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SHOFTIM

TORAH: ANNUAL Deuteronomy 16:18 - 21:9

TRIENNIAL Deuteronomy 18:6 - 19:13

1: 18:6 - 18:8

2: 18:9 - 18:13

3: 18:14 - 18:17

4: 18:18 - 18:22

5: 19:1 - 19:7

6: 19:8 - 19:10

7: 19:11 - 19:13

Maftir: 19:11 - 19:13

HAFTARAH Isaiah 51:12 - 52:12

NEXT WEEK: **KI TETZE**

TORAH: ANNUAL Deuteronomy 21:10 - 25:19

TRIENNIAL Deuteronomy 23:8 - 24:13

HAFTARAH Isaiah 54:1 - 55:5

August 24-31, 2012

6-13 Elul, 5772

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24

Kabbalat Shabbat Service

7:00 PM – 88th St. Sanctuary

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

Shabbat Morning Services

9:30 AM – 88th St. Sanctuary

Children's Services

10:45 AM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

Morning Services

9:30 AM – 88th St.

Tze'irim Serving Sunday Lunch

12:00 PM – Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty (SEE P.2)

MONDAY, AUGUST 27

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

Aliyat Hatan veKallah

Daniel Landau and Arielle Densen

Judith Bernstein Lunch Program

12:00 PM – 88th St. Frankel Hall

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

Morning Minyan

7:30 AM – 88th St.

• Membership and High Holy Day Information

Please join us as a BJ member. New and renewing membership applications are available online at www.bj.org. You'll also find High Holy Day information for 2012. Entrance cards are being mailed throughout August. Contact Lisa Friedman at lfriedman@bj.org for more information.



SOCIAL ACTION/SOCIAL JUSTICE OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK

• Mitzvah in Your Sleep: Become a Shelter Sleepover Volunteer

Any evening, Sunday through Thursday,

9:00PM-7:00AM, 86th Street Social Hall or 88th

Street: We are looking to add new sleepover volunteers to our shelter roster. This is a great opportunity to fulfill the mitzvah of providing hospitality with dignity, all while sleeping through the night. It's easy to sign up for once a month or even once every other month. We would love to add you to the rotation! To volunteer or learn more, please contact Larissa Wohl at lwohl@bj.org or call x272.



FALL SERVICE SCHEDULE

Shabbat Morning Services: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION! Beginning **Saturday, September 8**, Shabbat morning services will start at 9:30AM at 86th Street. Children's services will start at 10:45AM at the 86th Street Chapel and Parlor.

SHABBAT ELUL DAY 7: Stay Mindful and Reflective

The work of Teshuvah is a daily practice. Today we have made it through one week of Elul. Reflect back on this past week, how have you changed if at all? Were there moments that worked? Moments that did not?

You have made it this far, the work is difficult but doable. You have been blessed by the Holy Blessed One with unlimited potential for growth and regeneration. We are on this journey together, all of us.

Be proud of all you have accomplished, and resolved to grow even more. Keep at it!

—Inspiration from: *Reclaiming the Self: On the Pathway to Teshuvah*, by Rabbi Dov Ber Pinson.

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 YENAHM

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

- Joy Sardinsky on the death of her father, Sol Sardinsky.
- Helen Rubinstein on the death of her brother, Michael Rubinstein.
- Connie and Steven Robinson on the death of Connie's brother, Ken Kaiserman.

MAZAL TOV

To the following members and their families:

- David, Marian and Caroline Landau on the upcoming wedding of their son and brother, Brian Daniel, to Arielle Densen.
- David and Julie Schwartz on the birth of their granddaughter, Elinor Mae Schwartz-Noar.

B'RUKHIM HABA-IM

- Rabbi Celia Surget and youth group, Radlett and Bushey Reform Synagogue, North London, England.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

• Tea and Topics

Tuesday, September 4, 2:00-3:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Join Mekusharim for our next Tea & Topics—an event in which BJ members share their special talents and accomplishments. BJ member Anne Millman will speak on "One Life—Three Careers," her evolution from teacher to professional writer to union activist. Enjoy an afternoon sharing the experiences of your extraordinary Mekusharim peers. Tea and pastry will be served. R.S.V.P. to Belinda Lasky at blasky@bj.org by Monday, September 3.

