

קול ישראל

KOL JESHURUN



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NOAH

ROSH HODESH HESHVAN
TORAH: ANNUAL TRIENNIAL Genesis 6:9 - 11:32
 Genesis 6:9 - 8:14
 1: 6:9 - 6:16
 2: 6:17 - 6:19
 3: 6:20 - 6:22
 4: 7:1 - 7:9
 5: 7:10 - 7:16
 6: 7:17 - 7:24
 7: 8:1 - 8:14
 Maftir: Numbers 28:9 - 28:15

HAFTARAH Isaiah 66:1 - 24, 23

NEXT WEEK: **LEKH-LEKHA**
TORAH: ANNUAL TRIENNIAL Genesis 12:1 - 17:27
 Genesis 12:1 - 13:18
HAFTARAH Isaiah 40:27 - 41:06, 41:7 - 16

October 8-15, 2010

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8
Kabbalat Shabbat Service

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9
Shabbat Morning Services

Bat Mitzvah
Bat Mitzvah

Aliyat Hatan veKallah

Children's Services
Community Kiddush
Limud: Rosh Hodesh Women's Group

Sacred Music Playshop
with Gaby Meyer

Minha Service
Bar Mitzvah

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10
Morning Minyan

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11
 BJHS CLOSED
Morning Minyan
BJ Hebrew School
Limud: Introduction to Judaism

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th St.
Limud: The Book of Exodus 8:30 AM - 88th St. (SEE P.3)
Limud: The Rabbinic Mind and Imagination 12:30 PM - BJ Office (SEE P.3)
Limud: Heschel's Heavenly Torah 6:30 PM - 88th St. (SEE P.3)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th St.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th St.
Judith Bernstein Lunch Program 12:00 PM - 88th St. Frankel Hall
Limud: More Stories of the Talmudic Rabbis 12:30 PM (SEE P.3)
BJ Hebrew School 4:00-6:00 PM
Limud: Parashat Hashavu'a 7:00 PM - BJ Office (SEE P.3)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15
Morning Minyan 7:30 AM - 88th St.
Bim Bam 9:30 and 10:45 AM - 88th St.

30 Tishrei-7 Heshvan, 5771

ROSH HODESH HESHVAN
6:30 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

ROSH HODESH HESHVAN
9:30 AM - 86th St. Sanctuary

Tsivya Laurence
 Tamzen Naegele

David Vaisberg
 and Miriam Palmer-Sherman

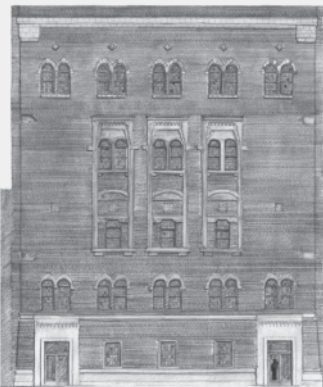
10:45 AM - 86th St. Chapel and Parlor
 Following Services - 86th St. Social Hall
 Following Services - 86th St. Parlor
 (SEE P.3)
 5:30 PM - 86th St. Chapel (SEE P.2)

6:15 PM - 88th St.
 David Sanyour

FALL SERVICE SCHEDULE
PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME! Beginning Friday, October 8, there will be one Kabbalat Shabbat service that begins at 6:30PM.

CAMPAIGN FOR THE FUTURE

BJ needs your help NOW to help us achieve the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to buy the 89th Street building! Every gift will bring us closer to our goal to secure BJ's future. To contribute, please contact Nancy Gad-Harf at ngad-harf@bj.org or x262.



89TH STREET COMMUNITY HOME SPIVAK ARCHITECTS

To register for classes and events, please visit www.bj.org.

