

קול ישראל

KOL JESHURUN

B'nai
Jeshurun
בני ישראל

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TZAV

SHABBAT HAGADOL

TORAH: ANNUAL Leviticus 6:1 - 8:36

TRIENNIAL Leviticus 7:11 - 7:38

1: 7:11 - 7:15

2: 7:16 - 7:18

3: 7:19 - 7:21

4: 7:22 - 7:27

5: 7:28 - 7:31

6: 7:32 - 7:34

7: 7:35 - 7:38

Maftir: 7:35 - 7:38

HAFTARAH

Malachi 3:4-24, 23

NEXT WEEK: **SHABBAT PESAH 1**

TORAH Exodus 12:21 - 12:51

HAFTARAH Joshua 5:2 - 6:1, 27

March 30-April 6, 2012

7-14 Nisan, 5772

FRIDAY, MARCH 30

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

6:30 PM - 88th St. Sanctuary

Shabbat Dinner for People

Following Services -

Approximately 35-55

88th St. Frankel Hall (SEE P.2)

SATURDAY, MARCH 31

Shabbat Morning Services

SHABBAT HAGADOL

9:30 AM - 86th St. Sanctuary

Bar Mitzvah

Eli Eshaghpour

Naming

Rebecca Rose Calmon Waldman

Junior Congregation

10:30 AM - 86th St. Social Hall

Children's Services

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

Community Kiddush

Following Services - 86th St. Social Hall

SUNDAY, APRIL 1

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

The New American Haggadah—Presented by

6:30 PM - 88th St. (SEE P.2)

Jonathan Safran Foer and Nathan Englander

MONDAY, APRIL 2

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

BJ Hebrew School

4:00-6:00 PM

Limud: Introduction to Judaism

7:00 PM - BJ Office

TUESDAY, APRIL 3

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

Limud: The Books of Torah

8:30 AM - 88th St.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM - 88th St.

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

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

Limud: HaPetikha—The Opening:

7:00 PM - BJ Office (SEE P.3)

Community Study of the Weekly Parashah

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

Morning Service, Siyyum, and

TA'ANIT BEKHORIM

7:30 AM - 88th St. (SEE P.2)

Se'udat Mitzvah

Bim Bam

Cancelled this week



SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

• **BJ Hazorim CSA Registration Now Open**

Tuesdays, June 12–November 6, 4:30-7:30PM, 88th Street Sidewalk: Join us for our third season. CSA stands for Community Supported Agriculture and is a chance for you to pick up fresh, organic food from Free Bird Farm at BJ once a week beginning June 12 at 88th Street. Choose from vegetable, egg, and fruit shares. Registration can be found at www.bj.org/csa. For more information, contact Larissa at lwohl@bj.org or call x272.



SPRING/SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday Evening Service: PLEASE NOTE

CHANGE OF TIME! Beginning **Friday, April 13**, the Friday evening service will start at 7:00PM.

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 Ilene Katz and her entire family on the death of her sister, Celia Katz Trimboli.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- Eli, Abby, Arthur, Julia, and Clara Eshaghpour on Eli becoming a Bar Mitzvah.
- Clara, Joel, Ulrika, Tobias, and Maya Citron on Clara becoming a Bat Mitzvah.
- Tara Goodman, Michael and Gavin Miller on the birth of their son and brother, Caden Levitt Miller.

- Elain, Barry and David Waldman on the birth and naming of their daughter and sister, Rebecca Rose Calmon Waldman.

B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- Mark Stolovitsky and 7th Grade Class, Ann and Nate Levine Academy, Dallas, Texas.
- Rabbi Sandi Intraub and 9th Grade Retreat participants, Beth El Temple Center, Belmont, Massachusetts.
- Lesley Levin and Confirmation Class, Temple Judea, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.
- Rabbi Alan Londy and Confirmation Class, New Reform Temple of Kansas City, Kansas City, Missouri.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• Shabbat Dinner for People Approximately 35-55

Friday, March 30, following the service, 88th Street Frankel Hall: First came Tze'irim, then Mekusharim. Now there is a new "yet to be named" group at BJ for singles and couples, from their mid-30s to mid-50s. Everyone involved will enjoy social opportunities and learning together. The kickoff is a Shabbat dinner featuring BJ Rabbinic Fellow Jonah Geffen. The ages are general guidelines; if you're a bit younger or older, no problem—come for dinner. Contact Belinda Lasky at blasky@bj.org with suggested names for this group.

• The New American Haggadah—Presented by Jonathan Safran Foer and Nathan Englander

Sunday, April 1, 6:30-8:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Critically acclaimed bestselling writer Jonathan Safran Foer presents a provocative new

way of experiencing one of our oldest, most sacred texts. With a new translation from renowned author Nathan Englander, breathtaking illustrations by Israeli typographic artist Oded Ezer, and interpretive essays and commentary from some of the brightest Jewish literary and intellectual voices today. Join us as we host Jonathan and Nathan for a presentation of this new/old book. Co-sponsored by Hazon and the 92nd Street Y. Registration encouraged at www.bj.org.

