

RABBIS:

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BJ RABBINIC FELLOWS: Jonah Geffen • Adam Roffman

CANTORIAL INTERN: Shoshi Rosenbaum

VA-ERA

MEVARKHIM HAHOODESH

TORAH: ANNUAL Exodus 6:2 - 9:35

TRIENNIAL Exodus 7:8 - 8:15

1: 7:8 - 7:13

2: 7:14 - 7:18

3: 7:19 - 7:25

4: 7:26 - 7:29

5: 8:1 - 8:6

6: 8:0 - 8:11

7: 8:12 - 8:15

Maftir: 8:12 - 8:15

HAFTARAH Ezekiel 28:25 - 29:21

NEXT WEEK: BO

TORAH: ANNUAL Exodus 10:1 - 13:16

TRIENNIAL Exodus 11:4 - 12:28

HAFTARAH Jeremiah 46:13-28

January 20-27, 2012

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

Kabbalat Shabbat Service
Panim el Panim Shabbat Dinner

6:30 PM – 88th St. Sanctuary
Following the Service –
88th St. Frankel Hall

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

Shabbat Morning Services
Junior Congregation
Children's Services
Community Kiddush

9:30 AM – 86th St. Sanctuary
10:30 AM – 86th St. Social Hall
10:45 AM – 86th St. Chapel and Parlor
Following Services – 86th St. Social Hall

BJ Book Club

1:00 PM – 86th St. Chapel (SEE P.2)

3rd-5th Grade Havdalah and Movie Night
5th Grade Overnight

5:30 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

Morning Minyan

9:30 AM – 88th St.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

Morning Minyan
BJ Hebrew School
Limud: Introduction to Judaism

7:30 AM – 88th St.
4:00-6:00 PM
7:00 PM – BJ Office

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

Morning Minyan
Limud: The Books of Torah
Limud: Parashat Hashavu'a
Through the Eyes of the Slonimer Rebbe
Limud: Rosh Hodesh Women's Group:
Redemption Begins in Winter

7:30 AM – 88th St.
8:30 AM – 88th St.
12:30 PM – BJ Office (SEE P.3)
7:00 PM – 88th St. (SEE P.3)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

Morning Minyan

ROSH HOODESH SHEVAT
7:30 AM – 88th St.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

Morning Minyan
Judith Bernstein Lunch Program
BJ Hebrew School
Limud: Parashat Hashavu'a

7:30 AM – 88th St.
12:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall
4:00-6:00 PM
7:00 PM – BJ Office

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

Morning Minyan
Bim Bam

7:30 AM – 88th St.
9:30 and 10:45 AM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

Passing the Virtual Hat for a Vandalized Shul

Help Temple Beth El of City Island (www.yourshulbythesea.org) restore their sanctuary and their precious ritual items. Your donation will let them know they are in our prayers and hearts.

Temporary Removal

of Picturing Community Exhibit

The photo exhibit in 88th Street Frankel Hall will be removed during the week of January 23. It will be reinstalled in an improved format and with new photos later this spring.

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:

- Suzanne Levy and her entire family on the death of her father, Marvin Levy.
- Kathleen Peratis, Richard Frank, Dimitri, Ellen, Stephen and James Willert, Katherine Peratis Willert, Samuel Peratis Frank, Julia Peratis Frank, and Christopher Spannaus on the death of Kathleen's beloved mother, Mae Peratis.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Joseph and Wendy Rosner on the birth of their daughter, Naomi Brooke.
- Mira and Barry Schlein on the birth of their granddaughter, Arden Rose.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• The BJ Book Club Discussion with Author Julie Salamon

Saturday, January 21, 1:00PM, 86th Street Chapel: The BJ book group invites you to meet with the author, Julie Salamon, as she discusses her work and writing. Her books comprise a varied journey—a family's survival and quest in a memoir *The Net of Dreams*, a remarkable fascinating portrait of health care, *Hospital*, and her current best-seller, *Wendy and the Lost Boys*. She is a compassionate, explorer of complex personalities and issues in our contemporary world.