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BJ's Ner Tamid at 88th St. is powered by the light of the sun.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

HA-MAKOM YENAHEM

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

- Sharon Feuer and Hannah and Arthur Margulies on the death of Sharon's father and Hannah's brother, David Feuer.
- Jody Prusan on the death of her beloved father, Nathan Prusan.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Tsivya, Aviv, Lara, Revital and Eyal Laurence on Tsivya becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Tamzen, Amyas and Saskia Naegele and Eve Glasberg on Tamzen becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- David, Evan, Susan and Zachary Sanyour on David becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Adam, Alexander and Sophie Nacht and Laurie Basch on Adam becoming a Bar Mitzvah at Ansche Chesed.
- Rachel, Robert and Joshua Rosenblatt and Barbara Goodstein on Rachel becoming a Bat Mitzvah at The Hampton Synagogue.
- Alexandra and Joshua Metzl on the birth of their daughter, Anna Rose.

- Miriam Palmer-Sherman and David Vaisberg on their upcoming wedding.
- Sarah Verity and Larry Collica on their recent engagement.
- Marisha Krupkin and Dennis Neier on the upcoming wedding of Marisha's daughter Abbe Meryl Schindler to Isaac Josef Feder.
- BJ staff member Elizabeth Stone on her upcoming wedding to Gregory Rosenblum.

TODAH RABBAH

- This week's Community Kiddush is co-sponsored by Lara and Aviv Laurence in honor of Tsivya becoming a Bat Mitzvah, and the Palmer-Sherman and Vaisberg families in honor of Miriam and Dave's upcoming wedding.

B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- Pastor Frank Moritz and members of the Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Bant in Wilhemshave, Germany.
- Rabbi Samuel Weinstein and Confirmation Class, Temple Shomer Emunim, Sylvania, Ohio.
- Cantor Vadim Tunitsky, Congregation Emanu El, Houston, TX.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• Volunteer To Cook a Meal for BJ's Newest Members!

Help us support new parents in our community by providing home cooked Shabbat meals for the first month of baby's life. As anyone who is a parent or is close to a young family knows, the first month following birth can be full of overwhelming adjustments. Join us in helping to make this time a little less hectic for the new parents by helping them relax for a Shabbat dinner filled with BJ love and food. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Susan at viukerville11@verizon.net or Carol at cgandpoppy2@yahoo.com.

• Sacred Music Playshop

Saturday, October 9, 5:30-7:00PM, 86th Street Chapel: Join Gabriel Meyer Halevy, musician, singer, poet of surprise and peacemaker, son of Rabbi Marshall Meyer z"l, as he leads us through an experiential journey to essence and true voice through song, chant, movement, deep listening, de-conditioning, sound and interactive meditations. We will create a safe and playful space to inspire courage, flexibility and clear intention, drawing from the wellsprings of Kabbalistic, Sufi and other sacred wisdom paths. Co-sponsored with Romemu, who will host Gaby at their Kabbalat Shabbat service the night before. No previous experience necessary. Followed by Havdalah led by Gaby and Rabbi David Ingber.

• "Budrus" Screening and Panel Discussion with the Filmmakers and Roly

Thursday, October 14, 8:00-10:00PM, Quad Cinema, 34 West 13th Street (between 5th and 6th Avenues): Join us for the NYC screening of "Budrus," winner of many international film festival awards. "Budrus" tells the story of a Palestinian community organizer, Ayed Morrar, who unites members of all factions along with Israeli supporters in an unarmed movement to save his village of Budrus from destruction. Success eludes them until his 15-year-old daughter, Iltezam, launches a women's contingent that quickly moves to the front lines. Followed by a panel discussion with the filmmakers and Rabbi Roly Matalon. \$8 group discounted tickets; R.S.V.P. required to Guy at gfelixbrodt@bj.org, pay at the door.

• Every Shabbat at Members' Homes—Haknusat Orhim

Friday, October 15, following the 6:30PM service, members' homes: You are welcome at other members' homes every Shabbat starting October 8! We are happy to let you know that after a successful run of BJ members

opening their homes to host Shabbat dinners as part of the Haknusat Orhim (welcoming guests) initiative last year, we are now doing it every Shabbat. BJ members only are welcome to register and be matched on first-come, first-served basis. If interested, please contact Guy at gfelixbrodt@bj.org or x255 by the Tuesday preceding the Shabbat dinner you'd like to attend. Preference given to members who not yet been hosted—space is limited!