• Shabbat Afternoon Picnic in the Park with 35-55s

Saturday, September 8, 1:00-3:00PM, Central Park, southwest corner of the Great Lawn behind Ballfield #1: Don't you love to picnic with friends? If you're approximately 35-55, come meet new people for an afternoon in the park. Bring blankets and a kosher vegetarian snack or drinks to share. R.S.V.P. to ytbn.rsvp@gmail.com by September 6.

• Be Inspired—Context

Sunday, September 9, 10:30AM, Jewish Theological Seminary, 3080 Broadway: Immerse yourself in Jewish history, thought and major texts of the ancient, medieval, and modern periods. Develop a sophisticated understanding of Jewish civilization and your own place on the Jewish continuum. *Context* offers in-depth Jewish study over two years on Tuesday nights at 7:30PM. To learn more, attend this free information session, visit www.jtsa.edu/context, or call 212-870-5850.

• New Member Potluck Dinner in the Sukkah

Wednesday, October 3, 6:30-8:00PM, 86th Street Sukkah: Join other new members to celebrate this harvest festival with dinner in our very own BJ

Sukkah. Bring a dairy vegetarian potluck dish to share. R.S.V.P. to Lisa at lfriedman@bj.org.

• New Member Shabbat Dinner

Friday, October 26, following the 6:30PM service, 88th Street: If you are a new member, experience the joy and warmth of Shabbat with us at BJ! Meet other new members who will later join you at the New Member Orientation Program R.S.V.P. to Lisa at lfriedman@bj.org.

• Join Rabbi Roly Matalon on a Study Visit to Israel

November 11-17: Learn about interesting developments in the area of prayer and spirituality: traditional, liberal, Ashkenazic and Sephardic. Study text with wonderful teachers, meet the leaders of our partner communities, attend the rabbinic ordination at Hebrew Union College of Esteban Gottfried, co-founder and spiritual leader of Tel Aviv's Beit Tefillah Israeli (BTI), and celebrate Shabbat with BTI. Cost per person: \$2,000/double \$2,850/single occupancy. This includes lodging, breakfast, Shabbat meals, study sessions and materials, and transportation from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv. Airfare, other meals and in-city transportation are not included. To reserve one of 20 spaces on the trip, contact Monique Rucker at mrucker@bj.org.

• Do you know how to work a video camera?

Ongoing, flexible dates and times: The Capturing Our Stories team is recording the personal narratives of BJ members on video. We are in need of volunteers of all ages who are comfortable using a home video camera to partner with the interviewers. If this describes you, please be in touch with Belinda Lasky at blasky@bj.org.

CREATING KEHILLAH

YOUTH AND FAMILY EDUCATION

• Bim Bam Fall Sessions

Friday, September 28-December 21, 9:15-10:00AM, 10:15-11:00AM, 11:15AM-12:00PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Bim Bam is a pre-Shabbat class for children 3 and under to sing Hebrew and Shabbat related songs and enjoy Jewish learning activities. Every class ends with lighting Shabbat candles, kiddush and hamotzi. Register online at www.bj.org for the 9:15 class (ages 18 months-3 years), 10:15 class (18 months and under), or 11:15 class (all ages). Space is limited. Cost is \$180/members and \$250/non-members per family. Contact Kristen Kersey at kkersey@bj.org with questions. Note: Class will not meet November 23.

TZE'IRIM: 20s/30s

• Serving Sunday Lunch and Socializing with Seniors

Sunday, August 26, 12:00-2:30PM, Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty: Join Tze'irim as we make an inter-generational impact socializing and

serving kosher lunch to low-income seniors. This is a great way to serve the community and have fun with your peers. After the event, we can nosh together. R.S.V.P. to the SA/SJ committee at tz.bnaijeshurun@gmail.com by Thursday, August 23.

EVENTS OF INTEREST

• Hebraic Teachings of Universal Spirit

Saturday, August 25, 6:00PM, Central Park near pond; use 101st Street entrance off Central Park West: Join Rabbi Ohad Ezrahi and Dawn Ezrahi, founders of Neviah, the Hebraic Academy of Universal Spirit in Tel Aviv, for a special evening of teaching, meditation in nature, movement, and a potluck dinner that will conclude with a powerful havdalah ceremony. Suggested donation of \$20 but no one will be turned away. R.S.V.P. to Felice Winograd Holt at staceyfelice@gmail.com or to 917-697-3707.