• Men's Havurah—Open to All—"Seeing Israel Through Non-Jewish Eyes"

Saturday, January 28, 5:00-7:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Upon Rabbi Marcelo Bronstein's return from a senior religious leaders' trip, he will be sharing reflections with other leaders who participated including Sheikh Dr. Ibrahim Abdul-Malik and Imam Dr. Muhammad Hatim from the Admiral Family Circle Islamic Community, Reverend Shari Brink from the Marble Collegiate Church, Reverend Galen Guengerich from the All Souls Unitarian Church and The Very Reverend Dr. James Kowalski from The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine. Everyone is invited to attend.

• BJ Musicians—Circle of Songs

Wednesday, February 1, 6:00-7:30PM, 88th Street: Join the BJ Musicians in a Circle of Songs to sing and learn melodies new and old of the BJ repertoire. Free of charge. Registration at www.bj.org/songcircle is encouraged. Contact Ari at apriven@bj.org for more information.

• Aliyah and Kiddush to Honor BJ Volunteers

Saturday, February 4, during Shabbat morning services, 86th and 88th Street: The BJ community thrives on the activity and support of over one thousand volunteers. Volunteers personify one of the three pillars upon which BJ was built and demonstrate commitment to serving our community through many meaningful initiatives. We invite you to join together for the honor of being called to the Torah for an aliyah during services at 86th Street, with a Kiddush in your honor immediately following at 88th Street. R.S.V.P. to Belinda Lasky at blasky@bj.org or x224 by February 1.

• Tu Bishvat Seder

Tuesday, February 7, 7:30PM, 86th Street Chapel: Join BJ Rabbinic Fellows Jonah Geffen and Adam Roffman and Shomrei Adamah, BJ's environmental havurah, for a festive and uplifting Tu Bishvat seder. Enjoy a combination of wine, all-natural snacks, mystical texts, songs and compostable plates. The seder will be a spiritual journey intended to heighten our awareness of human responsibility for and attunement with the natural world. For more information contact Jonah at jgeffen@bj.org. Register by February 6 at www.bj.org. \$10 members/\$18 non-members.

• Teacher-in-Residence Community Shabbat Dinner with Chaim Seidler-Feller: "Essential Judaism for the American Future"

Friday, February 10, following the service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join us for a community dinner with teacher-in-residence Chaim Seidler-Feller, director of UCLA Hillel. Rabbi Seidler-Feller has taught Kabbalah and Talmud at the University of Judaism, is a Fellow of the Shalom Hartman Institute for Advanced Jewish Studies, and is a member of the Academic Advisory Board of the Wilstein Institute for Social Policy. Enjoy a three course kosher meal with wine, and great company. Register by February 8 at www.bj.org.

• Teacher-in-Residence Shabbat Afternoon Teaching with Chaim Seidler-Feller: "Toward a Renewal and Rebirth of Zionism"

Saturday, February 11, 4:30-5:30PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join Rabbi Chaim Seidler-Feller, director of the UCLA Hillel, for Shabbat afternoon study.

• TGEWC... Thank God Esther Was Charming: Mekusharim Shabbat Dinner

Friday, March 9, following the service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Let's toast Esther's charms with a classic Shabbat dinner for ages 55+. Charm your table and be guided into the Persian past. Why, you may wonder, is Purim such a strange mix of hiddenness and boisterousness? What was Esther hiding with her charm? For the answers to these questions about this holiday of zany goings-on, we turn to Adam Roffman, BJ's Rabbinic Fellow. Cost: \$33/members, \$43/non-members. Register at www.bj.org by Wednesday, February 29 and contact Belinda Lasky at blasky@bj.org for more information.

• Help a BJ Teen Start a Library in Iraq

After spending time at Global Youth Village, a summer camp in Virginia for peacebuilding and leadership, BJ Teen Arielle Korman is helping Iraq reestablish itself after years of oppressive rule and war. With the help of Iraqi non-profit organization Vision, a new library is being created in Kurdistan to help increase English literacy. Visit futuresvision.org to learn more and contact Arielle at korman.arielle@gmail.com for information on how to donate books, as well as monetary contributions to help pay for shipping.