• Aliyah for Holocaust Survivors and Their Families

Saturday, April 14, at Shabbat morning services, 86th Street Sanctuary: On the Shabbat before Yom HaShoah, BJ invites Holocaust survivors, their families and descendants for a special aliyah that commemorates those who perished, pays tribute to those who survived and marks our commitment to Jewish life into the future.

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PESAH 5772

Pesah, the dramatic reenactment of our people's redemption from slavery in Egypt, starts on the evening of the 15th of Nisan (Friday, April 6). The festival begins with a seder on the first and second nights and concludes on the 22nd of Nisan with the recitation of Yizkor. BJ offers many resources to help you prepare for Pesah, including BJ's famous cookbook and songs to enliven your seder. This year we are also helping members host members at the second night seder. Please see www.bj.org/pesah for more information.

• Sell Your Hametz Online

You can easily sell your hametz again this year, but only until April 3. Just visit www.bj.org/hametz. If you prefer, you may mail, email, or fax the information to us. Contact Monique at mrucker@bj.org or call x234.

• Morning Service, Siyyum, and Se'udat Mitzvah

Friday, April 6, 7:30AM, 88th Street: Following Morning Minyan, all are welcome to join in a siyyum, completion of a tractate of rabbinic literature (Masekhet Nazir), taught by Adam Roffman and Jonah Geffen, BJ Rabbinic Fellows, and Shoshi Rosenbaum, Cantorial Intern, followed by a se'udat mitzvah, a meal accompanying the performance of a mitzvah (here the completion of study). All firstborn in attendance are then permitted to eat and break the Fast of the Firstborn (Ta'anit Bekhorim).

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday, April 6

Shabbat and First Evening of Pesah Service
88th Street 6:30 PM

Saturday, April 7

Shabbat and First Day Service*
86th Street 9:30 AM

Sunday, April 8

Second Day Service*
88th Street 9:30 AM

Monday, April 9–Thursday, April 12

Hol Hamo'ed Pesah
88th Street 7:30 AM

Thursday, April 12

Seventh Evening Service
88th Street 7:00 PM

**Children's Services begin at 10:45 AM each morning.*

Friday, April 13

Seventh Day Service*
88th Street 9:30 AM

Shabbat and Eighth Evening of Pesah

Service
88th Street 7:00 PM

Saturday, April 14

Shabbat and Eighth Day Service* (Yizkor)
86th Street 9:30 AM

• **The Mekusharim Book Swap: Bring a Book/Browse a Book/**

Take a Book

Sunday, April 15, 11:00AM-12:30PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Need to make room on your bookshelves? Won't throw away a good book? Enjoy talking about books? Then come to the book swap. Bring up to three gently used books you loved. Browse around the books others have brought, and take home as many books as you donated. It's a simple, eco-friendly way to replenish your library. No textbooks, please. There will be refreshments, of course, and a prize. Mekusharim welcomes members of all ages to exchange books and ideas.

• **Yom HaShoah Commemoration**

Wednesday, April 18, 6:45PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Following services and the "Reading of the Names" we will present "From Generation to Generation: Holocaust Survivor Voices through the Generations," a conversation among panelists Dr. Eva Fogelman, Elenor Radzivilover, Caroline Benveniste, and Adam Fogelman Chanes and the audience about the psychological impact of a family history embedded in the near-destruction of European Jewry and how they channel their feelings into creative outlets. Elenor and Caroline will discuss writing and speaking publicly about their experiences during the Eileh Ezkerah portion of the Yom Kippur service this past October. David Weise will perform the world-premiere of his original songs inspired by his grandparents' experience during the Shoah.

• **Yom HaShoah All-Night Vigil**

Wednesday, April 18, 10:00PM: The all-night vigil of The Reading and Hearing of the Names will be held at Congregation Habonim, 44 West 66 St., from 10:00PM to 7:30AM, with the BJ Reading slot at 7:00AM. The Reading will then continue at the JCC, 76th and Amsterdam from 7:30AM to 6:00PM.

• **The 10th Annual Women's Retreat:**

Ani Tfilati L'kha: I am My Prayer for You—The Offering of Prayer Friday, April 27-Sunday, April 29, Block and Hexter Vacation Center, Poyntelle, PA: Registration is open! We will be hosting a delegation of Israeli women from our partner community Nigun Halev led by our former MTM Fellow, Rabbi Chen Ben Or Tsfonti. Together we will explore Ani Tfilati L'kha: I Am My Prayer for You—The Offering of Prayer. Registration is required at www.bj.org.

• **Save the Date: BJ Community Retreat**

Friday, June 8-Sunday, June 10, Block and Hexter Vacation Center, Poyntelle, PA: More details to follow shortly. Contact Amanda at aschanfield@bj.org for more information.

• **Capturing Our Stories Oral History Project**

Ongoing, flexible dates and times: All of our lives are full of important moments and events, creating a mosaic of fascinating stories. A team of BJ members is interested in capturing your story. Everyone has an interesting narrative and the Capturing Our Stories team is recording these vignettes on video. If you would like to be interviewed or to join our team of interviewers, please be in touch with Belinda Lasky at blasky@bj.org.

