj.org for a membership application.

Memorial Plaques

As seasons change, we recall those who are no longer with us and are grateful for the gift of their lives, their companionship and the cherished memories that endure. BJ reserves a special area in the sanctuary to honor their memory by having their name permanently inscribed on black granite memorial plaques. To honor the memory of your loved one in this way, please call Elizabeth Stone at x233. Names will be inscribed before the High Holy Days. All requests must be received by August 14.

Mahzorim Fund

As our congregation continues to grow, we have noticed the need for more High Holy Day prayer books. This year we are pleased to announce that additional mahzorim will be added to ensure that there are enough books for our members. We are offering the community the opportunity to honor and memorialize a loved one or an occasion; for each donation of \$36, a personalized bookplate will be added to a book. To participate, please contact Elizabeth Stone at x233.

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Community Activities, *continued from page 2*

• The BJ Jewish Skills Bank

Every BJ member has a “Jewish Skill”—whether it is baking challah or laying tefillin—that another BJ member would like to learn. The BJ Jewish Skills Bank will pair BJ members through an online system, creating opportunities for members to learn from each other and build community. The system is

expected to be online by the fall. Let us know what you would like to teach—as well as what you would like to learn! Contact David Karnovsky, davidkarno@aol.com or Harriet Goren, harriet@goren.com, to learn more and help build the online BJ Jewish Skills Bank.

Creating Kehillah

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• Summer Shelter Volunteers Needed!

Many homeless shelters close their doors during the summer because they cannot find enough volunteers. Not the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter! We stay open all year round, five nights a week. However, to do so we need your help. While many of our regular volunteers are away, we need to fill gaps in the schedule with temporary volunteers. Even if you can volunteer only one night this summer, you will help us provide a safe and welcoming environment. If enough kind-hearted people volunteer, we could all sleep more soundly. For more information, contact Anne Millman at anniemill@aol.com or x340.

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• Bim Bam with BJ: Pre-Shabbat Class for Babies and Toddlers

7 Fridays (remaining dates June 19, 26, July 3, 10, 17), 10:45AM, 88th St. Frankel Hall: Celebrate Shabbat early with your child at B'nai Jeshurun as we sing those catchy BJ songs, say traditional blessings, eat challah, and teach our children (and remind ourselves) all about Shabbat. Children will learn about Tikkun Olam (repairing the world) by giving tzedakah (charity), so please bring your coins each week. Members with all levels of observance are encouraged to register. We will create community and start Jewish traditions in our homes. Children ages 0-3 and their parents or caregivers are encouraged to attend. Sign up at www.bj.org.

TZE'IRIM: 20s/30s

• Tzeirim: Unemployed?

Tuesday, June 23, 4:00PM, location TBD: Found yourself out of work, recently retired, or between opportunities, thanks to the down economy? Take advantage of your free time, and come join other members of Tze'irim for Happy Hour. Employed Tze'irim members are welcome to play hooky and attend (however, they are responsible for helping buy the drinks). R.S.V.P. for location (on the Upper West Side) and drink specials to tzretired@gmail.com.

HAVUROT

• Men's Havurah

Saturday, June 27, 5:00-7:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join us for the last meeting of the Men's Havurah this season. Early preparation for the High Holy Days: Is teshuvah possible? Meet Rabbi Michael Weisser, who transformed a Nazi into a Jew. His story was featured in the *New York Times*. You just have to be male, whether straight, gay, single, married, or in any other self-definition. The Men's Havurah Committee includes Michael Yoeli, Moshe Horn, Chuck Gold, Bob Kanter, Nahum Precel, Jonathan Adelsberg, Marcelo Bronstein, Yosef Goldman and Ezra Weinberg. Please check the BJ website, www.bj.org, for the 2009-2010 meeting schedule. Free, registration not required. For more information, contact ngoodhart@bj.org.

Upcoming Limud

• Special Rosh Hodesh Women's Group for Tammuz

Rabbis Felicia L. Sol and Esther Lederman

Monday, June 22 • 7:00PM • City Hall Restaurant. This event is now full. To be added to the waitlist, contact Yaffa Garber at ygarber@bj.org or x256.

• Parashat Hashavu'a (Study of the Weekly Torah Portion)

Continues for the Summer!

Rabbi Ezra Weinberg, Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow

9 Wednesdays (July 1, 8, 15, 22; August; 5, 12, 19, 26) • 6:30-7:45PM • BJ Office, Conference Room • Members free/Non-members \$150, registration required at www.bj.org. A Hasidic story teaches that Moses wanted to reveal more Torah to the people, but God refused, wanting to give the people a sense that there is something hidden among the words for them to discover. This story's implicit message is that we have the power to reveal the hidden parts of Torah. In this class, as we study the weekly Torah portion with the aid of both ancient and modern interpretations we will reveal its many layers and find ourselves reflected in its stories and teachings.

BJ BOOK CLUB

• A Novel of Klass

Saturday, June 27, 2:00PM, location given upon R.S.V.P. Please join us for a discussion of Curt Leviant's brilliant new work of fiction, *A Novel of Klass*. The book is available at amazon.com. R.S.V.P. for location to dsdresner@aol.com or zsucharney@verizon.net.

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:** You've attended services, you're inspired by social action, and you love the community... now consider joining BJ as a member! With membership packages for local and out-of-town visitors alike, there is one that is right for you. Special new member orientation included! Visit the BJ website, www.bj.org, or contact Belinda Lasky, Director of Membership at x224 or blasky@bj.org for more information.

• **A Note from the Ushers:** For those at the 7:00PM 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 please remember to return the devices when you leave.

• **Silver Name Badges:** New to BJ? Have questions about membership? Look for people wearing silver name badges—feel free to approach them with your questions or even just to introduce yourself—they can help!

• **LinkIn to Help Out!**

In these difficult times, we are trying many ways to help members find jobs and network. *Join us in this very important effort* simply by joining "B'nai Jeshurun-New York City," the BJ group on LinkedIn, www.linkedin.com. There you can share your professional network, post jobs and respond to any ongoing discussions that are posted in the group.

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. If you are interested in receiving a weekly minyan email, please contact Ari Priven at apriven@bj.org.

Shine Your Light! Write An Article for the *Kol Hadash*

We would love your stories, articles and photos about BJ activities in which you have participated, or reflections on your involvement in the community. We are also going to be profiling BJ members, leadership, and volunteers. You may also choose to write about events like your trip to Israel, your child's bar/bat mitzvah, your experience at the lunch program, or anything else you would like to share. Articles will be subject to editing at the discretion of BJ staff for grammatical errors and space considerations. For more information about process or deadlines, or to share your idea for an article, please contact communications@bj.org. ■

PLEASE SEE THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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