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**BERESHIT**

<b>TORAH: ANNUAL</b>	Genesis 1:1 - 6:8
<b>TRIENNIAL</b>	Genesis 2:4 - 4:26
1:	2:4 - 2:9
2:	2:10 - 2:19
3:	2:20 - 2:25
4:	3:01 - 3:21
5:	3:22 - 3:24
6:	4:1 - 4:18
7:	4:19 - 4:26
	Maftir: 4:23 - 4:26
<b>HAFTARAH</b>	Isaiah 42:5 - 42:21

**NEXT WEEK: NOAH**

<b>TORAH: ANNUAL</b>	Genesis 6:9 - 11:32
<b>TRIENNIAL</b>	Genesis 8:15 - 10:32
<b>HAFTARAH</b>	Isaiah 66:1 - 24, 23

**October 21-28, 2011**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21**

**Kabbalat Shabbat Service** 6:30 PM – 88th St. Sanctuary

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22**

**Shabbat Morning Services** 9:30 AM – 86th St. Sanctuary

**Aliyat Hatan veKallah** Brian Neugeboren and Yim Tong

**Naming** Ruby Allison Desberg

**Children's Services** 10:45 AM – 86th St. Chapel and Parlor  
**Community Kiddush** Following Services – 86th St. Social Hall

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23**

**Morning Minyan** 9:30 AM – 88th St.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 24**

**Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.  
**BJ Hebrew School** 4:00-6:00 PM

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25**

**Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26**

**Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.  
**Special Needs Havdalah Volunteers Training** 6:00 PM – BJ Office  
**The Stories Behind the Tweets and Videos** 7:00 PM – 88th St. (SEE P.2)  
**From Israel**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27**

**Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.  
**Judith Bernstein Lunch Program** 12:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall  
**BJ Hebrew School** 4:00-6:00 PM

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28**

**Morning Minyan** 7:30 AM – 88th St.  
**Bim Bam** 9:30 and 10:45 AM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

**23-30 Tishrei, 5772**

**! SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK**

**• Mitzvah in Your Sleep: Become a Shelter Sleepover Volunteer**

We have a shortage of sleep over volunteers and would like to sign up 50 new shelter volunteers by the end of the High Holy Days. Help us meet this challenge and become a new volunteer. It is easy to sign up for one night a month or one night every other month for the year. This is your chance to fulfill the mitzvah of hospitality, feeding the hungry and welcoming the stranger—all while sleeping through the night. To volunteer, please contact Channa at ccamins@bj.org or call x259.

**• If Kids Can't Read, They Can't Learn. You Can Help.**

BJ Reads offers you the chance to make a tangible difference in the life of an elementary school child who is not yet reading at grade level. Reading takes place at P.S. 166, 132 West 89th Street, on Monday or Wednesday mornings. Please call the program chairs: Ellen Schechter, 212-932-9044, or Sandy Davidson, 212-724-2013.

To register for classes and events, please visit [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org).

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Brian Neugeboren and Yim Tong on their upcoming wedding.
- Barbara Schwimmer on the naming of her granddaughter, Ruby Allison Desberg.

### TODAH RABBAH

This week's Community Kiddush is co-sponsored by Sylvia and Mark Neugeboren in honor of the aufruf of their son, Brian, the conversion of Yim Tong, and the upcoming marriage of Brian Neugeboren and Yim Tong, and by Barbara Schwimmer in honor of her granddaughter Ruby's baby naming.

### B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- Sharon Marcus-Kurn and 6th Grade Class, Temple Emanuel of Maryland, Kensington, Maryland.
- Rabbi Sam Weinstein and Confirmation Class, Temple Shomer Emunim, Sylvania, Ohio.
- Courtney Anthony and Confirmation Class, Temple Rodef Shalom, Falls Church, Virginia.
- Russell Braman, 7th Grade Class, and parents, Temple Beth El of Northern Westchester, Chappaqua, New York.

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### • The Stories Behind the Tweets and Videos From Israel

**Wednesday, October 26**, 7:00-8:30PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Hear about Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein's recent month-long trip to Israel, where he met with a wide range of activists and innovators. He'll be showing his videos and sharing Tweets from the trip.

### • New Member Shabbat Dinner

**Friday, November 4**, following Kabbalat Shabbat services, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Recently joined BJ? Celebrate Shabbat with over 100 new members! We will eat, schmooze and sing while we make new friends and learn about our community. Enjoy a three-course kosher dinner in an intimate setting together with new friends and BJ spiritual leaders. Free; for new members only. R.S.V.P. to Jon Wood by Monday, October 24.

### • Interfaith Poetry Feast

**Sunday, November 13**, 5:00-7:30PM, 86th Street Social Hall: Join us we gather with Christians and Muslims to enjoy poetry from our different traditions over a vegetarian potluck dinner. Priority given to BJ members until October 23. R.S.V.P. by October 30 to poetryfeast@earthlink.net (preferred) or the Interfaith Committee at x379. State the names of all guests and whether you are BJ members, the ages of any children, and your phone number. There is no charge. Registration is not complete until you receive a confirmation.

### • Men's Havurah

**Saturday, November 19**, 5:00-7:30PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Come for schnapps and meaningful conversation with Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein. No registration needed.