• Men's Havurah

Saturday, October 16, 5:00-7:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Featuring BJ member David Weiser responding to the *Atlantic Magazine* article "The End of Men." He will discuss feminist and masculinist approaches to social and psychological issues for men. Please read the article before the meeting, which is available at www.theatlantic.com or through a direct link on the Men's Havurah page at www.bj.org. Dr. Weiser has a private practice in New York City as a psychiatrist and psychotherapist for over 30 years.

• "Out of Cordoba": Averroes and Maimonides in Their Time and Ours

Monday, October 25, 7:00-9:00PM, 88th Street: BJ and SPSA invite you to a screening of Jacob Bender's documentary film "Out of Cordoba." The film explores the legacy of the two most important thinkers to emerge from medieval Islamic Spain, Rabbi Moses Maimonides and Averroes, his Muslim counterpart. The film examines the relevance of the two wise men of Cordoba to contemporary interfaith relations, as well as the influence of Maimonides and Averroes upon Jews, Christians, and Muslims struggling against the tide of xenophobia and fundamentalism rising in the three communities. A discussion of these issues will follow the screening.

• Community Shabbat Dinner: Shekhinah: The Feminine Half of God—Exploring Kabbalah with Daniel Matt

Friday, October 29, following the 6:30PM service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join Daniel Matt, one of the world's leading authorities on Kabbalah, who has published over ten books including *The Essential Kabbalah*. The evening will open up the idea that God is equally female and male, and that the union of the divine couple depends on how we conduct our lives. The development of Kabbalah will be briefly traced, followed by a focus on the concept of Shekhinah from its rabbinic origins to its full flowering in the Zohar, where Shekhinah is identified with the Sabbath Bride. Members \$33/ Non-members \$43. To register, visit the BJ website at www.bj.org.

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• **Raising the Sparks: Finding God in the Material World**

with **Daniel Matt**

Saturday, October 30, 4:00-5:30PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join Dr. Daniel Matt who is currently engaged in translating and annotating the Zohar. So far, he has completed six volumes of the Zohar, and has been honored with a National Jewish Book Award and a Koret Jewish Book

Award. The teaching will discuss Who is God and what is reality according to Kabbalah? How can we discover the divine presence in our daily life? These questions will be explored by teaching passages from Kabbalah and Hasidism on Ein Sof (God as Infinity), the act of Creation and the experience of meditation. Free; open to all.

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UPCOMING LIMUD Please visit www.bj.org for more information and to register.

• **The Book of Exodus**

Rabbi Hillel Friedman

Tuesdays (October 5–May 24), 8:30-9:30AM, 88th Street Sanctuary: The concluding sections of the Book of Exodus, studied in English, with traditional and contemporary commentaries demonstrate that our biblical ancestors faced many of the same dilemmas and issues that we face in being alive in the 21st century. That is an indication of the power of the Torah in speaking to us today. Rabbi Hillel Friedman, a longtime member of our community, has been teaching adult courses at BJ for the past eight years. Free of charge; registration required.

• **Lunch and Learn: More Stories of the Talmudic Rabbis**

Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon

8 Thursdays (October 7, 14, 28, November 4, 11, 18, December 2, 9), 12:30-1:30PM, location provided upon registration: We will continue our study of stories that reflect the concerns and struggles, fears and fantasies, even the dark side of our Talmudic sages. We will attempt to look at ourselves in the mirror of the Talmud in order to understand and confront our own nature. No knowledge of Hebrew is required. Please bring your own lunch. Registration is full; please contact Liz at estone@bj.org to be added to the wait list.

• **Parashat Hashavu'a: Study Of The Weekly Torah Portion**

Jason Fruithandler, Rabbinic Fellow

Thursdays (October 7-May 26), 7:00-8:30PM, BJ Office, Conference Room: A Hassidic 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 the Torah. By adding our own understanding of the text, we too become a part of its unfolding story. 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. Registration required. Cost: Members: Free/Non-members: \$150 for the year.

• **Rosh Hodesh Women's Group for Mar Heshvan (Bitter Heshvan): Out of the Emptiness**

Rabbi Felicia L. Sol and Rabbi Michelle Dardashti,

Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow

Saturday, October 9, 12:30-2:30PM, 86th Street Parlor: Join in welcoming this month with no holidays by exploring the Torah of emptiness ... Please bring a dairy/vegetarian kosher snack to share. Free; registration not required.