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• Selihot—Why Don't People Ever Seem to Change? (and How We Can)

Saturday, September 8, teaching at 9:00PM followed by coffee hour at 10:30PM and the Selihot service at 11:00PM, 88th Street: The teaching will be facilitated by Rabbi Shai Held, Co-Founder and Chair in Jewish Thought at Mechon Hadar. Contemporary culture gives us many mixed messages. On the one hand, we're told that free will is an illusion; on the other hand, we're told that we're so malleable even our brains are "plastic." A mature spirituality recognizes that it's extremely hard to change who we are and that we're nevertheless obligated to work on doing just that. With the help of Jewish sources in conversation with contemporary psychology, we'll explore both obstacles and opportunities personal growth.

• New Member Brunch Discussing the Ins and Outs of High Holy Days at BJ

Sunday, September 9, 11:00AM-12:30PM, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Rotating rabbis? Lots of locations? If you are a new member, find out what you can expect from High Holy Days at BJ. Prepare yourself for an exciting introduction to the community! Bring your High Holy Day entrance cards and your questions. R.S.V.P. to Lisa Friedman at lfriedman@bj.org.

• Community Break Fast

Wednesday, September 26, following Ne'ilah, 88th Street Frankel Hall: We are delighted to offer a delicious meal to break the fast with the community following Yom Kippur services. Cost: \$13/child; \$23/member; \$33/non-member. Register at www.bj.org by Friday, September 21.

• New Member Yom Kippur Break Fast

Wednesday, September 26, following Ne'ilah, 88th Street Frankel Hall: Looking for somewhere to break the fast after Yom Kippur? Look no further! A special table will be reserved just for new members. Register at www.bj.org by Friday, September 21.

• Break the Fast After Yom Kippur for 35-55s

Wednesday, September 26, following Ne'ilah, 88th Street Frankel Hall: If you're looking to connect with people in the 35-55 group after Yom

Kippur, join us at the Community Break Fast. A table will be reserved for this group following Yom Kippur services. Cost: \$23/member; \$33/non-member. Register at www.bj.org by Friday, September 21.

• Tekiyah! Daily Reflections for Elul

Each morning in Elul, the shofar's call reminds us not only of the approach of the Yamim Nora'im, but also evokes within us a sense of urgency for the spiritual work necessary for teshuvah, a return to our better selves. To provide us with guidance, focus, and intention in this often challenging process, service leaders each morning at minyan, when the shofar is sounded, and on Friday night will offer a specific kavannah, or reflection, throughout the month. Reflections will also be posted daily at www.bj.org.

• Listen to the High Holy Days at BJ

Did you know that you can listen to the haunting, inspiring, and beloved liturgy of the High Holy Days at BJ at home..or anywhere else you like? What a wonderful way to prepare for the holidays. BJ's rabbis, hazzan, and musicians play and chant the prayers from Zokhrene LeHayim to Avinu Malkenu. Stream the music at www.bj.org/tekiyahcd or follow the link from there to purchase the CD.

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

• Preparation for Yamim Nora'im 2012

BJ Rabbinic Fellows Adam Roffman and Jonah Geffen

2 Wednesdays (September 5 and 12), 7:00-8:30PM, 88th St. Frankel Hall: During the Yamim Nora'im the Jewish people conduct a "heshbon hanefesh/accounting of the soul." This is a difficult task, but the expectations of our tradition are accompanied by wisdom and practices that guide and inspire us to meet this challenge. Accordingly, Elul is set aside as a period of prayer and introspection that inspires the High Holy Days to come. Together we can establish the pathways to the soul that make the Yamim Nora'im a time of great depth and transformation. Register at www.bj.org.