• Listen to Rabbi Moshe Halbertal

We are pleased to make available Rabbi Halbertal's talk on the topic "The Soul of Israel" that was delivered on December 5, 2011. Find a link to the audio at www.bj.org.

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YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• Bim Bam

Fridays, January 20-May 18, 9:30-10:15AM and 10:45-11:30AM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Bim Bam is a pre-Shabbat class for children 3 and under to sing Shabbat related songs and enjoy Jewish learning activities. Every class ends with candlelighting, kiddush and hamotzi. Register at www.bj.org for the 9:30 class (geared for ages 18 months-3 years) or the 10:45 class (geared for 18 months and under). Cost is \$160/members and \$210/non-members per family. Contact Kristen at kkersey@bj.org with questions. Class will not meet April 6 and 13.

• Gimmel and Dalet Class Shabbat Dinner

Friday, February 3, 7:45PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join your BJHS classmates at a Shabbat dinner for third and fourth grades. We will join together for services in the sanctuary before heading downstairs for dinner, songs and Shabbat blessings. R.S.V.P. at www.bj.org, and contact Kristen at kkersey@bj.org with any questions.

• Special Needs Havdalah Service

Saturday, February 4, 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, as we will provide preparatory materials in advance. Contact Emily Walsh at ewalsh@bj.org with questions. Our next service will be held on April 28.

TZE'IRIM: 20s/30s

• Tze'irim Shabbat Dinner

Friday, January 27, following the service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join us for a Tze'irim Shabbat dinner with a fully catered meal and wine in an intimate setting. A great chance to get together with friends, make new ones and start Shabbat together with beautiful z'mirot. Please register at www.bj.org.

• Serving Sunday Lunch and Socializing with Seniors

Sunday, January 29, 12:00-2:30 PM, Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty: Join Tze'irim as we make an inter-generational impact brightening up the lives of seniors! We will be serving a hot kosher lunch and socializing with low income seniors at the Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty. After we finish, let's get some food ourselves! R.S.V.P. by January 24 to the SA/SJ committee at tz.bnajeshurun@gmail.com

• Tze'irim Shelter Cooking

Monday, January 30, 6:00-7:30PM, 88th Street Kitchen: Join us as we make dinner for the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter. We'll meet at 6:00PM downstairs in the kitchen (88th Street between Broadway and West End Ave). As usual, all the cooks will split the cost of the groceries (\$6-10), and no cooking experience is necessary. R.S.V.P. by Sunday, January 29 to the SA/SJ committee at tz.bnajeshurun@gmail.com.

• Drink a Beer, Plant a Tree

Wednesday, February 8, 7:00PM, Wharf Bar and Grill: In honor of Tu Bishvat, Tze'irim is throwing a happy hour! Your \$10 entry to the event will not only be donated to the Jewish National Fund to plant a tree in Israel, but it will get you access to an event with drink specials, fun friends, and great food. The event will take place at the Wharf Bar and Grill (587 3rd Avenue between 38th and 39th Street). Register at www.bj.org to attend.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

• Film Showing: "Voices of the Children"

Monday, January 23, 6:00PM, 92nd Street Y: This EMMY award winning film, by BJ member Bob Kanter, uses interviews, diaries and drawings to tell the story of three people imprisoned as children in Terezin, the Nazi camp/ghetto, which was widely known as the site of staged performances the Nazis used to deceive Red Cross visitors in 1944 and subsequently exploited for a propaganda film. Visit www.92y.org for information and tickets.