• **Introduction To Judaism**

Rabbi Michelle Dardashti, Marshall T. Meyer Rabbinic Fellow

Mondays (October 11–May 23), 7:00-9:00PM, BJ Office, Conference Room: This course offers an overview of the core beliefs, practices, and history of Judaism and the Jewish people. We hope to deepen the understanding of those just beginning to explore Jewish life as well as

of those who would like to participate more fully in the life of the Jewish community. No prior knowledge or experience necessary. Registration required. Cost: Individuals \$420/\$636, couples \$630/\$945.

• **Abraham Joshua Heschel's Heavenly Torah**

Rabbi J. Rolando Matalon

6 Tuesdays (October 12, 26 November 2, 16, 30, December 7), 6:30-8:00 PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: We resume our reading and study of Rabbi Heschel's gigantic work on rabbinic thought. *Heavenly Torah* explores the polarity in Judaism between transcendence and immanence, and between mysticism and rationalism. In the chapters we will address this year, Heschel invites us to look at fundamental religious questions such as what is the reason for the mitzvot? What is the nature of prophecy? Where does the Torah come from? Please bring the book to class (available in paperback), no photocopies will be distributed. New participants are welcome. Free of charge; registration required.

• **The Rabbinic Mind and Imagination: Pirke deRabbi Eliezer**

Rabbi Felicia L. Sol

8 Tuesdays (October 12-December 7, no class November 9), 12:30-1:45PM, BJ Office, Conference Room: Explore the way the Sages understood the Torah through the close textual reading of the 9th century midrashic work Pirke deRabbi Eliezer. Come to know how the rabbis thought and their creative imagination. No knowledge of Hebrew is required. Free of charge; registration required.

• **God!**

Mishael Zion

Mondays, Part 1: October 18, 25 and November 1, 8; **Part 2:** November 15, 22, 29 and December 6, 6:30-8:00PM, Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning at Temple Emanu-El (10 East 66th Street): Father, Mother, King, Nothingness? We use many words to approach and describe God, but don't often have an opportunity to understand and discuss the images and sources of these words. Inspired by Talmudic stories, medieval philosophy and Kabbalah, as well as modern poetry, revisit the ways Jews imagined God and enrich your own language in approaching the Divine in your life. This course is in partnership with BJ. Register for Part 1, Part 2 or the full semester at the Skirball Center website, www.adultjewishlearning.org.

• **BJ Israel Salons**

Rabbi Marcelo R. Bronstein

Tuesdays, October 19 and 26, 7:00-9:00PM, location provided upon registration: Marcelo will again facilitate Beit Midrash Salons at members' homes. All the salons will be dedicated to Israel. We'll be looking into Israeli society through documentary films, text and sometimes a guest speaker to foster meaningful conversations about Israel, its beauty and complexity. Each Salon is a 2-session series. October Salons are targeted for members who are celebrating their five-year anniversary at BJ. Limited space is available. Location provided upon R.S.V.P. to ngoodhart@bj.org.

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:** We invite you to become a member of our living, thriving community. The simple act of joining BJ is transformative. It is an acknowledgement that BJ is your community, its rabbis are your rabbis, and its sanctuary is your space. Membership at B'nai Jeshurun includes: admission to High Holy Day services; special rates for classes, dinners, and events; support for life cycle events and in times of difficulty; group orientations for new members; vibrant Hebrew School; and more! Our fair share dues system ensures no one will be turned away based on financial considerations. For more information about becoming a member, please contact Belinda Lasky, Assistant Executive Director, x224 or blasky@bj.org. We look forward to welcoming you to our community!

• **A Note from the Ushers:** 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 give the prayer book and the Torah text (the large red book) the respect they merit, we ask that they not be placed on the floor when not in use. 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.

• **LinkedIn and Network Out!**

Want to expand your network? Want to make more connections within the BJ community? Then join over 450 BJ members who already joined the "B'nai Jeshurun—New York City" BJ group on LinkedIn, www.linkedin.com. There you can share your professional network, post jobs, and respond to any ongoing discussions posted in the group.