## CREATING KEHILLAH

### SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE

#### • Public Forum: Speak Out On Hydrofracking

**Wednesday, November 2**, 7:00-9:00PM, Bedford Stuyvesant, Brooklyn: Assemblymember Linda B. Rosenthal invites you to come speak out on hydrofracking. The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has proposed opening nearly 85% of the Marcellus Shale to natural gas drilling. A 60-day public comment period has begun. A panel of experts and activists will give brief presentations and then the floor will be open to the audience for questions and comments. The forum will be filmed, recorded, and submitted to the DEC. Get your thoughts on the record! For more information or to R.S.V.P. contact Lauren Schuster at schusterl@assembly.state.ny.us.

#### • Habitat for Humanity Service Opportunity

**Sunday, November 6**, 9:15AM-4:30PM, Bedford Stuyvesant, Brooklyn: Join a group of 10 BJ volunteers for a day of service! Through Habitat for Humanity, we will be working to rehabilitate eight condo units for families in the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn. Our team may work on tasks such as painting and flooring installation. All volunteers must be 16 or older. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Channa at ccamins@bj.org to R.S.V.P.

#### • Habitat for Humanity Service Opportunity

**Sunday, November 13**, time TBD, Lehman Senior Center in Manhattan: Join a group of 10 BJ volunteers for a day of service! Through Habitat for Humanity, we will be working on a Brush with Kindness project. Our team may work on tasks such as painting. All volunteers must be 16 or older. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Channa at ccamins@bj.org to R.S.V.P.

### YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

#### • Special Needs Havdalah Service

**Saturday, October 29**, 5:45-7:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Celebrate the end of Shabbat with BJ spiritual leaders and musicians for an inviting musical Havdalah service. This sensory-friendly service is designed to be inclusive of all children and adults with special needs. All are welcome, including members and non-members. R.S.V.P. at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org), as we will provide preparatory materials in advance. Contact Emily Walsh at ewalsh@bj.org with questions. Future services will be held on February 4 and April 28.

#### • Parent Torah Reading Class

**Mondays** (October 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12), 5:00-6:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Join us to learn the ins and outs of trope and Torah reading. No previous Torah reading experience necessary, but you must be able to read Hebrew. Please register at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org); materials fee is \$50 and the class is limited to 10 people. Please contact Kristen Kersey at kkersey@bj.org with any questions.

• **Introduction to Judaism**

**Adam Roffman, BJ Rabbinic Fellow**

**Mondays** (October 31-May 28), 7:00-9:00PM, BJ Office: 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; individuals \$420/\$636, couples \$630/\$945 at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org).

• **The Books of Torah**

**Rabbi Hillel Friedman**

**Tuesdays** (November 1-May 29), 8:30-9:30AM, 88th Street Sanctuary: The Books of Torah, 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. Registration required: Members \$100/Non-members \$150 for the year at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org).

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

**Jonah Geffen, BJ Rabbinic Fellow**

**Thursdays** (November 3-May 31), 7:00-8:30PM, BJ Office: 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: members: Free/Non-members: \$150 for the year at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org).

• **Contemplative Practice Classes: Creating Space for Quiet**

**Rabbis Rachel Cowan and Marcelo Bronstein**

**5 Tuesdays** (November 8, 15, 22, 29, December 6), 7:00-9:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: At the core of many religions is a contemplative practice involving meditation, reflection, deep listening and cultivation of loving-kindness, compassion, truthfulness and clarity. BJ has been in the forefront of renewing this tradition in the synagogue setting. This class combines regular practice for experienced meditators with instruction suitable for beginners. Free; registration required at [www.bj.org](http://www.bj.org).

## WELCOME TO B'NAI JESHURUN!

• **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. Our fair share dues system ensures no one will be turned away based on financial reasons. For more information, contact Jon Wood, Membership Associate, at x250 or [jwood@bj.org](mailto:jwood@bj.org).

• **A Note From the Ushers:** To prepare for the comfort and security of all, doors open 30 minutes before services begin. Both kippot and tallitot are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Photography, cell phone use, writing and food are not permitted in the Sanctuary. Damaged books may be brought to the back of the Sanctuary.

• **Assistive Listening Devices for Services at BJ** are available during services at both 88th and 86th Streets. Ask an usher if you need one and please return the device when you leave.

• **Expand Your Social and Professional Network on LinkedIn and Facebook!** Hundreds of BJ members connect with each other through LinkedIn and Facebook. Become a member of the private "B'nai Jeshurun - New York City" LinkedIn group and benefit from your connection to this large community. You can share your professional information, post jobs, and be part of ongoing discussions. "Like" BJ's Facebook page, "B'nai Jeshurun NYC," and stay up-to-date with what's happening in the community.

**JOIN US AT THE BJ MORNING MINYAN:** Find current Morning Minyan information at [www.bj.org/minyan](http://www.bj.org/minyan). To receive a weekly minyan schedule by email, contact Ari Priven at [apriven@bj.org](mailto: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 clarity and space considerations. For more information about process or deadlines, or to share your idea for an article, please contact [communications@bj.org](mailto:communications@bj.org).

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