Ana Bekhoah

Ana bekhoah gedulat yeminkha tatir tzerura
Kabel rinat amekha sagevenu taharenu nora
Na gibor dorshei yehudkha kevatat shomrem
Barkhem taharem rahamei tzidkatkha tamid gomlem
Hasin kadosh berov tuvekha nahel adatekha
Yahid ge-e le'amekha pene zokhrei kedushatekha
Shav'atenu kabel ushma tza'akatenu yode'a ta'alumot

Barukh shem kevod malkhuto le'olam va'ed

אָנָא בְּכַח גְּדוּלַת יְמִינְךָ תַּתִּיר צְרוּרָה.
קַבֵּל רִנַּת עַמְּךָ, שְׂגָבְנוּ טְהַרְנוּ נוֹרָא.
נָא גִבּוֹר, דּוֹרְשֵׁי יְחוּדְךָ, כְּבַבְתָּ שְׂמַרְם.
בְּרַכֶּם טְהַרְם רַחֲמֵי צְדָקָתְךָ תַּמִּיד גְּמִלִים.
חֲסִין קְדוּשׁ בְּרוּב טוֹבְךָ נִהַל עֲדָתְךָ.
יְחִיד גָּאֵה לְעַמְּךָ פְּנֵה זֹכְרֵי קִדְשֵׁיךָ.
שׁוּעֵתֵנוּ קַבֵּל וּשְׁמַע צַעֲקָתֵנוּ יוֹדֵעַ תַּעֲלוּמוֹת.
בְּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֵד.

Please, with Power
Please, with the power of Your great right hand
free the bound.
Accept the song of Your people, empower us,
make us pure, Awesome One!
Please, Mighty One, the seekers of Your unity,
watch them like the pupil of an eye.
Bless them, make them pure,
have mercy on them; Your justness

bestow upon them always.
Tremendous Holy One, in Your abundant
goodness lead Your community.
Unique One, Exalted One, face Your people
who remember Your holiness.
Accept our prayer, hear our cry,
Knower of secrets.
Blessed is the name
of the Glory of the Kingdom

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 Lisa Friedman, Membership Associate, at x250 or lfriedman@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. **Please join us to hear the shofar each morning during the month of Elul.**

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SELIHOT

Saturday, September 8

88th Street:

Study 9:00 PM
Coffee Hour 10:30 PM
Service 11:00 PM

ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, September 16

First Evening

Services, 88th St., 86th St. SPSA* 6:30 PM

Monday, September 17

First Day

Services, 88th St., 86th St. SPSA, JALC* 9:00 AM
Children's Services (Ages 0-6),
86th St. SPSA Chapel, JALC, SymSp* 10:30 AM
Family Service (Ages 7-12), SymSp 10:30 AM
Study, 88th St. 5:00 PM
Tashlikh, Riverside Park 6:00 PM

Monday, September 17

Second Evening

Service, 88th St. 7:15 PM

Tuesday, September 18

Second Day

Services, 86th St. SPSA, 88th St. * 9:00 AM
Children's Services (Ages 0-6), 86th St. SPSA Chapel 10:30 AM
Junior Congregation (Ages 7-12), 88th St. Frankel Hall 10:30 AM

SHABBAT SHUVAH

Friday, September 21

Kabbalat Shabbat, 88th St. 7:00 PM

Saturday, September 22

Services, 86th St. SPSA 9:30 AM
Children's Services, 86th St SPSA Chapel 10:45 AM

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, September 25

Kol Nidre

Services, 88th St., 86th St. SPSA, JALC* 6:15 PM
Family Service, SymSp 6:15 PM

Wednesday, September 25

Services, 88th St., 86th St. SPSA, JALC* 9:00 AM
Children's Services (Ages 0-6),
86th St. SPSA Chapel, JALC, SymSp 10:30 AM
Family Service (Ages 7-12), SymSp 10:30 AM
Minḥa & Ne'ilah Services, 88th St., 86th St. SPSA, JALC 4:45 PM
Children's processions, 88th St., 86th St. SPSA, JALC 7:10 PM
Teki'at Shofar & Havdalah, 88th St., 86th St. SPSA, JALC 7:27 PM

• **88th Street** services are at the B'nai Jeshurun Synagogue, 257 W. 88th Street between Broadway and West End Avenue.

• **86th Street (SPSA)** services are at the Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew, 86th Street and West End Avenue.

• **Jazz at Lincoln Center (JALC)** services are at Frederick P. Rose Hall, Broadway at 60th Street.

• **Symphony Space (SymSp)** services are at 2537 Broadway at 95th Street.

* Based on pre-assigned location for services

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