• **We Want to See Your Face Every Day—on Facebook!**

Tired of knowing the faces in the crowd but not the names? Want to get to know more BJ members? Then join BJ's Facebook group, called B'nai Jeshurun NYC. You can see other members, post pictures and start discussions—all just a click away! We hope this tool will help build community at BJ from online to on-sight. Looking forward to seeing you there.

JOIN US AT THE BJ MORNING MINYAN:

See updated information about the Morning Minyan at www.bj.org/tefillah/minyan/. If you are interested in receiving a weekly minyan email, please contact Ari Priven at apriven@bj.org.

CREATING KEHILLAH (continued from page 3)

SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

• **CSA Farm Fresh Shabbat Dinner**

Friday, October 15, following the 6:30PM service (approximately 7:30PM), 88th Street Frankel Hall: Did you want to join this season but couldn't? Interested in buying a share next summer? Join the Hazorim-niks in celebrating the completion of BJ's first CSA season and get a taste of the CSA community! Our meal will be prepared by CSA members using vegetables from Free Bird Farm. Cost is \$18 for BJ members and \$22 for non-members. Sign up online at www.bj.org/csa.

• **Literacy Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers meet one-on-one with children in grades 1-4 to support classroom instruction in reading and writing at the Ralph Bunche School, P.S. 132. The partnership is dedicated to helping children attain literacy and to love and value books. An exciting opportunity to make a difference in the lives of children in a one-on-one setting. Needed: Individuals to work with an eager elementary school student. Sessions on Tuesday 8:50-10:50AM or Thursday 12:10-2:00PM. If you cannot make a regular commitment, please sign up as a sub. Contact Rory Butler at rbutler6@nyc.rr.com or Ellen Small at photo_es@thorn.net.

• **Moving Toward Sustainable Dining at BJ**

The Shomrei Adamah Environmental Havurah is encouraging BJ members to move toward sustainable dining. Judaism commands us to be compassionate to animals and responsible stewards of the environment. The meat and dairy industries account for at least 18% of all global-warming gasses. About 99% of the animals industrially raised for meat, fish and dairy products are treated inhumanely. We want to ensure that the meat and fish we serve at communal events is as sustainably and ethically produced as possible. If you are interested in helping us in this important work, please contact Les Judd at lesjudd@aol.com or 718-601-8918.

TZE'IRIM: 20s/30s

• **Tze'irim Makes Dinner for the BJ/SPSA Shelter**

Monday, October 25, 6:00-7:30PM, 88th Street Kitchen: Join us as we make dinner at BJ for the shelter. As usual, the cooks will split the cost of the groceries (\$8-10). No cooking experience is necessary. R.S.V.P. by Friday, October 22 to the Tze'irim SA/SJ committee at volunteers@tzeirim.bj.org.

BEKEF: 35+

• **Shabbat at Home—How to be a Great Host and/or Guest**

Thursday, November 4, 7:00-9:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join Carol Gelles, a resident balaboosta and award-winning cookbook author, for an evening of strategies and tips on how to have a warm and inviting Shabbat experience at home whether you want to be a host and/or invited guest. Learn to be comfortable having guests regardless of the size of your home. The program will include providing the food whether you are buying or making it, how to participate in a successful pot-luck, and learn guest etiquette so you will be welcomed back. R.S.V.P. is required to Guy at gfelixbrodt@bj.org.

AFFILIATES

• **The Holy, the Humor and the Wisdom in Jewish Folktales**

4 Wednesdays (October 13–November 3), 6:30-8:00 PM, The Skirball Center at Emanu-El: Class is taught by BJ member Penninah Schram. Wherever Jews have lived in the world, they have told and retold stories. Explore the holy tales found in Talmud and Midrash, the humorous Helm and trickster tales, tall tales, Hasidic stories, and folktales found in Ashkenazic and Sephardic oral traditions. Delve into this rich repertoire and discover how these stories continue to teach us values, ethics, traditions and wisdom of the Jewish people. Registration is required at www.adultjewishlearning.org or through a direct link on the Upcoming Events page at www.bj.org.

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