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

• Parashat Hashavu'a Through the Eyes of Rabbi Sholom Noah Berezovsky, the Slonimer Rebbe Rabbi Felicia Sol

7 Tuesdays (remaining classes January 24, 31, February 7, 14, 21), 12:30-1:45PM, BJ Office: Stop in the middle of the day to explore the weekly parasha with the Hassidic commentary of the Slonimer Rebbe, a 20th century rabbi from Jerusalem, from his work *Netivot Shalom* (the paths of peace). Open up spiritual paths in connecting with the Torah, challenge yourself by being in its weekly rhythm, grow by asking deep and hard questions. Free of charge. Registration required at www.bj.org.

• **Rosh Hodesh Women's Group: Redemption Begins in Winter**
Tuesday, January 24, 7:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: The month of Shevat contains in it the telling of the story of our people's story of redemption from the book of Shemot. Here it is the heart of winter. Join Rabbi Felicia Sol for study and conversation on recognizing and cultivating unexpected fertile ground for hope and redemption. Please bring a kosher dairy/vegetarian snack to share. Contact Amanda at aschanfield@bj.org for more information.

• Stories of the Talmudic Rabbis

7 Thursdays (February 9, 16, 23, March 1, 15, 22, 29), 12:30-1:30PM, Midtown location T.B.A., Lunch and Learn (please bring your own lunch): How do we stand in God's Presence? We will study 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. Free of charge. Registration required at www.bj.org

• Service of the Heart: A Study of Maimonides' Laws of Prayer

7 Tuesdays (February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 13, 20, 27), 6:30-8:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: We will examine the Rambam's approach to prayer in his legal code *Mishneh Torah*—The Book Of Love (Sefer Ahavah) and his invaluable teachings about the development of Jewish prayer, including: prayer as fulfillment of the commandments to serve God and to love God; the role of kavannah; what is the place of contemplation?; how can we reconcile spontaneous prayer and mandatory prayer?; can we petition God?; can prayer shape our character and influence our actions? Free of charge. Registration required at 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.

• **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. To receive a weekly minyan schedule by email, contact Ari Priven at apriven@bj.org.

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• **Secrets of the Zohar: Words to Live By**

Sunday, January 29, 9:30AM-5:00PM, The JCC in Manhattan, Amsterdam Avenue at 76th Street: Experience an inspiring day of learning with master teachers of Kabbalah in an environment of academic excellence and spiritual vitality. Rediscover relevant and practical insights that can guide you toward a more meaningful life. Dr. Daniel Matt, a leading authority on Kabbalah currently engaged in translating and annotating the Zohar for *The Zohar: Pritzker Edition*, will be our special guest. The cost is \$45 (\$60 at the door). This event is co-sponsored by BJ. Register at www.jccmanhattan/makom or by calling 646-505-5708.

• **Leadership, Spirituality and Renewal:**

The Life of Rabbi Marshall T. Meyer

Dr. Daniel Fainstein

Sunday, February 5, 10:00AM-2:00PM, One East 65th Street: Explore the life and work of one of the outstanding rabbis of our time. Learn about a leader, who was a strong critic of the Argentinean military government of 1976-1982, working to save the lives of hundreds of persecuted indi-

viduals. Discover how he started the transformation of B'nai Jeshurun with his challenging theology and be inspired by his educational goal of creating a multi-dimensional human being. Co-sponsored by BJ and the Skirball Center for Adult Jewish Learning. Cost \$60/\$50 for BJ members. Register at www.adultjewishlearning.org under Study/Current Courses.

• **Judah Nadich: Rabbi, Military Chaplain, and Community Builder**

Through Tuesday, February 7, Jewish Theological Seminary Library, 3080 Broadway (at 122nd Street): Rabbi Nadich (father of BJ member Shira Nadich Levin) was ordained (1936), earned a doctorate in Hebrew Literature (1953) at JTS, and became the U.S. Army's senior Jewish chaplain in Europe as the Allies liberated the prisoners of Nazi concentration camps. Later, he was adviser on Jewish Affairs to General Dwight Eisenhower and advocated to improve conditions in the displaced-persons camps. The exhibit can be viewed during regular library hours (usually Sunday 10:00AM-7:30PM and Monday-Thursday 8:00AM- 8:00PM). Go to www.jtsa.edu for visiting hours.

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