CREATING KEHILLAH

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• **BJHS Open House**

Monday, April 16 and Thursday, May 3, 5:00-6:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Thinking about Jewish education for your child for the 2012-2013 school year? Join us to learn more about the B'nai Jeshurun Hebrew School! Meet the Director of Education, Ivy Schreiber, and learn about the Hebrew School's vision and mission. Join us for a tour of the school and see classes in session. Hear about curricular goals and special programs, and meet other parents considering Hebrew School for their children. Please register at www.bj.org for either April 16 or May 3.

• **Jewish Journey Project (JJP) Info Session**

Thursday, April 19, 5:00-6:00PM, 88th Street Sanctuary: Families with children entering fourth and fifth grade in the fall are invited to a special open house to learn more about the Jewish Journey Project at B'nai

Jeshurun. This new, innovative Jewish education experience re-imagines the after school model by enriching the program with participatory experiences, a flexible schedule, choice, and more familial and communal involvement. Come learn more about this pilot program for the 2012-13 school year.

• **B'nai Mitzvah Retreat for 6th Graders**

Friday, May 18-Sunday, May 20, Camp Ramah Nyack: The highlight of the year is just around the corner. Every 6th grader at BJ should plan to attend, and won't want to miss this amazing retreat. Students will participate in exciting programs with others in their grade that bring them closer to becoming b'nai mitzvah while building community with each other. Transportation will be provided. All meals are kosher, and include snacks on Friday through breakfast on Sunday. Register at

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

• **HaPetikha—The Opening: Community Study of the Weekly Parashah**

Jonah Geffen, BJ Rabbinic Fellow

Thursday, April 5, 7:00-8:30PM, BJ Office: How can the eighth day also be the first day? Why did Moshe summon the elders of Israel to be present for the inauguration of the priesthood? These questions have the same answer, and it may surprise you. Rabbi Nahman of Breslev said: "Torah and Prayer strengthen and illuminate one another." Enter into Shabbat at BJ with a deeper sense of the profound depths of wisdom found in the weekly Torah portion. This free class meets every Thursday evening.

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

6 Tuesdays (April 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22), 12:30-1:45PM, BJ Office: top 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: 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.
- **Scent-Free Policy at Services:** In consideration of the many people who have adverse respiratory reactions to the smells of perfume, cologne, and other chemicals, please refrain from wearing perfume or strong cologne to services.
- **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.

YASHER KOAH

Yasher Koah: A column running at the end of each month highlighting a BJ member's recent achievement.



Yasher Koah Judith Felsenfeld!

We are proud to honor Judith Felsenfeld, a longtime BJ member who has been a welcoming face to BJ members for over eight years.

When new members join BJ and attend the New Member Orientation Program (NMOP) they are welcomed into members' homes and greeted by a warm and friendly host. Judith is one of these special

few. She and her husband Carl began coming to BJ after 9/11, and since then they have been active members of the community. Many new members remember their NMOP fondly and remarked that Judith was gracious, warm, and made them feel welcome not only in her physical home, but in their new spiritual home as well. Judith volunteers for the Judith Bernstein Lunch Program and the BJ/SPSA Homeless Shelter. She is also active in Panim el Panim's Domestic Workers' Rights hevra and the Aging in New York hevra.

We are so grateful to Judith and all of our NMOP hosts for being a welcoming face for new BJ members for so long. Thanks to her, many new members go on to become involved and active in the BJ community in immeasurable ways. Yasher Koah Judith!

If you know a BJ member who deserves a yasher koah, email Sue Daniels at bd4fan@gmail.com.

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www.bj.org by May 3, cost is \$250. Discount is \$200 for those who register by April 5. Please contact Kristen Kersey at kkersey@bj.org with any questions.

• Teen Retreat

Friday, May 18-Saturday, May 19, Camp Ramah Nyack: This retreat is a highlight of the teen program, giving teens the opportunity to step back from their hectic schedules and spend Shabbat together away from home. Teens will participate in engaging programs and have an opportunity to relax with friends. Transportation will be provided. Register at www.bj.org by May 3, cost is \$250. Discount is \$200 if you register by April 5. Contact Shoshi at srosenbaum@bj.org with questions.

HAVUROT

• 40+ Havurah Second Night Pesah Seder

Saturday, April 7, 6:00PM, location given upon R.S.V.P.: Enjoy food, music, friends, and a seder. The 40+ Havurah is a group of men and women, single and married, established to promote the sharing of friendship, social activities, spirituality and Jewish religious events. Space is limited. R.S.V.P. to Rose Bell at rose135ny@aol.com. Cost: \$45.

• Yom Ha'atzmaut Party with the Raak Be'Ivrit Havurah

Sunday, April 22, 5:00PM, 225 West 83rd Street: Join the Raak Be'Ivrit (only in Hebrew) havurah for a Hagigat Yom Ha'atzmaut party. While the party is open to anyone who registers in advance and contributes \$20 to cover costs, the event is oriented towards Hebrew speakers—the songs, the chit-chat, the schmoozing. R.S.V.P. to Yosefa Galchen at yosefa@galchen.com.

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